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## Healthcare scholarship applications now available

The West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation has provided scholarships for area students pursuing health-related careers for nearly 10 years. The students can be college-bound high school seniors or mid-career professionals seeking additional education. They can be students from the Manning, IKM and Coon Rapids schools and individuals residing in Manning, Manilla, Irwin, Aspinwall, Dedham, Coon Rapids, Gray, Halbur and Templeton. Individuals who are employed at, or have immediate family members employed by Manning Regional Healthcare Center or Manning Family Healthcare Clinic are also eligible.

Applications are available upon request. Applicants may telephone 712-655-3624 or email [wcihf@mmcts.com](mailto:wcihf@mmcts.com), or they may stop at the Foundation office at 313 Main St., Manning. Deadline for 2008 applications is March 31.

In 2007, four scholarships totaling \$2,500 were given to local students. Two students, Mi-



Michelle Graeve, IKM, is shown accepting a scholarship award from Dawn Lorenzen.

chelle Graeve, an IKM graduate, and Destiny Miller of Vail were entering college for the first time, while Jennifer Kent of Halbur returned to school to finish her degree. Kathy Singsank of Manning returned to the classroom to pursue her Masters degree. The student's majors range from nursing to pharmacy to counseling.

Because healthcare fields are suffering severe shortages, the West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation is proud to support students who pursue these essential careers.

## You can donate to WCIHF when you shop online

Internet users have been told how they can support West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation (WCIHF) - without spending money - by using the search engine GoodSearch.com.

Each time you search using GoodSearch, the Internet company donates 50 percent of its advertising revenues per search to WCIHF.

At the close of 2007, GoodSearch expanded to include GoodShop, an online shopping mall of generous merchants dedicated to helping fund worthy causes such as WCIHF. The mall includes over 470 online stores such as Wal-Mart, iTunes, Best Buy, Avon, Staples, Barnes & Noble, Expedia.com and Amazon.com, to name only a few.

Each purchase you make through GoodShop

results in a donation to WCIHF, and some donations are as much as 20 percent of what you spend! Going through GoodShop is the same as buying directly from the retailer - you do not pay extra for the donation. When you use GoodShop, the retailer pays a commission and this money is passed on to the Foundation.

Therefore, if you shop online, *please* check out GoodShop to see if your favorite store is listed. This is another easy way to support the WCIHF without sending an actual donation.

## Annual Dream Lights raise over \$2500

With another holiday season behind us, the results of West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation's 16th annual Dream Light Campaign have been calculated. The donations reflect an outstanding response with more than \$2500 raised, completely covering the window of the Foundation office with the names of loved ones whose friends and family "let a light shine" in memory and honor of them.

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### Dates for your calendar

Feb 1----- Scholarship applications available  
March 31 ----- Scholarship applications due  
April 21 ----- Scholarship Winners announced  
June 14 ----- 125th Kinderfest  
July 10 ----- Annual Charity Golf Classic  
August 1-2 ----- Hwy 141 Garage Sale  
October ----- Health Fair  
November ----- Next WCIHF Newsletter  
November ----- Dream Lights Campaign Begins  
*Watch local newspapers for more listings!*

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## Director's Message

I hope everyone survived the hectic holiday season. I would like to take the time here to thank all of you who participated in this year's Dream Lights campaign. It was very successful, and the Manning Plaza will be the beneficiary of your gifts. I will let you know what they decide to purchase with your donations in the near future.



**DAWN LORENZEN**

I had a first-hand opportunity to see the hard work and caring spirit of the Plaza staff members when my Grandma stayed at the nursing home for a time last summer.

I wish to extend special thanks to Lola Muhlbauer, Jeanne Goche and the family of Glenn & Mildred Rohe who were very generous with year-end gifts to the Foundation. We appreciate all of you who have given memorial gifts, pledges and donations over the past year. Our organization would not exist without your generosity. Those gifts and donations help WCIFH to grant scholarships, write grants for community wellness projects, and provide educational events, such as the Health Fair being planned for October. It allows the Foundation to assist with physician recruitment, purchase equipment for the hospital and clinic and provide support for community healthcare needs.

Now that I have completed my first year of service to the Foundation, I am really looking forward to this upcoming year with more events and opportunities to support our healthcare system. We are hoping to move some of our events out of Manning to our surrounding communities. Some of the upcoming activities are listed in this newsletter but many more are in the planning stages. You can look for more information about upcoming activities in the local papers.

