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# VIRTUAL Ø-UP

Help Kaseman Health Clinic Improve Health Disparities

Saturday, November 14, 2020 Virtually at 6:30 p.m.

Event Chair

Bridget Donnell Newton

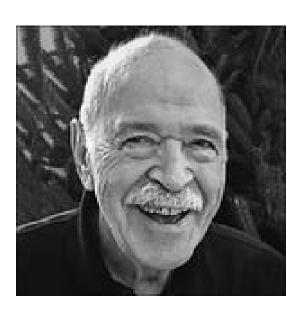
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Master of Ceremonies
Gabe Albornoz
Montgomery County
Councilmember



# In Memory of Dr. Dennis F. Cain

Dennis co-founded the Rockville West End Citizens Association, served as chair of the Minority Relations Committee of Montgomery County Public Schools, and served on many other committees in his quest to make his adopted home of Rockville the best community it could be.

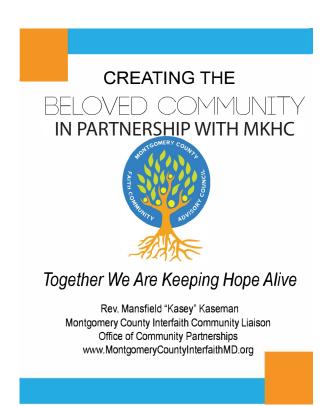


As we celebrate Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic, let's also celebrate the life of Dennis, who researched cancer treatments in his professional life, and in his personal life was instrumental in the planning and opening of this first permanent health clinic in Rockville.

Bridget & Fred Newton

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## It takes a Village



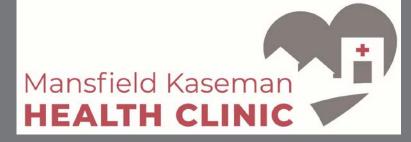
The village of Kaseman Health Clinic includes our Board, Medical Providers,
Administrative Staff, Volunteer, Supporters, Patients,
City & County Partners,

& so many more.

Thank you for helping us lower Health Disparities in our community!

- Donna R. Perry, MD

### Proud to serve on the



Board of Directors

& provide health care as a 
pro bono Pulmonologist 
to our patients

~Angeline Lazarus, MD

#### Letter from Our Event Chair, The Honorable Bridget Donnell Newton

In 2019, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic with a wonderful event where we hugged, dined at the same table, and stood only far enough away that we did not invade each other's "personal space." And we could see each other's mouths, cheeks and chins!

Twelve months later, our world is very different. "Personal space" has been replaced with "social distance;" we touch elbows if we touch at all; and we smile with our eyes rather than our mouths. For most, social comfort currently means online celebrations rather than in-person events. So tonight, we meet online to celebrate the Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic, while illuminating the real need the Clinic fills in our community. COVID-19 has not only changed the way we interact; it has shined a light on the health disparities in our own community. It has more clearly shown what causes the disparities and how they can be changed.

We know income affects access to health care. We know COVID strikes harder in our population of immigrants and people of color. We also know places like Kaseman Health Clinic provide access to quality healthcare for low-income adults, immigrants, people of color, in Rockville and Montgomery County. In the midst of this pandemic, that access is not only helpful and life altering, it may be lifesaving. Tonight, you will hear more about the barriers to health faced by the most vulnerable in our community. You will learn more about how Kaseman Health Clinic breaks down those barriers and helps our vulnerable face down COVID-19.

Although the facts that will be shared are sobering, the work of Kaseman Health Clinic is worth celebrating. When we determine the facts, we can work to change them. Kaseman Health Clinic is helping to change these facts each and every day. Tonight let's celebrate Kaseman Health Clinic and support this journey!

Thank you for joining me this evening,

Bridget Donnell Newton

Bridget Donnell Newton Mayor, City of Rockville

and Chair, MKHC 2020 Event Committee



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Country of birth, where your parents were born, ability to speak English, the color of one's skin, education level, access to fresh fruits and vegetables, all affect health. Income affects health and everything above can affect income. Health disparities due to one's income, race, or country of origin, exist throughout the U.S., even here in our own community.

Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic is determined to lessen the health disparities in our own communities of Rockville and Montgomery County. We are fortunate to live in a community that cares a great deal about our neighbors. We are fortunate that so many share our vision of a community where all medically underserved residents have access to quality care in a comprehensive health care center. Every day with our supporters, community partners, volunteers, staff, and board working together, we get closer to making that vision the reality in our community.

