







Our History:

Prior to the establishment of the Dr Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundation Inc. in 1999, healthcare related donations were contributed through the hospital to the Swift Current Health District. Similar arrangements were in place throughout the various healthcare facilities and Health Districts that were operated through the Southwest.



In the late 1990s a group of concerned and dedicated citizens felt that a Foundation was required that could "centralize" the gathering of donations and work strictly toward generating donations to be used in healthcare related activities. On March 29, 1999, the Dr Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundation Inc was established. An Administrator

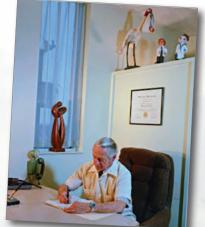
was hired and almost immediately, projects were undertaken to raise money for medical equipment including Dialysis machines, Heart monitors, Ventilators and more at the Swift Current Hospital. In 2003, with the realignment of Health Districts into the Cypress Health Region, the Foundation entered into an agreement with the Cypress Health Region to undertake the work of the Foundation throughout the entire Health Region.

The Foundation Honors Dr. Noble Irwin:

Dr. Noble T. Irwin (1921-1998), a respected Swift Current physician who followed his family's tradition of dedication and deep caring with regard to health care. Dr. O.M. Irwin, his father, was chairman of the district medical advisory committee (1946) that negotiated with the Swift Current Health Region towards establishing complete health insurance in one corner of the province. Their commitments

to the profession of health care services and to the community of southwest Saskatchewan are well remembered.

Dr. Noble Totton Irwin was born November 15, 1921 in Swift Current. He received his formal education at Central Public School and the Swift Current Collegiate Institute in



this city and Ravenscourt in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Noble Irwin was married to Irene Spence on June 7, 1945. He attended the University of Saskatchewan and received his pre-medical training.

Following this he served in the army during WWII as a member of the 8th Reconnaissance, 14th Canadian Hussars Regiment. He was severely wounded at Normandy. After his discharge in 1945, he entered medical college at the University of Manitoba. Upon graduation in 1950 and following a year of internship, he returned to Swift Current to work at the Swift Current Clinic as a general practitioner.

In 1957 he began four years of training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Toronto, graduating in 1961. He returned to Swift Current Clinic where he practiced until his retirement in 1986. Noble was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion; 8th Reconnaissance, 14th Canadian Hussars Regiment Association; the Rotary Club; the Swift Current Curling Club; the Elmwood Golf Club and the Swift Current Archeology Society. In his spare time Dr. Irwin enjoyed gardening, hunting, golf and curling. Dr. Noble Totton Irwin passed away in Swift Current June 29, 1998 and, wife Irene passed November 20, 1999 both husband and wife are buried in Memory Gardens, Swift Current, SK.

The Foundation strives to do its work in the same spirit that he embodied for so many years.

Our Vision:

Assist our Partners toward a higher level of health care excellence.

Our Mission:

The Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. exists to raise, administer and disburse funds to improve the quality and availability of healthcare for all residents living in Southwest Saskatchewan. Our Core Values:

- · Show Integrity: We are forthright and trustworthy in all dealings
- Be Accountable: We take responsibility for our actions and delivery of results
 - Be Innovative: We adapt and adopt best practices in strengthening our commitment to fundraising excellence

Our goal is to be seen as the "Charity of Choice" in Southwest Saskatchewan.







Message From the Executive Director:

2019 was another busy year for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation as we celebrated our 20th Anniversary in Southwest Saskatchewan.

As the need for quality healthcare continues across the region, numerous facilities were assisted throughout the year with the addition of new medical equipment totalling \$189, 444.67. Communities benefitting from new equipment and furnishings in 2019 included Maple Creek, Leader, Climax, Ponteix, Herbert, Shaunavon and Swift Current.

In June we launched our "Close to the Heart Southwest Digital Mammography Campaign" with a fundraising breakfast at the Event Centre in the Living Sky Casino. The attendees were very gracious with \$30, 225.00 raised and put the fundraising in high gear to reach our goal of \$350,000.00. Thanks to the generosity of donors through the annual Pharmasave Radiothon and additional donations through the remainder of the year, we're close to reaching our fundraising target in the coming weeks.

Our regional partners also supported the Foundation through a number of other special events including the "Black Tie NHL Hockey Draft", "Charity Golf Classic", "Ribfest" and "Lobster Pot Golf Tournament."

The Foundation was also recognized at the annual SCBEX Awards as the Swift Current & District Chamber of Commerce inducted the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation into the "Business Hall of Fame." A humbling acknowledgement and a lasting tribute to the numerous board members,

staff, volunteers and donors over the years who have strived for healthcare excellence in Southwest Saskatchewan.

2019 concluded with a farewell to Clay Thompson, who after serving as Executive Director for 10 years moved on to retirement. We thank Clay for his dedicated years of service and wish him all the best. Most recently we welcomed Carol Andrews to the Foundation as the new Development Officer/Communications Coordinator. As a veteran broadcaster and media personality she's well known across the region and will bring a new scope of fundraising ideas to the Foundation.

Now as we embark on our 21st year, the team at the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation will strive to keep our profile top of mind as the "Charity of Choice" and help improve the quality of healthcare for all residents of Southwest Saskatchewan. A valiant effort which will continue to be achieved thanks to generous support of our partners across the region.