Remember, I appreciate hearing from you and welcome your contributions, comments and ideas! Please feel free to contact me in person - 313 Main in Manning; by mail - PO Box 204 Manning, IA 51455; by phone - 712-655-3624; or by email - [wcihf@mmotsu.com](mailto:wcihf@mmotsu.com)

**DREAM LIGHTS continued—**

The Dream Light Tree represents a commitment by individuals to enhance healthcare for themselves and loved ones living in and around the West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation's communi-

ties. This year's funds will be used to benefit the residents of the Manning Plaza in some way.

Overall, the annual Dream Light Tree campaign has allowed the West Central Iowa Healthcare

Foundation to donate more than \$30,500 over the years to the Manning Regional Healthcare Center to purchase necessary equipment and for the enhancement of the healthcare system.

## 2007 Dream Lights glowed in Memory of

- Alfred Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Anna Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Julius Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Linda Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Lola Ahrendsen's Twin Brothers**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Lydia Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- William Ahrendsen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Lillian Andresen**  
Denny & Pam Garvis
- Ida Anthony**  
Lois & Lowell Stribe
- Gilmer Anthony**  
Lois & Lowell Stribe
- Lil Bauer**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Richard Betchal**  
James Betchal
- Maurice Borkowski**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Sheila Bornhoft**  
Marty & Alyson Bornhoft
- Marie & Verna Brady**  
Judith Vollmer Hagen
- Carl Brus**  
Dawn Lorenzen  
Marie Brus  
Alan & Bonnie Lorenzen
- Merrill Callender**  
Phyllis Callender
- Milo & Helen Clark**  
Richard & Laura Clark
- Gertie Dammann**  
Rick & Sheryl Dammann
- William Dammann**  
Arla Dammann  
David Dammann & Family  
Ruby Vinke & Family
- George & Ida Dethlefs**  
Ruth Ohde
- Ron Determan**  
William & Phyllis Opperman
- Harry Dreier**
- Ray Ehlers**  
Phyllis Ehlers
- Bobbie Erden**  
Jean Voegel
- Alvin Ferneding**  
Rita Ferneding
- Mike Ferneding**  
Jean Ferneding  
Rita Ferneding
- Danny Garber**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Louie Gehlsen**  
LaVonne Gehlsen
- Virgil & Florence Genzen**  
Larry & Cynthia Genzen
- Arlo Gottsch**  
Jean Voegel
- Mary Lou Gottsch**  
Jean Voegel
- Ross Graner**  
Darlene Graner
- Sal & Evelyn Grundmeier**  
Ron & Susie Schilling
- Elizabeth Hagge**  
Phyllis Vollstedt
- Leander Halbur**  
Eileen Halbur
- Alta M. Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Alvan H. Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Dorothy Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Elaine Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Elizabeth Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Henry J.M. Hansen**  
Lola Ahrendsen
- Rosalene Hardy**  
Bruce Hardy
- Bart Hinnners**  
Larry & Cynthia Genzen
- Fredda Hinz**  
Roger Hinz
- Harry Hinz**  
Roger Hinz
- Earl Hoffman**  
Willie Hoffman
- Don Horihan**  
Michael & Jeanne Horihan
- Charles Hughes**  
Linda & Kevin Helgevoold
- Dean Hupp**  
Peggy Stillman
- Jeanne Kuhl Hurley**  
Arlene Kuhl Pershing  
Margaret & Alphonse Irlbeck  
Eric Jacobs  
Jodi Ramsey
- Herman Jochimsen**  
Marion Ream
- Ida Jochimsen**  
Marion Ream
- Janice Johnson**  
Lois Wegner
- Deceased family members of Wayne Justice Family**  
Wayne & Arlene Justice
- Betty Kerkhoff**  
Jeanne Gruhn  
Rose Gehling
- Leland & Genelle Kienast**  
Bary & Tim Kienast
- Marla Kienast**  
Bary & Tim Kienast
- Lorraine Kruse**  
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Arlene Kuhl Pershing
- Robert (Bobbie) Kuhl Jr**  
Arlene Kuhl Pershing
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Pam Kusel
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Dawn Lorenzen  
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Dawn Lorenzen
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- Mary Meiners**  
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- Ray & Dorothy Mohr**  
Patricia Mohr
- Valarie Morris**  
Ted & Carrie Morris
- Earl Mueller**  
Jean Voegel
- Lela Mueller**  
Jean Voegel
- Joseph J. Muhlbauer**  
Mrs. Erna Odendahl & family
- William Muhlbauer**  
Iola Muhlbauer
- John & Ida Musfeldt**  
Jay Musfeldt
- Hilda Nissen**  
Patricia Mohr
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Ruth Ohde
- Janeth Osborne**  
Amy Osborne  
Jack Osborne
- Bennie Otto**  
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- Don Owen**  
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Larry & Cynthia Genzen  
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- Kenny Pfannkuch**  
Jean Voegel
- Lorene Pfannkuch**  
Earl Pfannkuch  
Phyllis Callender
- Lucille Pfannkuch**  
Jean Voegel
- George Pflotner**  
Jean Pflotner
- Kathy Powell**  
Lois Wegner
- William (Bill) Ramsey**  
David & Donna Maasen
- Irma Riggert**  
Diane Riggert
- Ila Rix**  
Diane & Ed Weitz  
Karen & Errol Snyder
- Ted & Florence Rix**  
Richard & Carolyn Rix
- Merton Ross**  
Helen Ross
- Doris (Ramsey) Rutz**  
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Russ Spies
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- Loren Weller**  
Jean Voegel
- Harold Wetzal**  
Ted & Carrie Morris
- Allan Wiese**  
Theda Wiese
- Kristin Wiese**  
Theda Wiese
- Francis J. Zerwas**

