

Furnish a room with your year-end gift

Yes, we did it! Because of the generosity and support from the entire community, the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation raised more than \$250,000 and renovated 16 rooms.

We now ask you to consider a year-end gift to furnish these rooms. Each item - the Recliner Chair (\$1,200), the Visitor's Arm Chair (\$550), and the Bedside Cabinet (\$425) - can be named in honor of the donor or, if you wish, the donor's family.



Contributions of any amount toward the purchase of these furniture items will be appreciated. Two gifts of half the cost of each item may be combined to name the chair or cabinet. Please consider a year-end, tax-deductible gift to the "Furnishing a Room" Campaign. Your generosity will be a gift of comfort for the patients and their families when illness brings them to Elbert Memorial Hospital.



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Golf tourney raises more than \$20,000

The 4th Annual Jimmy Johnson Memorial Golf Classic was held on Friday, Oct. 16, at Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course at Richard B. Russell State Park.

"This was the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation's largest and most successful tournament in the past 11 years. We had a maximum number of 32 teams present, a total of 128 golfers, and raised more than \$20,000 with all proceeds going to The Jimmy Johnson Endowment, which supports the Mission of Elbert Memorial Hospital. After the recent rainy days, the weather turned in our favor, and we were very fortunate to have a beautiful fall day benefiting the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation. We are extremely grateful for the overwhelming support we received from the community," said Foundation Golf Co-Chair Stewart York.

The winning team for the 1st Flight, 1st place was the Team of G.M.K. Associates made up of Bryant Brown, Lynn Beasley, Jim Yarborough and Jonathan Finck.

Winning team for the 1st Flight, 2nd place was the Dunbrack Team made up of Matt Dunbrack, Tony Strickland, Michael Gay and Greg Roach.

Winning Team for the 2nd Flight, 1st place was the CareSouth Team made up of Sid Barger, Gaye Barger, Marc Carlton and Mark Daniel, M.D.

Winning Team for the 2nd Flight, 2nd place team was the HCIR/McNeary Team consisting of John O'Keefe, Jim Tygart, Nathan Reuter and Darrell Oglesby.

Mike Brady won the Closest to the Pin on Hole #3 and received \$50 gift Certificate at Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course.

Kevin Smith won the Closest to the Pin on Hole #13 and received \$50 gift Certificate at Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course.

Matt Henderson won the Longest Drive on Hole #18 and won a round of golf for four at Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course.

The two weekend nights stay in a cottage at Richard B. Russell State Park was won by Stan Shepherd.



The Dunbrack Team of (L-R) Matt Dunbrack, Michael Gay, Greg Roach and Tony Strickland took second place in the First Flight.



The CareSouth Team of (L-R) Dr. Mark Daniel, Marc Carlton, Sid Barger and Gaye Barger won first place in the Second Flight.



Pictured are members of Jimmy Johnson's family and AT&T officials (L-R) nephew Clay Johnson, brother Steve Johnson, nephew Clark Johnson, AT&T District Manager Stan Shepherd, daughter Kim Rice, granddaughter Kayla Rice, son Greg Johnson, wife Shirley Johnson, sister-in-law Vicki Johnson and former AT&T District Manager Paul Chambers.

We would like to thank our Presenting Sponsor AT&T for honoring the life and memory of Jimmy Johnson in 2006 with the changing of the name of the Golf Classic and the establishment of The Jimmy Johnson Endowment which supports the Mission of Elbert Memorial Hospital. Proceeds



2009 Hospital Love Light Tree

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation and Elbert Memorial Hospital Auxiliary are co-sponsoring a Love Light Tree during the 2009 Christmas Holiday Season. Angels will be displayed in the Hospital Lobby during the month of December.

Angels may be purchased for \$3 and will have the name of the special loved one you wish to remember or honor inscribed on it. Proceeds will go toward the "Furnishing a Room" Campaign.

To reserve your personalized angel, please call 706-213-2558.

Shop at BI-LO, help the Foundation

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation is participating in BI-LO's BoostersPlus program again this year. After you enroll in the BoostersPlus program, the Foundation can earn money when you shop at BI-LO with your BonusCard. One percent of your purchases will be given back to the EMH Foundation! EMHF just received \$260.77 for the most recent period.

