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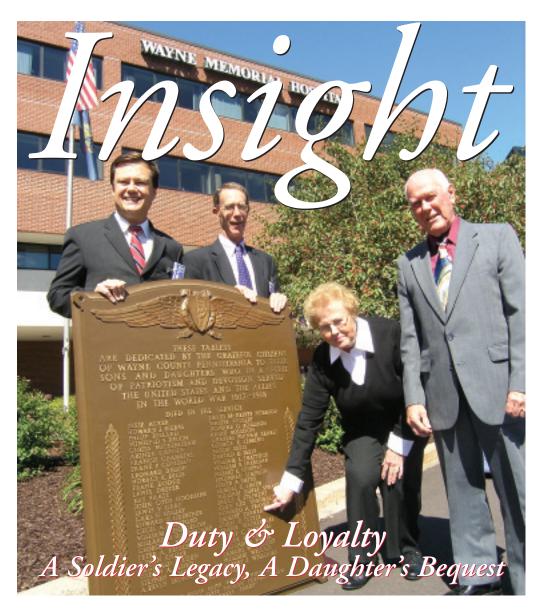
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Then Wayne Memorial Hospital opened in 1920, it was dedicated with a bronze plaque (pictured) that bore the names of 55 local soldiers and sailors who had made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. One of them was US Army Private Emmett Turner. Over the years, his daughter Mildred, and her husband, Dr. John G. Walchuck, made regular financial gifts to Wayne Memorial. When John passed away in 2003, Millie, as she liked to be called,



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Charitable gifts often provide tax savings. A professional advisor can provide guidance.



Mildred Turner, daughter of Private Emmett Turner, at her graduation from Bucknell University. "Millie," who later married Dr. John G. Walchuck of Chester, Pennsylvania, was three weeks old when her father was killed in World War I.

chose to increase the Walchuck's commitment. In her will, she left a charitable bequest to Wayne Memorial, which effectively doubled a lifetime of giving by the Walchucks and brought a family history full circle.

It was an act full of loyalty and commitment, honoring a husband's dedication, a soldier's duty and a father's love.

Private Turner had shipped out as member of the Keystone Division of the Pennsylvania National Guard in Honesdale in early 1918. Less than six months later, on Armistice Day, November 11, he was killed in action in France. He was just 23 years old.

Millie went on to graduate from Honesdale High School with the class of 1936. With help from the death benefit paid from Turner's military life insurance policy and a trust fund created for her at a Honesdale bank, Millie was able to complete her education at Bucknell University in 1940. She met her future husband, a former Marine, in California. They lived for most of their married life near his hometown of Chester, Pennsylvania.

Millie's mother Geraldine Van Gorder Turner later married Bryan Burdick, and it was their children, Millie's half siblings, who notified the hospital of Millie's death and bequest. A very grateful G. Richard Garman, Executive Director of the Foundation, thanked the family and praised Millie's thoughtfulness and loyalty to her father's

memory, his duty to his country.

"I suspect that Millie, who received critical financial support after her own father's death, understood well how essential an end of life commitment can be, and what it truly means to those we leave behind," he said. "Millie's regular gifts would surely have been missed by the Foundation and community after she passed away. Yet by her generous bequest, she has effectively endowed the Walchuck's regular giving and will be among those permanently recognized in the Foundation's Legacy Circle."

"My sister would be very pleased to know that the Hospital will benefit from her gift and that her father hasn't been forgotten," said Doris Burdick Soden of Honesdale. Soden and her brother, Harold Burdick of White Mills, visited the hospital recently to see the plaque that honored Millie's father. They are pictured with Garman and Wayne Memorial CEO David Hoff. Another sister, Betty Burdick Barna, resides in Rochester, New York.

The plaque had been moved several times over the years, due to construction and renovation. Garman said that it will be rededicated in the very near future, thanks in part to Millie Walchuck.

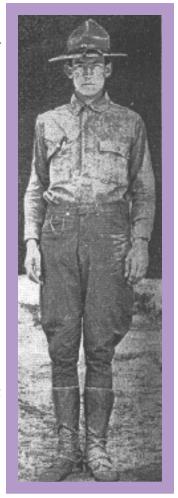
"We are especially grateful for the fact that Millie's gift is unrestricted, which means we can apply it to the areas of greatest need," Garman remarked. "Right now we are focusing on raising \$500,000 for new digital mammography equipment in the Women's Imaging Center."

