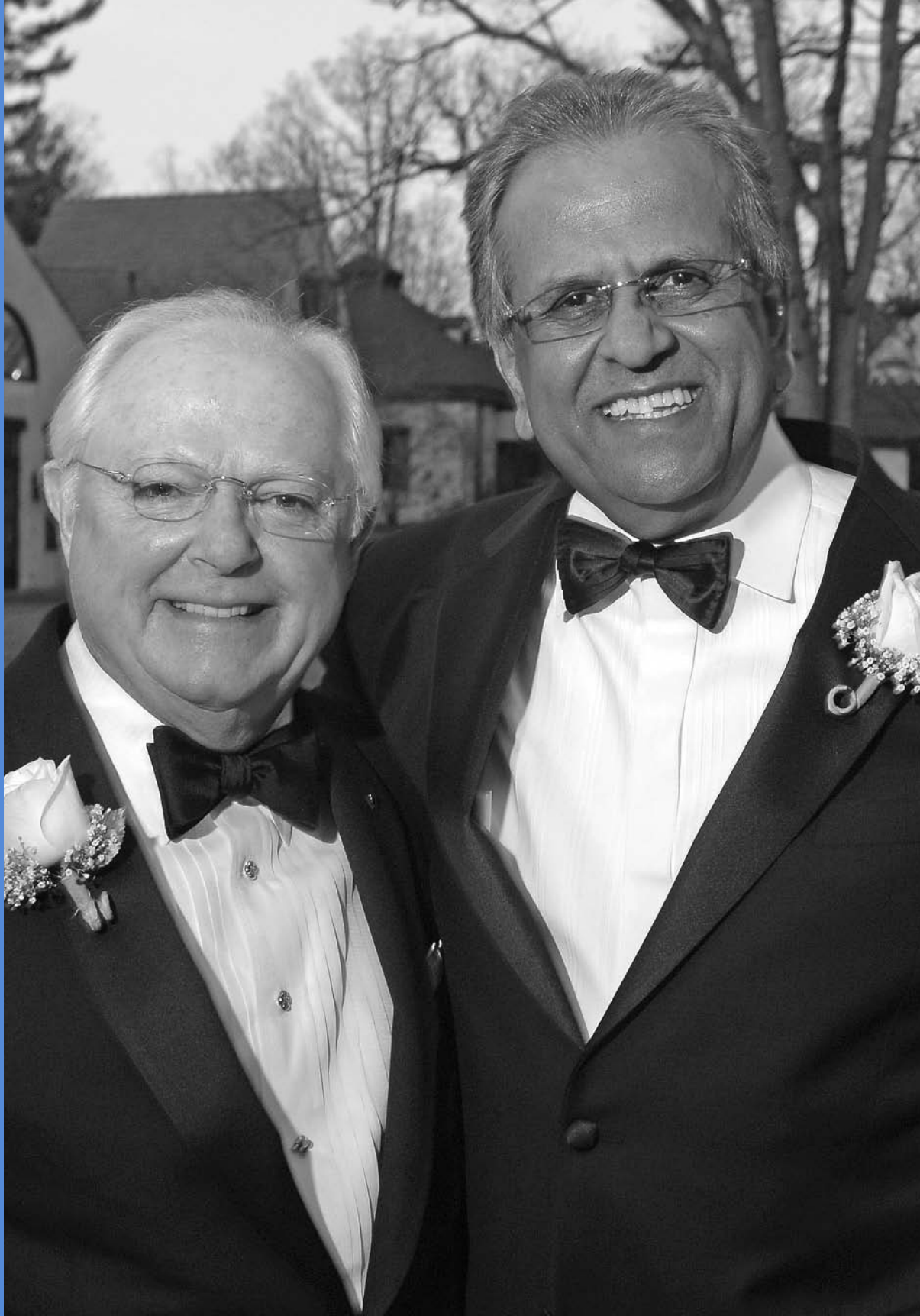


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# Our Mission

Saint Clare’s Foundation is dedicated to raising funds for Saint Clare’s Health System – assisting our healthcare system in its mission to nurture the healing ministry of the Church by bringing it new life, energy and viability in the 21st Century. Fidelity to the Gospel urges us to emphasize human dignity and social justice as we move toward the creation of healthier communities.

Two special members of the Saint Clare’s family – **Thomas G. Ferguson Sr.**, left, and **Dr. Sandran Waran** – were honored at the 2010 Saint Clare’s Annual Spring Gala on March 19.



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## Our strength is in our people

**What** we are is a leading healthcare provider comprised of four hospitals and healthcare facilities serving the Northwest New Jersey region. But right now, I want to talk about **Who** we are.

We are physicians and medical staff who are respected in our fields and who focus on providing quality care 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We are administrative team members and support staff who run the health system to meet our vision not just for today, but for many years into the future. And, equally as important, who we are is you – donors, sponsors and volunteers.

Because of your support, Saint Clare’s has had an unparalleled quarter. We were able to make great strides in our strategic plan, which ensures that Saint Clare’s will continue to grow and meet the needs of the community through targeted projects, including the wall-breaking and groundbreaking of our new surgical suite at the Denville campus and the continued transition to an all-private-room hospital in Dover, among many other projects.

We also hosted an incredible annual Spring Gala in March. It was an event that required the tireless planning

and hard work of numerous individuals – especially from our event co-chairs Gale Bott and Ann McManus - as well as the support of all our attendees to reach a new level of success in our fundraising efforts.



