2008 Annual Report to Donors
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Cover: Tatiana, age 11, was born without her left hand and forearm. Wearing a myoelectric arm, she plays viola in the school orchestra and is also on the soccer team. Tatiana receives care from the Department of Orthopedics of the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.
July 2009

Dear Friends:

Whether you are a parent, grandparent, family member, or just someone who cares deeply about children, there is almost nothing more immediate or compelling than the needs of a sick or injured child.

Our donors—individuals, corporations and businesses, foundations, and organizations—have answered that need in many ways. In 2008, more than $2.6M was contributed to support patient care, advance biomedical research, and provide resources for health, education and prevention initiatives.

Although this a challenging time for our economy and nation, sick children cannot wait for things to improve. A baby born with a severe heart defect, the toddler newly diagnosed with leukemia or the sixth-grader coping with diabetes need the help Nemours can provide today.

Whether your gift in 2008 was modest or magnificent, you helped Nemours restore and improve the health of children. On behalf of all of us at Nemours, I want to express our sincere gratitude for your generosity. Thanks to you, philanthropy is accomplishing great things at Nemours!

Sincerely,

Lori J. Counts
Managing Director
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It is my firm conviction that every man should do what is within his power to alleviate human suffering.

Alfred I. duPont
Dick Christopher is involved with Nemours in every way possible. “I am invested in the place,” he says. He serves as a member of the Nemours Board of Directors and the Board of Managers, Delaware Valley as well as chairing the Advisory Board of Nemours Health and Prevention Services. “I grew up near the Nemours estate and always knew the story of Alfred and Jessie Ball duPont. I find it a privilege to continue the work they started—if it’s good for the community, it’s good for me,” he comments.

In his work life, Dick is the Chief Executive Officer of Patterson-Schwartz Real Estate, Delaware’s largest independent realtor. One of seven children, he saw his busy parents helping others. On his desk sits a sign that reads: “You get by giving”—a philosophy that characterizes his life. Dick lives this value not only through his intense involvement with Nemours, but with organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, The St. Patrick’s Center in Wilmington, and Kids with Confidence. “My life would have not have been as interesting without my volunteer work,” he remarks. “I meet and collaborate with all kinds of people and try to add value where I can help.”

Dick is also a generous donor, a founder of The Nemours Society contributing at the Visionary Partner level. “I challenge anyone to spend two minutes in any area of the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children and not be moved to contribute in some way,” he says. “This is a marvelous organization doing incredible things for kids.”

In 2008, the Nemours Partnership for Children’s Health honored Richard T. Christopher with the first Inspiration Award. The award was established to honor individuals who give their time and resources to Nemours, as well as other community organizations, and inspire others to do the same.

“Sometimes I think that everything I have done in my life until now was preparing me for my work with Nemours,” says Dick. “It’s a pleasure and a privilege.”
The Nemours Partnership for Children’s Health gratefully acknowledges the philanthropic support of the friends listed below. Their generous gifts allow Nemours to do even more for children—improving patient care, advancing research, and pursuing innovative programs in health promotion and education. The following donors contributed between $100 and $999 in the fiscal year that began January 1, 2008 and ended December 31, 2008.

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“I grew up in Wilmington and always knew that kids who came to duPont Hospital had life-changing procedures. As a mom, I brought my own children here and was impressed by the friendliness, expertise and competence. I support Nemours as a donor because I know that there is a direct line between the check I write and the benefit for the recipient—that I am fulfilling an immediate need.”

Sheila V. Barr, Hockessin, Delaware Member of The Nemours Society
Nemours is such a prominent name in child health. For Sodexo, there is no better cause than to support the advance of medicine and help children heal. Contributing to Nemours fits perfectly with our brand promise of Making Patients the Heart of Everything We DoSM.”

Dan Ball
Senior Vice President of Operations
Sodexo Health Care
“Fry Hammond Barr has enjoyed sponsoring A Night at Nemours each year. Our agency loves being associated with such a great organization. When we work with doctors and kids to produce messages for Nemours, there is a very emotional element. So it’s extra special when we can make a contribution to help kids.”

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Tyrone Jones, Director
Corporate Community Alliances, Alliance Development and Stakeholder Relations
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**Gifts From the Heart**

Even when children have to spend days, weeks or even months in the hospital, they still want to do the things kids love to do. Toys, board games, DVDs, books, craft supplies, video games, dolls, new stuffed animals and other items help to pass the time and provide a distraction from medical tests and procedures.

