

LOCAL RECIPIENT GIVES BACK



Georgia Dufault, Linda Gibson & Lynette Andel

Project HERO has been a Godsend to my sister, Linda, and me. When I first went to Project HERO, back in July of 2007, I was apprehensive to go, but my daughter, Jacki, told me how they helped her fiancé with a wheelchair, crutches, etc. My sister and I live on a fixed income. Linda's Medicare or supplement does not cover the wound care supplies that Linda needed after hernia surgery. We figured out the expenses for a month's worth of supplies. We would have had to come up with about 2,500. We knew we did not have this kind of money. We also knew it would be a two or three month ordeal, 2 to 3 times a day. What we didn't know is that it would extend to 15 months, and we are still packing her abdomen. I needed a stool for our bath tub & a support bar for her. There was a small fee on those items. I did not even have that much money to spend. Georgia was

the one who helped me the first time I went there. She must have read me pretty good; she told me she could waive the fee if we didn't have the money to pay. She was very kind to me.

I have been quite active in the Ladies Auxiliary at Post 1223, in Moorhead. This last July I was elected President. We can receive an expense check every month for up to \$250. I thought this is my way of giving back. I asked the gaming control board if this could be done, and they said yes. I brought it to the floor for the auxiliary to vote on. It was approved. So with the help of the Ladies Auxiliary at Post 1223 & Gaming I was able to make this happen. I was so happy I went home and told Linda that we could do something for the generous help we have been getting. Linda and I still go get supplies when needed. Thank you Georgia & Project HERO!

by Lynette Andel

Congratulations to 2008 Bash Raffle Winners

*Joan Guenther, Northwood ND
Allegiant Air Tickets*

*Kim Borah, Lake Park MN
Reelin' on the Red Catfishing*

*Heather Dahl, Moorhead MN
Red Bridge Inn Stay*

2008 HERO Service Awards

Moorhead State Community and Technical College and Concordia College Nursing Programs received the annual HERO Service Awards for the many volunteers and volunteer hours provided over the past year.

Thank You Students!

HERO Recycles Mash Bash a Tremendous Success

On behalf of all those benefiting from HERO I would like to thank everyone involved in making the 4th annual signature fundraising event so successful.

More than 250 people attended the fundraiser held at Bonanzaville on October 25. Over **\$22,000 was raised** to support HERO's mission to collect and redistribute donated healthcare materials to those in need. All proceeds benefit HERO.

A huge thank you goes to the Moorhead State Community and Technical College (MSCTC) nursing program faculty for supplying 35 nursing student & staff volunteers to assist at the event. They did a marvelous job.

Many thanks to the generous event sponsors and numerous businesses who donated products for the silent auction and raffle (see list inside). Thank you to Sara Klaphake for being the evening's emcee, the committee for all their great organization and preparation, board members for selling tickets and assisting at the event, the musicians for their lively entertainment and all attendees for coming out and supporting a great cause.

The highlight of the evening was guest speakers Linda Gibson and Lynette Andel. Linda shared her story on how HERO is her hero due to the supplies and equipment she received as featured in the last newsletter. Her sister, Lynette Andel shared why she has made a financial commitment to HERO. Thank you to these two wonderful ladies for sharing their experiences and to all who so generously give of themselves to be a hero to others in need. In this season of thanksgiving, doesn't it feel good to share with others? Wishing you and yours health, peace and happiness. Happy holidays.

Joyce Newton, Executive Director

Thank you to the following HERO partners for their generous financial gifts:



Recent Grants Awarded

Thank you to the following for grant funding to support access to medical supplies through HERO:
 STAR Program, St. Paul \$5000
 Alex Stern Family Foundation, Fargo \$5000
 Dakota Medical Foundation, Fargo \$2000
 Dakota Medical Foundation, Fargo \$15,000
 Matching Grant (donations of \$50 to \$1000 per year will be matched dollar for dollar by the foundation)

Kiwanis Health Equipment Drive

Thank You to the Minnesota Dakotas District Kiwanis International for donations of **800 pounds** of medical equipment and over **\$1000** through the used healthcare equipment drive on August 8, 9, and 10, 2008 in Moorhead
 Kiwanis International partnered with HERO to collect needed durable medical equipment during their annual convention.

2008 Memorials & Honorariums

In Honor of Allannah	Enockson, Michelle	In Memory of John Nordling	Nordling, Lloyd
In Honor of Deborah Verdi	Verdi, John and Deb	In Memory of John T. Schneider	Schneider, Lois
In Honor of Eric	Offerdahl, Dan & Kathy	In Memory of Joyce Burrington	Stout, John
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In Honor of Joyce Newton	Thrivent Financial Clay County	In Memory of Kenneth Leith	Leith, Mary Beth
In Honor of Kevin Wallevand	Forde, James and Jerilyn	In Memory of Marian Berg	Berg, Donald
In Honor of Moira & Davin Pechacek	Johnson, Lance & Judy		Newton, Joyce & Alan
In Honor of Mom's	Gross, Todd & Brenda		Schulstad, Bernice
In Honor of Rocky Kath	Blake, Tammy		
In Memory Florence Powers	Bauer, Kenneth & Janice	In Memory of Marvin and Joyce Giles	McDoregall, Marilyn
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Thank you to These Generous 4th Annual HERO Recycles MASH Bash Sponsors

2008 Silent Auction & Raffle Donors

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Mission
HERO collects and redistributes donated health-care materials to benefit those in need

Vision
 All viable excess medical supplies and equipment are handled in an environmentally safe manner promoting recycling through redistribution

Since 2000 HERO has

-  **Provided:** 4,600 local individuals with over 38,000 healthcare items
-  **Sent:** 114,000 lbs. of medical supplies on global missions
-  **Collected:** 44,500 items keeping them out of our landfill
-  **Volunteers:** 2400 people have given 5500 hours of time

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Holiday Needs!

Due to high demand, HERO is in need of the following items :

- Lift chairs 🌐 Wheelchairs 🌐 Shower Chairs 🌐 Toilet Risers
- Walkers with seats 🌐 Electric Beds



All equipment must be clean & in good working condition

Drop off items 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

2204 5th Ave N, Ste C, Moorhead, MN call 218-284-6111 for pickup



Cars For Charity

Do you have a car, motorcycle, boat, camper or any other type of vehicle you no longer use? Consider donating it to **HERO**. **Cars for Charity** program is a great way to support **HERO** and receive a tax deduction! Call Mauseth Auctioneers at (218)-236-1501 for more information.

Minnkota Recycling

When you take your aluminum cans to Minnkota Recycling, ask them to donate your can funds to Project HERO.

Be a Hero!

www.fmhero.org