To be sure, initiatives such as the strategic plan and events like the 13th annual Spring Gala truly showcase who we are. Saint Clare’s is a group of people who have come together as stewards of the legacy of the Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother – a legacy established more than 100 years ago to serve this community

And, as I look back on such a strong and progressive quarter, and I look forward to seeing the rest of 2010 unfold, I want to extend my sincere thanks to you for your role in making Saint Clare’s Health System **Who** we are.

Stephen J. Nicholl  
Executive Director, Saint Clare’s Foundation

# The 2010 *Saints-Classic* Golf Outing is Around the Corner

It's that time of year again – time to start gearing up for the 10th Annual *Saints-Classic* Golf Outing, one of the area's most exciting and prestigious golf fundraisers.

This year's tournament, to be held on Monday, August 23, will once again take place at the beautiful Rockaway River Country Club in Denville, New Jersey, and will directly benefit the programs, medical services and facilities of Saint Clare's Health System. Participants in the luxury golf experience will again enjoy a host of contests, skill prizes, raffle prizes and a number of all-new and exciting amenities including massages by the staff of the *Center for Complementary Medicine* at Saint Clare's as well as complimentary car washes.

This year's *Saints-Classic* will also feature the Sixth Annual *Corporate Challenge*, a tournament-within-a-tournament in which teams that register at the *Eagle*, *Double Eagle* or *Tournament* sponsorship levels will have a chance to win special trophies. Winning teams will also earn the honor of having their organizations' names engraved on the Saint Clare's *Corporate Challenge Cup*, which is on display at Saint Clare's Foundation.

Additionally, in what has become an annual tradition, several notable sports celebrities will again participate in this year's *Saints-Classic*. These sports greats, including New York Giants' football legend Bart Oates, may find their way into foursomes at the *Tournament* and *Double Eagle* sponsor levels. Don't worry, there's still time to get in on this exceptional experience,



Members of the 2010 *Saints-Classic* Golf Outing Committee include (l-r): **Jeremy Greenman, Fred Hyatt, Michael Cohen, Tara McEntee, Dr. David Feldman and Franco Meza.**

as volunteers, committee members, sponsors and participants – both individuals and corporate teams – are currently being sought.

"Saint Clare's golf events have raised more than \$2 million over the past 30-plus years, providing the vital funds that help make the mission of Saint Clare's Foundation possible," said *Saints-Classic* Committee Chair Michael Cohen. "Thanks to nearly 100 participants and numerous sponsors, last year's tournament exceeded goals by raising more than \$55,000. Please join friends, family and staff of Saint Clare's and help make this year's event an even bigger success!"

For more information, to join the friendly competition or to reserve your sponsorship, please call Saint Clare's Foundation at **973-983-5300**. To register online visit: [www.saintclaresfoundation.org/saintsclassic](http://www.saintclaresfoundation.org/saintsclassic).

## Dates and Events



**Saints-Classic Golf Outing**  
Monday, August 23, 2010  
Rockaway River Country Club,  
Denville, NJ

**Saint Clare's Walk**  
for Breast Cancer Awareness

**Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness**  
Sunday, September 19, 2010  
Hilton Garden Inn at  
Rockaway Townsquare Mall,  
Rockaway, NJ

**Employee and Friends Golf Outing**  
Monday, October 18, 2010  
Picutinny Golf Club,  
Picutinny Arsenal, NJ

For further details, call **973-983-5300** or visit [www.saintclaresfoundation.org](http://www.saintclaresfoundation.org).

# Dedicated Saint Clare's Auxiliaries Continue Their Generous Missions

Each of the three Saint Clare's Hospital Auxiliaries works tirelessly throughout the year on numerous fundraising initiatives to generate support for our hospitals.

The **Auxiliary of Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville & Boonton Township** has been especially active in recent months. The group has held several sales, including the "Save on Socks" and a Multi-Vendor Sale in April and the "Glenn's Bags" Sale in May, as well as hosting its Annual Old-Fashioned Tea Party in the "Green Room" at St. Francis at the end of April.

Pictured at the annual Old Fashioned Tea Party are (l-r): **Susan Rich** and **Estelle Montgomery**, members of Saint Clare's **Denville/Boonton Township Auxiliary**, and **Lou Noonan**, **Denville/Boonton Township Auxiliary** President.



In addition to planning for an upcoming Uniform Sale and the group's annual *Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon*, to be held on October 28 at the Zeris Inn, the **Denville/Boonton Township Auxiliary** faithfully continues a more than 50-year tradition with its Baby Alumni Program. This project, which provides financial support to *The Katena Center for Mother & Child*, raises proceeds from grateful

patients and families of the *Center* that are then used to provide education and purchase critical medical equipment to ensure that Saint Clare's tiniest patients receive the best care possible.

The **Saint Clare's Hospital/Dover Auxiliary** held a number of very successful events on the Dover campus this spring, including a "Cash for Gold" fundraiser in March, a "Multi-Vendor Sale" in April, and the Annual English Tea in May.

The **Dover Auxiliary** will hold its latest 50/50 Raffle Drawing on June 10, and is also busy preparing for its Annual Fashion Show/ Luncheon – featuring fashions by Cold Water Creek – to be held on October 16 in the cafeteria at the Dover campus. Ongoing projects for the group include the Dover Auxiliary Gift Shop and a yearly scholarship that is awarded to a qualifying high school graduate entering the medical field.

**Dover Auxiliary** members include (l-r): **Barbara Valentine** (Dover Auxiliary member & Gift Shop Buyer), **Camille Milsom** (Dover Auxiliary President) and **Marcella Russo** (Dover Auxiliary Secretary).



