

# HOSPICE News

VitalCare Hospice of Little Traverse Bay · VitalCare Hospice of the Straits · VitalCare Hospice of the Sunrise Shore

FOUNDATION MISSION:  
To receive and administer funds to support the mission of Northern Michigan Regional Health System and support programs that enhance the well-being of the community.

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## Last Wishes: LIVING WELL UNTIL THE END

Betsy and Bill Saal had summered in Harbor Springs for the past forty years, and their relationship with the Hospital goes back to the early 1980's when Bill was first approached to help with the Foundation. "We liked the Hospital and had always had a good experience," says Betsy. But their experiences underwent a momentous change in 2009 when Bill was diagnosed with melanoma. To their shock and dismay, this aggressive cancer eventually spread to the brain. "Melanoma is extremely serious, and people should be aware of the dangers," Betsy adds. [READ MORE ON PAGE 4.](#)



*Pictured above with her children and grandchildren at an April 2012 gathering is Betsy Saal (center) holding her newest grandchild.*

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*Dear Friends of Hospice:*



MOON SEAGREN

HAM SCHIRMER

The past year has been one of exciting change and growth, reflected most significantly by our new relationship with Flint-based McLaren Health Care. McLaren Health Care and its high standing in the state will strengthen the entire Northern Michigan Regional Health System (now McLaren–Northern Michigan) and allow for long-term sustainability that is so important to any viable healthcare organization. Moving forward under our new name (McLaren–Northern Michigan Foundation), we will continue our diligent pursuit of funding for our regional Hospice programs. You will see our new name and logo begin to appear in publications and correspondence this spring and throughout the summer months.

We are blessed to have the unwavering and generous support of our donors, and many are featured in this issue, including those who chose our VitalCare Hospice services. Their stories, and the heartfelt memories of their family members, will inspire all who read them.

We take this time to remind you of the consolidation of Hospices of Little Traverse Bay, the Straits, and the Sunrise Shore under the VitalCare Hospice Care name. This arrangement strengthens the continuity of services for every resident of our region. Since McLaren-Northern Michigan Foundation oversees the fundraising needs for VitalCare Hospice Care and Adult Day Center programs, we will streamline our communications in the fall by featuring Hospice News in the seasonal Foundation newsletter.

Finally, we are dedicated to the support of VitalCare Hospice, and we are grateful for every donor gift that has helped us in this endeavor.

Respectfully yours,

Ham Schirmer  
 BOARD CHAIR  
 FOUNDATION

Moon Seagren  
 CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER  
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## A Name Changes, but THE GOAL REMAINS THE SAME: Supporting Quality Healthcare and Its Benefactors, *Right Here at Home*

Most hospitals have their own fundraising arm, and Northern Michigan Regional Health System Foundation (soon to be known as McLaren–Northern Michigan Foundation) remains totally independent and dedicated to furthering the emerging needs and aims of our hospital and affiliates. The Foundation will continue to exercise its flexibility and autonomy as it responds to the needs of the hospital, its regional affiliates, and the primary and seasonal residents of its region through a variety of fundraising opportunities like VitalCare Hospice Care. Assets, revenue, and charitable contributions from our donors will be used solely for the betterment of McLaren–Northern Michigan.

As the overseer of all VitalCare Hospice Care fundraising, the Foundation is responsible for the fundraising that keeps the programs operational. The new relationship with Flint's McLaren Health Care strengthens the Foundation and enhances its ability to support Hospice Care services throughout the region.

## Embracing Our New Healthcare Paradigm

The Foundation celebrates the new relationship with McLaren Health Care for the increased financial, medical, and professional strengths it brings to the entire health system. Brands are built on customer experience, and it is because of the excellent care that we provide here that the McLaren name will soon be synonymous in our region with quality and excellence. "We will realize many advantages by joining a larger health system," says Reezie DeVet, McLaren–Northern Michigan President & CEO. "Most significantly, we will enhance our long-term sustainability at a time when independent hospitals are struggling to survive." Access to capital, enhanced buying power, recruitment opportunities, and cost savings will all result from the new relationship. The McLaren strategic vision complements our own long-term quality goal: *the pursuit of continuing excellence*.



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## A MESSAGE

from Maurika Reed,  
VitalCare Hospice Care  
Development Officer  
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"After 15 years of working with Hospice, I am dedicated to ensuring that these valuable programs are not only maintained, but expanded, for the benefit of all we serve throughout our region. Throughout the 2012 year, we will be working diligently to meet our fundraising goal of \$706,000 to support each Hospice location and the Adult Day Center. Feel free to call me with any questions about the funding priorities. And as always, I look forward to hearing your stories and sharing your experiences."

## FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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“If someone wants to know how to give dignity to a sick and dying loved one, use Hospice.”

— BETSY SAAL

COVER STORY CONTINUED

**W**hile they could have gone anywhere for Bill's cancer treatments and end-of-life care, they chose the services of Northern Michigan Regional Health System. "I made the rounds with my husband, and nobody could be as compassionate and respectful as the Hospital and Hospice," Betsy adds. "Bill was not leaving northern Michigan." Even with their three adult children in far-flung locations — southern Michigan, California, and South Carolina — the Saals were staying put. "We would not have left for any reason."



BILL SAAL

As Bill's cancer progressed, Betsy realized that it was time to call Hospice of Little Traverse Bay. "It was one of the hardest decisions I ever had to make," she says. In fact, Betsy was afraid of the impact the Hospice workers would have on Bill. She didn't want her husband to know why the Hospice workers would be at the house. "My biggest fear was that they would come into my house wearing their Hospice nametags." When she expressed her fear to a neighbor, the friend called Hospice for her and Hospice then contacted Betsy. Hospice aides, volunteers and "a wonderful doctor" came to the house — even covering their nametags.

"Everyone was kind and compassionate and respectful — beyond fabulous," she says. Betsy credits Hospice with making the difference for Bill at the end of his life. "Because of Hospice his illness and death were beautiful," Betsy says. "On the night of his death, they came to the house and changed his clothes and told me to spend as much time with him as I would like."

Following Mr. Saal's death, his family decided to continue their support for Hospice with a donation to the Foundation. The Saal's three children — Heather Saal, Torri and Bill Calver, and Dunne and Rogan (Lawrence) Saal join their mother in honoring their father's memory. "I believe in the care here," Betsy says. "Bill was the kindest person; he was not formal, just a good ole guy. My life is full of good memories, and thanks to Hospice, I can go on with good memories."

# The Journey: IN A DAUGHTER'S WORDS

Bernice Heska, of Gaylord, spent the last month of her life as a resident of Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, and her family came to know well the workings of this special place and its caring staff. As a result, the family was inspired to donate to VitalCare Hospice Care in Bernice's memory. Below, *THE FINAL DAYS*, in the words of daughter Sandra Heska King.

We are at the bedside.  
They drape the blue and white patchwork quilt over her,  
And she embarks on her final journey.  
Later, we gaze at the empty bed, at the squirrels and the birds busy outside,  
And we busy ourselves.  
I sigh.  
This place, it's become home.  
Safe.  
Serene.  
The staff has become family.  
I'm going to miss it.  
We head down the hall to sit with friends we have made.  
We hug Nurse Denise and CENAs Deb and Rhonda.  
We walk past the unfinished puzzle and out the door.  
I snap a picture of the bench.  
It's where we sat next to her to watch the birds.  
My dad gathered stones on it.  
We spilled coffee on it.  
My sister curled up on it with her head on Mom's shoulder on our last outing.

THIS JOURNEY IS OVER. ANOTHER JOURNEY BEGINS.





# Funding Priorities — For the Benefit of All

### HOSPICE OF LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY

HILAND COTTAGE .....	\$ 75,000
MEMORIAL GARDEN FOR HILAND COTTAGE .....	10,000
UNRESTRICTED FUND .....	50,000
PATIENT ASSISTANCE FUND .....	50,000
BEREAVEMENT PROGRAMS	
(CHILDREN'S, ADULT, AND SAFECROSSINGS) .....	70,000
PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS PROGRAM .....	15,000
MARK AND EDITH LITTER VOLUNTEER FUND	
(INCLUDES HOSPITEEN PROGRAM) .....	15,000
SPIRITUAL CARE PROGRAM .....	5,000

### HOSPICE OF THE STRAITS

CHEBOYGAN HOSPICE HOUSE .....	\$ 50,000
COMMUNITY REFLECTION GARDEN .....	10,000
UNRESTRICTED FUND .....	50,000
PATIENT ASSISTANCE FUND .....	50,000
BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM (ADULT BEREAVEMENT) .....	15,000
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM .....	10,000

### HOSPICE OF THE SUNRISE SHORE

UNRESTRICTED FUND .....	\$ 20,000
PATIENT ASSISTANCE FUND .....	20,000
BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM .....	13,000
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM .....	3,000

### ADULT DAY CENTER

UNRESTRICTED FUND .....	\$ 60,000
PATIENT ASSISTANCE FUND .....	30,000

### PALLIATIVE OR TRANSITIONS CARE .....

### TELEHEALTH PROGRAM .....

### VITALCARE STAFF EDUCATION FUND .....

### HOW CAN YOU HELP:

The total VitalCare Hospice Care fundraising goal for 2012 is \$706,000.

