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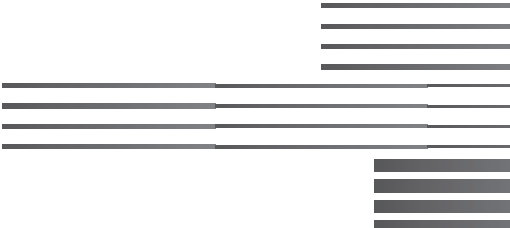
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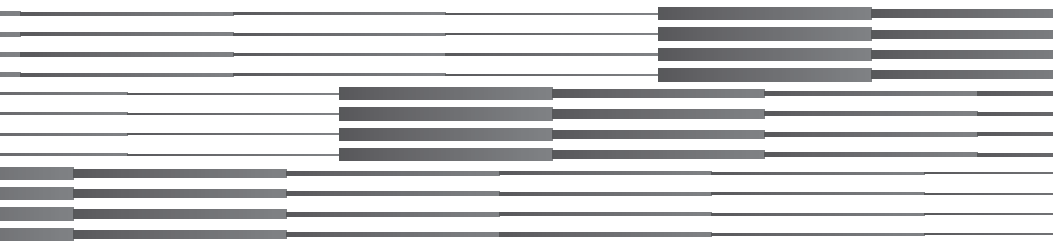
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We are honored to support LHAS and this year’s Gala. Congratulations to Leslie Davis, Lifetime Achievement Award honoree, John Innocenti, Decades of Dedication Award honoree, and the 2018 Female Trailblazers. Your dedication and work is an example to us all.



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WELCOME

to the 120th Gala of
Ladies Hospital Aid Society!



SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

Carnegie Science Center
PointView Hall
5:30 — 10:30 pm



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2018 LHAS FIRE & ICE GALA Awardees

2018 TRAILBLAZERS



Dr. Kara Bernstein



Dr. Anne-Ruxandra Carvunis



Dr. Carolyn De La Cruz



Dr. Morgan Fedorchak



Dr. Elizabeth Tyler-Kabara



Dr. Sally Wenzel

2018 SALUTE TO SERVICE AWARDEES



Lifetime Achievement Award
Leslie C. Davis



Decades of Dedication Award
John Innocenti



Gala Co-Chairs

WELCOME

As your co-chairs, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to the Ladies Hospital Aid Society's 120th Gala, *Fire & Ice*. It is evenings like tonight and donors and supporters like you that allow LHAS to thrive as a non-profit organization and fulfill the medical, educational, financial and various community service needs of those in our region.

LHAS has been fulfilling these needs since the onset of the 20th century and currently runs under the direction of our fearless leader, Carole Kamin, with the support of our fifteen Board of Directors members, our individual members and the community at large.

This evening we are delighted to honor our six female trailblazers for their innovative work in the medical field. Ranging from studying asthma phenotypes and restoration of function for patients with movement disorders, to researching molecular mechanisms of change and innovation in biological systems, to regenerative ophthalmology, the genetic factors of breast and ovarian cancer and breast reconstruction, their achievements are so "hot" they will give you "chills". It is our great honor to be in a room with such remarkable women and to be able to recognize and to celebrate their work tonight.

We also honor the contributions of our two Salute to Service awardees. The success of UPMC and its growing footprint is greatly due to the work of Leslie C. Davis and John Innocenti. Their administrative work in our region's health care system has pushed UPMC to be one of the fastest growing and top ranked health care providers in the nation, and the dedication that they have each shown is unparalleled.

As we embark on this evening, we'd first and foremost like to thank Carole Kamin for all of her insight, dedication and hard work in helping us plan the LHAS Fire & Ice Gala. Additionally, we offer very special thanks to LHAS board members, Peggy Smyrnes-Williams and Linda Melada, Committee Member Joe Nickel, Kelly Thornton of the Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, Lindsey Custozzo of Culinare and the new captain of the LHAS office, Taylor Van Dyke. We also extend our sincere thanks to all of our various vendors for aiding in making this celebration a success.

