Dear Friends of Summa,

During this unprecedented time in the history of healthcare, philanthropy is more important than ever. In this special issue of Promise magazine, we are pleased to share our Annual Honor Roll of Donors. These generous individuals, foundations and corporations make a difference in the lives of our patients, their families and our community every day. Their heartfelt support strengthens our ability to provide the highest quality, compassionate care as we work to meet the transformational challenges of a new era in healthcare.

Our cover story honors two of these exceptional donors, Ann and David Brennan. Their most recent gift of $6 million will help facilitate our transition to a wellness-focused model of coordinated care. With their total giving to Summa now at more than $10 million, the Brennans have been named the first Visionary Benefactors in the history of our health system.

Since the last Promise, we have experienced growing support for Summa Health events. We are grateful to our volunteer leaders, especially Alyssa and Rob Briggs, Co-Chairs of the 2015 Summa Sapphire Ball. Under their direction, the event achieved record attendance with support from our sponsors and attendees. We are humbled by the community’s support for this event and others.

This year, the Summa Sapphire Ball will take place on October 29, led by 2016 Co-Chairs Kathie and Paul Testa. We appreciate their continuing commitment and leadership. I also thank Patrick O’Neill, Chair of the 2016 Summa Foundation Golf Outing, for his leadership of the June 20 event on the South Course at Firestone Country Club.

In these pages, we celebrate the contributions of our corporate and foundation partners Ritzman Pharmacy, The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation and Barberton Community Foundation. We appreciate their contributions and enduring support for improving the health of our community.

On behalf of our entire health system, thank you for your continuing support during our transformation of care. We are grateful for your remarkable spirit of generosity.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Malone, MD
President and Chief Executive Officer
Summa Health

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These are extraordinary times for healthcare in the United States. Across the country, hospitals and healthcare systems are challenged to provide better, more efficient care. Add to the landscape aging infrastructures and the rapid pace of innovation, and the financial commitment required to deliver the best care possible poses a daunting challenge.

These unprecedented times also offer unprecedented opportunities for our supporters to help fulfill the needs of our community and shape the future of our health system. With dwindling reimbursements resulting in the thinnest of operating margins, the role of philanthropy in making up the difference becomes more important than ever before. From the most advanced equipment and technologies to innovative programs and services, philanthropic investments from our friends and benefactors are helping to enhance patient care and improve patient lives.

WAYS TO GIVE
At Summa Health, the generous philanthropic support of our community strengthens and advances efforts to provide the highest quality, compassionate care and contribute to the health of our community. Gifts of all sizes and types, from individuals, foundations and corporations, support a variety of programs and initiatives that are central to our mission.
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**The Summa Fund**

The Summa Fund is Summa Health’s annual fund, which touches every patient, every day. Gifts to the Summa Fund support Summa’s core mission and go to work immediately. These important funds provide Summa’s leadership with resources to respond to new opportunities and meet pressing needs across the entire health system.

**Designated Opportunities**

In addition to providing general support, donors may designate their gifts to specific clinical programs or health system initiatives that elevate patient care and enhance the healing environment.

**Program and Project**

Gifts to all programs and clinical areas make a difference, whether they are used to provide a free mammogram to an underinsured patient, enhance the special training and education of our nurses and staff, or support clinical research. Donors can designate their support to a specific Summa hospital, institute, clinical program or research initiative.

**Endowment**

Endowment gifts offer lasting financial support to help ensure Summa Health’s success now and in the future. Endowment funds are donor-established investment accounts that provide essential long-term financial support for Summa’s most significant priorities.

An endowment is structured so that the principal gift is kept intact and a portion of the interest income is used each year for the donor’s designated purpose, allowing the gift to make an impact in perpetuity. Endowments provide donors the opportunity to create a personal legacy or honor a loved one or physician in a way that lasts forever.

Endowed chairs are integral to Summa’s efforts to recruit and retain prominent physicians. In 2007, Jim and Vanita Oelschlager provided support for generations to come when they established one of Summa’s first endowed chairs. The Jim and Vanita Oelschlager Chair in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health provides distinguished physicians like Joseph D. Varley, MD, the current chair holder, with resources to achieve ambitious goals and pursue new ideas in patient care.

Other endowed positions at Summa include:

- **The Vincent and Nancy DiGirolamo Endowed Chair in Oncology**, held by R. Douglas Trochelman, MD
- **Summa Foundation Endowed Chair in Women’s Health**, held by Vivian E. von Gruenigen, MD

Each of these positions offers support for the advancement of research, education and clinical care initiatives in perpetuity and honors our most esteemed physicians.

