



\$2M Van Andel Hope & Healing Pavilion opens

Faith Hospice recently opened the doors to the Van Andel Hope & Healing Pavilion, thanks to the leadership of Amy Van Andel, a former Faith Hospice nurse and patient advocate. Occupying the entire lower level of Trillium Woods, the region's only inpatient hospice facility, the \$2.1 million grief support and staff respite center places all Faith Hospice staff under one roof while expanding grief and respite services for the community.

The Van Andel Hope and Healing Pavilion has been created from inspiration of Bereavement Manager, Janet Jaymin, and NFL official and West Michigan resident, Carl Paganelli, after Janet walked with Carl on his grief journey when his wife, Cathy, died in 2016. Their vision and mission was to create a peaceful, private environment for those grieving as they seek grief counseling.

Amy Van Andel, Carl Paganelli, Nancy Erhardt, and the late Dan Pfeiffer, served as campaign co-chairs to spearhead and complete a \$2 million fundraising campaign to create this much-needed center.

The Van Andel name is a continuation of the family's involvement with Holland Home, which dates back to 1998 when the Van Andel Pavilion was constructed at Holland Home's former Fulton Manor location with funds donated in honor of Betty Van Andel, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease. Transferring the name from the former Fulton location was a natural fit. The Van Andel family will continue to honor their parents, and the Van Andel Hope and Healing Pavilion will carry on the tradition to provide "shelter" to the hearts of those grieving.

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René Wheaton BSN, RN, NHA, Executive Vice President of Home and Community Based Services at Holland Home stated “Every day and every night, our mission calls upon us to provide compassionate care in Christ’s name. Since our first day 25 years ago, we have worked tirelessly to live up to that calling by caring for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of those facing life’s final journey — as well as providing care and support to their loved ones grieving their loss.”

Built in 2006, Trillium Woods, located in Byron Center, offers 20 private rooms and a peaceful, family-centered atmosphere with 24/7 medical care. The completion of this project allows all Faith Hospice staff and volunteers to work under one roof.

Key new facility features:

- **Grief Support Center**

Space for individual grief counseling, group and family counseling, and community seminars and education.

- **Hospice Training & Education Lab**

Training for staff and volunteers through role playing and skills testing, allowing for enhanced care experiences for patients and their loved ones.

- **Staff Respite & Renewal Center**

A soothing and healing space for staff to unwind and decompress.

- **Consolidated Office Space**

All Faith Hospice staff are now under one roof — allowing better patient-care collaboration regardless of whether they are inpatient at Trillium Woods or living in our community.

"It is definitely God's work!"

West Michigan residents, Ken and Yogi Kits, have deep ties to Faith Hospice through the passing of three parents who experienced hospice care. Ken's mother and Yogi's father were patients at Trillium Woods, and Yogi's mother received care at a local care facility where she resided.

"The care that all three of our parents received from the Faith Hospice staff was beyond belief," states Yogi. "We could not be more grateful. I stayed with my dad at Trillium the last week of his life. The staff cared for him and me with such tenderness. It was like having an angel coming alongside and helping!"

"Based on our experiences, we have recommended Faith Hospice to several families who needed hospice care for a loved one," said Ken. "Beyond that, we donate to Faith Hospice out of gratitude. We received help and we want to help other families by giving to patient assistance."

Recently the Kits informed us that Faith Hospice will eventually receive a gift through their trust. "As we reviewed our estate plan it made sense to include Faith Hospice. It is definitely God's work, and we will continue to give each year. We also want to see that the care continues long after we are gone."

Prior to retirement Ken worked as a structural engineer for 38 years mainly in the Chicago area. Yogi attended Calvin University for two years until their marriage in 1970 and then was a stay-at-home-mom raising their daughter and two sons. They moved to west Michigan in 2012 and enjoy spending time with their grandchildren and great granddaughter.

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- Yogi Kits



This is my story... This is my song



In February much-loved hymn writer Fanny Crosby came to life on our campuses as Raylene Hlavaty shared a first-person program in costume. Raylene's presentation was engaging and moving, testifying to how God used Fanny through her blindness to write over 8,000 hymns. Many, such as "Blessed Assurance" and "To God Be the Glory", are still loved and sung today.