As a supporter of the EMH Foundation, you must re-enroll each program year. Please pick up your enrollment form at the EMH Foundation Office or call 706-213-2558 for more information.



New EMHF Foundation Board members welcomed

New Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation Chair Jerri Rucker (second from left) welcomes new Foundation Board members (L-R) Tameika Downer, Hospital Employee Representative Kathy Jossey, Bob Paul and (not pictured) Hospital Employee Representative Melanie Evans and Dr. Jonathan Poon. Newly elected EMHF officers for 2009-10 include Chair-Elect Janie Dedek, Vice Chair Daniel Graves, Treasurer Sandra Brown, Immediate Past Chair Gary Jones and Executive Director Nancy Seymour. Continuing Board members for 2009-10 are Hospital CEO Tom Brown, Charlotte Carter, Dena Daniel, Sydonna Harden, Auxiliary President Beth Johnson, Randy Kohl, Suraiya Razzak, Pam Smith, Martha Walker, Hospital Authority Representative Rose Walker, Jimmy White, Scott Wilson and Stewart York.



Retiring EMHF Board members recognized

Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation Chair Jerri Rucker (back left) recently expressed appreciation to EMHF Board members who retired at the end of the year 2008-09 and thanked them for their service, including (L-R) Hospital Employee Representative Jeanette Rucker, Allen Nicas, Janet Wiley, Hospital Employee Representative Kellie Smith, La Verne Mills, Jim Lloyd and (not pictured) Mary Clark and Mae Davis.

Honor loved ones with gifts to EMHF

The Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation hopes you will remember the Foundation in your charitable giving opportunities. Your gift to our "A Loving Tribute" program can be used as a memorial or in honor of a loved one for a special occasion, birthday, anniversary, or even at Christmas time.

To request envelopes to have available on hand, contact the Foundation Office by calling 706-213-2558 or by e-mailing nseymour@emhcare.net.



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from this tournament will further grow The Jimmy Johnson Endowment.

We wish to thank our Tournament Patrons G.M.K. Associates and Merrill Lynch for their support.

We appreciate the support from this year's Tournament Sponsors: Athens Digital Systems, AT&T/Pioneers, CareSouth, Dixon - Hughes, PLLC, WSGC Radio 105.1/ 96.5/1400, The Georgian Press, Hillcrest Granite Company, Johnson Machine Shop, The Medical Center of Elberton, Pinnacle Bank, Star Granite Company, Turner Motor Company for being the Hole In One Sponsor, and Rod's Sign and Neon for being our Signs' Sponsor.

We are grateful for our Corporate and Hole Sponsors who support our tournament. Corporate Sponsors were: William K. Haley, M.D., Elberton Surgical, LLC, Athens Area Health Plan Select, Insight Imaging, Turner Concrete Company, and Joel Turner Construction.

Hole Sponsors were: ACT Home Care, Inc., Athens Tech, Brady Builders, Hospital CEO Tom Brown, Bubba Burgers, Drs. Eddie and Joe Campbell, Coldwell Banker Savannah Valley Land Company, Correspondence Copy Service, Inc., Design Mart, Elberton Granite Association, David Hagins, M.D., Elberton Women's Specialist, EvansWinn, Elberton.Net, Elberton Kiwanis Club, Elberton Lions Club, Elberton Rotary Club, The Elberton Star, Farm Bureau of Elbert County, Franklin Insurance, Hart EMC, Hicks Funeral Home, Hill's Home Center, Lake Russell Building Supply, Madden's Pharmacy, Marlin Art, State Representative Tom McCall, McGee Heating and Air, Galen Mills Monument Sales, Piedmont Pathology Associates, QHR, Regions Bank, Richardson Plumbing, Slabco, Soapbox Car Wash, Southern Accents McIntosh Coffee, State Farm Insurance, Stash-Away Storage of Elberton, Willie Simmons, Valic, ValuTeachers, and Word Express.

We appreciate the generous donations we received from Cable East, Hank Bassett, Scott Ingram of Ingram Anesthesia, and UltraScan.

