



HABITAT *for* HEALTHCARE

Built by and for the people of Southwest Saskatchewan

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Outpatients from rural Southwest can look forward to having a place to stay beginning next summer while they are receiving treatment at the new Regional Hospital. Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation and the Swift Current Rotary Club have officially launched the Habitat for Healthcare project.

The Habitat for Healthcare will be located on Saskatchewan Drive across from the new Cypress Regional Hospital, which will be ideal for both the patient and their families/ drivers. The 3,600-sq-foot multipurpose building will contain a six bedroom hostel with shared amenities such as two washroom and shower facilities - one being handicapped accessible, a half bath, a common living area for reading or watching TV and a small

kitchenette. The facility will also house the new offices of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation.

The construction of the Habitat for Healthcare is set to commence in January 2007, and weather permitting, will be completed by June 2007.

The official sod turning was held on October 23, 2006. Greetings were presented by City of Swift Current - Mayor Sandy Larson, RM of Swift Current - Reeve Jim Parsons, East Side Church of God - Pastor Kevin Snyder, Swift Current Rotary Club- President Trevor Koot and Foundation Chair - Joan Meyer.

A formal announcement made during the sod turning was the naming of the first room by the Cypress Regional Hospital Auxiliary.



Left to right: Capital Campaign Senator Jack Wiebe, Cypress Regional Hospital Auxiliary President Donna Barber, Foundation Chair Joan Meyer and Swift Current Rotary Club President Trevor Koot.

Habitat for Healthcare Needs You

This, "one of a kind," project is going to need your support if it is to be successful. We need materials, expertise and cash donations to help complete this facility. Scheduled to start construction on January 10, 2007, we are seeking to borrow a construction trailer for the site. (Not too big or fancy. Will be finished with it by June). We also require a couple of kerosene construction heaters. (Not that it is ever cold in Saskatchewan in the winter. Ha!) Following is a list of other materials we will be trying to gather over the coming weeks. Perhaps you can donate something on the list or know of someone who would be willing to help out.

- Windows
- Landscaping
- Flooring - Carpet & Tile
- Paint
- Rough Site Grading
- Aluminum work for entry doorways
- Parking lot paving
- Interior Glazing
- Vinyl Wall Covering
- Eaves & Gutters
- Textured Ceiling Tiles
- Concrete Curbs
- Floor Standing Janitors sink

We'll get to the furnishings later and provide you with a list in our next newsletter. You might want to consider, if you have a quilting group, making a couple of quilts for the beds in one of the rooms. There will be six rooms so we can accommodate the work of plenty of quilters and just think how "at home," it would make outpatients staying at Habitat feel. As with all donations, to the Foundation, whether cash or in-kind we will provide a charitable tax receipt and your support will be publicly acknowledged.

GROWING SUPPORT



SaskPower Linemen show their support by making over \$3,300 contribution to Habitat for Healthcare.



Grower Direct Flowers annual Friendship Day had generated a total of \$1,500. Denise Wall and Wanita Paulhus presented a cheque to Foundation Chair Joan Meyer in support of Habitat for Healthcare



M&M Meat Shops had a wonderful turnout for their Grand Opening generating a total of \$1248.57. Bruce Deg presented a cheque to CEO Lyn Johnston in support of Habitat for Healthcare.

A special "WELCOME ABOARD" to TS METALS LTD who have offered to donate the roofing, siding materials and insulation for this project. Thank you so much for becoming an important part of this very worthwhile building initiative. If you would wish to be a part of the Habitat for Healthcare project you can do so by contacting the Foundation office at 778-3314 or toll free 1-866-666-6123



Swift Current's Greek Orthodox Community presents a cheque to Foundation Chair Joan Meyer.

GREEK NIGHT - ANOTHER ENORMOUS SENSATION!

"Night out in Greece", Hosted by the Swift Current Greek Orthodox Community, was the talk of the town. The eighth annual sold out event was filled with mouthwatering Greek cuisine, a Greek dance group from Regina and a variety of other entertaining activities. When the evening came to a close the Greek Orthodox Community had generated a total of \$50,000 to go towards the new equipment for the Cardiac Unit in the new hospital.



Charity Homecoming Golf Classic

Do you remember...The fun you had at the Foundation's Charity Reunion Golf Classic, smell of the fresh cut greens, wind blowing through your hair, that awesome double eagle you made on par 5!...its coming back to you isn't it? Well here is another chance to do it again... Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation is hosting the 2nd annual "Charity Homecoming Golf Classic" on June 9, 2007 at the Chinoook golf course. Southwest residents can participate in an afternoon of reminiscing with former residents, who have relocated to Southeastern Alberta, while having a "swing" at golf. The "unique rules" Texas Scramble tee's off at noon and will be followed by a mouth watering steak barbeque. Invite your friends & family home for the week-end to the Charity Homecoming Golf Classic sponsored by Roger Mirka, Investment Advisor for RBC Dominion Securities. The Best Western Inn will be featuring "golfers" packages for out of town participants.