To make a donation or for more information about giving opportunities, call **231.487.3500**.

VitalCare Hospice Care  
serves northern lower Michigan  
and the eastern Upper Peninsula.

### HOSPICE SERVICES

- *Hospice of Little Traverse Bay  
Petoskey*
- *Hospice of the Straits  
Cheboygan*
- *Hospice of the Sunrise Shore  
Alpena*

### HOSPICE HOUSES

- *Hiland Cottage  
Petoskey*
- *Hospice House  
Cheboygan*

# Our Donors Make a Difference

VitalCare Hospice Care programs, including home health and Hospice services, would not be possible without the continuing generosity of our donors. We are sincerely grateful to those individuals and organizations who contributed. Below is a list of Hospice grants received from regional organizations.

- EMMET COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING — \$60,000 in support of the Adult Day Center
- KIWANIS CLUB OF HARBOR SPRINGS — \$500 in support of the Hospiteen Program, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay
- MACKINAC ISLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION — \$1,000 in support of the Cheboygan Hospice House, Hospice of the Straits
- PETOSKEY-HARBOR SPRINGS AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION — \$2,500 in support of Adult Bereavement Program, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay
- ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH — \$2,500 in support of Adult Bereavement Program, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay and Hospice of the Straits
- CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY — \$1,000 in support of Adult Bereavement Program, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay

## The Results of Your Donations

In 2011, Northern Michigan Regional Health System Foundation disbursed \$322,040 to benefit VitalCare programs and services. Below is a description of each VitalCare program and the number of patients and families impacted by the generosity of our donors.

- The ADULT DAY CENTER provides a safe and sociable daytime environment that includes supervised care, meals, and structured activities. The Adult Day Center served 41 clients in 2011.
- VitalCare HOSPICE CARE is a special concept of care designed to provide comfort and support to patients and their families when a life-limiting illness no longer responds to cure-oriented treatments. Services include general inpatient, routine, continuous, and respite care.
  - HOSPICE OF LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY served 344 families
  - HOSPICE OF THE STRAITS served 327 families
  - HOSPICE OF THE SUNRISE SHORE served 155 families
- Hospice BEREAVEMENT SERVICES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN provided professional bereavement services to 1,101 survivors to assist those with grief and loss. Services, including individual counseling, bereavement newsletters and mailings, lending library, and monthly support groups, are available for 13 months following the patient's death and are provided without charge.
- The TELEHEALTH program provides patients the convenience of managing their health conditions through an interactive monitoring system while remaining in their homes. Telemonitoring benefits patients with heart failure, COPD, hypertension, and diabetes. The Telehealth program served 234 patients in 2011.

Donations were received in memory and in honor of the following people from January through December, 2011, in support of Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, Hospice of the Straits, and Hospice of the Sunrise Shore. Memorial donations are an important way to support VitalCare Hospice Care programs while providing a tribute to a loved one.

## In Memory...

Herve R. Adams  
Oliver F. Aho  
Samia Aho  
Don Aldrich  
Albert Alexander  
Mary Lou Allerding  
Marlo L. Amtsuechler  
Annie C. Anderson  
H. Price Anderson  
Kate Anderson-Morgan  
Harriet Angus  
Ethel J. Arbour  
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Bonnie Arney  
Leila W. Atkinson  
Oville W. Avery  
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Sam Baltrip  
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Richard F. Barrette  
Leo Batog, Jr.  
Edna M. Beard  
Fern Beehler  
Henry Begian  
Gertrude Bennett  
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Agnes Bentley  
Roy Bentley  
Doris Berden  
Mae J. Bernadyn  
Janet Beyer  
Nicholas Bicking  
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Gerald Bruning  
Robert Bruning  
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Janet L. Buchanan  
LeRoy Buchanan  
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Martha Cameron  
Marguerite Campbell  
James Canham  
Jon Carlson  
Elaine Carver  
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Betty L. Cassidy  
Charles Charboneau  
Cindy Chasse  
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Jim Cramer  
Timothy S. Crawford  
Robert Croft  
John Cronk  
Richard K. Curran  
Clifford J. Cutler  
Paul Dalka  
Dianna J. Daniels  
Karl Daniels  
Valorie Daniels  
Cecilia M. Darga  
Barbara W. Dean  
Julia I. Dean  
Anthony S. Delorenzo  
David Diamond  
Mary F. Diesing  
George Dipka  
Harley T. Dix  
Marie Doederlein  
Janet Dokey  
Elizabeth J. Doyle  
Martha G. Drake  
Mary Dreffs  
Walter Dutt  
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Norma Jean Evans  
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Martha Fate  
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Mrs. Florence Beyer-Fleming  
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Richard Francis  
Eva Franklin  
Matthew Frost  
Patricia C. Gabrysiak  
Alice Galbraith  
Christine Gardner  
Louise W. Garman  
Marie J. Gaston  
Sam Gaylord  
Katherine B. Geraghty  
Edward M. Ginop  
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Frank R. Gombos  
George Goodenow  
Helen Goodwin  
Terrence Goodwin  
David Gouin  
Marge Grace  
George Graham  
Wilma L. Graham  
Ruth Grams  
Emmanuel Gravame  
Angela Greenberg  
Edna Griffith