Thank you for joining us this evening. Thank you for helping us achieve our mission and move closer to attaining our vision. We hope the evening is fun and exciting as well as thought provoking. We hope you will join us at future (live or virtual) events. We also invite you to reach out to us directly if you would like to learn more about the Kaseman Health Clinic and the people we serve, or how you can become more involved.

With Appreciation,

Donna R. Perry, MD Board Chair Agnes Saenz Executive Director





#### THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

#### RESTORATIVE \$10,000

The Honorable Bridget Donnell & Frederick W. Newton In Memory of Dennis F. Cain

#### **REJUVENATING \$5,000**

Drs. Angeline Lazarus & Samathanam Abraham Donna R. Perry, MD

#### **HEALING \$2,500**

Mansfield "Kasey" & Dianne Kaseman Bill & Barb Scharf

#### THERAPEUTIC \$1,000

John Britton & Katherine Treiman
Edward Feroli
Sheila Levin, MD
Paul Love
Stein Sperling Bennett De Jong Driscoll PC
Thomas & Barbara Walsh
Tom & Bobbie Wolf















#### EDUCATING \$500

Drs. Judy & Michael Ackerman Assured Partners - Early Cassidy & Schilling Jim Dawson & Suzanne Rotbert Jody Eccleston & Bill Gustavson El Mariachi Restaurant Jim & Kay Fenton Rev. Denise Giacomozzi & Mr. Jan May Suzanne & John Junod Chuck & Carol Lee Lewis Orchards Paul & Jackie Lobien Jim & Cynthia Marrinan Miles & Stockbridge Foundation, Inc. Frank Molony & Carroll Saussy Montgomery College Brenda H. Rosa Fernando & Lucia Rossel The Saenz Family Tim Stranges & Rosanna Coffey John Tyner

#### **ALLEVIATING \$250**

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Richard Bohrer
Coakley Realty
Tony Conrad
Beryl & Ed Feinberg
Emma James
Kaseman Health Clinic Staff
Mark Pierzchala & Lesley Cross
Pat & Lou Kallas
Richard & Pat Schaefer

#### CONTRIBUTORS

Gary & Claire Funkhouser Winifred Herrmann Marysue Pletcher T. E. Vander Male Marlene Wolfgang Congratulations, **Kaseman Health Clinic,**for reducing

health disparities

& providing Health Care to
the most vulnerable.

#### LET'S KEEP ON CLIMBING!

- Frank Molony & Carroll Saussy



John Britton & Katherine Treiman thank & congratulate the Kaseman Health Clinic for its valuable service to our community.

Thank you, Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic, for your compassionate caring of our most Vulnerable community members.

- Edward Feroli



A special thank you to the dedicated Board, Staff & Volunteers of the Kaseman Health Clinic.

- Bill & Barb Scharf

#### **OUR KASEMAN HEALTH CLINIC BOARD**



Donna R. Perry, MD Board Chair



**Barbara Courtney, MS** 



**Lynette Gannaway** 



Angeline Lazarus, MD



Jackie Lobien, RN



Stephanie Wright, FNP



Sheila Levin, MD Medical Director Ex-Officio



Paul Love Chair, Reach Board Ex-Officio



Agnes Saenz
Executive Director
Ex-Officio

# RECIPES FOR FOOD DEMONSTRATIONS & EVENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Bridget Donnell Newton, Mayor, City of Rockville
Jody Eccleston
Lynn Gertzog
Andrea Kempner-Wink
Carmen Lezama
Jackie Lobien
Donna R. Perry, MD
Agnes Saenz

#### RECIPE FOR A HEALTHY APPETIZER

#### El Mariachi Restaurant Guacamole

3 Avocados, halved with pits removed 3 T Cilantro, stems removed, finely chopped

1/4 C Yellow Onion, coarsely chopped 2 t Garlic, finely chopped

1/4 C tomato, coarsely chopped 1/2 t Salt

2 T Jalapeno, seeds removed, finely chopped 1 t Lemon Juice

Scoop avocado pulp from skin and place pulp in a stainless steel bowl. Add all other ingredients to the bowl. Using a kitchen whisk, gently smash and stir all ingredients until avocado is creamy and all ingredients are well incorporated. Serve immediately with tortilla chips.





