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## **Scholarship Winner Announced**

**Bloomer –** Skilled nursing and rehabilitation provider Dove Healthcare announced Brenna Peterson of Bloomer as one of two recipients of the newly established Sandy Rasmussen Annual Scholarship.

The \$2,500 scholarship was created in honor and appreciation of Sandy Rasmussen, an employee of Dove Healthcare – Rutledge Home for over 45 years. Rasmussen has served the residents in numerous capacities, often concurrently, including lawn care, transportation, recreation, resident assistant, nutritional services aide, cook, and nutritional services director. Sandy has also volunteered countless hours fundraising for the Alzheimer's Association and American Cancer Society.

Scholarship Committee Chair and Dove Healthcare – Rutledge Home Director Ashley Leick shared, "Peterson emulates Rasmussen's compassion, energy, and commitment to making the communities we serve a better place to live and work. We are honored to be able to help Peterson advance her education and career in healthcare."

A Certified Nursing Assistant and Medication Aide at Dove Healthcare – Bloomer, Peterson is pursuing a degree in Radiography at Chippewa Valley Technical College. The scholarship committee selected Peterson based on her letters of reference, an essay, volunteerism, work ethic, and character. Peterson's volunteer efforts include time at St. John's Lutheran Church, Chippewa Valley Humane Society, and Bloomer Area School District.

Dove Healthcare - Bloomer Director of Nursing Nicole Johnson said, "Brenna is always smiling and has a wonderful rapport with employees, residents, and families. She has an impeccable work ethic, and like Rasmussen, Brenna is positive, energetic, and hard working - making her the perfect candidate for this scholarship."

The Sandy Rasmussen Annual Scholarship is available to Dove Healthcare employees pursuing post-secondary education at a technical college or four year university.

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Dove Healthcare consists of skilled nursing facilities and assisted living facilities that serve the short-term and long-term care needs of people in northwest Wisconsin. Core services include rehabilitation, post-acute care, ventilator care, skilled nursing, long-term and end-of-life care, as well as assisted living and memory care. For more information, visit the website dovehealthcare.com.