



Ave Maria Village

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Come worship with us May 18 & tour our new chapel & suite

After a year of construction and a long, long winter, Ave Maria Village's much-anticipated chapel and family suite are complete ... and already welcoming residents and their families.

"It's truly a great feeling to see the results of years of planning come to fruition," says CEO Tim Burchill. "It's also gratifying to see what we can accomplish when generous supporters of Ave Maria Village's ministry come together with a common goal and purpose.

"We're looking forward to showing it all off to our friends and neighbors next month," he adds.

Bishop John Folda of the Catholic Diocese of Fargo will preside at a dedicatory Mass and blessing of the chapel at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13. This will be followed by an interdenominational service of dedication on Sunday, May 18, at 1:30 p.m. A community open house will be held that day from 2:30 to 5, which will include tours and refreshments. All events are open to the public.

Good Shepherd Chapel hosted its first Catholic Mass on Ash Wednesday, with a nondenominational service in the afternoon. Two services are held there every Sunday. Several funerals have also taken place in the spacious new setting.

The chapel is furnished with a hand-carved altar, pulpit, lecterns and pews donated to Ave Maria by members of the former Aal Lutheran Church in rural Hillsboro. Others furnishings from the Hillsboro church are still to be added.

The pews have been reupholstered in burgundy to complement the chapel's decor. But because traditional pews aren't practical for most nursing-home residents, seating has been greatly expanded with 75 comfortable, sturdy chairs — CEO Tim Burchill calls them "resident-friendly."

The Gathering Space outside the chapel and the McCoy Family Suite are also ready for our residents and guests. The suite is designed for families spending time with their loved ones during their final days.



Dedicatory Mass

Blessing of Chapel & Altar

May 13, 2014 – 10 a.m.

with Bishop John Fulda

Dedication Sunday

May 18, 2014

1:30 p.m. — Interdenomination Service

2:30 – 5:00 p.m. — Open House



(Top) Good Shepherd Chapel. (Center) Gathering Place. (Below) McCoy Family Suite.





Jan Barnes
Development Director

You teach me so much about what Ave Maria means to our families and our whole community

I have been at Ave Maria Village for one year now. It has been an opportunity for me to tell the story of Ave Maria to many people who live in the area and who one day might have a friend or relative living here, or even themselves, but who perhaps weren't entirely aware of all the skills and services that we provide every day for those who need us.

But it has also been an opportunity for *you* to educate *me*. I've heard so many heart-warming stories of how Ave Maria has affected the lives of people throughout Jamestown and the surrounding areas.

I've heard about the caring employees, the wonderful CEO, the cleanliness of the facilities, the many activities for residents, and, most of all, how the residents feel happy and content here. They consider this their home.

I've also heard much about how Ave Maria is essential to Jamestown and our smaller communities, not only for our residents, but for our economy — today and tomorrow.

Ave Maria's future isn't just about money. It is built on the support and confidence you place in us. You have told me again and again how you and your loved ones really do feel that you receive the best of care here. "It feels like a big family," you've told me.

That's something we all share — residents, staff and family alike.

You are ready and willing to give something back to our community. That's what this campaign is all about. We thank you.

The campaign is not over. Though we have passed the first goal of \$1,000,000 several months ago, we're still reaching toward our total goal of \$1,325,000. It is within reach. Only \$269,000 in gifts remain to be raised before we can declare the campaign an unqualified success and move on to the next challenge. Just \$269,000.

Achieving our goal won't be the end, however. It means that then we can turn our attention to the next big challenge ... the one thing our residents always ask for – private rooms.

So...from the bottom of my heart, I thank you for all that you've done for our residents in this capital campaign thus far and if I can help anyone make a gift through any avenue, like a paid up life insurance, stock that has appreciated, real estate, life estate agreements or retirements plans and IRAs, please give me a call. And please keep those memorials coming!

There is nothing more precious than taking caring of our elderly and enhancing the last years of their lives. They once took care of us. It's our turn now to do our very best for them.

— Jan Barnes, Development Director

Capital Campaign

**Ave Maria Village's
Capital Campaign is
on track!**

**In November, we
reached a major
milestone:
the \$1 million mark.**

**Now we are just
\$269,000 from our
campaign goal of
\$1,325,000.**

Give a Gift in Honor or in Memory of a Friend or Loved One

Enclosed is my gift of \$_____ to Ave Maria Village.