The **Saint Clare's Hospital/Sussex Auxiliary** has also had an active past few months. On April 17, the Auxiliary hosted a lively "Family Bowling Fun Night" at Frontier Lanes in Warwick, NY, and on March 13, the group sponsored a Mount Airy Bus Trip.

Pictured are (l-r): **Louise Basile** (Co-President of Sussex Auxiliary) and **Rose Ann Norris** (Vice President of Sussex Auxiliary and Central Services Aide).



*Saint Clare's extends a heartfelt "Thank You!" to our three Auxiliaries, whose generous volunteer fundraising efforts throughout the year continue to advance the level of medical care and the mission of Saint Clare's Health System.*

# In Step with Saint Clare's: Annual Walk Raises Funds and Awareness for Breast Cancer



Pictured at the 2009 Saint Clare's Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness (l to r): Pat Valva, 2010 Walk Honorary Chair, and Mary Mulholland, 2010 Walk committee member.

Saint Clare's Foundation will continue to make great strides for women's health with its 9th Annual Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness on Sunday, September 19.

More than 2,000 people – a record-breaking number for the event – are expected to participate in this year's 5K Walk, which will support Imaging Center at Parsippany Commons. The Walk will once again be held at the Hilton Garden Inn Rockaway, Rockaway Townsquare Mall, beginning at 7 a.m., rain or shine.

This year, the focus for the Walk is on the future. Participants will be asked to imagine a world without breast cancer and a time when mothers, daughters, sisters and friends will be free of the fear of a disease that took approximately 40,000 lives in the United States last year. With that thought in

mind, walkers in our community will march forward to raise desperately needed funds and awareness and make a difference for women around the world.

Already off to a great start, this year's Walk officially began on February 23 with a Kick-off Breakfast meeting of the Saint Clare's Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness Planning Committee. As part of the meeting the group, including Walk Co-Chairs Donita Judge and Ruth Wilson, took an inspirational VIP tour of Denville Hospital and of the cancer treatment center. And, on June 5, the first-ever Team Captain Breakfast was held to motivate and provide additional information to potential team captains.

This year's Walk will once again include an Awards Ceremony as well as the annual Survivor's Ceremony, held to honor those who have fought or continue the battle against breast cancer. Survivors can register online for access to the Survivors' Tent, where they can receive massages from the staff of *The Center for Complementary Medicine* at Saint Clare's along with a goody bag.

As is true every year, fighting cancer with Saint Clare's is a team mission. Along with individual walkers, companies, organizations and groups of friends and families are invited to participate as teams to raise funds. Additionally, team captains are being recruited, with a goal of securing 50 new team captains this year. Volunteers are also being sought to help with several committees, including Sponsorship, Team Recruitment, Volunteer, Survivor Recognition, Community Outreach, Logistics and 50/50 Raffle Sales.

Major sponsors who have already committed for this year's walk include returning Title Sponsor ADD Systems and Presenting Sponsor TD Bank. Also joining the cause are Media Sponsors WMTR AM-1250 *Classic Oldies* and WDHA FM-105.5 *The Rock of New Jersey*. Sponsorship opportunities are still available; to learn more please visit [www.saintclaresfoundation.org/Walk](http://www.saintclaresfoundation.org/Walk) or call 973-983-5300.

"Only 20 percent of hospitals in the United States offer cancer-care programs accredited by the American College of Surgeons, and Saint Clare's is among that distinguished group," said Walk Co-Chair Donita Judge. "By walking in honor or memory of a friend or loved one, leading a team, participating on a committee or sponsoring the event, you can help Saint Clare's continue to help others in the fight against breast cancer."

For more information on Saint Clare's 9th Annual Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness, please visit [www.saintclaresfoundation.org/Walk](http://www.saintclaresfoundation.org/Walk) or call 973-983-5300. We hope to see you on September 19 as we walk to put cancer on the run!

# Expanded Emergency Medical Services Department Provides Lifesaving Support to Broader Northwest New Jersey Community

Recent changes within the Saint Clare's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Department, many of which were supported by donations to the Saint Clare's Foundation, have helped departmental staff provide their lifesaving services to even more residents of Northwest New Jersey over the past year.

The addition of new basic and advanced life-support vehicles, service-area expansions and management changes have further strengthened the ability of the Saint Clare's EMS team to provide critical pre-hospital



intervention and transport across more than 1,200 square miles, the largest square-mile-coverage area in the state.

"We now cover all of Sussex County, most of Morris County and about half of Warren County with a fleet of 35-plus vehicles, supporting nearly 30,000 ambulance emergency calls annually and providing a critical safety net for the communities we serve," said Deborah Paglianite, who was appointed EMS Operations Manager in November 2009 after serving as Clinical Coordinator for several years. Other recent

management changes within the EMS Department include the addition of several new Operation Coordinators as well as creation of new line supervisory positions for each Advanced Life Support truck.

Additionally, Saint Clare's, the only Advanced Life Support provider for Sussex and for parts of Warren and Morris counties, recently brought into service additional emergency transport vehicles to serve the Sussex County community, including a second 24-hour Advanced Life Support truck in January. With a total of six of these Mobile Intensive Care Units (MICU), staffed by two licensed paramedics with advanced medical training, Saint Clare's is able to bring the critical care skills of an emergency room to more than 750,000 community members' doors across the three counties.

