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Starts with Health**



HEART OF MERCY GALA 2024

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Dear Mercy Health Clinic Supporter,

We want to take this opportunity to salute all of you who recognize the importance of access to healthcare for all regardless of ability to pay and have made the work of the clinic in our community possible.

- **Volunteer providers** who donate thousands of hours of primary and specialty care expertise every year
- **Volunteer staff** who provide nursing and clinical support, translations and administrative services
- **In-kind Partners** who donate clinical, pharmaceutical, laboratory, radiological and legal support services
- **Public funders and advocates** who recognize the Clinic's contributing role within the safety net healthcare system of Montgomery County
- **Corporate sponsors** who are engaged in the community and realize the importance of community health
- **Our paid staff** who keep our clinical and administrative operations humming along
- **And, most importantly, donors like you** whose generosity define and sustain the work.

In the past year the clinic provided healthcare free of charge to 2,450 low-income adult patients and adolescents aged 13 to 17 from low-income families addressing not only their medical needs but social determinants of poverty effecting health. For example the clinic will again participate in the Food is Medicine program which partners with local farmers to provide fresh fruits and vegetables to those with poorly controlled diabetes and their families otherwise unaffordable.

Your donations to support the work of the clinic are inspiring and are making a difference right here in our community. Thank you for all you do to make Montgomery County a healthier place for all.

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for all of their efforts and support in making this gala a success

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Dr. Dan and Claudia Esposito for sponsoring the 2024 Heart of Mercy Gala at Columbia Country Club and **Laura Gage and the banquet staff at Columbia** for being so helpful

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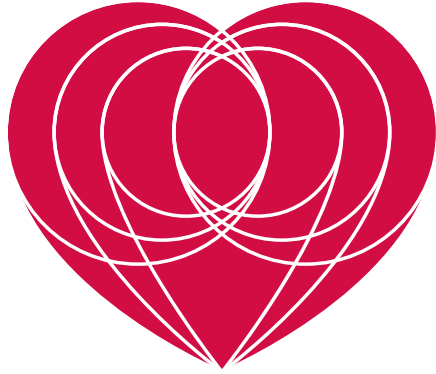


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PROGRAM OUTLINE

- 6:00 pm**
- Registration Opens
 - Cocktails and Assorted Passed Hors d'oeuvres
 - Silent Auction and Wine Pull
- 7:30 pm**
- Silent Auction Closes; Winners Notified at their Tables in the Ballroom
 - Welcome by Chairman of the Board of Directors of Mercy Health Clinic David LaRoche
 - Dinner Served
- 8:15 pm**
- Presentation of the 2023 Dr. Ronan Award for Medical Excellence to Dr. Nancy Ripp Clark
 - Remarks from President and CEO of Mercy Health Clinic Mark Foraker
 - Appeal
- 8:30 pm**
- Dancing to the music of Rockville Station Band
 - Assorted Desserts and Coffee in the Living Room



Congratulations to

Dr. Nancy Ripp Clark

Best wishes for a successful
2024 Heart of Mercy Gala

-Dr. James A. Ronan

Founding Medical Director,
Mercy Health Clinic

HONOREE

DR. JAMES A. RONAN AWARD 2023

Dr. Nancy Ripp Clark



The Dr. James A. Ronan Excellence in Medical Care Award is given annually to a volunteer provider at Mercy Health Clinic who exemplifies and models the virtues of Mercy's founder, Dr. James Ronan.

This year the Awards Committee is delighted to present this well-deserved honor to Nancy Ripp Clark, M.D.

Dr. Ripp Clark received her medical degree from Georgetown University School of Medicine. She completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Washington Hospital Center, and became an attending physician at the Columbia Hospital for Women in Washington, D.C.

A fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Ripp Clark was in private practice before joining Mercy Health Clinic as a volunteer physician in 2000 when the clinic opened. In addition to providing direct care for patients, Dr. Ripp Clark served as Mercy's volunteer Medical Director from 2010 to 2015, where she was responsible for overseeing medical operations and recruitment of volunteer physicians.

Dr. Ripp Clark continues to see patients at Mercy Health Clinic as often as her schedule permits and it is always a pleasure to see her.

Thank you, Dr. Ripp Clark, for your many years of caring and compassionate service to Mercy Health Clinic as both a leader and medical provider.

SPECIAL AUCTION ITEMS



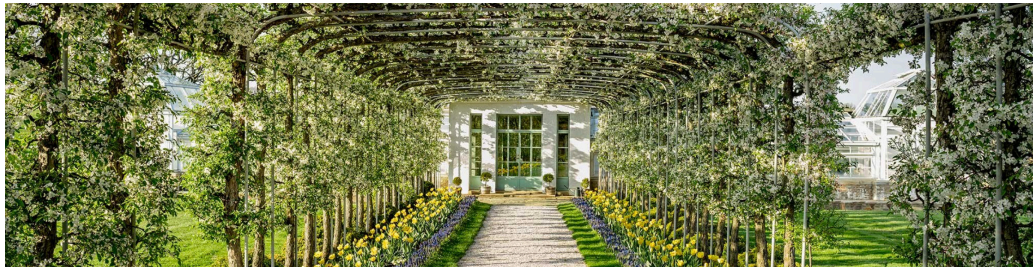
Cape Cod Cottage

Charming cottage located in Eastham, Massachusetts – gateway to the Cape Cod National Seashore. Newly renovated top to bottom. Ground floor bedroom has double bed, private bath. Upstairs is a bedroom with double bed, bedroom with bunk bed and twin bed, a cozy bedroom with twin bed, and a large shared bathroom. Screened porch, Weber grill, outdoor shower. Walk across the street to your private beach on a crystal clear 35-acre pond. Safe and easy bike ride to ocean swimming at nearby Coast Guard Beach. Enjoy a Monday evening concert on the Eastham Town Green, a block up the street.

Available for a Sunday-to-Sunday week from August 25 to September 22. Many consider September the best time to visit the Cape as weather is still warm and crowds have thinned. Starting bid \$1,500

*Cleaning fee included. Fully refundable \$500 security deposit required. Winning bidder may not transfer occupancy to another without specific permission from owner.

Courtesy of: Greg de Lissovoy and Jean Mitchell



Oak Spring Garden Foundation

Oak Spring Garden on the famed Mellon estate in Upperville, VA is a rare treat to visit as it is not open to the public. Bunny Mellon who designed the White House Rose Garden during the Kennedy Administration, bequeathed the property now administered by the Oak Spring Garden Foundation dedicated to inspiring and facilitating scholarship and public dialogue on the history and future of plants, the culture of gardens and landscapes and the importance of plants for human well-being.

Mercy Health Clinic has gained access to tickets on each day of this year's Open Garden dates of Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15 for a self-guided tour of the garden and art gallery. Timed entry starts at 9 am until 2 pm; the property closes at 4 pm.

Tickets \$100 include a donation of \$25 to Mercy Health Clinic.

Courtesy of: Sir Peter Crane, President

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Mercy Health Clinic
Golf Classic**



Monday, October 7, 2024



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www.mercyhealthclinic.org/golf

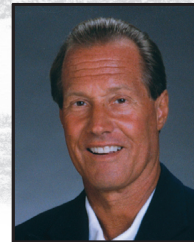
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