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## ***Elizabeth Guild Makes Large Gift***

The Elizabeth Guild, one of EPMC Foundation's most faithful partners, made a gift of \$80,000 in support of hospital programs and services. "The Elizabeth Guild's dedication to service continues to amaze. It takes a lot of thrift product sales to make a gift like that. We are grateful to the Guild for their ongoing support – and for their desire to make a difference in our community," says Kevin Mullin, EPMC Foundation Executive Director.

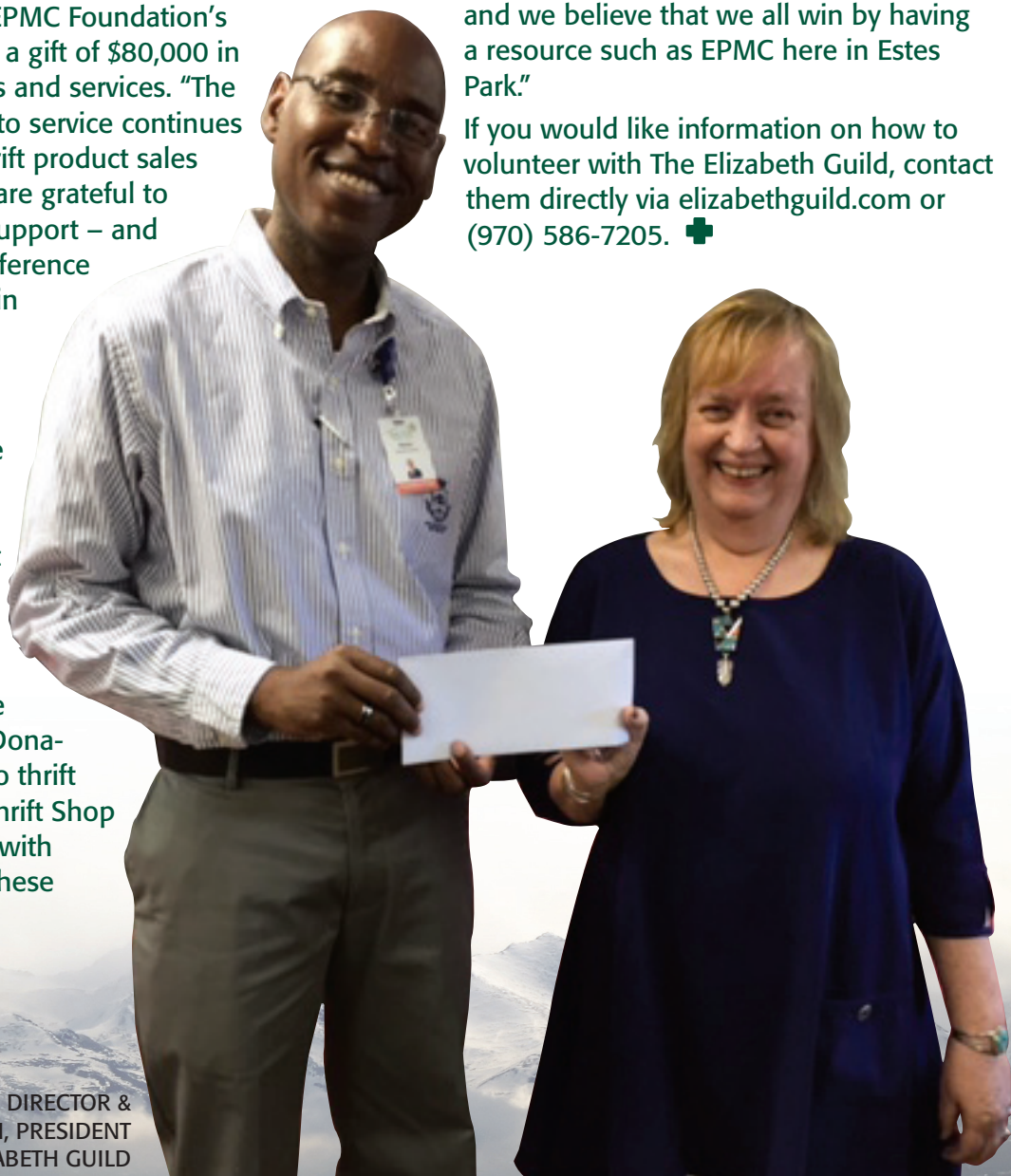
The funds donated by the Guild will be used to provide scholarships for healthcare workers to expand their skills, as well as for important medical equipment needed by EPMC.

