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A Night to Remember

Every community needs an event that dazzles the night and leaves the audience in awe! That is what happened on March 22nd, when eight local celebrity couples took to the dance floor in a show of their creativity, talents and personalities and to raise money for LifeQuest’s Supported Employment Program, at the Dancing for Dreams Fundraiser.

These eight couples, brought the night to life in an event that will be remembered by all who attended and appreciated by the people whose doors to employment opportunities have been opened through their efforts. The funds raised will help people explore job interests so that they can find and maintain employment in the community. A job where they can work alongside coworkers and find self-worth in knowing that they can contribute by being an employee.

These eight couples were supported by the hard work of a volunteer steering committee who put in many hours organizing, planning and meeting. The event’s success could not have been possible without the committee.

I watched as the night unfolded, the dancers making final plans, volunteers and committee members hustling about and the audience arriving. Excitement was in the air. What I found most amazing, heart touching, was something I observed from everyone who was a part of that night, a willingness to give. It didn’t seem to matter the role the person played or how connected he/she was to LifeQuest, all who came shared a common theme, to give, with the belief it will make someone else’s life better by doing so.

Thank you to the Dancers, the Committee the Volunteers and the Audience. A special thank you to Doug and Janet Greenway who lead this effort. It truly was A Night to Remember.

Pam Hanna
Executive Director

Staff Anniversaries

APRIL

- Leonard Heckel 39 years
- Carol Schoenfelder 32 years
- Sharon Stern 23 years
- Sheri VanOverschelde . . . 22 years
- Carol Limberg 19 years
- Nikki Riggs 18 years
- Sharyl Burmeister. 17 years
- Gregg Judstra 16 years
- Paula Pecenka 10 years
- Michelle Brown. 10 years
- Skyler Wittenhagen 4 years
- Joseph Redder. 2 years
- Amber Stirling 1 year
- Sam Wessling. 1 year

MAY

- Tyra Fleury. 20 years
- Ronda Vetch. 19 years
- Amy Hotchkiss. 7 years
- Kendra Johnson 4 years
- Bill Swaney 3 years
- Vicki Hansen. 2 years
- Tori Stewart 2 years
- Bailey Bauder 1 year
- Hailey Renberg 1 year

JUNE

- Lynette Kingsbury 24 years
- Roxi Brown 23 years
- Lisa Gorrell 23 years
- Gary Lambert 23 years
- Kacee Regan 23 years
- Stacy Johnson 11 years
- Heather Keiper 10 years
- Janelle Parker. 6 years
- Kate Miller 4 years
- Larry Moeller 4 years
- April Olson 4 years
- Kristy Ackman 3 years
- Sophie Beauchamp 3 years
- Zoey Bornhorst 3 years
- Samantha Kubik 2 years
- Stephanie Swanson. 2 years
- Tiffany Albertson. 1 year
- Kala Aragon 1 year
- Morgan Lensing 1 year
- Krista Neugebauer 1 year
- Blair Overweg. 1 year
- Lily Ann Weiss 1 year

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"We have seen a large increase in the number of online donations via the Foundation's new giving portal," said Brian Loken, the Foundation's Development Director. "Donors have been asking for this feature, and it's a simple and safe way to support us."

The setup is easy to use, simply click on the "Give Today" tab at www.lifequestfoundation.org. After submitting information about the gift, it will submit that information directly to the Foundation, and will automatically re-direct you to WePay, an online payment service provider who partners with a number of online suppliers, such as gofundme. You will then submit your payment information and your gift will be given directly to the Foundation.

To give through PayPal, simply click the yellow "Donate" button on the upper right side of LifeQuest or Foundation websites, and fill in the following information. "You can provide information about a memorial or tribute gifts by clicking on the special instructions tab of the PayPal website," advises Loken.

For more information about online giving, call Loken at (605) 990-7835 or e-mail him at bloken@lifequestsd.com.

Mollers Give through Monsanto Fund

Davison County farmer Chris Moller directed \$2,500 to LifeQuest through America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, a philanthropic arm of Bayer. As part of their mission, LifeQuest will use the funds to help adults with developmental disabilities live fuller lives in the Mitchell, SD area, according to its Development Director, Brian Loken.

Celebrating its 10th year, America's Farmers Grow Communities partners with farmers to support non-profit organizations strengthening rural communities. The program offers farmers the chance to direct a \$2,500 donation to a nonprofit of their choice. It has awarded more than \$33 million to over 8,000 nonprofits across rural America.

"We want to thank Chris and Sonja for directing these funds to LifeQuest," said LifeQuest Development Director Brian Loken. "We'll work hard to make sure those dollars go a long way."



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