

Sibley Memorial Hospital Foundation

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## Monthly Update



### Honor Your Dedicated Caregiver: The Sibley Foundation High Five Award!

The Sibley Foundation High Five program recognizes dedicated Sibley staff and physicians who have been honored by Foundation donors for their excellence and compassionate care. When you make a gift and honor a Sibley staff member or physician, they will be presented with a special High Five pin and a letter saying you have made a gift in their honor.

Dr. Bruce Kressel (left) was the inaugural recipient of the award and had this to say about his generous patient: “I am honored to be the first recipient of the Foundation’s High Five Award. More importantly, donations from grateful patients help

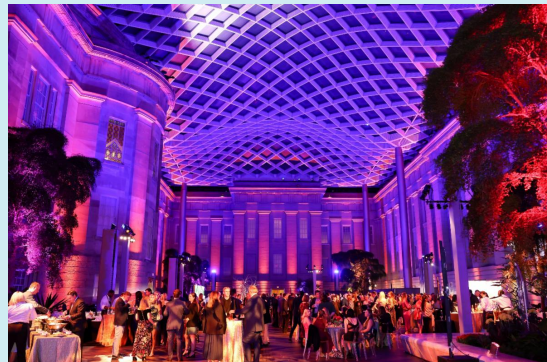
us to maintain the clinical excellence and compassionate care that has made Sibley a special place for generations.”

To honor your caregiver with a High Five Award visit <https://secure.jhu.edu/form/highfive>.

### Young Professionals Board Soiree: Save the Date, Get Involved!

The annual Sibley Soirée hosted by the Young Professionals Board is Thursday, October 24th at the National Portrait Gallery. The event will support expanded access to care in the John Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center at Sibley.

Sponsorships are available, and event tickets are on sale now! For more information, contact Annie Williams at [awill326@jhmi.edu](mailto:awill326@jhmi.edu).



Event website: <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/2024-sibley-soiree>

National Portrait Gallery  
8th St. N.W. and F St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001  
Thursday, October 24 from 7:00p.m.-10:00p.m.

## Staff Continue to Take Advantage of Sibley's Staff Certification Program

Chaplain Paulette McPherson has been a guiding light of hope and comfort to countless individuals throughout her career. Her journey to becoming a board-certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC) reflects her unwavering dedication. After earning her Master of Divinity degree, completing four units of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), and accumulating 2,000 hours of patient care, Chaplain Paulette successfully passed the board certification exam on her first attempt.



Thanks to the support of Foundation donors, she has been able to pursue advanced certifications that have further enhanced her ability to provide spiritual care to those in need at no cost. Your generosity is crucial in helping others like Paulette continue to grow and make a meaningful impact in our community.

Congratulations Chaplain Paulette on your achievement! To support Sibley's Staff Certification program, contact Kristen Pruski at [kpruski@jhmi.edu](mailto:kpruski@jhmi.edu).

## Sibley Foundation Events Survey: We Want to Hear from YOU!

We want to offer you the most interesting, topical, and up-to-the-minute information about the progress and innovation that is happening at Sibley. Please take a moment to fill out this online survey by clicking the button below to help us better serve you, our generous donor community.



**Take the Survey!**



## Haymakers for Hope: "Beltway Brawl V"

This year's Haymakers for Hope (H4H) will once again be held at D.C.'s Anthem at the Wharf to raise funds for cancer research, care, awareness and survivorship. In cities throughout the United States, Haymakers has a partner cancer center, and the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center at Sibley is theirs in D.C. Kimmel and receives a portion of the event's proceeds. Haymakers has been a partner and major donor since its inaugural D.C. event in 2019.

H4H gives everyday people the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to compete in their first sanctioned boxing event. The experience is impactful, challenging, and life-changing, and the march towards a cure for cancer will continue long after the last match of the night.

We are grateful for Haymakers' partnership and generosity. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [The Beltway Brawl V - Haymakers for Hope](#).

**September is Gyn Cancer Awareness Month**

We are grateful to the Ovarian and Gynecologic Cancer Coalition/Rhonda's Club which has provided long-term support of the Gynecologic Cancer Patient Support Fund at Sibley. This fund offers financial assistance to gynecologic cancer patients for necessary—and often unanticipated—costs of cancer treatment, including medical copayments, transportation to and from treatment, parking, prescription drug costs, and nutritional assistance among other expenses.



Rhonda's club board member JoAnn Symons says, "donor support provides vital assistance for women in treatment for gynecologic cancers which can both improve their quality of life and health outcomes."

In recognition of Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month and to support gynecologic oncology patients in financial need, contact Andrea Travis at [atravis2@jh.edu](mailto:atravis2@jh.edu).

## In Case You Missed It... Foundation Donor E-newsletter

You can now find the Foundation's donor e-news archived on this page: [Sibley Foundation Donor E-news | Sibley Memorial Hospital Foundation \(hopkinsmedicine.org\)](#)

## Your Sibley Community: Events

### Yoga for Cancer Survivors, Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Free

For Zoom link and other information please contact Pam Goetz, Oncology Survivorship Program Manager, at [pgoetz4@jhmi.edu](mailto:pgoetz4@jhmi.edu).

### Support Group for Women with Bladder or Urothelial Cancer, 1st Thursday Monthly, 12 p.m., Free

Led by the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Sibley Memorial Hospital's Center for Patient and Family Services' program manager and genitourinary oncology social worker, this group is meant to help patients gain support and friendship by meeting others going through similar experiences. Space is limited; for Zoom link, please RSVP to Samantha Rockler, M.S.W. at [srockle1@jhmi.edu](mailto:srockle1@jhmi.edu).

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