



St. Alexis
Foundation

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"Celebrating the past - creating the future."

Quarterly Newsletter of the St. Alexis Foundation

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The Healing Power of Service

Do you have a desire to make a difference in the lives of our patients? Become a Volunteer! Volunteers at St. Alexis Medical Center are more than friendly faces and caring partners. They're an integral part of the medical center's daily operations.

It's not uncommon to find our volunteers working in several critical areas. Volunteers play a key role updating waiting patients and families in the hospital's surgery center. You'll find volunteers in our admitting reception area, expediting the check-in process and assisting patients to appointments. Come rain or shine, mail gets delivered to hospitalized patients, thanks to dependable volunteers. And those are just the volunteers who are visible to the public. There are many talented volunteers helping behind the scenes as well.

Many of our volunteers have real-world business skills in computers, office management, accounting, medical records and customer service. Others have enhanced their one-on-one communication skills in jobs and careers in reception, sales, cashiering, homemaking, arts and crafts. All skills and backgrounds are welcomed and play an important role in the healing power of a volunteer.

Fund raising is also an important means of how St. Alexis Medical Center Volunteers enhance and advocate for quality local healthcare. From an active and engaged Auxiliary that began in 1948 making bandages and stocking supplies, to operating the gift shop and hosting fund raising events throughout the year, more than \$1 million dollars has been raised and donated to St. Alexis Medical Center!



If you are interested in joining a dynamic and respected group of leaders who enhance health-care through volunteer service, please contact Claudia Coit, Director of Volunteer Services at (701) 530-7159 to learn about the many volunteer service opportunities available. Volunteer assignments are available seven days a week and are specially tailored to match the needs of the medical center with your interests and schedule.

Men and women, ages 16 and over, who are willing

to donate 50 hours over a 6 month period are eligible to become a volunteer. Young adults aged 13 – 15 are eligible for summer volunteer opportunities. If you have a desire to be of service a healthy sense of curiosity and a willingness to make a difference in the lives of your friends and neighbors, please contact St. Alexis today!



*Claudia Coit, Director
Volunteer Services*



Greetings from the President & CEO



Andrew L. Wilson
President & CEO

It takes more than geography to shape a community. It takes shared experiences, values and vision. At St. Alexius Medical Center, our physicians, nurses, staff and supporters share a vision of clinical excellence and a commitment to serving the needs of the community. They do what it takes to uphold that vision and commitment – and it shows.

We are fortunate to live in a region with many healthcare choices. Despite a very competitive environment, St. Alexius Medical Center continues to attract among the most outstanding physicians in their specialties. They choose to work here because we've been able to assure them the highest caliber nurses and staff, state-of-the-art technology and a reputation for overall excellence.

Our doctors touch lives. We know, because we hear the stories - and because we see the contributions made in their honor by the people whose lives they've touched.

Those donations make it possible for us to continue the cycle of excellence - to acquire cutting-edge diagnostic and treatment technology, to conduct clinical research and to train nurses - so you will receive the very best medical care that you have come to know to rely on as you choose St. Alexius Medical Center.

A sincere thank you for your thoughtful and generous support of St. Alexius and the St. Alexius Foundation.

St. Alexius Auxiliary contributes \$15,000 to the St. Alexius Foundation

On February 3, 2009 the St. Alexius Auxiliary presented Andrew Wilson, President and Chief Executive Officer of St. Alexius Medical Center a gift of

\$15,000 to provide funding to continue to enhance patient care at St. Alexius.

Established in 1948, the St. Alexius Auxiliary has raised over \$1,000,000 to benefit the St. Alexius Medical Center Foundation. Their contributions have made a significant impact on the medical center. The Auxiliary's primary source of revenues is the operation of the medical center gift shop, open seven days per week. As a result, all proceeds from the gift shop are contributed to the Foundation.

If you would like more information on the St. Alexius Auxiliary or to become a member, please contact Claudia Coit, Director of Volunteer Services at (701) 530-7159.



ESTATE PLANNING

- How do estate taxes work?
- How can I leave my estate to my children and grandchildren rather than the IRS?
- How can I benefit St. Alexius Medical Center and help my family and myself also?
- How will the recession affect my future plans?

Presenter:

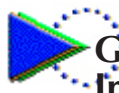
**George Brooks, Registered Investment Advisor
Great West**

**Thursday April 21, 2009 – 7:00 pm
St. Alexius Medical Center
Boniface Auditorium**

Cost: FREE

RSVP by Friday, April 17 by calling
(701) 530-7700 or (800) 843-9628

Refreshments will be provided.