### 2007 Dream Lights glowed in honor of:

- Lois Bruch**  
Loretta Schultes
- Marie Brus**  
Dawn Lorenzen
- Earl Kerkhoff**  
Rose Gehling
- Ted & Carrie Morris**  
Pam Kusel
- Gib & Joan Phillips**  
Bill & Bernice Ohde
- Art Rix**  
Diane & Ed Weitz  
Karen & Errol Snyder
- Phil & Sara Stracke**  
Betty Thomson

**Appreciation is extended to everyone who supported the 2007 campaign.**

## *MRHC Celebrating 80th Year of Service to the Area*

Celebration plans are developing at Manning Regional Healthcare Center as the facility observes its 80th anniversary year during 2008. Details of the celebration activities will be announced in coming weeks.

Manning Regional Healthcare Center was constructed in 1927 under the direction of Dr. O.W. Wyatt. Build with a Spanish architectural style, the original hospital featured massive concrete steps that took patients directly to what is now the second floor of the current hospital. The hospital was originally know as Wyatt Memorial Hospital, named in memory of Dr. M.B. Wyatt and opened November 27, 1927.

After World War II, Dr O.W. Wyatt retired and Dr. R.B. Andersen purchased the hospital and ran it for several years. In 1949, Dr. Andersen sold the facility to the Community Hospital Association (CHA). Later the CHA changed the name of the facility to Manning General Hospital. Additions and renovations followed in 1969 and 1989.

In 1965-66 a nursing home, know as the Manning Plaza was constructed. The Plaza started as a 58 bed, long-term care facility with 46 of the beds located in the Plaza building and 12 beds that were located on the third floor of the hospital. With the last renovation, and addition was made to the Plaza building and the third floor was renovated to house administration's offices.

In 1981-82, the Substance Abuse Treatment Unit

(SAT Unit) was opened. Later the name was changed to the Manning Family Recovery Center (MFRC) in order to better reflect the mission of the program. The MFRC is a 12-bed alcohol and drug dependency treatment unit offering inpatient, residential and outpatient care for patients and family members.

Manning Community Homecare was established in 1996 as a hospital based home healthcare agency. Homecare provides skilled nursing and therapies as well as a Homecare Aids and Lifelines to those in Manning and surrounding communities.

In 1997, Manning General Hospital, The Manning Plaza, and CHA went through a corporate consolidation and created the umbrella organization known as Manning Regional Healthcare Center.

The most recent renovation began in 1999 when additions to the south, east, and west of the hospital added 16,500 square feet to the facility. This allowed many services to become more easily accessible to patients, gave the hospital opportunity to expand services in some areas and improve care.

West Central Iowa Healthcare Foundation was created in 1990 to help sustain access to healthcare in our area. The Healthcare Foundation initially raised money to build the Manning Family Healthcare Clinic that sits across the street from the Plaza addition. In the years since, the Foundation has supported the hospital and Plaza, the Healthcare Clinic, community physician recruitment and public health and wellness in our communities.

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