

RHI Foundation News



RHI is a community collaboration between IU Health and St. Vincent Health.



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2011 Robert L. Moody Prize Comes to RHI

Dr James Malec, RHI Research Director, has been named the recipient of the 2011 Moody Prize for his long and productive career. The prestigious prize is given to honor individuals who have made significant contributions in applied brain injury research and rehabilitation. Along with his own research, Dr. Malec dedicates time to mentoring clinicians starting their research careers. He has also done a tremendous job establishing RHI's Federally-funded research program.



L -> R Kenneth Ottenbacher, Division of Rehabilitation Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB); Elizabeth Protas, Dean, School of Health Professions UTMB; James Malec, PhD, Research Director, RHI; Dr. Brent Masel, President, Transitional Learning Center, Galveston, TX; Dr. David L. Callender, President, UTMB

Philanthropic gifts to the RHI Foundation played a major role in bringing Dr Malec to RHI in 2008 and are still critical in providing seed funds to new research projects that are designed to be translated directly to patient care and help return individuals to their lives.

Dr. Malec generously donated the accompanying \$10,000 honorarium to the RHI Foundation for research support.

Renew RHI Effort Replaces Aging Equipment

In honor of her late husband, renowned Indianapolis dermatologist Dr. Fred Hibbeln, **Carolyn Hibbeln** has

donated a new SCI-FIT arm exerciser to RHI.

The SCI-FIT is wheelchair accessible, has a sitting or standing option, and replaces a 20-year old arm cycle.



Utilized by patients with brain injury, spinal cord injury, neurological disease, stroke or general debility, the SCI-FIT increases upper body strength and endurance, helping patients improve their ability to participate in daily activities and tasks. Thank you Carolyn and family!

Goelzer Family Joins Renew RHI Effort

In gratitude for his progress during in and outpatient therapy at RHI and in honor of his therapy team, long time Indianapolis business leader **Don Goelzer** and his family have donated a new hydraulic standing frame to RHI's therapy gym. The frame permits 100% weight-bearing allowing patients to stand during therapy rather than lie down. Much like when a baby first begins to walk, a debilitated patient needs to get used to functioning in an upright position. The frame allows the patient to rest their arms and work on fine or gross motor skills with their hands. Because they are standing, their increased alertness enables them to do these therapies more effectively and for longer periods.

Don's generosity not only honors his therapists, it assures better outcomes for patients who will follow him for years to come.



Lisa Goelzer Freihofer, Don Goelzer, Sandy Goelzer Smith, Greg Goelzer

Thanking RHI Through an Estate Gift

Also thinking of patients who are yet to come, **Jerry and Anita Way** of Laporte, IN have included RHI in their estate plans. State Jerry and Anita, "We would like to see that others who have a need for rehabilitation training can find the same compassionate care, beautiful building and grounds, therapeutic equipment and well-trained staff available to them. We have remembered RHI in our wills so future victims can benefit from what RHI has to offer. RHI, we will never forget what you have done for and been to our family. May you be blessed as you have blessed all who have come through your portals."



Jerry and Anita Way and Jim Graham

Many of our most impactful gifts come from the estates of our generous donors. If you'd like to learn how you can do the same or make a donation to RHI, please call Jim Graham, Foundation Director, at **(317) 329-2020** or jim.graham@rhin.com .