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HONORING IRENE

The Irene Thompson Byrd Cancer Care Endowment

by GINNY DEFFENDALL

How do you honor someone who meant the world to you? For Jesse Byrd it's by ensuring support and care for cancer patients in the community his wife so loved.

Irene Thompson Byrd was passionate about helping cancer patients. Both she and Jesse were volunteers at Cape Fear Valley Cancer Center (now called Cape Fear Valley Cancer Treatment and CyberKnife Center) and were instrumental in establishing Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's Friends of the Cancer Center.

In 1991, the mother of two lost her battle with lung cancer. Now, the Byrd family has partnered with the Health Foundation to create the Irene Thompson Byrd Cancer Care Endowment.

"Unfortunately, there are very few families today that aren't touched by cancer in some way," Byrd said. His first experience with the disease occurred more than 25 years ago.

"I had a call one afternoon from a friend who

had been at Duke with her daughter, who was unfortunately suffering from cancer," Byrd remembers. "She had learned about Friends of Cancer at Duke University Health System and she thought it might be something that could be put in place in Fayetteville."

The Byrds agreed and in 1989, they, along with area cancer survivors, business leaders, physicians, hospital employees and community members, banded together to support the patients of Cape Fear Valley Cancer Center. As the group grew, they became known as Friends of the Cancer Center.

Friends of the Cancer Center focused on raising funds to support patients during treatment. They helped patients purchase medications, reimbursed gas for travel to treatments and provided turbans and wigs for those in need.

Byrd says he realized the impact Friends of the Cancer Center was having on his community one day during a board meeting.

Therapeutic services are offered to all of the 1,400 oncology patients served annually.



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An estimated 240 oncology patients are provided financial assistance each year.

“It was brought to our attention that a patient was having financial problems,” he said. “She had cancer and wasn’t faring well. She had one daughter, and the only thing she had to leave her daughter was her house. But she was in financial distress and behind on the payments. I realized the impact of our board that day, because we passed the hat and we saved her house.”

The depth and breadth of support Friends of Cancer can provide to the community has grown exponentially over the years. But Byrd isn’t surprised.

“I think Fayetteville is a giving community,” he said. “I thought once the ball started rolling, they would kick it down the road.”

And kick it they have.

With the help of community support and successful fundraisers, the Health Foundation and Friends of the Cancer Center have been able to contribute more than \$142,000 last year in Cancer Center care and support.

“The support that we’ve had with the annual Ribbon Walk and from local businesses expresses how generous Fayetteville people are,” said Byrd. “There are so many ways that they have generated financial support.”

Byrd is hoping that generosity will parlay into a successful cancer care endowment. The Health Foundation currently has more than \$300,000 in commitments with a goal to raise \$2 million. As a certified public accountant, Byrd understands the importance of investment. He knows an endowment of this size would provide approximately \$80,000 annually to supplement fundraising for patient support.

“There’s always a need there,” he said. “Every year our annual giving programs are tremendously important, but if you can build an endowment base that generates an investment income, you know that base is always going to be there.”

While Byrd feels that a cancer care endowment is a fitting way to honor his beloved wife and best friend, he was too modest to discuss the gift initially.

“It was my wish that it be a private thing,” he said. But a friend got Byrd to rethink matters.

“She said, ‘Jesse, that’s not the right attitude,’” he said. ““The more you talk about it, the more we can hope that support will grow.””

So, Byrd is now talking about the endowment established in his wife’s name. After all, talking about

her is something he greatly enjoys.

“Irene loved her family and her family loved her,” he said with tears in his eyes. “One of her nieces told me, ‘Aunt Irene is everyone’s favorite aunt.’”

Born and raised in Fayetteville, Irene was loved and respected in her community. And Byrd wants the community to know this endowment is as much for them as it is to celebrate Irene.

“It’s not just about Irene or the Friends of the Cancer Center,” he said. “It’s about the community. It’s about the doctors and the nurses and the techs. And about all the people who do all they can to help those who are less fortunate. And that takes money.”

Byrd is sure that his wife is proud of the endowment that bears her name.

“I like to think we’ve helped a lot of people,” he said. “I’m sure she’s seen how much the cancer center has grown and I’m sure she’s proud.”

For more information on the Irene Thompson Byrd Cancer Care Endowment, please call Melanie Erwin at (910) 615-1327. To see the video, please visit http://cfvfoundation.org/cancer_care_endowment.html.



