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Norma Lerner Believes It All Begins with Education

After already donating $16 million to fund construction of the Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, in 2002, Mrs. Lerner and her late husband made an unprecedented gift of $100 million to The Cleveland Clinic to support education and science. Their gift helped start the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University, a unique program training young physicians to conduct translational and clinical research.

Mrs. Lerner says, “We’re very fortunate to have such fine health care in Cleveland and we have to continue to build on what we have.”

She continues to take an active role in shaping the Clinic’s future. In addition to her philanthropy, she has joined the Clinic’s Board of Trustees and established the annual Al and Norma Lerner Humanitarian Award, the highest physician honor granted at the Clinic.

Whether supporting esteemed physicians or toddler preschoolers, Mrs. Lerner endeavors to provide people with enriching learning experiences.

“In order for children to become well-rounded, successful adults, we need to provide more opportunities in our schools. I think it is very important to give back to the community, starting with education,” she says.

Recently, the Lerner Foundation donated $2 million to the Center for Autism at The Cleveland Clinic Children’s Hospital for Rehabilitation, helping the center expand its specialized school program facilities to serve more students.

Furthering her wish that every child receive a well-rounded education, Mrs. Lerner is active with the MBNA Foundation in distributing grants to schools in the Cleveland Municipal School District and scholarships to Cleveland students. And, as a trustee of the Cleveland Orchestra, Mrs. Lerner advocates programs for schoolchildren, feeling that the arts should also be a part of every child’s life.

With Mrs. Lerner’s support of education, health care, the arts and various community causes, comes a sense of social responsibility is deeply rooted in family.

“I had very loving parents who taught me that no matter how much – or how little – money you have, you must give back something to those who don’t have as much as you,” says Mrs. Lerner. She shared these beliefs with her physician Al, who passed away in October 2002.

Long before Mr. Lerner reached the height of his career – concurrently serving as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of MBNA Corporation, Chairman and Owner of the Cleveland Browns and President of The Cleveland Clinic – he was a typical kid growing up in Brooklyn, N.Y., as was

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Four years ago, Randy Kendrick first encountered The Cleveland Clinic, desperate for more information on the condition that had confined her to a wheelchair. Her body’s inability to process folic acid along with elevated levels of an amino acid called homocysteine had prevented a bone infection from healing properly. She also had experienced pulmonary embolisms. Mrs. Kendrick’s Arizona physicians deemed the risk of future blood clots too great for the additional orthopaedic surgery that would help her walk again.

In her quest for information about her condition, the attorney by trade and mother of twins finally found a book devoted entirely to homocysteine and undauntedly tried to read the medical textbook cover to cover. It was a long shot, but Mrs. Kendrick decided to call one of the book’s authors and co-editors for help.

She was amazed when, across the country, Donald Jacobsen, Ph.D., Cell Biology, Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, picked up the phone. He not only took time to answer her initial questions, but also engaged in a series of supportive conversations and e-mails and arranged a second opinion at the Clinic. After her medical team conferred with Clinic physicians, Mrs. Kendrick drastically altered her vitamin intake, which reduced her homocysteine levels, and underwent several orthopaedic surgical procedures, eventually allowing her to walk.

Mrs. Kendrick is now an active partner in the search for new scientific knowledge of homocysteine and related molecules. Extremely grateful for her exchange with Dr. Jacobsen, Mrs. Kendrick has made annual contributions to his research lab for the past three years.

Her support has provided important equipment, such as state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation, additional tissue culture incubators and a darkroom laboratory for working with light-sensitive vitamin B12 molecules. These resources help Dr. Jacobsen’s nine-person lab unravel the micro-level mysteries of homocysteine, vitamin B12 and folic acid, all interrelated in cellular processes. His research has contributed to important breakthroughs, such as refining the connection between high homocysteine levels and cardiovascular disease.

Beyond advancing the scientific understanding of her own disorder, Mrs. Kendrick has taken a proactive approach to her entire family’s health care and hopes others will do the same.

“Most people want to do what their doctor says, without doing any research. I know people who would do more research on buying a car than who their surgeon will be,” she says.

As her sister-in-law battled cancer, Mrs. Kendrick pursued and exhausted international health resources seeking the most specialized experts and treatment protocols. When her husband Ken recently required prostate surgery, they conducted a nationwide search for the best physician. Once again, their pursuit ended with the Clinic, where Inderbir Gill, M.D., Cleveland Clinic Glickman Urological Institute, performed successful minimally invasive surgery. Grateful for his care, Mr. Kendrick now serves on the leadership board of the Glickman Urological Institute.