The Elizabeth Guild has been raising money to support the work of EPMC for decades. Donations originate from their two thrift stores, The Elizabeth Guild Thrift Shop and Lizzie's Boutique, along with the annual Holiday House. These

endeavors provide financial resources that have enabled The Elizabeth Guild to contribute over \$3M cumulatively over the years. Even more amazing is the fact that the operation is run almost entirely with volunteer labor.

"The Elizabeth Guild is committed to working with our local hospital, ensuring community health for residents of Estes Park and beyond," states Susan Hoppenworth, President of The Elizabeth Guild Board of Directors. "We live, work and play here and we believe that we all win by having a resource such as EPMC here in Estes Park."

If you would like information on how to volunteer with The Elizabeth Guild, contact them directly via [elizabethguild.com](http://elizabethguild.com) or (970) 586-7205. +



KEVIN MULLIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR &  
SUSAN HOPPENWORTH, PRESIDENT  
OF THE ELIZABETH GUILD

## From the Executive Director

It hardly seems possible that 6 months have elapsed since I was appointed Executive Director of the EPMC Foundation. The time has flown by, due in part to the many projects that we have recently undertaken. We refer to EPMC as a 'small hospital,' but you can believe that big things are happening here.

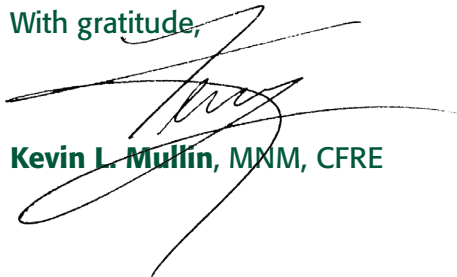
Much work has been done on the Wellness Center campaign. A cross-functional team of business leaders, EPMC Foundation Board Members, Park Hospital District Board Members, and community volunteers formed a Steering Committee this past winter and started raising money for the project. Significant work has been done, and more than 20 gifts have been procured from individuals, foundations and businesses. You can read about the Wellness Center at [epwellnesscenter.org](http://epwellnesscenter.org). This is a fantastic community that will help cement Estes Park as the Wellness Capital of the US. Contact the Foundation office if you need more information.

Alongside the Wellness Center campaign, we are raising money to purchase and install an Infant Security System in the New Life Center. This project will help ensure that newborn babies and their parents will be able to spend those first critical days bonding in a safe and secure environment. This \$120,000 campaign is still in need of partners – visit [GivetoEPMC.org](http://GivetoEPMC.org) for more information and to get involved.

Recently, the Foundation received over \$60,000 to purchase new beds for the Med/Surg Unit at the hospital (inpatient care). These state-of-the-art beds will provide a more comfortable stay for patients, as well as enhance safety for nursing staff members.

Although a lot has happened this year, there is still much work to be done. I look forward to the opportunity to meet you, our faithful donors, to thank you for your partnership that enables The Foundation to support the hospital and help ensure quality care for all in the Estes Valley.

With gratitude,



Kevin L. Mullin, MNM, CFRE



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SEPT. 26

*Blood Drive*

### OCT. 1

*Rut Run 5K*

### OCT. 2

*Estes Trail Ascent race*

### OCT. 6

*Estes Valley Legacy,  
Everyone Can Give seminar*

### NOV. 1

*Quilter's Tea (Trail Ridge  
Quilters' sale)*

### NOV. 10

*National Philanthropy Day  
Celebration in Estes Park*

### NOV. 24

*Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk  
(YMCA of the Rockies)*

### NOV. 26

*Elizabeth Guild Holiday House  
Christmas Bazaar*

### DEC. 6

*Colorado Gives Day*

### DEC. 10

*Dasher 5K Fun Run*

## The Knutsson Society

Join a giving circle of  
dedicated partners with your  
annual gift to The Foundation  
of \$1,000 or more.

