Friends,

By now you may know that UnityPoint Health – Grinnell Regional Medical Center (GRMC) Foundation has launched a new capital campaign: Delivering Our Future.

Twenty years ago, community support led by John and Jewel Kintzinger made it possible to renovate the obstetrics (OB) unit. Now it is time to build on that strong foundation. GRMC needs to add a fourth labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum (LDRP) room to accommodate the increasing number of babies born here plus it is time to bring the three LDRP rooms in use up to current codes which includes creating American Disability Act (ADA) compliant bathrooms. These projects are the focus of the Delivering Our Future campaign.

Although the number of Iowa hospitals with OB units has declined almost 30% in the past ten years, GRMC is committed to growing maternity services because we believe it is fundamental to our communities and to our mission. We are the only hospital in Poweshiek, Marshall, Iowa and Tama counties providing OB care to moms and babies.

Thanks to our family of donors, our communities have a hospital close to home with OB care and delivery. This is beneficial to the families who need this service and is also advantageous to the communities and businesses in our region. Families want to live and work in or near a town where healthcare is available and easily accessible – close to home.

Amazing things happen here because of you! Thank you for helping us deliver the future!

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ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of every dollar donated to the GRMC Foundation stays local to benefit the healthcare programs and needs in the GRMC service area. For more information and to make a gift, visit unitypoint.org/giving/grinnell-regional-medical-center-foundation.
NEW OBSTETRICS ROAMING CART

Thanks to contributions from our donors, a new roaming cart used by GRMC’s obstetrics team was purchased to replace a broken one. A roaming cart holds a fetal monitor, has drawers for supplies and can travel to various locations within the hospital while remaining connected by telemetry to the fetal heart rate surveillance system.

AUDIOMETER FOR OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE USE

Thanks, in part, to a donation from Kent Corp. Charitable Foundation, an audiometer has been purchased for use by our Occupational Medicine team. An audiometer is an instrument used to measure hearing ability and can identify hearing loss and the underlying causes for the hearing loss. GRMC’s Occupational Medicine team assists several local businesses with pre-employment screening. This equipment allows the team to provide an additional service to these businesses. Pictured demonstrating the audiometer is Abby Allen, Human Resources Assistant-Grinnell.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES FROM GRINNELL MUTUAL

GRMC's team members thank Grinnell Mutual for the donation of more than 200 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies. On May 10, these cookies were handed out to staff as we celebrated National Hospital Week and National Nurses Week. Pictured with the cookies is Girl Scout Camryn Fisher from Troop 882 who delivered the 18 cases of cookies to GRMC.

GRMC’S LEGACY PARTNERS

When you choose to create a planned gift to GRMC, you make a significant impact today and in the future. A legacy decision like this says something special about you - how you look to the future and care about investing in long-term outcomes. The amount of the gift is not important - the intention is.

If you have made a planned gift to GRMC or are considering one, contact Donna Fischer at (641) 236-2079 or Donna.Fischer@unitypoint.org. We want to celebrate you by welcoming you into our Legacy Partners so you can receive special recognition in our publications, exclusive communications, and invitations to special events.

GRMC Foundation thanks our Legacy Partners today for the successes we will share tomorrow.
GRMC RECEIVES NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

GRMC has been featured on the national stage multiple times this year, most recently in April at the American Hospital Association’s (AHA) 2023 Annual Membership Meeting where Jennifer Havens, RN, MHA, FACHE, Chief Executive Officer of GRMC, was a featured panelist during the Evolving Systems of Care for the Future session of the annual meeting. Additionally, GRMC had a leading role in AHA’s We Are Hospitals video, debuted at its annual meeting, which showcased UnityPoint Health – Grinnell as the voice of rural health care and featured three of GRMC’s exceptional healthcare professionals representing maternal health, physical therapy and emergency medical services (EMS).

Jennifer Havens also appeared in an AHA Leadership Dialogue Series in February, speaking to attendees about the distinct challenges facing rural hospitals and access to critical services, like maternal healthcare.

GRMC FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: BILL MENNER

Bill is serving his second year on the GRMC Foundation Board of Directors and is on the resource development and planning committee. His passion for rural health care didn’t start with the Foundation Board though! He completed twelve years of service as a member of the UnityPoint Health – Grinnell Regional Medical Center Board of Directors, topping off his final term as the recipient of the Iowa Hospital Association’s 2021 Excellence in Governance Award. Bill believes local health care is a critical component of a small town.

“Without access to health care and access to healthy lifestyles, small towns can’t compete. Folks who want to locate to small towns want good schools, they want high-speed broadband, and they want access to healthcare. Without those small towns will not succeed.”

A fun fact about Bill is he hosted a sports radio show in Columbus, Ohio in the 1980s. When Bill isn’t volunteering or working, he enjoys spending time with his family, watching sports and participating in fitness and wellness activities.

Thank you, Bill, for your dedication to our local hospital!

CHAMBER BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

Several GRMC staff and board members were present at the Grinnell Chamber of Commerce’s annual dinner in March when GRMC was announced as the recipient of the Chamber Business of the Year Award for 2022. Jennifer Havens, CEO of GRMC, accepted the award on behalf of the entire GRMC team.
YOU MATTER TO US AND TO YOUR WORLD.