



## Give the Gift of Hospice

### Strong Community Partnerships



Lita Noordyk (center) with her Granddaughter Jennica Krebsbach (left) and SSRCH Home Hospice Social Worker Donna Olig at Kindred Hearts in Plymouth where Lita has lived comfortably for years.

Lita is a “joy” for all of the staff with whom she interacts at the glorious age of 102. The SSRCH Care Team members provide their Hospice expertise in coordination with the Kindred Hearts staff. Each Hospice Team member who visits with Lita looks for any symptoms or concerns related to her illness that may need to be addressed. Lita enjoys a very special relationship with Jennica her granddaughter who is comforted to know that others who are familiar with Lita’s condition are on-hand in case of an emergency. The Kindred Hearts staff provides the day-to-day home-like environment and primary care, while receiving end-of-life support from the SSRCH Home Hospice Team. Our partnership with many of the assisted living facilities and nursing homes in the region allows patients to stay in any location they call “home”, with staff they are familiar with.

### Dash to Benefit Community



Laura & Jim Zimbal relax as they watch the tally from their race to collect grocery items, during a 2 minute Shopping Dash at Blattner's Piggly Wiggly in Sheboygan Falls, while John Blattner enjoys the activity (center) watching the packers – (to his right) Jean Blattner and Mary Brasseaux, Hospice Administrator (far right) assisting his employees with other family on-lookers.

The Zimbals won the “Dash” at the Hospice’s Annual Fundraiser Live Auction and donated a large portion of the items they collected to the Safe Harbor Food Pantry in Sheboygan.

The Hospice connection with Blattner’s is underscored with an anonymous donor offering community members a chance to win a \$300 gift card to the store. Watch for more details and an entry form at [www.ssrhospicehome.org](http://www.ssrhospicehome.org) and in local newspapers beginning on November 25th. Return the drawing entry during the Holiday Light Show, held on the Hospice Center grounds from November 25th – December 31st. Winner will be selected on January 3, 2011.

### Faith, Hope & Charity



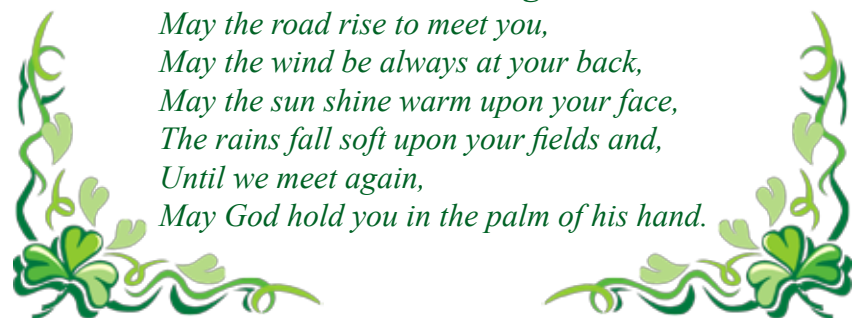
Eric Tetzlaff, 2010 Development Chair; Mary Brasseaux, Hospice Administrator; and Linda Cates, Development Director are overjoyed at the matches offered to the Sargento Live Auction Challenge by guests during the mid-October Annual Celebration.

During this season when the beauty of Nature presents itself in fresh fallen snow and New Beginnings, we want you to know that your **faith in our mission** has made an incredible difference in the lives of families across our region. Thanks to your generosity, we see the realization of **hope in building a community where exceptional end-of-life care is accepted, expected and available** to all. Your expressions of **charity** in donations of time, talent and funds have made it possible for family members to step out of the caregiver role to appreciate the time that is left with their loved ones. You are providing an opportunity for renewal and healing - for mothers to hold their children; sisters to walk with their brothers; and partners to gaze lovingly into each others eyes while the Hospice Team supports and cares for the patients and their family circles.

Recently, employees provided feedback about their passion for Hospice service. I was struck by the resonating chords as they shared their commitment to providing quality care with dignity and compassion – embracing the value of service to all, regardless of ability to pay. You have made it possible for us, as stewards of your gifts, to ease the financial burden of families through our Patient Care Fund. Perhaps, the best I can do is to share with you – our friends and neighbors, an Irish Blessing that was received from a family in our care.

#### Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you,  
May the wind be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
The rains fall soft upon your fields and,  
Until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.



May Brasseaux



# The Promise

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*We appreciate your support!*

*Sharon S. Richardson*  
HOSPICE HOME, INC.

