Leaving a Legacy – Anthony Fusco

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A Message to Our Friends

When one thinks about making a charitable gift, the traditional way has been to write a check. Today, many of our contributors make secure gifts online through our website. Some choose to make a multi-year pledge commitment to support a capital campaign or special project.

However, there are many more ways to support Nemours including gifts of appreciated stock or donations of real property such as art, jewelry or real estate. An increasing number of donors choose to remember Nemours in their wills, charitable trusts or as the beneficiary of an insurance policy. Finally, many individuals and organizations sponsor events such as runs, golf tournaments or even dance marathons, and donate the net proceeds to Nemours.

However you choose to give, whatever the amount, please know that your gift is valued and appreciated by Nemours and the children and families it serves. Your support allows us to do even more for children.

Sincerely,

Lori J. Counts, Managing Director
Nemours Fund for Children’s Health

FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

This past May we celebrated the 150th birthday of our founder Alfred I. duPont. What started as a vision of a pediatric health institute in Wilmington, Delaware, has grown to become one of the nation’s largest integrated pediatric health systems in the United States.

Nemours now has 30 locations including Nemours Children’s Hospital in Orlando, the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Clinics in Jacksonville and Pensacola, and numerous satellite sites in four states that help serve more than 250,000 children annually in over a million patient encounters.

I also am pleased to report that the duPont Hospital was recently named one of the best children’s hospitals in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. It is ranked in all 10 specialties surveyed including cancer, cardiology/heart surgery, diabetes/endocrinology, gastroenterology/GI surgery, neonatology, neurology/neurosurgery, nephrology, orthopedics, pulmonology and urology.

Of course, I would be remiss if I didn’t mention the generosity of our donors that make much of what we do possible, including an extraordinary $5 million donation received from Anthony N. Fusco. Mr. Fusco’s gift is the largest received by Nemours to date. Regardless of gift type and amount, each of our donors is important to us and we thank them for helping us make a difference for the children and families we serve.

Sincerely,

John S. Lord
Chairman of the Board
Sharing His Good Fortune

Anthony “Tony” Fusco is the very definition of a self-made man.

Born in Italy, he came to this country in 1932 as a two-year-old. “We were the last Italian family to come here before President Roosevelt halted immigration,” he says. “My family spoke only Italian, but with the help of a great teacher, I gradually learned English.”

“I left high school and enlisted in the Navy. Later I went to work at Bancroft & Sons Cotton Mills in Wilmington, Delaware, where my father Francesco was employed,” remembers Mr. Fusco. “I helped him run a luncheonette and water ice stand that he opened in Wilmington’s Little Italy to help support the family. Today, the water ice business is run by my grandson Joseph.”

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Mr. Fusco married his wife Catherine in 1953 and they had two daughters and a son. “I worked at many jobs to make ends meet,” he remembers. Later, he went into the floor covering business and eventually, commercial real estate.

The state of Delaware wanted to buy his property to build a state route. With the $248,000 realized from the deal, he invested in real estate and municipal bonds. Soon Mr. Fusco was building shopping centers throughout Wilmington. Today, Fusco Property Management and Fusco Enterprises are managed by his children, son-in-law and grandson.

Mr. Fusco established the Anthony N. and Catherine A. Fusco Foundation in honor of his late wife. “I know what it is to be in want and I was lucky enough to make some money,” he says, “Now I want to do something good for somebody — especially kids — and share my good fortune with the people of Wilmington.”

Mr. Fusco has made seven-figure gifts to several Catholic schools and a church, as well as the local art museum. Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children will receive a gift of five million dollars to name the five-story atrium of the hospital’s expansion building for him.

“It’s been a good life,” says Mr. Fusco. “I hustled and worked hard for the money I made and now I’m giving back. It’s satisfying to know that I’m leaving a legacy for others — something of which my grandchildren and great-grandchildren can be proud.”

To learn more about the Hospital’s expansion, visit Nemours.org.
PATIENT STORY

A Mystery Solved

Rebecca and John Farrington of Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, were puzzled when their active 9-month-old son A.J. stopped crawling and soon noticed that his little knee was very swollen.

“We took him to the pediatrician, who thought it might be a broken bone,” says Rebecca. “His x-ray was normal, but not his blood work. We were sent to Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.”

