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Our Mission

To secure philanthropic support

to enable Missouri Baptist

Medical Center to continue to be

innovative and compassionate in accomplishing its mission of

providing extraordinary care.

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2025 has brought remarkable changes for Missouri Baptist Medical Center. Your contributions have not only helped us achieve significant milestones but have also enabled

us to embark on various projects that increase our ability to deliver extraordinary care to our patients and adapt to the evolving health care needs of our community.

This year, we are proud to report significant enhancements to our Cardiovascular Care department. The opening of the new hybrid cardio-thoracic operating room (CTOR) offers our patients the benefits of both the CTOR and cardiac catheterization laboratory (CCL). It allows our providers the flexibility to handle a variety of cases and offers patients a range of diagnostic and therapeutic interventions with high-level imaging.

We are thrilled to announce that the Internal Medicine Residency Clinic opened July 1, enhancing health care accessibility for the community and welcoming 29 residents to the inaugural program. The residents have integrated into the hospital beautifully and are enhancing our already exceptional culture.

Donors' funds provided the replacement of an automated CPR device in our Emergency Department that is helping reduce the risk of injury to caregivers and allows our emergency care teams to provide expert, lifesaving care. Funds from our donors are also enhancing our Medical Office Buildings (MOB) A and B with new flooring, lighting, and brighter paint, aimed at improving the patient experience. As we look to the future, we are eager to strengthen our neuroscience capabilities. Our aim is to deliver both inpatient and outpatient care to patients in our communities, leveraging the latest technologies and medical therapies to address a variety of neurological conditions.

We appreciate your ongoing support of the MoBap team of caregivers. They truly embody the spirit of our organization, and this year, their dedication to patient care has been acknowledged once again with top honors. *U.S. News & World Report* named Missouri Baptist Medical Center No. 3 among St. Louis and Missouri hospitals, and as a 2025 High Performing hospital for Maternity Care. *Newsweek* also recognized our team in their World's Best Hospitals lists, ranking Missouri Baptist Medical Center No. 6 in Missouri. I am so proud of our caregivers, and I know you are, too.

As you read about this year's accomplishments and our aspirations for the future, I want to express our gratitude for having you by our side on this journey. Your support is the backbone of our progress, and we are deeply grateful for it.

Ann Abad, *President*Missouri Baptist Medical Center











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Welcome New Board Members

Christie Brinkman

"My grandfather was a community doctor. Building our communities is part of our mission at McCarthy Building Companies. Missouri Baptist Medical Center provides world-class care to patients, so it was a natural fit to support this incredible team that brings wellness and healing to so many in our region."

Greg Muck

"A leadership position with Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation appealed to me because our family has benefited directly from the exceptional care at Missouri Baptist Medical Center. It's a world-class institution right here in our community. We are especially grateful for the best-in-class experience of welcoming three of our children into the world with MoBap's caring Labor and Delivery team."

Stuart Block

"We have been involved with Missouri Baptist Medical Center since the birth of our two girls more than 40 years ago. Whether it was working with MoBap's development board, helping elevate heart care at the hospital, expanding opportunities for nursing scholarships, or serving on the board of Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation, it's always been a pleasure to be involved with this vital resource for our community. Supporting MoBap means propelling progress and innovation."

Joe Reinberg

"Missouri Baptist Medical Center made it possible for my wife and me to have our third child. The experts on MoBap's Maternal-Fetal Medicine team gave us hope and answers at a time when we'd nearly given up. I will do whatever I can to support the Foundation and spread awareness about MoBap in the hopes that others may experience the same joy it has brought my family."



Mike and Carolyn Rayner 个

St. Louis' Generosity on Display

Mike and Carolyn help propel MoBap forward

When Mike Rayner and his wife, Carolyn, attended the official opening of Missouri Baptist Medical Center's new Internal Medicine Residency Clinic, Mike couldn't help but notice the positive energy that rippled through the room. He hoped the inaugural class of residents felt it as well, in addition to everyone who helps power MoBap's efforts to expand its ability to provide excellent care.