All the Best,

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Jim Dekowny- Executive Director



Message From the Saskatchewan Health Authority:

Without you, the donors, healthcare in Saskatchewan would look very different. Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation has been a proud partner for more than twenty years. With their hard work and your generous support as donors we are able to provide high quality care to our patients.

Over the years, the Foundation has funded much needed and advanced medical equipment in many communities in the Swift Current area and throughout southwest Saskatchewan. Their support has allowed us to attract and retain the physicians and front line staff that work tirelessly to provide the best care possible to the patients we serve.

Every day, the Foundation helps foster support from the community for technology, education and equipment that make a difference for our patients, our physicians and our employees.

In the past year, the Foundation provided the Cypress Regional Hospital with new diagnostic imaging equipment, new cardiac monitors for our EMS teams in Frontier and Val Marie, as well as other much needed items in Leader, Maple Creek, Ponteix and Shaunavon. Our ability to provide care is made easier, safer and faster because of your support.

On behalf of our board of directors, physicians and staff of the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA), I thank you for your unwavering and generous support for our patients, staff and physicians.

Sincerely,

Scott W. Livingstone

CEO, Saskatchewan Health Authority



Message From the Board Chair:

One of the most satisfying roles I have held over my career has been that of a volunteer for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation, as a Director, Treasurer and Board Chair

Without the outstanding work of the staff of the Foundation, Southwest Saskatchewan would not have received all the benefits from their fundraising efforts over the last 20 years. Their dedication and commitment to "Keeping our Local Healthcare Strong" is unsurpassed. Thank You on behalf of the Board.

The Foundation has undergone some changes within the last year. Executive Director, Clay Thompson, retired and we wish him all the best in his retirement. The Board hired a new Executive Director, Jim Dekowny, who is not new to the Foundation having worked as Development and Major Gifts Officer for the last six years. The Board has every confidence in Jim and welcome him as our new Executive Director.

In the past year, the Foundation accepted a quite challenging fundraising task in the Mammography "Close to the Heart" campaign. This campaign is nearing completion with a few events planned in early spring to finish it off. The challenges presented in the agricultural and oil sectors of our economy made this larger dollar fundraiser a bit more challenging than previous campaigns. However, despite that, our donors have been generous as usual. We thank all of Southwest Saskatchewan for supporting the Foundation faithfully.

The success of the Foundation is dependent on that continued support from our donors. We thank you all for your generosity over the years. I encourage everyone to please think and talk about the Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation when considering philanthropy – whether supporting one of the Foundation's fundraising events, making a general donation, giving monthly by way of payroll deduction or by way of planned giving by bequest.

Thank you for helping the Foundation "Keep our Local Healthcare Strong".

Sincerely,

Helen Arnold, Volunteer Chair, Board of Directors Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation

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The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation launched its first year with a unique logo and marketing materials.

The first board of Directors for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation received a generous donation of \$50,000 from Southwest Credit Union.

Residents of the Palliser Care Centre in Swift Current were the first of many recipients of generous donations of furnishings and equipment.

The 1st Annual Night Out in Greece was hosted by the Greek Orthodox Community of Swift Current in support of local healthcare.

The Festival of Trees hosted by the Art Gallery of Swift Current launched the holiday season and would become an annual event for several years for the Foundation.















Board members and staff were busy through the year promoting the work of the Dr. Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundation through the attendance of numerous meetings and other events.

The "Beef Up Your Healthcare Campaign" was a unique concept to bring donations in from the ranching community for the purchase of a new mammography suite in Swift Current. Cargill Animal Nutrition came on board as a major sponsor for 3 years.



The "50/50 Share for Health Lottery" was announced at a press conference by Board Director Ron Heeg with proceeds assisting with Foundation's numerous healthcare campaigns.

Community support was positive from numerous organizations including this cheque presentation to Board Chair, Joan Meyer from the Swift Current Old Timers Hockey Club.









The "We Believe in Angels" Campaign was a great initiative to raise funds for healthcare and profile the youth of the community. Proceeds were used to assist with the purchase of a new mammography suite at the Swift Current Regional Hospital.

As fundraising continued through the year donations were allocated to various areas of healthcare including the pediatrics unit in Swift Current.



The Foundation installed a granite "Tree of Life" donor wall at the Palliser Regional Care Centre to commemorate donations received in support of long-term care. Replicas of the "Tree of Life" were also installed at the Swift Current Care Centre and the Prairie Pioneer Lodge.









2002

Education plays an integral role in the Foundation's mandate and the "Lee Irwin Educational Endowment Fund" launched in 2002. The initial Endowment valued at over \$500,000 will award \$45,000 annually to employees of the Cypress Health Region to assist with education and skill upgrading .

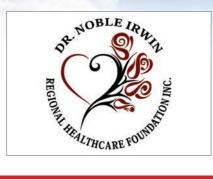
As 2002 marked the amalgamation of health districts into one region, the Foundation's outreach into the rural areas continued with more in person meetings to address the concerns of rural health. Groups such as the Climax/Frontier Ambulance Service received crucial funding.

Building a community connection has been key in the Foundation's success over the years and participating in the annual Frontier Days Parade was a treat for these volunteers.

The "A-Mazing Family Weekend" was another crowd pleaser on the grounds of the Swift Current Mall bringing together the community in support of healthcare.











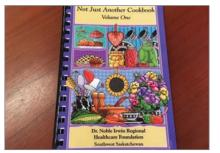
In 2003 a new name and logo was unveiled and now we were known as the "Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation."

