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## Friends' Ball supports surgical services

Nearly 350 guests enjoyed the annual Providence Health Foundation Friends' Ball, April 12, at the Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn. The evening featured a cocktail reception, silent auction, dinner and music by the Simone Vitale Band.

Proceeds from this year's event will be used to acquire cutting-edge technology for patient education and to support residency training, research and the professional development of surgical and other professional staff.

**Jeffrey Zaks, MD**, received the prestigious Order of Charity Award, and **Allan Fraiberg, MD**, received the Caduceus Society's Physician of the Year Award.



*Dr. Jeffrey Zaks (center), with his daughters Dr. Lisa Klein (left) and Dr. Alana Zaks (right).*



*Dr. Allan Fraiberg's wife Cheryl pins on his boutonniere.*



*Helen Habib, John and Helga Wise*



*Dr. Fraiberg, Dr. Zaks, Cardinal Maida, Sr. Xavier Ballance, DC, and Diane Radloff*

## More Friends' Ball highlights



*Eva Domack, Dr. Rami Khoury, Dunia David, Dr. Shukri David, Dr. Jennifer Freij and Dr. John Kulish*



*Dr. and Mrs. Wassim Nona, and Dr. Kamran Zakaria*



*Diane Wolfe and Jerry Pedlaw*



*Ana DeMeireles and Dr. Mario DeMeireles*



*Michael Marz, Beth Moore, Cardinal Maida, and Antonio and Suzanne Rea*



*Nursing leaders Lynn Chiesa, Denise McLean, Stephanie Brady, Kathy Ryan, Maureen Kelly-Nichols and Rochelle Igrisan*

## Message from the President

Dear Friends,

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at this year's Friends' Ball. I hope you agree that the ambiance, food and music were outstanding. Sharing time with so many old and new friends was my greatest joy of the evening! My heartfelt thanks go to every member of the planning committee who made the event such a success. We received contributions from a number of new donors, for which I am eternally grateful.

Whether you're a new donor or a long-standing contributor, you can be assured that Providence Hospital appreciates the trust you've placed in us to be responsible and efficient stewards of the resources you so generously share.

Our efforts to operate more efficiently have not gone unnoticed. Recently, Providence was identified as one of the top 15 major teaching hospitals in the country. We were honored with this recognition because of our clinical outcomes, our focus on patient safety, and our operational efficiency. Patients treated at Providence have better outcomes, higher survival rates, fewer complications, all at a lower cost.

Each and every day, the hard work and loyalty of Providence associates and our medical staff inspire me – and others. My greatest pleasure is meeting with new associates and hearing why they choose a career at Providence. Many express how they've personally experienced the special care of Providence associates being true to our Mission of providing spiritually-centered holistic care.

As we prepare for the opening of the Providence Park hospital in Novi, individuals from all over southeastern Michigan are interested in pursuing professional opportunities in our ministry. Many of those who want to become part of the Providence family recognize something we've known all along – Providence is a great place! Thank you for helping us continue our Mission.

With warmest regards,

*Diane M. Radloff*  
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President, Providence Hospital



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## Bigger, better lobby coming

Providence Hospital is renovating and expanding its main lobby with a design and features very similar to those at a five-star hotel. The renovation project is expected to be completed in mid-to-late fall of 2008.

Hundreds of visitors per month enter the main lobby area of Providence Hospital. For some, the main entrance is their first impression of the care they or their loved one will receive while in the hospital.

"We are committed to providing our patients with the highest quality care available, and that's our first priority – but we also want to make a good impression," said Diane Radloff, President, Providence Hospital. "The look and feel of our physical surroundings are part of the overall patient care experience."

The \$2.7 million expansion project will open up the current reception area by relocating the gift shop, patient registration and Starbucks station into the expanded area. The lobby expansion includes a larger vestibule area and revolving door, which will reduce



*A rendering of what the lobby will look like after renovation and expansion.*

congestion and enable vehicles to easily navigate through the area.

Construction is being done in phases to create minimal disruption for patients and guests. During construction, staff members are assisting guests in getting to their destinations if necessary. A bigger, better new lobby is just the beginning; eventually a new look will be created throughout the entire first floor corridor back to the Providence Heart Institute.

## Providence rates in the top 15!

Providence Hospital was recognized as one of the nation's top 15 major teaching hospitals, according to Thomson (formerly Solucient), one of the country's leading sources of health care information and research. Each year, Thomson recognizes the Top 100 hospitals in the country that achieve or exceed national benchmark scores for hospital wide performance. The 100 Top Hospitals® National Benchmarks for Success study categorizes hospitals according to their size and type. This is Providence's first year to be ranked among the top 15 hospitals in the Major Teaching Hospital category. In addition, Providence received the Thomson Top 100 Cardiovascular Hospital Award in 2007.

## Volunteer opportunities available

Applications are being accepted for men and women to volunteer at Providence Hospital in Southfield, Providence Park Hospital in Novi, and outpatient facilities in Southfield, Farmington Hills and South Lyon. If you are interested in sharing at least four hours per week in a clinical, clerical or fundraising role, please call 248-849-8806.

## OLPL update

At the Our Lady of Providence League's (OLPL) annual meeting in April, the group presented a \$75,000 check to Rob Casalou, President, Providence Park Hospital. The OLPL has contributed \$300,000 so far toward its \$1.5 million pledge to fund a health trail.

*New executive officers for OLPL at Providence Hospital were installed. From left: Martha Grimm, Counselor; Julia Dougherty, Secretary; Jim Hynes, Treasurer; Connie Orr, President Elect; and Betty McLaughlin, President.*



*History was made when the newly formed Providence Park League executive officers were installed. From left: Marty Lawmaster, President; Barbara Walsh, President Elect; Lou Grieshaber, Treasurer; Eleanor Reiff, Secretary; and Dorisel Boggs, Counselor.*



## How to make a gift

Your continued support makes a difference! Making a gift to Providence Health Foundation is easy. Go to [www.stjohn.org/Foundation](http://www.stjohn.org/Foundation). There you'll find easy links to Providence fundraising information and an online donation form. If you have questions, call 248-849-5744.

## Kudos

**Melanie Keiffer, RN, and Jennifer Cassidy, RN**, Providence Hospital, won Nightingale Awards for Nursing®, a coveted recognition given to nine of the state's top nurses by Oakland University's School of Nursing. Melanie was recognized in the Advance Practice category, and Jennifer was the People's Choice winner. **Brigid McCabe, RN**, was a runner-up in the Staff Practice category. Winners received \$1,000, a solid bronze Nightingale statue and pin.

## Providence Park progresses

As the opening of Providence Park Hospital approaches, staffing and training are top priorities.

The building exterior is nearly complete, except for the canopied areas of the front entrance and the



*Providence Park Hospital nears its opening.*

Emergency Center as well as the upcoming connector between the new Medical Office Building and the hospital.

Parking areas are nearing completion, and painting and floor-work finishing continues inside the hospital.

Other campus buildings are now open, including:

- The physician-owned Novi Orthopedic Center, which includes the Bone and Joint Surgery Center of Novi
- The Staybridge Suites 108-bed extended stay hotel
- Work continues on the physician-owned Medical Office Building. A number of physician practices have moved in, and additional move-ins are under way. The Neurosciences Skullbase and Spine Institute within this building is also still under construction and will be opening soon.

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