Thanks to their continued support of MoBap and the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation, Mike and Carolyn helped make the clinic a reality. They also were important supporters of the hospital's state-of-the-art cardiac catheterization laboratory renovation, which modernized technology to allow MoBap to complete advanced cardiovascular procedures while improving patient outcomes.

"I think both of these projects are going to be great for the St. Louis community," Mike says. "For the patients, but also for the providers, and hopefully for future providers in St. Louis and St. Louis County. BJC HealthCare, with its WashU Medicine partnership, is already a top leader in the St. Louis area. These things are only going to help propel Missouri Baptist to the top."

Moments of celebration, like the clinic's opening and the cardiac cath lab's completed renovation, are milestones in Mike's eyes. They remind MoBap supporters that their donations make a big difference.

"To be blunt, everything costs money," Mike says. "None of this is free. There are generous people in the St. Louis community, and when these people all come together, good things like this can happen."



Lisa Walden, Ann Abad, and Andy Arnold ↑

Foundation Events Highlight MoBap's Mission

Care provided to his father motivated Andy to get involved

Over the last five years, Andy Arnold has helped his father navigate a series of health challenges.

A tough, tense time for the family also became an eye-opening introduction to the quality of care and culture of community at Missouri Baptist Medical Center.

"I realized all the great work MoBap does," Andy says. "The constant thread throughout each department we interacted with was the commitment to the patient, their loved ones, and their experience. People at MoBap wake up every day committed to the organization. They care about what they're doing, and it comes through at every touchpoint. It has provided a lot of solace during a very hard time for our family."

As Andy's appreciation of MoBap grew, a friend approached him with a suggestion. David Sewall, MD, a BJC Medical Group cardiologist at MoBap, encouraged Andy to get involved with Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation, the organization dedicated to securing philanthropic support

that powers MoBap's commitment to be innovative and compassionate in its delivery of extraordinary care. Ever since, Andy has used his professional experience in marketing and customer experience to assist the Foundation, especially with the planning, promoting, and presentation of the Foundation's events. This year, he chaired the Foundation's Unbridled Advancements event at Grant's Farm.

"Our events illuminate what we are doing," Andy says. "They bring people together to feel that sense of community I first felt while helping my dad. Hopefully, an event helps put the Foundation on attendees' radar as a place to donate, but it also increases the awareness of the great work MoBap is doing. Events are a major source of fundraising for the organization. By focusing on funding neuroscience this year with Unbridled Advancements we want to help prepare that department for the next 25 years. People should know we are committed to continuing to make MoBap a great resource for our region."



↑ Jim and Lesley Shekelton



↑ Arica Harris with son and daughter

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- Andy

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- Natalie

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Arthur Atkinsor

Providing Care and Comfort to Newborns and Parents

Baby Arthur's stay at MoBap inspired family to give back

Natalie Atkinson's youngest child, a baby boy named Arthur, is fully healthy now. He's rolling, learning how to sit up straight, and soon will be crawling after his two older siblings.

But when Arthur was a newborn, respiratory distress required him to spend 17 days in Missouri Baptist Medical Center's Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU), where he was cared for by NICU staff supported by WashU Medicine neonatologists and pediatricians from St. Louis Children's Hospital.

"Having that quality of care at MoBap was so important, with us living just five minutes away," Natalie says. "I had all three of my children at MoBap. The knowledge and care we encountered during Arthur's time in the NICU eased a very stressful situation for our family. I'm just so thankful for the nurses and the doctors who helped him. They were so comforting, kind, and knowledgeable. I felt like we were in the best hands. Whenever we had a question, someone was there with an answer. They went above and beyond to make us the most comfortable we could be."

Natalie and her husband, Brian, decided they wanted to do something to help increase that comfort level for other families who spend time in the NICU. Along with help from friends and family, including Natalie's parents, John and Mary Kaye Fort, Natalie worked with Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation to provide new recliners for the NICU. The generous gift built upon recent Champions for Care projects targeted to advance MoBap's care of infants, parents, and families. In 2025, Champions for Care upgraded infant bassinets at the hospital. In 2024, Champions funded extensive NICU renovations.

