

# Hospital Foundation hosts Fundraisers and Celebrations

On September 28, 2019, Mercy Health Foundation Irvine hosted the fifth annual Golf Scramble and Paradise Luau (presented by Citizens Guaranty Bank) at the Estill County Golf Club. The events were the largest attended to date and brought in \$26,000 for Mercy Health – Marcum and Wallace Hospital. The Paradise Luau included two special celebrations, the 60th Anniversary of Marcum and Wallace Hospital and the retirement of long-time Marcum and Wallace Hospital President and CEO Susan Starling.

Since 2015, the Golf Scramble and “Blue Hawaii” Paradise Luau have raised over \$200,000 to support hospital projects including 3D mammography, ultrasound technology and an outpatient infusion center (project completion date 2020).

“It was an honor to host these events to support our hospital and celebrate two milestones in the history of the organization. Susan Starling was a part of this hospital and community for nearly three decades and it only seemed fitting to celebrate her retirement as a part of the sixtieth anniversary of the hospital,” said Marcum and Wallace Hospital President Trena Stocker. “Thank you to everyone who supported these events, as the money will be used toward the purchase of new hospital beds for our medical unit. These beds will provide comfort for our patients and safety for our employees. Our goal is to raise over one hundred thousand dollars for the new beds.”

Sixty-four golfers played in the golf scramble. They were treated to lunch from the Apollo/Steam Engine Pizza truck and House of ‘Cue. Special event holes were a Hole in One with the chance to win a 2019 Jeep Cherokee sponsored by Tanner Chrysler Dodge Jeep in Stanton (no winner); Longest Drive sponsored by Citizens Guaranty Bank (winner of a driver was Logan Benedict), Closest to the Pin sponsored by Southeast Apparatus (\$100 donation was made to Mercy Health Foundation Irvine in honor of the winner Dane Fritts); and the Putting Contest sponsored by Premiere Physical Therapy was or-

ganized by Denny Smith (winner of the putter was Kevin Ochs).

Special thank you to the Estill County Golf Club (including: Arthur Ballard, Les Benedict, Kathy Collett, Gary Robinson and scramble organizer Denny Smith). Also thanks to the individuals who donated use of their personal golf carts and the individuals who volunteered to watch the hole-in-one from the Foundation Board and Ladies Auxiliary.

The winning team was sponsored by Spencer Drug (players: John Spencer, Artie White, David Jennings and Kelby Robinson). The second-place team was sponsored by Tanner Chrysler Dodge Jeep (players: Darrell Billings, Dustin Billings, Dane Fritts and Tony Fritts). The third-place team was sponsored by Dickie Arthur (players: Dickie Arthur, Benton Kirby, Andrew Farmer and Travis Adams).

The golf course grounds were transformed into a paradise and 248 guests received an island-style welcome and “Blue Hawaii” entertainment from Elvis.

Special thank you for the generous support from our sponsors: (Presenting Sponsor): Citizens Guaranty Bank; (Platinum Sponsors): CentiMark, Citizens Bank & Trust Co. and Rodney & Kimberly Davis; (Gold Sponsors): Hardy Oil, Marcum and Wallace Hospital Auxiliary, Modern Woodmen, Piper & Bowers, PSC, Precision Mechanical, Spencer Drug (Madison Drug, Irvine Health Care Pharmacy, Estill Clinic Pharmacy and Woodford Family Pharmacy), Scott & Trena Stocker and Tanner Dodge Chrysler Jeep of Stanton; (Bronze Sponsors): Janice & Ellen Bush-In loving memory of Eugene Bush, Estill County Chiropractic, Jackson Energy, Pathology & Cytology Lab, Professional Radiology and West Central Ohio Hospital Consortium.

The events would not have been possible without many in-kind supporters including Ethan Moore with Pick Up Country 104.9 WSKV FM (sound sponsor) and Lauren Rothenhauser with Illumi Studio (photography sponsor).

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The winning team of the Mercy Health Foundation Irvine Golf Scramble was sponsored by Spencer Drug. Pictured are players, Artie White, Kelby Robinson, John Spencer and David Jennings. (Photo courtesy of Illumi Studio)



Citizens Guaranty Bank was the presenting sponsor of the 2019 Mercy Health Foundation Irvine Golf Scramble and Paradise Luau Dinner. Pictured are Citizens Guaranty Bank employees and guests at the luau. (Photo courtesy of Illumi Studio)



The retirement of long-time Marcum and Wallace Hospital President and CEO Susan Starling was celebrated at the Mercy Health Foundation event on September 28th. Pictured is Susan Starling and Marcum and Wallace Hospital President Trena Stocker. (Photo courtesy of Illumi Studio)



Debbie Sparks and Tina Hix are pictured with “Elvis” at the Mercy Health Foundation Irvine “Blue Hawaii” Paradise Luau. The luau was themed “Blue Hawaii” to celebrate the era of when the hospital opened in the community. (Photo courtesy of Illumi Studio)

## Remember When

Can you remember climbing the stairs at our house?  
Just like a ladder but we did not care.  
We have slept up there many times,  
It has been a long time though it seems not many years.

Mom would yell up the stairway,  
“Be quiet, girls, and go to sleep.”  
Sometimes we would forget what Mom had said.  
Then my Dad would firmly speak.

When Dad spoke he meant business.  
He never had to say it again.  
“Be quiet and go to sleep now.”  
That was the “good ole days” back then.

Upstairs at our house we had no ceiling.  
Just a tin roof, some rafters and cardboard on the wall.  
We did not mind the cold or heat.  
We could hear the sounds when rain or snow would fall.

Can you remember when we used to shoot firecrackers?  
Or just sit on the rail fence watching cars go by.  
If we happened to get hold of a little money,  
We could get a soft drink and chips for a dime.

We did not need money to have a good time.  
We walked at least a mile to go to school back then.  
Each day we had prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.  
We played “dare base” and softball time and again..

Those were “happy days” for the children.  
We were young and so full of life too.  
With Freida, Louise and the two of us.  
I can remember those days. Can you?.

Love you, Madalene McIntosh Wasson, February 2004

## When I Recall

*When I recall, your great love for me  
I think of a cruel cross, at CALVARY  
When I recall, how you set me free  
I remember the strangle-hold, sin had on me.*

*You gave me peace, and joy within  
You gave me the right, to call you Friend  
I was lost, but you rescued me  
And opened my eyes, that I might see.*

*One day I know, I will be with you  
I'll be among, the chosen few  
Eternity will have, just begun  
And I'll spend it with, God's only son.*

*I recall all the things, that you have done  
To show us that you, are God's only Son  
You healed the sick, and raised the dead  
You changed my death, and gave me life instead.*

Written by Price J. Rawlins

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