Fortunately, Nemours has many friends who generously provide these items throughout the year. Churches, schools, corporations, civic associations and other groups donate generously to make hospital stays a little more bearable for sick children.

Visit [www.nemours.org/give](http://www.nemours.org/give) to see a complete list of items that are appropriate for donation.

**Fundraising Events Benefit Nemours**

Community and corporate friends often sponsor fundraising events to benefit Nemours. We are grateful for their interest and generosity. Events sponsored in 2008 included:

- The football team of Alexis I. duPont High School, Wilmington, Delaware raised $1,900 through the “Paws for Pals” program. At the outset of the football season, people made pledges to players for each “tiger paw” earned for outstanding play. The funds provided toys, games, books and laptops for hospitalized children.

- Mireille Caloghiris, a Wilmington, Delaware watercolorist, teacher of French literature and author of *World Tour with Four Generations of Artists*, generously donated proceeds totaling nearly $7,500 from sales of her paintings and book to the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.

- Members of the National Honor Society at St. Elizabeth High School in Wilmington, Delaware raised $4,600 for children with cancer through the Dela-Cares for Kids Walk-a-Thon in September.

For information about sponsoring an event to benefit Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children or Nemours Children’s Clinic, please contact Kate Handling at khandlin@nemours.org or 302-651-4383.
How Your Gift Helps Children

During 2008, more than $2.6 million in contributed funds was made available to departments across the Nemours enterprise to improve patient care, advance discoveries in biomedical research, purchase needed equipment and supplies, fund renovation and expansion of facilities and provide education for patients and their families as well as the next generation of clinicians.

Below are just a few examples of how contributed funds advance the mission of Nemours:

- More than a half million dollars, including a leadership gift from the BluePrints for the Community grant program of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Delaware, was raised for the Garrett B. Lyons Sr., DDS Children’s Dental Program. The funds will establish a Fellowship in Dentistry for Children with Special Needs at the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children. Dentists will receive training in caring for children with mental disabilities, neuromuscular disease and other conditions.

- The Caitlin Robb Foundation made a grant of $40,000 to support the Nemours Center for Childhood Cancer Research. The funds made it possible for the Center to generate data for submission of an $8M grant to the National Institutes for Health.

- Contributed funds purchased a medical teaching doll for the Child Life specialist to help prepare children for surgical procedures. Having the child engage in structured play with the doll helps to decrease fears and lessen the level of anxiety.

- A special “Life Shirt” system was made available to the Infant Pulmonary Evaluation Laboratory to provide a better method for testing lung function in newborns, infants and small children. The system helps to determine surgical risk and effectiveness of treatments.

- Donated funds purchased special car seats for children who have been placed in a body cast after surgery. The seats, which are loaned to parents during the time their child is in a cast, provide safety and comfort.
The Laffey-McHugh Foundation supports a variety of civic, health, environmental and other causes in the community. Because we knew of Dr. Lyon’s many charitable works, we were pleased to support the Garrett B. Lyons Sr. DDS Children’s Dental Program and make it possible for children with special needs to receive care. How could anyone say no to that? It’s a good idea and one that deserves support.”

David Sysko
Executive Director, Laffey-McHugh Foundation
Our Corporate Partners

Many Ways to Help

- Annual gifts from local, regional and national businesses and corporations provide resources to support children’s health.
- Corporate matching gift programs maximize individual contributions.
- Corporate support of special projects and capital needs is welcomed.
- Sponsorship underwrites A Night at Nemours (Delaware Valley), A Night with Nemours (Jacksonville, Florida), and other special events.
- Volunteer programs offer opportunities for employees to participate in a very personal way.
- In-kind contributions provide resources for Child Life and other programs to benefit children.

For information about corporate giving, contact Marie Vacca at 302-651-4416 or mvacca@nemours.org

Tri-State CheerNastics, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware sponsored “Cheer for Charity,” a cheerleading tournament attracting 160 competing teams from the mid-Atlantic region that raised $24,000 to benefit the Nemours Cardiac Center. Through tournaments in the last three years, Tri-State has already donated a total of nearly $50,000 to support children’s health and plans to continue contributing tournament proceeds in future years.

Nearly 30 corporate sponsors, including Danis Construction, Fry Hammond Barr, Kelly & Associates Insurance Group, Perkins+Will, St. Vincents Healthcare and Skanska USA, came together in support of A Night with Nemours, a black-tie gala held in Jacksonville, Florida to benefit Nemours BrightStart! Dyslexia Initiative. Net proceeds of $85,000 are helping BrightStart! continue its successful program helping young children with early reading problems.

