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"Celebrating the past - creating the future."

Quarterly Newsletter of the St. Alexius Foundation

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Rose Leingang loved helping others. She and her husband, Jack, believed very strongly in volunteering their time to help their neighbors.

In November of 1987, Rose chose to volunteer at St. Alexius Medical Center. For 16 years, she volunteered in the surgical waiting room at St. Alexius.

As a volunteer, Rose took her job very seriously. "Many times, the weather wasn't safe for travel," says her daughter, Cindy, "but, she knew that families depended on her and so she would get in her car and venture out." Her presence was felt by everyone waiting anxiously for news about their loved ones. Families were always grateful for her friendly, caring and compassionate ways. Many times, she would stay past her volunteer shift.

Earlier this year, Rose passed away at the age of 91. To recognize both of their parents, the family decided to contribute to the St. Alexius Tree of Life. "We chose to contribute to the Tree of Life, recognizing the importance of the future of St. Alexius." In June, Cindy along with her sisters LaVerne, Judy and Sandy, contacted the St. Alexius Foundation. They presented a check and chose the leaf that will be inscribed *Rose K. and Jack Y. Leingang*.

The St. Alexius Foundation dedicated the Tree of Life in 1988. Located in the south entrance lobby of

the medical center, the Tree of Life was designed as a permanent tribute to those who have been very generous to St. Alexius Medical Center. The Tree of Life honors and remembers families and friends by having the name or names of your choice permanently engraved on a golden leaf or golden stone on the Tree of Life.

You and your family can also remember friends and family by contributing to the St. Alexius and the Tree of Life. It stands as a visual testimonial to the generosity of our donors and their commitment to the exceptional care received at St. Alexius.

Gifts of \$1,000 or more are recognized with an engraved golden leaf. Gifts of \$10,000 or more are recognized on a golden stone at the base of the tree. All donations are acknowledged, and cards are sent to honored individuals or to the families of those memorialized by your generosity.



Judy Becker, Rodger Wetzel, Cindy Davenport, Sandy Leingang and LaVerne Eckley stand in front of the Tree of Life.

"...And in the middle of the garden he set the tree of life..."

Genesis 2:9

Through your gift to the Foundation, you will join others who have played an integral part in the growth and success of St. Alexius Medical Center. Your support is vital as we continue to "Let all be received as Christ."

Where there is a WILL there is a FUTURE



Wills and estate planning can be wonderful gift-giving options. Perhaps the easiest approach to planned giving is often the most forgotten.

Some people think that estate planning is only for those who have a great deal of money. However, many of us have the ability to help others once we're gone. Personal life insurance policies, the value of a business, real estate investments or home equity are just a few of the valuable possessions we have to reduce taxes while helping further a favorite charitable organization like the St. Alexis Foundation.

By making a gift in a will, you can shape the future of St. Alexis Foundation in a meaningful way. You can be assured that your assets will help St. Alexis further its vision to extend Christ's healing ministry through excellence of service, collaborative relationships and a commitment to those we serve. The added benefit to estate planning is that it can reduce your estate tax liability, thus, benefiting your heirs.

By leaving a legacy through St. Alexis, you also become an elite member of the *Alexian Society*. The *Alexian Society* was designed especially to honor those who have remembered St. Alexis Medical Center in their will or estate plan. This select group of individuals recognize the importance of health care for future generations and want to ensure that everyone will receive the very best health care resources available.

A will provides the easiest, safest and surest way for you to contribute assets and be certain your gift will be used as you wish. For more information on making wills/estates part of charitable giving, please contact Jaclyn Bugbee in the St. Alexis Foundation at 701-530-7394 or by email at jbugbee@primecare.org. She'll be happy to discuss the *Alexian Society* and how you can create your personal legacy through an estate plan.

Partners in Healthcare



Andrew L. Wilson
President & CEO

St. Alexis Medical Center is committed to continue to provide quality healthcare to all who choose us for their health-related needs. Through this commitment, we have been recognized with many awards for our quality of healthcare and patient safety.

Our goal is to continue to provide the best possible healthcare in the region, which we believe you deserve. We ask all of you to consider being a partner in joining with us in meeting this goal through a gift to the St. Alexis Foundation.

Because of your past support to the Foundation, we have been able to care for at-risk infants; bring services, such as hospice, to many areas; purchase needed diagnostic equipment; provide up-to-date education for staff to better care for our patients; and meet many other needs.

St. Alexis was the first hospital in Dakota Territory, and we look forward to providing the best quality healthcare far into the future.

Sisters Celebrate their 50th Jubilee



Sr. Susan Lardy and Sr. Renee Zastoupil are presented a check by Andrew Wilson and Rodger Wetzel.

On July 12, St. Alexis recognized the 50th anniversary of perpetual monastic profession for Sister Susan Lardy and Sister Renee Zastoupil. Sr.

Renee is the Director of Pastoral Care, and Sr. Susan is the Director of Mission Effectiveness at St. Alexis.

The St. Alexis Foundation hosted a jubilee luncheon and a open house in their honor. \$4,000 was raised to benefit the St. Alexis Employee Emergency Fund and the St. Alexis Chapel Fund. Contributions in their honor are still being accepted through the St. Alexis Foundation.

