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### Donations can now be made online

via our website at [www.widehorizon.org](http://www.widehorizon.org), where you can also learn much about Wide Horizon and its nursing activity.

Thank you!

## GARAGE SALE at Wide Horizon in summer 2007!

Your donations and support of this activity as a community event are always appreciated. Details will be announced in the spring 2007 issue of the Wide Horizon Herald.

### Mailing List

If you'd prefer not receiving mail from Wide Horizon or know of a change in a recipient's circumstances, please let us know via email [margee@widehorizon.org](mailto:margee@widehorizon.org), regular mail, or phone at 303-424-4445, x3156. Include full name or names and mailing address. Thank you.

## Wide Horizon: An Activity of Church

by D. Brian Boettiger,  
 Administrator

In *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, its author Mary Baker Eddy provides a spiritual definition of church, one that encompasses much of the activity of Christian Science nursing.

“CHURCH. The structure of Truth and Love; whatever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle. The Church is that institution, which affords proof of its utility and is found elevating the race, rousing the dormant understanding from material beliefs to the apprehension of spiritual ideas and the demonstration of divine Science, thereby casting out devils, or error, and healing the sick.” (p. 583)

When I think of the good works that presently occur each day at Wide Horizon and have happened here for 55 years, I certainly recognize that this institution is built on the bedrock of Christ. The Christly activity of Christian Science nursing is one that supports Christian Science healing. This activity therefore is aligned with the spiritual concept



Annie Thayer

of Church and one that is supportive of the Cause of Christ Science. It’s an activity in which Christian Science nurses and practitioners work together ministering unto those who need practical care while relying on the healing power of divine Love. This ongoing activity helps to feed a hungry and thirsting world with the righteousness of the demonstration of Science. I feel it’s important that each of us needs to recognize that Christian Science nursing is therefore an activity of Church.

Wide Horizon embodies the structure of Truth and Love through its holy work. We hope that each patient or guest feels the impulse of Principle in action and trust that each can feel the restfulness of relying on Truth alone.

As are other Christian Science nursing facilities, Wide Horizon is an institution that genuinely affords proof of its utility. It’s a structure that offers refuge from worldly intrusion. It’s a structure in which healing occurs. Our goal in serving God is acknowledging that

### The HERALD’S 2006 Annual Meeting Issue



At the beginning of each meeting of Wide Horizon’s Board of Directors, members share ideas relating to a metaphysical topic selected for that meeting. This year’s topics were:

- Answer the Call
- Gratitude
- The Christ
- Newness
- Wisdom and Understanding
- Love Inspires
- Healing Atmosphere
- Foundation of Truth
- Everybody is Loved
- Blessed are the Poor in Spirit
- Benevolence
- Love’s Divine Adventure

whomever enters Wide Horizon’s doors will feel Love’s presence and experience the freedom of Love’s power. This must elevate the human race to greater recognition of the God-sent message of Science.

Christian Science nursing helps to rouse the dormant—yet already present—understanding of Science. It is this understanding,

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## An Activity of Church

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not mere belief, which heals. It is demonstration in Science that brings freedom for the individual from error of any sort. Such demonstration, based on understanding, also can free Christian Science care facilities from the erroneous misconceptions that they must sometimes endure.

The most pernicious of these misconceptions is that Christian Scientists go to such facilities to pass on. This is not true! The goal for each and every individual who enters Wide Horizon's doors is for scientific spiritual demonstration or healing. In fact, there have been numerous healings of many diseases and various conditions at Wide Horizon and its other sister facilities. Of course people have passed on, too; nevertheless, it's important to note that the activity of Church, of Truth, Life, and Love, is ongoing at every Christian Science facility. This ongoing, active service unto others is supportive in every way. The blessings are countless. The healings are innumerable. Indeed, devils, or error, are cast out!

The apprehension of spiritual ideas and the demonstration of divine Science are so vitally needed by our world and in our movement. For now, our much needed Christian Science nursing care facilities help to facilitate the active, effectual and fervent prayers of the righteous—prayers that are deep and conscientious protests of Truth, as our dear Master, Christ Jesus, so ably showed us. It's an activity of Church most worthy of your support!

