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New Wind Sculpture Honors the Late Dr. Marvin C. Cohen



Dr. Marvin C. Cohen

Retired general surgeon Marvin C. Cohen, MD, died Aug. 11, 2016. His friends, family and coworkers came together to purchase a Lyman Whitaker wind sculpture, titled “Double Helix Sail,” in his memory. To commemorate its placement in the rose garden at the front entrance of Cass Regional, a dedication ceremony was held on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

Foundation board member and hospital chaplain Fred Kidd led the attendees in a prayer, and then each person placed a white tulip bulb to be planted at the base of the sculpture. Inside, the conference room was decorated with photos from Dr. Cohen’s life and a few pieces of his most beloved memorabilia. After a short program, guests enjoyed Dr. Cohen’s favorite refreshments, including Coca-Cola and M&M’s.

To learn more about how you can honor or memorialize a loved one with the purchase of a wind sculpture, please contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



Friends, family and coworkers gather to celebrate Dr. Cohen’s life.



Foundation Donors Submit Meaningful Messages

As part of the 2016 fund drive, donors were asked to submit personalized holiday messages to be displayed in the Memorial Garden gazebo. Submissions included messages of appreciation for caregivers, memorials for friends and loved ones, and expressions of support for health care in the community.

Cass Regional Foundation sincerely thanks each of you who chose to participate. May the new year be a happy and healthy one for you and your loved ones!



The gazebo provided a beautiful space to display donors' holiday messages.

Foundation to Host a Reboot of the “Boots & Bar-B-Que” Fundraising Dinner

Cass Regional Foundation will once again host the “Boots & Bar-B-Que” fundraising dinner in 2017. You and all of your friends are invited to attend on Saturday, April 29, at Big Iron Town in Pleasant Hill, Missouri.

The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour and silent auction, which will be followed by dinner and a live auction. The fundraising goal for the event is \$60,000.

More information will be forthcoming in the next issue of the “Making A Difference” newsletter. Information is also available at www.cassregional.org and on Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation’s Facebook page.





\$8,500 in Scholarships Awarded in 2016

Through the generosity of donors just like you, six local students have received scholarships to help them achieve their career goals in health care. The Foundation would like to thank all of the scholarship donors and congratulate the recipients of these prestigious awards.

Alma Brown Scholarship

The Alma Brown Scholarship was established in 2013 with a bequest from Alma Brown of Harrisonville. This \$1,000 scholarship is offered once a year and was awarded to Jodi Rhodes of Cleveland, Mo. Jodi is attending Missouri Western State University to pursue a career in nursing.

Wanda Brown Scholarship

The Wanda Brown Scholarship was established in 1999 with a gift from Wanda A. Brown. This \$1,000 annual scholarship was awarded to Kelsey Cumpton of Garden City, Mo. Kelsey is attending the University of Central Missouri to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Elvin S. Douglas, Jr., Scholarship

The Elvin S. Douglas, Jr., Scholarship was established by friends and colleagues to honor Mr. Douglas' 25 years of service to the hospital board. This \$500* scholarship is offered once a year and was awarded to Kimberly Potter of Harrisonville, Mo. Kimberly is attending Northwest Missouri State

University to pursue a bachelor's degree in clinical laboratory science.

Geraldine Kidd Scholarship

The Geraldine Kidd Scholarship was established by colleagues, family and friends in memory of "Gerri" Kidd, who was an LPN for over 20 years at Cass Regional. This \$500* scholarship is offered once a year and was awarded to Kelsey Cumpton, who also received the Wanda Brown Scholarship.

Franceline Parris Scholarship

The Franceline Parris Scholarship was established in 2005 by Franceline Parris, a Harrisonville resident and member of the Cass Regional Auxiliary. This \$1,000 scholarship was awarded to Vera Stanley of Pleasant Hill, Mo. Vera is attending Missouri Western State University to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Jan Perry Scholarship

The Jan Perry Scholarship was established in 2002 by Jan Perry, who was a member of the Cass Regional Auxiliary, and her husband, Wirt. This \$1,500 scholarship is awarded twice a year, but three disbursements were made in 2016.