“A.J. was admitted to the hospital,” says Rebecca. “The doctor drew some fluid from his knee to send to the lab.” However, the test to detect bacteria was negative because A.J. was already on an antibiotic for an ear infection. In the middle of the night, an infectious disease specialist came to see A.J. “She felt that he had an infection in the joint and treated it aggressively with a heavy-duty IV antibiotic,” says John.

“In the morning the hospitalist, Dr. David Pressel, arrived,” remembers Rebecca. “He wanted to anesthetize A.J. to do an MRI. I work in the health care field and was very nervous about not having a pediatric anesthesiologist there. The doctor was very reassuring and answered every one of my questions. He called in a nurse-anesthetist to assist with the procedure and allowed us to be there. The MRI showed some very slight damage to his joint.”
Soon another infectious disease specialist, Dr. Joel Kline, came to see A.J. He believed that the infection had been caused by the Kingella kingae bacterium—which colonizes in the throat and can be easily passed in the child care setting. “Dr. Kline worked hard to put the pieces of this puzzle together,” says Rebecca. “It was such a relief to have a diagnosis.”

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A.J. would receive four weeks of IV antibiotics, so he needed a peripherally inserted catheter (PIC line). “When he needed to be anesthetized again,” says John, “I couldn’t believe how many people were in the room—from nurses and doctors to a Child Life specialist. Dr. Pressel was so kind during it all, even giving us his cell phone number.”

“Everyone who touched us during A.J.’s hospital stay was great,” remarks Rebecca. “We felt very taken care of.” After a week in the hospital, A.J. came home. He made a complete recovery, with no serious damage to his knee joint. “There were several very significant decisions along the way that helped us avert a catastrophe with A.J., so we feel very lucky,” says Rebecca. “From the time we walked into the hospital, we felt like we were the most important people there.”

On A.J.’s first few birthdays, John and Rebecca asked friends and family to donate new toys for the hospital. Then they made an even greater commitment: to give generously in honor of Dr. Kline to support an annual Infectious Disease Lecture Series and educate community physicians about diagnosing these diseases. Their gifts will be matched by Rebecca’s employer. “It’s a nice place to start,” she comments. “We hope to keep giving to help kids like our son.”

The SALSthon: Dancing to Save Lives

Students at Salesianum School in Wilmington, Delaware, put their hearts (and feet) into a record-breaking dance marathon to benefit childhood cancer research at Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children. The school’s Student Council called on neighboring Padua Academy and Ursuline Academy students to join them during a month of pre-SALSthon activities including an online fundraising effort, promotions by Chick-fil-A and Café Napoli, a dodgeball tournament and dress-down days. Then, on March 29, the gym at Salesianum filled with nearly 1,200 students from all over the Delaware Valley to dance the night away and enjoy games and food. Each hour, the story of a child who had battled cancer was shared with the dancers. A highlight of the evening was the presentation of a check for $50,000 from Leukemia Research Foundation of Delaware founder Denni Ferrara. A total of more than $113,000 was raised to help Nemours develop promising new therapies designed especially for children with cancer. Zach Ryan, Director of Mission Initiatives at the school, says, “For our students, SALS stands for ‘Students About Life Saving.’ The guys worked their tails off and really hustled, using Facebook and Twitter to rally the community. They were overjoyed at the results.”
Celebrating the 150th Birthday of the Man Who Dreamed

“Some years ago a great and successful man began to dream a dream, at first a cloud no bigger than a child’s hand on a far horizon. The dream of one became the dream of two when it was nourished by the understanding and encouragement of a great wife and a great woman and it quickly began to take shape and form. With his sympathy for suffering and his love of children, it was inevitable that its realization should be a hospital for crippled children.” These words were spoken by Thomas R. Brown, MD, at the dedication of the Alfred I. duPont Institute in 1941.

When Mr. duPont died in 1936, establishing a $40M trust through his will, Jessie Ball duPont quickly set about realizing this shared dream. Because of her hard work and dedication to his legacy, a 60-bed hospital for the care of children with orthopedic conditions opened on the grounds of Nemours, their Wilmington, Delaware estate. Its mission included clinical care, biomedical research and the training of physicians.

The Institute, now known as Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, greatly expanded both its physical facilities and range of medical and surgical specialties in the 1980s, becoming a full-service pediatric hospital.

Today, Nemours is a children’s health system with free-standing hospitals in Wilmington and Orlando, Florida, and dozens of primary and specialty care clinics in Delaware, Florida, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Across this vast enterprise, 250,000 children receive care in more than one million encounters each year. Biomedical research plays a vital role in improving treatment and finding cures for some of the most complex diseases of children and the education of the next generation of physicians continues through residency and fellowship programs.