W2850 State Road 28  
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

## Upcoming Events



**November 25 - December 31, 2010**  
5-8 p.m. daily

### Holiday Memories Light Display

Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice  
W2850 State Road 28, Sheboygan Falls

*Special Volunteer Greeters every Friday-Sunday!*

*Donations Appreciated - All Proceeds to Patient Care Fund*

### Taste of the Highlands - A New Event!

*Saturday, May 14, 2011*

*Highland Hunt Club in Cascade*

### Annual Celebration Dinner & Auction

*Friday, October 14, 2011*

*The Bull in Sheboygan Falls*



*Helen Seubert, the SSRCH longest serving Volunteer, sold a record number of raffle tickets at the 2010 Annual Celebration. In all of her work with the Development office, she displays the Hospice Heart.*

## 2011 Board of Directors

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## Sharon S. Richardson

### COMMUNITY HOSPICE

#### Mission Statement

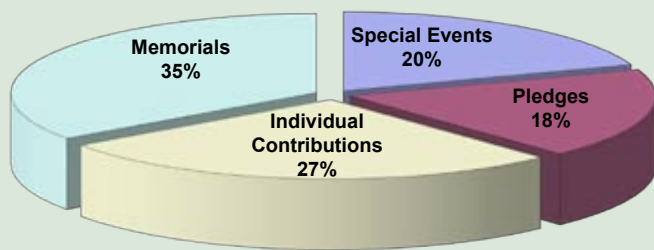
*Our commitment is to improve the quality of life for patients and their caregivers by supporting their end-of-life choices with dignity and compassion. The Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice specializes in providing Hospice and Palliative Care services including grief support and advanced care planning in the home, our Center, or any other location.*

#### SERVING THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:

- Sheboygan
- Manitowoc
- Ozaukee
- Washington
- Calumet

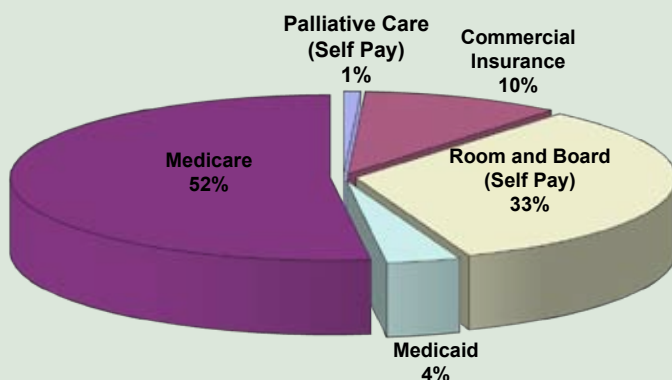
#### Fundraising Sources

October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010



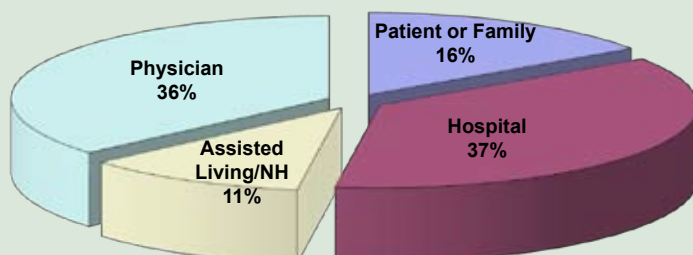
#### Operating Revenue Sources

October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010



#### Referral Sources

October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010



### 2011 Development Committee

Mary Ann Thielke, Chair

Dena Adamson	Art Perry
Kris Bemis	Joe Richardson II
Lee Gentine	Helen Seubert
Roselle Holschbach	Eric Tetzlaff
Bob Imig	Nancy Verstrate
Alan Konetzki	Jan Voigt
Steve Meyer	Randy Winker



*Mary Ann Thielke, Thielke Financial Services, LLC steps into the leadership role as Development Chair in the footprint of 2010 Chair Eric Tetzlaff, SaberCor CEO*

Our journey has taken us from the excitement of the 2006-07 building campaign to a focus on long-term sustainability. The Hospice mission has continued to receive strong community support as donors give to the care that is “close to heart and home” in the local community. Close to heart – in terms of our commitment to serve patients and their families at end-of-life, regardless of their ability to pay through the Patient Care Fund. We are a “local” independent operation – buying local, recruiting and hiring local, and serving families in our region.

During these tough economic times, leadership at SSRCH has focused on the responsible stewardship of resources. They have actively engaged in outreach activities to inform communities across the region of the accessibility of palliative and hospice care in many settings. Many do not realize that our end-of-life care services are delivered in any location a patient calls “home” including: the patient’s home, a nursing home, an assisted living facility, a hospital, or the Hospice Center. As a friend of the Hospice, please look for opportunities to share that information!

There have been many successes in 2010 as we reach for our \$400,000 Development Goal. These funds are used to cover charity care expenses. *(The charts to the left provide an overview of Revenue Sources.)* Your support in stepping up for sponsorships and benefit events makes it possible for us to reach our goal – a few include:

- Ant Hill MOB Motorcycle Club Show and Dance in Manitowoc
- Blattner’s Piggly Wiggly Celebrity Baggers Saturday in Sheboygan Falls
- PGA Championship Volunteer Initiative at Whistling Straits
- James E. Pfeffer Memorial Golf Benefit
- Annual Celebration Dinner & Auction

We have more exciting events to tap in 2011 with the new offering “A Taste of Highland” at the Highland Hunt Club, and a “Community Challenge” in the making. Our Business Network has grown from SaberCor’s involvement in revenue sharing to include Mersberger Financial Group and JavaFit.