Qwest Wholesale Markets, a division of Qwest, a nationwide communications company, made it possible for trade show attendees to support Nemours Children’s Clinic, Orlando in a unique way. They could paint a section of a unique and colorful mural, as well as supporting the Clinic with a contribution. The mural was later installed at the Clinic. Qwest combined their corporate contribution with gifts received during the event to donate $10,000 in support of the Clinic.
Dear Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children,

We had a lemonade stand and we thought we would help kids in need—so here is $10.80. I hope this money helps kids who need it. If this money helps somebody, could you please tell us?

Love, Fiona and Grace

P.S. We do care about others in need!

Each year, the Partnership for Children’s Health receives many contributions from children. Some, like Fiona and Grace, had lemonade stands, while others sold tomatoes from their garden. A number of children asked that birthday party guests bring toys and games, not for themselves, but for children who are in the hospital. What wonderful evidence of their generosity and compassion!
Nemours Children’s Clinic is a very integral part of the Northwest Florida community, providing care for children in Pensacola and Southern Alabama. Philanthropy really helps to insure our success here. I recently accepted a check from a group of third-graders who just wanted to help sick kids feel better. With their gift, we plan to start an art therapy program for children receiving care in the clinic.

Mary B. Mehta, MD
Chair, Department of Medicine
Nemours Children’s Clinic, Pensacola
Their youngest child’s twenty-first birthday was the impetus for Anne and Rick Wright to revise their estate plans. “With both of our kids having reached their majority, it was time for a fresh look,” says Anne. As part of an overall strategy, their plans now include the future needs of their son and daughter, as well contributions for their church and other organizations important to them. The Wrights also decided on a bequest to Nemours. “We wanted to act on our sentiments,” says Rick. “It was in our hearts and in our heads.”

Anne has served as Senior Director of Business Development at the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for 15 years. “I began my career as a pediatric oncology nurse, moved into home health care for medically fragile children, and later worked for a health care consulting company,” she says. When Anne came on board, the hospital was building a full range of pediatric subspecialty services. “It was a real intersection of my experience and skills as a nurse, a business consultant and as a parent,” comments Anne. “It was such good fortune to have landed here.”

Rick, who works in the medical/scientific field, reflects on what he has seen through Anne’s experience. “The hospital is just such a remarkable place. It’s hard to miss the compelling sense of purpose,” he says. “A bequest gives us an opportunity to express gratitude for and joy in that mission. Why should Alfred I. duPont have all the fun of creating a legacy?”

Anne feels great pride about her work of forging what are now longstanding, productive relationships with other hospital partners. “I have also loved helping to bring the many parts of our organization together into a single, integrated system,” she says. “It’s a great victory for Nemours that so many people now identify with and cherish our brand.”

“There will come a point where I don’t go to work each day,” muses Anne. “This bequest is a way for us to stay connected to the hospital and Nemours. This is not only my work, but our joy and legacy.”
Leaving a Legacy for Children

There has never been a better time to place your trust or your resources with Nemours. By making a planned gift, such as a bequest, you help to ensure that the best care, the most advanced research and innovative health and education program will benefit children even beyond your own lifetime.

Now there’s an easy way to explore your options for a legacy gift. Our new planned giving web pages (www.nemours.org/planyourlegacy) offer a wealth of information about bequests, trusts and other types of planned gifts. There are even interactive features such as a gift calculator and legacy planner. Many gift plans offer significant tax benefits for you and for your loved ones.

When you inform the Partnership of your plans to leave a legacy for children, you will become a member of The Carillon Society and receive a special recognition gift.

To learn more, or to request a copy of our Guide to Planned Giving, contact Amy Bielicki at 302-651-4298 or abielick@nemours.org.

The Carillon Society

The Carillon Society recognizes donors who have made plans for a personal legacy to benefit children. The Carillon, a landmark on the campus of the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Delaware, was designed by Alfred I. duPont and is his final resting place, along with his wife, Jessie Ball duPont and his brother-in-law and trusted business partner, Edward Ball.

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Seven easy ways to give:

- Visit www.nemours.org/give to make an online contribution. It’s easy and secure.
- Send your gift to the Partnership office by mail (address below).
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- Request Electronic Funds Transfer to have a monthly contribution charged to your credit card. Call 888-494-5251 for more information.
- Create a personal legacy by remembering Nemours in your will (for more information, see the previous page of this publication).
- Double or even triple your contribution through your company’s matching gift program. Call the Partnership for more information.

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