Whether it’s putting tennis shoes on their feet or food on the table, women inevitably put their families’ needs ahead of their own preventive health care when money is tight, observed Janelle Hail, President, of the National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF), as she presented a donation of $50,000 to The Cleveland Clinic on Oct. 15, 2004. The foundation’s gift, made possible by the fundraising efforts of National City Bank, is intended to prevent women from compromising their health by covering the cost of a mammogram at the Clinic for those in need.

National City supports the work of the NBCF through its Diamond Edition® Elite Visa® Card by donating a portion of every transaction to the foundation. Additionally, for every personal or small business account opened in October 2004, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the bank is making a $5 donation to the NBCF, up to $100,000. Paul Clark, president and CEO, National City Bank Northeast Region, offered thanks for the work of the NBCF and the Clinic in the fight against breast cancer and relayed his organization’s collective enthusiasm regarding their partnership with the NBCF.

Bruce Loessin, Chairman, Institutional Relations and Development, acknowledged the NBCF, National City and the Cleveland Clinic Women’s Health Leadership Board Co-chairs Marilyn McGrath and Cynthia Trotter. “To all of you whose efforts resulted in this wonderful check and support for what we do, I offer our heartfelt thanks.”

The Cleveland Clinic is honored by the many special friends who support its mission as ambassadors of its mission in their respective communities. One such friend is Jacqueline Woods. Ms. Woods, the retired President of SBC Ameritech Ohio, is a member of the Cleveland Clinic Florida Naples Leadership Board, which helps raise awareness of programs and drum up philanthropic support for the work of physicians at Cleveland Clinic Florida Naples. Also an essential member of the Cleveland community, Ms. Woods chairs the grant-making committee of the Cleveland Foundation and serves on many boards, including the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the American Red Cross, Great Lakes Science Center, Playhouse Square Foundation and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.
When a woman visits the Cleveland Clinic Flo and Stanley Gault Women’s Health and Breast Pavilion, the complete care experience caters to her physical and emotional needs. Whenever possible, mammogram results are given the same day. And if a cancer diagnosis is presented, an interdisciplinary team of medical experts, from oncologists to plastic surgeons to social workers, comes to her on site.

Patients Cynthia Trotter and Marilyn McGrath feel passionate about the Clinic’s mode of preventive, diagnostic and curative health care geared just for women and have initiated a Women’s Health Leadership Board to support these efforts.

“As a patient of Dr. Holly Thacker, I became familiar with the wonderful services and full health care experience designed specifically for women. I wanted to take an active role in supporting the program,” says Ms. Trotter, who also serves on the Cleveland Clinic Taussig Cancer Center Leadership Board.

In their own patient experiences, Ms. Trotter and Ms. McGrath, Co-chairs of the new leadership board, have benefited from the pavilion’s interdisciplinary, one-stop care concept. The pavilion, which opened in 2002 on the first floor of the Crile Building, is home to the Women’s Health Center, directed by Dr. Alice Rim, M.D.; the Breast Center, directed by Dr. Joseph Crowe, M.D.; and Breast Imaging, directed by Dr. Alice Rim, M.D.

These leaders have revolutionized women’s care on many levels: Dr. Thacker’s realized vision of complete, customized care for women; Dr. Crowe’s pioneering nipple-sparing mastectomy procedure; and one of the Midwest’s few dedicated breast MRI devices and a team of dedicated breast radiologists under Dr. Rim’s leadership. The new Women’s Health Leadership Board will bolster support for the pavilion (see below).

“Our goal is excellence in women’s health and wellness. We’ll focus on supporting and expanding fundraising efforts,” says Co-chair Ms. McGrath, who also serves as Vice President of the MBNA Foundation.

“If you look at the history of women’s health, it’s really been women at the grassroots level who have pushed toward change and improvement. So, I think it’s really a perfect fit to have prominent, influential women in Northeast Ohio networking, finding out what we do here, what our needs and vision are, and being able to interact and impact those areas,” says Dr. Thacker.

In addition to strengthening the pavilion’s support network, the leadership board serves community outreach, education and communications functions. Board members are knowledgeable advocates, getting the word out about women’s health issues and supporting the Clinic’s public education events, including Cleveland engagements for the national Speaking of Women’s Health and Universal Sisters programs, as well as physician conferences, such as the 1st Annual Women’s Health Summit to be held at The Cleveland Clinic in April 2005.