Your name and address:

_____ in Memory of: _____
(Name of person to be memorialized)

Name _____

_____ in Honor of: _____
(Name of person to be honored)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

**Please send an acknowledgement to the family or person
we/I am honoring:**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Mail this request form and your gift to:

Attention: Jan Barnes
Ave Maria Village
501 19th St. NE
Jamestown, ND 58401



Retired Kensal farmer enjoys his life here at Ave Maria Village

Lawrence Spitzer — you may call him Bud — has been looking forward to the new chapel ever since he moved into Ave Maria Village in January 2013.

Retired from a lifetime of farming near Kensal, he still occasionally attends his home church there when the weather is fine and his family takes him out.

“But this is my community and my home now,” he emphasizes. “They take very good care of me. They’re very kind, and stop to visit often.

“I am happy here.” And he’s excited about worshipping in the new chapel.

Bud was born and raised on a farm west and south of Kensal. After high school, he took a mechanics course at the State College of Science in Wahpeton, then returned home to work with his father, Adolph, and brother Clarence.

He married his high school sweetheart, Shirley Johnson, in 1944. He and his “city girl” bride (from in town at Kensal) moved to their own farm nearby.

“She was the only girlfriend I ever had,” Bud reminisces. She passed away in 2004 after 60 years of marriage.

The Spitzers’ lives were filled with children, farming and milking cows. Shirley loved to cook and was an excellent seamstress and knitter. After their six children were grown and gone, she loved her new job cooking at the Kensal Cafe.

Both Bud and Shirley were active in 4-H. Bud led the boys, assisting with animals and crop projects. She helped girls learn to cook and sew.

He served on the school board for 15 years, 13 as its chairman. Both were active in St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, where Bud was an elder and chaired the council over the years.

And they loved to square dance.

Bud retired and sold his cows in 1986 ... then helped the people who bought his land. Once a farmer, always a farmer! He is said to have been an ace at fixing things.

The Spitzers raised six children. Leon and his wife Donna are retired and live in Fargo; he has become a hobby farmer. Jill and her husband Dennis have retired to Spiritwood Lake. Sue lives with her significant other, Dean Miller, in Lake Park, Minn. Bruce and Dana live in Kensal. A sixth child, Jeff, passed away in 2008 of leukemia.

Bud, a quiet man with a sparkling sense of humor, also has eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He takes advantage of all kinds of activities at Ave Maria. He loves Happy Hour every other Friday, has coffee at social hour and doesn’t miss the monthly men’s breakfasts. He comes to every musical performance and goes on outings in the community — movies, a tour of the new Home of Economy store and, last summer, a ride to look at the crops. “Lori jumped out of the van and brought me some wheat so I could tell whether or not it was ripe,” he remembers. He adds, “I always like to get my daily hug from Annie in Activities.”



Lawrence “Bud” Spitzer has been part of the Ave Maria family since January 2013.



Ave Maria Village Gifts & Tributes

December 1, 2013 – February 28, 2014

Capital Campaign

Agri-Cover
 Merle Allen
 Bernadette Anderson
 Tim & Christine Burchill
 Heritage Centre "Car Wash"
 Alan & Genny Lindberg
 Bill & Theresa McMillan
 Medicine Shoppe
 Harold Newman
 Elaine Nieland
 Terry & Lynn Nieland
 Walt & Jane Nieland
 Betty Polries
 Ella Rettig
 Sons of Norway
 Julie Wenner

In Memory of:

Charles Boatman
 Boatman Family

Arden Carlson
 Brian & Bonnie Carlson

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 Judy Kulla

Esther Fuchs
 Dwayne & Vonnie Bair
 Betty Brosz
 Bill & Dawn Dee
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Vern Henne
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 Brenda Egedisen

Danelle Mord
 Lloyd & Darlene Mord

Donnie Mord
 Lloyd & Darlene Mord

Lillian Neukircher
 Trude Smith

Marty Tag
 Gene & Bea Andersen
 Dwayne & Elna Anderson
 Carol Bakke
 Keith & Judy Bartlett
 Gilbert & Joanne Black
 Buster & Donna Eckert
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 Lannes & Elaine Edlund
 Donna Halverson
 Dewey & Joan Heckaman
 Danny & Terrie Harding
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 Joann Spickler
 June Stedman
 Mitch Stedman

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 Darwin & Jennifer Topp
 Jerry & Cindy Tufte
 Debbie & Wayne Walen
 Keith & Margie Wright