The 2nd Annual Meyers Norris Penny Charity Golf tournament was a success with \$16,000 raised for Healthcare Excellence.

The "Annual Friendship Day" fundraiser brought the community together through a mere token of a flower and the generous support of Grower Direct. Over 400 dozen roses were sold with 100% of the proceeds donated to the Foundation.

Numerous fundraising concepts have been pursued by the Foundation including the publication of the "Not Just Another Cookbook" filled with an array of recipes from community members.













2004

numerous communities across the region rely on funding for medical equipment including this donation to the Leader Hospital. Donations were dispersed across the region for numerous facilities including the Gull lake Care Home and its request for a "Wander Guard System".

The Foundation's work in the community continues to be in demand as



The "Fun" in fundraising shines through when youth are involved. "The A-Mazing Family Weekend" was another crowd pleaser for all ages with CEO Lyn Johnston presenting this bicycle prize to one of the participants.

Donors play an integral role in the Foundation's philanthropic work in the Southwest, and Board Chair Joan Meyer made numerous presentations to individuals and groups at the annual "High Tea" event.

With the arrival of the holiday season the Swift Current Mall hosted the annual "Festival of Trees" once again designed by and sponsored by local businesses. Over \$60,000 was raised for Healthcare excellence showing the true spirit of giving.













In April of 2005, the sod was turned for the construction of the new Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current. Board Chair Joan Meyer, Foundation, CEO Lynn Johnston, Board Member Doreen Kern and the Hon. Jack Wiebe were among the dignitaries participating in the ceremony.

The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation launched its most extensive fundraiser to date, with "THE Campaign" with a goal of raising \$7.5 Million to furnish and equip the new Cypress Regional Hospital. This fundraiser was launched with a donation of \$1 Million from Ted Hanlon.



Other corporate sponsors soon followed in support of "THE Campaign" including Husky Energy with their donation of \$100,000.... the Swift Current Real Estate Association...and Cypress Credit Union...

As the fundraising continued through the year so did the excitement with the construction of the new Cypress Regional Hospital. On site tours were hosted on several occasions with donors and other special guests participating.

"The Believe in Miracles Telethon" on SHAW TV was a successful fundraiser for the Foundation with local entertainers taking to the stage and volunteers tallying the donations over the phone. Community pride was in abundance through this busy year of fundraising for healthcare.







2006

The Swift Current Old Time Fiddlers were great community partners to numerous organizations over the years and secretary Alvina Kantrud presented this cheque to Foundation CEO, Lyn Johnston in the amount of \$5000.

Community groups such as the Kinsmen & Kinettes of Swift Current assisted the Foundation with funding for additional Dialysis equipment at the Swift Current Regional Hospital benefitting Southwest patients with their treatment while staying close to home.

In April the Rotary Club of Swift Current and the Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation held a press conference to unveil the plans for "Rotary House". A six bed hospice which would offer affordable accommodations for individuals having day surgery or visiting family in the hospital. Rotary House would also include the new administration office for the Foundation.

As fundraising continued for "THE Campaign", major donors such as Carson Welding showed their support for the new Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current.

In October, the Hon. Jack Wiebe, Hospital Auxiliary Member Donna Barber, Board Chair Joan Meyer and Rotary Club President Trevor Koot turned the sod for the "Habitat for Healthcare/Rotary House".











Many volunteers including local Hutterian colonies worked endless hours to construct "Rotary House" in Swift Current. "The Hon. Jack Wiebe Habitat for Healthcare" held its grand opening in July and from that day forward began welcoming guests to the facility.

In April patients and staff began the move from the old Swift Current Hospital to the new Cypress Regional Hospital then in September the ribbon Cutting for the new Cypress Regional Hospital took place with numerous local and provincial dignitaries in attendance.

The "Water Wall" was displayed in the new Cypress Regional Hospital to recognize the "Distinguished Philanthropists" who donated to the construction and furnishing of the facility.

The "Multi-Media Room" was unveiled at the Cypress Regional Hospital. The room was meant as a quiet space for patients, visitors and staff to relax and learn more about the Foundation and services offered at the Hospital. The Gift Shop was also opened this year adjacent to the admitting area with all proceeds benefitting the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation.













2008

The "Pay it Forward" campaign was officially launched in the spring encouraging local residents to consider leaving a legacy gift for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation. The program was partnered with numerous financial and legal experts with an ongoing series of interview segments discussing the topic on SWTV News.

In September the "Caring for Generations Donor Wall" was unveiled at the Cypress Regional Hospital to acknowledge the various businesses and other community partners for their support of healthcare in Southwest Saskatchewan. A Donation Kiosk was also a new addition to the venue allowing donors to drop off their contributions on site.

The "Annual Night Out in Greece" continued to draw in crowds for an evening of food, music and entertainment raising funds for the Foundation since 1999....OPAH!

Following several weeks of installation of various displays, "The Lights for Life Campaign" was officially launched in December with Foundation CEO Lynn Johnston, Board Chair Etinette Binette and Lionel Tootoosis, General Manager of the Living Sky Casino welcoming the crowd. The decorative holiday display was sponsored by numerous local businesses including Melhoff Electric and offered seasonal music to visitors who enjoyed the scenery near the Hon. Jack Wiebe Habitat for Healthcare.





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2009 marked the 10th Anniversary for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation with a new logo and seal produced for the occasion.