We thank you for your support!
Brittany Holzer, Esq. and Casey Monteverde Pratkanis,
LHAS Fire & Ice Gala Co-Chairs



Greetings from

THE PRESIDENT

Ladies Hospital Aid Society would like to extend a cordial welcome to the 2018 FIRE & ICE Gala. The ambiance of Pointview Hall is only enhanced by the warmth that we feel from all of you.

I would like to recognize and thank our distinguished 2018 Service Awardees. It is a great honor to give the LHAS *Lifetime Achievement Award* to Leslie C. Davis. It is also a extreme pleasure to give the LHAS *Decades of Dedication Award* to John Innocenti, who has been helping LHAS for the past 43 years, for which we are all extremely grateful for his continued support and wisdom. I would also like to recognize and congratulate our distinguished 2018 Female Trailblazer Awardees; Dr. Kara Bernstein, Dr. Anne-Ruxanda Carvunis, Dr. Carolyn De La Cruz, Dr. Morgan Fedorchak, Dr. Elizabeth Tyler-Kabara and Dr. Sally Wenzel.

As we acknowledge our 120th year of service to the community, I am proud to say that in a world where the only constant is change, LHAS has never wavered from our tradition of caring. By participating in tonight's event, you have each become a part of our tradition. Through joint efforts, proceeds from this evening will assist each of our 2018 Female Trailblazers continuing their cutting-edge research to benefit the medical field. But even more, everyone in this room is a Trailblazer. Your contribution enables LHAS to sustain our mission and purpose to provide educational, financial, and health needs to enhance the lives of others in our diverse neighborhoods.

Please join me in thanking our Co-chairs, Brittany Holzer and Casey Monteverde Pratkanis for this beautiful gala - it would not be possible without their dedication and commitment. I would also like to thank Heather Chronis, Linda Melada, Peggy Smynes-Williams and Taylor Van Dyke for helping to make this evening a grand success. Special thanks to our sponsors, people who donated items for the auction, Carnegie Science Center staff, and those who have continued to support LHAS. A special thanks to Dr. Arthur Levine for being the emcee of the evening.

Please enjoy the festivities of this evening and again, my thanks to all of you.

Carole L. Kamin
President

EVENING PROGRAM

5:30 PM — VIP RECEPTION

Sponsors/Underwriters and Host Committee ticket holders will have the opportunity to mingle with the distinguished honorees on the roboworld® floor of the Science Center.

6:00 PM — FIRE & ICE GALA BEGINS

Featuring FIRE & ICE inspired cocktails, cuisine and entertainment.

7:00 PM — PRESENTATION

Very proudly honoring and celebrating our six female Trailblazers and two Salute to Service Awardees

Remarks by Brittany Holzer and Casey Monteverde Pratkanis,
LHAS Fire & Ice Co-Chairs

Remarks by Carole Kamin, *LHAS President*

Remarks and presentation of awards to honorees
by Arthur S. Levine, M.D.

7:30 PM — DINNER

Dinner will be served in the Science Center's brand-new PointView Hall, overlooking the city skyline!

DANCING TO THE MUSIC OF THE JOHN PARKER BAND



MENU

FIRST COURSE

Fresh Baked Rolls w/ Whipped Butter

Port Poached Pear Salad w/ Pecan-Crusted Goat Cheese
and Fig Vinaigrette

YOUR SELECTED ENTREE

Filet w/ Caramelized Onion Thyme Compound Butter
and Roasted Tomato Sauce; or

Roasted Halibut w/ Smoked Tomato Sauce, Basil,
Lemon Olive Oil; or

Butternut Squash Ravioli w/ Sage Brown Butter,
Pine Nuts, Goat Cheese

SIDES

Harvest-Style Beets and Purple Baby Carrots
Dauphinoise Potatoes

DESSERTS

Smores Bar

Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream Bar

Mini Jewel Desserts:

