



Countryside Hospice Support & Memory Center

415 S. Crow St., Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Phone: (605) 945-0827

November 2024

Countryside Holiday Appeal 2024 – We are so thankful for your generous support this past year. Throughout this newsletter you will see the number of people helped by the programs offered at Countryside. But each of those numbers is also a story; a story of a family in need. Programs that support the patient and the family all made possible by you, this great community.

Mission and Vision of Countryside is to provide diverse programs of support for individuals in the community who are faced with cancer, memory loss and end of life needs. This includes support, education, travel and lodging funds for cancer patients; screening, education and support for patients with memory loss; and funding for hospice services.

Services are available free of charge to patients and their families, made possible by memberships, memorials, donations, fundraising events, thrift store proceeds and volunteer donations of time and expertise.

There is a note hanging on the office bulletin board at Countryside. Many years ago a lady called our office and asked if we would come to her home and pick up a donation. It was during the Tree of Lights fundraiser and she wanted to do her part. We went to her apartment and came back with a small brown envelope with 4 nickels and 2 pennies in it, her contribution. We keep that envelope on the bulletin board in the office as a reminder that donors give whatever they can and that every penny counts.

From the time he was a small child and all through his battle with cancer, Robert Disburg was on the lookout for pennies on the ground. After all, that was a lucky thing. At his funeral at age 12, in 2003, his parents made sure everyone in attendance would have a penny to take with them in memory of Robert. In the fall of 2004, his grandparents came to Countryside with a jar of pennies in his memory and the Pennies for Robert fund was started.

Countryside
Open House

Join Us
- for snacks and refreshments, tour Countryside
and learn more about our programs -

- Hospice Support - Memory Center
- St. Benedict's Guest House
- Pennies for Robert - Thrift Store

December 3, 2024
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
@ 415 S. Crow St.
Pierre, SD 57501

Each of these stories are the fibers of what Countryside is and each of you have a story of a loved one diagnosed, battling or have passed from cancer or memory loss or may have needed hospice care. Countryside is here for each story and our community needs.

Join us Tuesday, December 3, 2024, on the national day of giving, for our Open House from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm at 415 S. Crow St., Pierre, SD. Learn more about Countryside programs & tour St. Benedict's Guest House.

For more information about Countryside www.countrysidehospicesupport.com.

Pennies for Robert

October was another busy month for cancer patients traveling to and from Pierre for appointments. Once again you have made the miles a little easier by providing **\$47,746** in travel funds for **424** trips from April 2024 to October 2024. That is a lot of miles traveled and families grateful for the assistance.

St. Benedict's Guest House

Patients traveling to Pierre for cancer treatments have an opportunity to stay at the guest house, free of charge, made possible from a variety of donations during the year. So far this calendar year we have had **172** guests for **283** nights. A donation of **\$50** will sponsor one night at the guest house.

Memory Center

Our caring, compassionate staff and provider provide free memory screenings with continued support for patient and family. Since 2011 a total of **1903** screenings have been provided free of charge to families. Each screening costs approximately **\$800**.

Community programs – All programs will meet in the Countryside Community Room - 415 S. Crow Street

Parkinson's Support Group First Wednesday of each month, at noon. Visit with others who have a Parkinson's diagnosis. Topics include medications, exercise, safety issues and day-to-day challenges. Family members are also welcome.

Breast Cancer Survivors Third Thursday of each month, at noon. Support and informational group for anyone who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. All survivors are welcome to attend.

Memory Connection Third Thursday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. Discussion group for family members and friends caring for a loved one with dementia. An opportunity to brainstorm and share information.

OMA – Thursdays 10:30 -11:30

Opening Minds through Art (OMA) is a program that matches individuals who have memory loss with a volunteer, together they create art. For more information and/or to volunteer, call Cindy at 945-0827.



Hospice Care – Is a priority for Countryside. We actively support Avera@Home Hospice. Countryside provides a monthly donation and any designated hospice care memorials that come to Countryside. This donation helps increase their nursing and home health aide visits, provide special equipment, supplies and education for hospice staff.

November is **National Home Care and Hospice Month!!** A big thank you to all professionals who work in the home care and hospice fields. The Avera@Home Pierre office covers a large area encompassing the communities of Pierre, Gettysburg, Miller and all points in-between. They currently have on staff: 15 nurses, 7 Aides, 2 Social Workers, 4 Therapists and a host of volunteers. Thanks again for all you do!!

We Care – Dakotamart

Countryside participates in the We Care program sponsored by Dakotamart. For every \$10,000 in grocery receipts that we collect, Dakotamart donates \$100 to Countryside. The receipts add up quickly and can include groceries, alcohol, prescriptions, hunting and fishing equipment, clothing and anything else you can find in the store. Please remember us when you are wondering what to do with your receipts. Receipts can be dropped off at the Countryside office or the thrift store.

