



FOUNDATION NEWS

BETHEL LUTHERAN HOME FOUNDATION, 1001 SO. EGAN AVE., MADISON, SD 57042

NOVEMBER 2011



Joyce and Tom Farrell

Farrells Grateful to Volunteers as Capital Campaign Nears End

By Tom and Joyce Farrell, Campaign Co-Chairs

What a wonderful experience the past 30 months have been! In many ways it seems like only yesterday when we were asked to co-chair a Bethel capital campaign. Amazingly, it took us no time at all to accept the opportunity that was presented to us by Gary Johnson, Development Director for the Bethel Foundation.

Soon after our acceptance, the campaign was named *Caring-Preparing*, and a steering committee was formed which included **Pastor Constanze Hagmaier**, Chair for Congregation Gifts; **DeLon Mork**, Chair for Resident and Family Gifts; **Jeff Bloom**, Chair for Business and Corporate Gifts; **Judy Johnson**, Chair for Women of the Church Gifts; **Linda Nighbert**, Chair for Staff and Employee Gifts; and **Ralph Wagoner**, Chair for Board and Former Board Gifts.

The campaign's success began quickly when these folks not only gave their time and talent, but also generously opened their pocketbooks. Members of the steering committee worked hard to form their committees and complete their respective phases of the campaign. Our sincere thanks to the all-volunteer steering committee members for all of their dedicated work for the Bethel Community.

We were blessed with a wonderful Bethel Foundation staff. **Gary Johnson** demonstrated his commitment to the entire Bethel Community, and he was always there to cheer us on, lend new ideas, and follow through with each of the campaign phases. **Jeanne Simpson** came on board shortly after we started and what a blessing she was to all. Jeanne brought her attention to detail and unbelievable commitment to the campaign and the Bethel Foundation. And certainly, but not least, **Jim Iverson**, Administrator, was always there with his smile, encouragement, and insight into the campaign. Thanks Jim, Gary, and Jeanne.

Most of the campaign solicitations have been completed, and many of the pledges have been paid or are being kept current. The results of many volunteer hours are now becoming evident. The contractor bids have been awarded, the ground has been broken for the new addition, and work has begun.

In conclusion, we would like to thank all of the hundreds of volunteers and contributors for the opportunity to work with them to make the additions and improvements that will benefit all within the Bethel Community.

The fundraising continues and there is still time for you to make a gift. You may use the form on page 4 for your gift. We will truly appreciate whatever you can give. Won't you please join us in being a part of this effort?

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The Sixteenth Annual Bethel Foundation Dinner and Auction will be Thursday, **April 19, 2012**, at the Dakota Prairie Playhouse.

Mark your calendars!



Meet the Foundation’s Newest Board Member

The Bethel Lutheran Home Foundation is pleased to welcome Greg Benda as its newest board member. Greg grew up in the Comfrey/St. James area of Minnesota and has been a resident in the Madison area since 2006. He and his wife Vonnie moved here from southern California after Greg retired from 45 years in sales.

Greg and Vonnie have three sons, four grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. They are members of St. John Lutheran Church in Madison. Greg is a member of the Madison Lion’s Club and also serves on two boards of Sioux Valley Energy. He is currently helping with this year’s harvest by working part-time for a farmer in the Chester area. Welcome Greg!

MEMORIALS (September–October 2011)

In memory of Alvin Aldrich

JoAnn VanDam

In memory of Leodell Bjorkman

Sharon Abraham
Pauline and Lowell Larson

In memory of Lyle Croon

JoAnn VanDam

In memory of Harold Dannenbring

Janet Hofeman

In memory of Eugene Fassett

Carsten and Karen Bergheim
Dan and Linda Bruns

In memory of Cal Hansen

Ramona Gutzman
Cal Hansen’s Family
Janet Hofeman
Debra L. Stewart
Betty Wilbur

In memory of Ellwood Jacobson

Lyle and Carol Grove

In memory of Hazel Johannsen

Linda and Steve Ford
Janet Hofeman
Teresa and Dennis Miller
Maynard and Sharon Oines
Kay and Vernon Schmidt
Bertha Tieman

In memory of Carol Jones

Peggy Hoff
Lyle and Sandi Johnson
Gary G. and Rochelle Johnson
Leaman and Jean Schwiesow

