

Making a Difference in the Southwest

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Your Family's Health RadioThon

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Thank You for making
Your Family's Health RadioThon
an unbelievable success
Together we received in pledge donations
\$188,663.00



With YOUR help and generous donations we have purchased the Digital Mammography Unit for our Regional Hospital.

Our mandate of assuring a continued improvement in the quality of care for each resident of Southwest Saskatchewan is ongoing, but we need your continued support.

It's a big job.

But enhancing health care for the people of Southwest Saskatchewan is something that is both necessary, and highly desirable.

It's not a job any of us can tackle alone.

The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation is your Foundation, and we're working for you. But we need the skills, time, dedication and commitment of the regional community to accomplish our goals.

Find out how you can help. Ask how others are contributing. Then give us a call, and join our volunteers who are working for you and with you to improve the quality of health care for the people of Southwest Saskatchewan.

Together we can work towards creating a centre of healthcare excellence for each resident in Southwest Saskatchewan.

The people of Southwest Saskatchewan expect the very latest in medical technology for diagnosis and treatment. The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. has a long tradition of outstanding involvement in the Southwest and, we consistently receive rave reviews for our commitment towards assuring a continued improvement in the quality of health care for each resident.

These are challenging times for health care, but the residents of Southwest Saskatchewan have always come forward. We, as a community, have done it in the past and, again, we have come together, in record numbers and with humility and generosity, to fully fund our financial commitment of a Digital Mammography Unit for our Regional Hospital.

Each year the projects get larger, but they are the most important things we can do to secure a strong future for our Regional Hospital. Special thanks go to the **Volunteers** across Southwest Saskatchewan that made the **Your Family's Health RadioThon** such a huge success. The commitment of our friends to helping us provide the best medical care in Southwest Saskatchewan is unparalleled.

Today and, every day we need more help than ever to meet the special needs of the residents of Southwest Saskatchewan. Our values

continue as we focus on our mission and be accountable to our donors; providing value to the community by demonstrating integrity in all Foundation dealings; give back as much possible to the Community and, be agents of change, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Your Family's Health RadioThon gave the citizens of Southwest Saskatchewan a voice to experiences that may have been denied, silenced, or ignored. The people told Saskatchewan stories with extraordinary honesty, dignity, and insight; they proclaimed the complexities of life's challenges by refusing to accept designated boundaries; by challenging stereotypes and, by refusing to be defined or named in another's terms. Together we are richer for their commitments. Their voices are vibrant. Their voices were too long silenced.

The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. is continuing to improve the quality of health care for each resident of Southwest Saskatchewan. Together we can work toward a centre of health care excellence. We are preparing for the future while recognizing the past efforts of those who have gone before us.

Etiennette Binette- Board Chair

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Acknowledgements: THANK YOU for being with us...

Today We Will Not Be Invisible Nor Silent

Any event such as **Your Family's Health RadioThon** would not be possible without advice, assistance and support from a variety of people. In particular we want to express our great appreciation for their encouragement of this project to the Your Family's Health RadioThon Committee for their tireless hours of support, and for their confidence in this project and their diligence in bringing about the production of Your Family's Health RadioThon. Members of the Committee include: Nancy Anderson, Darwin Gooding, Carla Congdon, Glenda-Lee Allan, Sheri Wotypka, Megan Wall, Karen Shaitel, Edith Gibbings, Helen Pardoe, Jordan Wall, Keegan Goodrich and, the tireless work of Volunteers across the Southwest who gave freely of their time to make the RadioThon such a huge success.

Finally, we are grateful to the staff & volunteers of the Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. & **CKSW 570/ CJSN 1490 Radio** for their dedication during the long process of creating **Your Family's Health RadioThon**.

Any key to success is by facilitating the process of helping people make their own decisions to move forward. Together we created an

unbelievable amount of enthusiasm by using tools of success through ideas; examples; good stories; caution; campaigns & deadlines; announcements; publications... anything/everything that helped the residents of Southwest Saskatchewan make informed decisions.

Together/ you were able to place the information to allow the people of Southwest Saskatchewan to say, "This is My Story."

For all this and much more the Board of Directors, Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc. extends a personal note of thanks for everything.

Together you are the endurance that lives.

It is about Stewardship: from Recognition to Renewal

Good stewardship is a personal process that is carefully managed. It aims not simply to maintain a donor's satisfaction but to increase that satisfaction to the point where the donor asks, "What more can I do?" Good stewardship is not the end; it is the beginning of a new and higher level of personal involvement leading quite naturally to stronger existing relationships and to the development of new ones.