Memorials...

Mary Greenfield
John Woods
Anne Woods
Chuck Woods
Tom Woods
Connie Woods
Burton & Anna Warne
Jack Fifield
by
Maynard Greenfield

Rose Marie Wood
by
James Wood

Jackie Marso
Helen Wegner
Dennie Pfrimmer
Leon Haskins
by
Nancy Thomsen

Boyd Roseland
by
Myron & Lois Docken

Fred Magee, Jr.
Idella Hart
Karen Humphrey
Helen Wegner
Leon Haskins
Herb Davis
by
Mack & Karen Wyly

Idella Hart
Karen Humphrey
by
Delcie Schofield-Hall

Karen Humphrey
Helen Wegner
John Whaley
by
Alan & Patsy Winters

Dennis Smart
by
Bob & Pam Kean

Helen Wegner
Dennis Pfrimmer
by
Carla Sahr

Kay Tobin
Loni Shoup
Fred Magee, Jr.
Jackie Marso
Michael Fouts
Robert Kinsella
David Johnson
Robert (Bob) Smith
Mike Pietz
Dorothy Nygaard Gibbs
Shorty Tassler
Bernard Stoesser
Mary Greenfield
Jim Forney
Leonard Petersen
Dee Wheeler
Ken & Katie Cox
Dr. Phillip Hoffsten
Cora Jeffries
Rocky Oakland
Phyllis Lindbloom
Helen Wegner
Michael Zakahi
Boyd Roseland
Betty Anton
Jean Hertel
Joyce Keller
Lorraine Ellwein
by
Norm & Sandee Konechne

Vickie Maskovich
Bobby Hoftiezer
by
Kathy Meyer

Jackie Marso
by
Jim & Cathy Peitz
Jim & Jeanne Goodman

Karen Humphrey
by
Dennis & Lori Hanberry
Brent & Linda Dykstra

Irma Spencer
by
Mary & Art Rezac

Dr. Gerald Herrin
by
Charlene Reed

Karen Humphrey
Earl Guymon
by
Kathi Mueller

Judy Martin
Marilyn Koch
by
Dale & Donna Gohl
Paul & DeeAnn Knofczynski

Leon Haskins
Mary Jo Johnson
Stacie Mosiman
by
Joel & Carol Gengler

Dennie Pfrimmer
by
Lynn Bixler

Loni Shoup
by
Jim & Linda Cruse

Jackie Marso
Loni Shoup
Leon Haskins
Lisa Bondy
Mary Jo Johnson
Fred Marso
by
Gerry & Nancy Cutshaw

Marilyn Koch
Mary Jo Johnson
by
Gary & Grace Schmitgen

Bob Kinsella
by
Nancy & Jon Gonsor
Bob & Jean Ricketts
Kate Boyd

Mary Jo Johnson
Jackie Marso
Kay Tobin
by
Juanita McKeever

Andy Fischer
by
Leah & Steve Mohr

Memorials...

Mary Jo Johnson
by
Bob & Shirlee Miller

Marilyn Koch
by
Family & Friends
John & Dawn Koch
Tom & Shelly Rounds
Jim & Jill Hyde
George & Kathy Lingle
Brad & Susan Urbach
Rod & Marta Neuman
Jay & Brenda Ivers Family
Paul & Leane Herman
John & Laurie Allison
Marty & Carol Nowak
Penny Galinat
Kathy & Dean Moffis
Tom & Jane Johnson
Judy Harvey
Diane M. Boyer
Tammy Cumbee & son
Jeff & Dee Hicks
John & Carlene Barber
Tami & Kevin Merrill
Pat & Holly Hoing
Leonard & Janice Deal
Deb Fahey

Dennis Pfrimmer
Loni Shoup
Fred Magee, Jr.
Rosalie Olson
Lisa Bondy
by
Anita Baker

Dorothy Gibbs
Leon Haskins
Karen Humphrey
by
Dennis Gibbs

Wesley Hiller
Dan Sutera
Dale Rilling
Stacie Mosiman
by
Marileen & Darell Tilberg

Helen Wegner
Idella Hart
Ethel Fry
Leon Haskins
Marilyn Koch
Mary Jo Johnson
Loni Shoup
by
Roger & Marla Fuller