Fresh Fruit Mini Tart

Dark Chocolate Salted Caramel Truffle Pop

Vanilla Cupcake w/ Vanilla Buttercream

Chocolate Dipped Strawberries

Pumpkin Cupcake w/ Cream Cheese Frosting

TONIGHT'S SPECIALTY DRINKS

FIRE

Whiskey, Lemon Juice, Simple Syrup, layered w/ Shiraz

ICE

Vodka, Blueberries, Basil, Fresh Lemon Juice, Club Soda

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

1 Bottle of Smokey Robinson Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC and 1 Bottle of Smokey Robinson Rosé Wine, autographed by Smokey Robinson

Autographed Evgeni Malkin, Pittsburgh Penguins mini-helmet

Glass paperweight and \$100.00 gift certificate for two people for a Make-it-Now hands-on glass experience from Pittsburgh Glass Center

\$200.00 gift card to Owl Cleaners

Overnight Stay for two w/breakfast buffet for two at Seven Springs Ski Resort

\$1000.00 Whet Travel Cruise Dollars Certificate

Strand of 9mm green pearls w/ silver clasp

Fiery Cigar Basket from Joey D's Fine Cigars

Private Tour for up to 10 & Lunch for two at the Carnegie Cafe
with Dr. Eric Dorfman and Dr. Matt Lamanna

Lunch with critically acclaimed author, biologist, cultural commentator, and Director of Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Dr. Eric Dorfman, who has lived and worked across the globe. Carnegie Museum of Natural History "Dinosaurs in their Time" tour for ten, given by Dr. Matt Lamanna, distinguished dinosaur biologist and the head of the Paleontology Department CMNH. Includes a behind-the-scenes tour of the Big and Small Bone Rooms and Stories of Dinosaurs Found in Antarctica. (Time to be determined)

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2018 LHAS Salute to Service Awardee

LESLIE C. DAVIS

Lifetime Achievement Award

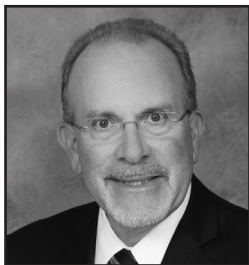
Leslie C. Davis is senior vice president of UPMC and executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Health Services Division, which encompasses 40 hospitals and 4,800 employed physicians, 23 senior community facilities, a comprehensive array of clinical specialty service lines, and pre- and post-acute services that include senior living, rehabilitation and home care. She has continued to serve as president of UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital since 2004, and is an active member of several other UPMC hospital boards.

Ms. Davis has more than 30 years of health care experience, with particular emphasis on operations and developing businesses and services. Prior to joining UPMC, Ms. Davis was president of Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia, part of Tenet Healthcare Corp.

Ms. Davis began her career at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York City. She subsequently spent 13 years with Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia in positions of increasing responsibility, including vice president of clinical affiliations and ambulatory programs. She also served as chief operating officer of Presbyterian Medical Center of Philadelphia before joining the University of Pennsylvania Health System, where she eventually became chief marketing and planning officer.

A native of Long Island, NY, Ms. Davis graduated from the University of South Florida and earned a master of education in administration, planning and social policy from Harvard University. She taught for four years as an adjunct professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health.

Ms. Davis has served numerous voluntary community leadership roles, including the United Way of Allegheny County Board of Directors, Jewish Healthcare Foundation Board of Trustees, and Carlow University President's Advisory Council. She and her husband, Abe, have three grown children.



2018 LHAS Salute to Service Awardee

JOHN INNOCENTI

Decades of Dedication Award

John Innocenti is the President of UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Hospital, the flagship hospital of UPMC, whose Health Services Division comprises 40 hospitals and 600 doctors' offices and outpatient sites. Working in close collaboration with the University of Pittsburgh Schools of the Health Sciences, UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside is consistently ranked on the U.S. News & World Report annual Honor Roll of America's Best Hospitals. The Presbyterian campus operates numerous advanced specialty clinical care programs, including a Level I Trauma Center, and the Thomas E. Starzl Transplantation Institute, among the world's busiest transplant programs, internationally renowned for its influence on the field of transplantation. The Shadyside campus is home to the UPMC Hillman Cancer Center, the region's only National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center and one of the largest integrated community cancer networks in the United States. In addition to providing decades of world-class clinical care, UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside has been an increasingly important economic driver and community partner to Oakland, Shadyside and surrounding neighborhoods of Pittsburgh, providing hundreds of millions of dollars in IRS-defined community benefits.