**Capital**

Delivering the best possible care requires ongoing capital support. Gifts to support capital improvements include renovations and maintenance of existing facilities as well as the purchase of equipment to ensure Summa Health keeps pace with ever-advancing technology.

In August 2014, Summa Cardiovascular Institute opened the Richard M. and Yvonne Hamlin Hybrid Operating Room Suite and transformed cardiovascular care in the region. The state-of-the-art cardiovascular surgical suite combines the advanced imaging capabilities of a cardiac catheterization lab with a fully equipped cardiology operating room. Thanks to Richard and Yvonne Hamlin’s generous support, Summa’s team of exceptional heart and vascular specialists is able to work closely together to treat the most complex cases using minimally invasive methods.

To learn more about the many ways you can make a difference in the lives of our patients and our community, call 330.375.3159 or email foundation@summahealth.org.
The Power of Coordinated Care

When asked about the current healthcare landscape, my first response is that uncertainty is the only certainty today.

Initially, that may not be a comforting idea for the patients and families we serve at Summa Health. But the changes underway throughout our industry offer an unprecedented opportunity for Summa to transform healthcare for the benefit of the thousands of lives in our care across Northeast Ohio.

At Summa, our physicians, staff and leadership are seizing this time of extraordinary change to improve healthcare delivery by transitioning from the traditional fee-for-service model of care to the population health model. In the traditional volume-driven model that has been followed by hospitals and physician practices for decades, we were taught that “more” care – more doctors, more office visits, more testing, more waiting and more fees – meant “better” care.

In the population health model, outcomes are improved through the practice of coordinated care. Coordinated care begins with the patient’s primary care physician (PCP) to identify risks, help patients address those risks and prevent disease before it significantly impairs health. We are proactively implementing this new approach in select areas across Summa. Although insurances are not yet reimbursing for this model of care at the same rate as services provided under the fee-for-service model, Summa is committed to leading this change to better support the health of those we serve.

As a practicing cardiologist, I’ve witnessed the positive impact of the transition firsthand. My recent experience caring for a patient, who I’ll refer to as “Mrs. Smith,” under the coordination of her PCP, demonstrates how population health enhances the care delivery system, while debunking the “more is better” philosophy of care.

BY MICHAEL M. HUGHES, MD, MBA

Michael M. Hughes, MD, MBA, is President of the Summa Cardiovascular Institute (SCVI). He has more than 24 years of experience as a cardiologist and has held multiple leadership positions across Summa. In addition to his role as President of SCVI, he is a member of the executive board for NewHealth Collaborative, Summa Health’s accountable care organization.

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As a nation, we’ve recognized that the “more is better” model has been ineffective at best in ensuring the health and wellness of individuals. On the contrary, this model often contributed to delayed diagnoses, low patient compliance, extended recovery times and unnecessary costs.

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In the graphics to the right, we first show how Mrs. Smith would have been treated under the traditional fee-for-service model of care.

This progression contrasts greatly with how she was actually treated under the population health model of care at Summa, as depicted in the second graphic. By following the population health model, patients like Mrs. Smith receive the benefits of a faster diagnosis which include greater peace of mind, a quicker recovery and the elimination of expensive, inconvenient and sometimes unnecessary testing.

The transition from the “more is better” model to population health – or the coordinated care model – is changing the way physicians and patients alike think about the healthcare experience. Though it can be challenging in our industry to shift the paradigm from competition among physicians to collaboration, this new model enables us to work together more effectively and deliver truly patient-centered care by providing the individual with the right care at the right time, and in the right place.

### FEE-FOR-SERVICE MODEL

**TREATMENT AND RECOVERY TIME**

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In the traditional model, a lack of coordinated care leads to disparate interactions with various providers and sometimes unnecessary procedures.

### POPULATION HEALTH/COORDINATED CARE MODEL

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By coordinating care with a specialist at a primary care visit, patient risks and symptoms are assessed and next steps in the care process are immediately identified. Unnecessary tests are avoided and care is delivered seamlessly and quickly.
Our roots are deep in Summa.

— David Brennan

Ann and David Brennan:
Philanthropists for a New Era in Healthcare

Throughout nearly 59 years of married life, Ann and David Brennan have always agreed on the obligation to share their good fortune. Their love for their home community is evident in their generosity to their high school alma maters and numerous local entities, programs and projects championed by Mrs. Brennan over nearly four decades of community service.

Their recent gift of $6 million, the largest single gift in the health system’s history, brought their total giving to Summa Health to more than $10 million.

“The Brennans’ extraordinary generosity demonstrates their commitment to retaining the highest quality, locally controlled healthcare in Akron,” said Thomas A. Malone, MD, Summa President and Chief Executive Officer.

