

Doing ordinary things extraordinarily well



Cliff Seger claims to be an “ordinary guy,” but he knows how to get big jobs done in an emergency. Cliff was recruited to be a member of the board of Spofford Home in Kansas City 27 years ago and brought a “can do” enthusiasm from his work with the Air Force and Marines. Noting that electricity failures were a serious problem at Spofford, Cliff “encouraged” the Spofford Foundation to install a generator - not only a big expense but also hard to find in the days following the Katrina Hurricane. Once the “Seger-ator” was installed it immediately proved its worth when a power pole was broken and the lights went out – until the new generator kicked in!

Cliff is now a member of the Spofford Foundation board. He and Mary Beth “could have just put Spofford in our wills,” but the Charitable Gift Annuity, established at the Missouri United Methodist Foundation to benefit Spofford Home, was a better choice. “It’s a wonderful way to help others and ensure our own financial security.” And, adds Mary Beth, “When you see the kids at Spofford, knowing that the CGA will benefit them gives you a great feeling.”

Clifford and Mary Beth Seger

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One Life		Two Life		
Age	Rate	Younger Age	Older Age	Rate
65	5.30%	65	66-70	5.00%
67	5.4	67	68-72	5.1
69	5.6	69	70-73	5.2
71	5.8	71	74-77	5.4
73	6.0	73	75-76	5.5
75	6.3	75	77-79	5.7
77	6.6	77	81-82	6.0
79	6.9	79	84-85	6.3
81	7.3	81	85-86	6.6
83	7.7	83	89-90	7.1
85	8.1	85	90-91	7.5
87	8.6	87	90	7.8
89	9.2	89	91	8.2
90+	9.5	91	93	8.9
		93+	93+	9.3

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Fusion Wellness Center

The Apostle Paul saw the Christian community as one body, and First Church in Sedalia is working to ensure that body – and every body – is a healthy one! Fusion Wellness Center is a new ministry of healing and wholeness for body, mind and spirit at the church's South Campus Celebration Center.



Innovation and outreach are hallmarks of First Church which has become a national leader as a multi-campus, teaching congregation. The new Center features “classes that have a physical component mixed with spiritual lessons and teaching – working toward a more complete and whole person.”

In 2008, the Center received a \$10,000 Foundation grant for initial equipment needs.

body / mind / spirit

Your Resource for Ministry

Bishop Robert Schnase has articulated five defining characteristics of healthy, vital and productive congregations. The Foundation ministry grant program strives to identify and assist congregations with projects and activities that will expand fruitfulness in all five of these important ministry areas.

In 2008, the Foundation awarded over \$329,512 in ministry grants to 58 Missouri United Methodist churches, agencies and institutions. Application materials and information can be found at www.mumf.org.

Your generous gifts help build the endowments that make these grants possible. Consider a gift to the Foundation grant program in your estate plans.

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