"I hope parents who use the recliners can heal and process, rest, and relax," Natalie says. "To give back a little bit means a lot, because MoBap has given us so much."



Mary Pillsbury Wainwright; Ruth Pillsbury Lister, PhD; ↑
and Nancy Pillsbury Shirley

A Legacy Continued

The Pillsbury family's support continues to strengthen MoBap

Thanks to Missouri Baptist Medical Center's new Internal Medicine Residency Clinic, the St. Louis area has a new option for personalized care. Meanwhile, bright, young doctors are gaining expert training in a program that invites them to anchor their careers in the community. It's a win-win, and Ruth Pillsbury Lister, PhD, helped turned an ambitious vision into reality.

"The new residency program at MoBap is an exciting step forward for health care," Ruth says. "The doctors trained here will create a new, positive environment and momentum for health care in the St. Louis area and far beyond. I am delighted to sponsor a room in the new wing, and I look forward to seeing the clinic grow in both size and impact delivered in the years to come."

At the clinic, which can be found on the fourth floor of MoBap's Clinical Learning Institute, future internists are supervised by BJC Medical Group and WashU Medicine physicians who serve as attending physicians.

Thanks to a modern space that was ready for the clinic's opening in July, the clinic's providers and staff were able to hit the ground running. The head-turning clinic space

includes room to grow and amenities for residents—gym area, relaxing lounge, and high-tech classrooms—that will be sure to help recruit the residents of the future.

For Ruth, helping make the clinic a reality is just the latest chapter in a family's storied history of supporting MoBap and the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation.

Edwin S. Pillsbury, the grandfather of Ruth and her sisters, Mary Pillsbury Wainwright and Nancy Pillsbury Shirley, served as a MoBap board chair for nearly three decades. The sisters' father, Joyce S. Pillsbury, served for 40 years. Nancy made possible the beautiful Pillsbury Fountains on MoBap's campus. Mary served 22 years on the Foundation board and, along with her husband, Don Wainwright, supported the hospital's new cardiothoracic hybrid operating room to elevate care for the most complex cardiovascular conditions.

"The Pillsbury dedication to Missouri Baptist Medical Center has been shared for generations," Mary says. "Following in the footsteps of our grandfather and father, we continue the family support of MoBap's efforts to bring the best and most innovative care to the community."



↑ Nancy Green and late husband, Preston M. Green

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"This effort is not only a great way to honor Preston's legacy, but also to help so many others and their families for years to come."

- Nancy



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Committed to Advancing Neuroscience Care

Nancy honors late husband's legacy

Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation's Unbridled Advancements event in September showcased Foundation supporters' momentum to help our caregivers provide the best possible neuroscience care at Missouri Baptist Medical Center.

Among those dedicated to the cause is Nancy Green, whose late husband, Preston M. Green, passed away in 2003.

MoBap's commitment to enhancing its neuroscience programs and technology will benefit many, including patients and families affected by stroke, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, spine injuries, and other neurological conditions.

"It's exciting to know MoBap is committed to this cause, and I'm honored to support the hospital and the Foundation in their efforts," Nancy says. "This effort is not only a great way to honor Preston's legacy, but also to help so many others and their families for years to come. We can have a direct impact on helping MoBap advance in this critical area of care. The progress made will make an impact for generations."

A Family Affair

The Kosteckis find new ways to serve MoBap

When a longtime client of his first encouraged Fred Kostecki to consider joining Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation's board about a decade ago, he took a behind-the-scenes tour of the hospital. One way or another, he's been helping MoBap ever since through a continued commitment that has grown to include those closest to him.

"I was struck by the experience you have when you walk through the halls," Fred says about that first tour years ago. "People are extremely friendly and helpful. It's a family culture. Since then, I've had family members that have been helped at MoBap. My wife and I have had surgeries at MoBap. What you see and hear about is what you get—real quality and caring service. The closer you get to MoBap, the better it looks. It's a worthy place for our family to invest our talent, time, and treasure."