“We are so happy to do this for Summa,” said Mrs. Brennan at a celebratory event at the Akron Art Museum where their gift was announced last October. She expressed the couple’s support for the new vision for Summa Health. Dr. Malone and his leadership team are guiding the transformation of healthcare at Summa Health from a system focused on episodic sick care to a system focused on keeping patients well.

In this new era of healthcare, patients have a medical “home,” a place where the health professionals who care for them know their name and family in addition to their medical history. Coordinated and comprehensive, it’s an approach in which the patient is central to a team comprised of the patient’s primary care physician, nurse practitioners and the specialists needed to keep each individual in the best possible health.
The Brennans’ gift will support the transformation of care to that new model. Plans that give physical form to the new philosophy are underway now for a variety of areas at Summa Health.

Mrs. Brennan called it “truly the way to go,” embracing the vision for its potential to personalize the physician/patient relationship she and her husband knew as children. She said she remembers her husband’s father, Daniel Brennan, MD, Chief of Staff at St. Thomas Hospital in 1935, making house calls.

“Our roots are deep in Summa,” Mr. Brennan said. He and his wife and three of their four children were born at Summa St. Thomas Hospital. Their fourth child entered the world at Summa Akron City Hospital. More recently, the couple gratefully credits Summa doctors with twice saving Mr. Brennan’s life by quickly and accurately diagnosing and treating potentially lethal infections.

The couple’s high regard for Summa Health also is rooted in Mrs. Brennan’s years of service on the Summa Health System Board of Directors and Summa Foundation Board of Directors, including terms as chair of both boards.

She is a sustaining member of the Women’s Board of Summa Health System and a current member of the Summa Foundation Circle of Women’s Health Philanthropists.

In 2003, she chaired Summa Health’s Campaign for Critical Care. The couple’s extraordinary gift to the campaign led to the construction of the Ann and David Brennan Critical Care Center on the Summa Akron City Hospital campus.

Ann and David Brennan are a couple who inspire the best in each other. After their four children were grown, Mrs. Brennan returned to school to earn a law degree at the University of Akron. She worked a few years for the law firm founded by her late father, Bernard J. Amer, before devoting herself full time to community service with the support of her husband.

As she moved from one community-enhancing project to another, she and her husband would discuss the needs of each project and the ways they could provide philanthropic support.

“We have great love for the people of Akron,” said Mr. Brennan. “We are so grateful for our blessings and to be able to share them.”
RENEWING PATIENTS’ SPIRITS AT SUMMA CANCER INSTITUTE

Patients who visit the Renewal Nook at the Jean and Milton Cooper Cancer Center leave the clinical side of their care at the door. When they enter the newly designed space, they are treated to a spa-like experience made possible by a generous gift from an anonymous donor.

Under the guidance of Marlo Schmidt, System Director, Community Benefit, and Kathleen Walker, former Coordinator of the Oncology Education Library, now Clinical Informationist at Summa Medical Library, the Renewal Nook opened in November 2015. The initiative began as a pilot program to offer free wigs to cancer patients in partnership with the American Cancer Society. Due to the program’s success, Ms. Schmidt and Ms. Walker worked with Summa Cancer Institute leadership to renovate the area for other services important to cancer patients, including nutrition therapy, massage therapy, social services and clinical research.

The Healing Impact of Supportive Services

Following a biopsy at Summa Cancer Institute, Mary Gulledge, 61, was diagnosed with stage 2 breast cancer on October 1, the first day of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in 2013.

“I think God has a sense of humor,” she said, about the timing.

It’s not what she and her husband of 42 years, Richard, had planned for their retirement, a future they had hoped would be filled with quality time with each other and extended family. Cancer put that future in question.

Mrs. Gulledge had a mastectomy in November 2013, followed by four sessions of chemotherapy. Mr. Gulledge accompanied her to every visit and procedure.

“When you’re diagnosed with cancer, your life becomes a series of appointments with doctors, labs for blood draws and chemotherapy,” says Mrs. Gulledge. “You feel like you’ve lost control. And then you lose your hair. It’s so traumatic.”

Her visit to see Kathleen Walker, who coordinated the wig program, changed her perspective.

Mrs. Gulledge’s follow-up exams are going so well that she soon will be able to extend the time between checkups from every six months to once a year.

In the meantime, Mr. and Mrs. Gulledge have renewed hope of many more years together.

“The wig service was such a blessing! When Kathleen said, ‘This is a time for you to enjoy, a time to put everything aside,’ all my cares disappeared. I tried on every wig she had and ended up going home as a redhead. For the first time in a long time, I felt so special, so pampered. Kathleen made a difficult part of my cancer journey much easier to bear.”