## GENESIS 1 or GENESIS 2

*Attributed to J. Woodruff Smith, CS*

Where did it begin  
This idea called you?  
In Genesis I,  
Or Genesis 2?  
Which one of these concepts  
Will prove to be true?  
If you know what is what,  
Do you know who is who?  
In Genesis I in the 26th verse  
There's a man with never a taint' of a curse.  
But in Genesis 2 in verse number seven  
There's a dust man conceived...  
He'll never see heaven.  
So it really comes down  
To which one you will claim,  
What thou see'st thou be'st...  
So what is your name?  
There they both stand.  
Which one is you?  
Is it immortal man one,  
Or mortal man two?  
If you're immortal man  
You know what you're worth.  
For according to law  
You'll inherit the earth.  
But if you're just a mortal  
And made out of dust...  
Is there anything to you  
That's worthy of trust?  
No, the thing they call man  
In Genesis 2  
Is the dream of the dreamer.  
It never was you.  
So know what you are.  
Take your place in the sun,  
You're the immortal man  
Of Genesis I.

## New Journal-listed Nurses

**B**oth Jane Allen and Lani Howarth have recently become listed as Christian Science nurses in The Christian Science Journal. We celebrate this step of spiritual progress in their lives. We are genuinely grateful for their selfless work of fine nursing and delighted that their dedication to meeting the high standard of Christian Science nursing has been recognized. Lani has chosen to leave Wide Horizon's employ in order to accept private duty cases and assist in other facilities. We wish her well. We are thankful that Jane will continue blessing our guests here at Wide Horizon. Of course, we're also sincerely grateful for all dedicated nurses who strive to demonstrate Science in their Christly service to mankind!

## Why Would Anyone Choose To Be A Christian Scientist?

*A brief summary provided by the speaker, Lona Ingwerson, C.S.*

**T**he talk focused on the freedom one has as a Christian Scientist—freedom over the things that so frighten and enslave people. Christ Jesus said, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." The speaker shared proof that the "truth which makes you free is the truth that you're free already," a truth premised in Genesis Chapter 1 of the Holy Bible.

We as Christian Scientists have chosen the "road less traveled by" cited by Robert Frost in his famous poem, when he said, "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I, I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all of the difference."

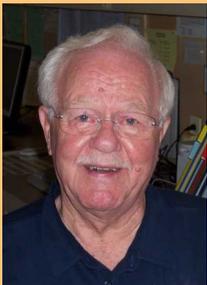
We've not chosen a religion because it's hip, networked, or even popular. In fact, we may lose friends and family because

of it. So why make the choice? Why choose as well to go to a Christian Science facility for healing when medical services are provided on every corner?

Because Christian Science practiced is the truth. It's the truth that makes us free—the truth that we're free already. [She shared some examples of freedom from the effects of fire, accidents, crime, poisonous bites, heart attack and broken bones and recited the poem *Genesis 1 or Genesis 2* on page 2.]

Yes. It's the truth that we really are the man of Genesis 1, the man who has dominion over his experience, the man created in God's likeness. It's the truth that God is All, the truth that God is Good, the truth that All is Good.

So does being a student of Christian Science make a difference? ALL the difference!



Our dear friend and associate, Al Zehendner, passed on recently. Al cheerfully loved to serve others, and he was good at doing so. His orderly work as a Christian Science nurse was admired, for he practiced patience with guests and

punctuality with his colleagues. As a WWII veteran who could have retired years ago, Al's desire and willingness to help others was an inspiration to many of us. For years, Al also served the Boy

Scouts of America. His troop had more eagle scouts—the highest earned honor or rank—than any other in the entire United States. Al's delightful sense of humor lightened the hearts of many, especially when he graced us with his talents as a clown. Al was full of faith—receptive to Truth and Love. He strove to demonstrate Science and did so admirably. It is certain that he is singing and soaring, serving others, and perhaps even clowning in the heights of the one Mind that is divine Love. We can be grateful that so many lives have been touched by dear Al's cheerful life and efficacious love.