One disbursement was made to Amber Zuber of Raymore, Mo., who applied for the scholarship in the fall of 2015. Amber is attending Park University to pursue an associate's degree in nursing.

The first Perry Scholarship offered in 2016 was awarded to Jodi Rhodes, who also received the Alma Brown Scholarship.

The second Perry Scholarship of 2016 was awarded to Jamie Spence of Raymore, Mo. Jamie is attending the University of Kansas School of Nursing to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing.

**The scholarship amount varies from year to year and is dependent upon the investment earnings available.*

Scholarships Available in Spring 2017

Beginning March 1, several scholarships will be open for application:

- Alma Brown Scholarship
- Wanda Brown Scholarship
- Elvin S. Douglas, Jr., Scholarship
- Dr. Harold E. Kirsch Memorial Scholarship
- Dr. Gail G. Kroenke Memorial Scholarship
- Jan Perry Scholarship

Log on to www.cass-scholarships.fluidreview.com to determine eligibility and to submit an application. For more information, contact Melissa Lattin, Foundation assistant, at (816) 380-5888, extension 4810, or via email at mlattin@cassregional.org.



How YOU Made a Difference in 2016

Contributions and Other Income

Total: \$151,634.57

Scholarships: \$3,143.00

Employee Assistance Fund: \$12,101.80

Patient Assistance Fund: \$10,642.15

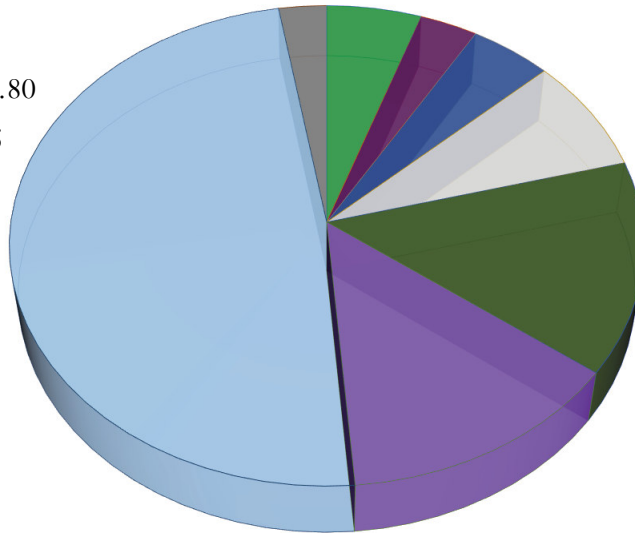
Memorial and Healing Gardens:
\$16,764.03

Area of Greatest Need: \$31,759.04

Facility Improvements/Equipment:
\$48,877.50

Other Income (sales, investments,
etc.): \$28,347.05

*Thank you for your generous
support!*



Expenditures

Total: \$141,479.31

- Scholarships
\$8,500.00 / 6%
- Employee Assistance Fund
\$4,581.63 / 3%
- Patient Assistance Fund
\$6,511.60 / 5%
- Memorial/Healing Gardens
\$10,953.89 / 8%
- Facility Improvements
\$68,787.35 / 48%
- Fundraising Expense
\$19,134.51 / 13%
- Operational Expense
\$20,221.05 / 14%
- Other Charitable Expense
\$2,789.28 / 3%

Upcoming Events

Boots & Bar-B-Que

5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 29

Big Iron Town, Pleasant Hill, Mo.

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*The highest use of capital is
not to make more money but
to make money do more for the
betterment of life.*

~Henry Ford

*“Like” Cass Regional Medical Center
Foundation on Facebook to keep up with the
latest information and upcoming events.*

Our Mission

*The mission of Cass Regional Medical Center
Foundation is to support the medical center in its
quest to provide exceptional quality health care for
the community. The Foundation encourages private
philanthropy to further the vision, values, and goals of
the medical center, especially in community outreach.*



*Cass Regional Medical Center Foundation is an IRS-
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*Please remember Cass Regional Medical Center
Foundation in your will.*



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