

McQuade Times

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Member spotlight: Debbie and Keith Bellovich, DO, give from the heart

When Debbie Bellovich of Grosse Pointe Farms received an invitation to co-chair the Your Child, We Care campaign to support the expansion and renovation of Pediatric Services at Ascension St. John Children's Hospital, she didn't hesitate. She and her husband, Keith Bellovich, DO, Chief Medical Officer at Ascension St. John Hospital, followed up on that commitment by making a generous gift to the campaign.

"We made smaller contributions in the past, but this one is from the heart," Debbie said of their gift to the campaign, which also enabled the Bellovichs to become McQuade Society members. "We have a deep desire to help children, women and their families receive enhanced care at Ascension St. John Hospital."

Their gift stems from personal experience. In 2000, the Bellovich's first child, Katie, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly from complications of influenza shortly before her fourth birthday. Debbie and Keith never forgot the kindness and care they received at Ascension St. John Hospital during Katie's treatment and as they received support after her passing.

"To this day, people I know stop me when I'm at the hospital to offer little gifts of grace," said Debbie, who visited pediatric patients prior to the COVID

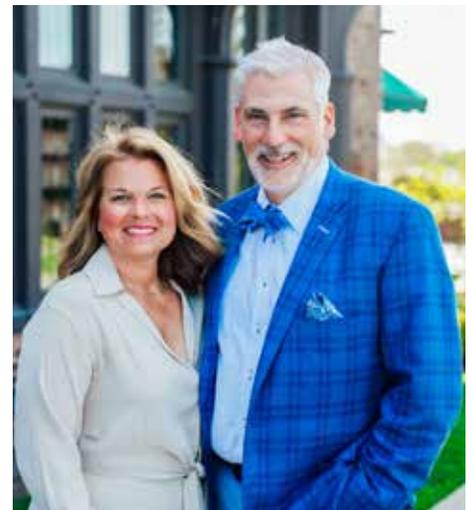
pandemic with Zia, their therapy dog. "They share kind thoughts and memories."

Debbie and Keith also choose to support Ascension St. John Hospital knowing the significant role it plays in the community.

"In 1995, I was fortunate to have joined a well-established practice already connected with the hospital," Keith said. "I've practiced here my entire career. Over the years, I've come to know the importance and the impact of the hospital's mission, vision and values.

"Time and again, we receive feedback from the community about having high-quality medical support close to home. Ascension St. John Hospital is an invaluable asset that provides security and comfort. And as the hospital grows, we seek to care for patients beyond metropolitan Detroit with services like kidney transplant programs, structural heart interventions and comprehensive stroke care."

The Your Child, We Care campaign is among those enhanced patient care objectives. The \$18 million raised from philanthropic gifts will help build a new Pediatric Emergency Department that is separate from the current Emergency Department, thus reducing waiting times for young patients and their families. Among the other plans are creating private rooms in the Pediatric



Debbie and Keith Bellovich

Inpatient Unit. A new dedicated Women and Children's Entrance will better accommodate women going into labor as well as ill children and their families.

"The campaign will result in services that weren't available when we were here with Katie," said Debbie, an alumna of the University of Michigan and Wayne State University School of Law. She also worked in development for several local non-profit organizations. "It will create a very safe and supportive space for women, children and their families, make the patient experience easier, and result in even better patient outcomes."

The Bellovichs have three children. Mac, 24, works in data analytics for the Emergency Department at Ascension

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Event honors McQuade Society members

The annual McQuade Society Reception came back in full swing this year on May 12. This event is a chance to honor you — our most loyal supporters — for your generosity. More than 100 guests attended this year's event held at the Country Club of Detroit.

After Beth Carter and Rebecca Sellers from the Ascension St. John Foundation

welcomed guests, Dr. Kevin Grady updated members about the endeavors taking place at Ascension St. John Hospital. He announced that the Your Child, We Care minimum campaign goal to support the expansion and renovation of Pediatric Services at Ascension St. John Children's Hospital was met, and groundbreaking for the project will take place soon. This accomplishment

could not have been possible without the support of generous friends like you. Thank you!

Here is a sampling of event photos. For more photos, visit: <https://ascension-michigan.smugmug.com/> and look for the 2022 McQuade Society Reception album within the Metro East Region & Metro West Region section.