Throughout the year numerous activities occurred including a special celebration marking the 10th Annual General Meeting. Guests gathered for the evening social at the Eastside Church of God which included an anniversary cake cut by Board Chair, Etiennette Binette.

Women's Health was the focus of the 2009 fundraising campaign for the foundation with the request for a digital mammography machine at the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current. The annual Radiothon at the Swift Current Mall fundraised around the clock for the Digital mammography Campaign with numerous volunteers accepting pledges over the telephone and in person.

2009 would also mark the final full year of duties by CEO Lynn Johnston as she announced her retirement from the Foundation since its inception. Her contributions to the Foundation and healthcare across the region were recognized with a commemorative photo and plaque set for installation in the Media Room of the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current.







2010

In January the Foundation's Board welcomed Clay Thompson as the new Executive Director.

Numerous community organizations continued to show their support for healthcare in the Southwest including this cheque presentation to Board Member Bill Redekop from Nelson Pompu of Swift Current Ambulance Service.

The "Gathering Wall" was unveiled in the courtyard of the Cypress Regional Hospital. Bricks from the original Swift Current Hospital were sold for \$100 each in memory of family and friends. To date there are still several bricks available to recognize a community builder or loved one.

As fundraising continued for various equipment and other furnishings for facilities across the region, a major donation was made for Critical Care. A donation of \$200,000 was presented along with the unveiling of the Marianna Schroeder Surgical Suite at the Cypress Regional Hospital.

The Swift Current Greek Orthodox Community Cardio Pulmonary Department was unveiled at the Cypress Regional Hospital. Generous donations over the years through the Annual Night Out in Greece were the lifeline to this hospital department.











This was another busy year for the Foundation with \$157,000 distributed across the region for various equipment purchases. Items included a Phlebotomy Chair for the Hodgeville Health Centre, a Medtronic LIFEPAK 12 Defibrillator/ Monitor for the Val Marie EMS District Ambulance and the Frontier EMS District Ambulance Service, a Computed Radiography Unit for the Leader and Shaunavon Hospitals.

The Lens Implant Program at the Cypress Regional Hospital also received a major donation of \$45,000 through the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation further ensuring the most up to date technology is available for all patients. Board Chair Etinette Binette and Executive Director Clay Thompson made the cheque presentation to Dr. Malcolm Banks.

There were also numerous community driven fundraisers in 2011 including the Rob Stenson memorial Lottery. Donations were made to every facility in the Cypress Health Region with the addition of Advance Alternating Pressure &v Low Air Loss Therapy Mattresses.

The Greek Orthodox Community of Swift Current once again assisted the Foundation through the "Annual Night Out in Greece" event. Proceeds enabled the Foundation to purchase 5 Hospital Beds, 2 Broda Chairs and 4 Vital Signs Monitors for the Cypress Regional Hospital and 4 Broda Chairs for the Swift Current Care Centre.

2011 also marked the Scotia Bank Humanitarian Awards hosted at the Living Sky Casino. The Foundation presented numerous awards honoring local residents for their dedication to the community and assisting those in need worldwide. Recipients of the awards included former CKSW Radio host Art Wallman and Dr. Lawrence Reimer.















2012 was a memorable year for donations from various individuals and other groups. A generous bequest of \$906,661.35 from the estate of Ms. Jessie Alberta Grant was presented to the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation in June. Georgia Bratvold and Elwood Foss represented the estate during the press conference. This funding would be used in a number of areas including the construction of a covered walkway for the Cypress Regional Hospital.





As the Orange Benevolent Society was wrapping up its longstanding work in the province, a major donation of \$1 Million was presented to the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation.

The 5th Anniversary of the Hon. Jack Wiebe Habitat for Healthcare was celebrated in July. Numerous guests were in attendance for the festivities which included tours of Rotary House.

The 4th Annual Radiothon was another success with \$150,000 raised for upgrading of Cardiac Care Equipment at the Cypress Regional Hospital. Pharmasave came on board this year as the major sponsor with a commitment to this role for a 4 year term.







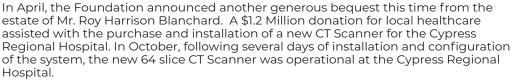








March marked the Grand opening of the new Covered Walkway at the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current. The construction of this entrance addition was made possible through the generous donation by the estate of Ms. Jessie Alberta Grant. Her executor Georgia Bratvold was in attendance for the event.





The Cypress Health Region Employee Lottery was into its 3rd year with participants having the opportunity to win \$1000 each pay period and a bonus of \$5,000 at the end of the year. Funds raised through the lottery assisted the Foundation with purchasing numerous items for the region including 2 Broda Chairs for Foyer St. Joseph Nursing Home in Ponteix and an Ice machine for the Gull Lake Hospital.

A new edition to the "Your Family's Health Radiothon" in 2013 was a "Fun Run" where participants dressed in a variety of costumes raised funds through a relay circuit near the Cypress Regional Hospital.







2014

Following months of discussion and planning a Sod Turning Ceremony was held in September for the long awaited Meadows Long Term Care Facility. The new facility set for construction adjacent to the Cypress Regional Hospital would replace 3 existing long term care homes in the city with a fresh approach to healthcare known as the Eden Model in a more home-like setting for residents.

Men's Health was the focus of the "Annual Night Out in Greece". \$45,000 in proceeds from the event assisted the Foundation with the purchase of biopsy equipment and an ultrasound probe for the diagnosis of prostate cancer and four new beds for the Cypress Regional Hospital. Dean Klemmer is a prostate cancer patient and long time supporter of the evening fundraiser who was pleased to see this latest equipment for the Cypress Regional Hospital.

