

Making a Difference in the Southwest

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FOUNDATION BEAT

Chairperson Message 2009

We are pleased to bring greetings to all the people of the southwest region, the staff, the volunteers, the supporters, friends and partners of the Foundation. A special tribute to the Hutterian Brethren colonies, representing the cultural heritage of the area, that supported us not only monetarily but also “la main d’oeuvre”.

We also acknowledge and thank our predecessors, both those living and those no longer with us. Their lives and deeds have brought strength and conviction to our work and their determination sustains us through good times and bad.

2009 marks the Tenth (10) Anniversary of the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation. As we commemorate this milestone and look to the future, we imagine a southwest region free of healthcare challenges. This is the greatest hope of those who are working to achieve this goal.

The leadership of the Foundation has launched the largest and most important fundraising initiative in the organization’s history.

The goal of the “Pay it Forward” campaign is to raise funds by investing in the Endowment Programs to sustain our healthcare facilities, equipment and educational programs throughout the southwest region for future generations. This is an ambitious undertaking through which the Foundation will build on its historical strengths in identifying and supporting financial investors.

You can contribute with confidence knowing that funds raised for “Pay it Forward” will be used exclusively to fund healthcare in the Southwest Region. The Foundation is respected by NGOs and government agencies for its efforts.

We support the Foundation’s mission “to raise and distribute funds to improve the quality of healthcare for the people of Southwest Saskatchewan. Your donations are going towards improving the quality of your healthcare and making each facility the best of its kind in the province.”

*Submitted by
Etiennette Binette, Chairperson*



WHAT’S IN A DECADE?

Ten years sounds like a long time. A decade, even longer and yet if you’re in the midst of it working on projects, planning campaigns and hoping to improve people’s quality of life even a little, you can manage to keep pretty busy and not see the time slipping by ever so quickly. It’s difficult to keep track of all that time

until you are actually forced, through an event like this tenth anniversary, to take a look back and see exactly what has transpired.

The Foundation has managed to make so many friends and garner so much support over the past ten years as to consider itself among the most fortunate of healthcare Foundations in the Province.

Our Board members have continued to support the vision of improving the quality of health care of all residents of Southwest Saskatchewan and have done so repeatedly with their commitment over the past years.

All of the volunteers who have given of their time so generously with events and projects have been a tremendous help in reaching our goals and in spreading the word about the work the Foundation is doing.

There are those with opposing views. Some who believe there should not be a need for a Foundation and others who are grateful it was created and see the tremendous benefit it has become to the community at large. We wish we lived in a perfect world where everything was available at a reasonable cost and affordable to everyone but I fear wishing doesn’t make it so.

We do however believe that by working hard and trying to benefit our constituents, we will accomplish our mission. We are here to work with and for the people of the Southwest in an attempt to keep up with the ever-increasing demand for medical services and improved systems of delivery.

We cannot do anything on our own. We can only accomplish great things with your help and with the help of hundreds and thousands of caring people just like you. Such has always been the case. For ten long, successful years, you have been there every step of the way. Making sure the job got done. The success and credit is all yours.

Thank you for caring enough to make a difference by supporting your Foundation.

Your Foundation for Improving Healthcare!

*Sincerely,
Lyn Johnston, CEO*

Something To Celebrate

These are photos taken at the Tenth Annual General Meeting April 23, 2009 at the East Side Church of God.



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