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

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SAVE THE DATE:

Thursday, March 27, 2025

HavenGroup Foundation Evening Fundraiser

Featuring Canadian singer/
songwriter & pianist, Mike Janzen

Friedensfeld Community Centre
32004 Rd 35E
Sarto, MB
7:00—8:30 PM

For tickets contact:

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TANNIS NICKEL, HAVENGROUP CEO



The Mission Vision and Values of HavenGroup have always been a focal point of the organization. The Mission has been through several revisions, however, we have always maintained being distinctly faith-based and centered on those we care for in our homes.

Mission:

HavenGroup provides a resident focused care in Christ-centred, life giving communities in an environment of purpose, comfort, and hope.

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.

Reflecting on our *Vision*, is where I feel that the HavenGroup Foundation has supported us in the most tangible ways. The support the Foundation has provided for renovations to our Housing entities and towards the Rest Haven Care Home expansion, has truly demonstrated how we are a *provider of excellence*.

The Foundation has also enhanced the services we deliver by providing equipment, art, DementiAbility supplies, and faith programming to ensure staff have the right materials to provide care and services to the residents and tenants of our homes.

Recently, the Foundation was instrumental in providing funding for education to our leadership staff, as highlighted more in this newsletter by the participants.

As we continue this journey together, HavenGroup will continue to be the forefront for senior housing and long-term care. Our commitment to live in faith and service will lead us into the future with new and innovative homes and programs for those we serve.

In Partnership,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tannis Nickel".

Tannis Nickel, CEO

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Words from Peter Berg, Chaplain

All through its existence, faith has been an important aspect at HavenGroup. With the purchase of the *Invalid Home* in 1946, to the recent expansion in 2022, the EMC conference has sought to keep faith in the forefront, as seen in the mission statement:

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Throughout the planning stages of the latest Rest Haven expansion, the priority of spiritual care was maintained and plans were made to increase the amount provided. With the number of residents more than doubling (from 60 to 143), the need for extra spiritual care support was definitely required, and so a second, part-time chaplain was hired, Randi Rempel. This has been a huge benefit in helping to provide more spiritual care.

One thing I emphasized as I began working with our second chaplain, was that her position would *add to* spiritual care, and not just *take over some things* I was already doing. Currently, my role involves sharing a devotional in the homes most mornings, lead a Thursday morning chapel service, organize Sunday services with area groups and churches, and deliver devotionals/services at Cedarwood and Parkview. Our second chaplain focuses more on one-to-one visits with Rest Haven residents and leads the larger portion of the Ladies' Bible Studies. She relates well with our residents and has built strong connections. She also interacts with many of our residents through music ministry, simply singing the familiar songs of faith in small groups of residents. Both of us have also been able to build relationships at Woodhaven through visits and devotions at some coffee and faspas times.

Having two chaplains working together, dedicated to the same role, is beneficial as we can collaborate on the workload, discuss concerns together, and work together in providing needed support for the residents. I have really appreciated having a second chaplain as it has eased the burden to allow more matters to be completed, giving me more time to strengthen relationships with our residents, and allowing more presence in our other facilities. One reality of working in health care is that there is a substantial amount of paper work that needs to be completed. These include creating reports, documentation, and maintaining care plan reviews, which the second chaplain has also played a significant role in.

While our current level of chaplaincy is at a satisfactory level, more coverage would be favorable to accommodate a spiritual care component for the future Greenwood Meadows.

It is indeed a privilege to be involved in an organization where faith is allowed to grow, where spiritual care and programming is provided, and where "the fragrance of Christ" (II Corinthians 2:15) is shared in a segment of the population that so often is seen as lonely, and even without hope.

Peter Berg, Chaplain



Donations Make a Difference

Did someone say curling!!



Residents of Rest Haven Care Home are continuing to enjoy the gift of curling, thanks to donation received from the Foundation.



Managers Thankful to the Foundation!

I appreciate the opportunity for enrollment in the Forward Leadership training, thanks to the sponsorship of the HavenGroup Foundation. This course has been very valuable to me as I continue to develop my role as Director of Resident Care at Rest Haven Care Home. I have noticed the benefits as I grow in my interactions with staff, residents and families. Thank you HavenGroup Foundation for investing in me as a leader in this organization, which is a forerunner in changing the model of Long Term Care. - Esther Reimer



The Forward Leadership course is one of the most informative sessions I have attended. Every session is different and I learn something new in each session. The amount of training I have received to date has been very rewarding. Attending these sessions is truly an amazing experience and the positive feedback I receive during the training is important in developing my skills, attitude, and action-plan as a leader in our organization. Thank you HavenGroup Foundation for this opportunity. - Michael Obviar



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