



# FOUNDATION FIRST FRIDAYS

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### FEBRUARY EDITION

## 2025 EVENTS

 The Derby MAY 3, 2025	<b>May 3</b> The Mon Health Medical Center Auxiliary presents "The Derby", their new event at 4T Arena. It's time to start looking for the perfect hat! Proceeds will support the Mon Health Medical Center.
 The Bill Hennessey Golf Series continues to be "unbelievable" at Pete Dye and will benefit the Mon Health Medical Center.	<b>July 7</b> WVRC MEDIA audio digital video Invitational Golf Classic
 DRAGON BOAT RACING	<b>July 26</b> Celebrate the sport of dragon boat racing at Stonewall Resort this summer! Proceeds support Preston Memorial Hospital and Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital.
 35 years and still going strong! This is your chance to tee off at Pete Dye. Supporting Mon Health Medical Center, this tournament is always a "classic".	<b>August 4</b> DELYNN MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC
 New Ball of the Year	<b>November 1</b> The Ball of the Year is transforming! Stay tuned for more details on Vandalia Health North's inaugural signature event.

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## BOB HUGGINS FISH FRY

More than 850 attendees enjoyed the February 1st event at Mylan Park, hosted by Hall of Fame Coach Bob Huggins and his family. Golf icon John Daly was the special guest and WVU women's basketball standout, Meg Bulger emceed the night. The event had many surprises with a guest appearance by new WVU Football Coach, Rich Rodriguez and John Daly performing with The Davisson Brothers Band. In its 13th year, the event raises money to support cancer through the Norma Mae Huggins Cancer Endowment, which was established by the Huggins family after their mother died of colon cancer in 2013.

The Huggins family chose to partner with Vandalia Health to help provide cancer care across its seven cancer treatment centers, impacting the entire state of West Virginia. The event also supports Remember the Miners and the Mining Extension Program. Special thanks to Little General Stores, the Huggins family, and the many generous donors for making this incredible event possible.



## INFUSION PATIENTS FEEL THE DIFFERENCE

Sitting in heated, massage chairs isn't just for the spa. Vandalia Health, in partnership with the Norma Mae Huggins Cancer Endowment, utilized the proceeds from the 2024 Bob Huggins Fish Fry to ensure our infusion patients are the most comfortable they can be during treatment.

Patients were expressing discomfort with the aging infusion recliners, as treatment requires them to sit in for several hours. A total of 44 recliners were recently delivered to Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital Infusion Center, Mon Health Medical Center Infusion Center, Davis Medical Center Cancer Care Center, and CAMC Cancer Center-Beckley, providing infusion patients with a more comforting experience.



*I didn't know it was possible to receive an infusion and feel like you were sitting in a chair at a spa. The difference in the comfort of the new infusion chairs is amazing. I and many others are incredibly grateful to Mr. Huggins and his family that they have provided this for the infusion patients.*

*Anonymous, Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital Infusion Patient*

This exemplifies how community donations are imperative to providing our patients with the best quality of care. Regan Siko, Mon Health and Davis Health Oncology Service Line Director stated,

*"We are deeply grateful for the generous donation that has made it possible to provide state-of-the-art infusion chairs with heat and massage features for our cancer patients. These chairs offer not only comfort and support during long treatment sessions but also a sense of relief and care that greatly enhances the patient experience. This donation truly exemplifies the difference that compassionate giving can make in improving the quality of life for those undergoing cancer treatment. On behalf of our patients and staff, we extend our heartfelt thanks to the Huggins family and their supporters of the Norma Mae Huggins Cancer Endowment, who contributed to this meaningful initiative."*

If you are interested in learning about leaving a legacy gift to Mon Health through your estate, please contact Laura McCall, Senior Director of Philanthropy, at 304-285-2289 or Laura.McCall@VandaliaHealth.org.

**Together, this is how we MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!**