Beyond Advanced Life Support and traditional 911 Basic Life Support emergency response, Saint Clare's EMS Department provides a variety of other community services, including inter-facility transport for critically ill patients through its Specialty Care Transport Units (SCTU) as well as local, regional and long-distance medical transport of patients with diverse needs to hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, doctors appointments and personal residences through its Basic Life Support/Ambulance Services unit. The department's Special Operations division provides highly specialized services for law enforcement agencies, as well as logistical support for local large-scale events including the New Jersey State Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show.

As part of Saint Clare's EMS Department's ongoing quest to provide quality education and outreach services to the community, four team members recently became certified by the national "Every 15 Minutes" program, which brings together a broad coalition of interested local agencies with the goal of reducing alcohol-related incidents among youth. Focusing on high school juniors and seniors, the two-day program challenges youth to think about drinking, driving, personal safety, the responsibility of making mature decisions and the impact their decisions have on family and friends through simulation of an alcohol-related car crash and subsequent hospital, courtroom, morgue and funeral scenes. In April, the Saint Clare's team participated in its first "Every 15 Minutes" program at High Point Regional High School in Wantage Township.

"If we are able to help save just one life then it is worth it," said Paglianite.

# Infusion Center Brings Comfort and Convenience to Cancer Care Patients

For *Cancer Care at Saint Clare's*, the recent completion of the renovated and expanded Infusion Center has meant the ability to streamline the provision of advanced oncology treatment for both patients and physicians alike. For the hundreds of Northwest New Jersey cancer patients who have been treated in the Center since its opening late last fall, it has meant the comfort and convenience of being able to receive their therapy from healthcare professionals they trust in a state-of-the-art facility right in their own communities.



The new Infusion Center's layout allows patients to visit and share common experiences with each other while undergoing treatment.

The new chemotherapy outpatient service facility officially opened its doors with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on November 5,

2009, with about 20 hospital and medical staff and patients in attendance. Following welcoming remarks by Leslie D. Hirsch, President and Chief Executive Officer of Saint Clare's Health System, a Blessing ceremony for the Infusion Center was performed by Sister Susan Evelyn, Vice President of Mission Integration.

"Being able to receive my treatment close to home means a whole lot to me. The new Infusion Center at Saint Clare's is just a very bright, pleasant and comfortable place to be that fosters a sense of hope for cancer patients right in our community," said Ellen Pekrol, a 12-year cancer survivor who worked at Saint Clare's for many years as a nurse. "Unlike other centers I've received my treatment in over the years that separate patients from one another, the chemotherapy chairs at Saint Clare's are grouped together and allow for everyone to talk together and relate to the things we're all going through. I actually look forward to going every week, to visiting with the staff and other patients who have become friends."

Funded entirely through the generosity of donors to Saint Clare's Foundation and located near the *Cancer Care* outpatient center at Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville, the renovated and expanded Infusion Center allows Saint Clare's medical oncologists easy access to their patients and also helps alleviate space concerns on the oncology inpatient unit.

"*Cancer Care at Saint Clare's* comprehensive oncology program is designed to combine the highest quality cancer care services with an unsurpassed level of compassion and individualized care that goes beyond treating the cancer to supporting the patient throughout their cancer-care experience, right in the communities in which our patients live," said Dr. Donald Cann, Medical Director of Radiation Oncology. "The renovated and expanded Infusion Center is the latest representation of our commitment to our community, to our cancer patients and their care and to Saint Clare's desire to be the region's leader in cancer treatment."

*Cancer Care at Saint Clare's*, the comprehensive oncology program of Saint Clare's Health System, provides a full range of cancer care services, from screening and diagnostics to treatments and support programs, backed by advanced technology and facilities as well as a talented staff of oncology and clinical professionals with extensive experience in the treatment of a broad array of cancers. For more information on *Cancer Care at Saint Clare's* or to make an appointment, call 973-983-7300.

## High-Tech MRI System Now Up and Running at Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville

Saint Clare's recently introduced its first hospital-based magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) system, which employs the latest in top-of-the-line equipment and high-definition (HD) technology and brings Saint Clare's to the forefront of MRI technology.

The new MRI system, located at Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville, comes equipped with a Sentinelle Breast Imaging Table and Computer Assisted Diagnosis (CAD) system, making Saint Clare's one of only a few hospitals in the state to have advanced breast-screening capabilities. The system's specialized mobile sentinel table for breast imaging places the patient in a more comfortable position and allows for clearer interior views, which can be particularly important in treating younger women, whose breasts tend to be denser and thereby may make determining the true nature of a spot using a mammogram or older-style MRI more difficult. The unit also allows for the ability to perform image-guided breast biopsies.

MRI imaging technology uses magnetic and radio waves to provide a clear picture of the internal structure of the body. It differs from a computed tomography (CT) scan in that an MRI scan generally provides a much sharper contrast in the soft tissues of the body, and, unlike a CT scan, an MRI scan does not use radiation.

Thanks to the generous support of the donors and friends of the Saint Clare's Foundation, the MRI system, which was unveiled during a January 7 Blessing ceremony performed by Sister Susan Evelyn, Vice President of Mission Integration at Saint Clare's Health System, has been operational for several months now. More than 400 scans have been performed with the new system to-date, and its successes already include diagnosis of benign lesions in the breasts of a young woman who had been contemplating a mastectomy based on an unclear mammogram.

