For more than 45 years my family has been involved with The Jackson Laboratory! Our connection to the Lab began when both of our children participated in its outstanding Summer Student Program. I had the privilege to serve on the Board of Trustees for almost 20 years. Several of our grandchildren have worked at the Laboratory as well.

The Jackson Laboratory is an essential part of the “genetic revolution” taking place today. Philanthropy toward JAX is the best possible investment for promoting human health for many reasons:

- The cutting-edge genetic research conducted every day at the Laboratory;
- The data produced by the Laboratory, which is shared globally as an open source network of scientific information;
- The next generation of geneticists, which JAX is educating through a collaborative and innovative education model, and finally,
- The 10,000 strains of mouse models that the Laboratory supplies across the world for research into human health.

I will continue to support JAX beyond my lifetime by joining the Society for Discovery and including it in my will. I have also established a charitable gift annuity and am supplementing my income in this manner. This research is truly important, and my family and I are proud to be a part of it.”

—BILL RUDOLF
Many of us are fortunate to have an important person in our lives who nurtured and helped shape us into the people we are today. This person might have connected you with The Jackson Laboratory and ignited your passion in scientific discovery and genomic medicine.

Perhaps now it’s your turn to provide stability and security to your loved one. Creating a life income gift in this special person’s name is a unique way to provide some financial support and turn your shared connection to JAX into a legacy that will impact research in years to come.

**ONE DONATION, TWO GIFTS**

The most popular gift that provides lifetime income is called a charitable gift annuity. It’s often referred to as the gift that gives twice. Here’s how it works: You make a donation to JAX, and in return, we pay your loved one a fixed amount each year for the rest of his or her life. This payment never changes, not even with fluctuations in the stock market, interest rates or inflation. The payout rates are tied to actuarial tables and can range from 4 to 9.5 percent depending upon age.

Your donation also provides you with several benefits: You receive an income tax deduction for a portion of the gift and can enjoy peace of mind knowing that you are supporting the Laboratory and someone who has been important in your life.

**NOTE:** Funding charitable gift annuities with highly appreciated securities can be ideal for locking in the gains and avoiding capital gains tax.

**DON’T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY**

Effective July 1, 2018, charitable gift annuity rates will increase. We would be happy to send you a complimentary illustration highlighting the increased benefits you can receive from a charitable gift annuity if you make your gift on or after that date. Simply return the enclosed reply card or contact Laura Eldridge at (860) 837-2328.

California residents: Annuities are subject to regulation by the State of California. Payments under such agreements, however, are not protected or otherwise guaranteed by any government agency or the California Life and Health Insurance Guarantee Association. Oklahoma residents: A charitable gift annuity is not regulated by the Oklahoma Insurance Department and is not protected by a guaranty association affiliated with the Oklahoma Insurance Department. South Dakota residents: Charitable gift annuities are not regulated by and are not under the jurisdiction of the South Dakota Division of Insurance.

**FREE GUIDE!**

When you establish a charitable gift annuity with JAX you’ll receive numerous benefits, such as payments for life! To learn the additional benefits of establishing a gift annuity, return the enclosed reply card to receive our FREE guide Make a gift and receive income for life. To learn more about planning for your future, visit jax.planmygift.org/pepc.
My acquaintance with The Jackson Lab began in a rather unusual way. After graduating Duke Medical School in 1962, I had received a postdoctoral fellowship from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to study immunology in Melbourne, Australia with Sir Macfarlane Burnet, Nobel Laureate, at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research.

For specialized research projects, purebred strains of mice were utilized. Often these special mice had to be purchased from the U.S., and when they arrived by airfreight the boxes were marked “JAX.” I inquired what this meant. That’s how I was informed of The Jackson Laboratory’s leading role in global medical research.

Though just a postdoctoral fellow, I decided that if ever I were in a position to “give back,” this mysterious JAX institution was deserving of support. Fast forward 50 years, when my wife, Rainey, and I were winding down our decades of successful medical publishing. We had JAX on our mind, so in 2002 we visited the Lab to personally get oriented to its amazing accomplishments, capabilities and research projects. We were impressed with the magnificent work they were doing, and we felt their organization was first class. We met members of the staff and have been a part of the JAX family ever since.

Back at home, we had our advisors arrange our estate plan so that after we were gone, the Lab would receive a significant gift, as our way of honoring its unique role in assuring medical progress. We can unhesitatingly recommend JAX as a sound investment in the future of medical science.”

—LESLIE NORINS, M.D., PH.D., AND ANN “RAINEY” NORINS
NAPLES, FLORIDA
At JAX, we have multiple generations of families who have served and continue to serve the Laboratory. Jessica Seavey, for example, grew up on Mount Desert Island and is the fourth generation in her family to work at the Laboratory. Jessica’s mother, Kathy, retired from JAX in February 2017 after working at the Laboratory, for 42 years. Now, as a research administrative assistant where she supports six of our scientists here at the Laboratory, Jessica is continuing her family tradition. She recently had her second child, and we’re hopeful for a fifth generation of Seaveys at JAX someday!

Benefits of the Society for DISCOVERY

Members who include a gift in an estate plan qualify for membership in this inspirational group. Among the benefits:

- Exclusive invitations to Society for Discovery events located in Bar Harbor or across the country
- An informative, digital newsletter with donor stories, current information related to gift vehicles, tax laws and legislative updates related to planned gifts
- JAX publication Search three times per year with articles that showcase the ways in which we are advancing biomedical research
- A periodic e-newsletter with the latest news and updates about JAX
- The JAX Annual Report
- Acknowledgment on our Society for Discovery donor wall located in the lobby of our Bar Harbor, Maine campus and in our online donor honor roll

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