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## Bargains Galore shows support for Christian Home with donation

Bargains Galore Thrift Store in Waupun recently donated \$1,500 to The Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center, Inc. They are this year's recipient of the store's 7th annual Community Benefit.

Since opening their doors in 2001, Bargains Galore is proud to have given over \$18,000 to other non-profit and worthwhile community organizations. "We are so grateful to be a part of this supportive community and glad we can share the blessings," remarked Brenda Hofman, store manager. "The Christian Home plays a unique and important role in our community - we're happy to support them in this way."

The Christian Home was founded by the Reformed and Christian Reformed churches and opening its doors in 1954. This year, the Waupun Christian Home is celebrating our 60th anniversary. Today churches of varying denominations help support the Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center.

"The Christian Home and Rehabilitation Center, Inc. is honored that Bargains Galore supported our organization with a generous community gift of \$1500. We are humbled by the hard work of the volunteers that goes into supporting their organization and that they chose to share the gift with us," said Barbara Wirkus, NHA Christian Home &



Bargains Galore recently donated \$1,500 to Waupun Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center. Bargains Galore store volunteers include, from front left: Carol Thurk, Brenda Hofman, Barbara Wirkus (Christian Home), Alice Posthuma and Carol Jansma. From back row left: Cindy Boone, Marge DeMaa, Georgene Mulder, Ruth Buwalda, Jeannette Winkel, Katie Fiske, Louie Wierenga and Nancy Wierenga. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Rehabilitation. Center. "We would like to use the money to enhance the resident areas outside. Our goal is to provide comfortable sitting areas, ade-

quately shaded, flowers and bird feeders-all for the residents' enjoyment."

Bargains Galore is a non-profit resale store

staffed with over 160 volunteers, raising funds for Central Wisconsin Christian School. It is located at 810 W. Main St., Waupun. Store & Donation Center

hours include 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday & Saturday. Visit [BargainsGaloreThriftStore.com](http://BargainsGaloreThriftStore.com) for more information.

## 2014 Dodge County Fairest of the Fair candidates in preliminary interviews



The 2014 Dodge County Fairest of the Fair candidates gathered at Bayside Supper Club in Beaver Dam on July 7 for preliminary interviews. Finals will take place on opening day Aug. 13 of the Dodge County Fair at 5 p.m. on the WTKM Radio stage. Candidates from left: Carrie Warmka, Fox Lake; Laura Schoenike, Oconomowoc; Amber Stangler, Watertown; and Ashley Modaff, Juneau. Kaitlyn Riley, 2014 Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair is at right. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## Galluns donate \$1 million to BDCH Foundation for da Vinci robot

Edwin A. (Ned) and Elfriede (Elfie) Gallun announced a pledge of \$1 million to the Beaver Dam Community Hospitals Foundation, Inc. restricted for the purchase of a da Vinci Robot for use at Beaver Dam Community Hospitals, Inc. (BDCH). This donation is the largest single donation the BDCH Foundation has ever received from a community leader.

The Galluns purchased Metalcraft of Mayville in 1973, and made the donation in honor of the Metalcraft employees - past, present and future, with whom they credit much of the company's success.

BDCH will now have the only da Vinci Robot in Dodge County. The da Vinci is especially valued because it is designed to enable minimally invasive surgical procedures for conditions such as prostate cancer.

"On behalf of the BDCH Foundation and Beaver Dam Community

## Metalcraft of Mayville

Hospitals, Inc., I would like to thank Ned and Elfie Gallun and the Ned Gallun family for this unprecedented \$1M donation to the Beaver Dam Community Hospitals Foundation for the purchase of a da Vinci Robot," said Kim Miller, BDCH President & CEO. "I am so touched by their kindness and generous hearts. I know that this gift comes from their deeply-held beliefs and values."

The da Vinci is a sophisticated robotic platform designed to expand the surgeon's capabilities and offer a state-of-the-art minimally invasive

option for major surgery. It offers specialists precision, dexterity and control that results in less pain and reduced recovery time.

"I would like to challenge others to raise another \$1M toward fighting prostate cancer and improving urologic care for Dodge County," Gallun continued. "My goal is to improve the overall health of the Dodge County area, and by working together on behalf of those who work and live here, we can achieve that goal."

For information call (920) 887-4077 or visit [bdch.com](http://bdch.com).

## Dodge County livestock judging teams advance to state competition

Both the Junior and Senior Livestock Judging Teams competed at Area Animal Science Days in Columbia County. For this competition, both teams judged market and breeding animals for beef, sheep and swine. Juniors answered three sets of questions based off of the classes, while the seniors delivered two sets of reasons and answered one set of questions. Both teams did an outstanding job and will be moving on to the state competition on Monday July 28 in Arlington.

The Junior Livestock Evaluation team ranked second in the overall team rankings. Placing in the top ten were Natalie Siedschlag of Watertown in second and Morgan Wollin of Watertown in fifth. Other members of the Junior team include Riley Kappell of Lebanon and Mackenzie Schraufnagel of Beaver Dam.

The Dodge County Senior Livestock Evaluation team placed first in the overall team rankings. Placing in the overall Top Ten were Allison Schulz of Iron Ridge in first, Emily Schulz of Iron Ridge in second, and Sam Nehls of Beaver Dam in fifth. Other members of the senior team are Jesse Lynch of Reeseville and Paige Wollin of Watertown.

Becky Doman coaches both the junior and senior livestock teams.



Both the Junior and Senior Livestock Judging Teams judged market and breeding animals in the beef, sheep and swine category at the Area Animal Science Days in Columbia County.

From front left, Junior Team: Natalie Siedschlag of Watertown, Riley Kappell of Lebanon, Morgan Wollin of Watertown and Mackenzie Schraufnagel of Beaver Dam. From back left, Senior Team: Paige Wollin of Watertown, Emily Schulz of Iron Ridge, Sam Nehls of Beaver Dam and Jesse Lynch of Reeseville.

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