PRESIDENTS’ LETTER

As we bid farewell to another cold and snowy winter, and welcome summer back, we are thrilled to share some Friends’ highlights. Every day we strive to build on our mission of furthering awareness, outreach, and fundraising for White Plains Hospital. We could not do what we do without your dedication and commitment.

In September, we held our annual gala and boy, what a night! The 125th Anniversary Gala was an unforgettable evening of dinner, dancing, and a live auction that raised more than $300,000! We are so grateful to all who helped celebrate 125 exceptional years of White Plains Hospital caring for the community. Nearly 800 people attended and we raised $1.6M for the Hospital making it the most successful fundraising event in the Hospital’s history!

Over the past year, the Junior Friends became an official club at Scarsdale High School. We plan to expand our reach throughout the community to grow this initiative. If you know of any local high school students who may be interested in participating, please let us know. As a reminder, the Junior Friends work together to fundraise to purchase and assemble the Comfort Kits distributed to pediatric patients, which offer a welcomed distraction to these young patients during what can be a stressful and scary time.

On June 4th, we welcomed Jenna Bush Hager to our Annual Spring Luncheon as the keynote speaker. It was a wonderful event that highlighted the importance of giving back, especially through the first annual Ripple Award winner, Ann Edwards.

We are always looking for new ways to deliver value, from educational and networking opportunities like activities and fundraisers, to service projects and encourage your ideas and participation. We have already accomplished so much this year, as highlighted in this newsletter, but there are greater things to come.

Have a wonderful summer!

Wendy Berk & Kathy Winterroll
Co-Presidents

*Please note that there are no meetings during the months of July and August, 2019. Continue to check your e-mail for updates during this time.
125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

THANK YOU.

SAVE the DATE

“The Best is Yet to Come”
BASH
November 16, 2019
6:30pm
Brae Burn Country Club
IN-HOME EVENTS LAST FALL

On October 10th, Joshua and Morgan Caspi opened their home in Rye Brook to community members and friends alike to learn more about the pediatric initiative at the Hospital.

Miller Motorcars of Greenwich showed off their latest collection of luxury cars to guests.

Amy Hirschhorn and Stefanie Cohen hosted a brunch for the Friends of White Plains Hospital on October 24th to learn more about the pediatric initiative from President and CEO, Susan Fox, and Emergency Room Director, Dr. Torres!

GOING ON IN THE HOSPITAL

5I PEDIATRIC PLAYROOM RIBBON CUTTING
The Friends, through their continued efforts to bring pediatrics to the forefront at White Plains Hospital, hosted a ribbon cutting on October 22nd to unveil the renovated pediatric playroom.

FRIENDS HOLIDAY DECORATING
The Friends came together in early December to embellish the Hospital with holiday decorations, distribute roses to patients and to provide cookies for the staff. These acts of kindness were the perfect way to ring in the holiday season!

RECENT COMMUNITY EVENTS

BOWLING FOR BEARS
The 4th annual Bowling for Bears event was held on January 27th at Bowlmor Lanes in White Plains. The Junior Friends broke records again this year by raising more than $17,500 for comfort kits and teddy bears. These distraction kits are distributed to pediatric patients on 5I, the Emergency Department and the Family Health Center.

G3 - GIRLS GOT GAME
On April 3rd, Eileen Meyers, Wendy Berk and Laura Koch chaired the 6th Annual G3- Girls Got Game event at Sunningdale Country Club. The event included dinner, cocktails and Mah Jongg, Canasta and Bridge, and raised more than $28,000 for the pediatric initiative!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNIOR FRIENDS OF WPH
The Junior Friends of WPH is now officially a club sponsored by Scarsdale High School! With this partnership, the Junior Friends can recruit more members and spread events and fundraising opportunities to a larger scope of students. As one of their first projects as an official club, led by Charlotte Meyers and Jessica Solodar (pictured, above), the Junior Friends collected toys for WPH’s pediatric patients. The toys were given to pediatric patients throughout the Hospital, including the Family Health Center.
Individual and group tours of the Hospital are available for interested community members through the Friends. Please call (914) 681-1040 for more information or to schedule a tour.