Millie Turner Walchuck is buried next to her father, as she requested, in a hillside cemetery at Conklin Hill, where Turner, one of ten boys, was raised. In addition to being memorialized by Wayne Memorial Hospital, local American Legion Post 276 and its auxiliary in Cochecton, New York are also named for Emmett Turner.

# Grand Finale for WMH Capital Campaign: Mistletoe Ball, January 19th

## **Auxiliary Tops Donor List!**

The Hospital's hard-working 200-plus Auxiliary members will help close the three-year capital campaign, Operation Vital Signs, at their annual Mistletoe Ball at Ehrhardt's in Tafton. The Mistletoe Committee, seen on the cover posing for WNEP's Good Morning Pennsylvania, says the 67th annual dinner dance event will be very elegant and fun. The theme is "Celebrate Life." Proceeds help the Auxiliary meet its \$570,000 pledge, the highest pledge to date. The Auxiliary earned the right to name the new Women's Imaging Center at the Hospital. Thank you, Auxilians! Pictured left to right: Dottie Holloway, Maureen Tietje, Janet Lienert, Priscilla Krum, Katy Wood and Helen Beck. For tickets, call 226-3394.



Private Emmett Turner was one of the original local soldiers and sailors in whose memory Wayne Memorial Hospital was named and dedicated. Turner's daughter Mildred Turner Walchuck left a charitable bequest to the Hospital this year. Her father was killed by an enemy shell on the Meuse-Argonne front in a drive up a hill on November 11, 1918—Armistice Day. This is a copy of his portrait presented to the American Legion Post 276, which is named after Turner, by its Auxiliary.

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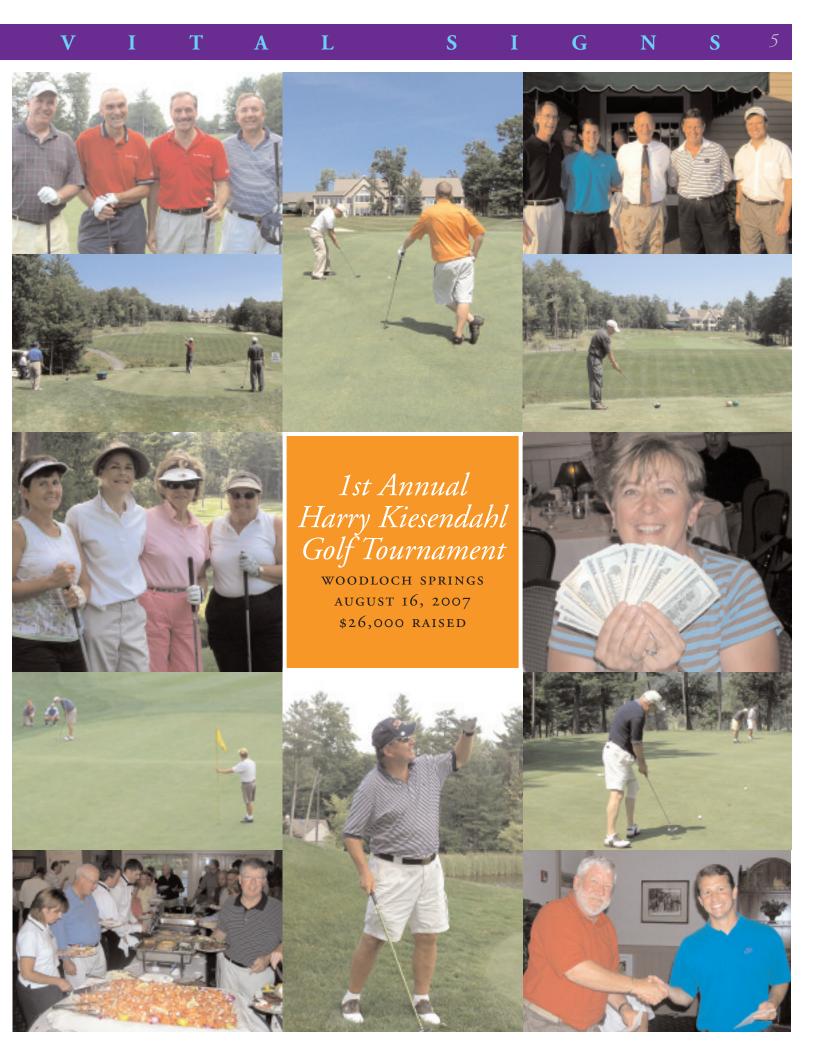
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Foundation Helps Students

Students in Honesdale's after-school Communities That Care (CTC) program for children-at-risk and 13 Honesdale High School students are benefiting from Foundation efforts and funds this year in two separate programs.