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WHEN “THANK YOU” *Doesn't Seem Enough*

by DONNIE BYERS

Appreciation can be shown in many forms, including money. But it's harder to give money when you don't have a lot to start with.

Michele Singerline can relate.

The 49-year-old Fayetteville educator is recovering from cancer. The disease has wrecked her health and finances. She couldn't work full-time during chemotherapy, and her husband is disabled, so paying bills has been a tremendous struggle for them.

Singerline still wanted to show her caregivers at Cape Fear Valley's Cancer Center a little appreciation, though. They made her countless treatment sessions a little more bearable. For that, she is beyond grateful.

She decided to do it by saying “Thank You” through Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's new Grateful Patients and Families program. It allows patients and their family members to honor any Cape Fear Valley caregiver who holds a special place in their heart.

Singerline sent a letter of thanks with her Grateful Patients and Families recognition and a \$4 donation for each caregiver honored. The honorees received a copy of the thank you letter, a certificate of appreciation, and a Grateful Patients and Families lapel pin. A photo of the honorees was then mailed to the donor, as a special touch.

Gifts received through the Grateful Patients and Families program are the most valuable way to support Cape Fear Valley Health. It allows the Health



Foundation to fund priority needs, meet new challenges and direct support where it is needed most. In return, patients and their loved ones get the chance to recognize and celebrate exceptional care within the health system.

“Exceptional” can mean anything: lifesaving care, assistance walking down a hall, even a kind word. It’s up to the giver to decide.

In Singerline’s case, exceptional equates to a year’s worth of support during her time at the Cancer Center. Anyone who has undergone chemotherapy knows how overwhelming side effects can be.

Cancer Center staff always made sure Singerline had an aisle seat in the treatment area to help with her claustrophobia. They also made sure her husband had a nearby seat.

When the side effects became too difficult, they took the patient for walks or offered extra pillows to help with pain and nausea. And when the bills became seemingly insurmountable, staff members worked with counselors to help the Singerlines receive financial aid.

“I wasn’t prepared for cancer,” the wife said. “It just stepped right on me. You got

to be in the right place when it hits, and I was in the right place.”

Rachel Richardson, Health Foundation Development Coordinator, says the Grateful Patients and Families program allows patients to say “Thank You,” even if they were discharged long ago.

Patients don’t always get that chance,” Richardson said, “when they’re in the hospital receiving care.”

Recognizing someone is as easy as picking up a program brochure. They are available in waiting rooms and lobby areas throughout the health system. You

can also recognize someone through the Health Foundation’s website at www.cfvfoundation.org.

Gifts can be made by check or credit card in recommended amounts of \$25, \$50, \$100 or \$500 amounts. But any amount will be accepted and can be given anonymously.

To recognize a caregiver directly or learn more about the Grateful Patients and Families program, call 910-615-1449 today. Saying “Thank You” has never been easier.

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

Support group helps heart patients talk about their experiences

BY DONNIE BYERS

“I try to remind patients about the importance of taking medication, and encourage them to get into phase-II cardiac rehab. Advanced rehab is critical.”

— BILL FARR,
ACCREDITED MENDED
HEARTS PATIENT VISITOR



Hospital stays aren't usually pleasant experiences, due to all the uncertainty and questions involved. The anxiety increases with more serious conditions.

How long will the stay be? What will treatment be like? Are lifestyle changes necessary? What happens next?

The worry is understandable for heart conditions. Heart disease is the nation's No. 1 killer, with more than 600,000 deaths a year in the U.S., it claims more lives than cancer, respiratory diseases and accidents combined.

Having family at the hospital can help with anxiety, but not necessarily questions. Often family members can have just as many questions as the patient.

That's where Cape Fear Valley's Mended Hearts program can help. The community-based patient support group helps provide patients and their families social, emotional and practical support that's often vital to a good recovery.

Support group members are usually former heart patients, so they're very

knowledgeable on the subject. Trained and accredited members can even help answer patient questions right at the bedside, inside cardiac surgery intensive care unit waiting areas, or at rehabilitation programs.

Bill Farr is an accredited Mended Hearts patient visitor at Cape Fear Valley Heart & Vascular Center. He's survived two heart attacks, quintuple bypass surgery, and several stent procedures over the years.

"I try to remind patients about the importance of taking medication," he said, "and encourage them to get into phase-II cardiac rehab. Advanced rehab is critical."