Mr. Innocenti has both an Industrial Engineering Degree and MBA from the University of Pittsburgh. He is a member of various boards, including the UPMC Monroeville Surgery Center, Family House, as well as the President of the South Park School Board. Mr. Innocenti was the recipient of the University of Pittsburgh 2005 Distinguished Alumni Award from Industrial Engineering, was named the 2011 Corporate Gift of Life Awardee by the National Kidney Foundation, and the 2013 Arthritis Foundation honoree. Mr. Innocenti worked at the University Hospitals of Cleveland, and spent several years as a consultant prior to joining Montefiore Hospital in 1976. Montefiore Hospital merged with UPMC in 1990, and Mr. Innocenti has held varying levels of administrative responsibilities in his 42 years with the health system. He is also an Adjunct faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh, and has taught management courses for over 20 years. Mr. Innocenti has been married to Charlene for over 45 years, has 3 adult children and six grandchildren. He resides in South Park Township, where he is an active member of the community.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. KARA BERNSTEIN

Kara Bernstein, Ph.D., Associate Professor, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, began her career with the initial idea of being a physician. It wasn't until she started conducting cancer research in the laboratory as an undergraduate that she realized that her dream was to become a research scientist.

Dr. Bernstein's day-to-day duties involve managing an active laboratory where she teaches medical students, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, undergraduates and the occasional high school student. Dr. Bernstein's laboratory is focused on cancer research. The research she conducts focuses on genetic factors that make some individuals more likely to develop breast and ovarian cancer. The current genes being studied are essential to fix damaged DNA. If these genes are not operating properly and the DNA becomes damaged, then cancer can develop in the body. Her research is working towards creating new treatment therapies for these patients and to enable physicians to better predict who may develop cancer. Dr. Bernstein's ultimate goal is to prevent these cancers from forming. "Every day over 1,600 Americans die from cancer," said Dr. Bernstein. With her passion for science and personal family experiences with cancer, she now strives to prevent others from facing the pain and hardships cancer causes.

As a woman in science, Dr. Bernstein expresses that being recognized for this award is a tremendous honor. She loves making a difference and hopes her research can help cancer patients around the world.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. BERNSTEIN?

To continue research that will lead to new tailored treatment therapies for breast and ovarian cancer patients.

FUN FACT:

Dr. Bernstein doesn't have fingerprints.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. ANNE-RUXANDRA CARVUNIS

Anne-Ruxandra Carvunis, Ph.D., Assistant Professor in the Department of Computational and Systems Biology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, became interested in genome and evolution during her collegiate career. Her passion comes from the curiosity to solve mysteries.

Dr. Carvunis' day-to-day duties involve conducting research and supervising trainees. She established an independent research group to study the molecular mechanisms of change and innovation in biological systems. She is currently focusing on what makes us human and what makes each species unique from a molecular and evolutionary perspective. A group of genes had been rejected from the genome because they were not shared by multiple species, but her research determined these genes were in fact normal. They were just novel. After solving the problem, she was excited to learn more. She is currently conducting research that will lead to understanding where genes come from and how new genes evolve.

Dr. Carvunis expressed that she is very surprised and grateful to be honored for this award.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. CARVUNIS

As most biological research is on mice, she hopes to gain more knowledge on the molecular differences between mice and humans that can be used for scientific and medical purposes.

FUN FACT:

She loves snowboarding.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. CAROLYN DE LA CRUZ

Carolyn De La Cruz, M.D., Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, joined Pitt in 2004 with the goal to offer a wide variety of breast reconstruction to breast cancer patients.

