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2013 PROGRESS REPORT



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Looking to the future



Shuswap Lake General Hospital plays a vital role in the provision of healthcare to our communities. The hospital is inextricably linked to the tertiary levels of care provided in Vernon, Kelowna and Kamloops hospitals as part of Interior Health Authority (IHA).

With the increase in population, especially the 65 and older age group, Shuswap Lake General Hospital (SLGH) will require ongoing community support. This will keep up with the services to meet the increased demand as well as keeping the CT and Diagnostic Imaging Services (DI) up to date with ever-changing technology.

The recent 24 million dollar expansion

of the ER and diagnostic imaging departments was just the beginning; improvements have included modernization of the pharmacy and lab services. Future plans for upgrades to the hospital include the operating room(OR) and the intensive care unit(ICU) facilities. Other changes include how home care services are delivered, including caring for the senior populations and increases in the number of day surgeries. All these changes diminish the need for more beds required in the hospital; thereby reducing cost and the potential for patients to contract diseases.

Peter DuToit,
SLGH Administrator

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It was a pleasure to receive Health Minister and Kamloops MLA Terry Lake when he visited the hospital soon after being named to the portfolio. Excitement is building as to when the next phase of hospital construction might begin. The ICU department and the operating room have been identified as priority areas for upgrading.

Peter DuToit,
SLGH Administrator



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“As the new MLA for Shuswap, I made it a priority to visit Shuswap Lake General Hospital recently with Health Minister Terry Lake. We were both impressed by the quality of care provided to patients by the facility’s talented, dedicated staff. That level of care is greatly supported and enhanced by the tireless work of the Shuswap Hospital Foundation, and by the generosity of local residents. Thank you for your ongoing support of your local hospital and community.”

Greg Kylo,
BC Liberal MLA for the Shuswap



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A year of progress



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President's message

The Shuswap Hospital Foundation Board has had a busy year and a great deal of effort was invested in the development of a strategic plan for the Foundation to help guide development over the next number of years. A plan was devised that should place the Foundation in a position to keep the hospital and other healthcare services advancing by supporting capital needs across the spectrum of direct services. Much time and effort was spent in succession planning, resulting in combining the two existing positions and appointing a Director of Development. We are pleased to announce that Fiona Harris was appointed to the position and took office with the Foundation on October 1st, 2013. The community generously supported fundraising efforts again this year. The campaign

launched in the fall of 2012 with the issue of a Foundation calendar which was very popular and also cost-effective, thanks to the many corporate sponsors; with well over \$100,000 being raised. A very successful Radiothon was staged in the spring, this year rain-free, and some \$20,000 was the net result. Our thanks go to EZ Rock Radio and to Save-On-Foods for hosting the event. Again this year many community businesses, clubs and individuals came forward to financially support the Foundation. Without them the Foundation could not meet its goals of optimizing patient care. Some of the equipment that the Foundation



was able to make available this year included a Panda Warmer for the nursery, a ventilator for the operating room and the intensive care unit, a computed radiography reader to digitize x-ray images, an ECG machine, and a fetal heart monitor. We were very happy to provide \$10,000 for a laboratory collection unit for

Sicamous as well as audiology equipment for a community children's service. All in all, it's been a successful year. We offer our thanks. Firstly, to our many supporters and donors; to our staff who keep the operation percolating; and to the healthcare providers whom we see as our partners in serving the community. Finally, I would like to thank Eugene Casavant and Duncan Myers for their many years of outstanding service to the Foundation.

Joe Johnson, President
Shuswap Hospital Foundation



Taking care of FOUNDATION business

Introducing

Fiona Harris Director of Development

Board President Joe Johnson is pleased to welcome the new Director of Development for the Foundation. Her appointment commenced October 1st and combines the roles of Development Officer and Managing Direc-

tor. Fiona Harris comes to this position with many years of experience in media, marketing, and communications. She has also worked on fundraising with a number of health and non-profit organizations.



