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**A Gift Today Makes All the
Difference!**

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SAVE THE DATE:

September 13, 2024

**HavenGroup Foundation
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Steinbach, MB
4:30—6:30 PM

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I would like to express gratitude to all those who participated in the March 2024 Spring Dessert Fundraiser. The music was a tribute to the families of the residents, as well as those who work and give their time and donations to the HavenGroup Foundation. The highlight of the evening was a family member's testimonial to the experience their loved one had living in HavenGroup homes, from independent living to the Personal Care Home. Thanks to those who attended, as well as those who made a donation prior to the event. Funds raised were allocated to specific resident care equipment, including the tilt shower chair featured elsewhere in this newsletter.

Since opening the new build in May 2022, we are happy to announce that all twelve homes in Rest Haven Care Home are now open for occupancy. Opening these homes, now allows 143 residents to call Rest Haven their forever 'home'.

The partnership of the Foundation's funding of equipment, staff's dedication and perseverance to open all homes, truly makes the experience of living and working at HavenGroup uphold our vision:

"HavenGroup will be a provider of excellence in facilities, services, and employment, that prepares itself for growth to serve the changing needs of residents."



In Partnership,

Tannis Nickel

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Welcome to Rest Haven Care Home!

While we have long talked about adding a second Chaplain position at HavenGroup, we are excited to now finally be able to make that announcement!

Please join me in welcoming Randi Rempel, who will be assuming the new, part-time role of Chaplain at HavenGroup, working together with me in the area of Spiritual Care.

Peter Berg



Hello, I am Randi Rempel and I am quite excited to be starting the role of Chaplain with HavenGroup this August. I grew up in Plum Coulee, MB but have made my home on *“this side of the river”* since 2015. I enjoy playing slow-pitch in the summer, puzzling in the winter, and eating almost anything with lemon in it. I live in Kleefeld currently and attend Kleefeld EMC where I have had many opportunities to connect with Rest Haven Care Home through services on Sunday mornings or weekday evenings and visiting residents I know.

The role first caught my attention because I love connecting with people. I believe we all have an inherent need to be seen, heard, known and loved and that when we experience these things we can flourish! My hope is to connect with the residents, tenants, families, staff, and visitors of HavenGroup in a way that is supportive, encouraging and offers purpose, comfort, and hope.

I was also drawn to the role of Chaplain because I love Jesus and have experienced the richness that comes from living and working in a Christ-centred community. It is a gift to be able to walk with each other as we follow after Christ and reveal His Kingdom. I have often been so encouraged as I look out at the people gathered during a service at Rest Haven and see many joining in as we sing familiar hymns and songs; my favourite hymn is *Be Thou My Vision*, so it feels special when we all sing it together.

I am looking forward to meeting many of you and being part of the HavenGroup community!

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Art work brings memories & smiles!

William (Bill) Mardynalka tells the story of how the photo of this fox reminded him of his past. He was raised, and later owned, the family farm near Hadashville, MB where a fox which looked exactly like this frequented. Bill shares that even the farm dog got used to the fox as he traveled across the yard at least weekly. The fox never caused any harm or disturbances on the farm so they just continued to enjoy his presence. The art work brings a smile to Bill's face as he retells the story.



Staff thankful to the Foundation!

“Our new tilt shower chair has come at such an opportune time! We are focusing this month on a resident focused approach to bathing. A good soak in the tub is not what everyone wants. For those that are unable to sit unsupported, the only alternative to a tub bath was a bed bath. This lovely Cadillac of shower chairs allows those that are unable to sit unsupported, a full wash in the shower of their own room. As we have educated staff on the use of this chair, there have been so many moments when their eyes lit up as they think of a resident that would benefit from this alternative to tub

baths. I look forward to hearing our success stories over the next few months as we see it put into use.”

-Kimberly Toews (Education & Infection Control Coordinator)

“The new shower chair is a great new option to benefit many residents to both comfortably and safely provide personal care. Its adjustable features are not only supportive and secure for the resident, but the care givers as well, allowing a recline position to wash hair, and feet . It also permits use over the toilet if required and elevates to provide peri care. Dressing, even with open back clothes can be done while seated for comfort and safety. Possibly a good alternative to someone requiring a sling or bed bath.” - Lisa Elias (Resident Assistant)



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