The expansion of duPont Hospital is another great leap forward in the evolution of Mr. duPont’s dream, bringing to reality a renewed vision for healing and family-centered care. As we mark the 150th anniversary of his birth, his philosophy continues to inspire: “It has been my firm conviction throughout life that it is the duty of everyone in the world to do what is within his power to alleviate human suffering.”
A Place for Kids Like Gavin

When Kate and Ed Leong brought their son Gavin to Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children for care, they always had to bypass the colorful playground. “Because of Gavin’s disabilities, he was not able to safely play on the equipment there with his brother Brian,” says Kate. “I wanted to help change that.”

In April 2013, Gavin passed away unexpectedly. A year later, Kate embarked on a fundraising campaign to make the playground, originally built by the Hospital’s Auxiliary, more accessible for children with disabilities. Although she had never done anything like it, Kate organized a Trivia Night at a local convention center. The event, which attracted 400 attendees, included a raffle and silent auction. At 7:30 p.m., Kate announced a “Give Five for Gavin” promotion so that people could donate $5 or more on their mobile devices, and for those not in attendance, from the comfort of their own homes. More than $60,000 was raised to make the playground more accessible for kids of all abilities.

A Unique Way to Help Kids

Of the many friends that support Nemours with their gifts, brothers Russell and Stephen Bradley of the small Sussex County town of Lincoln, Delaware, found an especially unique way to make a contribution. Over a period of time, they painstakingly restored a 1963 John Deere Model 1010 tractor. When the restoration was complete, they decided to sell the tractor at a local dealer’s annual consignment auction, with the $3,900 proceeds donated to the Department of Hematology/Oncology at Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.

The daughter of a family friend, little Savannah Messick, had been successfully treated there in 2011 for Wilms tumor, a type of kidney cancer. Her mother Kacie says, “Our family knows Russell and Stephen well and have always seen integrity and thoughtfulness in their characters. This donation is extra special to our family.”
CAPITAL GIFT
The Laffey-McHugh Foundation

“Nemours is a well-recognized national organization,” says David Sysko, Executive Director of the Laffey-McHugh Foundation of Wilmington, Delaware, “and Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children is right in our backyard, so our Board of Directors was very much in favor of supporting its expansion. We all have kids and grandchildren and share the feeling that the hospital is important for our community.”

Patty Hoffman, who with Patrice Sysko co-administers the Foundation, once worked in the clinical laboratory of the original duPont orthopedic hospital. “The staff is so geared toward making the family and child comfortable and is very attentive to their needs,” she says. “Hospitalization is stressful enough for kids and you don’t want to have them picking up cues that their parents are anxious.”

The Foundation made a significant gift to support the hospital’s capital campaign for expansion, specifically designated for a new and much larger Emergency Department. “It’s rather personal for me,” remarks Sysko, “I live very near duPont Hospital, as do my four grandchildren. When they need medical care, that’s where they go. The staff is effective and very well trained to care for children.”

The new Emergency Department will have 44 beds, including a Fast Track area for children with minor illnesses or injuries and a clinical decision unit where children who may need hospitalization can be observed. The department will also support the hospital’s status as a Level I Pediatric Trauma Center — the only one in the state of Delaware.

Nemours Fund for Children’s Health is grateful to the Laffey-McHugh Foundation for its generosity in supporting the Our Children, Our Hospital campaign for the expansion of Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.

The Laffey-McHugh Foundation was established in 1955 by local patent attorney Arthur Connolly, Sr., his wife, Geraldine Laffey Connolly, and her cousin, Alice Laffey McHugh. Through the Foundation, they worked together to improve all aspects of life in Wilmington and the Brandywine Valley, “Several members of the Connolly family serve on the Board today,” says Sysko. “We make grants to organizations working in health and human services, education, civic and community affairs, the environment, and arts and culture.”
Meet Alan and Ellen Levin

The well-being of Delaware and its citizens means everything to long-time residents Alan and Ellen Levin.

“We are so fortunate to have a facility of the caliber of Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children right here in Wilmington,” says Alan. “When one of our three sons suffered a compound fracture of his arm at the age of 14, I was impressed by the compassionate care he received. I knew we were in the right place and getting the right treatment.”

