

Therapy Aide Awarded First Rehab Scholarship from Named Fund Given by William J. & Jacqueline Davies

Jessica Ferenschak, a therapy aide in Phoebe Home's Therapy Services Department for the past two summers, has been awarded a scholarship made possible by the William J. and Jacqueline Davies Fund.

This named fund specifically supports training for rehab professionals employed by Phoebe. Ferenschak received funding for school and will be entitled to additional funding when she joins Phoebe full-time after graduation.

Ferenschak decided to submit her resume to Phoebe when she needed a summer job between semesters at college. "I figured it would give me an idea of what physical therapy was all about," she said.

William J. Davies, then Executive V.P. and Chief Operating Officer for Phoebe Ministries, and his wife, Jacqueline, initiated the fund to help provide a positive training environment for students in Phoebe's Therapy departments.

"The opportunity to recruit

and retain those who have discovered the joy of working with an older population is so valuable to our residents," said Davies.

Granting the first scholarship has been an exciting step in establishing this named fund.

According to Davies, he and Jacqueline "are pleased to provide the incentive for students to follow this career path and remain at Phoebe when they attain their degrees."

Ferenschak majors in Physical Therapy at The College of Misericordia in Dallas, Pa., where she is now a senior. Next May she will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Health Science and a master's in Physical Therapy. ■



"I wanted to help people and thought [Physical Therapy] would be a good career," says Jessica Ferenschak, center front. Seen here with members of Phoebe Home's Therapy Services Dept., Jessica is the first recipient of the William J. and Jacqueline Davies Fund scholarship.