The Living Sky Casino "Wishing Well" promotion was introduced in September with patrons encouraged to "make a wish and toss in their change" in support of local healthcare. Damone Caron of the Living Sky Casino presented their 2014 donation to Executive Director Clay Thompson before the holiday season.

A "Holmium Laser" was added to the medical equipment inventory at the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current. Funds were raised through the annual Radiothon and will assist Dr. Garcia and his team in a number of surgical procedures. These include treatment of gall stones, urethral structures, certain cancers of the ureter and kidney and enlarged prostates.











The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation and the McIntyre Family Foundation announced a new Scholarship partnership benefitting individuals following their career goals in healthcare.

In October, local and provincial dignitaries gathered for the grand opening ceremony of the Southwest Integrated Healthcare Facility in Maple Creek. The new facility includes emergency, acute care, long term care, ambulance and telehealth services all in one location.

A \$1 Million donation by the Estate of Albert (Bert)Miller was allocated to the new Meadows Long Term Care Facility in Swift Current. Beth Vachon, CEO for the Cypress Health Region and Clay Thompson, Executive Director of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation accepted the generous donation.

Numerous other donations through the year in support of the "Welcome Home Campaign" for the Meadows were recognized. These included \$250,000 from Pam & Jim Plewis and Standard Motors... and \$50,000 from RBC Wealth Management Dominion Securities.





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2016

Amidst the excitement of the 2016 World Women's Curling Championship in Swift Current, the Sandra Schmirler Foundation made a donation for Pediatrics. The proceeds were used to purchase a new Panda Infant Warmer for the Cypress Regional Hospital.

Corporate and other community donations continued for the Meadows Long Term Care Campaign including a cheque presentation of \$250,000 from the Estate of

Roy Blanchard, \$100,000 from Stark & Marsh CPA LLP and

\$25,000 from Anderson and Company.



The excitement built through the year with the "Chase the Ace" fundraiser held each Saturday at the Swift Current Mall. Proceeds raised were shared with the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation and the Christ the Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish of Swift Current.

In November the much anticipated grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony took place for the Meadows Long Term Care Facility in Swift Current. With residents now

enjoying a home-like atmosphere adjacent to the Cypress Regional Hospital.













Numerous pieces of medical equipment and furnishings were purchased by the Foundation this year. The Women and Children's Ward of the Cypress Regional Hospital received 3 new Birthing Beds and 2 Panda Infant Warmers. In addition, a Portable X-Ray Machine was now on site for various departments at the Hospital to use in a more timely manner for diagnosing patients.



Numerous fundraising activities were in the spotlight again including the 2nd Annual "Muddy Mayhem". Teams raised money for healthcare while making their way through a challenging obstacle course adjacent to Rotary House.

Construction continued through the year of the Leader & District Integrated Healthcare Facility. The new site would bring together residents of the Western Senior Citizens Home and the healthcare services of the Leader Hospital, Ambulance and Telehealth.









2018

The Living Sky Casino and the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation teamed up for a unique fundraiser in August. The 1st Annual RIBFEST offered patrons an array of menu items from pulled pork to bbq ribs with live entertainment in the big tent.

Pembina Pipeline Corporation showed its support to Southwest Saskatchewan with a \$100,000 donation for the Ambulance Bay area of the Leader & District Integrated Healthcare Facility.

The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation was acknowledged as one of numerous supporters of the outdoor planters installed at each of the homes at the Meadows. These additions to the patio will encourage residents to plant flowers and other greenery through the summer.

In October dignitaries from the Province, Town of Leader and the RM of Happyland gathered for the ribbon cutting of the new Leader & District Integrated Healthcare Facility.











2019 marked the 20th Anniversary of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation with approximately \$20 Million raised over the years for healthcare in Southwest Saskatchewan.

In June the Foundation launched its "Close to the Heart Southwest Saskatchewan Digital Mammography" campaign. A fundraising breakfast at the Living Sky Casino Event Centre raised \$30,225.00 for an excellent start towards our goal of \$350,000.

Numerous fundraisers would continue through the year for the "Close to the Heart" Campaign including the "Donut Days" and various corporate donations including MNP.

In October the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation was honored with the induction into the "Hall of Fame". The presentation was made during the annual SCBEX Awards hosted by the Swift Current & District Chamber of Commerce.

As of December 31, the Foundation bid farewell to outgoing Executive Director Clay Thompson after 10 years with the organization. Former Development Officer Jim Dekowny assumed the role of executive Director for the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation.

















