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Message from our President

Dear friends,



The signs of summer in the Moosehead Lake Region are all around us: the trees have budded, Pritham Avenue is bustling with people enjoying local restaurants and shops, and the Moosehead Marine Museum and Steamboat Katahdin are preparing to welcome visitors on the warm, sunny days ahead. This summer is a special time at Northern Light CA Dean Hospital, as construction to modernize our region’s hospital is now well underway.

Our groundbreaking ceremony on May 4 was truly a celebration to remember, and I’m grateful to everyone who joined us for this special day in person or by watching videos and browsing photos of the event from afar. It was great to catch up with friends and neighbors from Greenville and beyond and special guests, including Ben Benoit, who attended on behalf of Dr. Peter Buck’s family.

Dr. Buck’s historic gift to the campaign was inspired by the outstanding support for last year’s Community Match Challenge. Hundreds of community members, businesses, employees, and others who are invested in the future of healthcare in our region came together to show how much CA Dean means to our communities. Now, Greenville’s new hospital is becoming a reality because of you.

The benefits of opening our new modern, patient and family-focused hospital are significant for every person who walks through our doors, including patients, families, and our healthcare team. With an accelerated construction schedule in place, we plan to open the new hospital building in the first half of 2023. Renovations to the existing East Wing and site demolition will be complete in 2024.

You’re an important partner in this project, and we want to keep you up to date with our progress every step of the way. Visit our website at northernlight.org/CADeanPromise for regular updates on the project, including photos and videos of the ongoing work. Thank you for your partnership, and best wishes for a safe and healthy summer in our beautiful corner of the world.

Marie Vienneau, FACHE
President, Northern Light CA Dean Hospital

A Heartfelt Thank-You



Dear supporters,

As we celebrate the remarkable success of the *Preserving the Promise* Capital Campaign, there’s only one thing left to say: thank you! From day one of the campaign, we knew our community was passionate about its hospital and committed to its future, and your financial support is proof of that love for CA Dean Hospital. We chose to be co-chairs of the campaign because of the pride we have for the Moosehead Lake Region and its hospital. It’s heartwarming to know that so many others have that same sense of pride and were eager to show it through their generous support. We did it!

On behalf of the entire Capital Campaign Committee, thank you for joining in the effort to ensure care for the next century right here in Greenville. We hope you’ll join us in watching the modernization project take shape, and we look forward to celebrating the opening of the new hospital with you in 2023.

Helene Dutil and Laurie Muzzy
Preserving the Promise Capital Campaign Co-Chairs

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“The opportunity to build a new hospital typically comes around only once in a lifetime, which makes today’s event a moment to remember—for our patients, employees, and communities.”

—LINDA GILBERT, CHAIR, CA DEAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BREAKING New Ground

PROJECT TIMELINE



MARCH 2021

New hospital project announced

APRIL 2021

Preserving the Promise capital campaign announced

JULY 2021

\$500,000 Community Challenge Match announced

JANUARY 2022

\$3.5 million gift from the late Dr. Peter Buck helps meet campaign goal

NOVEMBER 2021

Community Challenge successfully met



More than 100 donors, community members, regional business leaders, and Northern Light Health and CA Dean leadership and staff gathered on May 4 for a groundbreaking ceremony to mark the start of construction on the Moosehead Lake Region’s new hospital. The ceremony took place behind the current CA Dean Hospital where the new hospital will be built.



MAY 2022

Groundbreaking ceremony; construction begins

SPRING 2024

Demolition of existing hospital completed

WINTER 2024

East wing renovation completed

WINTER 2023

Ambulance station completed

SUMMER 2023

New hospital opens

FALL 2022

Final beam topping off

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Gift from late philanthropist Dr. Peter Buck helps CA Dean reach capital campaign goal



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—MARIE VIENNEAU
PRESIDENT CA DEAN HOSPITAL

IN EARLY 2022, Northern Light CA Dean Hospital received a \$3.5 million capital campaign donation from the late Dr. Peter Buck, who had longtime ties to the Moosehead Lake Region and a lifetime commitment to his beloved home state. Dr. Buck passed away on Nov. 18, 2021.

Last summer, Dr. Buck provided an anonymous challenge grant to match every dollar donated to the campaign up to \$500,000. The strong community response helped complete the challenge ahead of the year-end deadline. Dr. Buck was pleased by the impact of the challenge and began to make arrangements for a second campaign gift.

Dr. Buck’s gift helped meet the CA Dean *Preserving the Promise* \$6.2 million capital campaign to support the \$23.1 million hospital modernization project.

“During a challenging time, this campaign really brought our community together to help preserve access to care in our region,” says Marie Vienneau, FACHE, president of CA Dean Hospital. “Words cannot express our gratitude to Dr. Buck

for his remarkable commitment and its impact for our patients and community.” She continues, “We are thankful for the support of every single donor who helped ensure high-quality care will continue in our area.”

“Dr. Buck grew up in a Maine farming family. He was deeply committed to continuing the legacy of Maine’s working forests and supporting the communities and people in those regions,” says Ben Benoit, president of PCW Management, who formalized Dr. Buck’s gift intentions. “He was passionate about ensuring there was access to healthcare, education, and affordable housing in the Moosehead Lake Region, which was a special place for him.”