The Levins have made a significant gift to support the capital campaign for the expansion of the hospital. “It’s both a gift of gratitude for the care our family has received and an investment in the future for everyone’s kids and grandchildren,” he comments.

The Levin family owned the 76-store Happy Harry’s drugstore chain, which was acquired by Walgreens in 2006. “Delaware has been very good to us,” says Ellen, “and it is important to us to give back.” The Levins formed a family foundation that focuses its giving on health and education causes in the state. Ellen is active in the community as a court-appointed special advocate and board member for the Children’s Advocacy Center which assists children that have been abused or neglected, and serves on the board of Children and Families First of Delaware, an agency helping families in need.

Alan is Director of the Delaware Economic Development Office and serves in the Governor’s cabinet. “Our job is to attract and retain jobs in the state as we emerge from the worst recession in history. While there’s still a great deal of work to do, we’ve made good progress toward reducing the unemployment rate and bringing in new business and industry, especially in the fast-growing downstate area.” Alan donates his salary to a different Delaware charity every two weeks as an additional form of philanthropy.

“Being in the pharmacy business for so many years, duPont Hospital was a natural partner for us,” says Alan. “We were happy we had the opportunity to support its expansion. The hospital has always been there for our family and for Delaware.”
PATIENT STORY

Saved from Darkness and Pain – Whit’s Story

Although he’s only nine years old, Whit Price has experienced more health issues than most people do in a lifetime.

“Whit was born four weeks early,” says his mother Stephanie, a former labor and delivery nurse. “As a baby, he was frequently sick with pneumonia and bronchitis.”

When Whit was a year old, his parents noticed that he had trouble controlling his left eye. They took their son to Nemours Children’s Clinic in Jacksonville, where he saw ophthalmologist Dawn Duss, MD. “Dr. Duss said that in addition to strabismus, which causes the eye to wander, the part of his brain that controls vision was undeveloped,” remembers Stephanie.

Over the next few years, the family tried several strategies to correct the problem. Whit wore an eye patch for four hours a day to strengthen his weak eye and used special glasses and a computer game. “By the time Whit was six, his eye was moving around a lot and he was in pain,” says Stephanie. “His vision began to deteriorate and he saw Dr. Duss frequently. Whit’s right eye was also affected.”

Dr. Duss told Stephanie that her son was going blind and that he would have to have immediate surgery on his eye muscle and optic nerve. “Two months after the procedure, he had ‘fighter pilot’ vision,” smiles Stephanie. “We were so thankful.”

Whit’s family again called upon the skills and experience of Nemours Children’s Clinic just two years later. After attending baseball camp, the eight-year-old came down with a rare stomach virus. In three weeks, Whit lost 20 pounds and was in terrible pain. “I took him back to the Clinic, where Dr. Salik Taufq made it clear that he would run every test until we identified the problem,” says Stephanie.

Whit’s gastrointestinal tract was severely inflamed. Attending school was out of the question and he was put on bed rest. With the support of the school district, Stephanie began to home school her son. Whit made straight “A” grades in spite of it all.

Although Whit is still healing, he has gone back to school half-days and even started playing baseball again. “Everyone at the Clinic really cares about him,” comments Stephanie. “He would not be where he is today without Nemours. We are overcome with gratitude about what they have done for Whit.”
The Jay Fund – Supporting Teens with Cancer

Coping with cancer is difficult for anyone, but teens find it especially challenging at a time when they may already be struggling with the typical issues of adolescence. The Tom Coughlin Jay Fund has extended a helping hand to teen cancer patients at Nemours Children’s Clinic, Jacksonville. Their recent gift of $5,000 provides support for the Adolescent and Young Adult Support Group known as C.H.A.T. (Cancer-Healing-Adolescents-Talking), directed by Scott Bradfield, MD. The group sponsors quarterly outings that combine peer social support and expert-led educational talks on topics important to teen oncology patients. C.H.A.T. also holds an annual education conference featuring survivor-related health topics as well as vocational/career counseling for patients transitioning to adult care. The Tom Coughlin Jay Fund also supports planning, resources and volunteers for future social events. In addition, each year, The Jay Fund replenishes the Clinic’s stock of age-appropriate movies and games. Nemours Children’s Clinic Division of Hematology/Oncology thanks The Tom Coughlin Jay Fund for partnering with them to provide these important services for its teenage patients.