In memory of Alyss Ann Klapperich

Gary G. and Rochelle Johnson

In memory of Evelyn Kurger

Leaman and Jean Schwiesow

In memory of Ann Lang

Kay and Vernon Schmidt

In memory of Evelyn Lafrentz

Clair and Gayla Anderson

In memory of DeLoris Lembcke

Sharon Abraham

In memory of Kenneth Richardson

Donna Lidel
JoAnn Van Dam

In memory of Gayle Satterlee

Lyle and Sandi Johnson

In memory of Floyd “Bud” Shaver

Darrell and Mary Benson

In memory of Virginia Stanford

Leaman and Jean Schwiesow

In memory of Gary Zemlicka

Lyle and Sandi Johnson

Other Gifts Received

Foundation Dinner/Auction Donation
NorthWestern Energy — Sid Gulbranson
Thrivent Financial — Lake Co. Chapter

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Phyllis and Richard Birk
Floyd Havrevold
Gene and Marilyn Hexom
Gary G. Johnson
Marilyn Laisy
Joyce Severson
Douglas Stormo
Doug Verley
Joel Ziebarth

Benefactor Gifts

Eldon and Irma Beukelman
Goldie Framness
Janet Hofeman
Robert and Gert King
Janet and Doug Sunde

Other Gifts

Grace Lutheran Church, Nunda

In Memory . . .

Our condolences to the families and friends of



Ella Gehrels

. . Nov. 13, 1925–Nov. 4, 2011

Hazel Johannsen

. . Nov. 24, 1930–Sept. 2, 2011

Clarence “Cal” Hansen

. . . Aug. 8, 1924–Sept. 16, 2011

“A human life is a story told by God”
- Hans Christian Andersen

2011 BETHEL BENEFACTORS – through October 31, 2011

Builders: (\$2,500 or more annually)

Marjorie Haskins

Skylights: (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Jerry and Julie Gehrels
 Grace Lutheran Church, Nunda
 Lake Madison Lutheran Church
 Donna Lidel
 Doug and Janet Sunde
 Thrivent Choice Dollars
 Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison
 Joel and Sharon Ziebarth

Keystone: (\$500 to \$999 annually)

Dakotacare
 Tom and Joyce Farrell
 Howalt-McDowell Insurance, Inc.
 Lyle and Sandi Johnson
 George J. Jorgenson
 Midcontinent Communications
 Terry and Emily Lafrentz
 Lake County International —Jeff Bloom
 Doug and Joan Merager
 Betty Strom
 St. John Lutheran Church, Ramona
 St. Peter Lutheran Church

Cornerstone: (\$250 to \$499)

Orva Anderson
 Bethel Home Auxiliary
 Elmer and Delores Beeck
 Eldon and Irma Beukelman
 Merlin Brod
 Michael and Artyce Brooke
 Tim and Monica Campbell
 Paul and Audrey Christiansen
 First Bank and Trust—Jon Knuths
 First Lutheran Church, Colton
 Linda and David Fischer
 Jim and Leona Fods
 Tom and Debra Graff
 John and Millie Gross
 Greg and Jean Gutzman
 Susan and David Hageman
 Pastors Dirk and Constanze Hagmaier
 Jerry and Connie Hegdahl
 Leonard and Viola Herr
 Hillyard the Cleaning Resource
 Jim and Cheryl Iverson
 Elizabeth (Betty) Jensen
 Gary G. and Rochelle Johnson
 Roger and Judy Johnson
 Jack Jones
 Kreisers, Inc.
 Doris Leraas
 Joe and Judy Minnaert

Marcus and Lana Molskness
 Montgomery’s Furniture
 Richard and Linda Nighbert
 NorthWestern Energy—Sid Gulbranson
 Carrol and June Olson
 Jeff and Jean Ordal
 Prostrollo’s All-American Auto Mall
 Ralph and Susie Wagoner

Footings: (\$100 to \$249 annually)

Mildred Acheson
 Clair and Gayla Anderson
 Laurel Anderson
 Marilyn Barger
 John and Darlene Basler
 Daryl and Maebelle Behrends
 Belleview Lutheran Church, Howard
 Rhoda Benjamin
 Wade and Jennifer Briggs
 Dan and Linda Bruns
 Bill and Claudia Carmichael
 Tracy Dahl-Webb
 Carol DeSchepper
 Pastor Dwaine and Janice Doremus
 Harriet Erickson
 Richard and Deanna Erickson
 Beverly Erikson
 Beverly Fawbush
 Steve and Linda Ford
 Goldie Framness
 Gary and Kathy Graff, Madison Arborcare
 Lyle and Carol Grove
 Phil Halverson
 Lowell and Sharyl Hass
 Helen Hegdahl
 Gladys Hess
 Gene and Marilyn Hexom
 Janet Hofeman
 Gordon and Henrietta Johnson
 Lana Johnson
 Robert and Gert King
 Douglas and Sharon Knowlton
 Beverly Langner
 Barbara Leonard
 Joe and Joan Manthey
 Charrold T. Marshall
 Jay and Cathy Martin
 Elizabeth Menches
 Curt and Diana Nelson
 Jeri and Vince Nelson
 Helen Oldre
 Mae J. Olson
 Roger Orton
 Rex Page
 Norma and Lewis Patterson
 Elaine Pederson