As a plastic surgeon who specializes in the care of the breast reconstruction with patients at UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital, her concentration is in microsurgical techniques called free tissue transfer, or free TRAM (transverse rectus abdominis muscle) flap, for reconstruction in cancer patients. She is also one of the few surgeons performing lymphatic surgeries for the treatment of lymphedema. Other than performing surgery, Dr. De La Cruz spends most of her time teaching medical students and residents, conducting research on clinical outcomes of best reconstruction, and caring for patients both in and out of the operating rooms. She also assists patients throughout their entire breast cancer process. Her passion is to be an advocate for patients who undergo mastectomy. She believes the most important part of her job is assisting patients throughout their journey, providing them with options to seek breast reconstruction, in addition to helping these patients to feel whole again.

Dr. De La Cruz, believes that receiving this award is extremely important as a female surgeon in a male-dominated field and she feels responsible to serve as a role model to women pursuing this career. She hopes to be an inspiration to students and residents. She tells them: “Follow your dreams, you can accomplish anything with expertise and training; you too can help patients.”

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. DE LA CRUZ?

Due to her extreme interest in lymphedema, her next steps are to build the lymphedema program stronger than ever before.

FUN FACT:

She has a pet dog named Kitty.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. MORGAN FEDORCHAK

Morgan Fedorchak, Ph.D., is Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology, Bioengineering, Chemical Engineering and Clinical & Translational Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh, and the Director of the Ophthalmic Biomaterials Laboratory, affiliated with the Louis J. Fox Center for Vision

Restoration and the McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine. She began her career when entering into a new fellowship program, Ocular Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Ophthalmology. She was involved in the program for two years during which she became passionate about vision research and began to appreciate the importance individuals place on their vision.

As a researcher in the ophthalmology department, Dr. Fedorchak's day-to-day work widely varies. She writes grants, conducts studies, serves as a mentor to students and guides them with decisions for their future research. She explains this duty as her responsibility to train the next generation of scientists, giving them the best possible chance at making a difference. Dr. Fedorchak focuses on translational research, with the ultimate goal of developing technologies that will directly impact the lives of patients. Most recently, she has taken a particular interest in orphan disease research. For example, she is studying an inherited orphan disease called cystinosis. This disease affects every cell in a child's body, including the cornea where it can cause extreme light sensitivity and irritation. The only treatment currently available to children with cystinosis is an hourly eye drop regimen with a medication called cysteamine. Dr. Fedorchak's goal is to provide the same therapeutic benefit to patients with a cysteamine formulation that only needs to be administered once a day. The hope is that this treatment will be available to patients in a clinical trial by 2020, giving them a higher quality of life through improved vision and dramatically fewer eye drops.

Dr. Fedorchak says that receiving this award is a great honor and one that especially motivates her at this early stage in her career. She is appreciative and humbled to be included among such an accomplished group of women, and she feels empowered to sit alongside a panel of such strong women who are working toward a better future for science.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. FEDORCHAK

Dr. Fedorchak explained she is always moving toward translation of products and patenting efforts along with several start-up companies with the goal to support them in the commercial industry where products can be made and be sold.

FUN FACT:

She is currently the primary caretaker of a mercurial plant in her office named Whitney who only blooms once a year at midnight.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. ELIZABETH TYLER-KABARA

Elizabeth Tyler-Kabara, M.D., PhD, Director of the Neural Enhancement Laboratory; Assistant Professor of Neurological Surgery and Bioengineering at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, announced at the age of five that she was going to be a physician,

when friends and family laughed. Well...before attending medical school, she studied biomedical and electrical engineering. With her engineering background, while conducting research, she learned that she had interest in working with prosthesis to restore vision. Her current clinical and research work focuses on the restoration of function for both adult and pediatric patients with movement disorders and epilepsy.

