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AUGSBURG LUTHERAN HOME AND VILLAGE

Residents, friends, employees, board members and anyone associated with Augsburg Lutheran Home and Village will remember 2006 as a year of celebration.

The major celebration involved the Grand Opening, in September, of Reformation Square which added forty two apartments and almost 70 persons to the Augsburg family. The largest expansion project since the Village began twenty years ago, Reformation Square brought many new amenities to the campus. Residents of the Village were happy to welcome a new Beauty Parlor, Fitness Center, Physicians Suite, Convenience Store and a Café to the Town Center that completed the project many years in the making. The Café has been dedicated to the memory of Martha Van Oss a long time supporter of Augsburg and its ability to care for others as if each one were the Lord Himself.

Also celebrated was the establishment of the Katenkamp Society. In November, twenty-seven of our supporters joined in promoting the idea that good things happen when people come together to lift up a ministry. They gathered together at a dinner to inaugurate the society that will annually recognize those individuals who have chosen to assure the future of Augsburg through a planned gift. The Katenkamp Society honors Theodore and Lucille Katenkamp whose more than 40 years of dedication to Augsburg resulted in the care of thousands of individuals during their lifetimes and thousands more both today and in the future.

The Women's Auxiliary was celebrated for their continuous support of Augsburg's Mission. Throughout the year and for the past 114 years the Auxiliary has helped meet the needs of residents. This year a gift of \$10,000 was earmarked to the Therapeutic Recreation Department and every resident benefited from a variety of special entertainment and therapeutic activities designed to lift spirits and improve abilities. The purchase of new electric beds for each resident continued to be a priority for the Auxiliary during the year.

Following our first ever OutBack Fundraising Dinner, many people celebrated with us the opening of a new Beauty Parlor for the residents of the Health Care Center. In still another new venture, Augsburg celebrated its successful participation in an online EBay charity auction in affiliation with Lutheran Services in America.

At a special celebration for employees we honored 50 employees for their years of service at Augsburg. The longest serving employee was Frances Fant who served for over 38 years. Together these employees served more than 900 years, illustrating the

dedication that Augsburg's employees feel toward the residents that they care for on a daily basis.

Finally we celebrated the future. Glenn Scherer, Executive Director and members of the Strategic Planning Committee worked throughout 2006 to envision the future. After considering alternatives, it was decided to focus on transforming the Nursing Care area into a more home-like environment. Changing from a traditional nursing home concept to the concept of offering care in a more home-like environment will demand great commitment from many persons including Augsburg's Board of Directors. The celebrations we have experienced in 2006 will begin again in 2007 as we move toward this goal. Included in the Strategic Plan for the future will be the inclusion of a new worship space for Augsburg's residents as today and throughout our 115 year history the spiritual well being of each individual has been the heart of our care.

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