Diane and Myron Plack
 Beverly Price
 Donna and Dennis Rensch
 Bill and Joyce Richter
 Joan and Larry Riden
 Merlin and Bev Riedel
 Alice Robb
 David and Ann Marie Rossing
 St. Jacob’s Lutheran Church, Colton
 Kay and Vernon Schmidt
 Mark and Cathy Schultz
 DelFaye Sederstrom
 Myrle Sederstrom
 Carolyn and Eldon Seten
 Dick and Jeanne Simpson
 Stephan and Mary Snyder
 Natalie Southmayd
 Nicholas and Bonnie Spielmann
 Arlys Stanford
 Bonnie and Sheldon Stratton
 Steve and Barbara Strom
 Jim and Betty Sunde
 Ronald and Verla Thompson
 Thrivent Financial —Lake Co. Chapter
 Judge Tim and Colleen Tucker
 Jay and Sherry VanLiere
 Colleen Van Meter
 Doug and Julie Verley
 Betty Wilbur
 Ken and Bev Winterton
 Cecelia Wittmayer/Norman Andenas

**Bethel Community
 December and January Birthdays**

Dec. 8 Ernestine Johnson
 Dec. 8 Eldon Seten
 Dec. 11 Ernie Pedersen
 Dec. 11 Elaine Smit
 Dec. 16 Corinne Herron
 Dec. 17 Merna Karlson
 Dec. 22 Gerald Schut
 Dec. 27 Leona Becker

Jan. 7 Rose Pulford
 Jan. 15 Raymond Westerberg
 Jan. 19 Mavis Inhofer
 Jan. 23 Pearl Hein
 Jan. 30 Frances Trapp

Happy Birthday



Don't Let This Opportunity Slip Away

The Charitable IRA Rollover is set to expire December 31, 2011. If you have reached age 70½, this means that, prior to December 31, you can give directly from your IRA to the Bethel Foundation without recognizing the distribution as income on your federal tax return. This tax-free distribution may be a great way to make a capital campaign gift, pay your remaining capital campaign pledge, or make another gift to the *Caring-Preparing* Campaign. **Now is a great time to make a year-end gift to the Foundation, especially if you are waiting until year-end to take your required minimum distribution**

If you have already contributed to the *Caring-Preparing* Capital Campaign, thank you. We are grateful for your support. If you have not yet participated but would like to join so many others in supporting the campaign, you may use the form below for your gift. We will truly appreciate whatever you can give.

Caring-Preparing Capital Campaign

I/we would like to join the partnership of support for Bethel's *Caring-Preparing* Campaign by contributing

\$ _____ . (Optional: This gift/pledge is given in honor of _____

This gift/pledge is given in memory of _____

This gift will be made in the following manner: _____ Gift enclosed \$ _____

_____ In equal installments of \$ _____ per year for _____ years beginning _____ (date)

Donor name(s) as you would like it/them to appear in recognition materials:

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please make checks payable to Bethel Foundation and mailed to 1001 S. Egan Ave., Madison, SD 57042

The Bethel Foundation provides direct financial support to the Bethel Community and its ministries. You may use the form below to join or renew your membership. We are proud of and grateful to our benefactors.



Bethel Foundation Benefactor Membership Form

I/we wish to join/renew the Bethel Foundation Benefactor Membership with the following annual giving option

_____ Footings \$100–\$259 _____ Cornerstone \$250–\$499 _____ Keystone \$400–\$999

_____ Skylight \$1,000–\$2,499 _____ Builder \$2,500 or more

Names(s) _____ Phone No. _____

Address _____

Please make checks payable to **Bethel Lutheran Home Foundation.**

Mail to 1001 So. Egan Ave., Madison, SD 57042. Contributions are 100% tax deductible. Thank you.