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Pete and Mary Mark Honored by Legacy Good Samaritan Foundation

PORTLAND, Ore. — Pete and Mary Mark were honored with the 2010 Devers Founders Award, presented by the Legacy Good Samaritan Foundation, for their work in supporting Good Samaritan Hospital and the Devers Eye Institute. Devers is a private, nonprofit clinical and research eye institute located on the campus of Good Samaritan Hospital in Northwest Portland.

Pete Mark accepted the award crediting his late wife, Mary Kridel Mark, who passed away in 2008. Both Marks had been involved with Good Samaritan Hospital and the Institute for many years. He also shared his appreciation for the work of the Institute in this community and in support of his family. Pete's association with Devers Eye Clinic dates back to 1983 when he received treatment for glaucoma.

As a founding member of The Women of Good Samaritan, Mary helped lead that group for many years. In addition, she was a member of the Comprehensive Cancer Center Campaign in 1987, she co-chaired the Cardiovascular Campaign for the Pace Setting Gifts from 1989 to 1994, she was on the steering committee for the Devers' Discoveries in Sight Campaign in 1997 that established their world renowned ophthalmic research division, and she and Pete chaired the Visions for the Future campaign that began in 2006.

Mary joined the Foundation Board of Trustees in 1982 and served for 12 years, acting as vice chair in 1989. She became an Emeritus Trustee in 1994. In 1997, Mary was the recipient of Good Samaritan Foundation's Wister Morris award that recognizes philanthropic leadership and dedication to Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center. In 2003, she was nominated and elected to serve as a trustee once again on the combined The Children's Hospital Foundation/Emanuel Medical Center Foundation/Good Samaritan Foundation Boards.

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