Loni Shoup
Phyllis Lindbloom
by
Arlette Hall

Marilyn Koch
Irma Spencer
Mary Jo Johnson
Karen Humphrey
by
Janice Deis

Fred Marso
by
Jeanne Olson

Marla Gerber
by
Marla's Family

Judy Martin
by
Kay Merriman

Loni Shoup
Leon Haskins
by
Paul & Dawn Marso

Leon Haskins
by
Joan Sterling
William & Teresa Sterling
Karen Sterling

Jackie Marso
Mary Jo Johnson
Loni Shoup
by
Brent & Elizabeth Lindbloom

Idella Hart
by
Maxine Tessier

Karen Humphrey
Marlene Uhrig
Mary Jo Johnson
by
Dale & Joyce Tipton

Jackie Marso
Dan Sutera
Dale Rilling
by
Pete & Patty McGee

Don Anderson
Maggie Oliva
Beth Flagstad
Wayne Anderson
Barbara Lewis
Myron Kusler
Dr Richard & Mary Jean Schoessler
Lola Ness Clelland
Al Kundert
Mike Zakahi
Alta Gaarder
Cleo Klatt
Tom Nasta
Irene Caldwell
Evalin Wall
Jackie Marso
Betty Anton
Mary Jo Johnson
by
Anne Anderson

Raymond Henderson
Kay Tobin
Mary Jo Johnson
Norman Fischer
Judy Martin
Idella Hart
by
Nadine Henderson

Idella Hart
Karen Humphrey
Phyllis Lindbloom
Fred Marso
Marlene Uhrig
by
Thad & Caroline Uecker

In Loving Memory of ...

In memory of
Sister Evelyn Sehn
on her birthday
October 13th
Bonny Schroyer

Sonny -
Your love was a gift that never goes away.
It was the foundation of our happiness.
I cherish the love we built together.
Charlene

Linda Obermeier
We miss you pretty girl!
Pete, Tammy, Aimee,
Joey, Amanda, Sawyer,
Axton & Jermei

Marie Lamm
Bob & Beth McInnis
Susan Marrington
Ralph Dirksen
Joe & Kathy Gittings

Darlene Treib
Bob & Beth McInnis
Sam Treib
Susan Marrington
Ralph Dirksen
Joe & Kathy Gittings

Orma E. McInnis
Bob & Beth McInnis
Sam Treib
Susan Marrington
Kathy & Joe Gittings
Ralph Dirksen

John McInnis
Joe & Kathy Gittings
Susan Marrington
Bob & Beth McInnis
Sam Treib
Ralph Dirksen

Happy Thanksgiving in
Heaven, Dalton.
Forever missed but
never forgotten.
Love, Mom, Dad, Cole,
Shyanne, Kenya & Taya

Robert D. Marrington
Susan Marrington
Bob & Beth McInnis
Sam Treib
Ralph Dirksen
Joe & Kathy Gittings

In memory of
Shirley Varilek
on her birthday
October 7th
by
Kathy Meyer & Family

Patrick McInnis
Bob & Beth McInnis
Sam Treib
Susan Marrington
Kathy & Joe Gittings
Ralph Dirksen

In memory of
Al & Arlene Truax.
Thinking of you this
Christmas Season.

In memory of our mother,
Evelyn Riehle
on her November 7th birthday.
Sharon Taft, Morris Riehle & Laurie Allison

Glenn Marrington
Susan Marrington
Ralph Dirksen
Joe & Kathy Gittings

Marj Gallimore
Think of you every day,
Mom.
Miss you much.
Love, Don

In memory of
Judy Jerde
who died on November 22nd, 1994
Bayard Jerde
Lynette & Marshall Michels & Family
DeeAnn & Eric Hofer & Family

In loving memory
of
Douglas Keller
Gone for eleven
years & missed every
day by your mom,
children and
grandchildren.
Love,
Mom & Dad

In memory of
Don Boyd
Former Countryside
Board Member
Kate Boyd
Maxine Kinsella

In loving memory of our grandson,
Dalton Williams
Happy Thanksgiving, Dalton.
We miss you & think of you every day!
Love, Grandma Jody & Grandpa Cody

Memberships: Delcie Schofield-Hall, Leonard & Janice Deal

Donations: Anonymous, Lari & Linda Ott, Gary & Cynthia Glader, Rich Ivey, Chad & Susan Simon, Judene Holan, Kim Lagan, Dakotamart, Dean Sorenson, David & Carrie Lolley, Nancy Lampy

Thank you to:

Linda Brown for your donation of OMA art supplies and books for the Memory Center lending library!

Carol & Joel Gengler for sponsoring breakfast burritos for the Memory Walk!

Linda Sack for donating snacks and candy to our guests at St. Benedict's Guest House!



2024 Tree of Lights – Holiday Appeal

Through the holiday season for each donation, memorial, birthday or holiday wish we receive we will attach a name to an ornament and place it on the tree at the Thrift Store.

A simple tree, covered with bright lights, colorful ornaments and most importantly, memories of your loved ones this holiday season.

Thank you for your support!