Dr. Tyler-Kabara's day-to-day activities include primarily caring for children with hard-to-reach skull base tumors, movement disorders such as cerebral palsy, and strokes. In addition to being heavily involved in research that focuses on restoration and motor control, she works with groups of engineers, rehabilitation physicians and design teams to figure out ways to control robotic devices using the brain. Her role has included placing devices within the brain, and creating an effective strategy to have the robotic devices work as part of the patient's body. The most recent research is focused on stimulation and restoration of sensation from a lost limb, leading to advanced research which will combine the two: restoration of motor ability and sensation to provide patients with a useable prosthesis device. The most important part of Dr. Tyler-Kabara's work involves the help of study volunteers, who play an important role of participating in studies, surgical procedures, and give feedback on used tactics.

Dr. Tyler-Kabara expressed that being acknowledged for this award indicates people are paying attention to the commitment and hard work that's being done at Pitt and UPMC.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. TYLER-KABARA?

It is her hope to take all things learned specifically brain computer interface research and expand beyond Pittsburgh to replicate the successes in others operating room.

FUN FACT:

Her nickname is Lizard.



2018 LHAS Trailblazer

DR. SALLY WENZEL

Sally E. Wenzel, M.D., Chair, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health; Director, University of Pittsburgh Asthma Institute; and UPMC Chair of Translational Airway

Biology, is widely recognized for her studies of severe asthma, and asthma phenotypes. Her work has led the field in understanding the complexities of asthma and its treatment.

Asthma sparked her interest when she encountered many young people who suffered and even died from it. When she inquired about the details of asthma, no one had answers. Thus, she was pushed towards doing her own research.

Dr. Wenzel's day-to-day work includes caring for her patients from across the country who come to her clinic with the most severe asthma. She also manages the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health. She is dedicated to understanding the different types of diseases associated with asthma. She explains that even on the worst of days, when that one patient says, "Dr. Wenzel, I feel so much better, you've changed my life," that day become MUCH better.

Dr. Wenzel says that this award is a tremendous honor to her. "Being associated with the appealing title of 'trailblazers' speaks for itself. In the past 20 years I believe I have blazed a few new trails with understanding and identifying the concept of severe asthma along with developing treatments for the individuals who suffer from it."

WHAT'S NEXT FOR DR. WENZEL?

She would like to expand and grow the department to bring attention to the environmental challenges facing Western PA.

FUN FACT:

She was a cheerleader in high school, and she still considers herself a cheerleader, as it's her job to keep people motivated.

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The LHAS gift shops are committed to excellence in retailing by offering a wide selection of merchandise at fair market prices for the highest level of customer service and satisfaction.

HISTORY OF LHAS

Ladies Hospital Aid Society (LHAS) began its long history of community service in 1898, when 17 women met to address the pressing needs of the sick and the poor who were living in their neighborhoods. These women were also concerned with the troubles facing the immigrant population, which suffered from indigence, homelessness, and a lack of adequate medical care. Referring to themselves as the Hebrew Ladies Hospital Aid Society, this group set membership dues at 10 cents a week and made arrangements with existing hospitals to pay ward rates for patients admitted under their auspices.

LHAS continued to prosper and among its many accomplishments was the opening of the original Montefiore Hospital in 1908, with the construction of the current site in 1929. LHAS has raised more than \$5,000,000 for Montefiore Hospital and initiated and funded the Follow-Me-Home program and the LHAS Ambulatory Surgical Center. In 1990, Montefiore Hospital was sold to Presbyterian Hospital, and subsequently became a part of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center system.

LHAS in turn expanded its mission and has remained responsive to changing healthcare needs of the entire Western Pennsylvania community. LHAS has implemented programs for the elderly and women's health care, including the LHAS Arbor at Weinberg Village, LHAS Prevention and Early Detection Center at the Hillman Cancer Center, and the LHAS Women's Heart Center. Fulfilling our commitment to education, LHAS has allocated thousands of dollars for college scholarship grants to financially support future health care professionals and nursing students.

Through a variety of fundraisers, LHAS is able to sustain its mission and purpose by providing educational, financial, medical, and social services to the community.