The inaugural leadership board meeting in September 2004 prepared board members to serve as ambassadors of the pavilion by featuring program highlights from key medical professionals. In addition, Women’s Health Leadership Board Honorary Chair Bernadine Healy, M.D., who started a national women’s health initiative as director of the National Institutes of Health, offered an inspiring, broad-based perspective on women’s health issues.

Bruce Loessin, Chairman, Institutional Relations and Development, recently addressed the importance of the Women’s Health Leadership Board, “Our volunteer leaders, people like Co-chairs Marilyn and Cindy, are what make the Cleveland Clinic what we are today. Our doctors couldn’t do what they do without people like them. This is what connects us to support in the outside world that we need to fuel our efforts.”

The board has embraced this responsibility wholeheartedly. “We’re not going to sit around and drink tea. This is a committed group, and we welcome interest from women who are passionate about women’s health and understand the great need to support, expand and communicate the services available to women at the Clinic,” says Ms. McGrath.

meeting women’s health needs

The Women’s Health Leadership Board will focus on securing funds to support priority needs at the Gault Women’s Health and Breast Pavilion, which include:

- Program support, such as endowments that generate ongoing funding for special positions and research and educational opportunities
- Equipment necessary to maintain the latest technology, such as digital breast imaging machines
- Resources such as software and equipment needed to gather and analyze health information to identify patterns among large populations of women and enhance understanding of risk factors, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases. For example, funding for standardization of bone density screening equipment and procedures throughout the Cleveland Clinic Health System would allow expanded study of osteoporosis trends
- Clinical research, especially investigating genetic and molecular markers for breast cancer
- Expanded women’s health education for the general public as well as physicians and other caregivers.

For information about supporting the Gault Women’s Health and Breast Pavilion, please call 216/444-1245.
Jeanette Grasselli Brown, D. Sc., did not set out to become Director of Corporate Research for BP America, Chair of the Ohio Board of Regents or an example to other women. She did, however, deliberately embrace the work ethic, love of education and drive to excel that was instilled in her as a child. The rest followed naturally.

“As a woman, I felt that I had to work extra hard in the lab and always be the best,” she says. “I was fortunate that my high school chemistry teacher helped guide my career path, but there weren’t really any female role models when I was growing up. And today that’s the one thing that the young women I talk to say they want most.”

Dr. Grasselli Brown, the daughter of Hungarian immigrants, grew up in Cleveland and was drawn to the sciences as a public school student. As the first woman inducted into the Ohio Science and Technology Hall of Fame and recipient of a dozen honorary doctorate degrees, she is a natural role model from an educational, corporate leadership and community involvement standpoint. Since retiring from BP in 1989, Dr. Grasselli Brown commits her days to organizations such as The Cleveland Clinic, where she serves as a trustee, holding positions on the Government Relations and Research and Education committees, and most recently joined the newly formed Women’s Health Leadership Board as an honorary member.

“I love this community. The ability to make a little bit of a difference is worth a lot of hard work, time and energy,” she says.

When Dr. Grasselli Brown believes in a cause, she makes things happen. Her best friend since high school, Rosemary R. Ansley, has been afflicted with multiple sclerosis (MS) since 1954. Inspired by her friend’s courage and upbeat approach to life despite the challenges of MS, Dr. Grasselli Brown approached the Clinic about becoming involved with the Edward J. and Louise E. Mellen Center for Multiple Sclerosis Treatment and Research, and subsequently guided a steering committee that raised $5 million for the center.

As a personal tribute to Mrs. Ansley, she also established an endowment fund with a gift through her will and a charitable unitrust to benefit the Mellen Center. In addition to enhancing general patient care, her gift will help keep families better informed and more involved in patients’ experiences. She designated that Mrs. Ansley, her friend and inspiration for the gift, receive the trust’s yield for the remainder of her life.

Through her actions, Dr. Grasselli Brown has long served as a role model to other women. She embraces this position through her association with the new Women’s Health Leadership Board and hopes the group will make an impact raising awareness of pertinent women’s health topics and promoting preventive care measures women can employ on their own.

“For decades, women’s health was grossly overlooked. But women are physiologically and psychologically different from men,” she says. “That’s why the Cleveland Clinic Women’s Health Center, with its holistic approach, is so important.”
HEART CENTER CAMPAIGN BUILDING MOMENTUM

On September 30, 2004, thick burgundy ribbons with gold medallions glinting at their ends were placed over bowed heads in a ceremony universally symbolic of honor, heroism and leadership.