THIS GIFT IS FROM:

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

PLEASE USE MY GIFT FOR:

- Memorial
- Memory Center
- Membership
- Avera@Home hospice care
- Pennies for Robert Cancer patients' travel
- St. Benedict's Guest House lodging for cancer patients

In Memory /honor of

Please notify (address if possible)

Memory/honor _____

Memory/honor _____

Memory/honor _____

Memory/honor _____

Memory/honor _____

I would like to charge my gift to my credit card: MasterCard Visa Discover American Express

Card Number _____ **Expiration Date:** _____ **CVV:** _____ (3 digit code on back of card) (or 4 digit code on front of AMEX)

(If the above name and address is not the same as your credit card billing, please provide the information from the card you are using.) Thank you!

All memorials will be placed on the Tree of Lights and will be in our December 2024 and January 2025 newsletters.

This newsletter contains donations processed through November 11th. The approximate cutoff for the December newsletter will be December 4th.

Donations may also be made on our website: www.countrysidehospicesupport.com

Countryside Thrift Store

We are so thankful for our staff and volunteers at the Thrift Store, working on the same mission of organizing donated items into the store, where all proceeds stay in our community for those in need of cancer, hospice, and memory support. Support services are available free of charge to patients and their families made possible from your donations.

The thrift store is your one stop shop for all your everyday and seasonal needs. It is the perfect place to find that great item for a gift exchange, all your wrapping paper and gift bags, tins and baskets for baked goods, lights for inside and out and maybe a little something that dances and sings. We also have warm coats, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves – grandmothers and daycare providers can pick up that extra winter item, so everyone can go out and play. If staying inside is more appealing we have movies, music, games, books and puzzles to keep you entertained.

As you're thinking of downsizing your children's toys (clean and in working order), holiday decorations, dishes and winter clothing, November is a great time of the year that allows someone out there to buy those items before Christmas and be ready for winter season.

Store Address – 1150 E. Sioux Ave.	Store Phone – (605) 945-0150
Donation Hours:	Store Hours:
Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm	Closed Sunday and Mondays
Saturday 8:30am – 3:00pm	Tuesday – Friday 10:00am – 5:00pm
No donations on Sundays	Saturday 10:00am – 3:00pm

When donating to the Thrift Store please remember a few simple rules:

1. **Items must be clean** (we do not have the capacity to clean or wash everything)
2. **No holes or tears or broken pieces** (we do not have the capacity to repair items)
3. **Must be in working order** (we do not have the capacity to fix items)

If items do not meet this criteria, please dispose of those items yourself. The more we can save on our garbage fees, the more funds we can pass onto the community members who are in need of cancer, hospice and memory support.

Items we DO NOT take:	
Car Seats or Full Sized Cribs	Encyclopedia Sets
Children's Jewelry	Large Exercise Equipment
Hide-a-Beds	Bicycles that are in need of repair or worn-out
Mattress Sets or steel bed frames	Old TVs (we only except Flat Screen TVs)
Furniture with holes, rips, stains, pet hair, smoke smell	Luggage with broken zippers
Ammunition or weapons	Used cleaners, paints, fertilizers, weed killers
Tires, Batteries or motors	Clothing with stains, tears, smells
Major Appliances (ex: no full size refrigerators, ranges, washer/dryer)	
Building materials (ex: no doors, window frames, scrap lumber, scrap metal, glass, architectural salvage)	
Large plumbing fixtures (ex: no sinks, shower stalls, toilets)	
NOTHING fuel powered (ex: no snow blowers, lawn mowers) or gas cans	

Please check with the store manager **before** dropping items off if you are unsure if we can accept it or not.




Total volunteer HOURS logged for Countryside
April 1st 2024 to October 31, 2024

9,077



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Countryside Thrift Store – continued

Pay it Forward – Your donations to the thrift store also support our community by helping fill vouchers for Missouri Shores, Pierre Area Referral Services (PARS), children’s books for Pierre/Ft. Pierre/St Joseph’s schools & Head Start teachers, clothing and coats for the Govs Grocery-Closet and blue jeans for Stanley County Student Council. Anytime we can Pay it Forward to another group/project in our community, our hard working staff and volunteers help make sure we keep as much out of the landfill as possible. Working together to help others.

Volunteer Holiday Potluck – We are celebrating our Volunteers, December 16th, 2024 at 12:00pm at First United Methodist Church.

All volunteers (board members, newsletter, thrift store, fundraisers, OMA, etc. are invited to attend the holiday potluck in celebration of YOU, our volunteers. **Please bring a salad or dessert** and we will provide the beverages, main dish and door prizes.



Wish List

Countryside is powered by donations that stay right here in the community. If you are looking to donate this holiday season you can find a wish list of items on our Amazon Wish List for Countryside office, St. Benedict’s Guest House and OMA. Simply select the items you are wanting to purchase for donation and they ship directly to Countryside.

You can also go to www.countrysidehospicesupport.com to view a wish list of items that support everyday areas of our programs. Simply click DONATE on the home page and in the comment box, let us know what you’d like your donation to be put towards.

Thank you for your continued support.

Happy Holidays from Countryside!