Mended Hearts is the nation's largest peer-to-peer support group for heart patients, with more than 300 chapters and 20,000 members. The large membership allows the program to provide more than a quarter-million visits a year to patients, caregivers and families.

To date, volunteers have visited more than 800 heart patients since the

program launched at Cape Fear Valley Heart & Vascular Center in late 2012. The goal is to help heart patients and their loved ones move on after treatment and live fuller, healthier lives.

Part of that comes through letting patients talk about their ordeals. Mended hearts is organized into community-based chapters that hold monthly or bi-monthly meetings.

Cape Fear Valley's chapter is currently a satellite of the Goldsboro region. It should soon have enough members to be an official chapter of its own.

Rae Ashley, Cape Fear Valley's Cardiac Rehabilitation Program Manager, helps organize the Fayetteville chapter meetings. He said it's common for heart patients and families to have questions following a diagnosis or treatment.

"It's a vehicle to talk about problems and experiences," he said, "and lets patients give feedback about their care."

The Fayetteville chapter meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at Cape Fear Valley Rehabilitation

Center. They include featured speakers who talk on various subjects, ranging from abnormal cholesterol and high triglycerides to available treatment options and procedures.

Since Mended Hearts is a national organization, annual dues are required for membership. Cape Fear Valley's Health Foundation has stepped in and paid for local member dues to help get the Fayetteville chapter off the ground.

Rachel Richardson is the foundation's development coordinator. She says paying the annual dues helps bring people together who have faced similar life-threatening conditions.

"They get the chance to share their experiences, advice and even the chance to form real friendships," she said. "Providing such support and reassurance can lead to a wonderful quality of life after surgery."

To become involved with Mended Hearts or to learn more about the program, call (910) 615-6580.

LUCY JONES

A Passion for Change, A Need to Make a Difference

BY GINNY DEFFENDALL



When asked what she does in her free time, Lucy Jones gives a soft chuckle. It's almost as if the concept of relaxation is foreign to her. Jones is on a mission to make her community a better place. It's a mission of love that takes a lot of time and attention.

"I think we need to use our time to the best advantage," Jones said, "and get the most out of it that we can. I like to know that I'm putting my time to good use."

Jones is an active member of numerous charitable organizations in her community, so she is almost always doing something. Women's Giving Circle, Cumberland Community Foundation, United Way and the Child Advocacy Center all call her a board member. Most recently Jones worked to help establish Connections of Cumberland County, a day resource center for the community's homeless women and children. She is also a member and former president of Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's Board of Directors.

"I am so excited when I see a community need met or a new, much-needed organization started," Jones said. "I feel like I accomplished something. To me, that's more relaxing than sitting down."

Jones grew up in the small town of Badin, N.C. She obtained a journalism degree from UNC Chapel Hill, and then worked in marketing and public relations for several years.

Her résumé highlights include time spent at a London, England PR firm, North Carolina State University's Public Relations Department, and designing publications and annual reports for Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina in Durham.

In her travels Jones and her husband, Wes Jones, M.D., saw levels of poverty many could only imagine.

She recalls seeing homeless Londoners eating from trashcans and sleeping on the ground with newspapers for cover. During mission trips she witnessed people in Bolivia living in squalor. Their homes were often nothing more than grassy, sheathed roofs, held up by four skinny poles. No doors, no walls, no windows. Families were lucky to have a board and maybe a pallet for a bed.

This ignited a fire in Jones to make a difference.

"It really makes you appreciate the things you have," she said. "Just to see the people smile back after you did something simple for them made it all worthwhile." Many of the organizations Jones works

with strive to improve the lives of women and children. She says she chooses her causes not by whom they serve but by which will make the most difference.

"Currently there is a prime need for women's and children's services in our community," she said. "Especially children; they are the future of our community."

Since 2008, Jones has been making a difference by working with the Health Foundation.

"Foundations are the key for many communities," she said. "Many raise dollars locally that then attract dollars from other sources, which is tremendously beneficial."

Jones has seen firsthand the benefits of Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation.

Friends of Children volunteers gave Jones' then-13-year-old son games to play with during his stay at Cape Fear Valley's Children's Center. As any parent with a child in the hospital knows, it was the

perfect distraction for a little boy and his worried parents.

When her mother had cancer, Friends of the Cancer Center volunteers often wheeled her back and forth to treatment sessions and offered a kind word and encouragement to brighten her day. They also provided a much-appreciated wig when the patient lost her hair.

