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(L) The future home of the UCSF-John Muir Health Cancer Center. (R) Oncology patient at John Muir Health.

BRIEFINGS

2019 John Muir Health Gala Was OZ-some

Annual Event Raises \$3.3 Million for UCSF-John Muir Health Cancer Center

Thanks to generous donors, “dreams that we dared to dream” really did come true at the sixth annual *Celebrate John Muir Health!* gala which raised a record-breaking \$3.3 million.

The event, themed *There's No Place Like John Muir Health*, was held on November 2 at the Concord Jet Center in a private hangar graciously donated by the Hofmann Family. More than 700 guests, some adorned as Dorothy and her friends from the Land of Oz, enjoyed a night of philanthropy and community support for the new UCSF-John Muir Health Cancer Center in Walnut Creek.

Cancer is the leading cause of death in Contra Costa County with nearly 12,000 residents newly

diagnosed each year. The unique partnership between UCSF and John Muir Health is grounded in collaborative work that will complement each health system's strengths and provide exceptional cancer services to patients in our community.

Brenda Carlson, Executive Director, Oncology and Specialty Services, explains “It is important for patients receiving treatment to be connected to their community and support network. Traveling for hours to receive treatment can add undue physical and emotional stress to an already highly-stressful situation. The new Cancer Center in Walnut Creek will allow patients to heal in their own environment surrounded by family and friends.”

MESSAGE FROM GALA CO-CHAIRS



Maureen Knight
CO-CHAIR

Margie Murphy
CO-CHAIR

On behalf of the gala committee and from the bottom of our hearts, we thank YOU for making the 2019 *Celebrate John Muir Health!* gala the most successful fundraising event in its six-year history! Together, we raised \$3.3 million in support of a new, state of the art, comprehensive cancer center. You proved, once again, that when we come together in gratitude for the extraordinary care provided by John Muir Health, we really can make a difference.

More than 700 guests gathered on Saturday, November 2, in a private Concord Jet Center hangar, generously donated by Jean and Lisa Hofmann. In what is always astonishing to see, the hangar was completely transformed into scenes reminiscent of *The Wizard of Oz*, characterizing the theme, *There's No Place Like John Muir Health*. Guests were welcomed to the party in "Kansas", were sent to the "Emerald City" with the help of the "Great and Powerful Oz" himself, and danced the night away "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."

If you were unable to join us in 2019, we hope this edition of Give Health will provide you a taste of the incredible gathering and evening of generosity. We've also included a QR Code (below) to the 2019 *Celebrate John Muir Health!* video—a compilation of inspiring patient testimonials about the good works of John Muir Health physicians, nurses, and staff.

"Dreams that we dared to dream" really did come true!



**Use this QR code to
view our gala video!**

CELEBRATE JOHN MUIR HEALTH!

Sixth Annual Gala—November 2, 2019

John Muir Health Foundation

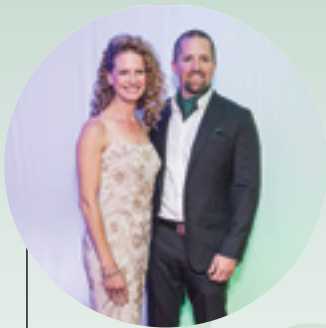
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2019 Gala *There's No Place Like John Muir Health*

MORE THAN 700 GALA SPONSORS,
DONORS AND GUESTS FROM ACROSS
OUR COMMUNITY CAME TOGETHER TO
SUPPORT THE UCSF-JOHN MUIR HEALTH
CANCER CENTER.



"Like John Muir Health, NORCAL Ambulance provides excellent care and service to the community when they need it most. We have proudly supported the gala since its inception in 2014."

—Katie and Eric Larimer



"It brings us great joy to provide ongoing support for the outstanding programs and services of John Muir Health."

—John and Pamela Goode



"The new UCSF-John Muir Health Cancer Center will be so important for our community. We are excited about the expansion of oncology research and clinical trials that will help people fighting cancer. This partnership will move the needle forward in finding successful new treatments."

—Jeannie and Sharon Simpson



—Emily Gonzaga and Shannon Gomez
JOHN MUIR HEALTH EMPLOYEES



"As physicians who care deeply about our patients, the outpouring of community support and funds raised at the gala confirm that this is what we are meant to do."

—Drs. Joe and Geera Peters

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November 2nd, 2019

In support of the new
UCSF-John Muir Health Cancer Center



The event was held at the Concord Jet Center in a private hangar generously provided by the Hofmann family.



Stephanie Seeno-Miles and Clyde Miles.

Ann Notarangelo and Adonal Foyle.



Mike Thomas, Executive Vice President and Chief Transformation Officer.

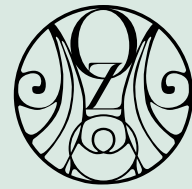
Janet Cronk doubles down.



(L-R) Steve and Debra Gonsalves,
Maureen and Cal Knight, President and
Chief Executive Officer.



(L-R) Kate Chynoweth, Hartwell Lin, M.D., David Griffith, M.D. and Becky Forbes.