"This state-of-the-art MRI technology is particularly useful in the diagnosing of breast cancer as well as other acute and chronic illnesses. It will ensure that, for the first time, Saint Clare's patients have immediate on-site access to advanced MRI imaging for time-sensitive medical concerns without having to visit multiple locations," said Jeffrey Wexler, MD, Saint Clare's Medical Director for Diagnostic Imaging.

The MRI system is part of a \$2.4 million Saint Clare's Foundation project that included renovation of a small building adjacent to the main hospital to house the MRI unit, as well as the purchase of the system itself.

## Expanded and Updated Perinatology Suite Provides Prenatal Care in Convenient New Location

As a further commitment to the care of our community's future members, Saint Clare's recently unveiled its updated and relocated Perinatology Suite. The unit provides ultrasounds, high-risk monitoring and other prenatal care to the expectant parents in our area.

The suite is often the first step for expectant parents for the care of their unborn child at Saint Clare's, and serves as an introduction to our *Katena Center for Mother and Child*. The unit gives patients access to the best technology available to monitor high-risk cases as well as offers soon-to-be parents a first glance at their child.



Pictured above (l-r): **Dr. Barbara Girz**, left, a staff perinatologist at Saint Clare's Health System, and **Leslie D. Hirsch**, Saint Clare's President and Chief Executive Officer, were on-hand for the unveiling of the recently relocated and renovated Perinatology Suite.

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# Memorial Established in Honor of Dr. David DePasquale

With an undeniable passion for helping others, Dr. David DePasquale touched countless lives as a staff obstetrician-gynecologist at Saint Clare's Health System for 11 years. And although he passed away from cancer at age 42 last October, his legacy of giving and caring will carry on through a fundraiser to be held in his memory this fall.

Members of Dr. DePasquale's family, owners of DePasquale the Spa and longtime supporters of Saint Clare's Health System, will host *Fashion Fight for Cancer* at their Morris Plains, New Jersey spa on October 3. The afternoon event will feature a red carpet reception, wine, hors d'œuvres, a silent auction and a \$10,000 raffle. But the highlight of the event will take place on the catwalk with a full-force fashion show.

From coif to couture, models will be wearing the latest trends at *Fashion Fight for Cancer*. With their hair styled by several professional teams, a panel of judges, including a celebrity stylist, will select the evening's cutting-edge winner.



Dr. David DePasquale

"Obviously, the most important thing is to find the cure. In the meantime, you need to be able to help provide money for research, facilities and patient care," he added.

The fundraiser is a continuation of efforts to honor the life and work of Dr. DePasquale, who often cared for his OB/GYN patients while a patient himself at *Cancer Care at Saint Clare's*.

In December 2009, a memorial service was held at Saint Clare's Urban Auditorium, with more than 100 friends, colleagues and patients present. Several family members also attended and participated in the blessing of three hand-carved baby blocks that were given by the family in honor of the doctor. The blocks – which are inscribed with "In memory of Dr. David A. DePasquale. He loved life, work and most of all, family. We will miss you." – are on display at the entrance of the *Katena Center for Mother and Child*.

"There's not a day that goes by that he's not thought of. David touched many people in the short time he was with us. The greatest thing he left behind is the smile that is on your face when you're thinking of him," said Carmen DePasquale, Dr. DePasquale's uncle and a dedicated supporter of Saint Clare's for many years.

His sentiments have been echoed by many others, noting Dr. DePasquale's passion for his profession, good-natured wit and sense of humor and the broad scope of his presence when he entered a room. He is

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Pictured (l-r): **Anthony DePasquale, Carmen DePasquale, Carol Altshuler, Dee Migliaccio** and **Thomas DePasquale**, members of **Dr. David DePasquale's** family, are organizing a fall fundraiser at their business, DePasquale the Spa, to carry on their loved one's legacy of giving and caring.

Justin DePasquale, Dr. DePasquale's cousin and co-owner of the spa, said the event will benefit *Cancer Care at Saint Clare's*. "When David was [receiving treatment] at Saint Clare's, you couldn't help but overhear how amazing everyone was there," Justin said.

# Elegance and Gracious Giving Share the Spotlight at 13th Annual Spring Gala

It was an evening of extraordinary elegance, replete with black-tie glamour, dinner, dancing and an upscale auction in one of the region's stateliest settings. But shining beyond the glitter of Saint Clare's 2010 Spring Gala, held on March 19 at the beautiful Pleasantdale Château in West Orange, New Jersey, was the generous community support – the dedication and generosity that allows Saint Clare's to be among the best-performing health systems in the country.

The 13th annual event was again emceed by Fox 5 News reporter Linda Schmidt. Of the event, the mistress of ceremonies said, "In my career, I have traveled throughout the country and around the world, reporting on breaking news and hard-hitting issues in our society and interviewing some of the most famous names in the news of daily life. In the end, though, it is an event like tonight that I find most rewarding."

She continued by telling the more than 300 attendees, "Through your support of Saint Clare's Foundation, Saint Clare's Health System is making a significant impact on the lives of the community. With the hard work of the past year, and what is planned for the future, you are making a real difference to the people Saint Clare's serves today – and the generations that will follow."

Saint Clare's President and Chief Executive Officer Leslie D. Hirsch extended his appreciation of the support and loyalty given by the gala attendees, which has allowed for many great accomplishments this year, he noted, including: the opening of the Heart & Vascular Center at Saint Clare's at the Denville campus; the American College of Surgeon's approval with commendation of the *Cancer Care at Saint Clare's* program; the addition of basic and advanced life support units to serve Sussex County; Saint Clare's first hospital-based MRI system's installation at the Denville Campus; the addition of many new and well-respected physicians to the staff; and the continuation of the health system's long-term strategic plan.