"What would we do without our hospital?" she asked. "We'd have to travel for care, making it difficult to have family support. And support is such an important part of patient care."

In the era of healthcare reform, Jones believes organizations, such as the Health Foundation, are more important than ever.

"The reimbursements are not what they used to be," she said. "It's up to the community to step in and say, 'We can really make a difference.' There is tremendous need in the community."

Sabrina Brooks, Foundation Executive Director, said Jones is the driver for a lot of the Health Foundation's growth in

the past three years.

"We are so lucky to have her," said Brooks. "She has really helped the Foundation transition to where we're going now."

The transition Brooks speaks of includes the establishment of new programs to enhance care throughout Cape Fear Valley Health, as well as the establishment of endowments to ensure quality care in the future.

Jones says Cape Fear Valley has a tremendous responsibility to keep up with ever-advancing medical technology and to maintain its facilities system-wide. It's the Health Foundation's responsibility to work with the health system to ensure patients get the care and services they deserve.

"The hospital is a major part of the community," she said. "It's the heartbeat. People are talking about the Foundation. They are excited about what they can do for the hospital and for the community. The possibilities are unlimited if we all get behind it."

MAKING A DIFFERENCE ON A GRAND SCALE

by GINNY DEFFENDALL



Diet plans often advise against hopping on a scale everyday. But it's just the opposite for heart failure patients.

Heart failure occurs when the heart can't pump enough blood to the rest of the body. Fluid starts to build up in the body, as a result. This build-up is called congestion. Sudden weight gain can indicate congestion, a sign that heart failure is worsening in a patient.

Jan Mathews is the Corporate Executive Director of Nursing Quality and Safety for Cape Fear Valley. She says heart failure patients should not only check their weight daily (at the same time), but also log the results.

"If a heart failure patient gains three pounds in a day or five pounds in a week then they need to contact their physician," she said.

Cape Fear Valley helps heart failure patients start tracking their weight while still in the hospital. The goal is to reinforce the importance of maintaining proper weight in order to stave off complications.

Some heart failure patients leave Cape Fear Valley Health with more than just a log. Those in need can also leave with a bariatric scale to monitor their weight at home, thanks to Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's Friends of the Heart Center.

"We give them to patients who don't have the means to purchase a scale," Mathews said. "Not everyone can go out and buy one."

The health system sees more than 100 patients a year who are unable to purchase the scale necessary to track their weight.

"An employee at Cape Fear Valley Health submitted an application for Foundation grant funding to provide the scales for patients in financial need," said Rachel M. Richardson, Health Foundation Development Coordinator. "And because the scales impact heart failure patients, Friends of the Heart Center was able to approve the program."

Heart failure patients are often readmitted to the hospital when they become congested with fluid. If patients identify their weight gain

early, they can visit their physician and have the fluid removed. This helps avoid another costly hospital stay.

The scale program not only helps patients, it helps hospitals too. The heart failure readmission rate at Cape Fear Valley has fallen below the national average for hospitals since implementing the program, according to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

This is just one of many things Cape Fear Valley Health has done to improve care for heart failure patients. It has implemented evidence-based care practices, as well as education programs, to ensure patients monitor their blood pressure and diet properly. The efforts have earned Cape Fear Valley Health Disease Specific Certification in Heart Failure from The Joint Commission.

"The program makes such a significant difference in a patient's life," Richardson said, "as well as on hospital readmission rates. It's a perfect example of how Foundation funding goes right back to Cape Fear Valley Health as it continues to provide exceptional healthcare."

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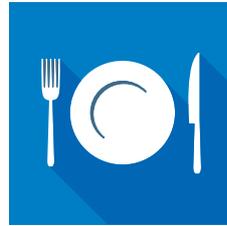


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FOR THE LOVE OF GOLF AND COMMUNITY *Being a sponsor has its privileges*

by DONNIE BYERS



Left to right, WC Powers, Mike Williford, Mike Bordone and Andrew McCarthy

Whether you give a little or give a lot, the simple act of giving matters most. But there's nothing wrong with having a little fun along the way.

Mike Bordone is a Merrill Lynch senior vice president and financial advisor. He spends his Mondays through Fridays in his office, advising clients how to best invest their hard-earned money. But his weekends are all fairways and putting greens as he works diligently on his golf game.

The Virginia Beach native picked up his first set of clubs 30 years ago, after his aging knees gave up on tennis. He hasn't been able to put his putter down since.

