

Women & Girls Fund of the Mid-Shore
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Women & Girls Fund and UM Memorial Hospital Foundation welcomed Kelly Corrigan to Easton for her message of “Humor, Heart, and Hope”

Best-selling author Kelly Corrigan came to the Tidewater Inn in Easton on October 13 for a benefit program co-sponsored by the Women & Girls Fund of the Mid-Shore and UM Memorial Hospital Foundation.

With “Humor, Heart, and Hope”, Corrigan captivated the sold-out Gold Room audience with personal stories of living life to the fullest while raising young children, caring for aging parents, and facing – and surviving - breast cancer. Reading passages from two of her books, “The Middle Place” and “Glitter and Glue”, she talked with compassion and humor about the relationship between mothers and daughters, daughters and fathers, and the unspoken bond between supportive friends. Her inspiring words resonated throughout the room.

Susie Dillon, co-chair of “Humor, Heart, and Hope” and Women & Girls Fund board member, welcomed guests and thanked sponsors and donors for their generous support. Alice Clark, wife of the late James Clark, and Courtney Pastrick, their daughter and President of The Clark Charitable Foundation, were recognized for their notable philanthropic gift, which played a significant role in the establishment of the Breast Center and for whom it is named.

Dillon said, “Over the past year, the Women & Girls Fund Board focused its strategic fund raising efforts on breast health, with a commitment to awarding an important grant to the Clark Comprehensive Breast Center at UM Shore Regional Health. Today’s event with Kelly Corrigan is the culmination of those efforts, and we have been happy to collaborate with the Memorial Hospital Foundation in bringing Ms. Corrigan to Easton during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in support of the breast center and special programs of the Women & Girls Fund.”

Dr. Roberta Lilly, Medical Director of the Clark Comprehensive Breast Center, spoke about the Center’s services that give Mid-Shore residents access to the finest in leading edge diagnostic services and the importance of receiving all-inclusive treatment close to home. Dr. Lilly and Dr. Susan Forlifer, the Center’s two dedicated and highly skilled breast surgeons, provide quality, patient-centered care for the full array of benign and malignant breast diseases. Dillon added, “The vision for and services offered by the Clark Comprehensive Breast Center mirror the Women & Girls Fund’s mission – “using the power of pooled resources to improve the lives of women and girls on the Mid-Shore.

“I am so grateful to the Women & Girls Fund and UM Memorial Hospital Foundation for bringing Kelly Corrigan to our community and hosting an event that brings women together to raise awareness about breast cancer, while also generously also supporting the Clark Comprehensive Breast Center”, said Lori Yates, Community Health Manager for Susan G. Komen Maryland. “This event was a perfect example of the power of pooled resources impacting the lives and health of women throughout the Mid-Shore.”

Corrigan’s next book will be published in 2018 at which time she’s agreed to return to speak in Easton. It’s sure to be another sell-out event! For more information about the Women & Girls Fund, call 410-770-8347 or www.womenandgirlsfund.org.