Mrs. Gulledge and her husband celebrated her two-year, cancer-free anniversary in November 2015. Grateful for the care provided by Summa Cancer Institute oncologist Sameer Mahesh, MD, and surgeon Victoria L. Van Fossen, MD. Mrs. Gulledge’s follow-up exams are going so well that she soon will be able to extend the time between checkups from every six months to once a year.

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Elizabeth “Betty” Eastman was only 19 when she lost her mother to breast cancer at the age of 45.

“That was in 1956,” she said, “a time when chemotherapy wasn’t commonplace. My mother was sick for about a year before she died.”

The tragic loss later inspired Mrs. Eastman’s support for Summa’s efforts to locate all the professionals and services of Summa Cancer Institute in a single, centralized facility. Her generous support of that effort helps today’s cancer patients benefit from the most advanced treatment in comforting surroundings.

“It feels good when you can help out,” Mrs. Eastman said, “and it’s important. Philanthropy makes so many things possible at the hospital.” Palliative care, medical research, medical education and behavioral healthcare are other key areas at Summa Health that Mrs. Eastman has supported.

Devoted to her community, Mrs. Eastman was born at Summa Akron City Hospital, raised in Akron, and graduated from Old Trail High School. She and her late husband, Fred Eastman, a prominent Akron attorney, raised two children here.

Mrs. Eastman’s connection to Summa Health goes back to the very founding of the health system in 1892 on the property of Dr. Samuel Bartges. His daughter Belle was married to Mrs. Eastman’s great grandfather.

Like her mother, Mrs. Eastman first became involved with the health system on the Akron City Hospital Women’s Board in 1976, including a term as president in 1984. She is active as a sustaining member of the Women’s Board of Summa Health System, volunteering at the Summa Akron City Hospital Gift Shop. More recently she accepted an invitation to participate on the Summa Orthopaedics Leadership Council.

Her faithful service and generous support continue her family’s multigenerational commitment to Summa Health. 😊
MARGARET CLARK MORGAN FOUNDATION GRANT INTEGRATES MUSIC IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT

Generous support from The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation is enabling the integration of music in the treatment and recovery of behavioral health patients. In partnership with the Akron Symphony Orchestra, professional musicians perform weekly as part of group therapy sessions to help encourage and facilitate patient recovery.

As part of the grant, a lecture and performance took place on February 5 at Summa Akron City Hospital by renowned pianist and psychiatrist Richard M. Kogan, MD, Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medical Center. More than 100 people turned out to hear Dr. Kogan speak about the mind and musical genius of Robert Schumann. Performing excerpts of pieces by the German composer, Dr. Kogan demonstrated how lifelong mental health disorders influenced Schumann’s creative genius. The following evening, Dr. Kogan joined the Akron Symphony for a performance of Rachmaninoff’s Piano Concerto No. 2 and discussion titled Music and the Mind at E.J. Thomas Hall at the University of Akron.

“Music is perhaps one of the most underutilized therapeutic tools in mental health recovery,” said Joseph D. Varley, MD, Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health and The Jim and Vanita Oelschlager Chair in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health. “We are extremely grateful to The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation for enabling us to partner with the Akron Symphony Orchestra to use music to ease symptoms and help promote emotional health in our patients.”

Left to right: Rick Kellar, President, The Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation, Christopher Wilkins, Music Director and Conductor, Akron Symphony; featured musician, Richard Kogan, MD; Thomas Malone, MD, President and CEO, Summa Health; and Paul Jarrett, Executive Director, Akron Symphony, at the Akron Symphony performance on February 6.
Foundation Support Strengthens Patient Care at Summa

Barberton Community Foundation Elevates Emergency Care

For two decades, the Barberton Community Foundation has helped enrich and improve the quality of life for the families of Barberton.

In 2012, the foundation partnered with Summa Barberton Hospital on one of the most significant transformations in the hospital’s history. The foundation made a significant gift to support the relocation and expansion of the hospital’s emergency department and the creation of a new cafeteria and additional conference rooms. The gift helped produce dramatic results, nearly quadrupling the size of the emergency department to 31,270-square-feet and adding 32 new treatment spaces to enable Summa Barberton Hospital to accommodate 50,000 patient visits per year. In recognition of the gift, the new meeting space was named the Barberton Community Foundation Conference Center. Equipped with state-of-the-art technology, the multifunctional rooms are widely used by the community for meetings and educational events.

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— Thomas A. Malone, MD

“‘The generous support of Barberton Community Foundation has had a profound impact on our vision for elevating emergency care for the people of Barberton and the surrounding communities,’ said Thomas A. Malone, MD, President and Chief Executive Officer of Summa Health. ‘The emergency department provides a critical safety net. We are deeply grateful for the foundation’s partnership in creating a larger, more thoughtfully designed and more advanced emergency department that reflects the high caliber of care Summa’s physicians and staff provide.’”

