



Pioneer Memorial Forms Foundation

Pioneer Memorial Foundation held its first meeting December 11. The newly chartered organization will guide fundraising efforts in support of Pioneer

February 28 is nearing, Get Ready For The Plunge!

Start planning now to participate in Pioneer Memorial's 2nd Annual Polar Plunge! The event is scheduled for Saturday, February 28 with a "snow date" of March 7. It will again be held at Swan Lake, just north of Viborg.

Participants will collect pledges of support with a minimum of \$50 needed to plunge. All proceeds will be used to fund a project in the Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home.

Each participant will receive a Polar Plunge long sleeve t-shirt and lunch. Trophies will be awarded for the top participants raising the most money.

The entire Swan Lake Christian Camp has been reserved providing plenty of changing and "warming" rooms. A hot lunch of soup, taverns and bars will be served in the main dining room immediately after the plunge.

Spectators are encouraged, so even if you're not ready to take the plunge yourself, come to Swan Lake Christian Camp on the 28th to cheer on the participants. Join us immediately following the event for a free-will-donation hot lunch.

Proceeds from last year's Polar Plunge are being used to renovate the Nursing Home's therapy tub room and to install a new whirlpool tub. We recently received authorization from the state to proceed with the remodeling and hope to complete the project in the near future.

Memorial Hospital & Health Services, according to Brendyn Richards, Director of Development.

Area volunteers who have agreed to serve on the board include: Bill Hansen, Centerville, Economic Development Coordinator/Banker/Farmer, Arlen Jensen, Viborg, hobby farmer and former PMH&HS Board member, Dr. George Jenter, Sturgis, Osteopathic Family Physician, Mark Kasten, Parker, State Farm Insurance Agent for Parker and Freeman, Charles Larsen, Hurley, Retired Farmer, Eldon Nygaard, Vermillion/Viborg, State Legislator/Attorney/Farmer/Business Owner, Bob Satter, Irene, Retired Banker, and Blanche Vannorsdel, Viborg, Farmer/Owner.

Hospital Board Representatives on the Foundation include Melanie

Parsons, President, Gary Ward, Vice President, and Paul Christensen, Secretary.

Hospital staff represented on the Board include Georgia Pokorney, CEO, Anne Christiansen, CFO, Richards, and Kathy Skotvold, Administrative Assistant (Recorder/Minutes).

Newly elected officers of the Foundation include President: Bill Hansen, Vice President: Melanie Parsons, and Secretary/Treasurer, Mark Kasten.

Committee assignments are: Policy, Melanie Parsons, chair, Dr. George Jenter, Eldon Nygaard and Blanche Vannorsdel members; Finance, Bob Satter, chair, Paul Christensen, Bill Hansen and Mark Kasten, members; and Nominating, Gary Ward, chair, Arlen Jensen and Charles Larsen, members.

\$15,000 Grant Announced for Pharmacy

The Adams-Mastrovich Family Foundation, Mary Adams Balmat, Bloomington, MN, recently awarded a \$15,000 grant to Pioneer Memorial for our Centerville Pharmacy Project.

Brendyn Richards, Director of Development, explained, "This grant helps move us forward in acquiring necessary funds to match Dr. Faithe's challenge grant of \$50,000. We will receive the entire Challenge Grant once we raise \$100,000 in gifts. We are also working with several major donors on naming opportunities."

Total amount received or pledged to the project thus far, including the \$15,000 grant, is about \$82,000. Richards explained that in addition to these dollars, he is awaiting word on the outcome of several other grant applications he has submitted.

Mary Adams Balmat established the Adams-Mastrovich Foundation in 1957

to sustain her philanthropic interests. Upon her death in 1993, the Foundation received the major portion of her estate with the proviso that only charitable organizations in South Dakota and southern California be funded.

Mary Adams Balmat was born in 1898 in Lead, SD. Widowed at a young age, she married William Emory Adams II in 1927. He was a prominent businessman in Deadwood, SD as well as its mayor for six terms during the 1920s. The couple maintained residences in both SD and CA. Their home in Deadwood now belongs to the local Historic Preservation Commission. Over the years she shared her resources with education, the performing arts, institutions of higher learning, Roman Catholic parishes, hospitals, museums and libraries as well as programs for battered women and an organization serving delinquent teenage boys.

2008 Annual Campaign Donor List

Listed below are all who have made cash and pledge donations to the Friends program during the period of January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008. Gifts will be recognized in each issue of the newsletter. The Development Committee and Board of Directors of PMH&HS join in issuing a sincere Thank You to all who have made our program a success.

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Gifts To Remember

This program allows us to recognize the memory/honor of special people or to recognize special events and special times. Gifts listed below are from **September 4, 2008 to December 31, 2008.**

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Californian is Nursing Home's 1,000th Admission

A lifelong California resident recently became Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home's 1,000th admission.

Dianne Crowder spent all of her life living in Fresno, and Santa Maria, CA before finding her way to Viborg. She was admitted on September 25, nearly thirty-nine years after Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home's first residents were admitted on January 1, 1970.

Dianne is a bright-eyed, friendly, positive-thinking woman who happens to be caught in the grip of MS. She has spent the last three years completely bedridden while battling the effects of the disease. Prior to that, she spent many years using a walker and wheelchair. Both her hips have been fractured, the right one last year while she was hospitalized in California. Dianne explains that her hospitalization also resulted in a debilitating infection that threatened her life. In the midst of these serious health conditions, her only daughter, Alison, and son-in-law, Glen, decided it was time to find a new home, somewhere outside their densely populated community. They wanted daughter Taylor to grow up in a safer and more relaxed environment.