Diana Walker Office Administration

Office Manager Diana Walker is one busy lady processing donations on the Foundation's electronic system. With some four thousand plus names in the system, coupled with privacy regulations, it is important to keep accurate records as a registered charitable society.

Diana has been with the Foundation for over a year now. She loves the interaction with donors, community members and volunteers. Also, her role as photographer is much appreciated by the Foundation.

www.shuswaphospitalfoundation.org

The Foundation has recently completed the incorporation of a new web site. We have focused the past year on building our social media profile; including Facebook and YouTube. With the addition of a monthly newsletter, we believe we are in a better position to serve our donors efficiently, effectively and without the added costs of mailing. Send us your email

address so that you can take advantage of the latest news about Foundation activities, equipment purchases and technological advancements. For your comfort and security, the foundation strictly abides by confidentiality regulations and does not share donor information with any other organization.



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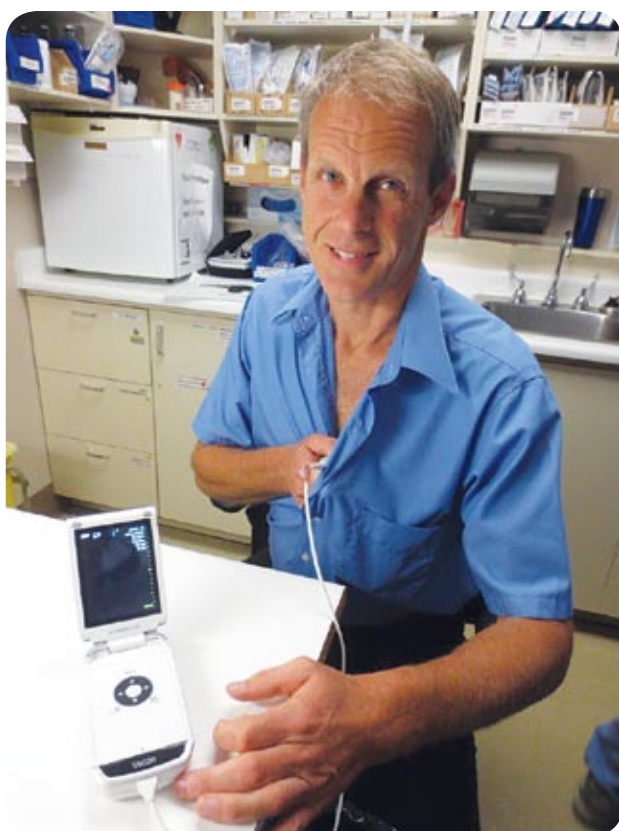
Dr. A. Sellers, Head of Anesthesia, shows how positioning cushions can allow patients with breathing difficulties to be safely intubated during surgery.



Dr. Janice Journeau demonstrates the gamma probe, used in early detection of cancer and which allows for non-invasive cancer treatment procedures.



The tympanometer is used to quickly identify fluids in the ear that can affect hearing and learning disabilities in children. Early diagnoses allow for intervention and corrective procedures.



Dr. Scott McKee demonstrates the Vscan Pocket Ultrasound used for patients with cardiopulmonary conditions, a rapid-access diagnostic tool now used daily.



This positioning system supports patients during spinal procedures. Previously a nurse would have to support the patient during a procedure. OR nurse Susan Schmidt recognized the benefits of using such a unit for both patient and medical staff safety. Susan and her husband, of ARK Masonry, donated the equipment to the hospital—another example of caring staff. We thank you for your generosity.



Dr. Kevin Beckner, head of Radiology, is proud of the added procedures now available for patients using the CT scanner. This includes biopsies, drainage, coronary angiography and colonography, all non-invasive procedures. To date there have been 20,000 examinations performed.