More than 250 individuals, employees, foundations, businesses, and grateful patients joined Dr. Buck to help CA Dean meet the \$6.2 million capital campaign goal in less than 10 months. More than 35 percent of the project’s cost will be funded by philanthropy.



A MAINE-MADE JOURNEY

Born and raised in South Portland, Maine, Dr. Peter Buck and his younger brother, David, spent their childhood planting and cultivating crops on their parents’ large farm. The work became the foundation for his lifelong commitment to protecting land and ensuring it could be worked for the benefit of local people and help communities thrive. Dr. Buck graduated from South Portland High School and Bowdoin College and earned master’s and doctoral degrees in physics at Columbia University. He was the first in his family to attend college.

In the summer of 1965, Dr. Buck was working as a nuclear physicist helping to design nuclear power plants when a 17-year-old son of a friend, Fred DeLuca, asked for advice on how to pay for college. With fond memories of his hometown sub shop, Dr. Buck drove Fred to the original Amato’s Italian Sandwich Shop in Portland, Maine and suggested he open something similar. Following their trip, Dr. Buck provided a \$1,000 loan to Fred who opened Pete’s Super Submarines in Bridgeport, Connecticut. The shop was named after Dr. Buck who became Fred’s business partner. Dr. Buck’s investment in Fred was a good one. Their business partnership not only provided enough money for Fred to attend college but also grew a lot over the years. Their first sub shop in Bridgeport was the beginning of Subway—the world’s largest restaurant chain.

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A Sneak Peek ...

THE NEW NORTHERN LIGHT CA DEAN HOSPITAL will include all the core services our community has come to expect from CA Dean, provided in a facility that's built for how healthcare is delivered today. A modern facility will maximize patient safety and comfort, with:

New, 11,550 square foot hospital building with five private patient “flex care” rooms, a 10-bed, all-private unit for our long-term care residents, a 24/7 emergency department, imaging and lab.

Renovated existing East Wing to house administrative and support services.

New, separate ambulance station.

New FAA-approved helipad.

Expanded parking areas and circular driveway for convenient and safe patient drop-off and pickup.



Get to Know **DR. BABBITT**

We asked Joseph Babbitt, MD, why he loves working and living in a place where most people only get to visit.

Q: Where are you from?

A: My standard answer is “New England.” I was born in Indiana, grew up in Massachusetts and Connecticut, and then lived in Vermont for many years during schooling/training. I’ve been in Maine since 1995.

Q: What is it like to practice at one of Maine’s smallest hospitals?

A: In a word, fantastic. Small hospitals and rural practices are great if you’re ‘wired’ for them. I have closer contact with patients and the community. A slower pace means more time. It also means fewer resources and doing more with less. We have a saying, “The Medicine is the easy part.” Knowing what to do is easy. Figuring out how to do it at CA Dean in Greenville with one doctor and one nurse during a blizzard can be a different story.

Q: What aspect of the new hospital project is most meaningful to you?

A: Better stuff and more space will obviously be great, but honestly, the best part of the project is the long-term commitment this represents to both the community and the staff.

Q: What are your favorite things to do in the Moosehead Lake Region?

A: Anything on or in the lake—boating in summer, ice fishing and snowmobiling in winter.

Q: What’s your favorite meal to enjoy after a long day of work?

A: A nice, thick, rare steak on the grill. There’s nothing better.

Q: What recently watched movie would you recommend?

A: My wife and I just finished watching *Severance* on Apple TV. It starts slow and is very dark, but the season finale is one of the best hours of viewing I’ve seen in a long time.



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PICTURED: Marie Vienneau, president, Northern Light CA Dean Hospital (left) and Samuel Dwyer, Maine Highlands FCU Regional VP and Greenville Branch Manager (right).

Maine Highlands Federal Credit Union is *Preserving the Promise*

MAINE HIGHLANDS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION presented a check in the amount of \$7,500 to support the Northern Light CA Dean Hospital Preserving the Promise Campaign. “In making this donation, Maine Highlands Federal Credit Union understands the importance of supporting local services in the communities that we serve,” says Rhonda Taylor, president and CEO of Maine Highlands Federal Credit Union.

“We are so appreciative of Maine Highland Federal Credit Union’s generous donation to our campaign. Their partnership will help us bring our communities, patients, and employees a hospital that will serve our region for generations to come,” says Marie Vienneau, FACHE, president, Northern Light CA Dean Hospital.

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—RHONDA TAYLOR, PRESIDENT AND CEO, MAINE HIGHLANDS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Save the dates



Twelfth Annual Bike and Boat Sunday, June 26 Greenville, Maine

Scenic 19.5-mile bike ride followed by a ride back to Greenville on the historic steamship Katahdin. Lunch, t-shirt, live music, and photos included.
northernlighthealth.org/bikeandboat



Forrest Whitman Memorial Golf Tournament Thursday, August 11 Mt. Kineo Golf Course, Rockwood

A tradition for residents and visitors of the Moosehead Lake Region.
northernlighthealth.org/cadeangolf



Lights of Life Tree Lighting Saturday, November 26 Greenville, Maine

A community celebration with lighting of the holiday tree, family entertainment, and a visit from Santa.

Please join friends, neighbors, and the CA Dean family at our signature events to benefit our patient care mission. Visit northernlighthealth.org/c-a-dean-hospital for registration and the latest information.



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Our Groundbreaking on May 4
was truly something special!
Re-live this meaningful milestone
with us at

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