Karen Loosvelt and Ann Claire Van Ash



Greg DeMars, Grace Cracchiolo-Torre and Anthony Torre



Jack and Joyce Fowler



Michelle Oshtosh-Kroetsch and Anthony Oshtosh



Richard and Elly Sattler



Joe and Rosemary Wortman

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St. John Hospital. Their daughters Sarah, 21, and Elizabeth, 19, are undergraduates at the University of Michigan. Before making their Your Child, We Care campaign gift, Debbie and Keith sat down with their children to discuss making their gift as a family.

"Our family has a saying: The best way to heal is to help others," said Debbie, who serves on the board of Generation of Promise at Focus: HOPE, a program

which aims to build a community of young leaders who celebrate diversity and to eliminate discrimination in metropolitan Detroit. "That's how we processed our grief and healed. Our children have also participated in more than 20 service-oriented mission trips with us and through our church [Grosse Pointe Memorial]."

"Through the gifts of grace we received, it's easy to realize the importance of

dedicating the rest of our lives to helping others," Keith added. "The McQuade Society is important for the ongoing growth of the hospital and for expanding the variety of services and programs offered. We also encourage family and friends to contribute to Ascension St. John Hospital and support areas they believe in. Everyone is welcome to make whatever gift they can to support such a vital community institution, no matter what the amount."



Ted and Mary Huebner



Jason and Kristen Renner



Elena Russell, Mary Aubrey-Rogers
and Scott Russell



Sally Cytacki, Michael Cytacki, Jordyn Sessel
and Walt Cytacki



Anthony Obeid, Natalie Rizk-Koh, Beline Obeid
and Dr. Dan Megler



Sharon Burke, Nancy Renick, Mona Gualtieri
and Ed Deeb

New McQuade Society members

Please welcome the following new members to the McQuade Society. They joined our exclusive group of loyal benefactors between Aug. 27, 2021, and May 26, 2022.

Dr. and Mrs. Keith L. Bellovich
Dr. and Mrs. Richard Berri
Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Bolton
Stu and Trista Covi
Mr. and Mrs. John E. DeWald

Michele M. Harding
Dr. Athina Pappas
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Riehl III
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen T. Rogers
Mrs. Joan B. Warren

Are you leaving a legacy?

The Legacy Society honors donors who demonstrate their deep commitment to Ascension St. John Foundation by including Ascension Michigan hospitals, programs or services within their estate plans. Legacy gifts are recognized during your lifetime and can be in the form of a charitable bequest or other planned giving arrangement. A planned gift of any amount qualifies you for this membership.

You can make a difference in the health of those in your community, leave a legacy and even achieve tax savings by making a planned gift and joining the Legacy Society.

As a Legacy Society member, you will receive a special pin to proudly wear and demonstrate to others your generous commitment to Ascension.

For more information on making a planned gift and joining the Legacy Society, please call 313-343-7480 and ask to speak with Stan Simek, Planned Giving Director.



In memory of

The following McQuade members passed away (Aug. 27, 2021 - May 9, 2022). With deepest sympathy, we remember:

Marie Brady	Jere L. McBride
Thomas M. Campau	Jane K. Nugent
Phyllis A. DeMars	Carol Nault
Maralyn A. Domzalski	Patricia A. Ostosh
Harvey C. Fruehauf	Richard Thams
Thomas A. Mackey	Wayne W. Webber

Please note: If you know of a member who passed away, please contact us at 313-343-7480 so we can update our records. We may not hear of a loss firsthand or see the death notice; therefore names may be missed in this section.

McQuade Society membership survey

As a valued McQuade Society member, your feedback is very important to us. Ascension St. John Foundation's mission is to ensure our members receive the best care and service possible. Recently, you were sent a short survey to complete. If you haven't returned it yet, you can conveniently access the survey by scanning the QR code here with your smartphone or tablet. We welcome your feedback, as we are always looking for ways to add more value to the McQuade Society. Thank you for your participation in the survey.



Membership reminder

Membership in the McQuade Society is available to our most loyal supporters to thank you for your generous commitment to Ascension St. John Hospital. The McQuade Society offers ways to navigate your health services to make your experience with Ascension St. John Hospital even better.

Please remember services are for members only. You may refer friends to us for membership if they wish to enjoy member privileges.

Thanks to your assistance, McQuade membership has grown. When you refer your friends and family, it is the highest compliment. To make it easier to share information about how to qualify for membership, you may request a brochure by calling 313-343-7480.