USNR

Recent purchases

Panda Warmer	\$36,187.00
Ventilator	\$36,352.00
ECG machine	\$22,570.00
Colonoscopes	\$60,000.00
Fetal monitor	\$24,119.00
Vein viewer	\$16,860.70
Stryker stretcher	\$11,464.66
Tilt recliner	\$4,362.05
CR reader	\$61.962.00
Probe disinfecter	\$21,453.00
Furniture	\$3,740.44
Tympanometer	\$4,362.40
Immobilizer	\$4,909.27
Lab equip. (Sicamous)	\$10,000.00
Total	\$318,342.52



A blanket warmer was contributed by Mrs. Dhaliwal in recognition of her daughter, Mandy Dhaliwal-Sumara, who passed away last year at the age of 30.



The Panda Warmer is a welcome addition to Pediatrics. Not only does it perform diagnostics and the ability to undertake emergency surgery, it also provides welcome support for Mom and staff.



Allison New utilizes the fetal monitor, a vital tool used during pregnancy and up to the final delivery of a baby.



Dr. Stephen Hiscock uses the laparoscopic unit, which provides visual clarity when performing this type of minimally invasive surgery. This second unit improves the efficiency in the operating room for day surgery and patient care.



Each summer, patient visits to the ER nearly doubles in volume. The new trauma room x-ray unit was a welcome addition for staff and patients requiring immediate diagnostic services. Modern digital equipment truly improves the quality of analysis including patient care, safety and comfort.



The Sicamous lab opened in May 2013.

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Creating a legacy...the next stage

CT scan technology breakthrough will increase patient care and well-being...

President Joe Johnson is pleased to announce the recent endorsement by the Board of Directors to express their approval for the upgrade to the CT scanner. The technological advancements including the delivery of the highest quality of images, performance and the ability to provide optimum patient care and comfort. Particularly for children and those patients re-

quiring multiple scans, optimum performance is paramount. A significant bonus of the upgrade includes the ability to extend the use of the scanner for up to ten years.

Dr. Kevin Beckner, Chief of the Radiology Dept. states, "The upgrade will enable the community's CT machine to operate at the highest capability for years to come."

Show you care! Please support the CT scan upgrade



CT scanner team, from left: Kim Mead and daughter Hayden Mead, Megan Thelland, Ryder Mead, Lisa Young, Rena Whitehead, and Shirley Miller.



A "life-changing event for me"



Following a seizure at home, I was ambulated from Blind Bay to the Shuswap Lake General Hospital. A CT scan was performed, resulting in the discovery of a large brain tumor. Once stabilized, I was then taken to Kamloops for surgery. I am so grateful to the First Responders, the attentive staff at the hospital who diagnosed me and to those who supported the purchase of the CT scanner for our hospital. This was a life-saving and life-changing event for me. The CT scan upgrade would be a great addition!"

Fiona Harris, resident of Blind Bay

Advances

- Greater efficiency and clarity of scans.
- Highest level of diagnostic analysis is assured while minimizing radiation levels, particularly when multiple scans are required.
- Optimizing patient care including heart & stroke treatments.
- 24/7 emergency service.
- Extend the life of the unit for up to 10 years.
- 20,000 exams have been performed with an estimated \$2 million in savings for those patients by not having to travel to other hospitals for examinations