Timmy’s Playroom Opens

“Timmy’s Playroom gives kids in the hospital a place to go where they can get away from medical treatments and the reality of their illness,” says Brad Butler, project manager and membership coordinator for the Tim Tebow Foundation. “It really relates to our mission statement: Bringing faith, hope and love to those needing a brighter day in their darkest hour of need.”

Kids at Nemours Children’s Hospital in Orlando, Florida, will now be able to enjoy their own Timmy’s Playroom. Designed to resemble Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, the playroom offers big-screen televisions with Blu-Ray® players for video games and movies, and a Playstation®. Children also have access to iPads® and custom “lockers” where they can have a few quiet moments to color or read. “Football” chairs, a table in the form of a football helmet, colorful graphics and an assortment of toys make it a place no child can resist.

Tim Tebow, former quarterback for the University of Florida, Denver Broncos and the New York Jets, spent lots of time visiting hospitalized children while he was in college. This inspired him to create special places for kids to play through his foundation. Four rooms have now been installed in children’s hospitals with a fifth to take shape in the Tebow CURE Hospital in Davao City, Philippines, where the football star was born to Baptist missionary parents.

Fourteen-year-old Josh, now free of cancer after being treated by Nemours, said it all, “I just wanted to be a kid again.” Because of the generosity of the Tim Tebow Foundation, lots of kids will have the opportunity to just be kids in spite of their serious health conditions.

Cancer survivor Kathleen Patti talks with a teen patient

Young patients check out the features of Timmy’s Playroom
Major Gift

Massey Family Supports Children with Autism

Andrea Massey-Farrell, president and chief operating officer of the newly created Harvey L. Massey Foundation, has a passion for community involvement. “Our family’s company, Massey Services, Inc., has always been generous to a wide variety of organizations in the Orlando area,” she says. “My parents wanted to make more significant gifts in the arts, health care and education, so the Foundation was created as a way to do that.”

When Harvey Massey moved to Florida nearly 30 years ago, he bought a small pest control company. Today, Massey Services and its subsidiary organizations employ 1,400 team members in four states. “In addition to building success in our businesses, we wanted to create an environment for giving back to the community,” says Massey-Farrell.

“I first became aware of Nemours when we had twin boys, now nine years old,” comments Massey-Farrell. “Nemours neonatologists, who provided staffing at a local hospital, were so gentle and caring. I never forgot that.”

“Nemours puts kids at the forefront and are really there for the family.”

When Nemours Children’s Hospital opened in 2012, the Massey family learned about an effort to establish a multi-disciplinary autism program. “This opportunity was a no-brainer for us. My 15-year-old nephew has autism,” says Massey-Farrell, “and my brother Tony and his wife went through a lot to get Colin properly diagnosed and to find all the right services for him. We didn’t want anyone else to go through that.”

A half-million-dollar pledge commitment from the Massey family is helping to establish the new program, which brings Nemours experts from many disciplines together to help families whose children have autism. The child receives diagnosis and treatment, and the family has access to a range of community resources. “Families can get everything they need at the same time,” comments Massey-Farrell, “Parents benefit from counseling and training so that they can work with their kids at home. Nemours puts kids at the forefront and are really there for the family.”

“Long term, we hope that Nemours Children’s Hospital will be able to impact a large number of families whose children are affected by autism. There needs to be a program in place that helps families get the answers they need. Nemours can be that resource,” says Massey-Farrell. “I recently read a letter from a family whose child with autism was helped by Nemours. It made me realize why we made this commitment.”
Giving Young Readers a Bright Start

“Giving has always been part of our lives,” says Bob Appleby.

“At first, we tended to support the arts, but as time went on, meeting human needs became much more important to us. In addition, our focus evolved into giving locally.”

Bob and Joan Appleby of New Castle, Delaware, have passed their philosophy about giving on to their three adult children and four grandchildren. “We make some of the resources of our foundation available to our children, so that they can support the charities that are important to them,” says Joan. “We wanted to see the results of our philanthropy and know we were making a difference,” says Joan. “Bob and I became very interested in the schools in our community.” The Applebys learned more about Nemours BrightStart!, a program that identifies young children with early reading difficulties and helps them overcome obstacles to academic success.

Through their foundation, the Applebys made a generous gift to bring Nemours BrightStart! to the Colonial School District in New Castle. “The needs are tremendous,” says Bob. “A significant percentage of the children aged 4 to 5½ did not know the letters or sounds of the alphabet, for example.”

