



# Foundation Focus

'giving back to your community'

Spring 2006



EMH honored the Medical Staff and spouses with a special Luncheon and gift of a rolling picnic cooler with EMH logo on the side. Pictured (L-R) are Hospital CFO Larry Magers, Medical Chief of Staff Dr. Rudy Celis and Foundation Chairman Bill Lester.

## Doctors' Day raises \$3,600 for Foundation

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation received over \$3,600 in honoraria and memorials for members of the EMH Medical Staff on National Doctors' Day, March 30.

The Foundation took this time to provide a letter to all Doctors letting them know of persons who had made recent donations to the Foundation in their honor.

EMHF Executive Director Nancy Seymour said, "Many people want to show how much they appreciate his or her Doctor caring for them and their health. Honoraria are a wonderful way to let your doctor know just how much you appreciated their extra special care. The amount of the donation was kept private, and many persons chose to include personal notes as well."

All proceeds raised during Doctors' Day honoraria will go toward renovations in the Emergency and Outpatient Services at EMH.

## Endowments doubled in past year

The third annual *Founders' Society* Reception of the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation was held April 18 at the home of Sydonna Rutherford. It was another historic moment in the Foundation's history as Chairman Bill Lester, Hospital CEO Mark LeNeave, State Senator Jim Whitehead and Foundation Board member Bob Lee remarked on the tremendous success of the past year.

"I wish to express my appreciation to the Foundation Board and our generous contributors and energetic volunteers who have made 2005-06 our best year ever," Lester said.

"In just one year, the total amount contributed to all our endowments has doubled, and we have added 15 new members to the *Founders' Society*," Lee reported. The *Founders' Society* membership now stands at 129, and almost \$630,000 in cash and pledges has been raised.

The six new endowments created during the past year include the following:

**Emily and Cliff Adams Endowment**, for the general operating needs of EMH.

**Dr. Rudy and Leslie Celis Endowment**, for carrying out the mission of EMH.

**Robert Middleton Heard and Peggy Price Heard Endowment**, established from the proceeds of the first donation of land. The sale of the 53.195 acres resulted in the largest single gift ever made to the Foundation, \$121,000.

**L. Jackson McConnell Sr. and Patricia McConnell Endowment**, to support the mission of EMH.

**Willie Simmons Family Endowment**, to serve the quality health care needs of EMH.

**Robert L. and Betty B. Williford Endowment**. In 2004, Betty Williford created one of the first endowments in memory of her husband Robert. Last August, Betty passed away. In her will, she had made a gift of \$100,000, the largest gift made in a bequest to the Foundation.



Fifteen new members were invested into the Founders' Society.



Foundation Chairman Bill Lester thanks Peggy Heard for the Robert Middleton Heard and Peggy Price Heard Endowment.



Nancy Williford Stangle is thanked by Chairman Lester for the Robert L. and Betty Williford Endowment.

Invested as new members of the *Founders' Society* at the reception were **James A. Adams and Melanie Adkins; John and Rosemary Bailey**, in memory of Gertrude and John Harris Bailey Sr.; **Lynn and Ronnie Blackmon; Betsy Caldwell; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cann; Mrs. Bernita Y. Childs**, in memory of R. Otis Childs Jr.; **Diane and Phillip Fannin; Virgil and Harveda Moon; Pam Williford Perlick; Mae and Bucky Plyler; Sydonna L. Rutherford; Mr. and Mrs. Bart Smith; Nancy Williford Stangle; Senator and Mrs. Jim Whitehead; and Kenneth and Ann Winn.**

## Mark your calendars!

The 8th Annual EMH Foundation Golf Classic will be held Friday, October 6, at Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course, Richard B. Russell State Park. The 7th Annual EMH Foundation Charity Gala will be Saturday, November 4, at the Elberton Country Club.

## Founders' Society - Membership

Individuals interested in becoming members of the **Founders' Society** of Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation understand that they are making "everlasting gifts" in support of the *Mission* of the Foundation.

To enroll in the **Founders' Society** you may use the following contribution pledge form and choose any one or all of the following options:



I/We choose one or more of the following options:

\_\_\_\_ I/We have included Elbert Hospital Memorial Foundation in our **Will**. A letter to the Foundation or a copy of the codicil naming EMHF is requested for recognition as a **Founders' Society** member. (\$1,000 minimum.)

\_\_\_\_ I/We wish to create our own or family **Endowment** with a gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A gift of \$10,000 or more may be pledged over (5) years. If you plan to use stock to fund your endowment please discuss with Foundation Staff before taking such action.

\_\_\_\_ I/We wish to invest in a **Charitable Gift Annuity** with a gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_. (Foundation Staff will prepare a proposal defining the interest you will receive and the amount of your tax deduction). Again, if you plan to use appreciated stock to fund your Charitable Gift Annuity, please discuss with Staff before taking any action.

\_\_\_\_ I/We wish to contribute \$1,000 or more to the **Founders' Endowment**. Enclosed with this contribution/pledge form is our gift of \$1,000. Or we wish to pay \$\_\_\_\_\_ now and the balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print your name & telephone number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Your signature & date please)

Please mail your completed contribution/pledge form to:  
Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation, 4 Medical Drive,  
Elberton, Ga. 30635.



## Art Auction most successful ever

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation held its 7th Annual Art Auction on February 25 at the Elberton Country Club. Conducted by Marlin Art, this was the most successful Art Auction ever for the Foundation, with more than \$45,000 in sales. The Foundation's profit of \$12,000 will go toward renovations in the Hospital's Emergency and Outpatient Services. Thanks to everyone who participated in this year's Art Auction!

## Shop at BI-LO, help the Foundation

Help support the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation every time you shop at BI-LO and use your BonusCard! Simply sign up by obtaining an enrollment scan card from the EMH Foundation office and giving the card to the cashier the next time you shop at BI-LO.



You will be charged \$1 to enroll. That \$1 plus a 50-cent match from BI-LO will come back to the Foundation. After that, every time you shop at BI-LO with your BonusCard, you will help the Foundation earn money. One percent of your purchases will be donated to the Foundation.

Sign up for this program, and your BonusCard does all the work. It's that easy! To obtain an enrollment card, call the EMH Foundation office at 706-213-2558.



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