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Sales of Cards and T-shirts Add Up to the Gift of Mobility

Gift Shop Funds New Equipment for Rehabilitation Hospital

Bobby Edwards is recovering from an accident which dislocated both his shoulders and caused other injuries. Because of his injuries, his left arm is weak and he can't move his right arm by himself. But with the help of the new Saebo Mobile Arm Support at CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital, he is able to move his arm, building strength and restoring range of motion without causing pain.

Bobby was the first patient to use the machine, which arrived after he had been in CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital for about 3 weeks. There is another older piece of equipment that has a similar function, but it is much more confining and less comfortable, and was not going to work well for Bobby. The new Saebo



Bobby Edwards builds strength and range of motion using the Saebo Mobile Arm Support, purchased with funds from the CarePartners gift shop.



CarePartners employee, Kelly Sharp, browses in the gift shop.

machine suits Bobby's needs and is aiding his recovery, bringing him closer to his goal of returning home and going for a ride on his Harley Davidson motorcycle. "I can't wait to go for a ride," Bobby says, "But I'll miss everyone here."

The Saebo machine was purchased using proceeds from the CarePartners Foundation gift shop. The gift shop is a bright space just off the lobby in CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital, where staff, visitors, and

patients can stop in for a candy bar, a CarePartners t-shirt, jewelry, cards, housewares, and other selections. Proceeds from all those purchases add up, allowing CarePartners Foundation to fund new equipment for the Rehabilitation Hospital.

Now four years old, the CarePartners gift shop is managed by Sharon Pearson, Volunteer Services Manager for CarePartners Foundation, and staffed by volunteers. Sharon is looking for a few new gift shop volunteers—contact her at spearson@carepartners.org or 828-277-4888 for more information.





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Proceeds benefit patients and families served by
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Silent Auction, Live Music & Performers, Hors D'oeuvres & Complimentary Bar

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Tuxedo Junction

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Variety Show Lifts More than Spirits

Viking Lift Helps get Patients on their Feet

Guests at last year's CarePartners Variety Show had a lot of fun watching live musical performances and participating in game shows. They also helped purchase a high-tech piece of equipment that's helping patients at CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital get back to what they enjoy. Proceeds from the event and other donations were used to purchase a Viking XL Mobile Lift, which assists patients with walking while supporting their weight.

Mitzi Bebich came to CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital after a stroke left her unable to move her right side at all. She has made great progress working with her therapists, and a major improvement came from working with the brand-new Viking lift. The lift supports Mitzi in an upright and stable position so she can concentrate on walking and building strength in her leg, rather than worry about supporting herself with a walker. She doesn't have to be concerned about falling, and when she gets tired, she can just sit in the lift and rest right where she is. "It's a great machine," says Mitzi. "Now my leg doesn't buckle and I can lift it up and move it."

Bill Chivers, Physical Therapist, explains that the Viking lift was chosen as the best solution to the question, "How can we get people on their feet safely, not only for them but for us?" The lift can support up to 660 pounds, making it ideal to accommodate patients of all body types. It keeps patients safe and balanced as they walk, allowing therapists to help them focus on gait and strengthening.

You can help CarePartners continue to get the latest rehab technology by coming to the 2013 Variety Show, which takes place on April 19 and benefits CarePartners Rehabilitation Hospital and CarePartners Hospice. We hope to see you there! See page 2 for more information about this year's Variety Show.



Mitzi Bebich walks safely following a stroke with the help of Debbie Johnson, Physical Therapist and the Viking XL Mobile Lift.

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Get Ready to Tee It Up at Our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament



We're looking forward to another great day of golf this August to help provide services for CarePartners Hospice patients and their families. Stay tuned for details.

To sponsor the tournament, contact George Suggs at 828-712-9049 or Karen Killian at 828-273-4788.

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Please join us for a gala evening of dinner, dancing, music and fun celebrating classic musicals. Enjoy live entertainment and great food, and bid on auction items including a Disney World vacation for two. Proceeds benefit CarePartners Hospice and Rehabilitation Hospital.

Find more information on page 2. Reserve your seats now at carepartnersfoundation.org.