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Foothills



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HOSPICE OF THE FOOTHILLS
provides compassionate end-of-life support for
our patients, their families, and the community.

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Hello,

As we begin a new fiscal year (July 1, 2021), I find myself reflecting on the year that has passed. I have been comforted, encouraged and humbled by the outpouring of generosity from our community as we came together to care for the most vulnerable among us.

I was awed by the commitment, creativity and compassion of our Hospice of the Foothills clinical staff as they provided care for our patients and families throughout their personal journeys, while at the same time navigating



Viv Tipton
Executive Director

through power shut-offs, wildfires and a worldwide pandemic. Our team showed tremendous resilience, continuing to meet each patient's unique and varied needs.

Through it all, our values and mission never wavered. We continued providing care to our terminally ill neighbors no matter their personal circumstance, and developing programs that expand access to our services for people who need them.

I am so proud of our dedicated staff, board and volunteers that never shied away from the work and challenges at hand, but instead showed up ready to do whatever was needed.

I am also grateful to all of you for standing with us and supporting us during an incredibly challenging year. Your generosity allows us to provide services from the heart for our patients and families.

We are honored to be your trusted community hospice. With you by our side, our future remains bright.

Viv

To all those who hold this organization in their hearts,

As our business year came to a close, your Board of Directors marveled at the community support we have received through this difficult time. People have been generous with their time and financial support. Everyone worked together to make sure that our patients and their families had what they needed. We are so grateful for the connections



Rev. Karyn Packard
Board President

woven between our organization and the community. A lot has been learned during these challenging times that will improve our organization

in the future. We have learned that "hybrid" meetings work best for some of our community members. This will encourage participation to support our goal of having a truly diverse demographic representation. We say thank you to John Woodford, who has been our Treasurer for six years and we welcome our new Treasurer, Mason Quist. Such dedication on the part of your Board of Directors. This is going to be a powerful year, full of creativity and care. We thank you in advance for your on-going support. We at HOF, both board and staff, pledge to meet each individual patient and family need.

Karyn

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A Life Spanning Two Pandemics



In December, 2017, Jeanne Strohm first met Svenia Daniel, an RN Case Manager with Hospice of the Foothills. Jeanne was a 17 year resident at Eskaton, moving there after her husband, Charlie, died in 2003.

At the time they met, Jeanne had just enlisted the care of HOF at the suggestion of her physician. Jeanne and Svenia quickly became fast friends. Jeanne

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—Richard Strohm

was an impeccably dressed, amiable and distinguished woman. Jeanne would share anecdotes from her early life of raising 3 boys (Richard, Peter and Charles ‘Chip,’ who tragically died in 1997). She had traveled the world, was an active volunteer and esteemed member of this community for over 75 years, and had many interesting stories to share.

After spending a year on hospice, Jeanne’s symptoms were being well managed and her health stabilized. She was doing so well, she ‘graduated’ from needing hospice care, but the friendship between the two continued.

Whenever Svenia would make the trip to Eskaton to check on other patients, she always made the time to visit with Jeanne. During COVID-19, when other visitors were not able to enter the facility safely, Svenia, as a health care provider, was able to provide the human connection Jeanne was missing terribly.



Jeanne Strohm

Jeanne would often say that her life spanned the time between two worldwide pandemics. In 1919, her mother, Claire, contracted the Spanish flu when she was pregnant with Jeanne. Fortunately, she made a full recovery before Jeanne was born.

In January of this year, Jeanne knew she needed the support of Hospice of the Foothills again, and Svenia had the privilege of caring for her dear friend. On March 7, Jeanne’s son, Richard and his wife went for their daily visit and she threw kisses to them saying, “I am so blessed and I am tired.” She was ready to go. The next day, Jeanne’s life journey ended.

When Svenia received the news her eyes welled up as she commented “I feel that I have just lost my best friend, I will remember her forever.”

Indeed, the feelings were mutual. Jeanne’s son Richard shared that “mother thought that Svenia was the greatest person in the world, and that the care provided by Hospice of the Foothills was wonderful.”

Every patient served by HOF is special, but when given the time, beautiful friendships are often made between patient and hospice caregiver.



Moonlight Magic

THANK YOU
to all who
attended our
2020 gala
virtually!

When the COVID-19 shutdown occurred, we made the decision that we would have to hold our Moonlight Magic gala virtually. While not the same as an in-person gala, the love and support we received from our sponsors and virtual attendees was phenomenal! There are no words to express how grateful we are for each of you!

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2020-2021

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513
HOSPICE PATIENTS & THEIR FAMILIES

“You were available day & night – the support given to me by your staff was priceless.”

“I hope you realize what a positive impact you have on families.”

FOOTHILLS PALLIATIVE CARE CLINIC
SERVED **135** PATIENTS

310 VOLUNTEERS GAVE
14,994 HOURS IN 2020

“You became our friends and were the experts we could count on.”

“The level of caring and compassion we received was exceptional.”

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\$467,983 from 1556 donors

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TOTALING **\$526,050**

“Your bereavement group has helped me grieve the loss of my dear husband.”

“I feel very privileged to have known each of you. Your work is so very important.”

GIFT & THRIFT STORES RAISED
\$1,247,061 (gross)



2021 Dame Cicely Saunders Awards

Invoking the name of the founder of the modern hospice movement, the Dame Cicely Saunders Awards recognizes those who reinforce Hospice of the Foothills' mission to provide compassionate end-of-life support for patients, their families, and the community.

Recipients of these awards have consistently demonstrated their commitment to the programs and services of Hospice of the Foothills through significant philanthropic support and service. This year's honorees included Svenia Daniel, RN, BSN, Lori Burkart Frank and John Woodford, CPA and Board of Directors Treasurer.



Dame Cicely Saunders



Pictured from left: Svenia Daniel, Lori Burkart Frank and John Woodford.

Leaving a Legacy

When we reflect about what we leave behind when we are gone, most of us try to live lives that feel meaningful, purposeful and engaged. We want to believe we have made a difference, and that the world is a better place because we were in it. We want to leave a mark that transcends our time on earth.

Leaving a legacy through a planned gift can be one of the most gratifying final acts of a person's life.

We want to express our sincere thanks to those Legacy donors in 2020/21 who have provided for our future sustainability through their gifts.

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If you have already made this provision in your will or trust, we would appreciate knowing your intentions. We want to make sure your charitable goals are satisfied and that your gift is used solely for the purpose intended. We would also value the opportunity to thank you.



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Flowers for Hospice



FRONT COVER – Yoshi Glowaski, the son of Molly Nakahara and Paul Glowaski, owners of Dinner Bell Farm, helping deliver flowers to Hospice of the Foothills for our patients, families and caregivers.

In the fall of 2019, several large containers filled with colorful organic wildflower bouquets were delivered to Hospice of the Foothills with a note that read, “Thank you Hospice! We appreciate the work you do in our community. Please share these bouquets from Dinner Bell Farm. Love Molly & Paul.”

We were delighted by this gesture of kindness, and our patients were overjoyed when their nurse or social worker arrived for their visit with flowers in hand.

Since then, Dinner Bell Farm has delivered numerous seasonal floral bouquets and holiday wreaths to Hospice of the Foothills for our patients and their caregivers. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, when our patients were sequestered from friends and family, receiving a delivery of these lovely flowers was a welcome expression of love and support.

THANK YOU Molly, Paul and everyone at Dinner Bell Farm for the incredible kindness you have shown to the most fragile members of our community.

If you would like to know more about this wonderful program, visit their website at dinnerbellfarm.com/flowersforhospice.