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SAN MATEO-BURLINGAME AUXILIARY FOR CHILDREN



MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENTS

Thank you to all of you who supported the Summer Scamper. With your help, \$9,875 of the \$10,000 goal was raised! Congratulations are also due for meeting the Association of Auxiliaries' goal of having the largest Scamper team this year. The total raised for this event, which will benefit LPCH's patients and their families, was more than \$390,000.

An adorable video was created for the children at the hospital by the Child Life team. Our Auxiliary has supported the Packard Paws Pet Therapy program in the past so we hope you will enjoy this [Friday Funday video](#) featuring the children's furry friends. Just click on the site to view the video.

Great News! We are 99% close to having our website up and running thanks to Malissa Magallanez and Jeanne Berube. There are a few kinks they are working to solve, and when they do, we will let you know how to log on.

As you know, we have had to cancel all meetings and events for this calendar year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The board is discussing having some sort of virtual event this fall. If you have any ideas, please let us know.

We all miss seeing and visiting with each other. Hopefully, you are keeping in contact with your family and friends and keeping yourselves busy with reading, gardening, or cooking, or whatever hobbies you enjoy doing. The main thing is to STAY WELL! This crisis will end and we will find a new "normal" life where we can socialize again--hopefully, in the near future.

BOOK CLUB

As you know, the Book Club is unable to meet. However, Pat Barr has some suggestions that you might enjoy reading:



Temptation & Forgiveness, Donna Leon (actually anything by her is wonderful.)

Mink River, Brian Doyle

The Couple Next Door, Shari Lapena

The Island of Sea Women, Lisa See

One False Move, Harlon Coben (several very good books.)

A NOTE FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF AUXILIARIES

Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford has been named the top 10 children's hospital in the nation, according to the U.S. News & World Report 2020-2021 Best Children's Hospital survey, published in June. The rankings show LPCH as the top children's hospital in Northern California and placed on the Best Children's Hospital Honor Roll, a designation awarded to pediatric centers that deliver exceptionally high quality care across multiple specialties.

For the fifth consecutive year, the hospital achieved rankings in all 10 specialties. This year's survey ranked five of the hospital's specialties in the top 10--including:

- Neonatology at #3
- Nephrology at #4 and Best on the West Coast
- Pulmonology and lung surgery at #7 and Best on the West Coast
- Neurology and neurosurgery at #8 and Best on the West Coast
- Diabetes and endocrinology at #9

The U.S. News survey results reflect the hard work of our entire team—as well as the unparalleled dedication of our incredible Auxiliaries—to deliver the best care to every child, mom, and family who need us.

A NOTE FROM NANCY LARSSON

Dear Friends,

Today I want to spread some sunshine by sharing a great video about our very own Dr. Sunshine – one of the founding fathers of Neonatology.

When I saw this video, I immediately thought of the dedication of our amazing Auxiliary members. Please know the purpose of sending this communication is *not* to ask you to donate. It truly is to spread some sunshine and make you feel proud about what we've done as Auxiliaries and as members of the Auxiliaries Endowment – which has provided several grants to the NICU to help families comfort their babies during the most stressful times.

You can see the video [by clicking here](#).

Enjoy!



*Dr. Philip Sunshine,
Professor Emeritus
Pediatrics - Neonatal
and Developmental
Medicine*

**Someday, everything will make perfect sense.
So for now, laugh at the confusion
Smile through the tears,
And keep reminding yourselves that
Everything happens for a reason.**

