# NEMOURS NEWS

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### FAMILY STARTS HERE

A new partnership between Nemours and Christiana Care will allow women whose babies are diagnosed prenatally with congenital abnormalities that require care immediately after birth to deliver at Nemours so that the mothers and babies can stay together.

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### LEADING BY EXAMPLE

Jay Greenspan, MD, MBA, has been appointed Chief Executive of Delaware Valley Operations. Dr. Greenspan, a neonatologist, has a deep knowledge of Nemours and broad experience in Delaware and the Delaware Valley markets.

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### GET SPORTS STRONG

We are excited to announce that Nemours is now offering sports medicine services at a new, worldclass sports complex in Wilmington, Del. Our sports medicine team provides customized care for young athletes.

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# A ROUND FOR THE KIDS

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## A LOVING LEGACY



When Elizabeth was born on June 23, 1935, at St. Mary's in West Virginia with significant medical issues, her care team started preparing her for passing. She was born without a nose, cleft palate, and her eyes were very separate. Doctors soon learned that despite the facial deformities, Elizabeth was very healthy.

As a child, Elizabeth had very low self-esteem because of her facial deformities, but she had so much love to give to the world. When Elizabeth was 7, the Alfred I. duPont Institute, originally a pediatric orthopedic hospital, opened its doors and its heart to kids like Elizabeth.

Elizabeth went on to have more than 100 surgeries by the time she was 18 – living at the hospital for months at a time. The doctors and nurses were kind to her, and the surgeries helped her feel more confident. Since Elizabeth was healthy, she was able (and very excited) to help care for the other children in the hospital. In addition to being an honorary nurse, she was also a matchmaker fixing up one doctor and nurse who eventually were married!

Elizabeth went on to live a long and fulfilling life of love and family explained her daughter, Lori. "She spoke fondly of her time spent at this hospital. In spite of everything that she went through early in her life, she never felt sorry for herself, and embraced all that life had to offer. She didn't know a stranger. She treated everyone with dignity and respect."

To honor her mother's memory, Lori has made a donation in support of the Child Life clubhouse. As children enter the area, a plaque honoring Elizabeth will be placed on the fish tank to greet them. It is Lori's hope that Elizabeth's love and joy will carry through to every child that comes through our doors, just like when she arrived for the first time many years ago.

There is always an opportunity for you to share your Nemours story or honor someone you love in a special Nemours way. Learn More

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### STUDENT BRINGS JOY WITH NEW BUTTERFLY GARDEN

Our children and families now have a beautiful new butterfly garden to help them find joy - all thanks to high school senior Kendra Kaericher.

Kendra received an award from her school and thought about her upcoming summer internship with the patient experience team at Nemours. With the inspiration of her grandmother, Kendra developed a creative and thoughtful way to brighten the days of children and families at Nemours.

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She's been with me forever, and we always loved gardening and butterflies."



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## HOSPITAL HEROES CALL IN FOR KIDS

Recently, the 9th Annual Help Our Kids Radiothon was held at Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.

For two days, six Forever Media radio stations broadcasted live from the hospital's Anthony N Fusco, Sr. Atrium sharing with their listeners stories of hope, courage, and compassion from our patients, patient families, and clinicians.

Donations came steadily throughout the two-day event via a phone bank and online giving. There were also those who donated in person, inspired by what they heard on their favorite radio station.