1999-2019 Board Members:

Joan Meyer (Swift Current) 1999-2007 Ron Heeg (Swift Current) 1999-2002 Colleen MacBean (Swift Current) 1999 -2004 Malcolm Banks (Swift Current) 1999-2000 Sandy Larson (Swift Current) 1999-2000 Tim Keene (Swift Current) 1999-2000 John Penner(Swift Current) 1999-2000 Ted Poppit (Swift Current) 1999 Laila Yesmin(Swift Current) 1999-2001 Randy Hildebrandt (Swift Current) 2000-2003 Bert Legault (Swift Current) 2000-2001 Ryan Tynning (Swift Current) 2001-2002 Anne Moola (Swift Current) 2001-2007 Cathy Applegren (Swift Current) 2001 Annie Narine (Swift Current) 2002-2004 Bruce Pearson(Shaunavon) 2002-2004 Vicki Thistlethwaite(Stewart Valley) 2002-2003 Leah Perrault (Swift Current) 2002-2003 Reagen Funk (Herbert) 2002-2003 Doreen Kern (Swift Current) 2003-2010 Andrew Kielly (Swift Current) 2004-2006 Angelina Wall (Swift Current)2001-2005 Earl Hanson(Swift Current) 2005-2007 Claire Kozroski (Gull Lake) 2005-2006 Darlene McDougald (Maple Creek) 2004-2010 Dan West (Hazlet) 2002-2005 Michelle Weedon(Cabri) 2011-2016 Ron Mathies (Herbert) 2012-2017

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Distinguished Donors Over the Years:

Through 20 years of fundraising for medical equipment and furnishings for healthcare facilities in the region, we've achieved our goals thanks to the generous support of numerous individuals, businesses and community groups.

Legacy Giving is a topic many individuals hope they never have to talk about, yet donations and those of estates have played an integral role in the purchase of numerous key pieces of medical equipment in Southwest Saskatchewan. The following are a mere snapshot of a few examples over the years.



Ted Hanlon was instrumental with THE Campaign in 2006 with his donation of \$1Million to launch the most aggressive fundraising campaign for the Foundation. The \$7.5 Million capital campaign was instrumental in

constructing and furnishing the new Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current.

\$1.45 Million was entrusted to the Dr. Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundation through the estate of Mr. Roy Harrison Blanchard. Funds which were used for

the installation of a new CT Scanner at the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current and in support of the Meadows Long Term Care Facility.





A generous donation of \$906,661.35 from the estate of Ms. Jessie Alberta Grant also assisted the Foundation in a number of areas including the construction of a covered walkway for the Cypress Regional Hospital.

The Hutterian Colonies have worked with the Foundation as true community leaders since our inception in 1999. Colony members have walked

with us every step of our journey through their generous donations of funds and labour on numerous projects. Several Colony members were on site to assist with the building of the Honorable Jack Wiebe Habitat



for Healthcare to donating funds for the Cypress Regional Hospital, the Meadows Long Term Care Facility and approximately \$100,000 most recently for our "Close to the Heart Southwest Saskatchewan Digital Mammography Campaign".

Third party fundraising is key to any non-profit organization and one group which stands out is the "Greek Orthodox Community of Swift Current". The "Annual Night Out in Greece" was a much anticipated event each year as our hosts welcomed guests with a memorable evening of authentic Greek cuisine, music and entertainment. And through its' 17 year history, the event raised over \$800,000 for healthcare in Southwest Saskatchewan.



Funds which were allocated to a variety of areas at the Cypress Regional Hospital including the Cardiac Care Unit, Women and Childrens' Ward", Mens' Health and more...Afherestos" (Thank-You!)... You'll always be a part of our Foundation Family.

The Leader & District Trust Committee is another shining star in our Foundation's partnerships. This dedicated group of individuals hosted a \$1000/plate dinner in support of the new Leader & District Integrated Healthcare Facility. A successful event which raised \$209,000 which was added to a total of



\$1.2 Million collected by the community for the purchase of furnishings and equipment of the new facility.



2019 Events:

NHL Black Tie Hockey Draft

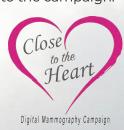
Swift Current residents are true hockey fans and the annual "NHL Black Tie Hockey Draft" was another sold out event at the Living Sky Casino. The evening was sponsored by Crescent Point Energy and thanks to the crowds' generosity, \$40,000 was shared equally between the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation and the Field of Dreams Committee. Highlights of the evening included the following team winners: 1st place Bacoda Crane, 2nd Bone Capone Rum Runners and 3rd Riverside Electric.



Close to the Heart Southwest Saskatchewan Digital Mammography Breakfast

In June we launched a major fundraising campaign of \$350,000 to purchase and install an updated digital mammography machine for the Cypress Regional Hospital. Our inaugural event was a breakfast at the Event Centre in the Living Sky Casino. The morning's lineup included a delicious buffet, heartfelt stories of breast cancer survivors

and a resounding total of \$30,225.00 raised. An excellent kick off to the campaign.





Charity Golf Classic

Golf is a favorite summer pastime and the "13th Annual Charity Golf Classic" was another success. A special thank you to our major sponsors RBC-DS Kochan Wealth Management. A well rounded day on the course in support of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation, Swift Current Emergency Services and the Swift Current Fire Department. Our 2020 "Charity Golf Classic" is set for September 18 at the Elmwood Golf Club in Swift Current... Book Your Team Today!(306-778-3314)





2019 Events:

Ribfest 2019

The 2nd Annual "Ribfest" was another crowd pleaser in August. Patrons were treated to a weekend of fabulous food and entertainment under the big tent of the Living Sky Casino parking lot. "Rib Specialists" were on site serving up an array of menu items from pulled pork, chicken and ribs, which brought a smile to all in attendance. A well rounded event which offered something for all tastes and forks and napkins were optional.



FIRST 144 PLAYERS ONLY

Call the Pro Shop to Register @ 306-778-4653

Lobster Pot Golf

This 2nd Annual afternoon of fun on the golf course was once again hosted by Scotia Bank and the Elmwood Golf Course. This par 3 golf tournament is played in the fashion where the holes on the greens are exchanged from 4 inch cups to 8 inch cups with several hole-in-one prizes and the culmination of a delicious lobster dinner at the end of day. Our 2020 "Lobster Pot Golf Tournament" is set for August 28...Register Your Team Today!