Cost of the upgrade is \$205,000



Priority Equipment Campaign

2013-14

Fulfilling our commitments to quality care for you

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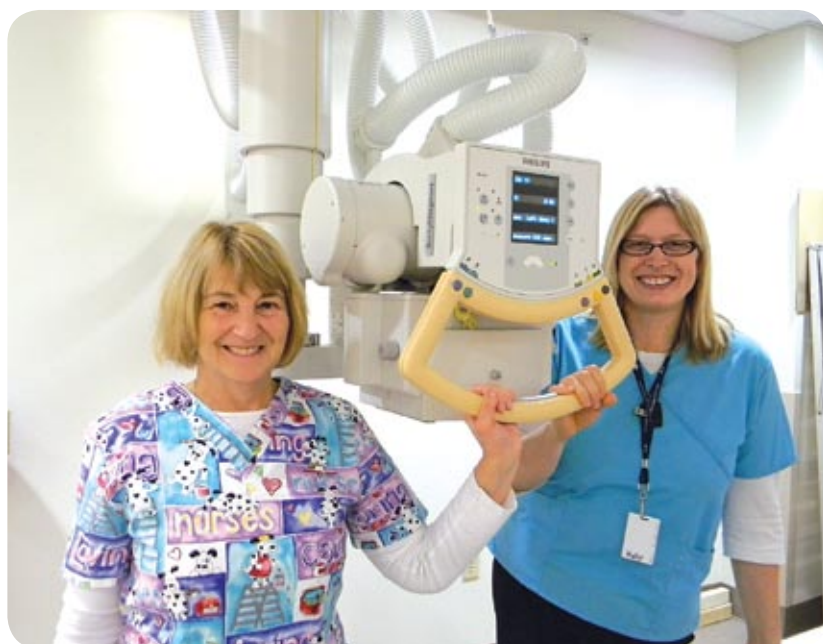
Portable X-Ray	\$60,000
Infusion devices (4)	\$34,800
HD video system	\$50,690
Cardi. recline chair	\$ 7,770
Plasma thawing sys.	\$ 6,070
MTS Centrifuge	\$13,360
Fetal monitor	\$21,880
Portable Echo	
Ultrasound	\$ 8,840
Total	\$203,570

During the past decade, the Shuswap Lake General Hospital has been undergoing significant reconstruction and replacement of equipment, intended to make the hospital more efficient and provide the ability to acquire more detailed data and analysis. This will provide improved outcomes for patient recovery and well-being along with patient safety and comfort in mind.

Medical teams appreciate the advancements that have taken

place; however, this is just the beginning. There are at least two additional phases of development to come, involving the OR, ICU departments and home care services including seniors' care. IHA will continue to be responsible for infrastructure and annual hospital operating costs; in turn, the Shuswap Hospital Foundation will be required to support IHA with priority equipment needs incorporating the latest advancements in technology.

The creation of the **Foundation's Perpetual Health Legacy Fund** is designed to ensure that funds can be raised in the next few years to adequately finance the priority equipment projects. The fund at present stands at \$106,000.00; the goal is to reach **1 million dollars** over and above the average annual equipment needs. We look for your continued support in the quest to deliver the highest standards of care for all.



X-ray technicians Shirley Miller and Holly Brown are committed to excellent care.



"I would like to thank the Foundation for another successful year. With their funding we again have seen significant improvements to the care provided at this Hospital. Your commitment to us has made SLGH a better place to work and to be cared for."

Dr. John Wickert,
SLGH Chief of Staff

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\$20,000 was raised for a fetal monitor in Pediatrics



Health practitioners take a blood sample from Salmon Arm Mayor Nancy Cooper while burgers are served.



The Radiothon is a popular event each year for volunteers, including board members who have an opportunity to enjoy the great local musicians as well as receive donations.



Patrick Ryley receives a donation from the Royal Purple Ladies.

Entertainment at the Radiothon was provided by Anne Tanemura, Aileen White & Ken Bell, Seal Skull Hammer, Aime Laws, the Elk Tribe, and Jesse Mast.



Save-On-Foods Manager Randall Bamford and assistant Paul Save on Foods supplied burgers.



Chester's House of Cinnamon has consistently supported the Foundation with refreshments including those yummy cinnamon buns at various fundraising events.



Each year Tim Horton's in Salmon Arm and Sicamous support the hospital with the Smile Cookie campaign. Over the years the event has generated in excess of \$32,000 for priority equipment in pediatrics.



The Nico's Nursery team are involved each year when pledges are made during the 'Have a Heart' Radiothon Hospital equipment fundraiser.