Gifts to the Foundation may enable Income Tax Credits

In 2007, the North Dakota Legislature passed a law that is quite advantageous for supporters of the St. Alexius Foundation. This law allows for generous tax credits for individuals and businesses who give specific types of gifts to North Dakota charities.

Individuals must make a qualified deferred gift to a qualified North Dakota charity. The St. Alexius Medical Center Foundation is a qualified charity. The tax credit is 40% of the charitable deduction allowed by the IRS up to a maximum of \$10,000 per year per taxpayer or \$20,000/yr per couple filing jointly. The credit may be carried forward for three additional tax years if it cannot all be used in one year.

For example, a couple enters into a \$200,000 charitable gift annuity agreement with the St. Alexius Foundation. The IRS allows them to deduct \$100,000 from their federal taxable income as a charitable gift. The couple would qualify for a \$20,000 ND Income Tax Credit. They could take up to four years to take the credit against their ND income tax liability. The credit is limited to the amount of their income tax liability.

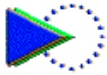
Businesses (C corporations, S corporations, estates, limited liability companies and trusts) that pay ND income tax may take a 40% credit up to a total of \$10,000 for annual gifts to the qualified endowment fund of a qualified North Dakota charity. St. Alexius Medical Center's endowment funds are qualified under this law.

These incentives offer benefits for you and for the future of healthcare at St. Alexius Medical Center. If you have questions on this or other ways to support St. Alexius, please contact Jaclyn Bugbee at (701) 530-7394 or via email: jbugbee@primecare.org.



In Memory...

Ann Marie Victor	Ms. Janet D. Bashus
	Mr. and Mrs. Roger Boone
	Mr. and Mrs. William Brown
	Mr. and Mrs. Monte Dralle
	Mr. Adam Geiger
	Mr. and Mrs. Dean Meland
	Mr. and Mrs. Shervin Nelson
	Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thomsen
	Mr. Michael Victor
Art Bloom	Mr. and Mrs. Roger Roehl
Barbara Stomberg	Barbara Stomberg Trust
Bob Dreis	Ms. Jessie Dreis
Cecelia Hatzenbihler	Mr. and Mrs. Mark Curtis
	Ms. Ann Doll
	Ms. Doris Hickie
	Ms. Evangeline Himmelpach
	Mr. and Mrs. Donald Price
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David Schwengler	Ms. Erin Schwengler
Dean Newton	Mrs. Carol Frank
Eileen Clifford	Mr. Robert Clifford
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Frank Wedge	Bethel Lutheran Home
Frank Presser	Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Presser
Fred Doll	Mr. and Mrs. Mike Doll
Gerald Storebo	Mr. and Mrs. Abner Lee
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Joseph Fergel	Wander Yonders Camping Club #119
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	Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fladeland
	Mr. and Mrs. W. Daniel Schreck
	Mr. and Mrs. James Splonskowski
	Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wolf
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	Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Strege
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	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eckroth
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	Dr. and Mrs. Monte Leidenix
	Mr. William Wolberg
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	Mr. and Mrs. Clark Johnson
Shari Patzell	Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Bauer
	Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Braun
	Dr. Robert and Dr. Jan Bury
	Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dinneen
	Mr. Andrew Dockter
	Mr. Jay Duffey
	Mr. and Mrs. Marti Freymark
	Dr. and Mrs. Kevin Gilchrist
	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harkness
	Ms. Charollette Huber-Manstrom
	Mr. Larry Jensen
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	Mr. and Mrs. William Martin
	Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Mongeon
	Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Morris
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William Eisenbarth	Delores Dillmann
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Mrs. Lakshmidhevsamma	Dr. and Mrs. M.G. Sanathana Murthy
Joy Herren Karn	Ms. Nancy Billingsley



Honor your Doctor During National Doctor's Day

They know the most intimate details of your life and your relationship with them can last for decades. They are there for the happiest times and the most difficult. They're who you turn to when you're scared and searching for answers. Many people even consider them members of their extended family... they are doctors.

On March 30, the medical community will pause to recognize the nation's doctors during the 75th Anniversary of National Doctors' Day. This year, help us celebrate National Doctors' Day by recognizing a special doctor who has provided you or your loved one with care and comfort. Through the St. Alexius *Grateful Patient and Families program*, you have the opportunity to honor and thank your doctor.

Join us as we recognize and thank the doctors and staff that have taken the time to care for you and your loved ones. Go to: www.st.alexius.com/about/foundation and select **Ways to Give** to find out more about the St. Alexius *Grateful Patient and Families program*.

Whether you were treated at St. Alexius, at the Center for Family Medicine or at our Specialty Clinic, don't miss this special chance to recognize the wonderful doctors who are such an important resource for our community.



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