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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025
FOX LAKE EVENT CENTER - SHERBURN

6:00 PM HAPPY HOUR | 7:30 DEUCES WILD
sweets, snacks, spirits | full bar – cash or credit card

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A STRONG FOUNDATION

Welcome to Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization, led by a volunteer board of directors and a full-time Foundation Director. Together, they work to promote and support Mayo Clinic Health System - Fairmont through fundraising, bequests and solicitations. FCH Foundation was formed as a non-profit charitable corporation in 1989, and today, decades later, because of generous supporters, we are stronger then ever.

Mission

The mission of Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation, is the development, management and distribution of philanthropic support to assist Mayo Clinic Health System – Fairmont, Minnesota (MCHS-Fairmont) in providing excellent health care for the local area.

Vision

Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation believes much of the strength of rural life lies in having excellent health care close to home, with neighbors caring for neighbors. We will continue to be an active and dedicated fund development entity that supports a first-class community Medical Center. We will work together with the Medical Center to serve as one set of eyes and ears to identify community health and wellness needs.

Purpose

The Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation was created in 1989 with sole purpose of enhancing health care in our community through charitable support of our locally-owned medical center. Our efforts are focused on the priorities in this community and we are directed by members of our community. Over the decades, the FCH Foundation has funded projects and initiatives that matter to both our local residents and our local health care providers. We are here to serve the local need, big or small.

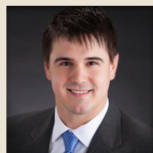
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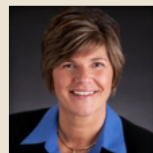
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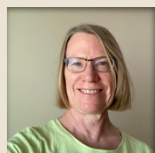
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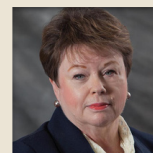
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GOOD NEW GEMS YOU MADE POSSIBLE

THIRTY-ONE BAGS

Infusion Therapy was equipped with Thirty-One bags to provide to patients undergoing treatment. These bags will not only provide transportation of items but also a ray of hope to those bravely facing their health challenges.

JOHN RODGERS MEMORIAL GARDEN

John Rodgers Memorial Garden is located just outside the Lutz Cancer Center. This serene garden space is meant for all patients to find solace and comfort amidst their journey. The garden never fails to bring a smile to our faces, and we hope it radiates that same warmth and peace to the entire community.



TREATMENT CHAIRS

Recently three new patient treatment chairs were installed in Infusion Therapy. These chairs, equipped with heat, provide comfort and care all-in-one!





2024 ERMA ROSEN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Next round of Scholarships will open for applicants February of 2025. Applications can be found on our website.

KENDYL RUSCHY



"Initially, I chose nursing with the intention of helping people, temporarily making their lives better and helping make long-term choices for their health. I was also interested in the idea of various job options in one career path. As I have progressed through nursing school, I have come to love the idea of holistically caring for individuals. With this comes assessing one's physical, mental, and emotional well-being, then using that information to assist with bettering their lives and health. When considering all these aspects, a lasting recovery is more feasible, rather than focusing on only one issue at a time and others coming about later on. There is also a strong connection between emotional and physical well-being, both contributing to the other. Although I have not selected a specific area in nursing, I have a passion for working with the older adult population. I believe they often have unseen potential and fall into the idea that illness is normal with age. Geriatric nursing presents tons of opportunities to instill hope and wellness into the population."

LAUREN DAVIS



"I chose nursing to be my future career because for as long as I can remember it has been my passion. I grew up hearing my mom talk about her job as a nurse and I was immediately drawn to it. I love the thought of being a source of comfort and support to any kind of patient through a challenging time in their life. My genuine desire to help and care for others provided a strong attraction to the nursing profession. I want to make a difference in the lives of many people. Not only my patients, but their families as well. I also thrive in environments that are constantly changing and evolving to improve. Nursing is a job where you are always learning and adapting to new ideas and practices which is exciting to me."

HAYDEN CLAUBUGH



"There are many reasons I chose nursing as my career. One of them being that I just naturally like helping people. This can be helping patients to get better when battling an illness or helping a patient to stay comfortable while in the hospital where they might not like to be. Nursing is one of the best careers to help people. You interact with so many different patients from different backgrounds and you get to just help them either medically with medicines and other interventions, or through emotional support to help them in the hard times."

RAYAH QUIRING



"I first was attracted to the nursing profession at a young age when my father was going through cancer. As he was in the hospital often, I quickly noticed how often it was the nurses who truly cared about him and my family. They would go out of their way to make sure he was as comfortable as he could be, ask if there was anything they could do for him, and explain things to him in a comforting and informational way. Not only did they take care of my dad, but they also took care of my family and me. A nurse would comfort me while the doctors were talking to my parents, ask if there was anything they could do for us, and would make sure we were also taking care of ourselves during this difficult time. It was the nurses who had the biggest impact on my family, and I want to make that same impact on others."

