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“Burke Rehabilitation Hospital’s Faces of Burke Exhibit to Open at Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital”

WHITE PLAINS, NY – May 3, 2017 — Join Burke Rehabilitation Hospital and Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital for the opening of the Faces of Burke exhibit at The Queen City Art Gallery at Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital on Friday, May 12 at 11 a.m.

Faces of Burke is a traveling photography exhibit designed to showcase the individuality and courage of Burke Rehabilitation Hospital’s patients. The compelling photographs and stories of the subjects illustrate a diverse and inspiring group of patients who have succeeded in regaining mobility and independence through their experience at Burke.

“We are pleased to bring this exhibit to Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital, which, like Burke, is a member of the Montefiore Health System. The gallery at Montefiore New Rochelle is an ideal place where the photographs can be viewed by new audiences,” says Jeffery Menkes, President & CEO at Burke Rehabilitation Hospital. “The patients featured in the exhibit have demonstrated remarkable resilience, determination, and courage that can inspire all of us.”

The installation is the first in what both organizations see as a long line of collaborative projects that showcase the innovative and creative work being done every day throughout the Montefiore Health System.

At the May 12 event, Noam Bramson, the Mayor of New Rochelle, as well as Max Gomez, a New Rochelle native and one of the featured Faces of Burke participants, will be speaking. Burke’s new CEO, Jeff Menkes, and Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital Vice President/Executive Director, Anthony Alfano, will also be presenting.

The exhibit will be open to the public from May 12 through June 30 at The Queen City Art Gallery at Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital at 16 Guion Place in New Rochelle. The featured photographer for the exhibit is Jesse Rinka, who is based in Tarrytown.

The photo gallery will feature portraits of six Burke patients, along with their riveting stories:
Max—From amputee to resuming motocross competitions
Barbara—From orthopedic surgery to hiking the Mount Everest trail
Luke—From a paralyzing spinal cord injury to walking on his own
Ronald—From a debilitating heart attack to performing surgery again
Susan—From traumatic brain injury to living independently once more
Barbara—From a severe stroke to becoming an aphasia advocate

“Burke’s mission never wavers as we help thousands of patients each year regain both cognitive abilities and physical strength. ‘Faces of Burke’ will bring the stories of just a few of these remarkable patients to the many people who visit the gallery,” concludes Menkes.

For more information, please visit www.burke.org/facesofburke.

About Burke Rehabilitation Hospital
Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is a private, not-for-profit, acute rehabilitation hospital. Founded in 1915, it is the only hospital in Westchester County dedicated solely to adult rehabilitation medicine. Burke offers both inpatient and outpatient programs for those who have experienced a disabling illness, traumatic injury or joint replacement surgery. Burke’s world-renowned doctors and therapists provide state-of-the-art treatment while its clinical researchers explore the frontiers of neurological and rehabilitation medicine. All share the Burke mission to ensure that every patient makes the fullest possible recovery from illness or injury regardless of their ability to pay. For additional information on Burke Rehabilitation Center, please visit burke.org.

About Montefiore Health System
Montefiore Health System is one of New York’s premier academic health systems and is a recognized leader in providing exceptional quality and personalized, accountable care to approximately three million people in communities across the Bronx, Westchester and the Hudson Valley. It is comprised of 10 hospitals, including the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore, Burke Rehabilitation Hospital and close to 200 outpatient care sites. The advanced clinical and translational research at its medical school, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, directly informs patient care and improves outcomes. From the Montefiore-Einstein Centers of Excellence in cancer, cardiology and vascular care, pediatrics, and transplantation, to its preeminent school-based health program,
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