For the Kosteckis, giving back to MoBap through the Foundation has become a family and corporate affair, one that includes both a furry friend and business partners. Fred's wife, Kristin Kostecki, and the family's dog, Rosie, a standard poodle who is certified to work with patients, are dedicated volunteers at the hospital's Infusion Center, where they greet patients and help make them feel comfortable during their treatments.

Fred joined the hospital board and welcomed his accounting and professional consulting firm, RubinBrown, into his philanthropic efforts. The firm has become a valued sponsor of the special events the Foundation presents to raise funds for improved hospital technology, patient care, and other important causes.

"The events have helped the mammography vans, the newborn intensive care unit (NICU), and other great projects," Fred says. "They're good causes that speak to donors, and the Foundation does an awesome job putting them on. They're fun and entertaining, and they gave me an opportunity to involve my firm and get others involved. When I went to my partners and said MoBap is a real passion of ours, they didn't even ask a question. Absolutely, they said, we will back you."

Whether it's providing a warm welcome to patients at the Infusion Center or helping expand MoBap's neuroscience advancements through RubinBrown's support of Unbridled Advancements, the Kosteckis continue to give back to the hospital that earned Fred's support when he took his first tour.

"We just want others to experience the same warm, empathetic, compassionate, quality health care that we have received there—that patients receive there, day in and day out," Fred says.

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Jerry and Margie Bishop ↑

Continuing a Legacy of Cancer Care

Endowment honors Margie Bishop's selfless spirit

After he retired as an electrical engineer in 1998, Jerry Bishop and his wife, Margie, decided to start volunteering together at Missouri Baptist Medical Center. It was a natural fit, as it aligned with Margie's dedication to helping those with cancer through her work with the St. Louis Peregrine Society.

What started out as the couple working Friday shifts at MoBap's Ballas Boutique gift shop grew into so much more.

"Margie lived her passion to help anyone who was diagnosed with cancer," Jerry says. "All of her volunteer work centered around supporting cancer patients, whether it was hands-on help through her role in the gift shop or listening patiently to patients and families share their stories. Nothing made her happier than knowing she brought comfort and hope to someone facing that dreaded diagnosis."

Jerry and Margie volunteered in the gift shop for nearly two decades, totaling more than 8,500 hours of service. Their donations helped launch and advance MoBap's Palliative Care program, which has helped countless patients after MoBap became one of the first hospitals in the area to offer specialized assistance for those

living with a chronic illness or serious disease. The couple funded comfort baskets for families of palliative care patients and eventually became Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation Platinum Level supporters, citing Margie's mother, a three-time cancer survivor, as a continued source of inspiration.

And now, to honor Margie, who passed in 2022, and to carry on the couple's commitment to funding cancer care, Jerry has joined Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation's Legacy Society. He's named MoBap in his will and established an endowment in honor of his wife of 60 years that will help support Missouri Baptist Cancer Center for decades to come and carry on Margie's legacy.

"It's a continuation of the fact that Margie got involved," Jerry says. "Helping people with cancer aligned with where the hospital could use our help."



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From Emergency Department Visitor to Advocate

Harvey's leadership guides Community Advisory Board

Before he joined the team of leaders who help shape Missouri Baptist Medical Center's direction, Harvey R. Fields, Jr., PhD, was a father in search of an efficient Emergency Department to treat the bumps, bruises, and breaks acquired by his sports-playing children.

When a parent of one of his son's teammates suggested MoBap, Harvey took the advice. He didn't just find prompt care for his kids. He found a hospital he is proud to serve.

"MoBap was attentive, professional, and patient-oriented," Harvey says. "I was impressed with it. It became the health care home for our family moving forward and we started encouraging others to go there as well."