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Members of Salmon Arm Rotary are always ready to assist hospital fundraising events, including the Auxiliary Walk for Woman's Health on Mothers Day.

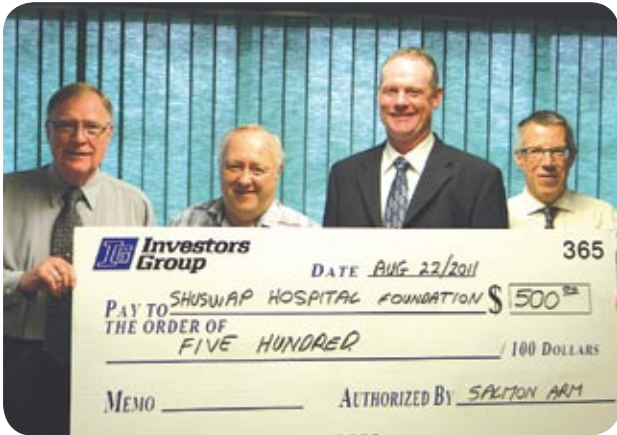


Shaw Events Coordinator Kelly Frink and Save-On-Foods Manager Randall Bamford joined forces for promotions that benefited the Shuswap Hospital Foundation. Fiona Harris, the Foundation's Director of Development, is pleased to receive their contributions.



Thirsty for donations

Using the water jug, the InView team collect donations they receive for repairing customers' glasses. They are now Partners to the Foundation and have raised \$5,000. The team includes Jackie Lee & baby Alexandra, Al Martens, Anne Ram, Karen Peters and Joy Freeman, who holds their bronze fish for the Recognition Wall at the hospital.



Each year Investors group dedicate funds in appreciation of the work of volunteers



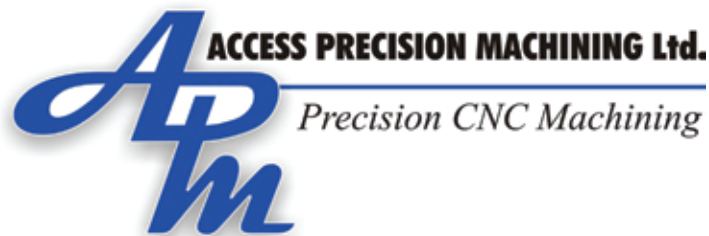
The colourful Rose Fund student team raised monies in the name of fellow classmate and cancer survivor Rose Mainprize. See more about Rose on page 16.



Stu & Cathy Bradford, owners of the Barley Station Brew Pub and the Wicked Spoon Cafe. Their donations include a percentage of a menu item at the pub, or a donation for a "wicked spoon." You will not be able to resist when you hear the rest of the story – "The best is yet to come!"



Local 'Santa' Noel McClelland gives a donation to the Foundation each year.



Shuswap Lake HEALTH CARE AUXILIARY



For over 100 years the ladies have been at the forefront of providing support for patients with care and compassion. There are approximately 85 active members, and their programs include:

- Providing greeting services for the ER and outpatient surgery clients
- Operating the gift store whose selection includes handmade gifts.
- Providing a comfort package for ER patients when required.
- Providing children with crayons and a colouring book to ease waiting time boredom.
- Providing fresh new clothing to trauma room patients when needed.

The Auxiliary ladies fundraise for care and comfort items and equipment. They have a

number of sales including a Spring, Garage, Book and Bake Sale, as well as a Christmas Bake Sale and gift wrapping by donation at Piccadilly Mall.

They offer two yearly scholarships of \$1,000 to graduating youth health care volunteers who plan on furthering their education in health care. The Auxiliary sponsor the students by funding conferences and special events in recognition of their commitment. Robin Greenhorn is the coordinator of hospital volunteer services as well as the youth volunteer program. The students (once called candy strippers) now includes many young men. The students put in many hours at Bastion Place, providing food delivery, chatting with patients, and helping where they can.