SAMI LENORT



"I chose to become a Registered Nurse because I felt this career gave me the best opportunity to build important and positive relationships with my future patients. When I was fifteen, both of my grandparents were in the hospital. One had esophagus cancer, and the other had liver failure. While there, I observed several nurses who were assisting with their needs. I quickly noticed their close connection with my grandparents and our family members. I realized then and there that being a nurse was the right calling for me. I want to help patients through all the ups and downs of their illness. I want to watch them grow through all stages and help make a positive, lasting impact in their life."

TEA ARMSTRONG



"I had my own health problems as a child such as ear infections and allergies necessitating trips to the doctor. When I went to the clinic or hospital, I had excellent nurses and doctors that took care of me. Looking back at my medical experiences, it makes me want to pay it back to others. I want to help people, make them smile, and give them the best overall care that they deserve. My exposure to nursing and the hospital setting set me on my current trajectory in the nursing profession."

KYLEE BENTZ



"Nursing, to me, is more than a job. It is a calling to help the people in this world who need it most. I am in my final year of nursing school at Winona State University in Rochester, MN. I am on track to graduate this coming December and am looking forward to using my talents to benefit the people of my community. Helping people has always been something that was incorporated into my family growing up. My dad has been a firefighter for 34 years and the chief for 10 years. Every time he had a fire call, he would drop everything he was doing, even if it was a family event to help a complete stranger when they needed it. Becoming a nurse is my way of helping a complete stranger at what might be the most vulnerable time in their life."

A NOTE FROM FCHF VICE PRESIDENT

I would like to introduce myself; my name is Tim Miller and I have had the pleasure to serve on the Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation Board since 2021. I am currently Vice President of the Board of Trustees. Looking back at the last four years, I am grateful for all the wonderful support we have been able to provide for Mayo Clinic Health Systems, and I thank each one of our donors for the generosity. Without your support we wouldn't be able to fulfill our Mission, Purpose, and Vision.

We all know that the one thing that we can count on is change. Whether for the better or worse, change will happen, and often we do not have any control over it. We are embracing the changes and challenges that our health care community is facing, and we are working hard to find solutions that will best serve our community.

As we enter 2025, we will have the difficult task of reevaluating our Mission, Purpose, and Vision. This will ensure that we can continue to help make excellent health care available to our local area.

One thing that will not be changing is our commitment to supporting health care in our community. Our board is comprised of very passionate people who care deeply about our community and access to excellent health care.

Tim Miller



“THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT! YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS MAKE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT, ALLOWING US TO CONTINUE OUR MISSION AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITY EFFECTIVELY. WE ARE TRULY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR COMMITMENT AND BELIEF IN OUR CAUSE. TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!”



2024 THERESA C SMITH RADIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

KAELYN KRULTZ

“I started working at Biolife as a phlebotomist and I really enjoyed that. Having the interaction with donors that come in and the process behind donating plasma just showed me that I did want to be in the medical field. I had then talked to my mom about other health care jobs and how I wanted something that was slightly different every day. She brought up becoming an x-ray tech and after looking into it more I have not looked back since. I have loved every minute of learning about how to take x-rays and the many different exams. Taking x-rays is my number one area for radiology but MRI has caught my eye because of how intricate the images are. You are able to see so much on an MRI and the detail is incredible. It also amazes me that MRI has no radiation and just works with magnets and the hydrogen molecules in our bodies. So far in the radiology field and throughout my clinicals there has been many moments that have solidified that this is what I want to do the rest of my life. Although taking x-rays does not exactly save the patients' lives immediately, I know that I am making a difference in their health care experience.”



DONOR RECOGNITION

It is with sincere appreciation that we acknowledge these gifts received by Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation from September 30, 2023 - October 1, 2024

in memory

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MAYO CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM'S DECISION TO CLOSE LOCAL OB AND SURGERY DEPARTMENT SPARKS CONCERN IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES.

Mayo Clinic Health System's recent announcement of the closure of the local OB and Surgery departments has raised significant concern and disappointment among area residents.

The Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation wants the community to know that it is resolute in its commitment to support local health care. The Foundation will engage consultants to explore the next steps and options available to address these critical issues.

While the closure of the OB and Surgery departments poses a significant challenge, the FCH Foundation is steadfast in its mission to promote health and wellness in the area. FCH Foundation assures our community that its commitment to local health care remains unwavering and that we will work tirelessly to find solutions that will best serve our community.



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