Years later, Harvey, then an academic leader at WashU in St. Louis, was approached about filling a vacancy on the hospital's board. Harvey, now the founding dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics at Harris-Stowe State University, is a longtime board member who serves on the ethics committee and chairs the Community Advisory Board, where he leads a two-way conversation between MoBap and community members about how the hospital can continue to deliver extraordinary care. Harvey works closely with Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation on projects that improve the patient experience based on feedback received from community needs assessments.

For Harvey, continuing MoBap's community feel is an emphasis. It made his family feel at home at MoBap, and he wants to be sure others feel that way for years to come.

"MoBap is well-positioned because it provides patients a high level of skill, resources, and expertise—along with an ethos that is community based," he says. "Here, people know each other. And even if people don't know you by name, they will treat you like they know you by name. They make it comfortable. It's like a family. We keep advancing, but we don't lose that sense of family. We are motivated to keep that healthy balance."

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Harvey R. Fields, Jr., PhD

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Bill Chambers ↑

Why Bill Recommends Giving to MoBap

Bequests help power Foundation into the future

Clients of Bill Chambers trust the longtime financial adviser with more than just their assets.

When conversations about legacy and lasting impact lead to questions about where meaningful work will be done for years to come, Bill encourages his clients to consider helping Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation.

It's a recommendation he makes with confidence because he has a front-row seat to the Foundation's impact.

When Bill broke an ankle in 2022, he had a positive experience while receiving his care at MoBap. When the Foundation later announced a goal of raising funds to provide new orthopedic chairs for patients recovering from surgery, it was a cause Bill wanted to support.

"One of those chairs would have been handy for me," Bill says. "That was important to me, so I got on board and helped raise some money for it."

Ever since, Bill has been an active Foundation member and a vocal supporter of the Foundation's goal of elevating the hospital's extraordinary care through innovation and compassion. "I will gently encourage people, if they can afford it, to leave some money to the Foundation," Bill says. "Because I can tell them about all the good work the Foundation does. I've witnessed it. I recently took a tour of the hospital's newborn intensive care unit, which the Foundation's Champions for Care project funded improvements for in 2024. The NICU has updates to benefit babies and their parents. If you want to be philanthropic, giving to the Foundation is a great way to do it."

The Foundation doesn't just receive support from donations. Some choose to support through endowments and bequests, or gifts written into wills or living trusts. Those who name the Foundation in their will or trust are encouraged to inform the Foundation about how they want their gift to be used. They then know their generosity will help MoBap for years to come.

"I just love the hands-on aspect of it," Bill says about the Foundation. "Let's make a positive change that helps many by talking to the patients and hospital departments and seeing what's important to them. The Foundation asks, 'What's the most important thing we can do right now?' Then it targets fundraising and donor impact to deliver the answer to that question. That's a really impactful way to help."

A Lifelong Connection

Keeping a culture of compassionate care

Doug Copeland, Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation emeritus board member, can't help but smile when asked where his MoBap story begins.

He's reminded of it every time he walks by the framed photo of his grandfather, C.E. Copeland, that remains on display at the hospital.

"My first connection was the day I was born at Missouri Baptist and my grandfather signed the birth certificate, because he was the administrator of the hospital," Doug says.

Doug's grandfather was the hospital administrator from 1943–1961. Doug's uncle, Robert Copeland, served as general counsel for the hospital for decades until 1987, when an illness forced him to step down—and nudged Doug to step up into the general counsel role.

Doug's duties have changed over the years, but the theme of him giving his time and talents to MoBap continues.

Doug joined the Foundation board in 1994 and chaired it for four years. He chaired the Community Advisory Board for a decade. He joined the hospital board in 2001 and has chaired it since 2019, which is the same year he became a member of the Board of Trustees of BJC Health System.

"It's the compassionate care given here that makes us unique," Doug says. "I thought it was important to do what I could to preserve the atmosphere. I just continue to be amazed by the medical staff here. They embrace the idea of quality care and want to preserve it as time goes by. They preserve that attitude in the medical staff. They work hard at keeping the culture, because it's important to them, too."

