



# Foundation Focus

'giving back to your community'

Spring 2005

## Foundation announces largest gift

In January, Janet Wiley, Planned Giving Committee Chair of the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation, announced the establishment of the Frank Coggins Jr. Endowment in the amount of \$100,000.

In making this donation, Mr. Coggins said, "I became a member of the *Founders' Society* in 2004 and I am making an everlasting gift now, through the creation of an Endowment. I know that long after I'm gone, the Frank Coggins Jr. Endowment will continue to support the health care needs of the Elberton community."

Foundation Chair Bob Lee said, "The Foundation recognizes and appreciates Mr. Coggins' visionary efforts in ensuring health care for the next generation of Elbert County residents. This generous gift is significant not only because of its size, but also because of the great visibility it brings to the Foundation and our recent efforts to create and promote our Endowment program. We feel that his \$100,000 donation will serve as a 'cornerstone' gift that can focus further philanthropic efforts in our community."

Mrs. Wiley added, "The Endowment program began in the Fall of 2003, and in just over a year's time, we have established the *Founders' Endowment* and six other named endowments."

## Founders' Society grows

The *Founders' Society* now has 114 members and \$316,000 in cash and pledges. Members who joined since the Winter issue of *Foundation Focus* are: Dr. and Mrs. Arnall Patz

In memory of Louis and Florette Patz  
Sid and Marie Adams  
Tom and Jane Dedek  
Rufus and Frances Juanita Burden  
Tena's Jewelry & Gifts  
Mrs. Agnes Ray  
Jack and Jane Norman  
Woodson Florist and Vintages  
Donna Wilhite

## Celebrating 'a marvelous beginning'

Members of the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation gathered at the historic home of Jerri Rucker to celebrate and congratulate the charter members of the *Founders' Society* and to invest the new members who have joined since April 2004. Bob Lee, Foundation Chair, served as Master of Ceremonies for the celebration event.

Hospital Administrator, Mark LeNeave expressed his appreciation to all those who have contributed to the *Founders' Endowment* and commended those individuals who created their own endowments. He recognized the Mr. & Mrs. Abdul Jalil Endowment; the Robert L. Williford Endowment; the William D. & Dorothy H. Fortson Endowment; the Magnolia Estates Endowment, the John J. & Clara R. McLanahan & Clarence R. & Dorothy D. McLanahan Endowment and the newest endowment, the Frank Coggins Jr. Endowment. Mr. LeNeave encouraged others to consider their own endowments with the knowledge that these *Everlasting Gifts* will help to ensure the future of quality health care in our community.

"I am so proud of this community, its Medical Staff, employees of the Hospital, the members of the Hospital Authority and the Foundation who have given so generously and have become members of the *Founders' Society*," said authority member Galen Mills.

Janet Wiley, Foundation Vice Chair and Planned Gifts Committee Chair, said, "We are grateful to the 114 members of the *Society* and for the \$316,000 in cash and pledges they have contributed. This is a



Fifty-three new members of the Elbert Memorial Hospital *Founders' Society* were invested during the second annual *Founders' Society* Reception on April 19 at "Cedar Lane," the home of Jerri Rucker.

marvelous beginning, and we hope that the third anniversary of the society will recognize 100 new members and that we will have exceeded a half million in *Everlasting Gifts*. And I'm confident that someday we'll see a gift of one million dollars or more. All it takes is a benevolent person, who believes in the Mission of the Hospital. It could be a gift of a home, a farm, or part of an estate. It may come from one of the people attending this second annual reception of the *Founders' Society*."

Mr. Lee thanked members of the committee and hostess Jerri Rucker and invited everyone to next year's celebration.

## One year later, it's still a really good deal

"In the Summer 2004 edition of *Foundation Focus*, Jean and I explained why we chose to make our gift to Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation by investing in a *Charitable Gift Annuity*," says Clyde Adams.

If you would take a moment to look at the **Charitable Gift Annuity Interest Rate Chart**, you will note that a person aged 75 receives a 7.1 percent return. (This is for a single-life annuity; it would be slightly less for a couple.) You would also receive a **charitable gift deduction**, and if you fund your gift with appreciated securities or real estate, you will avoid part of the capital gain.

"Jean and I encourage you to contact Randy Kohl or Nancy Seymour for a *no-obligation, confidential* presentation of a **Charitable Gift Annuity**. With such a gift you can benefit Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation and yourself for the rest of your life."

### SINGLE-LIFE CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY RATES\*

Age	Interest	Age	Interest
60	5.7%	66	6.0%
61	5.8%	67	6.2%
62	5.9%	80	8.0%
63	5.9%	85	9.5%
64	6.0%	87	10.2%
65	6.0%	90+	11.3%

\*Note these are the present recommended rates for a Single Life CGA. Minimum charitable gift investment is \$5,000.

## 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 that effect (or a copy of the codicil initiating such action) is included.

\_\_\_\_ 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 2006.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(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.



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## Doctors join Founders' Society

Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation Chair Bob Lee says, "We are truly blessed at Elbert Memorial Hospital to have our health care needs met by a qualified and truly dedicated Medical Staff. Not only do they care for us when we're sick, but they also give countless hours of their time to ensure the quality of health care at Elbert Memorial Hospital. Now, in what I would term **beyond the call of duty**, several of our Doctors have become members of the *Founders' Society*. Please join me in extending our appreciation to these new members of the *Society*."

In the top photo, Chairman Lee (center) expresses thanks to Dr. Larry R. Hart (left) and Dr. Rudy Celis. In the bottom photo, Chairman Lee thanks Dr. & Mrs. Dan McAvoy (seated) and Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Poon. Other *Founders' Society* members from the Medical Staff (not pictured) are Drs. Zeb and Lenette Burrell, Drs. Eugene and Heidi Rodillo and Dr. Thomas Crocker, Piedmont Pathology Associates.



## Poker run – by land and sea!

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation will sponsor a Poker Run by Land and Sea on Saturday, June 25, at Lake Richard B. Russell. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at Beaverdam Marina and Clifford's Restaurant.

Cruise Elbert County roads by motorcycle or car or the waters of Lake Russell by boat for the best poker hand. The best poker hand by land wins \$1,000, as does the best poker hand by sea.

Registration fee for a poker hand is \$25, with the first bike or boat out at 9 a.m. and the last bike or boat in at 12:30 p.m. Register early online at [www.emhcare.net](http://www.emhcare.net), and receive a T-shirt.

Bike and boat dealers will be on site. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be available at Clifford's, and the Dirk Howell Band will play live beach music from noon to 3 p.m.

For more information, call the Foundation office at 706-213-2558.

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June 25 at Lake Russell - Call 213-2558

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