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3rd Annual Lights for Life: Illuminating the Spirit

Sunday December 6, 2009
Lights On! At 7 P.M.
A Holiday Tradition Continues...
Thirty-Three Nights of Illumination

Again, this Holiday Season the Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc., our partner Stark & Marsh Chartered Accountants are pleased to announce the 3rd Annual Lights for Life: Illuminating the Spirit festival display of lights that will illuminate the night sky. Lights for Life are a continuous parade of color and music created by Garth Melhoff, Melhoff Electric (77) Ltd. of lighted scenes and special features including Santa's Train, Gift Boxes, Bulbs, Christmas Trees, Candles, Ornaments, Angel, Bells, Candy canes, Snowmen and Gifts. These are the gifts that have and will continue to improve the quality of health care in Southwest Saskatchewan. It's a contribution that not only recognizes one person, but it becomes a gift for a lifetime for all and a true reflection of the real Spirit of the holidays. Participants are able to recognize individuals through their donations and will be acknowledged in the Lights for Life Tribute Book prominently displayed in the lobby of the Cypress Regional Hospital. With their generous contributions, every donation makes a difference. Through the years the festival continues to grow and long lasting traditions such as Lights for Life sustain the holiday memories of thousands of families across Southwest Saskatchewan. Join with us this Holiday Season and share the spectacle of lights for thirty-three nights beginning Sunday December 6, 2009 with the lighting of the forty foot Christmas tree by this year's special guests **Sam & Nancy Taylor**.

A charitable tax receipt will be issued for all donations & notification of your gift will be sent to the honoree or his/her family, both at home and abroad, if you wish. "Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy the festivities," says Lyn Johnston, C.E.O. Dr Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc., "We look forward to sharing this holiday tradition with all our friends and families. We invite everyone to become a part of this worthwhile event by lighting a festival "feature" of your choice."

Held next door to Habitat for Healthcare 2051 Saskatchewan Drive, Swift Current, SK.

Refreshments, Smiles and Season's Greetings provided.

Purchase your festival displays & lights today: White, Red, Green, Blue, or Gold Lights

VISA/ Mastercard welcome



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Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc.
Sponsor- Stark & Marsh Chartered Accountants

Sunday, December 6th 2009
Lights On! 7 P.M.

This year
SAM & NANCY TAYLOR

will be "Illuminating the Spirit" on behalf of all our Donors

This is our favorite time of year! Come and join with us, in the Lighting Ceremony,

held next door to **Habitat for Healthcare**
2051 Saskatchewan Drive Swift Current, SK.
(east of the Cypress Regional Hospital)

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Festival displays will be illuminated to represent gifts that have and will continue to improve the quality of healthcare in Southwest Saskatchewan. **Lights for Life** encourages the entire Southwest community to remember and honour their friends and family in a very special way. Participants are able to recognize individuals through their donations and will be acknowledged in the **Lights for Life Tribute Book**. With their generous contributions, they will not only be honoring one person, but will be investing in healthcare for all of Southwest Saskatchewan now and into the future.

Lights for Life donations may be given in memory of honoring someone you love, those who cannot be at home this season, or a simple season's greetings. Some may wish to give anonymously; your gift towards Lights for Life is important. Your help matters. Members of the Canadian Forces are in operations throughout the world in countries like Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait & Korea. Far from family and friends, these dedicated men and women have limited access to the everyday comforts of being-back-home. Here's your chance to show your support and make a difference! You have a choice of sponsoring a light or display. With your generous contributions, you will not only be honoring one person, but it will also become a gift for all and is a true reflection on the real spirit of the holidays.

Sincerely,

Lyn Johnston, CEO
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The Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation Inc., with our partner Stark & Marsh Chartered Accountants will host the Third Annual Lights for Life campaign
Sunday December 6, 2009 to January 7, 2010.



Illuminated festival displays under the technical direction of Garth Melhoff of Melhoff Electric (77) Ltd. represent gifts that have and will continue to improve the quality of healthcare in Southwest Saskatchewan.

Important Dates to Remember

Dr. Noble Irwin Regional Healthcare Foundation
Board of Directors meeting
Wednesday October 7, 2009

Sergeant Wilson's Army Show
Thursday October 29, 2009
Royal Canadian Legion Branch #56
Doors open at 6:30 P.M. Show at 7:30 P.M.

Night Out In Greece
Saturday November 14, 2009
Royal Canadian Legion Branch #56
Swift Current

Round 15
Skills Enrichment Scholarship Applications Due November 30, 2009.

3rd Annual Lights for Life: Illuminating the Spirit
Sunday December 6, 2009
Lights Up with Sam & Nancy Taylor at 7 P.M.

How you can Illuminate the Spirit:

White Light (s): \$10.00 each	Candy Cane (s): \$250.00 ea.
Red Light (s): \$20.00 ea.	Snowmen: \$250.00 ea.
Green Light (s): \$50.00 ea.	Ornament (s): \$250.00 ea.
Blue Light (s): \$75.00 ea.	Gift Box (es): \$250.00 ea.
Gold Light (s): \$100.00 ea.	Angel: \$500.00
12-foot Noel Trees: \$250.00 ea.	Santa Train: \$1,500.00

The previous year's sponsors have first option.



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