Through his work with the Foundation, from helping guide its direction to recruiting sponsors for special events, Doug has a front-row seat to how the MoBap culture he's determined to help continue is strengthened by the Foundation's efforts.

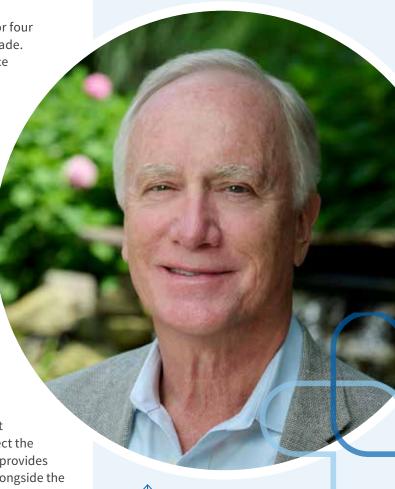
"The Foundation adds that special touch," Doug says.

"Financially, it creates an ability to add that little something special that might not be possible in the operating budget. It can make things more personable and get to issues that affect the patient experience in nonmedical ways. The other part is, it provides an opportunity for people to give back in terms of serving alongside the Foundation and expressing their appreciation for the patient experience here. They can give and know it's going to go to a good place."

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Doug Copeland

Linda Haberstroh and her family ightarrow

Continuing a Mother's Legacy

A new generation learns Palmer Reynolds' impact

A special moment occurred this summer on the fourth floor of Missouri Baptist Medical Center's Clinical Learning Institute.

Linda Haberstroh and her family, including her new granddaughter, Palmer, visited the Palmer Reynolds Room at the hospital's new Internal Medicine Residency Clinic.

It was the baby girl's first introduction to the hospital space named in honor of her great grandmother, Palmer Reynolds, whose support of MoBap and the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation started a family tradition that continues today.

"A business relationship grew out of a service volunteer relationship," Linda says. "Mom was so passionate about serving BJC and helping create a learning space at MoBap for the next generation of health care professionals."

After Palmer Reynolds moved from Atlanta to St. Louis as a single mother, she accomplished something some would have believed to be impossible: She founded Phoenix Textile Corporation, a successful supplier of linens, apparel, uniforms, and more for health care providers nationwide.

"I followed in her footsteps, as have so many on our Phoenix team, of commitment to valuing the individual through community service," says Linda, who is now the company's president.



The same can be said for Linda's connection to MoBap.

As a child, Linda often walked the hospital halls with her mom. Palmer Reynolds was a longtime member of MoBap's Board of Trustees (1996–2015) and spent years on the Medical Ethics Committee (2004–2012), Community Advisory Board (2010–2014), and BJC's Designated Funds Committee (2006–2008). She chaired the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation (2012–2014) along with the hospital's campaign to build the Clinical Learning Institute.

Linda and her husband, Bart Haberstroh, welcomed their children into the world at MoBap. Their son, Bradley Palmer Haberstroh, continues the family's commitment to passionate service at Phoenix. In 2021, Linda joined the hospital's board of trustees. And now, a brand-new generation is learning the role the hospital plays in the family's history.

"This has always been our family hospital," Linda says.

"It has a very special connection, because of its legacy of healing and caring. It has been our joy to help serve BJC and MoBap. Our family is truly gratified to see this next chapter come to fruition in the physician leaders learning and serving at the Internal Medicine Residency Clinic."

Lifesaving Surgery Inspired Champions for Care Advocate

Tim's dedication continues years after his emergency

When Tim Fields and his wife, Sonia, relocated to the St. Louis area for work nearly a decade ago, a welcoming coworker gave him some advice about Missouri Baptist Medical Center.

"If you need emergency medical care," Tim recalls being told, "go to MoBap."

Tim took the tip and became a MoBap patient. He's glad he did.

About three years ago, Tim passed out in his kitchen while preparing a glass of tea. Sonia found him and immediately called an ambulance. The Fields' request: Go to MoBap. Michael Mauney, MD, a cardiothoracic surgeon at MoBap, and a team of providers performed emergency surgery to remove a life-threatening blood clot.