Patient Care at Summa

Foundation Support Strengthens
For the Rices of Akron, Ohio, philanthropy is truly a family affair. Inspired by the generous spirit of late patriarch Robert Rice, the Rice family has continued a longstanding tradition of giving to Summa Health as a gesture of gratitude for the care they have received over the years.

In addition to their gifts to enhance patient care, the Rices are passionate advocates for medical education at Summa. In 2010, Joyce and Bob Rice, along with Bob’s late mother, Hanna Rice, established the Robert F. Kepley, MD, Orthopaedic Fellowship to advance Summa’s orthopaedic surgery residency program. Four years later, Joyce and Bob furthered their family’s steadfast dedication to training the next generation of physicians and surgeons at Summa Health with a gift to support Summa’s cardiology fellowship program, then in its first year.

The Rice family’s continued investment in the future of healthcare was celebrated last summer by physicians, staff and friends of the Summa Cardiovascular Institute at a special ceremony to announce the inaugural Rice Family Fellow in Cardiology. This distinguished recognition — awarded to Diego Alcivar Franco, MD — is given to a cardiology fellow who demonstrates an exceptional commitment to collaboration among physicians and the delivery of patient-centered care.

Dr. Franco’s dedication to excellence in cardiovascular care also caught the attention of faculty at The Ohio State University Medical Center’s Division of Cardiac Medicine. Upon completion of his fellowship at Summa, Dr. Franco will begin a super fellowship in electrophysiology — a specialized branch of cardiology focused on the electrical activity of the heart — at the Columbus-based academic medical center.

Super fellowships are highly competitive training opportunities for accomplished fellows who wish to focus their practice on a highly specialized area of medicine. Deepak Swaminath, MD, another member of Summa’s inaugural cardiology fellowship class, also has been accepted into a super fellowship program in electrophysiology. He will continue his education at Yale School of Medicine.

“The acceptance of two of our first fellows into prestigious specialty training programs elevates Summa’s national reputation in the medical education community,” said Michael Hughes, MD, President, Summa Cardiovascular Institute. “Their achievements are possible because of the Rices’ generous support.”

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From the left, Thomas Malone, MD, Bob Rice, Joyce Rice, Diego Alcivar Franco, MD, Michael Hughes, MD, and Marc Penn, MD, PhD, celebrate the naming of the inaugural Rice Family Fellow in Cardiology.
Mary Ann Deveny epitomized the spirit of volunteerism, serving Summa Health for more than 40 years as a hospital volunteer and member of the Women’s Board of Summa Health System. Loyally sharing her time and talents as a family liaison in Summa Akron City Hospital’s central lounge and same day surgery waiting area, Mary Ann provided comfort to many families awaiting news of their loved ones’ condition.

Her impact on the lives she touched in her time at Summa is immeasurable. The Summa community was deeply saddened when Mary Ann passed away last year.

Mary Ann’s husband, Thomas A. Deveny, III, and family chose to perpetuate her legacy with a gift to create the Mary Ann Deveny Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service.

This annual award recognizes an outstanding volunteer who demonstrates Mary Ann’s compassion and selfless spirit of service to Summa Health. Summa Health volunteer Janna Bruner is the inaugural recipient of the award. She volunteers on 5 North at Summa Akron City Hospital and received her award at the 2016 Volunteer Recognition Luncheon this spring.
Celebrating Corporate Giving

Partners in Good Health

Like Summa Health, Ritzman Pharmacy is a cornerstone in the community with a commitment to helping families live better and stay healthy. The family-owned and operated pharmacy has 25 full-service locations across nine counties in Northeast Ohio, including a pharmacy located inside Summa Akron City Hospital. In 2014, Ritzman partnered with Summa Health and made a gift to enhance patient care at the newly renovated and expanded emergency department at Summa Barberton Hospital.

Ritzman’s generosity helped to equip emergency department staff with Vocera, a lightweight, wearable voice-controlled communication device that enhances patient safety by enabling instant conversations anywhere using simple commands.

Ritzman Pharmacy continues to support Summa Health in a variety of ways. In addition to a generous sponsorship of the 2015 Summa Sapphire Ball, Ritzman Pharmacy and its employees generously give time, energy and financial resources to benefit many important causes that promote wellness and healthy lifestyles.

“Corporate support plays an important role in enabling Summa Health to provide outstanding healthcare to the region, and Ritzman Pharmacy is a strong and committed partner.” — Thomas A. Malone, MD

On Giving Tuesday in 2015, Ritzman Pharmacy teamed with Summa Health to provide customers at eight Ritzman Pharmacy locations the opportunity to give the gift of good health by making a donation to Summa Health at the register.