Glen used the Internet to research the top cities to live in the U.S and discovered Sioux Falls. They then researched nearby nursing homes which led them to Pioneer Memorial. Once here, they selected a home in Hurley where daughter Taylor is enrolled in school and where they are near jobs in Sioux Falls and Dianne at Pioneer Memorial.

None of them had ever lived in a community smaller than about 90,000 residents, but Dianne is thrilled to be here and says the care she receives is "outstanding" and the food "incredible". "I think so much of the staff here and the care I receive. There is so much one-on-one interaction. They had me up and in a wheelchair in less than a week after I arrived. Prior to moving here, I had been bedridden for three years and had made the cross-country car trip from California on a gurney. It took us two-and-a-half days."

Dianne continued, "Thanks to Dr. Hagiwara and staff here, the infection I had since March 2008 is in remission. I had nearly given up on myself so I can't tell you how delighted I am. I'm kind of hard headed and like to be self sufficient.

My goal is to work hard so I can become more mobile and be able to live again with my daughter and her family and be an asset to them by helping with my nine-year-old granddaughter."



Dianne Crowder

Dianne has also had contact with nurses at Sanford Health in Sioux Falls since arriving and has many positive things to share about their professionalism, kindness and assistance in helping her overcome the infection. She put in a special message for them, "You be sure to include how grateful I am for their care and how much I appreciated their help!"

Laughingly she said, "I told the kids I only had three rules they should go by in selecting a new place to live... no snow, no stairs in their house and a nice big porch. I didn't get one of them, but I'm glad I'm here. This is a real friendly group."

\$20,000 Goal Set for Employee Fundraising Campaign

The 2009 Employee Campaign is underway with a goal of raising \$20,000 to support programs and services of Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services.

Employees have an opportunity to donate to several projects including:

- * The completion of Nursing Home Therapy Tub Room Suite Remodeling Project (\$4,000 cost)
- * Furniture for the new Centerville Community Pharmacy (\$5,000 cost)
- * New sound system for the dining/day rooms in the Nursing Home (\$5,000)
- * Upgrade 12 hospital beds with 20" flat screen TVs in the Hospital (\$3,500 cost)
- * Big Screen TV in the Nursing Home "Day" Room. (\$2,500 cost)

If the campaign total is reached, all the above projects will be funded. If we don't quite meet our goal, the Employee Campaign committee will determine the priority order of projects to be funded. Committee members include: Brendyn Richards, chair, Patty Anderson, Kecia Christensen, Dee Hansen, Lori Hisel, Jean Peterson, Georgia Pokorney, Ed Poll, Kathy Skotvold, Grace Tidball, Judy VanDerhule, and Nita Wirth.

To get the campaign off to a great start, Early Bird Prize Packages were assembled by Director of Development, Brendyn Richards. From Dec. 1 and Dec. 31, 2008, every \$25 donation of cash, pledge, or the equivalent in vacation/personal hours to the campaign earned a chance at the Early Bird Prize. Prize

winners were: 4 passes – Sertoma Butterfly House – Nita Wirth, 4 passes – Bowling in Centerville at Strikes – Sharon Jacobsen, 4 passes – Carousel skate (Sioux Falls) – Patty Anderson, 4 passes - Great Plains Zoo and large pizza from Pizza Hut – LaVonne Isaak, 4 tickets - Skyforce & large pizza from Pizza Hut – Sharon Akland, 4 tickets - Storm & large pizza from Pizza Hut – Judy VanDerhule, Beresford Golf package & gift certificate from Good times Restaurant, Beresford – Ella Odland, 4 tickets – lower level tickets to Skyforce, 1 night stay at the Sheraton in Sioux Falls and Gift Certificate at the Texas Roadhouse – Ginny Anderson, Polar Plunge shirt – Sherrie Menigoz, and a Polar Plunge shirt – Grace Tidball.

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Equipment for Restorative Nursing Purchased With Proceeds From Oktoberfest Celebration

Restorative nursing and the dietary department will benefit from the proceeds of this year's successful Oktoberfest. Money raised, along with a matching grant approved by the Board of Directors, will purchase a standing unit known as a "Stand Strap Stand". It allows users to go from a sitting to standing position directly from a wheelchair.

The goal of Restorative Nursing is to maintain optimal physical, mental and psychosocial functioning and acknowledges that any resident at any time may benefit from restorative nursing. According to Robin Stockland, Director of Rehab/Therapy, "The standing frame will be a great asset to the Restorative program at the Nursing Home and for the Physical Therapy Department. It helps residents or patients participate in weight bearing activities even if they have joint stiffness, weak leg muscles or poor bone health. Most of us take strong bones, joints and leg muscles for granted. The standing frame is a great asset to help others realize optimal physical functioning."

Funds left after purchase of the stand aid will be used to buy an upright freezer for dietary.

All employees who donated and/or volunteered for Oktoberfest received a ballot. About 20 equipment ideas or projects suggested by staff were listed on the ballot. These ballots were used to select the final two winners.

This year's "Oktoberfest" took the place of our former Country Craft & Health Fair. Though both events have proved popular and successful, the new format of holding the event in the Community Center and featuring entertainment throughout the afternoon was very popular. People came to enjoy the homemade Indian Tacos purchase a raffle ticket, bid in the silent auction, buy a bake sale item, and listen to the great music. Most stayed throughout the afternoon to hear all the entertainers.

Raffle winners included: Trip for two to Las Vegas, Lisa Wixon, \$250 cash, LeAnn Knudson and Sioux Falls package, Holly Peterson. Cheryl Wierenga won the Employee contest for selling the most raffle tickets and won the grand prize of \$75 cash, four Skyforce tickets, and a \$25 Lone Star Restaurant gift card.

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