"They wheeled me in and performed the surgery—and I'm here today," Tim says. "The care I received and the treatment my family and friends have received at MoBap forever left an impression on me. I'm grateful for it. Before I even left the hospital after my surgery, my family was wondering what we could do to give back."

Compelled to help patients along with the doctors and nurses who cared for him, Tim discovered and joined the special group of MoBap donors known as Champions for Care.

Each year, Champions collectively designate their giving to one fundraising project that will improve patient care and enhance the patient experience. Champions are donors who give \$500 or more annually. Since 2016, Champions have provided much-needed equipment, education, and lifesaving screenings.

Recent projects made possible by Champions for Care donations include improvements in the hospital's newborn intensive care unit and the purchase of new patient recovery recliners for the orthopedic department.

This year, Champions came together to help raise \$250,000 toward replacing 65 infant bassinets with a modern, durable upgrade to help babies and their parents by promoting and demonstrating safe sleep practices during hospital stays. The bassinets' adjustable height creates better ergonomic positioning for mothers and infants and steer-locking, soft-wheel casters give infants a smooth, quiet ride during transportation.

"Champions for Care can be a supercharger for what the hospital needs right now," Tim says. "And for grateful patients like me, it's a way to keep saying thanks."





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Kathryn Moritz

The Importance

The Importance of Endowments

An endowment is a commitment to excellence and an investment in the future. At Missouri Baptist Medical Center, endowed funds enable dedicated health care teams to advance patient care and professional growth. These endowments ensure resources are available for continuous education and innovation, directly benefiting patients and their families. With the support of endowed funds, Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation can empower caregivers and uphold a standard of compassionate, stateof-the-art care that strengthens the community for future generations.

A Full-Circle Celebration

Kathryn's nursing honor included special introduction

As Kathryn Moritz, MSN, RN, studied to become a nurse, she spent hours reading textbooks written by Anne G. Perry and Patricia Potter.

Page after page, she committed to memory lessons she still uses today.

So when Kathryn learned she was the 2025 recipient of the Anne G. Perry Distinction in the Practice of Nursing Award at Missouri Baptist Medical Center, her connection to the women who made the award possible made the honor even more special.

Established in 2024 as an endowment by Anne's co-author and friend Patricia Potter, PhD, RN, FAAN, the award celebrates the distinguished career of Anne G. Perry, EdD, MSN, RN, FAAN, and her commitment to nursing excellence. Kathryn was selected because she exemplifies qualities Anne valued: knowledge, compassion, and responsiveness.

"It's a very big deal for me," Kathryn says. "I'm a bedside nurse in the MoBap Emergency Department. For me to be recognized like this, when there are so many nurses and amazing things happening at MoBap, it was huge. It rejuvenated and refreshed me. This made me excited about nursing all over again."

Kathryn was honored during Nurses Week. She thought she was stopping by a quick meeting about ultrasound education. Instead, she discovered a celebration and a chance to meet Patricia in person.

"I was shocked," Kathryn says. "It was a full-circle moment for me. Nursing school was hard. I learned from her. I teared up during that."

Kathryn's been a nurse for 11 years and has worked at MoBap since 2020. She's held management roles before and enjoys teaching young nurses, but she's found her true work home in the high-intensity setting of the Emergency Department, where she relies daily on the nuts and bolts of nursing she picked up from Anne and Patricia.

"It's subconscious at this point," Kathryn says. "From changing bedsheets to knowing how to talk to a patient, the books helped teach the foundation of nursing skills—concrete fundamentals that are now muscle memory."

To learn more about how to establish an endowment at Missouri Baptist Medical Center, please call Deborah Kersting, Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation director, at 314-996-5054.



Karen Grasso ↑

A Sweet Volunteer Story

Karen finds new ways to serve

After chronic pain caused by a health condition forced Karen Grasso into early retirement in 2022, she found herself unfulfilled six months after stepping away from her career.

"I needed to keep myself busy," says Karen, a former health insurance consultant. "I get most of my care at Missouri Baptist Medical Center. I decided it would be a great place to volunteer."