“Corporate support plays an important role in enabling Summa Health to provide outstanding healthcare to the region, and Ritzman Pharmacy is a strong and committed partner,” said Thomas A. Malone, MD, President and Chief Executive Officer of Summa Health. “Ritzman Pharmacy’s support of Summa Health is helping to improve the overall health of our community.”

Eric Graf, Chief Executive Officer, Ritzman Pharmacy, and member of the Hospice Professional Advisory Board, Summa Health

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SCOTT WEINER, MD, COMMITTED TO ORTHOPAEDIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Scott Weiner, MD, Chair of Summa Orthopaedics and Medical Director of Summa Orthopaedic Institute, grew up in West Akron. He attended medical school at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and completed his internship and five-year orthopaedic residency at Summa Health, followed by a fellowship in orthopaedic oncology at the University of Florida College of Medicine. In gratitude for the quality of his residency experience, he and his wife, Margaret, generously support orthopaedic research and education at Summa Health.

PROMISE: Tell us about your family.
Dr. Weiner: My wife, Margaret, and I met in high school. We have been married for 32 years. We have four children – Ben, 29; twins Brian and Julie, 25; and Nick, 22. My father, Dennis Weiner, is former Chair of Orthopaedics at Akron Children’s Hospital.

PROMISE: Did you always want to be an orthopaedic physician?
Dr. Weiner: Even though I was exposed to medicine from a very early age through my father, I first wanted to be a college math professor. I graduated from Denison University with a math degree. One of my college advisors encouraged me to take the medical entrance exam. So I did, and my career path changed after I was accepted into medical school.

PROMISE: What drove your decision to specialize in orthopaedic oncology?
Dr. Weiner: Not many physicians choose this specialty, so there’s a big need. The practice of orthopaedic oncology requires a lot of problem-solving and the need to operate on all parts of the body. The patient relationships are what really make the specialty rewarding.

PROMISE: What do you find most rewarding about your role in the department?
Dr. Weiner: Personally, it’s when I look at our graduating residents and see how they’ve developed into good surgeons, good caregivers and good people. That’s what makes me most proud. From the standpoint of my patients, it’s when I treat difficult problems and restore their quality of life and mobility.

PROMISE: What do you like most about practicing orthopaedics at Summa?
Dr. Weiner: As a mid-size hospital, Summa Health is small enough to foster collegial relationships among professionals, yet large enough to offer all the subspecialties in orthopaedics. We work as a team, giving patients the best possible experience. Having an effect on the future generations of surgeons cannot be beat.

PROMISE: How do you like to spend your free time?
Dr. Weiner: Spending time with my family is most important. I’ll go to any sporting event with my family, and I’ve coached my kids in sports, too. My passion is playing Roy Hobbs Adult Baseball as a catcher.

PROMISE: What inspires your generosity to Summa?
Dr. Weiner: I love every day, and I’m very committed to the health system’s success. I studied under Dr. J. Patrick Flanagan (former Chair of Orthopaedics). He was so influential in making the orthopaedic program what it is today. I am grateful to him and happy to support education for future orthopaedic physicians in his honor.
The 2015 Summa Sapphire Ball, presented by lead sponsor Saber Healthcare Group, raised more than $1.2 million to support Behavioral Health Services and other important programs and services throughout Summa Health. The 14th annual event attracted nearly 1,000 guests to the sold-out John S. Knight Center in downtown Akron.

The memorable evening was led by Co-Chairs Alyssa and Rob Briggs, Corporate Committee Chair Paul Testa, and Physician Chair Joseph D. Varley, MD, Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health and The Jim and Vanita Oelschlager Chair in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health.

A NEW START WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AT SUMMA

Summa Behavioral Health Services is a vital resource in the Akron community, supporting the health and well-being of many patients such as Lindsay Cass. Lindsay battled depression since the age of 16, a condition that worsened following a traumatic event in her life.

The Center for the Treatment and Study of Traumatic Stress at Summa Health taught Lindsay skills to deal with her depression and move forward. Since completing her treatment this year, she has returned to writing, going on vacations, walking and biking.

“The Center for the Treatment and Study of Traumatic Stress has given me back my life,” Lindsay said. She is currently in training to become a peer support counselor at Summa Health.

Lindsay’s story was featured in a video at the Summa Sapphire Ball on October 3, 2015. The Summa Sapphire Ball benefited Behavioral Health Services and a variety of other programs and services for the patients and families of Summa Health.