#### RECIPE FOR A CELEBRATION BEVERAGE

#### El Mariachi Mock Strawberry Margarita

½ C Cubed Ice ¾ C Daily's Strawberry Mix

Splash Lemon Lime Soda Lime Wedge

Place ice in a cocktail shaker. Add strawberry mix and lemon lime soda. Cover and shake 3 times. Uncover and pour into a margarita glass. Garnish with lime wedge.

For adults over 21 who would prefer a cocktail margarita, 1 ¼ ounce of tequila may be added in place of lemon lime soda.

#### **EVENING PROGRAM**

#### Welcome

Board Chair Donna R. Perry, MD & Executive Director Agnes Saenz

Healthy Appetizer Demonstration Chef of El Mariachi Restaurant

#### Remarks

Bridget Donnell Newton, Mayor, City of Rockville

Event Chair

#### Remarks

Gabe Albornoz, Montgomery County Councilmember

Master of Ceremonies

Message from Sonia Qasba, MD, MPH Infectious Disease Specialist

Message from Monique Ashton, MPH
City of Rockville Council Member

Message from Travis Gayles, MD, PhD

Montgomery County Health Officer

"Healthy" Drink Demonstration

Kaseman Health Clinic Presentation

#### Thank You

Bridget Donnell Newton, Donna Perry, Agnes Saenz



# Please welcome our newest Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic Board Member, Bridget Devlin Plummer, RN, BSN

#### To our MKHC Staff & Volunteers

You have worked tirelessly throughout this crisis so we could continue to care for our patients. Their health was your greatest concern.

#### You are the Heroes!

Thank you,

Sheila Levin, MD

MKHC Medical Director

Thank you, Paul Love,
for your support of Reach and the
Kaseman Health Clinic as a sponsor
and as Board Chair for Reach.
Thank you for sharing our mission to
serve the most vulnerable in
our community.



Thank you,
Thomas &
Barbara Walsh
for your
continued
support of the
Kaseman Health
Clinic

Reach & MKHC
thank
Stein, Sperling,
Bennett,
De Jong,
Driscoll P.C.
for their strong
support of our
community

#### **BIOGRAPHIES OF OUR SPEAKERS**

**El Mariachi Restaurant** has been serving Tex-Mex, Spanish, and Mexican cuisine made with fresh ingredients to Rockville patrons since 1991. The organization has supported both the Kaseman Health Clinic and Community Reach of Montgomery County with sponsorships, gift cards, discounts for our client holiday party, and much more for many years. Their food is excellent!

**S. Sonia Qasba, MD, MPH**, is an infectious disease specialist at Johns Hopkins University/Suburban Hospital. Dr. Qasba has also worked as a Pediatric ER Physician. She received her medical degree from Howard University College of Medicine and performed her fellowship at Georgetown University Hospital. Dr. Qasba is board certified in Internal Medicine, Infectious Disease, and Pediatrics.

**Monique Ashton, MPH**, is a community activist who is serving in her first term as a Rockville City Council Member. Ms. Ashton's personal experiences seeing health disparities affect her family, led her to study public health. Her position as a Senior Vice President at Ogilvy focuses on public health and science. Before moving to Ogilvy, Ms. Ashton was a communications and public health advisor for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Minority Health. Along with her Master's Degree in Public Health from George Washington University, Ms. Ashton has taken courses in South Africa and Dominican Republic. She has been very active in Rockville and Montgomery County, especially within our public school system, taking on positions from serving on the Board of the Montgomery County Council of PTAs, and the Boundaries Committee to NAACP Parent Liaison. Ms. Ashton lives in Rockville with her husband and children.

Travis Gayles, MD, PhD, is the Montgomery County Health Officer and is working closely with Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich as they work to control the spread of COVID-19 in our community. Before coming to Montgomery County, Dr. Gayles was the Chief Medical Officer of the DC Department of Health's HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Administration (HAHSTA) and Chief for the Division of STD-TB Control. He received his PhD in Community Health (Health Policy) and MD from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and completed his residency in pediatrics. Dr. Gayles is a former board member of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee, and has served on many other medical/public health boards. In addition, Dr. Gayles has been a faculty associate in the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Tom & Bobbie Wolf support the work of the

Kaseman Health Clinic in service to the Medically Vulnerable

#### **DINING SUGGESTIONS**

Although the Kaseman Health Clinic is unable to provide a dinner for our guests this year, the event committee suggests you consider ordering a meal from one of our local restaurants. Here are some restaurants that have supported MKHC or Community Reach of Montgomery County.

