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A newsletter for friends of the Overlake Medical Center Foundation

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Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar!

**Bandage Ball
May 4, 2019**

Benefiting Overlake's new
Childbirth Center



Your Help Needed!

Help make the robot reboot a reality by contributing to the Robot Fund. Visit overlakehospital.org/robot to make your gift, or return your check in the enclosed envelope. Write **ROBOT** on the back!

XI, ROBOT

Back in 2010, donors helped Overlake purchase its first robot: the da Vinci Si. A second robot soon followed, and they've been workhorses in the hospital ever since, helping our surgeons with nearly 600 operations each year.

The da Vinci is not an autonomous, Jetsons-style robot but a multi-armed machine with "hands" that bend and turn in ways that human hands cannot. They are controlled by a skilled surgeon at a console, who uses those versatile arms to complete minimally invasive surgeries with smaller incisions, less blood loss, and quicker recovery times.

We love the Si's and it's hard to say goodbye, but with your help once again, the aging robots will be replaced with upgraded da Vinci Xi models.

The new 'bots do everything their predecessors did and more. They are faster and more flexible, have a longer reach, and boast an improved user interface that saves time for surgeons, nurses, and techs.



Skilled surgeons use the console to control the robot's arms. The da Vinci provides a highly magnified 3-D view.



The da Vinci Xi gives surgeons better-than-human arms to work with.

Patients who undergo da Vinci surgeries need fewer days in the hospital than those who receive operations without robotic assistance. The robots help us recruit top doctors, too.

"I came to Overlake because of its commitment to providing the best possible care for patients," says colorectal surgeon Dr. Ian White. "The Xi allows patients to recover faster, have less pain, and go home earlier."

Your contributions play a critical role in ensuring that technological innovations like surgical robots are available here to care for your Eastside family and neighbors. Thank you!

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Donor Spotlight

"I won't stop giving to Overlake unless I'm too broke to buy food!" says Anne Carr, 80. **Along with her now late husband Ray, Anne has made a gift to Overlake every single year for over 40 years.**

Anne really came to appreciate Overlake's outstanding care when Ray began needing medical services in the 1990s. Any time Ray was hospitalized, the staff made sure Anne was also cared for. "They set me up to stay in Ray's room every night and patiently worked with me to make sure his medical needs were met. I was treated like family," she remembers.



Ray and Anne Carr, 1990s

Thanks for Your Support!

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"Because of Overlake Hospital and Overlake doctors, Ray mended quickly from his medical procedures and we were able to travel and do so many wonderful things together."

Still a teacher (with 58 years of service to the Bellevue School District), Anne radiates energy and conviction. "I'm not a fancy person," she says, "but when we have a cause we believe in, we help. Overlake has been my cause."

Thank you so very much, Anne. We are proud to be your family.

Grateful Thanks to our Generous 2018 Bandage Ball Sponsors

"As a service-oriented company, we take our philanthropy seriously. Service to our communities is a core part of our business model. We are proud to support Overlake's world-class care as a part of our commitment to the Eastside."

- Arthur J. Gallagher



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"As a longtime Bandage Ball sponsor, KeyBank affirms our belief in the importance of community citizenship. Overlake's excellent medical facilities make the Eastside stronger, and we are so happy to take part in that success."

- KeyBank



"As a proud Eastside company, Symetra is happy to support Overlake's outstanding services in our home community. Health and wellness is one of our giving priorities and we are committed to helping the Eastside thrive."

- Symetra



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DISASTER!

July 12, 2018: A tsunami struck the Hawaiian Islands and crippled the state's medical systems. All of the injured were evacuated to the mainland for treatment. They were sent to hospitals across the west coast and the Puget Sound region. Twenty patients came to Overlake.

Don't remember hearing about this? That's because it didn't really happen. It was a drill designed to test the capacity of the whole emergency response system to handle an incident of that magnitude.

In this exercise, we coordinated with the Northwest Healthcare Response Network and the city of Bellevue. With our 20 "patients," we tested our processes in the emergency room and beyond. We tested surgery, imaging, and nursing units. We tested our abilities with family members coming into the hospital in search of loved ones, media access, communications systems, and family reunifications with adults and children.

Observers were stationed at critical locations to take note of both successes and problems as the patients moved through the hospital.

The day-long drill did not disrupt normal operations at Overlake and provided critical information about our readiness to respond to a mass casualty event. Earthquake, fire, avalanche, volcanic eruption, tsunami, and other natural disasters can occur at any time, as can acts of terrorism and other tragedies. A coordinated and effective response takes training, teamwork, and practice.

Your support helped make this readiness exercise possible. Thank you for your commitment to the safety and well-being of our community.



An Incident Command Center was opened at Overlake as soon as the drill began.



"Patients" arrived at Boeing Field and were transported to Overlake for treatment.



Overlake Emergency Department staff members swung into action.



Staff members assigned to portray loved ones anxiously awaited news.

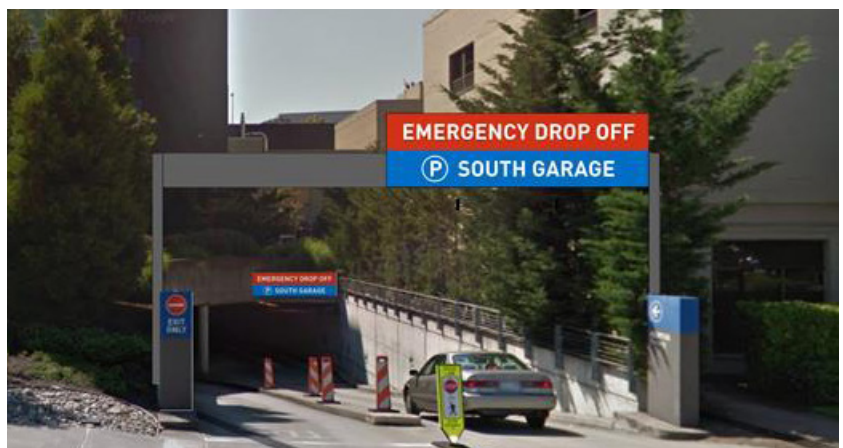
Construction Update

Noise! Dust! Big blue fences! Oh my! Construction of Overlake's new East Tower is in full swing, and if you visit you will find some significant changes have already happened. Most likely to impact patients and visitors:

- **You can no longer enter the campus from NE 10th Street. Go around the corner and come in from 116th Avenue NE.**
- **The Emergency Department (ED) entrance has moved. Now you can enter the ED from the south garage. There you will find dedicated stalls for ED parking, staff to help you find your way, and a bright red elevator that will take you right to the ED's front desk.**

The construction site is in the digging-the-basement phase right now, but soon you will begin to see the five-story building taking shape. THANK YOU for your patience and support as we make Overlake even better.

Visit overlakehospital.org/campaignfuturecare for more news and details about the project.



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