## Wide Horizon: A Glorious Garden

by Ted LaMontagne,  
Board Treasurer

As I sat to write this financial summary of Wide Horizon's fiscal year the words of a hymn wafted through my thought, so I stopped to read the hymn and realized that perhaps its wonderful message might do very well to introduce this portion of Wide Horizon's communication to you:

A grateful heart a garden is,  
Where there is always room  
For every lovely, Godlike grace  
To come to perfect bloom.  
A grateful heart a fortress is,  
A staunch and rugged tower,  
Where God's omnipotence, revealed,  
Girds man with mighty power.  
A grateful heart a temple is,  
A shrine so pure and white,  
Where angels of His presence keep  
Calm watch by day or night.  
Grant then, dear Father-Mother, God,  
Whatever else befall,  
This largess of a grateful heart  
That loves and blesses all.

— *Christian Science Hymnal*, hymn 3

Indeed, it is with a very grateful heart that this report is offered to you. It will be divided into two very short capsules of information. The first will outline what the administration and employees of Wide labored to produce in keeping with the trust that you, as members and friends of Wide Horizon have placed in them. The second will outline what you, as members and friends of Wide have done for this wonderful institution and in a broader sense, for the cause of Christian Science.

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Our operating expenses went up modestly by about 4 percent while our earned income from guest services remained essentially the same. The net effect was to increase our operating deficit from approximately \$440,000 to \$540,000 or an increase of close to 23 percent. Toward the end of the fiscal year we adjusted our fees for services upward. The last time a fee adjustment was made was two years ago. We compared our new schedule of fees with other Christian Science facilities throughout the country and found that our new schedule compared favorably with what other similar institutions charge for their services. The design of the increase is not to close the operating deficit, but to help mitigate it somewhat and to recognize the increased costs that we incur in providing our services. Benevolence has always been an integral part of an institution such

as ours, and it will probably remain so in the foreseeable future.

This is the point at which I now communicate to you—what you did for Wide Horizon—you gave! General contributions were sufficient in amount to compensate for the operating deficit of \$500,000. In addition it must be noted with true appreciation, the legacy bestowed on Wide by the kindness of a number of estates. These have added very significantly to the financial assets of Wide Horizon. The net result has been an increase in net assets of over 26 percent.

"Love is reflected in love." (*Science & Health*, p. 17) By that enduring truth, we know that your considerate and loving gifts to Wide will be responded to by the compassion and loving care provided by those who work for our loved institution.

Thank you...

### Here's a way to benefit Wide Horizon and reduce your taxes.

Between now and December 31, 2007, individuals who are at least 70 1/2 years young may give up to \$100,000 from their regular IRAs (not Roth) to Wide Horizon and receive tax benefits. Such individuals must start to utilize a regular IRA, whereof tax is paid on it, unless it is used for contribution. Therefore, IRA assets given to Wide Horizon are excluded from income and are not subject to tax, preserving the full amount to support the mission of Christian Science nursing.

Please contact Wide Horizon's Business Office to both benefit our nursing activity and bless you in turn. Call 303-424-4445 ext. 3154.

# Wide Horizon: A Public Expression of Christian Science

by Sue Wood, Superintendent

Each year I have the pleasure of talking about the essence, the core of Wide Horizon's mission—Christian Science nursing. This year as I was thinking about what I could share with you, I began to consider why Wide Horizon might be important to each of you. I think the traditional answer given to the question, "Why should I care about, or support, Wide Horizon?" is "Because you might need it yourself some day." Or a more altruistic approach might be, "Because you are helping provide for nursing services for fellow church members in this area." But today let's look just a little deeper, spiritually.

The importance of Wide Horizon, or any Christian Science nursing facility, is that it is a public expression of the Christ Science. If you think about it, most of us pretty much have our healings in the privacy of our own homes. Sometimes our own family members don't realize that we are working something out. Obviously it's wonderful when we have our healings quickly and quietly. There's nothing better than that! But think what it means to the world that someone would refuse medical care at the scene of an accident and ask to be brought to Wide Horizon, or ask to be released from the hospital and taken to a Christian Science nursing facility; or that a parent would choose to bring a child here for bandaging of a wound instead of taking him to the emergency room.