Contact Kevin Mullin for details.  
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# A Loss Becomes a Lasting Gift

By Kerrie Hill, EPMC



Park Living Center to replace some aging resident beds. The remainder of the beds and an assortment of outdated IV poles and pumps were donated to Project Cure. These items are now on a cargo ship bound for Haiti.

Estes Park Medical Center Foundation takes great pride in working with donors to carefully pair the interest of the donor with hospital priorities or in assisting them

There's a deep sense of satisfaction when you make the decision to support outstanding healthcare in our community. Gifts to Estes Park Medical Center help maintain our culture of exemplary clinical care, exceptional patient experience, patient safety and innovation.

Last summer, resident Glen Johnson was admitted to Estes Park Medical Center. After a long struggle with his health, he went into Hospice care and eventually passed away at home. During his hospitalization on the medical surgical unit, he received exceptional, compassionate care. His dying wish was to use the monies he had set aside to purchase new hospital beds so that all patients could be as comfortable and cared for as he was. His long-time friend made that wish a reality this summer.

Seven Stryker hospital beds were delivered at the end of July and were moved into the medical-surgical unit patient rooms. "We are honored that Glen chose to provide new state-of-the art beds for our patient rooms," said Erin Wooley, RN, BSN, Director of the Medical Surgical Unit. "These beds include bed scales which can weigh the patient without moving them. Additionally the beds are adjustable and come equipped with a nurse call system. My staff is grateful for the donation as this will assist us in providing even safer, more efficient care."

A dedication was held on August 9th where friends and staff gathered to remember Glen. A plaque in his memory has been hung in the room he occupied. A portion of the old beds were moved to Prospect

in donating to immediate and emerging needs. Gifts from donors support critical investments in patient care, safety, treatment, education and more to ensure exceptional care and experiences at Estes Park Medical Center. For more information about the foundation, visit [www.GivetoEPMC.com](http://www.GivetoEPMC.com) or call the office directly at 970-577-4370. +

## Leave a Legacy through the EPMC Foundation

Contact Kevin Mullin about a gift in your estate plans.


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## Dedicated Volunteer Enjoys Her Time at EPMC

When Stephanie Sinnott retired in Estes Park with her husband, she knew that she wanted to do volunteer work. What led her to inquire about openings at Estes Park Medical Center was an earlier experience in Indiana when she was treated for cancer. Nearly nine years later, you'll still find Stephanie greeting



patients and visitors every Monday morning at EPMC. "It makes me feel good to help people in from their cars, answer their questions, put them at ease, and assist them with getting where they need to go," said Stephanie. "They are so grateful and appreciative. It's rewarding work." She has also found that it's a great way to meet

people. There are many individuals that she sees regularly enough that they inquire if she ever misses a week. The familiar faces and getting to know the physicians and staff adds to an enjoyable small community feel.

"We are fortunate to have a hospital with such great service and caring staff," said Stephanie. "I want to continue volunteering here as long as I can."

Visit [GivetoEPMC.org](http://GivetoEPMC.org) to learn more about the meaningful ways you can volunteer at the Medical Center and Foundation. +

## Committed to Our Community's Health

For Phil and Tara Moenning, supporting local infrastructure like the Medical Center is simply part of being a good citizen. For more than 25 years they have regularly given monetary donations to the EPMC Foundation. Both have also given their time – Phil volunteering on the Park Hospital District Board of Directors, and Tara on the Foundation Board of Directors and in hospitality at the Medical Center.

"A true sense of community is built when we all contribute and care for each other's needs," said Phil. "We have the ability, and feel it is a personal responsibility to 'help our neighbors' by supporting quality health care in our community."

Tara and Phil began giving to the Foundation when Tara was an EPMC employee working in the laboratory.

"I believe employee donations, no matter how small, show commitment to the Medical Center and the quality of care provided," said Tara. "It's an important way to demonstrate your belief in what you do."

When asked about what donor-supported project makes them feel most proud, both agreed that it would have to be the hospital's expansion, which included the front lobby and Emergency Department. The well planned and executed construction project consolidated 11 entrances and allowed for the addition of new services. As a greeter, Tara regularly sees how the improvements provide a welcoming atmosphere and make visitors and patients feel comfortable.