“The district’s itinerant teachers identify kids in community child care programs that may need the help Nemours BrightStart! offers because of disabilities or developmental delays,” says Kathy Ingram, Director of Business Development for the program. “The teachers, who have already received training, use our successful curriculum with these children.

They also involve parents and give them books and activities in English or Spanish to use at home.”

The Nemours BrightStart! curriculum consists of 20 lessons. Eighteen books, special activities, and units on music and poetry are used to help young children overcome obstacles to learning basic reading skills. “If Nemours BrightStart! can help narrow this knowledge gap by intervening before children enter kindergarten,” says Joan, “it will have a life-long impact on their future academic success, job prospects and health.”

To learn more about the Hospital’s expansion, visit Nemours.org/expansion.
CAPITAL GIFT
A Gift Born of Gratitude

After Margaretta Stabler’s great-grandson Griffen had successful surgery at Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, she decided to show her gratitude by making a generous gift of stock to support the hospital’s expansion. “I was there when he was in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and they took such good care of him,” she says. “Our entire family is so thankful.”

Griffen was born with sagittal synostosis, a condition where the bones of the skull are fused and the baby’s brain cannot expand properly. “We live in Brooklyn, New York, and our pediatrician had referred us to a neurologist in the city,” remembers Griffen’s mother, Avery Travis. “I did lots of research and found that Jeffrey Campbell, MD, Chief of Neurosurgery at duPont Hospital, was an expert in this kind of surgery. He uses a less invasive approach, which appealed to us.” Avery also wanted to be close to her family in Wilmington during Griffen’s operation and recovery, so she chose duPont Hospital.

In a two-hour procedure, the doctors removed a slim rectangle of 10-week-old Griffen’s skull to allow his growing brain to expand normally. “The worst part was right after surgery,” recalls Avery. “His head and eyes were swollen and his little cry was haunting. But in a couple of days, he was back to being himself! Griffen had to wear a custom “head-shaping” helmet for a few months. Now he is a happy, active baby who is developing normally.”

“The care was excellent,” says Avery and her grandmother. “The doctors at duPont have incredible skills and the nursing staff really cares about each child.”

For information about making a gift of stock, visit Nemours.org or call the Nemours Fund for Children’s Health at 888-494-5251.

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- Make a secure, online contribution by credit card at Nemours.org/give.
- Mail your gift to: Nemours Fund for Children’s Health, Shands House, 1600 Rockland Road, Wilmington, DE 19803, made payable to “Nemours.”
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**A Clear Vision for Giving**

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JJVC has donated to Nemours every year since 2009 to help improve vision care for children in the Jacksonville area. Their contributions have funded high-tech equipment for the Nemours Eye Care Clinic, which saw 12,000 children in 2013. “We believe it’s important to do more than just write a check,” said Craig Walker, Director, Future Manufacturing Technology Strategy. “We wanted to volunteer as well.”

Haresh Patel, Staff Quality Systems Analyst, noted, “Our employees, including those from the South Asian Professional Network Association, have enjoyed volunteering at the Teddy Bear Affair at the zoo, and Everybody PLAY 5K Nemours Virtual Run.” Recently, they toured the Clinic and met Division Chief of Pediatric Ophthalmology Merrill Stass-Isern, MD. In turn, Nemours has provided expert speakers for “lunch & learn” events at JJVC.

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**HOW TO DONATE**

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- **Remember, 100% of your gift goes to help children because of the support from the Trust created by Alfred I. duPont.**

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A Hospital Like No Other

Excitement is in the air as construction of a five-story expansion of Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children nears completion. Two almond-shaped buildings, which will open to patients in October of this year, are joined by a soaring atrium and connected to the existing hospital building by walkways.

Designed by families, for families, the expansion features spacious private rooms and bathrooms with sleeping accommodations for parents. Each floor has Child Life playrooms, solariums, family lounges and pocket parks to give children and families spaces to be together outside the hospital room. A beautifully landscaped Healing Garden will offer a special place for quiet reflection and enjoyment of the outdoors. A much larger Emergency Department will be ready 24/7 to care for children with every type of illness or injury. The spectacular lobby will have a Welcome Center, interactive Discovery Zone, an Einstein Bagel® shop, Safety Store and The Red Balloon Gift Shop and families will appreciate convenient underground parking.

To learn more, visit Nemours.org/expansion.

Please plan to celebrate with us on Community Day, September 20, 2014.