The distinguished individuals and organizations receiving this honor of induction in the Medallion Society have made the ultimate show of support by devoting a million dollars or more to the campaign for a new Heart Center. The $300 million campaign has seen amazing support, at the highest levels to the smallest annual gifts of a few pennies.

“Every gift, no matter how large or small, is an important and valued step closer to realization of a new Heart Center,” says Bruce Loessin, Chairman, Institutional Relations and Development.

The campaign is running ahead of schedule, but is still $100 million below the goal. Volunteer members of the Heart Center International Leadership Commission and special friends of the Clinic are busy rallying support for the Heart Center in their communities across the world. Many of these volunteer ambassadors have partnered with the Office of Development to organize and host regional awareness events for key members of their communities.

These events offer people hundreds of miles from Cleveland — from Palm Beach to Chicago, New York to Aspen — the opportunity to talk with Clinic physicians regarding the latest treatments and discoveries, view live heart surgery telecasts and learn about the need for a new Heart Center. If you are interested in supporting or learning more about the campaign for a new Heart Center, please call the Office of Development at 216/444-8842.

In John D. Koch’s eyes, the Cleveland Clinic Heart Center is an institution that benefits everyone in the city of Cleveland. That view coupled with the Clinic’s constant strive for excellence in medical care has driven his support of the new Heart Center project on many levels.

Mr. Koch and his wife Giuliana together with the Charter One Foundation of Cleveland have pledged $1 million to the campaign for a new Heart Center. Additionally, Mr. Koch, who was in financial services at Charter One Bank from 1982 to 2004, joined the Heart Center International Leadership Commission to help support fundraising and awareness efforts.

“We have few chances in life to be associated with something that is the best in the world, and the Cleveland Clinic Heart Center is simply the best,” says Mr. Koch. Personally, he says that he and his family are pleased with the quality of care, both preventive and curative, that they have received at the Clinic.

Before committing as a volunteer ambassador for the Heart Center, Mr. Koch learned all he could. He met with Heart Center Commission Co-chairmen Robert Tomsich and John (Jack) J. Kahl, Jr., and was impressed with their leadership and strategies. Mr. Koch also observed, shoulder-to-shoulder, Clinic heart surgeons performing intricate procedures, which, he says, “underscored for me the great things the Heart Center can do.” He further added, “Seeing Dr. Toby Cosgrove and Dr. Nicholas Smedira and their teams performing complex operations was awe inspiring.”

The Kochs support many important elements of the Cleveland community, from the Clinic to the Salvation Army, Cleveland Opera and Cleveland Orchestra.

THE NEW HEART CENTER

At 950,000 square feet, the new Heart Center will provide much needed space and the latest in medical technology as well as healing hospitality for patients and their families. As the largest single-use medical facility in the world, the Heart Center will accommodate inpatient and outpatient care and research under one roof.

THE ARRIVAL GARDEN

In the new Heart Center’s spirit of healing hospitality, a tranquil Arrival Garden will greet visitors whether they arrive by car or on foot through a parking garage connector tunnel. Landscape designer Ed Michelson of architectural firm NBBJ recently revealed plans for the Arrival Garden, which is made possible by a generous gift from Tom and Iris Vail, and will be pleasingly landscaped to calm the senses. The soothing sounds of cascading water will greet patients, along with seasonal flora by day and an artfully lit glass wall by night.

Giuliana and John Koch at the Medallion Society awards dinner in September 2004, which honored those supporting the Heart Center campaign with commitments of $1 million or more.
When their grandson Edward Jack Ross, son of Ellen and Steven Ross, had successful heart surgery at only a few months of age, Ronald and Helen Ross and their family wanted to express their gratitude to surgeon Roger B.B. Mee, M.D., Chairman of the Department of Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery at The Children’s Hospital at The Cleveland Clinic.

Dr. and Mrs. Ross and their family recently pledged $1.5 million to create the first endowed chair at The Children’s Hospital. Dr. Mee, who has provided care to more than 13,000 children worldwide, will be the first holder of the new Ronald and Helen Ross Chair in Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery. The Ross family also recognizes the importance of the new Cleveland Clinic Heart Center project and has committed an additional $1 million to help build the Heart Center.

“We are so grateful to Dr. Mee – the level of care he provided to our grandson and others is unparalleled,” says Dr. Ronald Ross, speaking for the Ross family. “It is our hope that our gifts to The Children’s Hospital and the Heart Center will encourage others to support the Clinic’s highest priorities and ensure future patients receive the same world-class care that we have experienced.”