"The beautiful environment and caring staff impress people," said Tara. "It gives them more confidence that they'll receive top-notch care. We have an in-

credible facility, high-tech equipment, and amazing physicians and care givers."

The two finished noting that "Giving to the Foundation means we'll be helping the community long after we're gone."

Visit [GivetoEPMC.org](http://GivetoEPMC.org) to learn more about the ways you can give or contact Kevin Mullin at 970-577-4306 or [kmullin@epmedcenter.com](mailto:kmullin@epmedcenter.com). +



PHIL AND TARA MOENNING



## Third Annual Paint Estes Pink Week a Success

Estes Park businesses, residents and visitors showed tremendous support for the EPMC Oncology Department and their patients in a fun lead-up to the Rooftop Rodeo's Tough Enough to Wear Pink night in July. As part of Paint Estes Pink, store windows were decorated, ribbons were placed on the light poles along Elkhorn, The Stanley Hotel was illuminated pink each night, and businesses placed "Estes Park Gives Cancer the Boot" jars on their counters. The 71 businesses used those jars to collect a total of \$1,253.99 in donations. In

addition to that, the Rooftop Rodeo host,

Estes Park Western Heritage, donated \$2,500 in rodeo ticket proceeds. All of the donations will remain local, benefiting oncology patients who are being treated for any form of cancer.

Our thanks go out to all who participated and each of the individuals and organizations that organized this community-building event. Congratulations to Bank of Colorado for winning the storefront decoration contest and to The Barrel beer garden for collecting the most donations. +

## Efforts Continue on Upgrading Newborn Safety and Security

Donations are currently being sought to replace the existing infant security system in the New Life Center at Estes Park Medical Center. The fundraising goal for the new security system is \$100,000.

The number of births each year in the New Life Center has been increasing. In 2015, there were 94 babies welcomed into the world at EPMC, compared to 76 births in 2014. This growing need in our community deserves the quality of care and a level of security that rivals the region's largest birthing centers. Systems like the one to be installed at EPMC employ the latest technology to secure designated areas. Any unauthorized attempt to leave a monitored area triggers an alarm and activates door locks to prevent exiting. These systems, along with other safety protocols, let new parents and staff focus worry-free on caring for the newborn and the joys of family life.

Contact the EPMC Foundation or visit **GivetoEPMC.org** to learn more about this project and to contribute.

TRAIL RIDGE QUILTERS



## Quilters Use Talent and Creativity to Benefit EPMC

The Trail Ridge Quilters was founded in 1991 as an Estes Park Newcomers Club interest group. These talented women create and sell beautiful hand-crafted quilted items, then donate the proceeds to the Medical Center. This year they've given \$12,726.44 to fund requests from EPMC physicians and staff.

The group meets each week to work on the wall quilts, place mats, table décor, baby quilts, cloth books, Christmas décor, bags, hot pads, bed quilts, and other items to be sold at events in June and November. Watch the papers and our Facebook page for reminders as each sale approaches.

We appreciate the ongoing support from these incredible quilters and are continually amazed by their skill and artistry! +

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A photograph of a bright orange, tufted armchair with wooden legs, sitting on a green lawn with scattered brown leaves. In the background, there are trees with yellowing autumn foliage.

## **EPMC Foundation Needs Board Members**

The Estes Park Medical Center Foundation is recruiting members for the Board of Directors. Board Members are appointed to 3 year terms, renewable for a total of 6 consecutive years of service. EPMC Foundation is currently recruiting Board Members for terms beginning in January of 2018. The Board is responsible for governance of the Foundation, and actively raises money to support the needs of the hospital. The day-to-day business is managed by professional staff. Board Members come from all walks of life, from business executives to teachers, health professionals and the public sector. All Board Members serve on at least one committee, and attend quarterly Board Meetings along with other meetings on an as-needed basis. If you are interested in learning about this opportunity, contact Executive Director Kevin Mullin at (970) 577-4306 or [kmullin@epmedcenter.com](mailto:kmullin@epmedcenter.com).