Joy Johnston

The Foundation and Auxiliary members are saddened at the recent passing of Joy Johnston. Joy was a dedicated member of the Auxiliary for over 36 years, and was recognized as a lifetime member. Joy was also awarded Patron of the Shuswap Hospital Foundation, given in recognition of her generosity and in memory of her beloved late husband Lloyd.



SHUSWAP LAKE HEALTH-CARE AUXILIARY

President 2011-13	Gerry Bradwell
1st Vice Pres. '11-'13	Edie Swanson (Pres. in 2014)
2nd Vice President	Donna Good
Past President	Barb Agrignon
Treasurer	Glenda Lepine
Secretary	Joan Willy
Auxiliary Director to the Foundation	Adele Ainsworth

Footsteps for our Future Mother's Day Walk for Woman's Health



This event is a joint project of the Auxiliary and the Foundation, and is a run or walk of 2km, 5km, or 10km to raise money and awareness for Women's Health and create a fund for future development and equipment needs within the Hospital and the community. Community-wide participation is encouraged, regardless of age, gender or physical abilities. The first event this year was a great success,

raising \$8,000 and inspiring the committee to expand the event on Mother's Day in 2014.



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Homecare & community care initiatives

Did you know?

- There are some 450 medical employees serving the community, including home care.
- The hospital annual budget is \$42 million.

At any given time, some 450 clients are taken care of and 40-50 medical personnel provide services for patients in their homes around the Shuswap.

Community care services manager 21-year veteran **Renee Roberge** is very proud of the role her team plays. Sadly, we will be losing her and will miss her cheer and competence. We wish her well for the future. She states the home care mandate very clearly: "Home is best."

It's our goal to teach/support our clients and families to manage their

own care and needs so that they are in their own environment for as long as safely possible.

"We respect our clients' rights to make choices and we offer options to assist them in their decision-making. If needed, we are able to augment the clients' and families' self management with IH home supports, including access to adult day programs, palliative care, ambulatory nursing clinic services and referrals to other IH or community-based services."



Community integrated health services

Report by Kirstine Hill, Administrator

Our focus is to provide care in the community to improve the quality of people's lives while keeping them out of acute care and avoiding ER visits at the hospital. Accomplishing that reduces the need for more beds at the hospital—the most expensive place for people to receive care. Target areas of support for those at risk include the following:

Breathe Well Program: For patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), one of the leading causes of death in Canada with rates continuing to rise. This requires a multidisciplinary team support including respiratory therapists, physiotherapists, GPs and specialists, resulting in fewer and shorter hospital admissions. There

are two new respiratory therapists on the team.

Mental Health and Substance Use Program: By focusing on community resources, the program is expected to reduce the use of more expensive but more effective points of care such as the ER. The program will help those with severe mental illness to access care from a general practitioner. The equivalent of 1.5 fulltime staffing positions have been added including social work and life skills workers.

Palliative Care: Last year a community forum was held to get input for end-of-life services. Modifications for services are already in place, including a multidisciplinary group of physicians, IH staff and hospice. A



full-time palliative care coordinator has been hired to support clinical care and education. This will help people at the end of their lives to stay at home or access palliative care at Bastion Place rather than be admitted to hospital.

Did you know?

- The ER serves over 17,000 people each year.
- There are over 60,000 patients treated at the hospital as critical care patients; this includes day surgeries, diagnostic imaging exams, therapy treatment, ambulatory care and newborns.



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Caring for our seniors



The Foundation bus brings mobility to residents at Bastion Place and Harmony Haven. It provides an opportunity to access to community facilities, attractions and events such as the farmers' market, R. J. Haney Heritage Village, or Wednesdays at the Wharf.

As student volunteer KC Jollymour remarked, "We have a wonderful family at Bastion place." The recreational and social activities, including dances and socials, are a big part of keeping everyone young at heart.