*"I simply fell in love with the game," Bordone said.
"I just love the competition."*

His passion for the links led to a chance meeting in 2010 with organizers of Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's annual Friends of Children Golf Classic tournament. They asked if he wanted to play and be a corporate sponsor that year.

Bordone naturally said yes, being the avid golfer that he is. But he never expected to become as involved with the children's charity as he has. It all started with a simple tour of Cape Fear Valley Medical Center's children's department.

The Health Foundation offers such tours to show sponsors how their donations would be put to work at Cape Fear Valley. Bordone saw that the hospital's aging children's unit was in dire need of renovations and expansion.

The Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) especially needed attention. It was

crammed into a small, out-of-the-way corridor in one of the hospital's oldest wings at the time. The patient bays were little more than taped-off floor spaces, separated by curtain dividers.

The private patient rooms in the acute care unit were in similar need. They were cramped and in dire need of new furnishings and bathroom upgrades. The Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) had needs as well.

Bordone was moved by what he saw. It led to him and his wife, Wanda, becoming annual sponsors of the tournament. They talked Bank of America into getting involved by matching every dollar the couple gave. Bank of America is the corporate parent of Merrill Lynch.

Their donations, along with others, eventually helped Cape Fear Valley open a totally new PICU wing last year. The unit now has real patient rooms, all new, state-of-the-art equipment, and one of the most attractive interior designs the health system has to offer.

Tara Hinton, Health Foundation Development Coordinator, helps run the Friends of Children Golf Classic. She said the tournament's players, sponsors and private donors have helped raise more than \$1.4 million over the years.

"This is the tournament's 20th anniversary, so it's going to be a pretty big one for us," she said. "It's one of the community's premier golf tournaments and all the proceeds go toward Cape Fear Valley's children's services."

This year's proceeds will go toward upgrading overhead lighting in Cape Fear Valley Medical Center's Labor and Delivery unit. The new lights will have two settings: comfortable, low profile lighting for when patients are sleeping or at rest; and a high illumination setting for critical care and delivery procedures.

The upgrade will be a welcome addition by the unit's doctors and nurses who will help deliver roughly 5,000 babies in the coming year.

Hinton said the Health Foundation works with Cape Fear Valley administration every year to determine which projects are most in need of funding.

"Everything goes towards the children's center, helping patients and families right here at home," Hinton said. "That's why this tournament is so important."

Last year's tournament hosted 170 players and numerous corporate sponsors, who helped raise more than \$190,000. Private individuals also helped the cause by buying trip raffle tickets during the tournament weekend.

This year's tournament will again be held at Highland Country Club, a Donald Ross-designed course, in Fayetteville, beginning on Thursday, Oct. 8.

Teams of four will play in two start flights that are scheduled for 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. during the tournament. Space is limited, so teams should submit entry forms as soon as possible.

A dinner and a beer and wine tasting event will be held the night before the tournament. Individuals who buy trip raffle tickets gain entry into both, as well as be able to enjoy live music. The raffle winner will pick a trip of their choice to Napa Valley, Pebble Beach or Walt Disney World.

Bordone will definitely be there for the dinner and tournament. He says his love for golf brought him to the Health Foundation's sponsor table that first year, but civic pride keeps him coming back.

"I love helping children," he said. "I think more people should give back to their community, because the community gives so much to them."

This year's tournament is made possible through the generous sponsorship of Rick Hendrick Toyota Scion of Fayetteville, Toyota Inc., and CSI Construction Systems, Inc. For more tournament information or to purchase raffle tickets, please call (910) 615-1434 or visit www.capefearvalley.com/golf.



Left to right, Beth Langley, PhD, RN – Coordinator for Nursing Research; Lucinda Edgecomb, RN – Director of Infection Prevent & Control; Karen Ojeda, BSN, RN – Staff Nurse, Family Centered Care; Tiffany Pait, RN – Resource Nurse, Emergency Department/Intensive Care Unit at Bladen Healthcare; Christy Swinson, MSN, RN – Resource Nurse, Orthopedics Unit; Sabrina Brooks – Foundation Executive Director

GROWING OUR OWN *Nursing Congress Academic Advancement Scholarship*

BY GINNY DEFFENDALL

Nursing isn't just an occupation; it's a calling. A passion for healing is a prerequisite for nursing school. It's what sustains students through the long hours of study and grueling clinical work that nursing school requires.

