Save the Date:

Call **417/269-7150** to learn more about these upcoming events.



Colo Rectal Awareness Party (aka CRAP)

April 8th, 2017: Bass Pro Shops, White River Room Dinner and Casino Night to benefit the Colorectal Cancer Prevention Fund which funds free colonoscopies for patients who need but cannot afford this life saving prevention test. Call **417/269-7150** to reserve your seat. \$200 a couple.

Strike Out Sarcoma

May 6th, 2017: Andy B's Entertainment Complex

Bowling fundraiser to benefit the Strike Out Sarcoma fund to battle cancer. Sponsorships and bowling teams available. Sponsored by Arvest Bank.

Girls Just Wanna Run

July 14th and 15th, 2017: Meyer Center and Cox North

Join us for the largest women's only 5k and 10k races. Women of all ages enjoy the Friday expo and Saturday race. Sponsored by Rick's Automotive. Registration will be online at www.coxhealth.com/gjwr

Have you added us on FACEBOOK yet?

Like the CoxHealth Foundation page to have weekly updates on special events and great stories of patients helped thanks to your generosity. You can also find us on Instagram!

Congratulations DINING FOR DIABETES



Thanks to all the great volunteers who helped make this year's dinner and auction for the Diabetes Fund at Cox Monett the best year ever. Hosted at St. Mary's Church in Pierce City, over 400 diners enjoyed the Chinese New Year themed meal. The results: \$60,129 raised to help impact patients with diabetes in Barry and Lawrence counties.

Would you like to impact diabetes? Donate online at www.coxhealthfoundation.com and choose Diabetes Fund.



Please include the name of the person and who you would like notified. CoxHealth Foundation will send a tax receipt to you and notification to the family of your gift.



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A newsletter for friends and donors to CoxHealth and CoxHealth Foundation

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Do you have a plan?

Friends of the Foundation went on vacation in Mexico. While there the husband slipped and fell on a hiking excursion and was fatally wounded. In an instant the wife realized how out of order their lives were as she tried to plan for what would come next. She was devastated and confused about things her husband had always taken care of for them both.

The unexpected can happen. Whether it is an accident or injury, an illness or even the affairs of aging parents, it is important to be prepared. This covers all aspects of our lives. As our friend shared her story with us, she told us her husband had wanted to do more to support the Foundation. She wanted to figure out how to fulfill his wishes. She didn't however have what she wanted most, him to help guide her. What she decided to do was to create an estate plan so if anything happened to her, their children would not be as lost as she now felt. She wanted the assurance that her affairs were in order.

We reached out to our Planned Giving expert panel and these were the guidelines offered to help someone have a plan.

- Create your life plan. Whether a will or trust, invest in having a legal document to guide how your assets are distributed.
- Include in your life plan a Power of Attorney in the event you are incapacitated and need someone to manage your affairs. Also have a Durable Health Care Power of Attorney so someone can assist in making health care decisions if you are not able to do it yourself.
- Put your documents in a safe place and let your trusted advisors, whether friend or family, know where they are located.

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- Keep your financial information with your plan: deeds to property, vehicle titles, insurance papers, mortgage accounts, stocks, bonds, brokerage or retirement account information. Have a list of your bank account numbers as well as user names and passwords in this secure location.
- Assign someone to your social media pages so they may be deleted if necessary.
- Ensure your wishes are being met. Have a conversation with your trusted advisor on the charities you have included in your estate plan, the personal assets you want distributed to children and ensure that all these things that will bring you joy in life, will be fulfilled when life is over.

For more information on how to include the CoxHealth Foundation in your estate plan, contact us at 417/269-7109 for a private visit. If you would like a copy of our **Do you have a Plan?** or Estate Planning Basics brochure, email us at **chf@coxhealth.com** and we will mail you free copies.



Planned Giving in Action

Planned giving can be whatever the donor wishes it to be. When **Barbara Brackley**, a former professor at Burge School of Nursing passed away, she wanted her legacy to be in educating the next generation of nurses. Her gift to the CoxHealth Foundation helped to purchase a baby SIM, or simulation tool to help nursing students at Cox College learn how to provide pediatric care.

Norma Haderlein had always cared for those who could not care for themselves. After her passing, Norma left an estate gift to the CoxHealth Foundation's Good Samaritan Fund. Now each year a dozen or more patients receive support for their medical care in her name.



Claudine Cox loved CoxHealth with all her heart. She and her husband, Lester L. Cox, made it a part of their daily lives by volunteering for years. At her passing, she left a gift that helped build the new Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit for our tiniest patients, to ensure the highest quality of technology was available for these little lives.

Whether it's \$500 or \$5 million dollars, every gift to the CoxHealth Foundation can have an impact on the healthcare available today and for the next generation. Please consider a gift to the CoxHealth Foundation and be the reason why another life was changed for the better.

The Year In Review

The CoxHealth Foundation distributed \$3,211,743.31 in 2016. The dollars gifted to the Foundation by our generous donors allow us to fulfill our mission and improve the lives of those in our community. These funds help provide education that enhances the skills and abilities of our physicians and staff as well as educating patients on their illness or injury. Funding helps us to put new technologies in place in our facilities and purchase new technologies to keep CoxHealth on the cutting edge. The CoxHealth Foundation sets itself apart by being one of the only organizations that provide direct financial assistance to patients for those things they need but cannot afford to get them back on the path to wellness. In partnership with Cox College, the CoxHealth Foundation also offers scholarships to promote health professions. This is the breakdown of how your gifts were put to work, as directed by you our donors, in 2016.

\$89,006.56 Healthcare Education

\$1,327,505.15 Facility/Technology Funding

\$395,391.50 Patient Grants for Care

\$130,150.00 Scholarships for Nursing and Health Science Education

\$1,232,627.81 New programs to support patient care and offer new access to care

\$37,062.29 CoxHealth Employee Crisis Fund





Have a vehicle you're tired of paying property tax on? If you have the title, we have a deal for you.

Call **855-500-RIDE** and schedule a pick-up of the vehicle or boat. You will be issued a tax receipt for your donation and we'll save you the hassle of trying to sell it. There is no cost to you and your donation will be put to work helping local patients!

2016 Donor List

To see a complete list of 2016 DONORS please go to coxhealthfoundation.com.

2016 was a year of change, innovation, growth, and confidence in CoxHealth. Thank you to all our donors for your personal investment. Your "return" is truly life changing.