

Fairview Lakes Auxiliary presents \$23,000 in scholarships to 20 students in health careers, three student service awards

Twenty students pursuing medical careers benefited from more than \$23,000 in health care scholarships presented by the Fairview Lakes Auxiliary during a June 14 ceremony at the medical center in Wyoming. Three student volunteers were also recognized with Donna Mathias Volunteer Service awards.

Medical Scholarship Awards

The Fairview Lakes Auxiliary presented 20 scholarships to students pursuing medical careers: This year's medical/health careers scholarship winners were selected from a field of 88 applicants by a panel of eight judges, all of whom live in the Fairview Lakes' service area. The medical scholarship recipients include seven college students, eight returning adult students and five 2011 high school graduates.

Vince and Hilda Malmquist Scholarship

This scholarship is given by Max Malmquist of North Branch in memory of his parents Vince and Hilda. Vince was a long-time mortician and community leader in North Branch and Hilda worked as a medical Technologist. The scholarship is preferred to be awarded to a North Branch High School graduate enrolled in a graduate program. This year's winner is *Nicholas Sausen*, son of Joe and Geri Sausen of North Branch, who is enrolled at the University of Minnesota Medical School. At the award ceremony, Malmquist announced that he had decided to award a \$4,000 scholarship this year.

Ken Shea Scholarship

The \$1,000 Ken Shea scholarship, presented by North Metro Anesthesia in memory of long-time nurse anesthetist, Ken Shea, was awarded to *Amanda Angel*, of Taylors Falls. A 2011 graduate of Chisago Lakes High School, Amanda begins studies at the University of Minnesota this fall and plans to pursue a career as an anesthesiologist. She is the daughter of Todd and Terri Angel.

Dr Harold and Joyce Albrecht Scholarship

For the fifth consecutive year, the Albrecht family sponsored a \$1,000 scholarship in memory of their father, Dr Harold Albrecht, the first chief of staff of Chisago Lakes Hospital, and also in memory of their mother, Joyce, a volunteer and hospital hostess for 35 years. Joyce died in September 2008 at the age of 100.

The scholarship is designated for a student enrolled in a post-secondary accredited health career program. This year's winner is *Shawn Pritchard*, Lino Lakes, who works as a part-time pharmacist at Unity Hospital while attending the University of Minnesota Medical School. A native of Dickenson, N.D., Shawn graduated from North Dakota State University in 2005 with a doctorate in pharmacy. He and his wife, Gwen, have one daughter.

Cindy Lynch Scholarships

Two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded by the family in memory of Cindy Lynch, a registered nurse at District Memorial Hospital, Forest Lake, and at Fairview Lakes Medical Center, Wyoming. The scholarships are given to adults returning to school to pursue and advance their nursing careers. They are:

Scott Ulbricht, Wyoming, who is pursuing a master's degree in health administration through the University of St. Francis. Scott received his masters of physical therapy degree at the Mayo Clinic and has been employed as a physical therapist at Fairview for 20 years prior to

becoming director of rehabilitation services at Fairview Lakes Medical Center last January. Scott and his wife, Melissa have two children.

Brenda Smith, Wyoming, is currently enrolled in the Health Care Technician program at Pine Technical College and ultimately plans to pursue a degrees as a registered nurse with a focus on neonatal intensive care. Brenda was a licensed child care provider for 15 years .

Fairview Lakes Auxiliary Love Lights Scholarship

Each year the Fairview Lakes Auxiliary uses proceeds of its annual Love Lights tree lighting program to fund scholarships for students pursuing careers in health care. This year, Love Lights Scholarships were presented to:

Amy Odendahl, daughter of Brian and Susan Odendahl, Pine City and a 2011 graduate of Pine City High School, Amy plans to attend the University of Wisconsin at Madison to pursue a career in physical therapy with an emphasis on pediatrics; *Amanda McCormick*, Isanti, who will attend Century College in White Bear Lake studying to become a medical assistant; and *Samantha Cole*, Scandia, daughter of Kathleen Cole, who is enrolled in the graduate school at the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire studying to become a pediatric speech language pathologist. A Forest Lake High School graduate, Samantha attended the University of Wisconsin at River Falls and completed her degree at Marquette University.

Fairview Lakes Health Services Scholarship

Dan Anderson, president of Fairview Lakes Medical Center, presented \$1,000 Fairview Lakes Health Services Scholarships to:

Haley Schmidt, daughter of Kami Schmidt, Pine City, who will begin her studies at St. Olaf College planning to become a pediatrician. Haley has volunteered at Children's Hospital in St. Paul for the past two summers.

Kelsey Blom, daughter of Colleen Blom, Circle Pines, currently a graduate student at the University of Minnesota pursuing a doctorate in physical therapy with plans to specialize in geriatric or orthopedic rehabilitation. Kelsey is a graduate of Centennial High School and Concordia College in Morehead.