Pictured (l-r): Leslie Hirsch, Basil O'Connor, Esq., Honoree Dr. Sandran Waran, Honoree Thomas Ferguson Sr. and Stephen Nicholl.

The event also served as a ceremony to honor two special members of the Saint Clare's family – Thomas G. Ferguson Sr. and Dr. Sandran Waran – with the annual Saint Clare's Awards, presented by Steve J. Nicholl,

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## Saint Clare's 2010 Spring Gala

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Pictured (l-r):  
Ellen Cotton and  
Kate Tiedemann.



Pictured (l-r):  
Saint Clare's Health  
System President  
and Chief Executive  
Officer Leslie Hirsch  
and Linda Schmidt.



Pictured (l-r): Standing-  
Bruce C. Bott, Janice  
Garfinkle, R.N.,  
Allyson Wright,  
Scott Wright, Amy  
Katsigiannis and  
Andy Katsigiannis,  
Sitting- Karin Bott,  
Jack Kelly, Karen Bott-  
Kelly, Gale Bott and  
Bruce A. Bott.



Pictured (l-r):  
Dr. Alma Ratcliffe  
and  
Jesse Ratcliffe.



Pictured (l-r):  
Dr. Edward  
McManus and  
Ann McManus.



Pictured (l-r):  
Rev. Msgr.  
Patrick Brown,  
Betsy Ferguson  
and Thomas  
Ferguson Sr.



Pictured (l-r):  
Maria Naeem  
and Dr. Patricia  
Dreyfuss.



## Spring Gala (Continued from Page 10)

Executive Director of the Saint Clare's Foundation, along with Hirsch and Basil O'Connor, Saint Clare's Foundation Board of Trustees Chair.

Ferguson, who is the founding donor of *The Roberta C. Ferguson Pediatric Center*, received the 2010 Leadership Award. He was recognized by Nicholl for his "faithful support and longtime dedication to ensuring Saint Clare's is able to offer the highest level of care to their patients."

Dr. Waran, Medical Director of Saint Clare's *Children's Neurology and Epilepsy Center* at the Denville campus, received the 2010 Physician Humanitarian Award. He was lauded by Nicholl for his "local, national and international efforts to address the medical needs of the poor and destitute, and his countless years of work to improve the lives of children."

Pictured (1-r) in the center:  
**Thomas G. Ferguson, Sr.**  
and wife, **Betsy Ferguson**,  
with members of their  
extended family.



It was a befitting moment that these two gentlemen should share the spotlight, as their friendship goes back many years. A lifelong bond was created when Dr. Waran treated and saved Ferguson's child's life twice, more than 30 years ago.

Following the awards presentation, guests enjoyed an unprecedented celebration, perfectly planned by gala co-chairs and Saint Clare's Foundation's board members Gale Bott and Ann McManus, along with their dedicated committee members. The festivities included musical entertainment by the Ken Zaback Orchestra, dinner prepared by the Pleasantdale Château culinary team and spectacular floral centerpieces by Conroy's Florist.

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Pictured (l-r): Standing-  
**Dr. Trevor DeSouza**,  
**Previn Waran**, **Dr. Sean**  
**Lalin**, **Donna Hameier**,  
**Dr. Leonid Topper**,  
**Sandra Pressimone** and  
**Alicia Topper, R.N.**  
Sitting- **Dr. Tanya Lalin**,  
**Dr. Sandran Waran**,  
**Dr. Shantha Waran** and  
**Dr. Elsie Estrada.**



## Prelude Cocktail Party Honors Those Who Make the Annual Spring Gala Possible

Each year, the Spring Gala is a masterpiece in the making. It takes many committee members, volunteers and sponsors – not to mention countless hours – to create an annual event to remember for gala guests. So on February 18, a special cocktail party called The Prelude was held to honor all the individuals who give of their time and talents to help Saint Clare's raise funds and awareness through the 2010 Spring Gala event.

Dr. Sandran Waran, recipient of the 2010 Physician Humanitarian award, and his wife Dr. Shantha Waran, both staff physicians at Saint Clare's Health System, hosted The Prelude in their Northwest New Jersey residence. The reception was held in the Waran's gallery, and John Guy, Curator of South and Southeast Asian Art with the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, graciously guided guests through the family's extensive international art collection.



Pictured (l-r): Standing- **Patrice Cohen, Jerri Somar, Yogini Varma, Annette Allegra, Max Persson, Karen Ferguson and Gina Clement.** Sitting- **Dr. Shantha Waran, Ann McManus, Gale Bott and Carol Hirsch.**

The Waran's magnificent home provided the perfect backdrop for this exclusive cocktail party, setting the tone for a successful Spring Gala one month later.

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A silent auction, which took place on the sweeping grounds and gardens of the Château, featured items such as a Louis Vuitton monogrammed ladies' wear set, golf at some of the area's best courses and vacation packages to Walt Disney World and North Carolina.

A live auction, lead by auctioneer Robert Valente, an arbitration supervisor with Manheim NY Metro Skyline, brought donating front and center with such items as a genuine mink cape, donated by Schultz Fine Furs & Outerwear and valued at \$3,500, a seven-day trip to Aruba and a one-week trip to Maui.