Finally, we are most grateful to Elbert Insurance for the donation of golf ball sleeves, Pinnacle Bank for the koozies, and Walgreen's for the green tote bags and hand sanitizers. We express our thanks to the Arrowhead Pointe staff who have been a great help to our tournament.



St. Alban's Episcopal Church makes donation to EMH Foundation's 'Renovate a Room' campaign

In keeping with its tradition of supporting outreach in the community, St. Alban's Episcopal Church recently made a \$5,000 donation to the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation's "Renovate a Room" campaign. Vestry members pictured include (front, L-R) Marilyn Slocumbe, the Rev. Dr. Denni Moss, Carole Oglesby, Sara Baldwin; (back, L-R) Nancy Seymour, Steve Jenkins and Allen Nicas.

Update from EMH Healthcare Summit

The Elberton-Elbert County Hospital Authority and Hospital Staff have reviewed and discussed recommendations made at the Sept. 17 EMH Healthcare Summit, said Hospital CEO Tom Brown. There are three items for which action has already been taken or is in the process.

First, as a follow-up to the Healthcare Summit's recommendation for consideration of a referendum for a tax by the County, the Hospital Authority at their Oct. 27 meeting authorized the Chairman of the Authority and the Hospital CEO to meet with the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to discuss a request for a referendum for a tax to support the hospital.

Second, at the Oct. 27 Authority meeting, the Chairman of the Authority and Hospital CEO were authorized to discuss with the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners the recommendation from the EMH Summit to allow County Commissioner representation on the Hospital Authority.

Third, the Healthcare Summit's recommendation to dismiss the hospital's management group and run hospital locally and investigate similar situations of other hospitals is currently in process. A Negotiations Committee has been established. At the Oct. 27 Authority meeting, tentative dates were discussed whereby the Negotiations Committee would meet with QHR officials to begin negotiations to terminate the contract with QHR.

These were among the recommendations made when approximately 70 community leaders and interested citizens turned out on Sept. 17 at the Elberton Civic Center for the Elbert Memorial Hospital Healthcare Summit. The group discussed the hospital's current financial crisis and ideas for the continued delivery of healthcare services in Elbert County.

Attendees cast their votes for the following recommended actions:

- Consideration of a referendum for a tax by County (45 votes)
- Encourage a new attitude within the community to use EMH (43)
- Dismiss management group and run hospital locally/investigate similar situations at other hospitals (35)
- Funding campaign from taxes, donations and stimulus funds (28)
- Authority allow City/County members (24)
- 24-hour urgent care and other revenue generating services (16)
- Get local MDs to admit more (12)
- Recruit MDs to increase census (12)
- Government contribution for Indigent Care (9)
- Obtain 1-year financial assistance from Elbert County, Elberton and Bowman (9)
- Community Awareness/assess community resources (7)
- Sell or lease hospital to multi-specialty medical practice (7)
- City adjust utilities, County subsidize City with match (7)
- Start delivering babies again (6)
- Secure available grants (4)
- County sponsor self insurance administered by hospital (4)
- Recruit additional industry by keeping hospital (4)
- Free EMH from government bureaucracy and regulations (2)
- Adult day care (2)

Authority Chairman Ken Taylor said that everybody had good ideas at the summit and that he hopes it will increase awareness about the financial situation the hospital is in.

"We will keep you up to date as developments occur, and we are grateful for the community's support of Elbert Memorial Hospital," said Brown.



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EMH Foundation Charity Gala
January 23, 2010

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If you wish do to so, please write us at EMH Foundation, 4 Medical Drive, Elberton, GA 30635

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 2010.

(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.

Tena's Jewelry & Gifts Benefit for Hospital Foundation planned November 10

Your dreams can come true. You've always wanted a pair of diamond stud earrings, and here is your chance!

You are cordially invited to the 4th Annual Elbert Memorial Hospital Charity Event at Tena's Jewelry & Gifts in Elberton on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Sandra, Lacey, Laura, and Tena will have special holiday gift ideas,



refreshments and door prizes. The highlight will be trying your luck opening a Treasure Chest. Customers will receive a key and a chance to see if it will open the Treasure Chest!

Tena's will donate 10 percent of all sales to the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation, and everyone will receive a free gift. Tena's Jewelry is located at 6 S. Oliver St. in downtown Elberton.