

## **Kendal at Hanover Receives Generous Memorial Gift**

A fund has been established in memory of Mary and Bryce Lyon through a generous donation from a very supportive donor. This fund was established to help maintain the high standard of Kendal at Hanover's medical care into the future.

The fund is to be used creatively to further the professional development of Kendal's health care staff and the staff of the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC) clinic at Kendal through a wide variety of means such as conferences, workshops, lectures, and stipends for continuing education of staff members. The fund may also on occasion enable Kendal to extend its programs to professionals in the wider community, thus carrying out Kendal's mission to foster the health and well-being of older persons more generally.

Soon after learning of this generous memorial gift, Margo Johnson, Chair of the Gifts & Bequests Committee, Diana Cox, Director of Resident Health Care Services, and Rebecca Smith, Executive Director, met with the donor to talk about ideas for a symposium/conference to be held at Kendal at Hanover in the fall of 2008.

Kendal at Hanover is now planning an Elder Conference on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 entitled "Redefining Elder Care for the Changing Consumer: Perspectives on Healthcare, Housing and Lifestyle Success." The speakers will include Mike Magee, MD, a nationally known champion for a holistic vision for health system reform in the US and author of numerous books of which his most recent is Home-Centered Health Care. His work was cited in an interview in "FutureAge," the journal of American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, in November/December 2007. Other speakers will include the Executive Director of New Hampshire Healthcare Association; presentations in the areas of the Greenhouse Model, outcomes of Collage by the Lutheran Homes of South Carolina, Slow Medicine author Dennis McCullough, MD, a PACE project leader and updates on information technology as it relates to home safety/monitoring.

This will be a very exciting conference. The audience will be professionals working in the areas of eldercare and in particular the Northern New England Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

Kendal at Hanover is truly blessed to receive this gift in honor of the loving care and support that the Lyons received at Kendal at Hanover. We are honored by the generosity of the donor and the presence of the Lyon's legacy through ongoing education in our Kendal community.

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