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Left to right: Thomas Malone, MD, and his wife, Megan Malone, with Bill Weisberg, Saber Healthcare Group, with his wife, Gia Weisberg, and Phylis Ferrara

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The late Frank Sinatra, Jr.
We were honored to serve as chairs for the 2015 Summa Sapphire Ball. Behavioral Health Services at Summa is a vital resource in our community and we were pleased to support the work of its talented physicians and staff.

— Alyssa Briggs

The evening’s presentation highlighted Summa Behavioral Health Services and included a touching video tribute to the late Kathryn Cooper, daughter of Regina and Bob Cooper. Another video featured the patients of Summa Behavioral Health Services.

Summa Sapphire Ball entertainment was legendary crooner Frank Sinatra, Jr., who paid homage to his iconic father by performing the music legend’s most memorable songs. Sinatra’s unforgettable performance was accompanied by a 20-piece orchestra conducted by Terry Woodson. In celebration of what would have been Frank Sinatra’s 100th year, the Sapphire Ball menu featured a few of his favorite dishes.

The 2015 Sapphire Ball was generously supported by presenting sponsor, Saber Healthcare Group, as well as FirstMerit Bank, Ritzman Pharmacy, Testa Companies, CommuniCare, The Lehner Family Foundation, Regina and Bob Cooper, Milton Cooper, and many more friends and benefactors of Summa Health.

Since its inception, the Sapphire Ball has generated more than $8 million in support for Summa Health. The 15th annual Summa Sapphire Ball is scheduled for October 29, 2016, at the John S. Knight Center with TV legend Jay Leno as entertainment. Kathie and Paul Testa will serve as Co-Chairs.

Visit SapphireBall.org for photos and videos.
Philip S. Kaufmann, Esq., Receives the Charles Deering Legacy Advisor Leadership Award

At Summa’s second annual meeting of the Charles Deering Legacy Advisor Leadership Council, Philip S. Kaufmann, Esq., Chair of the council and Partner and Group Chair of Stark & Knoll’s Estate Planning & Probate Group, was honored with the Charles Deering Legacy Advisor Leadership Award. This award recognizes a leadership council member who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to advancing the mission of Summa Health.

The Charles Deering Legacy Advisor Leadership Council is comprised of more than 30 of the region’s leading legal, financial, real estate and insurance professionals who serve as ambassadors for the health system in the community.

Summa Breast Center Opening Celebration

Friends and benefactors marked a new era in breast care when they gathered last summer to celebrate the opening of the new Summa Breast Center at Summa Akron City Hospital. Designed with a warm and welcoming atmosphere that helps patients feel at ease, the breast center features the latest diagnostic and treatment technologies. A gift and challenge grant totaling $250,000 from Walter W. Born Foundation was matched by the Women’s Board of Summa Health System to make possible Summa’s vision of providing 3D mammography, the most sophisticated breast imaging technology. The remodeled breast center waiting area was funded by a generous gift from Robert Hamor, MD, and his wife, Charlotte.

Summa in Florida

Senior leaders from Summa Health visited Florida in late February for the health system’s annual Florida outreach event. As part of the trip, friends and benefactors of Summa enjoyed a Women’s Luncheon hosted by Yvonne Hamlin with Maryjo Cleveland, MD, as the presenter. The main event took place the following evening and included a keynote presentation by Matthew Wayne, MD, CMD, titled “Specializing in You: Building on a Legacy of Coordinated Care at Summa.” The main event was sponsored by Saber Healthcare Group.

To view photos and video from this year’s event, please visit SummaHealth.org/SummainFlorida. Please mark your calendar for Summa’s Florida outreach events on February 14-15, 2017.

Left to right: Robert Hamor, MD, and his wife, Charlotte, with Phylis Ferrara and Thomas Malone, MD

Left to right: Megan Malone, Ann Brennan and Thomas Malone, MD

Left to right: Ginger Marchetta, Susan Shondel, MD, and Julie Pulk at the Summa Women’s Luncheon at the Royal Poinciana Golf Club.
Summa Benefactors Honored on National Philanthropy Day

This past November, Akron’s philanthropic community gathered at the Association of Fundraising Professionals’ annual National Philanthropy Day celebration to honor those who dedicate themselves to a variety of causes throughout our region. Summa Foundation was privileged to nominate Testa Companies, which won the Small Business Leadership Award, highlighting the organization’s generous support of key Summa Health initiatives such as the annual Summa Sapphire Ball. Several other Summa advocates were recognized for their steadfast commitment to the Akron community, including Harry and Fran Donovan, who received the Outstanding Philanthropist Award, and Barberton Community Foundation, which received the Foundation Leadership Award.