Patricia Thom
 Joe & Jeannie Schmidt

Jean Willman
 Steve & Carolyn Cichos
 Elsie Weber
 Jean Willman Family

Willis Wooddell
 Marilyn Lobsinger
 Friends of Willis Wooddell

In Honor of:

Phyllis Carlson
 Brian & Bonnie Carlson

Deacon Tom Geffre
 Roy & Dorothy Nill

Arvel & Marjorie Glinz
 Lyle & Nancy Williams

Joe & Joelle Oliver
 Kirk & Debbie Heim

Sue Purdy
 Roy & Dorothy Nill

Martin & Helen Suko
 Jerry & Linda Suko

Donna Tompkins
 Patti Lawson
 Mike Tompkins
 Mitch Tompkins
 Steve Tompkins
 Todd Tompkins

Don & Alta Wenaas
 Dwaine & Joyce Heinrich

Sister Giustina Zanin
 Virginia Jones

Chair Appeal

Aflac Insurance
 Don & Joyce Bentz

Russ & Gwen Geiszler
 Ardelle Loose
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 VFW Auxiliary

In Memory of:

Donald & Margaret Carlson
 Ed & Katherine Stroh

Eva Goldade
 Carol Goldade

Virgil Hagen
 Darla Hagen

Bernard & Harriet Stroh
 Ed & Katherine Stroh

In Honor of:

Betty Schwehr
 Don & Melida Schwehr

Chapel Fund

Florence Mauer
 David & Marge Nething
 Family

In Memory of:

Ray Batsch
 Doloras June Batsch
 & Family

Lanny Braasch
 Gordon & Gail Bischoff

Esther Fuchs
 Bryan & Peggy Widmer

Otto Hauf
 Julie Sachse
 Frieda Hauf
 Gertrude Neumiller
 Irene Hauf

Ken Hess
 Glory Ebertz
 Donna Tompkins

Brittney Kaelberer
 Jeff & Linda Fuchs



Bryan & Peggy Widmer
Sam Kautz
 Wesley & Donna Wiberg
Martha Kemmet
 Rodney & Janice Roaldson
Norman Knutson
 Delno & Phyllis Kleinknecht
Tegan Ann Liebold
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Ruth McKay
 Aileen Astrup
 Mag Bartkowski
 Glory Ebertz
 Arlo & Karen Maag
 Rodney & Janice Roaldson

Robyn Nething
 Heather Olson
 Shirleen Pettet
 Sue Purdy
 Doreen Reister
 Kim Ryan
 Keely Sabinash
 Jeanine Schmidt
 Caroline Scholand
 Raelene Schuh
 Amie Schultz
 Stacy Schulz
 Lenore Seitz
 Brenda Smaage
 Deb Steckler
 Annie Strickland
 Paulette Webb
 Peggy Widmer

Hour Club

Anonymous
 Jan Barnes
 Kay Benson
 Jodi Bunde
 Amanda Dockter
 Diana Elhard
 Sarah Eppen
 Barb Erickson
 Joe Fieber
 Sarah Frieze
 Linda Fuchs
 Sharyln Geerdes
 Tom Geffre
 Cecelia Glinz
 Missy Hase
 Darlene Hass
 Michelle Hass
 Claudia Holm
 Michael Jan
 Linda Johnson
 Sue Johnson
 Shannon Just
 Debra Koebernick
 Gary Koebernick
 Marilyn Lobsinger
 Michele Lunder
 Lavonne Magstadt
 Lori Mettert

In-Kind Gifts

Drop-Leaf Table
 Zimmerman's Furniture

McCoy Suite

Brad & Jan Barnes

In Memory of:

Donna Ginsbach
 Wanda Walker

Evelyn Kerzmann
 Gloria Bartlett
 Kara Bartlett

Marty Tag

Brad & Jan Barnes
 Boyd & Coralynn Dallmann

Willis Wooddell
 Wanda Walker

Paver Appeal

In Memory of:

Kenneth L. Nitschke
 Marian Nitschke

Raffle Sponsors

Mary Jean Burkhardt
 Mark Coppin
 Dairy Queen
 Hampton Inn & Suites
 Ingstad Family Media
 James River Family YMCA
 Jetstream
 Knights of Columbus Club
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 OIG
 Perkins
 Theodore Roosevelt Medora
 Foundation

Transport Center

In Memory of:

Ruth Christianson
 Brad & Jan Barnes

Esther Fuchs
 Brad & Jan Barnes
 Alex & Annie (Hanson)
 Strickland

Brittney Kaelberer
 Brad & Jan Barnes

Emil Nelson
 Brad & Jan Barnes
 Alex & Annie (Hanson)
 Strickland

Bernard Wagner
 Brad & Jan Barnes

Thanksgiving Appeal

**(Rev. N.E. & Lillian McCoy
 Family Suite)**
 Tim & Pam Hagan

In Memory of:

Marvin Borchert
 Valorie Bear
H. Gossett Family
 Gene & Deloris Gossett
Beverly (Ibes) Hanna
 Phyllis Ibes

Jerome Johnson

Irene Johnson
John & Polly Lueck
 Wanda Walker
Wilda "Nell" Krueger
 Russell Krueger
Lila Peterson
 Ross & Julie Peterson
Anna (Mrs. Peter) Schwartz
 Donald & Lois Schwartz
L. White Family
 Gene & Deloris Gossett
Harry & Leah Wolff
 Clayton & Beverly Wolff

In Honor of:

Carlee Barnes
 Audrey Barnes
Chloe Barnes
 Audrey Barnes
Caleb Connolly
 Audrey Barnes
Blake Helmick
 Audrey Barnes
Dustin Helmick
 Audrey Barnes
Marty Tag
 Cindy Tag-Nygord
Selma Tag
 Cindy Tag-Nygord

Wine Tasting Event

Jim & Babe Boyd
 Theresa Comer
 Elaine Hanson
 Joe & Elaine Hegland
 Mark & Claudia Jacobson
 Larry & Tish Johnson
 Dale & Norine Knudson
 Bonnie Kroeber
 Lori Mettert
 Rod & Judy Olin
 Richard & Marlys Piesche
 Gerald & Barbara
 Srozinski
 Larry & Terry Ukestad



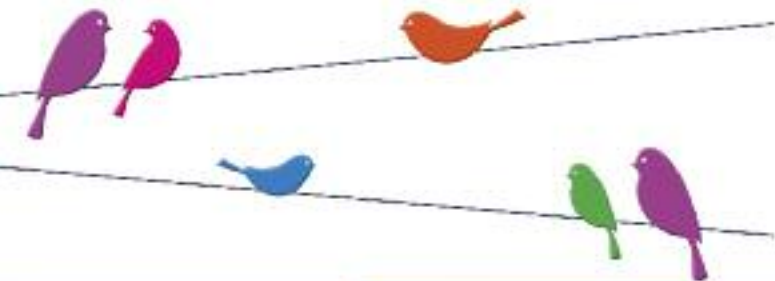
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Upcoming Fundraisers for the Capital Campaign!



KC'S BREAKFAST

Free Will Offering

\$20/ticket

Tea Time

May 6, 2014 2:00 pm

St. Paul's Methodist Church Jamestown, ND



April 27, 2014
9:30 am-12:00 pm

At KC's, Jamestown ND

PULLED PORK BBQ

\$5/basket

June 18, 2014

11am-1:30pm at Ave Maria

Baskets include a pulled pork sandwich, chips, cookies, & a drink.



Call ahead for carryout orders:
701-952-5677

Start collecting your pop & beer cans, scrap iron, car batteries, copper, brass and car bodies and take them to West End Hide, Fur & Metal Co. from April 1 to October 1.

Don't forget to leave your name so we can thank you for your donation!

Building Raffle

\$25/ticket Drawing will be on July 7

Prizes include:

1. Perkins: A pie a month for a year.
2. Knights of Columbus: \$50.00 gift certificate.
3. Dairy Queen: 2 medium blizzards each month for a year.
4. Modern Foundation: One night's stay, two tickets to musical, two tickets to pitchfork fondue at Medora.
5. Mary Jean Burkhart: 60x60 in. Chinese Magic Quilt.
6. Mark Coppin: 18 pieces of assorted white, dark, and milk chocolates.
7. KSJB Radio, Ingstad Family Media, & OIG: 1 all-day ride wristbands for Nickelodeon Universe, 4 tickets for miniature adventure golf at Mall of America, and 2 tickets to Chamhassen Diner Theatres.
8. Jetstream: 4 "The Works" tickets.
9. Hampton Inn & Suites & Buffalo City Grill: One night stay in King Studio Suite at Jamestown & \$20 to the Buffalo City Grill.
10. James River Family YMCA: 3 month general membership.