Community integrated health services:

The Foundation is frequently asked why there are not more beds at the hospital. Not only does it cost more than a thousand dollars a day to keep someone in the hospital; but more importantly, for many patients this isn't the best way

to care for their particular health needs.

Kirstine Hill, CIHS Administrator for the North Okanagan region, reports that depending on needs, there are a number of facilities that provide the appropriate levels of care. A nurse will undertake an assessment based on a referral.

Once the care needs of the client are determined, he/she is assigned a level of care (complex or assisted living). The client and family identify their location choice. Depending on availability, alternative locations may be required until an opening is available at the preferred location.

Facilities operated by Interior Health include Bastion Place, in which there are a number of palliative care rooms, including a family room and patio area for the family to be together. Interior Health also funds beds at Hillside Village, Mount Ida Mews, and Piccadilly Care Centre, all complex care facilities. Pioneer Lodge is owned and operated by the Good Samaritan Society and offers assisted living care.

Except for Bastion Place, the care facilities are also available for clients who pay for private care.



Bastion Place



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Piccadilly Care Centre

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“We were pleased to be able to leave a legacy to the Foundation while we're alive and healthy. We are Patrons to the Foundation in perpetuity.”

Lorry & Isabelle Rendleman



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“The warmth of a blanket is appreciated in the hospital. I am happy to have donated to the purchase of a blanket warmer in memory of my daughter Mandy Dhaliwal-Sumara to support patient care in times of need.”

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Legacies to a healthy future



A tribute to Rose

Cancer survivor Rose Mainprize has been an inspiration to all her friends and fellow 2009 grad classmates during her fight for life from lung cancer. To support her treatments in 2012, a fundraising campaign was launched, including a live auction. Fundraising coordinator Colleen Making reports that as a result of the success of Rose's recovery and donations made on her behalf, they wish to establish a permanent 'Rose Fund' as a tribute to her courage and determination. \$2,400 of the fund will be directed to

the oncology department at the Shuswap Lake Hospital, for which a sybolic infusion device is required.

Former Foundation Managing Director Eugene Casavant reported how this story is a shining example of just how compassionate and philanthropic this community is, as well as a reminder as to the importance of community-based healthcare. Congratulations and good health to Rose, and thank you to all 'Rose Fund' contributors.

Ways to leave a legacy

- Be sure to make a will and make clear your intentions rather than allowing government to decide for you. Documents and wording templates are readily available to complete the transaction based on your philanthropic wishes.
- Meet with your accountant, lawyer, or financial advisor to determine the appropriate method of gift that meets with your financial goals.
- Donate shares, securities property, and other investment instruments and take advantage of capital gains tax benefits. This is a positive way to maximize estate-planning objectives.
- Donate an insurance policy by naming the Shuswap Hospital Foundation as the beneficiary. This is a very practical way to make a significant impact without diminishing other assets.
- Shuswap Community Foundation Endowment Fund: Another way to support the hospital is to create an endowment with the Shuswap Community Foundation. Only the annual interest amount on the fund is disbursed.

Legacies to health



Bev Marshall was always a positive influence on the Foundation with her support and recognition of hospital needs. To ensure that we keep up to date with technological advances, along with patient safety and comfort in mind. We are deeply saddened by her recent passing. Her late husband Gordon was a former Director of the Foundation. They are Benefactors.



Ralph and Norma Owens are recognized as Benefactors to the Foundation.

Ralph was a founding Director of the Foundation, serving 25 years in volunteer service. He and Norma have long recognized the importance of supporting health care with their charitable gifts.



The Legacy Wall

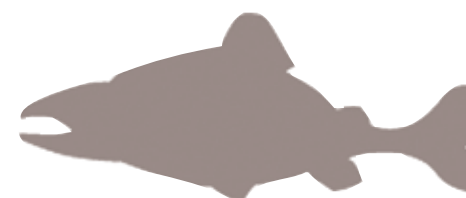


Help to create a legacy...