There's No
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John Muir Health



(L-R) John Muir Health employees David Padilla, Lisa Wessman and Maria Steinberg.



Brian and Melani Rivera.

(L-R) Phoebe Sauter, Kaitlyn Elvidge, Charles Sauter and George Sauter.



(L-R) Vita Sechrest, Lisa Hofmann Morgan, Alexie Shurtz and Gabriella Seeno.



(L-R) Val Nagel, Liz Mechelke, Michael Monaldo and Kevin Mechelke.

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Auctioneer Greg Quiroga of Stellar Fundraising Auctions.

PRIZES AND WINNERS

LIVE AUCTION

1. We're Off To See The Warriors

Two tickets to sit courtside at a Golden State Warriors game.

WINNER: Bonnie and Mike Zumbo

WINNER: Brian Rivera, Tampico Terrace Care Center

2. Stellar "Storm" Cellar

More than 50 bottles of wine to add to your personal collection, as well as a privately catered dinner at the home of Kerry and Margie Murphy, Gala Co-Chair.

WINNER: Barry Latner, M.D.

3. The Wizard of OZ-some

Private dinner for 10 with former Golden State Warrior and current sports anchor Adonal Foyle.

WINNER: Jane and Wayne Willemsen

4. We're Not in Kansas Anymore

Seven-night stay at La Quercia, a 15th century terraced villa in Umbria.

WINNER: Jason Pulido

5. There's No Place Like Oakland

Enjoy a luxury suite while you watch the last regular season Oakland Raiders game ever played at the Oakland Coliseum!

WINNER: Brian Rivera, Tampico Terrace Care Center

6. A Course Of A Different Color

A private, hands-on group cooking and wine pairing class and lunch at Cakebread Cellars.

WINNER: multiple winners

7. Fly, My Pretties, Fly!

Guided fly-fishing trip with Cal Knight and Irving Pike, M.D.

WINNER: Andrew Greenfield, M.D., Envision Physician Services

WINNER: Debra and Steve Gonsalves

8. Loins, Tomatoes And Beets! Oh My!

Enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience as you join Chez Panisse restaurant chefs in preparing the evening's dinner menu.

WINNER: Margie and Kerry Murphy

9. Somewhere Over the Rainbow (And Lake!)

Spend a relaxing week in your own private home at Lake Almanor.

WINNER: Randy and Irving Pike, M.D.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWINGS

Golden State Warriors Game—Luxury Suite

WINNER: Rob Matthews

Oakland A's Game—Diamond level Tickets

Donated by SWAGR Premium Bay Area Sports Tickets

WINNER: Marilyn Kwan

Heart and Lock Diamond Stretch Bracelet

Donated by Heller Jewelers

WINNER: Tracy Bowles

Thomas Kinkade Limited Edition Canvas of "Follow The Yellow Brick Road"

Donated by Art Brand

WINNER: Sonia Ramos

SIGN-UP PARTIES

Tickets to these exclusive, privately held parties were available for purchase during the gala. A limited number of tickets were available per event.

Margaritas and Mariachis

Hosted by Maureen and Cal Knight

Perfect Pairing

Hosted by Wendy and Mike Thomas

Lobster Clambake

Hosted by Margaret and Brent Simor



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WHY WE GIVE

Grant Mitooka Given the Gift of Life

For Carrie and Joel Mitooka, the 2019 holiday season might have been very bleak. Instead, the family joyfully celebrated 2019 and rang in the New Year with renewed vigor, appreciation, and heartfelt gratitude for John Muir Health and the exceptional care team that saved their son's life.

At thirteen-months old, Grant was rushed via critical care transport from the family's local hospital to John Muir Health with what had begun as common Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV). "Grant was very, very sick and our local hospital wasn't able to provide the care he needed," says Carrie. "He was in grave condition and had it not been for exceptional physicians and nurses in John Muir Health's Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU), my baby might not have survived."

Through a partnership with Stanford Children's Health, families can receive care for their children, close to home, at the only PICU in Contra Costa County.



Mitooka family 2019 holiday photo.

RSV can be very serious, especially for infants. It can cause severe infections such as bronchiolitis, an inflammation of the small airways in the lung, and pneumonia, an infection of the lungs. Unfortunately, this was true for Grant and he would remain in John Muir Health's PICU for nearly one month.

"John Muir Health provided my son with the gift of life," says Carrie. "My entire family felt taken care of, too. Our many questions were answered immediately—and often times before they were even asked. The Child Life Specialists were phenomenal and provided the attention my other children needed when I couldn't provide it."

Carrie and Joel appreciate the care their children received so much that they gave hundreds of dollars in donated toys to John Muir Health's Child Life Services and nearly \$1,000 from an online Facebook Birthday Fundraiser.

"We will never forget the doctors, nurses and staff who saved our son and took such great care of all of us," says Joel. "This is our way of giving back."

Today, Grant is the epitome of good health. He learned to walk not long after he returned home and his family says they now have a difficult time keeping up with him!