Summa Society Celebration

On June 9, Summa Foundation honored Robert A. Liebelt, PhD, MD, with the Summa Health Distinguished Physician Award. This award is the most prestigious honor bestowed upon a Summa Health physician and was presented at the annual Summa Society Celebration. Summa Foundation holds this annual event and recognition dinner to honor the health system’s most generous donors for all they do for Summa Health patients and the community.

Summa Foundation Golf Outing

Summa Foundation will host its seventh annual golf outing on June 20 on the South Course of Firestone Country Club to benefit nursing education and training at Summa Health. To date, nearly $1.5 million has been raised through this event to help Summa Health nurses expand their knowledge and keep up-to-date on the changing innovations in clinical care. As an exciting addition to the program, 2003 British Open Champion Ben Curtis will host a clinic and deliver the keynote speech during dinner. It promises to be an extraordinary experience for Summa supporters.

To learn more about Summa Foundation events, please visit summahealth.org/giving.
Honoring loved ones, colleagues with a gift to Summa

By making a planned gift to Summa, I was able to honor my late parents, James and Lois Abell, and give back to the health system that has invested so much in me over the last 50 years. It’s important to me to give what I can to the caregivers who follow me. A charitable gift annuity gave me a way to do all these things.

Ginnie Abell

THE BENEFITS OF A CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

When you make a gift to Summa Health through a gift annuity, it provides you with a charitable tax deduction and a secure stream of income for life. The quarterly payments to you can be quite generous depending on your age, and a portion of the income is tax-free. Best of all, you will help further the mission of Summa Health and be recognized as a permanent member of the Charles Deering Legacy Society at Summa.

To learn how a charitable gift annuity may be a beneficial planned gift option for you, contact Barbara Boyce at 330.375.6356.

BARRBARA BOYCE

Summa Foundation welcomes Barbara Boyce as Senior Director, Gift Planning. As a gift planning advisor, Ms. Boyce will help Summa benefactors plan gifts that achieve their charitable goals while advancing the mission of Summa Health. Ms. Boyce brings 17 years of development experience to Summa and will focus on gifts that create a lasting legacy for donors.

Welcome

Ginnie Abell (center), Director, Infection Control at Summa Health, whose gift to Summa Health honors her late parents, with her brother, Ken Abell, and his wife, Sue Abell.
Moving Summa Forward

Summa Health is built on a foundation of philanthropy that dates back more than 130 years. In 1883, just months before his death, Boniface DeRoo bequeathed his entire estate to the founding of a hospital where everyone, regardless of race, creed or ability to pay, would be served. It would take nearly a decade and the generosity and efforts of an entire city before his vision would be realized.

More than a century later, the remarkable spirit of philanthropy that established Summa Akron City Hospital continues. Gifts of all sizes and types fuel new ways to care for our community and educate the physicians of the future.

Thoughtfully prepared estate plans allow donors to provide levels of support not possible through outright donations. Gifts of stock, securities, life insurance, property and trusts help benefactors achieve their financial objectives and make a philanthropic impact. Honor and memorial gifts enable donors to pay tribute to friends and loved ones while enhancing the work of our physicians, nurses and staff.

In this new era of healthcare, the role of philanthropy in advancing patient care is increasingly clear. From facilitating the recruitment and retention of exceptional physicians, to upgrading facilities and keeping pace with innovation, every gift makes a very real difference in the lives of our patients and their families.

As Summa lays the foundation for the next century of care in Akron, we pause to extend our deepest gratitude to the passionate donors and community members who have been such an important part of our past.

Your generosity is the catalyst that advances our mission to provide the highest quality, compassionate care to our patients and to contribute to a healthier community.

Thank you,

Phylis M. Ferrara
President
Summa Foundation
Chief Development Officer
Summa Health

“Your generosity is the catalyst that advances our mission to provide the highest quality, compassionate care to our patients and to contribute to a healthier community.” — Phylis M. Ferrara
Daniel Bethem, MD, and his wife, Mary Jo, have made generous gifts to Summa Health in gratitude for the training he received at the health system. A graduate of the Summa Orthopaedic Residency Program, Dr. Bethem is quick to praise his many mentors for their inspiration and the opportunities that led to his own accomplishments, which include the distinction of serving as the first fellowship-trained spinal surgeon in the Akron area.

After completing his residency at Summa Health, Dr. Bethem went on to study at the Twin Cities Scoliosis Center affiliated with the University of Minnesota, the best fellowship in the nation at the time for the study of spinal deformity. Natives of Pennsylvania, the Bethems grew to love Akron and chose it as their home while reviewing locations for starting a private practice.

In 2015, the Bethems made a significant gift of stock to support orthopaedic education at Summa Health. The gift fulfilled the couple’s wish to give back to the program that had been so instrumental in Dr. Bethem’s success as an orthopaedic surgeon in the community they chose to call home.