Great prizes, plenty of surprises and fun for everyone!
Don't miss it! Saturday June 9, 2007.

If you would like to participate in the Golf Classic as a sponsor, volunteer or a team please contact the Foundation office for more information by calling 778-3314 or toll free at 1-866-666-6123.

East Side Church of God joins Habitat for Healthcare Project



The East Side Church of God is working with the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation in developing a small park area, which will be located directly between Habitat for Healthcare and the Church. Guests at the hostel can spend their time enjoying the outdoors without having to venture out to far.

Pastor Kevin Snyder from the East Side Church of God announced the congregation will be planning a "Room for One More" event to raise funds for the park project, which will be held at the church in May 2007.

FOUNDATION NOTES

- The Foundation Board & Staff wishes to extend a warm welcome to the new regional CEO Jim Hornell and wife Mim. We're sure you'll feel right at home in no time.
- The Scholarship Committee: Is meeting to select recipients for this round of scholarships, which will be announced in December. They are holding a series of additional meetings to revamp the program in a way which will best meet the needs not only of Healthcare workers in the Southwest but southwest residents who require their care. The new program will be ready for the next round of scholarship recipients in the spring.
- Recruitment and Retention: Volunteers are needed to join this new Committee to help meet the needs of new physicians and their family with regards of settling in to communities in the Southwest.

EVENT CALENDAR

- **January 2007**
 - Foundation Office will re-open on January 2nd.
 - Construction for Habitat for Healthcare will begin January 2007.
- **April 2007**
 - Annual General Meeting will be held on April 4th.
- **May 2007**
 - Cypress Regional Hospital proposed opening will be May 2007.
 - Habitat for Healthcare proposed opening will be May 2007.
- **June 2007**
 - Charity Homecoming Golf Classic will be held on June 9th. Register early to avoid disappointment. A limited number of sponsorship opportunities are available - contact the Foundation office for details.





EXTRA! EXTRA!

7.5 Million Goal Met!

The Dr. Noble Irwin Foundation announces "THE Campaign" Comes to an End

Believing Does Create Miracles



With the development of its' last major corporate gift cheque presentation picture THE CAMPAIGN has officially ended. The \$ 7.5 million dollar undertaking was a huge one for the Foundation however, the donors, as always, made it successful. From the official kick-off event, the Believe in Miracles Telethon, until its successful conclusion the campaign took just over 18 months to complete. In all major gifts accounted for the lions share of the fund raising initiatives but approximately 468 individuals, corporations, groups, organization and service clubs made a donations or pledged their support to The Campaign. This figure doesn't include all those who contributed to coin collections or spent money at any of the 52 Weeks of Fundraising Events.

The majority of the funds raised will purchase equipment and furniture for the new regional hospital as well as contribute to the bricks and mortar costs for the project. All of the Capital Campaign Senators as well as the donors deserve our appreciation and gratitude for believing in this project enough to make a commitment. To each and everyone the Foundation wishes to express the appreciation of all those who will benefit from your unselfish contributions for years to come. You have truly improved the quality of health care for the residents of Southwest Saskatchewan and proven once again that by working together we can indeed create miracles.



TRANS CANADA CORPORATION JOINS CAMPAIGN LEADERS

Representatives of Trans Canada Corporation Gail Friesen - Manager of Heartland, Dean Burnett - Land Management and Marlowe Dyck, Neil Anderson - technicians joined the Foundation's Capital Campaign Senator Jack Wiebe to present their \$100,000.00 commitment toward equipping and furnishing the New Regional Hospital.



CARSON'S WELDING SUPPORTS THE CAMPAIGN

Carson Welding & Maintenance Ltd. of Swift Current presents a cheque for \$100,000 in support of THE CAMPAIGN. From left to right: Greg Shaw, Manager, Ray Wheeler, Assistant Manager, Garth Knakoske, Campaign Senator and Ron Carson, Owner.



PHARMASAVE CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

With the support of its Customers and Friends, Pharmasave donated \$50,000 to THE Campaign. Al Chilton, Rebecca Chilton and Ron Heeg presented a cheque to THE Campaign Senator Jack Wiebe.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DONORS

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 - Mrs. Doris Best

We would like to also acknowledge the generosity of all the individual donors who have contributed to this category.

We hope that all our supporters realize what a difference they have made for the Southwest and its quality of health care. During THE Campaign hundreds of donors contributed over \$7 million dollars to many different areas of the project to meet the needs of the facility, creating a new Regional Hospital for the people of Southwest Saskatchewan for generations to come.

BELIEVE. DONATIONS DO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF HEALTHCARE.