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Think about an individual whose family is primarily non-Scientists. The family members are encouraging the person to go to the hospital. Instead the individual chooses to come to Wide Horizon. Initially the family members are pretty worried about that choice, but after they visit and see the beauty of the grounds and the facility and the high level of care given to their loved-one, they begin to feel at peace. Their loved-one begins to progress toward healing.

The significance of this kind of thing goes beyond the individual and his/her family. It is leavening human thought. It helps to break down the belief that matter is the only reality and material medicine the only effective method of treatment.

From the workmen and vendors who come into the facility on business, the state official who makes a walk-through every month, to the people who drive by on the street and read our sign, all are being touched by this public declaration that the healings of Jesus are possible today.

So let me tell you about some of the healings we have been privileged to witness this past year, which support our public claim to be practicing the healing works of Christ Jesus.

We have been privileged to witness healings of injuries sustained in falls—of hip and leg injuries, completely healed without medical intervention and without a long period of

recovery. We have witnessed normal movement restored to individuals who were challenged with beliefs of pain, or pain and stiffness. One individual who was challenged with paralysis on one side of the body is walking again. Another was healed of a sense of dizziness and fainting that tried to overwhelm her whenever she stood up. There have been several healings of weakness and difficulty breathing. Persistent skin irritation is just one more false claim we have seen dethroned.

Christian Science nursing is a joyful, inspired career. It's not burdensome or unpleasant. It is simply helping an individual to do something that he would usually do for himself, but which he is temporarily unable to do. We help people with bathing, dressing, food preparation, eating...It's just "mothering"—nurturing, supporting, nourishing, cherishing. And just because we compare it to "mothering" doesn't mean it's only for women. Men can be great nurses. Above all else, it is the love of Christian Science that brings people into nursing and sustains their inspiration and joy.

We need more nurses at Wide Horizon and throughout the country. Do you know someone who would be good at this? Might God be calling you to this holy work?

In closing I'd like to express our gratitude to the great group of volunteers that help provide activities for our guests, that read for our mid-week testimony meetings, record tapes of the Christian Science periodicals, and generally help to lighten thought. Your work is greatly needed and appreciated!

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to both family members of guests as well as patients and nurses. Costs and a request for funds will come as the design becomes clearer.

I'd like to interject a quick note regarding the proposed change to Wide Horizon's mission statement that was included with the call letter to this meeting. We received some feedback and feel at this point, that it is best to withdraw the proposed change. We will be reviewing the comments received as we consider our next steps.

I should also mention that Barbara Mueller is leaving the Board this year. We appreciate her service, noting the many treks she has made to Wide Horizon over the years from Colorado Springs.

At the beginning of each Board meeting, members share ideas relating to a metaphysical topic selected for that meeting. We thought you might be interested in the topics for this past year: Answer the Call, Gratitude, The Christ, Newness, Wisdom and Understanding, Love Inspires, Healing Atmosphere, Foundation of Truth, Everybody is Loved, Blessed are the Poor in Spirit, Benevolence, and Love's Divine Adventure.

In the coming year we will be focusing our metaphysical efforts on growth and we invite you to consider this in your own prayers. Growth - not just as a building project, but spiritual growth at all levels of the organization - nursing, business, housekeeping, food service, maintenance, activities, administration, and on the Board. Mrs. Eddy speaks very clearly to this in *Miscellaneous Writings*:

"One thing I have greatly desired, and again earnestly request, namely, that Christian Scientists,

## Employee Recognition

We are sincerely grateful for employees with qualities and commitment such as these five who help make Wide Horizon an excellent Christian Science nursing care facility!