Karen started out helping patients at the hospital's Infusion Center feel more comfortable during her volunteer shifts there, whether that meant delivering a warm blanket or a beverage and snacks. She then joined the team of Ballas Boutique gift shop volunteers. She also joined the Hospital Community Advisory Board and began witnessing the work of the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation.

"I see various ways the Foundation gets involved by providing things people need," Karen says.

One example is playing out in the Infusion Center. Thanks to donations provided to the Foundation by grateful patients, cooling caps are now helping reduce hair loss caused by chemotherapy. The devices cool patients' scalps as they receive treatments, constricting blood vessels in the scalp to help reduce the damage done to hair.

"Without the Foundation, there would be gaps in the experience of patients and caregivers," Karen says. Without Karen, there would be grumbling stomachs in the Infusion Center.

Among her many duties at MoBap, she became the unofficial doughnut supplier. Every week before her Infusion Center shift, she swings by a bakery near her home and buys three dozen doughnuts for patients, customizing the order based on who will be receiving their treatments during her shift.

"When I started volunteering, I told MoBap to put me wherever I'm needed, because I wanted to feel needed again," Karen says. "Getting involved and helping others has filled my cup. There was a hole—and now it's filled!"



Ben Voss, MD, and Nitin Anand, MD ↑

Why Dr. Voss Gives Back

Employee giving strengthens MoBap from within

Before the opening of Missouri Baptist Medical Center's Internal Medicine Residency Clinic, Ben Voss, MD, a BJC Medical Group internal medicine physician at MoBap, took a tour of the clinic and snapped a selfie.

The image, which he sent to his wife, Jenna, showed Dr. Voss smiling next to the new stationary exercise bicycle in the residents' gym area.

Dr. Voss, MoBap's Chief of Medical Service, works directly with the clinic's residents during their time at MoBap. He and his family helped make the new gym equipment for the residents possible, thanks to their support of Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation's employee giving campaign.

For Dr. Voss, the selfie represented the intersection of projects he's passionate about—promoting exercise and expanding preventive health care—in addition to why he trusts the Foundation as a valued partner in his quest to advance the care MoBap can offer both its patients and providers.

"My wife and I have many blessings—I feel like the luckiest guy on Earth," Dr. Voss says. "I have an opportunity to be a physician, and I have an opportunity to give back to the place I work. The best thing about MoBap is the relationships you build. Giving back to the Foundation supports the promotion of physician wellness as we continue to practice medicine. We have visual, tangible things we can see that the Foundation has done. This place is amazing."

A Calling to Help Kids

Andy's support helps MoBap's youngest patients

As long as he can remember, Andy Rivera felt compelled to help kids.

"Even when I see them running, I get nervous they're going to get hurt," Andy says. "I consider children to be the most innocent people."

Andy knows falls and scrapes happen while kids are growing up, but he wanted to do something to assist children who encounter bigger obstacles.

For this reason, he became a sustaining donor to Missouri Baptist Medical Center, contributing to the Missouri Baptist Healthcare Foundation fund that prioritizes pediatrics. The fit made sense to Andy, considering how much he appreciates the care he's received as a MoBap patient over the years—in addition to the excellent care MoBap provides kids.

The pediatric emergency unit at MoBap is staffed 24/7 by WashU Medicine pediatric specialists and specialty-trained pediatric nurses from St. Louis Children's Hospital. The unit provides waiting rooms with kid-friendly amenities, special techniques designed to ease a child's worries about a visit, and more.

Supporters like Andy have helped MoBap and the Foundation continue improving and advancing care for the youngest patients, providing upgraded infant bassinets, installing new recliners in the newborn intensive care unit, and funding NICU renovations that allow parents to sleep or "room-in" with their child.

"I trust MoBap 100% with how they use the support," Andy says. "I know they're doing a good job."

Andy feels good knowing he's making a difference.

"Life can't be all negative, bad news all the time," he says. "We need something positive in our lives."

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