

VSP Newsletter August 2024

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Learning – Connecting – Serving

SAVE THESE DATES!

Here's a couple of save the dates for later this year:

Thursday, October 17, 2024, for an informal get together; location to be determined.

Wednesday, December 4, 2024, for our annual VSP Meeting and Holiday Social. Watch for additional information in future newsletters.

Medtronic Bowling League now open to friends and relatives of Medtronic bowlers.

Looking for ways to connect and meet new people? Love bowling?! The 2024/25 bowling season for the Medtronic Tuesday Mixed Bowling League will start on September 17, 2024, and go through March 25, 2025 (no bowling on November 26, December 24 and December 31).

New this year, we are accepting outside members. If you have friends and family who want to participate with you, now they can. We just ask that your team has one member who does or did work at Medtronic.

We bowl at Bowlero in Blaine, which is located just off Highway 65 and 113th. Bowling is on Tuesdays and starts at 5 p.m. (practice at 4:45 p.m.) and we are usually finished around 6:30 p.m.

Cost is \$14/week per person. Each team has three bowlers bowling every Tuesday. You can have up to six bowlers on your team roster and rotate. You can also sign up to be a sub. Retirees and former Medtronic employees are welcome to join.

- If you have questions regarding the league or would like to join, contact Linda Lockwood at linda.a.lockwood@medtronic.com.

Please share this with anyone you think might be interested.
Hope to see you at the lanes!

Recent VSP Team Volunteer Events

Thanks to all the retirees who volunteered at Bridging in July! Your efforts are truly appreciated!



Upcoming VSP Team Volunteer Events

To register for any of the volunteer events below:

1. Sign into the Retiree Medtronic Foundation Volunteer and Giving Website:
<https://medtronic.yourcause.com/auth/basic>
2. Click on Volunteer and input the search term noted within each opportunity listed below.

Feed My Starving Children – Registration is Open

Search Term in Your Cause: Medtronic Retiree Event – Feed My Starving Children.
Click “Sign Up” and choose the main session.

Date: Tuesday, August 13

Time: 9:30 am – 11:15 am

Location: 401 93rd Avenue NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Bikes4Kids – Registration is Open

Search Term in Your Cause: Medtronic Retiree Event – Bikes4Kids

Date: Monday, September 9

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Location: 16501 Buchanan Street Northeast, Ham Lake, Mn 55304

Note:

If you would like to bring a guest to a volunteer event, please notify Anne Coldwell at amc57@comcast.net.

If you would like to volunteer and have trouble accessing the Your Cause Site, please contact Anne Coldwell at amc57@comcast.net.

In Memoriam



Sheila Husom

Sheila passed away on July 21, 2024, in Coon Rapids, MN. Sheila worked in the Corporate Graphic Design and Communications Services area for many years. She was preceded in death by her father, Harlan Husom. She is survived by her son, Brett Husom; mother, Carol Husom; and her 6 siblings. A memorial service was held August 2 at www.Washburn-McReavy.com Coon Rapids Chapel 763-767-1000.



Nicholas "Nick" Verstegen (July 24, 1943 - July 10, 2024)

Nick Verstegen appreciated the finer things in life: good food, good wine, travel, golf, and fast cars.

Nick grew up in Little Chute, WI, travelled the world, retired from a successful career in the health sciences industry, and returned home for his final years. He passed away peacefully on July 10, 2024, in the company of family.

His professional career eventually landed him at Medtronic, doing international business development for the company's artificial heart.

During this time, Nick travelled the world extensively for both business and pleasure. At every stop he steeped himself in the local culture, taking particular delight in the arts and cuisine.

His final postings for Medtronic were to Maastricht, Holland in 1996, where he supervised the launch of a new semiconductor manufacturing plant, and finally to Switzerland to oversee other operations.

Nick retired in the late 1990s and spent his leisure time in Minneapolis golfing, cooking, and gaming at casinos around the country, often in the company of his

longtime companion Sandra (Sandy) Knobel.

A Celebration of Life for Nick will be held August 10, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at Verkuilen-Van Deurzen Family Funeral Home, 101 Canal Street, Little Chute, WI. Visitation will begin at the funeral home at 10:00 a.m. and will continue until the time of the service. Condolences: www.verkuilenh.com The family gratefully appreciates any gifts to the Alzheimer's Foundation in Nick's honor.

Obituaries based on those posted in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*

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