**Margit Foster**  
kitchen manager  
20 years!!!!

**Rosemary Esquibel**  
head cook  
20 years!!!!



**Linda Gutesha**  
administrative  
assistant  
10 years!!

**Carol Zietlow**  
nurse  
5 years!



**Margee Howard**  
administrative  
assistant  
5 years!

**"Philanthropy is loving, ameliorative, revolutionary; it wakens lofty desires, new possibilities, achievements, and energies...it touches thought to spiritual issues, systematizes action, and insures success; it starts the wheels of right reason, revelation, justice, and mercy; it unselfs men and pushes on the ages."**

— *The First Church of Christ, Scientist and Miscellany* by Mary Baker Eddy

here and elsewhere, pray daily for themselves; not verbally, nor on bended knee, but mentally, meekly, and importunately. When a hungry heart petitions the divine Father-Mother God for bread, it is not given a stone, — but more grace, obedience, and love. If this heart, humble and trustful, faithfully asks divine

Love to feed it with the bread of heaven, health, holiness, it will be conformed to a fitness to receive the answer to its desire; then will flow into it the "river of His pleasure," the tributary of divine Love, and great growth in Christian Science will follow, — even that joy which finds one's own in another's good." (p.127)

# Wide Horizon: A Complete Idea

by Rick Davis, Board Chairman

Our Leader Mary Baker Eddy writes in *Science and Health*, "Man is God's reflection, needing no cultivation, but ever beautiful and complete." (p. 527)

This idea of beauty and completeness touches every facet of Wide Horizon. We are all striving to see the beauty and completeness of God's creating already present – whether that is in complete healing for our patients, a complete appreciation of our nurses, a complete financial picture, or a complete physical facility. I'll touch on each of these.

First - complete healing for our patients. We are grateful for the healing that is taking place at Wide Horizon. You will hear more about this later from our Superintendent of Nursing. Yet we all would like to see even quicker and better healing. We invite you, our field, to include Wide Horizon in your daily prayer as we strive to see a fuller and clearer manifestation of Christ healing. Mrs. Eddy minced no words in her article "The Way" when she stated, "Less teaching and good healing is to-day the acme of 'well done;' a healing that is not guesswork, — chronic recovery ebbing and flowing, — but instantaneous cure. This absolute demonstration of Science must be revived." (*Miscellaneous Writings*, p. 356) If you have inspiration you would like to share with us on this topic, we would love to hear from you. Perhaps we might include some of your ideas in a future newsletter.

Next - a complete appreciation of our nurses. As you probably know, more nurses are needed in our

movement. Perhaps that will come as we value more the nurses we already have. Let's value the completeness of each nurse. As a reminder, there are three qualifications Mrs. Eddy calls out in the *Church Manual* by-law for the Christian Science Nurse (p. 49):

- First, the nurse shall be one who has a demonstrable knowledge of Christian Science practice,
- Second, the nurse shall be one who thoroughly understands the practical wisdom necessary in a sick room,
- And third, the nurse shall be one who can take proper care of the sick.

I'm coming to appreciate the strong metaphysical demands placed on our nurses to meet these requirements, especially the first one - a demonstrable knowledge of Christian Science. Our nurses must constantly correct their thought, sometimes see past rather aggressive physical sense pictures, and have full faith in God. That is no small

demand and we should all have great appreciation for those who have lovingly accepted this demand. Often it is the clear inspired thought of a nurse that has facilitated a healing. So, when you see a nurse, be sure to let them know that they are appreciated.

Now I'll address the completeness of our finances, though Ted LaMontagne, our treasurer, will be giving you a full report. I'll only highlight that a few years back we were drawing down our reserves. The good news is that in the last three years we have reversed that

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## The readings given at Annual Meeting 2006 by Doug Sytsma

### Holy Bible

I Cor 13:1-13

I Pet 4:8-10

### Science and Health

SH 592:25

SH 79:31-3

SH 12:27

SH 518:13

### Miscellaneous Writings

Mis 199:1-8

Mis ix: 1

Mis 7:7-13

Mis 13:1

Mis 50:27

trend and we are now adding to our reserves. This is due to contributions from our field – and we thank you.

Finally, I'll touch on development. We have been working with an architect and are considering several options that will better meet patient needs, the needs of our nurses, and the needs of our administrative staff. We are considering adding an addition to the North Building extending out west from the current dining and living rooms. This extension would house a larger kitchen, all administrative offices, and a larger living and dining room. A reading room/library would be in the center of the facility that will be accessible

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