Dr. Ross is engaged in the Clinic’s growth as a member of the Cleveland Clinic Board of Trustees and active member of the organization’s Development Committee. More broadly, he has played an integral role in the evolution of health care imaging. He began an illustrious career in radiology as a Fulbright Scholar in Stockholm, Sweden. Back at home in Cleveland, he became one of the first radiologists to use computed tomography (CT) scanning and the first physician to perform magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) in a clinical facility. He presented and published the first scientific papers on this pioneering technique. As a member of the Board of Trustees of the Meridia Health System, Dr. Ross helped coordinate the merger of the Meridia hospitals with the Cleveland Clinic Health System. He is Emeritus Director of Hillcrest Hospital’s Department of Radiology.

Steven Ross is a partner in the Cleveland-based private equity firm MCM Capital Partners L.P. Since moving back to Cleveland from New York in 1998 with his wife, Ellen, and their eldest child, Eliza, Mr. Ross has become actively involved with a variety of civic and community-based organizations. Mr. Ross says that serving as a member of the Executive Committee of the Leadership Board at The Children’s Hospital has become “one of my highest priorities in light of the care my son received from Dr. Mee and the other doctors and nurses who were intimately involved with his care in November 2003.”

He adds, “I wish that everyone in the community would take a stroll through The Children’s Hospital and see firsthand the heroic efforts that take place every day to save children’s lives.”

Whether supporting medical services, education or the arts with their professional and volunteer activities, the entire Ross family is devoted to bettering their communities. Dr. Ross says, “We participate in the philosophy of philanthropy as everyone’s way of giving back to the community.”

Clinic leadership acknowledges a direct, lasting impact of the family’s strategic support.

“We sincerely appreciate the Ross family’s generosity both with these gifts as well as the time they devote to the Clinic’s Board of Trustees and The Children’s Hospital’s Leadership Board,” says Michael A. Levine, M.D., Physician-in-Chief of The Children’s Hospital. “Establishing an endowed chair has been a priority of The Children’s Hospital as such chairs are critical to sustaining our world-class reputation.”

John J. Fung, M.D., Ph.D., recently joined The Cleveland Clinic as Chairman of the Department of General Surgery and Director of the Transplant Center. Dr. Fung, considered one of the nation’s leading liver transplant surgeons, came to The Cleveland Clinic after 18 years at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. He was the inaugural holder of the Thomas Starzl Professor of Surgery. He received his bachelor’s degree from Johns Hopkins University and earned his doctorate in immunology in 1980 and his medical degree in 1982 from the University of Chicago. Dr. Fung completed residencies at the University of Rochester and a clinical and research fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh. His clinical interests are organ transplantation and hepatobiliary diseases, while his research interests include transplant immunology. He has more than 800 published works.
PHOTO CLIPS

CARES On Ice Supporters of the Scott Hamilton Cancer Alliance for Research, Education and Survivorship (CARES) Initiative and ice-skating fans enjoyed the fifth annual Scott Hamilton and Friends Ice Show and Gala on Nov. 6, 2004. The evening began with a 90-minute figure skating exhibition in front of nearly 5,000 fans at Gund Arena, featuring Kristi Yamaguchi, Ilia Kulik, Rosalynn Sumners, “Jumpin’ Joe” Sabovcik, Caryn Kadavy, Steven Cousins, Silvia Fontana, Kurt Browning, 2004 Junior Champion Kimmie Meissner, and pairs silver medalists Katie Orscher and Garrett Lucash. Vocalist LeAnn Rimes and her band provided the musical accompaniment. Following the Ice Show, nearly 800 guests moved on to the Renaissance Hotel for dinner and dancing. Special guests included Maria Miller, who chaired the event, her husband Sam and Frank Rudy, who has donated $2 million to cancer research through CARES. Event proceeds of more than $700,000 will support research and patient education through CARES.

On the Links The 10th Annual Golf Tournament for The Children's Hospital at The Cleveland Clinic was held July 12 at the Mayfield Country Club in South Euclid, Ohio. This year’s event was the most successful to date, raising more than $160,000 for The Children's Hospital. Honorary Chair of the event was Clinic Trustee Thomas M. Coughlin, recently retired Vice Chairman of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. Earlier in the day, more than 400 people attended a breakfast program at Executive Caterers at Landerhaven in Mayfield Heights, where Mr. Coughlin spoke on the topic, “How Wal-Mart Works...and Wins.”

left to right
Dan O’Leary, Nancy O’Leary, and Thomas M. Coughlin.