LHAS IN THE PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY

THE PITTSBURGH FOUNDATION: LHAS CHARITABLE FUND

This fund was established to have donations made to LHAS. Proceeds from this fund will be allocated through a grant process.

*LHAS is proud to have the LHAS Charitable Fund at
THE PITTSBURGH FOUNDATION.*

THE PITTSBURGH FOUNDATION: LHAS PEDIATRIC BURN UNIT FUND

This Fund was established in May of 2016 from the proceeds of the LHAS Annual Gala.

Close to \$4,000 is given annually to be used to purchase items to enhance the quality of life for children in the Pediatric Burn Unit and The LHAS Enchanted Forest, located at UPMC Mercy Hospital.

The Ladies Hospital Aid Society is proud to have given the following nine non-profits LHAS Community Grant Awards for 2017-2018 valued at \$112,000:

- Heritage Community Initiative (\$12,500) to help provide lunch to disadvantaged children during the summer months in the Heritage Summer Nutrition Program.
- Jewish Association on Aging (\$15,000) to expand the art therapy program for clients afflicted with Dementia and Alzheimer's in order to improve their quality of life.
- Jewish Community Center of Greater Pgh (\$15,000) to help teach children in their daycare proper nutrition, how to prepare healthy snacks, and provide exercise programs.
- Magee-Woman's Research Institute (\$15,000) to further expand the program already in place to support women living with metastatic breast cancer.
- Rainbow Kitchen (\$15,000) to assist with the purchase of items for their food pantry.
- Ronald McDonald (\$10,000) to support the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Unit that provides delivery of health care to the community.
- UPMC Hillman Cancer Center (\$11,136) to support the genomic-based personalized medicine project, which provides specialized, targeted treatment to cancer patients.
- Veterans Leadership Program (\$10,000) to help provide food, clothing, and transportation to veterans who need additional supportive services.
- Verland (\$8,363) for the purchase of a sit-to-stand chair, a hospital bed, and a rifton therapy tricycle for disabled residents.