The CTC youngsters are learning swimming and water safety skills at Woodloch Sports Complex, thanks to a \$5400 grant. It will fund three 8-week sessions for close to 45 children.

The first class posed with CTC director Kathy Grandjean (second row, left), Foundation executive Director G. Richard Garman and Foundation Board Members (top row) Maggie Niles and Peter Propst and bus driver Bill Haun.

The Foundation also provided funding for textbooks and teacher-training for a new Advanced Placement (AP) Biology course at Honesdale High School. Many colleges offer advance credits to students who take such courses and score well on AP exams. The Honesdale students are thrilled. "I'm confident that AP Biology will help me pursue my dreams of working in the medical field," said Stephanie Brooks.

AP students are pictured with Foundation Board members Suzanne Grady (sitting in for Pandit Tigunait), Chairman Henry Skier, teacher Rebecca Rowe, HHS Principal Jim Rodda, WMH CEO David Hoff, Wayne Memorial CEO and Garman.

Grants for both programs were awarded through the Foundation's Community Health Care Committee, chaired by Martha Sader.

## WMH Explores Relationship with Proposed Med School in Scranton

A standing room only crowd welcomed administrators of the proposed Commonwealth Medical College in Scranton to Wayne Memorial Hospital in August. Robert D'Alessandri, MD, dean and president of the new school, told more



L to r: Virginia Hunt, Chief of Staff for the new college; David Hoff, CEO of WMH; Milt Roegner, Wayne Memorial Health Foundation Board; Dr. D'Alessandri; Helge Mortensen, Chair of WMH Board of Trustees; G. Richard Garman, Director of the Wayne Memorial Health Foundation.

than 50 local physicians, community leaders and hospital personnel that he expects the first class of 60 students to be enrolled in 2009. The school will embrace a "regional concept of education" that Dr. D'Alessandri hopes will involve area hospitals and doctors and eventually help stem a physician shortage in the region. The school's literature says the college will generate "an increase of 425 more practicing physicians in the region by 2025..." Three regional centers will be developed to serve third and fourth year students. One might—might be in Wayne County. The school still needs to be accredited, housed and financially secure, but Dr. D'Alessandri is optimistic. He posed for a photo, fourth from left, with his Chief of Staff Virginia Hunt, WMH administrators and board members. To find out more about the school, go to www.nepamedc.org.





A New Designation for CHC

The Community Health Concern affiliate of Wayne Memorial Health System officially became a "Federally Qualified Health Center" or FQHC on September 1. Under this designation, the Lakewood Medical Center, the Pike County Medical Center, the Together for Health Dental Clinic and Wayne Memorial's Behavioral Health Department will soon be known as the Wayne Memorial Community Health Center. They will all receive support from the federal government in the form of grants, will qualify for enhanced reimbursement from Medicare and Medicaid, will function jointly as an FQHC, and will form a separate board of directors, independent from WMHS.

By law, an FQHC must serve an underserved area or population, offer a sliding fee scale, provide comprehensive primary care services, offer other ancillary health services through established referrals and incorporate a quality assurance program.

"This is really a coup for Wayne Memorial," said Fred Jackson, the Executive Director of the new FQHC. "The New Start grant awarded was the only one awarded in Pennsylvania and one of only 41 issued nationally in this category. It's a testament to the creative efforts and hard work of Jack Dennis (WMH Development Manager, photo right) and other WMH staff who worked on the application."

Jackson, who was affiliated with an FQHC in Susquehanna County, is pictured center with Jim Hockenbury, WMH Director of Ancillary Services and WMHS CEO David Hoff.

The Health Resources and Services Administration of the US Department of Health and Human Services will provide \$733,333 in the first year of the FQHC operation, or 19.7% of the total projected first year budget of \$3,715,897. The balance will be funded by non-governmental sources.



Veterans' Giving Back The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 531 sponsored a spring hike for Operation Vital Signs at Prompton Dam. More than 30 people participated and helped raise \$550. The Post is named after World War I veterans Millard Hogencamp and Robert

E. Schupper. Their names appear with Emmett Turner's (page 1) on the hospital's dedication tablet. Pictured l. to r.: Jean Tuttle, WMH Community Relations; G. Richard Garman, Executive Director of the Wayne Memorial Health Foundation; Michael O'Hara, Commander VFW Post 531, Joseph Maressa, Post Quarter Master; David Hoff, WMH Chief Executive Officer; Donna Decker, RN/WMH Community Health Manager; and Foundation Board Member Kate Carmody.

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