



Care Connection

Programs & Activities of Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation

UPCOMING EVENTS:

PIRATE'S COVE MINI GOLF

June 4-11, July 9-16,
August 6-13

With a coupon, you can mini golf during the dates listed for just \$6.50 a person. For every golfer, \$1.75 will be donated to the foundation. Coupons are required. Stop by any Mile Bluff location to pick one up, or call Katie at 608-847-2735 to have one mailed to you.

SAVE THE DATE:

2023 GOLF OUTING

Thursday, August 10
Castle Rock Golf Course

Hit the greens and enjoy a day out on the course while supporting local healthcare. More information about sponsorships and golf will be available soon. If you are interested in sponsoring and/or golfing at the event, please contact Katie so information can be sent to you.

HELLO FROM MILE BLUFF!

Every May, the women in my family make an annual pilgrimage to the Madison Farmers Market. In the past, while our grandma and mothers looked for the best plants, my cousins and I were on free sample and donut duty. Our job was to scope out the best honey, cheese, and beef jerky samples, all while looking for "the tent with the red awning" where we would find our donut breakfast.

Once the teen years hit, even the free food samples couldn't convince the boys to attend anymore, but they still continue to send their wish lists. Now, it's just a girls outing with the addition of my daughters (in picture). Grandma isn't able to walk the square anymore, but she will be the first to request whipped honey and white cheese curds.



We have always been those obnoxious people who bring a wagon to the very crowded capital square to tote our various plants. This isn't some cute classic Radio Flyer, but a wagon from the all-terrain line. It is bulky, hard to maneuver, and certainly is not crowd friendly. We all take our turn pulling though, not because we're gluttons for punishment, but rather for the tradition and the memories attached to that particular wagon.

The healthcare landscape may not be a farmer's market full of produce and flowers; however, it is a place full of people who are trying to navigate a wagon of their own. This could be a mom pulling a wagon in the form of a child with an ear infection; a man with a heart attack wagon; or a person with a wagon full of anxiety and fear regarding a cancer diagnosis. Regardless of the circumstances, these health wagons are hard to pull alone, but when pulled by a team, the wagon is easier to maneuver.

Our healthcare team is honored to help patients pull their health challenge wagons. Not only is the team there to provide care, but it also looks for ways to make the journey easier and to help a patient navigate through. Foundation donors also help pull wagons by supporting equipment purchases, training for staff, community education events, and by securing the future of local healthcare.

While I don't have any donuts or free beef jerky samples for you, I hope you know how important you are in pulling wagons for our patients.

In gratitude,

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FOUNDATION NEWS



Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation donated funds to St. Patrick's School (above) and Wonewoc-Center School District (below) to support mental health programming in their schools. These funds were made possible from the Roots & Wings Foundation grant.



Mauston High School students from Ms. Babcock's horticulture class (above) helped us clean out the healing garden by Mile Bluff's surgery department! They evicted the weeds and invasive plants to make room for some new perennials.

We love showing all generations different ways to impact local healthcare, whether through career exploration or volunteerism. If you are interested in volunteering to help maintain the healing gardens this summer - on your own, or with your business or civic group - please let us know!



PLANNED GIVING: A GIFT FOR TOMORROW

One way to support a nonprofit organization like Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation is through planned giving. Simply stated, a planned gift is a contribution that you arrange in the present, but give in the future.

There are a number of planned giving options, and each has its advantages. Here you'll find a brief overview of some of the most common types of planned gifts. There are also options to give non-cash assets, funds from IRAs, and more.

If there is a charity you would like to support through a planned gift, a financial advisor can help. The advisor will explain your options in detail, and help you choose what is best for you and your situation.

Here are few common ways to give:

- 1. Bequests.** Bequests are gifts that are made as part of a will or trust. A bequest can be to a person, or it can be a charitable bequest to a nonprofit organization. Anyone can make a bequest—in any amount—to an individual or charity. Bequests can be simple or complex, with conditions about how the gifts can be used.
- 2. Charitable gift annuities.** When you make a donation to a charity, the gift is set aside in a reserve account and invested. Based on your age at the time of the gift, you receive a fixed monthly or quarterly payout for the rest of your life. At the end of your life, the charity receives the remainder of the gift.
- 3. Charitable remainder trusts.** A charitable remainder trust (CRT) is an irrevocable trust that generates a potential income stream for you, as the donor to the CRT, or other beneficiaries, with the remainder of the donated assets going to your favorite charity. There are two types, *charitable remainder annuity trust* and a *charitable remainder unitrust*.
- 4. Donor-Advised Funds.** A donor-advised fund, or DAF, is like a charitable investment account for the sole purpose of supporting charitable organizations you care about. When you contribute cash, securities or other assets to a donor-advised fund at a public charity, you are generally eligible to take an immediate tax deduction. Then those funds can be invested for tax-free growth, and you can recommend grants to virtually any IRS-qualified public charity.

At the foundation, we are grateful for every donation that comes in, including planned gifts. When you choose to include the foundation in your planned giving, you are leaving a meaningful legacy. That legacy says local healthcare matters today, and local healthcare matters for future generations.

DUELING PIANOS CREATES BEAUTIFUL MUSIC



After a three year hiatus, Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation got back to the music with Dueling Pianos. Held at the end of April, this event brought over 200 people to The Lodge for a evening of music and fun. Musicians from Madison's Piano Fondue provided quite the musical catalog as they fielded the crowds' requests.

Proceeds from the event went to support Mile Bluff's new Birthing Center, and Infusion & Wound Center. With ticket sales, raffles, and song request tips, the event raised \$6,420! What a wonderful night! A huge thank you to all who attended!

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a great local cause today.**

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We're participating in the myWalgreens donation program! You can donate your myWalgreens cash rewards to Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation now through May 31.

Whether you'd like to contribute \$1, \$5 or more of your Walgreens Cash rewards, you'll be making a big difference. To do this:

1. Log into your myWalgreens app or account
2. Find the "Donate Your Rewards" tile
3. Enter your zip code
4. Choose a charity from the list provided, selecting Mile Bluff Medical Center Foundation
5. Choose a dollar amount and click 'donate'

PHILANTHROPY FACTS

- » The word "philanthropy" comes from Greek words that mean "love of humanity."
- » Philanthropic groups existed in the ancient civilizations. An endowment even supported Plato's Academy (c. 387 BCE) for some 900 years.
- » Starting in the late 19th century, large personal fortunes led to the creation of private foundations that bequeathed large gifts in support a variety of causes. For example, Andrew Carnegie's foundation donated enough funds to build 2,509 libraries between 1883 and 1929.



THANK YOU DONORS...

We would like to thank the following individuals who recently donated to the foundation.

In Honor of Dr. Bueno, Gail Vinopal, Mary Lubinski, and Terry Czys
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