Donut Days

A unique fundraiser brought in additional "dough" for the Foundation in 2019...

both for the donor's sweet tooth and "The Close to The Heart Digital Mammography

Campaign". Donuts hand made by the pastry chef of the Living Sky Casino were a tasty treat for patrons and helped sweeten our fundraising efforts by \$6000 for the new Digital Mammography unit.

Pharmasave Radiothon for Healthcare

The 2019 Radiothon was another success as residents from across Southwest Saskatchewan showed









Why Support the Foundation?

Heartwarming Stories of Support for the Foundation:

Sharon Dickie is a well-known face in Southwest Saskatchewan after serving on Shaunavon Council for 22 years...16 as Mayor. Always greeting individuals with her warm smile and kind demeanor, she's known for standing up for her community and numerous causes she believes in.

Sharon faced one of her greatest challenges in life in 2014 when she was diagnosed with Stage 4 Metastatic Breast Cancer and began an extensive round of chemotherapy followed by surgery and radiation therapy. Now three years in remission Sharon says she should not have ignored the early symptoms. "Oh I knew several years before I was diagnosed with cancer that something was wrong, but I chose to ignore it. And on top of that I never followed up on my annual mammograms as one should. Then one night I told a few of my closest friends that I had discovered a lump in my breast and I would deal with it in my own way and on my own time". Although respecting her wishes, one of her friends took the lead and within a few days Sharon was in Swift Current seeing a Physician followed by several specialists where the diagnosis was made and the road to therapy began.

Sharon says if she had to do things over again she would have paid closer attention to her body and urges other women to do so. "It doesn't matter how old you are, do self-examinations of your breast, see your physician and get your mammogram." She further stresses the importance of supporting fundraising for healthcare as you never know when you'll need the latest technology to save your life. "The new state of the art digital mammography machine we're fundraising for will ensure residents of the Southwest can stay close to home while seeing their physician at the Cypress Regional Hospital in Swift Current," says Sharon.

Now with a new outlook on life Sharon is spearheading various Breast Cancer Support Groups and other initiatives in Southwest Saskatchewan.





Our donors have made a great impact to our fundraising success over the years and every dollar raised has meant the world of difference to numerous healthcare facilities across the region. These generous donations have assisted the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation in purchasing a variety of medical equipment and furnishings enhancing the lives of residents from across Southwest Saskatchewan.

The **Claydon Ladies Social Club** of Frontier have been longstanding donors to the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation. Each year club members

disperse funds to approximately 12 charities in the region and provincially as a way of giving back to the areas of greatest need. "The Club is celebrating 100 years in 2020 and throughout its history it's always been the mandate to come together as a community and help others," says Club Secretary Maxine McLeod. "Once a thriving community, all that is left in Claydon is the post office and hall. Therefore, through the year residents from the surrounding area get together for our bingo in the spring and the fall supper to socialize."

And although the membership has declined over the years, the 12 person committee continues to follow its motto of giving, with healthcare at the top of the list. "We really like the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation because funds are not only raised for the Swift Current Hospital but also for facilities across the region," says Marilyn Nelson a 20 year club member. "Rural areas such as Frontier and Climax, etc. need updated medical equipment to keep their health centers open and the Foundation helps keep these services available when an emergency occurs."

The **Claydon Ladies Social Club** is a shining example of how community spirit can make a difference when we all work together!

Scholarships Make Dreams Come True

Scholarships (SESP)

The Skills Enrichment Scholarship Program was designed to offer financial support to individuals with aspirations of training to be a frontline healthcare employee in Southwest Saskatchewan. Guidelines for the program include:

Applicants must be enrolled/ or will be enrolling in the program course, classes scheduled to begin within six months following the SESP submission deadline and be prepared to sign a Return for Service Agreement upon the conclusion of studies. Applications must be received on or before 5:00pm on the SESP deadline dates: May 31 for courses/classes scheduled to begin July 1-December 31 and November 30 for courses/classes scheduled to begin January 1-June 30.

More information on the program is available on-line www. drirwinfoundation.com

Scholarship Helps Make Dream a Reality

Christine Christiansen's road to a career in healthcare has transpired through years of hard work and dedication all the while balancing her homelife with her husband Dylan and children Max(age 6) and Maren (age 2). After her completing her Continuing Care Assistant course at Great Plains College and experiencing her grandfather's need for care in his latter years at the Maple Creek & District Integrated Healthcare Facility, Christine decided to pursue the Practical Nursing Program at GPC. The decision to continue this next round of her education not only required the extra finances for her GPC program, but her rent while staying in Swift Current during the week to attend classes.



"The Scholarship from the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation has made a world of difference to me going after my dream,"

says Christine. "We're living on a tight

budget and as my husband is busy working and my parents and inlaws are helping look after our children, this additional funding means I could concentrate 100 percent on my studies rather than taking an extra job".

Christine completed her 2 year LPN course through Great Plains College in March 2020 and will be fully licensed and ready to work in June with the goal of being employed at the Southwest Integrated Healthcare Facility in Maple Creek. "I'm looking forward to being employed in my home community of Maple Creek and being close to my husband and family again," states Christine. "Thank-you to my family for believing in me and supporting me and to the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation for the scholarship...you all helped me make my dream come true."