But the luxury didn't stop there – a raffle was also offered for \$50 a ticket with grand prizes including a \$3,900 Cartier Tank Francaise women's watch and a three-night stay at a choice of any of the Small Luxury Hotels Worldwide, valued at \$1,500. And a new prize feature this year was the instant-win raffle with tickets selling for \$15 per chance and \$20 for two chances. Prizes included iPods, iPod Touches, and restaurant packages.

The splendor and revelry of the event was a fitting way to mark a year's efforts of growth, strength and success for Saint Clare's. Hirsch said of the evening, "Even as our economy continues its slow recovery, we gather to celebrate Saint Clare's Health System, our accomplishments in the past year, and to thank our community – the faithful friends, supporters, donors and community leaders who help us to preserve the healthcare mission that has been a part of Saint Clare's for more than a century."

**Save the Date for the 14th Annual Spring Gala  
Friday, April 1st, 2011  
at the West Mount Country Club**

## Transforming From the Inside Out

For the leadership of Saint Clare's Health System, growth isn't singularly focused on construction. It's more about being a trusted partner in the community by not only meeting, but exceeding healthcare needs for the present and for many years to come. That focus is at the heart of the Saint Clare's Strategic Plan, a targeted map that will allow the health system to expand the way we serve the people of Northwest New Jersey.

The plan includes many stages for Saint Clare's evolution. The most immediate additions are occurring at the Denville campus, with the introduction of a new \$21 million surgical suite that will offer the most advanced healthcare technology in the region.



On March 12, the Denville transformation officially began with a swift and ceremonious swing of a sledgehammer. Staff members, local dignitaries and friends of Saint Clare's were all invited to take aim at the walls on the hospital's Urban Tower's fourth floor to commemorate the day and help make way for the 21,000-square-foot, fully integrated operating room facility.

"Today is a momentous day in the life of Saint Clare's Health System. Today we begin to write the final pages of the current chapter in the history of surgical services and start the work that will bring a bright new future in surgical intervention," said Leslie D. Hirsch, President and Chief Executive Officer at Saint Clare's Health System, during the event.

The surgical suite, which is expected to be finished by March 2011, will feature six operating rooms and a cystoscopy room, an enhanced patient holding area that provides additional privacy and a design that allows for improved operational efficiencies.

On May 12, Saint Clare's hosted a groundbreaking at the site, offering tours to donors, local leaders and members of the media. Video demonstrations showcasing all the new features the surgical suite will soon offer were also available for guests.

Future renovation plans for the Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville include a 24-bed nursing suite also

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**Vincent Cubelli, MD**, Chair of the Department of Surgery, prepares to take the first swing during the recent wall-breaking event on the fourth floor Urban Tower at Saint Clare's Hospital/Denville to help make way for construction of the new 21,000-square-foot, fully integrated operating room facility.

## Perinatology Suite

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"The renovation of our Perinatology Suite offers our patients a calm and relaxing experience as they receive their prenatal care," said Dr. Barbara Girz, staff perinatologist at Saint Clare's Health System. "We have always offered the best technology and care, but we are proud to say that our facilities now match the level of care for our patients."

The new Perinatology Suite at Saint Clare's is now located next to the Family Waiting Area in the Katena Center, which is a more accessible location for patients.

Saint Clare's offered employees and physicians of the *Katena Center for Mother and Child* a first glance of the new facility at a Blessing ceremony on May 18. In addition to remarks from Leslie D. Hirsch, President and Chief Executive Officer, the group welcomed Sister Susan Evelyn, Vice President of Mission Integration, who offered the blessing for this important unit.

## Memorial Fundraiser

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also remembered as a dedicated husband to his wife, Anne, and a loving father to his daughter, Mia, 13 and son, Nicholas, 11.

Of the upcoming fundraiser, Justin DePasquale said he thinks his cousin would be pleased that the family has once again partnered with Saint Clare's. He said, "At the very least, he would be impressed. He was a giver, you know. If he was here, he would not want a fuss made about him, but he would be glad for the giving back to the community, which he did every day of his life."

Tickets for the DePasquale the Spa *Fashion Fight for Cancer* will range from \$50 for general seating to \$75 for runway/VIP seating. For more information on the event, please call 973-983-5300 or 973-538-3811.



The family of **Dr. David DePasquale**, including (l-r) daughter **Mia**, son **Nicholas** and wife, **Dr. Anne DePasquale**, in front of the hand-carved baby blocks that were given by the family in his honor.

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on the fourth floor of the Urban Tower. The 13,000-square-foot space will offer private rooms with accommodations for overnight stays by family members.

Also at the Denville campus, emergency services will expand. With more than 38,000 adults and 10,000 children currently visiting the Denville Emergency Department, and a 10 percent increase in visits expected in the near future, the need for a reconfiguration of the space is critical. Among the many new improvements will be an improved waiting room for families, as well as a private bereavement/family/consultation room, X-ray rooms, a triage room, and an expanded psychiatric emergency space.

At the Dover campus, a \$4.5 million surgical suite expansion will occur soon, to compliment the services provided at the hospital's new Center for Joint Replacement. Changes to the core configuration, along with upgrades to the operating rooms, new lighting and integration of the latest technology, are all a part of the plan to provide the highest quality in surgical healthcare at the campus.

Future plans for Saint Clare's Hospital/Dover focus on reconfiguring the hospital to a 100-percent private-room hospital. Each of the 82 rooms will be designed

with a homelike environment. Once the construction is completed, Saint Clare's Hospital/Dover will be Northwest New Jersey's only all-private-bed hospital.