It's a simple way to be a part of improving the quality of health care in the Shuswap. The Shuswap Hospital Foundations Legacy Fund is a simple, practical way to ensure that the Foundation is building a perpetual fund for future needs of the hospital; including the next phase for the ICU and operating room renovations and expansion.

This will require significant capital spending on equipment. As an ideal way to fulfill personal charitable giving interests, you will be able to take advantage of generous tax incentives available that support planned giving and estate planning goals—a win-win for all.

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Leaving footprints in the sand...



Eugene Casavant

Managing Director (volunteer) Eugene Casavant retired from the Board of Directors at the end of his term in September. He will be missed by the Foundation and the hospital after the four decades of service he has provided – fifteen years as the hospital administrator and 28 years as a volunteer director and a former president of the Foundation. He has been involved in the transformation of the hospital including the \$24 million expansion.

During his service to the Foundation, over \$6.5 million has been raised in the Shuswap for priority needs at Shuswap Lake General Hospital. The Shuswap Hospital Foundation has created an honorary Legacy fund in Eugene's name, and in 2012 he received the Diamond Jubilee Medal for service to the community.

Eugene has been granted an honorary life membership to the Foundation.

Duncan Myers

"I am deeply grateful for the opportunity I had to be associated with the hospital, and my colleagues in the office over the past eight years. I also appreciate the honorary life membership the Foundation granted to me on my retirement announcement.

Please continue to support the volunteer Board of Directors and management team in their ongoing pursuit to ensure the highest level of health care.

I have had my own health issues, from hearing the doctor say those dreaded words 20 years ago: "you have

cancer," to a recent heart attack. In both instances our hospital saved my life, and for that I am eternally grateful. I feel privileged to have been able to give back a small token of my appreciation. I named the Foundation the beneficiary of an insurance policy I previously owned. This is just one of the many ways anyone can contribute—every gift large or small is truly appreciated. Without our health, we are truly in the hands of those who care for us!



Rick Hirtle

"When you have a life threatening disease the journey is like a yo-yo. In my case, I was diagnosed with Stage IV metastatic melanoma. One day I woke up with severe headaches, and these continued for a number of days. The worst thoughts came into my mind. I had been warned that the disease tries to metastasize to the brain, which is typically terminal. Fortunately in Salmon Arm we have an accessible CT machine and department which is available

24 hours a day; and I was able to get in and have my CT scan within a very short time. In my case, I was fortunate there was no metastasis at that time. But I do think of those individuals where a week, a day, an hour, or a matter of minutes makes a difference to help get started on diagnosis, treatment or surgery. Our CT machine and the department help with proximity and urgency, but they need our support and they have mine."

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In recognition of your generosity and caring

Paying tribute to your generosity on the Foundation's recognition wall and scrolling monitor



Recognition Wall

The artistic rendition of the sockeye salmon run has been adopted as the Foundation's unique recognition wall theme, and recognizes in perpetuity the generosity, compassion, and caring of donors in various categories determined by monetary amount.

In Honour tributes

In Honour tributes are also recognized with a picture and message. This is a wonderful way to pay tribute to those who have excelled in their role of service in the community and caring for others. Or, you may wish to pay tribute for a special anniversary, birth in the family, or wedding. In addition, the Foundation will send an appropriate card on your behalf to recognize the occasion.



Recognition monitor

The Recognition monitor includes all donors who have contributed to the Foundation since 2003; this includes Friends from \$25 to \$4,999.

Memorial tributes

When a donation is made of \$2,000 or more, you may wish to take advantage of the unique way in which we pay tribute and honour those who mean so much to us.

The monitor allows the Foundation to respectfully give recognition to loved ones and provides the opportunity to display a picture with words of remembrance in perpetuity. The touch screen directory provides an easy way to quickly access any donor name.





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