Six Scholarships Awarded through the Sarah Ann Haugen Memorial Fund

This year, six students will receive funding for paramedic training thanks to those who contribute to the Sarah Ann Haugen Memorial Scholarship fund through the St. Alexius Foundation. The \$500 scholarships, established in 2000, were created in loving memory of Sarah Ann Haugen. Sarah, the daughter of Mark and Sharol Haugen, died suddenly in 1996. The Sarah Ann Haugen Memorial Fund was established in 1999 with an initial gift by Jerry Tanner. Tanner, a former student in the program, wanted to remember Sarah Ann and give others the opportunity to benefit from this training. Over \$20,000 has been contributed in Sarah Ann's memory.

The scholarships award deserving Paramedic students who attend the EMT - Paramedic program through Bismarck State College and St. Alexius Medical Center. The scholarship is based on academic achievement and financial need.

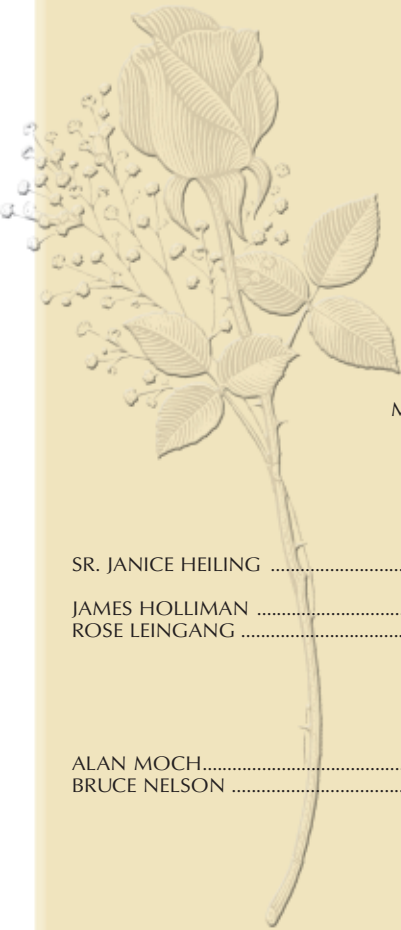
This year's recipients are:

Amanda Bibb, New Salem
Amanda Engel, Bismarck
David Donner, New Salem
Ashley Morgan, Lemmon SD
Ryan Ries, Mobridge SD
Randal Parker, Cando

So far, 30 students have received scholarship dollars from the fund. St. Alexius Medical Center started the Paramedic Training program in 1995. In 2001, St. Alexius partnered with Bismarck State College to continue offering the training and also give students the opportunity to obtain an AAS degree.

Applications for the scholarship and additional information for those who wish to contribute to the Sarah Ann Haugen Memorial Fund can be received by contacting the *St. Alexius Foundation* at 530-7065, or *Charlene Todd* at 530-7700.

In Memory...



RICH BACHMEIER	Ms. Kristi Hass
ED BECKNELL SR	Ms. Edvina Becknell
CAROLINE BENEKE	Friends and Family
PAT BEYER	Mr. & Mrs. Ed Buchanan
GARY BLANKENSHIP	Mrs. Myriam Blankenship
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	Mr. & Mrs. John Buchmann
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	Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Jacobs
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	Lemmon EMT Association
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	Mr. & Mrs. Randall Nelson
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PLANNING RETIREMENT? **ALREADY RETIRED?**

**Strategies
you must know!**

**Ryan Benning and James Fettig of
Warren, Benning and Glass Financial Services**

October 23, 2007

4:00 - 5:30pm

7:00 - 8:30pm (repeat)

St. Alexius Cafeteria Room 2 and 3

Cost: FREE

RSVP by Friday, October 19, 2007 by calling 530-7700 or (800) 843-9628.

St. Alexius and Kohl's Cares for Kids®

Have you noticed the cute stuffed animals and books at the entrance of the Bismarck Kohl's store? Purchasing these products supports the Kohl's Cares for Kids® program.



Kohl's Cares for Kids® is not just a program, it's a promise of hope for a brighter, healthier future for kids in our communities. From injury prevention and immunization programs, Kohl's contributes funding toward keeping kids healthy.

Throughout the year, supporters of St. Alexius Medical center can purchase special Kohl's Cares for Kids® merchandise. 100% of the net profits from the sale of Kohl's Cares for Kids® merchandise is donated to support health and educational opportunities for children in the community through the St. Alexius Foundation. Since the Bismarck store opened in the fall of 2005, over \$20,000 has been raised to support St. Alexius sponsored children's programs in the community.

By purchasing Kohl's Cares of Kids® merchandise, you are partnering with St. Alexius Medical Center to enhance health and education opportunities for children in our area.

Central Market Partners with the We Care Program

You have another way to contribute to the St. Alexius Foundation. Through the We Care program offered at Central Market, 1% of the total from your saved Central Market receipts will be donated to the Foundation to support the mission of St. Alexius. Anyone wishing to contribute their receipts should have the cashier put a stamp on your receipt after purchasing your items and send their receipts to the Foundation or drop off their receipts in three locations throughout the Medical Center. The drop offs include the Information desk in the South Entrance, the Information desk in the East Entrance or the St. Alexius Foundation office.

Employees are encouraged to sign their receipts to be eligible for quarterly drawings.

Central Market has two locations in Bismarck-Mandan. For additional information, please contact *Jaclyn Bugbee* in the Foundation office at (701) 530-7065.



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