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Stephen Halberstadt  
Bernie Hansen  
Carol Hansen  
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June A. Haselhuhn  
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Russ Hayner  
Helen Headrick  
Gloria Hedrick  
LeRoy Heller  
Klaus Hergt  
Geraldine Herron  
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Sharron Hiller  
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## How do TAX LAWS IMPACT my DONATIONS?

**C**haritable contributions through income tax and estate tax incentives are a desirable and rewarding way to support a favored charity, but donors should be aware of changes in the law in order to fully maximize tax advantages. For example, the type of gift can be as important as the timing. Donating appreciated property, such as stocks, directly to a charity rather than converting them and donating the cash may help avoid capital gains taxes. A lump sum gift today may generate a larger tax advantage than a series of smaller gifts in the future. Estate planning tools such as a Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT) allows the donor to derive income from the property for a certain period of time.

When the period passes, the named charity receives the remaining trust assets. Used properly, a CRT could reduce current income tax as well as future estate taxes. Current and potential donors should consult with their tax or financial advisors for a more thorough review of their charitable giving program. //

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If you would to discuss making a planned gift to Hospice, please contact Julie Jarema at 231.487.4811.

### MEMORIALS

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Ida Ritthaler  
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Richard Strom  
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Ann Yaklin  
Margaret Young  
Peggy L. Young  
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John D. Zoerhoff

### In Honor...

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Sharon S. Cohen  
John E. Demmer  
Rosemary Dubail  
Richard F. Garman  
John T. Kohler  
Russell T. Mikesell  
Vicky L. Patterson  
Kathy and Jim Schroeder  
Marilyn Stromberg  
Patricia C. Whitman

Every gift is truly appreciated and allows the Foundation to meet the areas of greatest needs. However, because of space limitations, only those memorialized and honored in 2011 are listed. We have made a sincere effort to accurately honor every memorial. If you notice an error, please accept our apology and notify the Foundation at 231.487.3500 so that we may correct our records.

# A Contribution with Lasting Impact: SUPPORTING THE MEMORIAL GARDENS

Personalized brick pavers are a tangible way to honor the memory of a loved one. Placed in the garden walkways of Hiland Cottage's Memorial Garden or Cheboygan Hospice House's Community Reflection Garden, the bricks are a visible reminder of those who came before, and a source of comfort for all who visit. Funds support annual plantings, new trees, garden enhancements, and garden maintenance.

I WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A BRICK FOR THE

Hiland Cottage Memorial Garden     Cheboygan Hospice House Community Reflection Garden

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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## Passport to the Arts Walk

A VitalCare Hospice of the Straits Benefit

Dates: August 30 – September 10, 2012  
*Opening Night: August 30, 5 – 9 p.m.*

Location: Cheboygan  
Details: Alison Hubbard at 231.487.3591  
[ahubbard@northernhealth.org](mailto:ahubbard@northernhealth.org)

This benefit features an art and craft exhibit and sale, displayed at businesses and galleries throughout Cheboygan. Thirty-five percent of artwork sales is donated to VitalCare Hospice of the Straits, Patient Assistance Fund.

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### Upcoming Events to Benefit VitalCare Hospice Care



### Seasons of Change Quilt Raffle

A VitalCare Hospice of the Straits Benefit  
in Conjunction with Passport to the Arts Walk

Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Drawing: September 10, 2012

VitalCare Hospice of the Straits, Cheboygan

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100% of the proceeds benefit Hospice of the Straits, Patient Assistance Fund. Pictured here is the quilt at time of newsletter printing. Many thanks to Rivertown Patchworkers, The Fabric Stash, and Winnie Riddle for making this raffle possible.