Pledges and planned gifts continue to be the foundation for a sustainable future at the Hospice. As pledges expire from the building campaign, we ask that donors renew their commitment and join a special group of friends in the Caring Circle *(a three year commitment with all proceeds to the Patient Care Fund)*. I encourage those who believe in Joe’s promise to his late wife Sharon to join our commitment to serve all facing end-of-life challenges by becoming a member of the Caring Circle today!

**Eric Tetzlaff, 2010 Development Chair**



*The 2010 Recipients of the Community Partner Awards presented at our 5th Annual Celebration were accepted by (starting on left) – Eric Hesselink, Community Bank & Trust; Tim & Kathy DuFour, DuFour Advertising; Ruth Davis for the Master Gardeners; and, Caitlin Brotz, Owner of OLIVU. These individuals and /or organizations have exemplified innovation, collaboration and commitment in their support of the Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice.*

# Volunteers Support Hospice Mission

## The Unstoppable Team



A talented group of Facility Maintenance Volunteers assist our Facility & IT Manager, Dave Hansen (upper left) recently, on a very bright day - Larry Gumm hanging lights in preparation for the Holiday Light Show (left) and Wayne LeClair (right) finalizing a landscaping project . . . team member Dennis Kampmann is not pictured.

## Scouts in Action – Eagle Projects



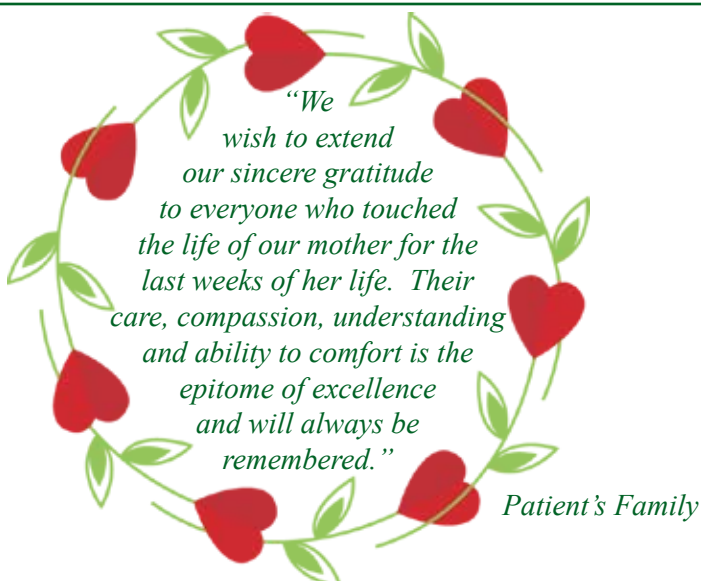
Jack Travis of Plymouth, Wisconsin organized scouts from Boy Scout Troop 869 to assist in his Eagle Project for the Sharon S. Richardson Hospice Home.

Thanks to the generous contribution from the Litt Family, Jack and his fellow Scouts constructed and installed eight blue bird houses and a hand rail along a portion of the Center garden path. The project was conducted over a series of evenings and weekends and recorded over 100 total hours.

In early October, another Eagle Scout Project was researched and executed by Carl Waldhart. The initiative focused on the beautification of over 100 pieces of teak furniture spread across our grounds. All of the benches, chairs and tables have been restored to their natural beauty through a power washing process enhancing the appearance of the teak.

**We greatly appreciate all of our Volunteers and their special gifts!**

A family recently expressed their gratitude in a loved one's Obituary and agreed that we can share their message.



# Family Connections



Emily Williams, Owner of The Duke of Devon

Giving back to your community was a message John and Chris Viglietti taught their children early in life. Stefano, the owner of Trattoria Stefano, and Emily, the owner of The Duke of Devon, have been continuing the tradition of giving back to a community that has been so good to them. Emily commented, "Sheboygan has been so good to my entire family - it is important for me to give back and to support worthy causes that make our community stronger." Supporting the Hospice has become a natural choice for the Viglietti family. John Viglietti was one of the original Founders of the Sharon S. Richardson Community Hospice. Chris has been on the Board of Directors since the Hospice's inception, and their son Andrew is the Finance Manager.

After John died at the Center in late 2009, the importance of the facility was clearly understood by the family. Said Stefano, "We saw the incredible care and compassion the Hospice staff showered upon my family. We understood how important a Center is when care in the home is no longer an option." Stefano and Emily, through their restaurants, have supported the Hospice in many ways, including donations, auction participation, sponsorships, and donated goods and services. Their efforts have made them true community partners.

## Hospice Benefit



Ron Arnoldi, St. Luke Lutheran Church in Sheboygan Falls Representative presents Chaplain & Bereavement Coordinator Nancy Simenz with a check from their Brat Fry Benefit for SSRCH held in September raising \$833, matched with \$400 from Thrivent arranged by Andrea Meyer St. Luke's Secretary and Co-owner of Meyer Electric. St. Luke Lutheran Church will join St. Peter's Episcopal Church as two of the sponsors of the Holiday Light Show this year.