Leah Hillesheim Scholarship

The Leah Hillesheim Scholarships are awarded annually in honor of former District Memorial Hospital Administrator Leah Hillesheim. The scholarships are funded by the Fairview Lakes Auxiliary's annual Bike, Walk, Run and Roll event. All monies raised are returned in the form of scholarships. This year seven \$1,000 Hillesheim scholarships were awarded to:

Deborah Fuller, Forest Lake, currently enrolled in the LPN program at Anoka Technical College. Deborah plans to continue to an R.N. program. A returning adult student, Deborah left a business career of eight years to pursue her dream of becoming a nurse.

Breanne Mordorski, daughter of Richard and Christine Mordorski, Forest Lake, is enrolled at the College of St. Benedict, majoring in biochemistry and premedicine. She plans to attend the University of Minnesota Medical School with the goal of specializing in emergency medicine or anesthesiology.

McCall Lemmons, daughter of Kevin Lemmons, Forest Lake, is a 2011 Forest Lake High School graduate who plans to attend the University of Minnesota, Duluth with the goal of becoming an orthopedic surgeon.

Angela Pechaver, Lindstrom, will attend Kaplan University pursuing a degree as a registered dietician. Angela began working as a certified nursing assistant at Fairview in 2007 and is currently employed as an admissions and financial representative. She lives in Lindstrom with her two sons.

Breanna Castillo, North Branch, is attending Rasmussen College, Blaine, studying nursing. A graduate of North Branch High School, Breanna has been employed at Fairview Lakes Medical Center as a nutrition aide since 2008.

Nadia Jelinek, daughter of John and Cheryl Jelinek of Chisago City, is a nursing student at St. Catherine's University in St. Paul and works at the St. Catherine's Health and Wellness Center. *Briana Janssen*, will study nursing at Century College this fall with plans to continue her education to become a nurse anesthetist or nurse practitioner. Briana has worked in emergency medical services since 2003 and is a paramedic at Regions Hospital. She lives with her husband David and their two children in Rush City.

The Carl and Victoria Lindberg Scholarship

The \$1,000 Carl and Victoria Lindberg Scholarship is presented annually to a student from the Chisago Lakes, Wyoming or North Branch area pursuing a career in health care. The Lindberg family sponsors this scholarship in memory of their parents, Carl and Victoria, long-time residents of the Chisago Lakes Community

Winner of this year's Carl and Victoria Lindberg Scholarship is *Barbara Everson*, Lindstrom, who is attending Anoka Ramsey pursuing a long-time goal of becoming a registered nurse. Employed by Fairview Lakes Medical Center since 2008, Barb, who is the mother of four children, also works as a home health aide for Parmly LifePointes in Chisago City.

The Donald Ferguson Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship, given in memory of former Chisago Lakes Hospital administrator, Donald Ferguson, is awarded annually to a student pursuing a health care career and living in the Fairview Lakes health care region. Winner of the Donald Ferguson Scholarship is *Emma Jindra*, daughter of John and Mary Ann Jindra of Chisago City. A graduate of Chisago Lake High School, Emma—who plans to become a pediatric pharmacist--has completed her undergraduate work at the University of St. Thomas and will be a pharmacy student at the University of Minnesota this fall. *Emma* has worked in the pharmacy at Lindstrom Thrifty White Pharmacy.

The Virginia Elizabeth Ferguson Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded annually to a Chisago Lakes High School student who plans to pursue a career in nursing or related health care field. Receiving the scholarship this year is *Heidi Willhite*, daughter of Brad and Lisa Willhite of Chisago City. A 2011 Chisago Lakes High School graduate, Heidi is employed at Ecumen Parmly LifePointes. Heidi enrolled at Anoka Ramsey College while still in high school and plans to enroll in nursing program at the University of Minnesota this fall.

Applications for next year's Fairview Lakes Auxiliary Scholarships will be available after January 1, 2012.

Student Service Scholarship Awards

This year Fairview Lakes Medical Center recognized the contributions of three student volunteers with the Donna Mathias Student Service Award. Recipients of those awards, which range from \$500 to \$1,000, are selected on the basis of 10 criteria that take into account total hours of service and level of commitment. The three volunteers receiving this year's award volunteered 1,135 hours and more than 11 years of combined service:

Brad Mondloch, Forest Lake High School Class of 2011, received a \$1,000 student service award. Brad is the son of Ann and Mike Mondloch of Forest Lake. He plans to attend the University of Minnesota at Morris, where he will be following a pre-med curriculum and pursuing a bachelor of science degree in biology working toward a career as a medical doctor.

Brad has been a Fairview Lakes Medical Center volunteer for five years, serving in three departments within the hospital.

Alicia Hopkins, Cambridge-Isanti High School Class of 2011, received a \$500 award. Alicia is the daughter of Corey and Lori Hopkins of North Branch. She has been accepted to the University of Minnesota at Rochester where she will be pursuing a bachelor of science in health sciences. Alicia's career goal is to become a general surgeon. She has been a volunteer at Fairview Lakes Medical Center since 2007, serving in the gift shop and The Birthplace.

Genna Temte, Forest Lake High School Class of 2011, is the daughter of Susan and Michael Temte of Forest Lake. Genna received a \$500 award and plans to attend Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D., with the goal of becoming an occupational therapist. Genna has been an information desk volunteer at Fairview Lakes Medical Center for almost three years.