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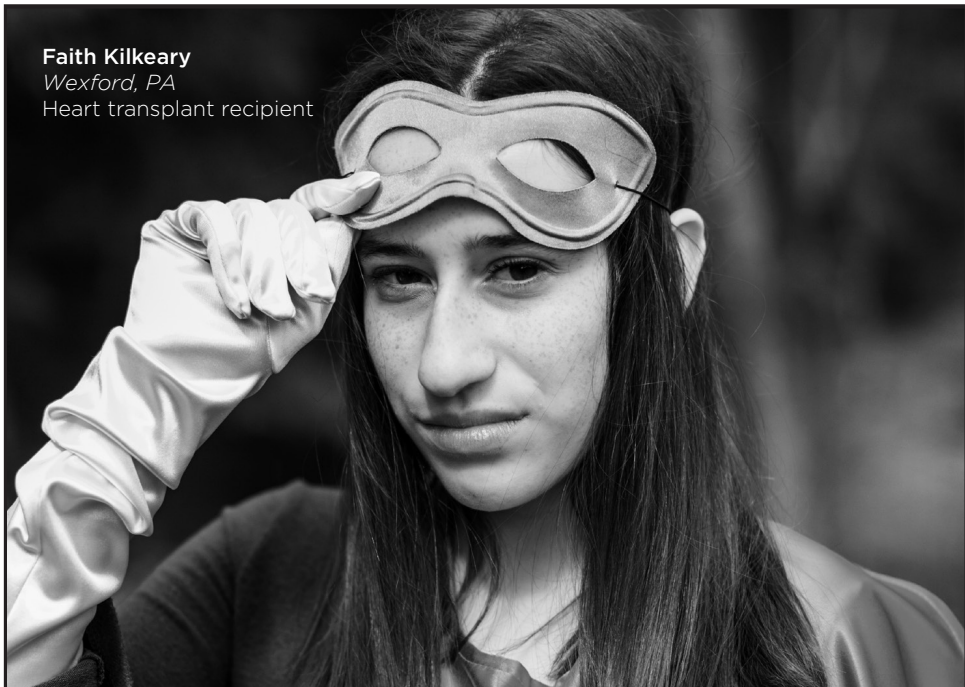
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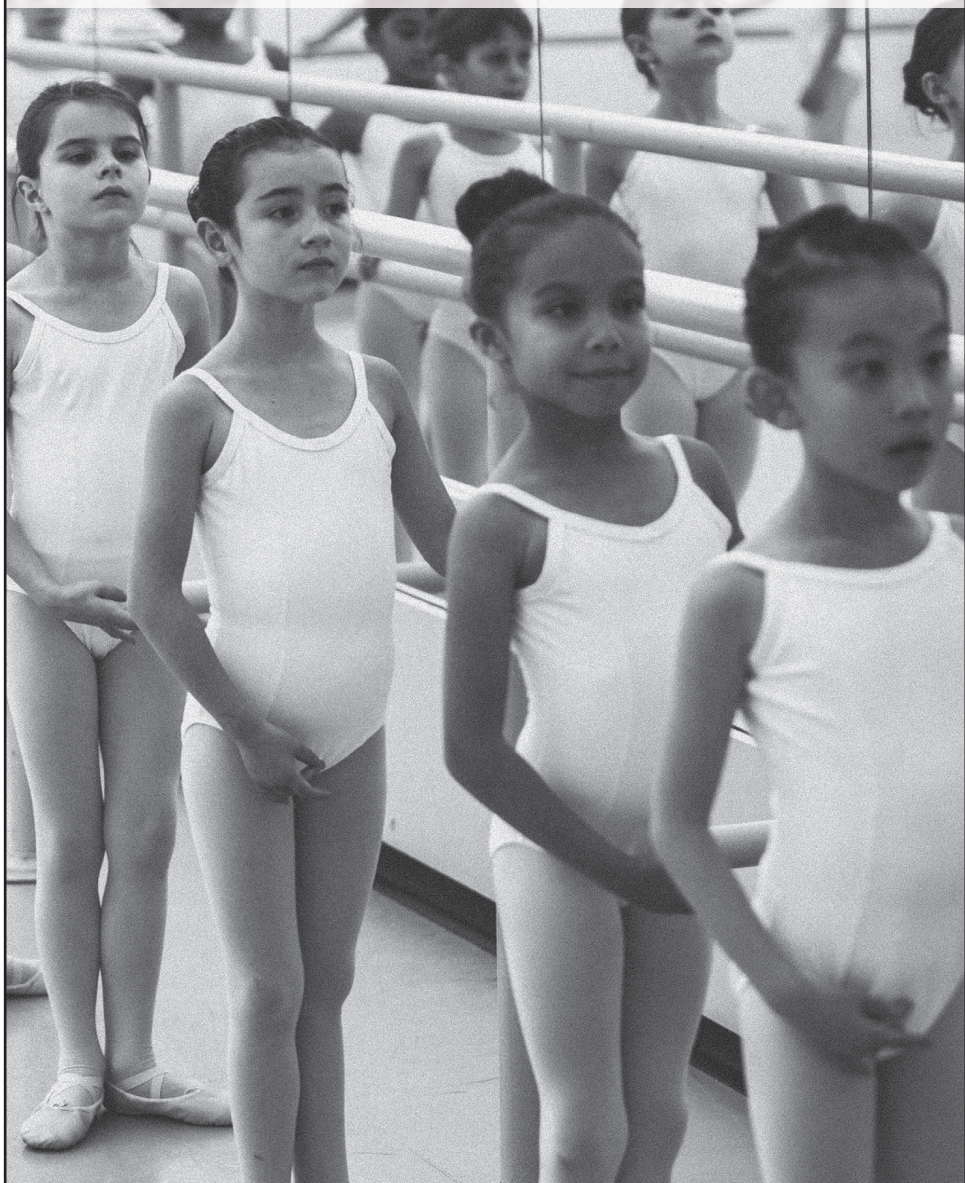
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