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Armand's Pizzeria & Grill

Botanero

Clyde's Tower Oaks

Coastal Flats

Dawson's Market

El Mariachi

Fontina Grille

Mosaic Cuisine

Saffron Indian Cuisine

Seasons 52

Silver Diner

Spice Xing

Trapezaria

# SOME INFORMATION ABOUT HEALTH DISPARITIES

Definition from CDC: Health disparities are preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or in opportunities to achieve optimal health experienced by socially disadvantaged racial, ethnic, and other population groups, and communities.

- Country of birth affects health
- Where your parents were born affects health
- Ability to speak English affects health
- The color of one's skin affects health
- Education level affects health
- Access to fresh fruits and vegetables affects health

# Income is the major barrier to quality healthcare, and *everything* above affects income.

#### LOW INCOME FAMILIES ARE LESS LIKELY TO HAVE

Access to medications for acute and chronic diseases
Safe, Healthy and Affordable Housing
Access to Healthy Food
Access to Health Education
Access to Reliable Transportation
Access to Health Care

#### LOW INCOME RESIDENTS HAVE A HIGHER RATE OF DEVELOPING

- Diabetes
- Obesity
- Hypertension (high blood pressure)
- Stroke
- Heart Disease
- Cancer

# KASEMAN HEALTH CLINIC FACTS & FIGURES

#### **Patients Identify As**

Hispanic (78%)

Non-Hispanic Black (14%)

Asian/Pacific Islander (6%)

Non-Hispanic White (2%)

#### **Patients Have an Annual Income of**

Less than \$12,760 (36%)

(Federal Poverty Level)

Between \$12,760 and \$31,900 (63%)

(Montgomery County Self Sufficiency level)

Above \$31,900 (1%)

#### **First Language of Patients**

**Spanish (74%)** English (21%)

French (2%) Tagalog (1%) Portuguese (1%)

#### **Chronic Disease in Kaseman Health Clinic Patients**

Diabetes 28% (U.S. population 10%)

Hypertension 60% (U.S. population 45%)

#### **The Good News**

Kaseman Health Clinic exceeds HEDIS\* rates for

Diabetes Glucose (A1c below 8) Control

Hypertension (blood pressure below 140/90) Control

**Breast Cancer Screening** 

**Cervical Cancer Screening** 

Colorectal Cancer Screening

**Depression Screening** 

<sup>\*</sup>Healthcare Effectiveness Data Information Set (HEDIS) measures Quality of Care for chronic care screenings.

Medical facilities that meet or exceed HEDIS are assessed as providing excellent care.

HEDIS is one of the most widely used performance measurements.

#### MEET THE KASEMAN HEALTH CLINIC STAFF



Medical Director Sheila Levin, MD



Executive Director Agnes Saenz



Clinic Manager Carmen Lezama



Nurse Sandra Galvin, LPN



Primary Care Leslie Boylan, FNP-BC



Medical Assistant Magda Tranamil



Front Desk Deanna Melara



Patient Eligibility Coordinator Teresita Castro



Medicaid Biller Jody Eccleston

#### **MEET OUR VOLUNTEER PROVIDERS**



Blanca Cuerva Behavioral Health



Dr. Michael Dempsey Endocrinology



Dr. Sheila Levin Gastroenterology



Dr. Claudia Taubman Gynecology



**Dr. Thomas Miller Internal Medicine** 



Dr. Urvi Mehta Internal Medicine



Stephanie Wright Nurse Practitioner



Dr. David Baek Podiatry



Dr. Angeline Lazarus Pulmonology

#### **OUR MISSION:**

To provide quality, culturally appropriate primary medical care, preventive services, patient navigation, and referrals to specialty care to Montgomery County adult residents who are medically underserved.

#### **OUR VISION:**

All medically underserved residents of the community will have access to quality care in a comprehensive health care center.

#### **HOW TO HELP:**

Volunteer: Translator (Spanish/English), Medical Specialist (licensed in Maryland), COVID-19 Tester

Donate Supplies: especially cleaning & paper supplies (our wishlist is on our website at www.CMRocks.org)

#### **Donate Funds:**

\$35	could provide a Co-pay for a patient
\$50	could cover the expense of a comprehensive Lab test panel
	would provide a patient with an EKG
\$250	is the cost to stock our pharmacy with a 3-month supply of over-the-counter medication
\$450	is the patient cost for the Montgomery County Maternity Partnership Program
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