Attendees were inspired and they, along with others, are now sharing their favorite hymns or worship songs and a short story of why that song is meaningful to them. The Holland Home Foundation is collecting these songs and stories through the *This is My Story...This is My Song Project*.

As a testimony to God's goodness in each of our lives and our Holland Home community, all submissions will be included in a booklet that will be published and shared with everyone who participated in the project.

You can share your song and story at hollandhome.org/my song or by contacting the Foundation at 616-235-5125 to request a brochure so that you may submit by mail.



***Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear his voice!***

***Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!***

***O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
and give him the glory,
great things he has done!***

"To God Be the Glory"



Improving lives: Breton Next Campaign

Holland Home will be investing \$15.5 million over the next five years to dramatically update the Breton Woods campus through more than sixty separate projects — making the campus even more attractive and inviting for current and future residents. *Bretonnext: A Campaign of Generosity* aims to raise \$1.1 million of the \$15.5 million for these campus-wide projects.

The work includes a complete renovation of the Terrace lobby and kitchen transforming this into a space that draws residents together for conversation, community celebrations, and delicious food options. The Woods Café patio renovation will result in an attractive three-season gathering space for cookouts, fellowship, and relaxation.

Breton Ridge residents will enjoy redecorated hallways and heightened security measures. Breton Homes residents will benefit from new composite material decks and improved patios. Residents of Breton Rehab and Living Center will benefit from an attractively renovated Resident Activity Room.

Support this campaign by contacting the Holland Home Foundation at 616-235-5125 or foundation@hollandhome.org.



What will Holland Home invest in?

- An environment that is **warm** and **welcoming** for every resident and visitor
- Spaces that enhance deeper **community connection**
- Dining experiences that celebrate God's amazing **culinary creation**
- Structures that **maximize resources** and **limit waste**

My Mom does not live in fear!

James Karsten, son of Breton Terrace resident, Alice Karsten, recently shared his thoughts about the value of Holland Home.

“Holland Home means ‘peace of mind’ for my mother AND for me. She has been a widow since age 58. She loved her home and neighborhood but was rattling around in a 2,500 square foot home. After a couple of years of considering a move to Holland Home, she finally did in 2016. She loves the companionship, the available activities, and the promise of care for the rest of her life.”

James, a minister for 34 years, and his wife, Andrea, a financial planner and former Holland Home Foundation Board member, view Alice’s move to the Breton campus as one of the best decisions she ever made.

“My mom does not live in fear! She is not isolated. She is active and fully independent. Her apartment is beautiful. She brings meals and cookies to people around her and checks in with those that do not have families nearby. She has a place to use her gift of hospitality.”



**“Summing it up,
I would say, ‘The story
of Holland Home is
one of community and
fellowship, of peace
of mind — a place
to really *live!*’”**

Take a walk on the wild side!

Members of the 1892 Heritage Society are invited to the annual Society thank you event on Thursday, June 27 at Boulder Ridge Wild Animal Park near Alto, Michigan. This will be a “zoo’pendous” evening!

Featuring over six hundred mammals and reptiles and 140 species of birds and fish, the park is a unique and fun experience for “kids of all ages.”

Society members will enjoy exclusive entrance to the park, a delicious summer-themed meal, and time to visit the exhibits on the park’s flat, easy-to-navigate walkways. Each guest will also receive special treats to feed selected birds and animals.

Solo society members may invite a guest to join them. All event activities and round-trip bus transportation are free of charge. Invitations coming soon!



The 1892 Heritage Society honors donors who provide a planned gift in their will or trust for Holland Home, Holland Home Foundation or Faith Hospice. Other types of planned gifts also qualify for Society membership.

We celebrated 130 years at the 2022 Keeping the Promise Dinner

Thank you to the 700 Holland Home supporters who celebrated our 130th anniversary at the 2022 Keeping the Promise Dinner last November. Guests were inspired by the performance of Christian singer and songwriter, Michael W. Smith. Dinner proceeds benefit the Holland Home Resident Assistance Fund.





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**HOLLAND HOME
34th ANNUAL
GOLF OUTING**
Monday, June 5
Watermark Country Club



**FAITH HOSPICE
FALL LUNCHEON**
Wednesday, September 20
Cascade Country Club

**KEEPING THE
PROMISE DINNER**
Monday, December 11
DeVos Place
featuring Sons of Serendip