Obtaining a nursing degree can be an expensive endeavor, however. After accounting for tuition, books, supplies, licensure exams and cost of living, a nursing degree can cost anywhere from \$5,000 to \$40,000 per semester, depending on whether the student attends a public or private school.

To support the academic advancement of registered nurses employed at Cape Fear Valley Health, Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation has partnered with the health system's Nursing Congress to create the Nursing Congress Academic Advancement Scholarship (NCAAS).

NCAAS will be awarded to registered nurses who are pursuing an advanced degree in nursing on a full-time or part-time basis. The scholarship amount will be \$250 per semester, with a maximum of \$1,000 per student. Applicants must be a registered nurse employed by Cape Fear Valley for at least one year and must be admitted to a program offering a bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree in nursing.

The scholarship is a direct result of a conversation between Beth Langley, PhD, RN, Coordinator for Nursing Research, and Sabrina Brooks, Executive Director of Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation.

“Beth and I were meeting and she approached me about the idea,” said Brooks. “It just took off from there.”

Langley is a former member of the Fayetteville Technical Community College’s Foundation and was very involved in the school’s nursing scholarship program. She put herself through nursing school – even obtaining advanced nursing degrees – all with the help of scholarships, so she understands how much the smallest scholarship can help.

After rotating off the school’s board, Langley wanted to bring a similar program to Cape Fear Valley. She brought the idea to Nursing Congress and they agreed there was a huge financial need among nurses wanting to advance their degree.

Langley and her husband, Luke, provided the seed money to get the scholarship started. Brooks and the Health Foundation’s Friends of Nursing matched the Langleys’ donation.

Eleven nurses applied for the inaugural scholarship awards, a number higher than Langley was expecting.

“That is just demonstrative of the need,” Langley said. The Foundation match allowed Nursing Congress to award scholarships to four deserving nurses: Tiffany Collins Pait, Bladen County Hospital Emergency Department; Christy Roshelle Swinson, 7 South; Lucinda Edgecomb, Infection Control and Karen Ojeda, Labor and Delivery.

Both Langley and Brooks are hoping to be able to award more scholarships and increase the amount of the awards each year.

“Right now the fund is for registered nurses who wish to earn an advanced degree,” Langley said. “But we would like to expand it to employees who want to earn a nursing degree, like a nursing assistant who would like to become an RN.”

They would also like to award more than four scholarships per year. But that would require a larger pool of money to draw from.

“Ultimately, we’d like to endow the scholarship,” said Brooks. “We’re hoping to reach the \$500,000 mark so we can do that.”

Brooks says that anyone can contribute to the scholarship fund.

“This fund supports strengthening the education and training of Cape Fear Valley nurses,” she said, “and we



know that well-trained, well-educated nurses provide exceptional care.”

Both Brooks and Langley look at NCAAS as an opportunity to invest in Cape Fear Valley nurses who are committed to staying with Cape Fear Valley.

“It’s as though we’re growing our own,” said Brooks.

“This is our opportunity to make a difference,” said Langley. “If we ease the financial burden of a student who needs assistance it benefits Cape Fear Valley Health, and the nursing profession as a whole.”

To donate to the fund, and make a difference to future generations of nurses, please contact Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation at 615-1285.

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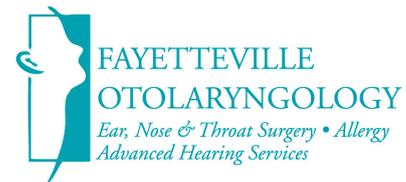
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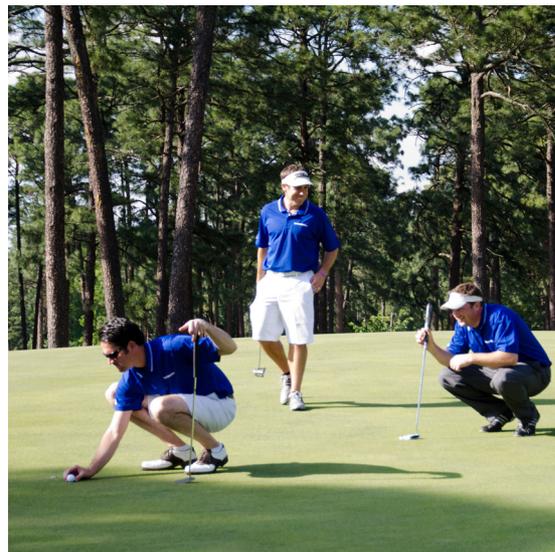
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