



DHF Times

DAKOTA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

Vermillion, South Dakota

June 2020

Coming Up

*Please check our website
or local news sources
for up to date information.*

October 1 - 31
Grant Period Open

July 20
Sheri Ellis Golf Social

November/December
Tree of Lights

December
Leadership Dinner

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Greetings,

In the middle of a pandemic where our routines have been disrupted, special events are not held or held in the same way, and we just do not see people with the same manner and frequency as we did before COVID-19, we can forget the good things going on around us. Even in this unique time, Dakota Hospital Foundation has been making good things happen and giving us a reason to celebrate. The DHF Innovation Committee recently reviewed six proposals submitted as part of the annual Employee Idea Challenge. Even during a busy, trying time, the employees of Sanford Vermillion are thinking of ways to enhance services to patients, visitors, and residents. Thanks to these employees for their submittals. Congratulations to Stacy Wuestewald for her submission, selected as the winner of this year's competition. Implementation of her suggestion will better serve our patients with diabetic challenges for years to come. See inside for more information on all of the employee submittals.



John Prescott

While we have not yet been able to gather for ceremonies recognizing our high school and university graduates, DHF has recognized their work with the awarding of scholarships to six high school students to continue their education at a technical institute or university. New this year is a scholarship for students planning to attend a technical institute in a healthcare field. This scholarship has been funded by former board member Pat Wingen who passed away earlier this year and his wife Theresa. Thank you to the Wingen family for supporting this opportunity to help young people gain the training needed to start a career in the healthcare field.

Dakota Hospital Foundation is planning a couple of opportunities to safely gather. The Sheri Ellis golf tournament will again take place on Monday, July 20 at The Bluffs Golf Course. A few changes and adjustments have taken place to spread out the golfers at this time. Tee times are in place and there won't be the traditional gathering in the clubhouse at the end of the tournament. It will be a great time and this will help raise funds for the many projects Dakota Hospital Foundation undertakes more specifically for the upgrade to 3D mammography at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center. To learn more about the

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tournament or to sign-up, please see the ad in this newsletter.

Unfortunately, the Evening for Women which was to be held in March has now been cancelled for 2020 as well as the community celebration in August at the Vermillion High School. We hope to bring back both events in 2021. The annual leadership dinner which is typically held in late May is currently postponed. The Board is looking towards an event the first part of December if conditions permit. Please stay tuned for more information. While we look forward to having Dakota Hospital Foundation family together to celebrate, we need to do it in a safe manner when conditions permit.

As I close, I want to offer a message of gratitude.

Thank you for your support to Dakota Hospital Foundation. I hope that through a review of this newsletter you will once again see the good work that your investment in the foundation is making. Your support of Dakota Hospital Foundation helps enhance the great quality of medical care that we are fortunate to experience in this area. On behalf of Dakota Hospital Foundation, I want to recognize the employees, caregivers and providers in our hospital, clinic, care center, and assisted living. You are doing great work in a very challenging time.

Thank you for the difference you are making in the lives of those you care for and our community. It is greatly appreciated.

John Prescott, President

Employee Idea Challenge Project 2020

Today as a strong and vital part of the community, DHF and Sanford Vermillion Medical Center (SVMC) continue to search for new and innovative ways to serve our citizens, hence our request for proposals from those most intimate with our patients, residents, visitors and staff - **Sanford Vermillion Medical Center employees.**

Employee Idea Challenge Project Submittals

- Diabetes Point of Care Testing
Staci Wuestewald, RN
- Interactive life skills station at Special Care Unit
Amy Hertz, OTR/L
- Schools Alive - supplies to update playground activities for schools
Amy Richardson, Athletic Trainer
- Emergency Evacuation Chairs (Assisted Living)
Caurel Robison (Nursing Asst.)
- Care Center/Assisted Living Gazebo facelift
Sue Johnson, Patient Access Rep.
- LCN 1461 Series Door Control for Assisted Living
Teresa Nygaard, Lead Environmental Services Tech.

WINNING PROJECT

- \$1,000 Diabetes Point of Care Testing
Staci Wuestewald, RN, Clinic

This project proposes purchase of an A1C Point of Care (POC) instrument. It is used to diagnose, treat, and monitor diabetes control.



Congratulations to Staci and all those who participated!

Time to renew your 2020 Dakota Hospital Foundation Membership!

Your generous giving throughout the year helps fund projects at Sanford Vermillion and other health and wellness initiatives throughout the community.

Our current campaign project is the purchase of a 3D Mammography machine.

Renew your membership online at dakotahospitalfoundation.org

Because of you, DHF is able to do so much. Thank you!

**Gratitude to
DHF 2020 Donors
January—May**

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Scholarship Awards

Three Dakota Hospital Foundation scholarships awarded to area high school seniors:

Employee-Child Scholarship Program

Victoria Andre..... \$1000
Vermillion High School

Alexandra Carr..... \$1000
Vermillion High School

Becky and Dave Nelson Healthcare Career Scholarship
Kennedy Pratt..... \$2000
Vermillion High School

Sally Quatier..... \$2000
Gayville-Volin High School

Patrick & Theresa Wingen Family Scholarship
Brooke Assmus..... \$1000
Vermillion High School

Three scholarships offered to students of the University of South Dakota:

Tim & Wanda Hannahs Scholarship
Justine Zylstra..... \$500

Dennis & Mary Jo Olson Family Medicine Scholarship
Victor Strasburg \$500

William Dendinger, MD Family Medicine Scholarship
Ali Haines \$500



Victoria Andre



Alexandra Carr



Kennedy Pratt



Brooke Assmus



Justine Zylstra



Sally Quatier



Victor Strasburg



Ali Haines

15th Annual
**Sheri Ellis Memorial
Golf Social**

Schedule
your tee time
call
605.677.3617

Monday, July 20, 2020
The Bluffs Golf Course
Vermillion, SD
Tee times between 10:30 am - 2:30 pm
18 Hole, 4 Person Scramble
\$50 per person paid in advance / \$60 day of event
Includes Golf, Dinner and Prizes

Vermillion

For more information or to register call 605-677-3617



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I would ask that my membership donation be allocated to the following projects (multiple choices will be equally distributed unless otherwise noted; left blank will be allocated to general/membership):

<input type="checkbox"/>	General/Membership
<input type="checkbox"/>	3D Mammography Project
<input type="checkbox"/>	Becky and Dave Nelson Healthcare Career Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dennis & Mary Jo Olson, MD Family Medicine Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/>	Patrick & Theresa Wingen Family Endowment Vocational School Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wanda & Tim Hannahs Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/>	William Dendinger, MD Family Medicine Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/>	Employee Crisis Fund

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Options to process donation:
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With much gratitude, we thank you for your pledge commitment.