Areas of Donations

Planned Giving

Leaving a legacy gift is not a topic many wish to discuss, however these donations can make a world of difference in healthcare. Legacy gifts should be planned out in advance and discussed with one's legal and financial advisor and family members. Options for these types of donations include: Wills/Bequests, Life Insurance, Gift Annuities, Charitable Remainder Trusts, Gifts in Kind, RRSPs/RRIFs, Stocks and Bonds, Real Estate/Farm Land.

In Memoriam

Losing a loved one is a difficult transition and to honor a family member or friends, lasting tributes are made in Memoriam. The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation appreciates the generosity expressed through these donations.

Grateful Family

The Grateful Family Program offers residents and their families an opportunity to express thanks for their compassionate care received at the Meadows Long Term Care Facility. Donations ensure all medical equipment and furnishings are up to date and assist with the training of continuing care aides through scholarships.

The Hon. Jack Wiebe Habitat for Healthcare/ Rotary House

This six bedroom hospice is conveniently located within walking distance of the Cypress Regional Hospital and the Meadows Long Term Care Facility. Rooms are available at a mere cost of \$50/night to family members or patients requiring medical services in Swift Current. Rotary House is also home to the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation administration office.

Gift Shop

Our gift shop is located in the Cypress Regional Hospital and offers an array of unique items to brighten a loved one's day while in hospital. The Gift Shop is open Monday-Friday(9:00am-3:00pm) and employs three part-time staff.

Events

Numerous fundraising events are held throughout the year in support of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation. Many have a longstanding history such as the "Black Tie NHL Hockey Draft" and the "Charity Golf Classic" with the Foundation always seeking new partners for a variety of third party events.

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PURCHASED IN 2019 (\$189,444.67)

SEVERAL OF THE ITEMS INCLUDE:

Vital Signs Monitor- Maple Creek
Tub Room Upgrade- Ponteix
Ambulance Bay- Leader
Hand Rails- Leader
Bio Med Fridge- Leader
Tub- Climax
Wheelchairs-Maple Creek
Bariatric Bed- Leader
Cardiac Monitor Upgrade-Frontier Ambulance
Cardiac Monitor Upgrade-Val Marie& District
Ambulance

Temporal Thermometers-Maple Creek
Holter Monitor- Herbert
Wound Care Chair- Ponteix Home Care
Spirit Bed- Shaunavon
Stretcher Bed- Maple Creek
T.V. Monitor-Cypress Regional Hospital
ECG- Cypress Regional Hospital
Slit Lamp-Cypress Regional Hospital
Portable X Ray- Cypress Regional Hospital
Games, Puzzles, Activity Supplies- The Meadows
Palliative Care Swift Current
Ceiling Lifts -Cypress Regional Hospital
Cart and Supplies Palliative Care

Financials

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR OF THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STARK & MARSH

To the Directors of Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc.:

Qualified Opinion

The summary financial statements, which comprise the summary statement of financial position as at December 31, 2019 and the summary statement of operations for the year then ended are derived from the audited financial statements of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2019. We expressed a qualified opinion on those financial statements in our report dated March 24, 2020.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are a fair summary of the audited financial statements of Dr. Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundations Inc. which were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. However, the summary financial statements are qualified to the equivalent extent as the audited financial statements of Dr. Noble Irwin Healthcare Foundation Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, is not a substitute for reading the organization's audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed a qualified opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated March 24, 2020. In common with many charitable organizations, the Foundation derives revenue from donations and fundraising conducted by itself and other organizations, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Foundation and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fund-raising revenues, surplus for the year, assets and fund balances for the years ended December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

Management's Responsibility for the Summarized Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are a fair summary of the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standards (CAS) 810, Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

Stark! March

Chartered Professional Accountants

Swift Current, Saskatchewan March 24, 2020





DR. NOBLE IRWIN REGIONAL HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION INC.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As at December 31, 2019

	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 1,418,648	\$ 1,742,599
Accounts receivable	19,500	30,001
Pledges receivable	101,000	138,166
GST receivable	1,998	6,188
Inventory	14,047	13,339
Prepaid expenses	3,403	3,403
	1,558,596	1,933,696
Long-term investments	3,345,772	3,107,224
Capital assets	347,740	370,498
	\$ 5,252,108	\$ 5,411,418
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Current		
Accounts payable	\$ 32,189	\$ 315,332
	32,189	315,332
Fund balances		
Operating fund	-33,503	52,874
Restricted fund	5,253,422	5,043,212
	5,219,919	5,096,086
	\$ 5,252,108	\$ 5,411,418

The summary statement of financial position is prepared from the audited statement of financial position and may not include full disclosure under Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

_ Director

Approved on behalf of the board

Financials

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONSFor the year ended December 31, 2019

	Operating	Restricted	Endowment	2019	2018
Revenue Donations, fundraising and gifts in kind	\$ 202,708	552,129	-	754,837	\$ 953,201
Investment income Increase (decrease) in investment market values	32,851	83,491	-	116,342	110,545
		272,260	_	272,260	-186,462
	235,559	907,880		1,143,439	877,284

Expenses

Administration	191,394	-	-	191,394	188,270
Development and Gifts	240,968	587,244		828,212	1,560,518
	432,362	587,244	_	1,019,606	1,748,788
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$ (196,803)	320,636	_	123,833	\$ (871,504)

This summary statement of operations is prepared from the audited statement of operations and may not include full disclosure under Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.



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