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Norma Lerner
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Mrs. Lerner. Both were the children of immigrants, leading similar, modest childhoods. The high school sweethearts married, and the common values their families passed on to them solidified the couple’s lifelong partnership.

“I feel lucky to have married someone who shared the same dreams about how to raise our family and what to do together to make a difference,” says Mrs. Lerner. She notes her husband’s commitment and passion for the work of the Clinic, particularly in the area of research, and his desire for the Clinic to become number one in every specialty care area.

Currently, Mrs. Lerner is very much focused on her children and nine grandchildren. As a parent, she has successfully engaged the next generation in the spirit of community support. She works closely with her children, Nancy Beck and Randy Lerner, through the Lerner Foundation to support the Clinic and other organizations.

DR. COSGROVE’S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

In a live broadcast to 25 sites and 33,000 employees throughout the Cleveland Clinic Health System, new Chief Executive Officer and President Toby Cosgrove, M.D., pledged to “devote [him]self heart and soul to continue to help this institution achieve the greatness which it deserves,” at his inaugural address on Oct. 14, 2004. He attributed the Clinic’s success to remaining true to the values of its founders, and he cited four essential building blocks for success that should drive The Cleveland Clinic’s future: quality, innovation, teamwork and service.

NEW MINORITY MEN’S HEALTH CENTER

Andrew C. Novick, M.D., Chairman of the Cleveland Clinic Glickman Urological Institute, has established a Minority Men’s Health Center within the institute to improve the understanding and treatment of urological diseases in minority men. The center’s initial efforts will focus on prostate cancer and kidney disease, and a $2 million dollar federal grant has been awarded.

“Minority men are plagued with a significantly higher risk of developing certain urological diseases,” says Dr. Novick. “Our new Minority Men’s Health Center will work to screen and treat these diseases at the earliest possible stage so that more patients can be cured.”
Chair to Expand Digestive Disease Research and Education

Anthony’s establish endowed chair to advance talented physicians.

Throughout his 70 years of treatment for ulcerative colitis at The Cleveland Clinic, Clifford Anthony has felt fortunate to receive care from pioneering physicians Rupert Turnbull, M.D., Thomas Jones, M.D., and Victor Fazio, M.D.

To allow the Cleveland Clinic Digestive Disease Center to continue to recruit and retain leading physicians of the caliber of his caregivers, Mr. Anthony and his wife Jane, of Sarasota, Fla., have committed to funding the Clifford and Jane Anthony Endowed Chair in Digestive Disease Research and Education. The first chair holder is yet to be named.

“As a patient of The Cleveland Clinic, you never have the feeling that you are a lost cause,” says Mr. Anthony, a retired manufacturing executive. “What these physicians can do for people and how they can help people is important for humanity.”

“If The Cleveland Clinic is to sustain and elevate its position as a world leader in the treatment of digestive diseases, there can be no greater priority than advancing the work of its physicians,” says Dr. Fazio, Chairman of the Department of Colorectal Surgery at the Clinic. “Philanthropic support provided by the Clifford and Jane Anthony Endowed Chair in Digestive Disease Research and Education can help make this happen by allowing us to attract and keep top talent so that we may set the gold standard for digestive health care. In this way, we put in place the final elements of a world-class center for the prevention and treatment of diseases of the digestive system.”

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony are long-time supporters of The Cleveland Clinic and members of the PYRAMID Legacy Society. Prior to creating the endowed chair, they established several charitable gift annuities in gratitude for the care that allowed Mr. Anthony to continue working and enjoying life.
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After their son Scott passed away suddenly at the age of 41, Robert and Darlene Duvin sought to memorialize his life in a meaningful way. They resolved that supporting education at The Cleveland Clinic would offer the most personal significance for their family. Mr. and Mrs. Duvin committed a $100,000 memorial gift to The Scott A. Duvin Memorial Fellowship Scholarship Program, an endowed fund established by the law firm Duvin, Cahn & Hutton, to provide scholarships and financial assistance to qualified candidates at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University. This is the first such fund for the new college.

“Doing something within the medical college, and contributing to the good that the students may do someday, seemed like a nice way to remember our boy,” says Mr. Duvin.

The Duvins have been friends of the Clinic and the Lerner family for years. They feel a personal connection to the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine, which opened in 2004 thanks in great part to the generosity and foresight of Al and Norma Lerner.

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