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## **BOTHWELL AUXILIARY AWARDS TWO NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS**

SEDALIA - The Bothwell Regional Health Center Auxiliary recently awarded its annual scholarships to Kathy Beasley and Leanna Dedman, both of Sedalia. Each woman will receive a \$1,000 nursing scholarship.

Beasley, a registered nurse, is currently assistant director of Perioperative Services at Bothwell Regional Health Center. She is pursuing her bachelor of science in nursing at the University of Central Missouri. Beasley has been in the nursing profession for 29 years.

"I believe the nursing profession is one of the greatest professions," she said. "It is a profession where you hope you were able to make a difference in someone's life, and that is why we continue to do what we do."

Dedman is a certified nursing assistant in the Critical Care Unit at Bothwell Regional Health Center. She is pursuing a licensed practical nursing degree at Saline County Career Center in Marshall.

"Nursing is a very rewarding field to enter," said Dedman. "It's not just a job to get from one paycheck to the next. There is no limit to learning when you're a nurse, so the possibilities are endless, which makes the nursing field more rewarding and fulfilling to me."

The Bothwell Regional Health Center Auxiliary awards one scholarship to a student entering the nursing field and one to a current nurse at Bothwell Regional Health Center who is furthering their nursing career.

"Nursing is a career choice where there is always a need for more. The goal of the Auxiliary is to financially help those who are pursuing this career path. We are always in need of quality nurses, and this is one way to ensure we will have nurses to help meet the needs of our community," said Karen Suroff, a former nurse and chairman of Bothwell's Auxiliary Scholarship Committee. Other members of the committee include Sue Heckart and Peggy Curran

Proceeds from Bothwell Regional Health Center's Gift Shop fund the scholarships.

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Bothwell Regional Health Center is a 140-bed regional health center serving west-central Missouri with state-of-the-art technology and comprehensive health and wellness services including surgical, cancer, orthopedic, endovascular/cardiac, women's health, and therapy services. For more information on Bothwell Regional Health Center and its services is available on the website at [www.brhc.org](http://www.brhc.org).