The Sussex and Boonton campuses are included in the long-range efforts of the strategic plan. The future for Saint Clare's Hospital/Sussex includes a 30-bed replacement hospital and the addition of an assisted-living facility. Changes for Saint Clare's Hospital/Boonton will include renovation of the existing facility.



**Sister Susan Evelyn**, Vice President of Mission Integration at Saint Clare's Health System, and Saint Clare's President and Chief Executive Officer **Leslie D. Hirsch** conduct a Blessing ceremony as part of a wall-breaking event at the site of the new \$21 million surgical suite, while staff and physicians look on.

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Kuperus Farms, located in Sussex, NJ, delivered beautiful poinsettia plants donated to the Sussex campus, bringing joy to the patients and employees. Pictured (l-r): **Anne Marie Kuperus** of Kuperus Farms, Linda Keller, Administrative Director of Nursing, and Sandra Telischak-Payne, Assistant Director of Nursing.



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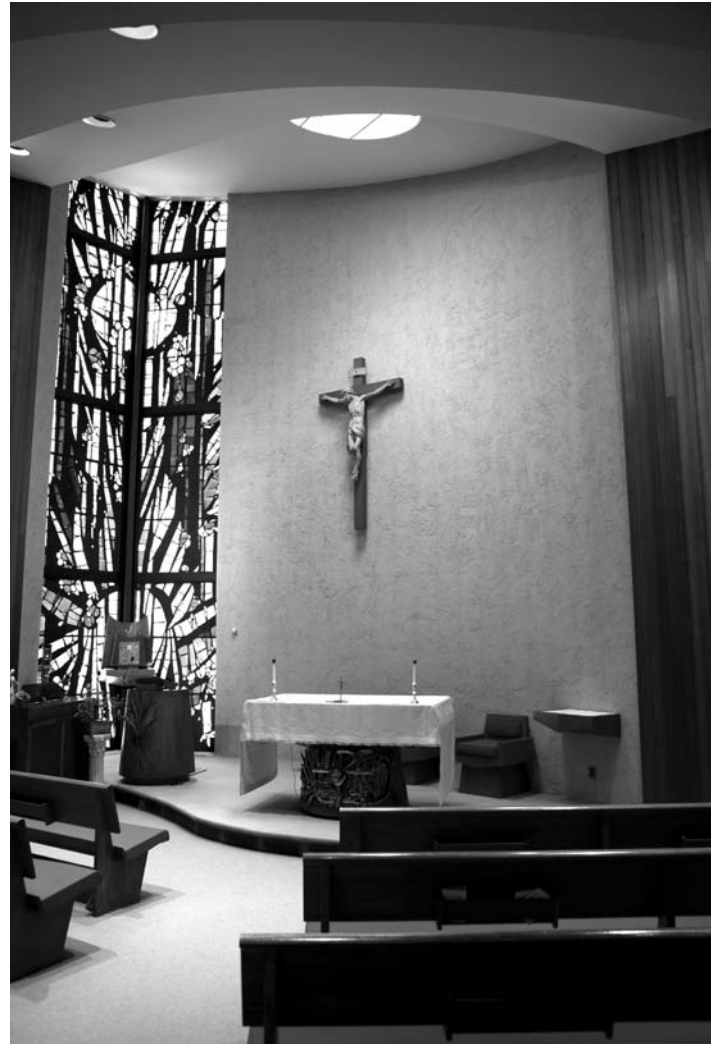
## There's No Place Like Home

JP was a 35-year-old male who had been admitted to Saint Clare's Health System at various times for six months. He was an undocumented immigrant, working to support his family living in his native country of Mexico. Because of his multiple medical issues, and the fact that he would never be eligible for any U.S. entitlement programs, long-range plans had been repeatedly discussed with JP. Unfortunately, before any plans could be solidified, he was readmitted in a diabetic coma, and was thought not to have a long life expectancy.

Ultimately weaned off the ventilator and alert, JP had little to no communicative or functional ability. Since he and his family were Spanish-speaking, two of our Saint Clare's Social Work department staff, Sandra and Veronica, became instrumental not only as interpreters, but as a support system to the patient and family. It became readily established that the family (JP's significant other, their three children, his mother and two half-siblings), wished for him to be returned to his native country for continued medical care.

Although JP's prognosis for recovery was poor, the family would not give up hope. How to accomplish his return became the focus of the efforts of his social worker, Audrey. Through countless interdisciplinary meetings, multiple conversations with family, and the assistance of CHI and Saint Clare's legal teams, it was decided that the only humanitarian response was to facilitate JP's return to Mexico. Numerous contacts with the Mexican Consulate in New York and the Mexican Embassy and Immigration bureaus in Mexico yielded support to the family, but no appropriate suggestion as to how to send JP home.

It became apparent that the only safe way to have JP transported home was to have him flown via air ambulance. Multiple contacts with the local Mexican hospital and their Physician Director yielded confirmation of a bed. We coordinated Saint Clare's Emergency Medical Services to provide ground ambulance transport to a New Jersey airport where a critical care-equipped plane and staff awaited. Once



the plane landed, an ambulance had been arranged to transport JP to the Mexican hospital.

Even though the aforementioned efforts were at a great monetary cost to Saint Clare's, it is apparent that our actions were the only humane response. It taught us to set aside our biases and see the patient not as an illegal immigrant, but a critically ill person whose dignity we needed to preserve, and whose family yearned to see him again. The dedicated effort put forth by the Saint Clare's team certainly demonstrates our Mission and Vision in action. The principles of Reverence, Integrity, Compassion and Excellence were never more evident than in our work with JP and his family.

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