



\$309,000 raised at 13th Annual Lifesavers Dinner & Auction held August 11th, 2018 at the Royal Lake of the Woods Yacht Club

The Lifesavers Dinner & Auction originally started at Smith Camps before finding its home at RLWYC. With many thanks to founders Bob Kozminski and Nicki Douglas and to our current and past committees for their hard work and dedication, Lifesavers has become the single largest annual fundraiser for your hospital at the lake.

Since it began, Lifesavers has now raised over \$2.1 million for capital infrastructure and new medical equipment at the Lake of the Woods District Hospital. This year allowing for the purchase of an **Ultrasound Unit** for Diagnostic Imaging, **Vein Viewer** for Chemotherapy, **Operating Room table** for Surgical Services and **Ultrasound Probes** for our Emergency Department. The proceeds from the Annual Lifesavers Dinner & Auction plays an important role in our partnership with Lake of the Woods District Hospital, accounting for 35% of the annual funds transferred for medical equipment last year.

Our Lifesavers patrons, sponsors, donors, and volunteers continue to amaze us with their generosity and commitment to our cause. Your help not only ensures quality medical care remains available for year-round residents, it also ensures seasonal residents can have peace of mind at your home away from home; knowing that should something happen, quality medical care is available for you and your family.

"For the last 4 years I have enjoyed chairing the Lake of the Woods Hospital Foundation Lifesaver Dinner. An incredible team of volunteers and foundation staff have made it possible to raise over \$1 million dollars in this time with over \$2 Million raised since the events inception. Being involved in the lake community and helping to change the face of healthcare in Kenora and area has been an incredibly fulfilling experience. Dominique Kyle will now step in as chair of this event and I am certain that she will continue to lead this event to meet the needs of our community. I look forward to continued involvement with this wonderful event. Thank you all for your support."

Sincerely,

Catherine Konantz

Past Chair, Lifesavers Dinner & Auction, 2015-2018

"I take the role as new chair with gratitude; the Lifesavers Dinner & Auction is LWDHF's largest fundraising event each year. The mission, passion & momentum from our past chairs will continue as we plan for the Lifesaver dinner on Saturday August 10th. This one event positively impacts our community, and those who require health care for years to come. With the support of the committee, staff at LWDHF, and all of you let's plan to make the 2019 as impactful as in the past."

Dominique Kyle

Chair, Lifesavers Dinner & Auction 2019





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Your MC for the evening and auctioneer: Don Konantz A note of thanks from the LWDH Foundation: Anthony Sharp, Board Chair Lighthouse Family Speakers: Rod Senft and Sandy Riley

Thank you Bill Scribilo and Phil Hanstead for guest shuttle services!

And a special thank you to each of our patrons for joining us for the evening!

2018 Committee

Catherine Konantz, Chair

Nicki Douglas, Lisa Paterson, Lisa Heimbecker, Dominique Kyle, Cindy Behrsin

Please visit www.lwdhf.com for a complete listing of supporters for Lifesavers 2018.



\$3,744.79 raised for the CT Scan Renewal Campaign



The heat was on during The Kenora Winkler Harbourfront Concert Series presentation of the Dave Lawton Band in support of Lake of the Woods District Hospital Foundation. The 7 piece band from Winnipeg had the crowd on their feet and dancing the night away all in support of the CT Scan Renewal Campaign. The evening was a chance for seasonal and local residents to give back to their hospital in a fun and entertaining way. Thank you goes out to Shirley Burton for brainstorming the idea and to Stephen Wolfe for helping to make it a reality. We can all make a difference, one concert at a time!









It was another full tournament this year as our golfers swung into action July 20th at the Kenora Golf & Country Club.

33 teams enjoyed fun and games along the course from our amazing sponsors and the weather was golf-perfect. Thank you to everyone who came out to join in our 22nd Annual MNP/LWDHF Charity Golf Classic and thank you for helping raise over

\$40,000 for your hospital!

Congratulations to our two top teams! <u>Under 55 team</u> (pictured left): Kyle Chagnon Trey Palermo, Doug Novak, Cam Novak <u>55+</u> (pictured right): John Harbottle, Gerry Moncrief,



Cuts for Cancer

Cindy Zabloski graciously put her hair on the line to raise funds

for the Forms of Hope Fund through LWDHF. She was able to raise \$2,116,25 from donations made by friends, family supporters.

Including neighbours Jakson and Jessy who 'topped up' donation by selling



iced tea in the neighbourhood. Cindy's haircut took place behind Johnson's Pharmacy during Harbourfest on the August long weekend. Thank you to Cindy and all who supported her!





Over the last two years the Kenora Dragon Tamers have raised \$10,000 for LWDHF through charity BBQs and Luncheon of Hope 2017. Funds will be designated towards Telemedicine, allowing patients to conference with their Doctors who are located at other hospitals or facilities outside of Kenora. This saves the patients and family the cost, time and inconvenience of traveling to visit a specialist. Thank you Kenora Dragon Tamers for all you do!

Pink Hair for Care

Seth and Caleb Marquis are launching their next

fundraising campaign for the Forms of Hope fund at LWDH in honour of family and friends. The Forms of Hope is a local fund created in hopes of making the lives of families and individuals in cancer treatment a little easier.



cancer patients experiencing financial difficulty during treatment may apply to the Forms of Hope through the Chemotherapy department at LWDH.



We are honoured to work alongside this strong and passionate group of volunteers who have been raising money for your hospital for over 50 / years! Congratulations for reaching such a monumental anniversary! Cheers to 50 more!





Thank you to the organizing committee of the Bubbles & Bites event held this past March 2018 in celebration of International Women's Day. LWDHF was presented with a cheque for \$6,186.48 because of this wonderful event!

Pictured (L-R): Jess Rheault-LWDHF, Carmela Bergagnini-BDC, Kathleen Novak-RBC, Kelly Smith-Kenora Chamber of Commerce, Allyson McTaggart-LOWBIC (Missing: Kendall Trembath-Women's Shelter Saakaate House)



Thank you Beaver
Brae Secondary
School Staff for
choosing the CT Scan
Renewal Campaign at
LWDHF as the
recipient of your
\$400.00 'Flower Fund'
for 2018.

"People working together
in a strong community with
a shared goal and a
common purpose can make
the impossible possible."

-Tom Vilsack

Congratulations Kenora Catholic
District School Board on reaching
your goal of \$10k for the
CT Scan Renewal Campaign!



St. Thomas Aquinas High School presented LWDHF with a cheque for \$3,000 on their final day of school, helping to fulfill the KCDSB's goal.



On their final day of school for the 2017/18 school year, students at École Ste-Marguerite Bourgeoys presented LWDHF with a \$940 donation, proceeds raised through a charity BBQ and Christmas concert. The money was given as part of KCDSB's commitment to the CT Scan Renewal Campaign.





St. Louis School in Keewatin shows us that a small school can achieve big results!

The school community raised \$2,449.50 for the CT Scan Campaign.









Now that was one successful sale! Thank you to Kenora Safeway for your generous donation of \$2,000 in support of the CT Scan Renewal Project at LWDHF. Proceeds were raised through Kenora Safeway's popular rummage sale.

Pictured L-R: Jess Rheault-LWDHF, Deb Hinds, Trent Hamilton, Julie Szajewski, John Dahl, Julie Hamill and Jay Martin from Kenora Safeway.

Kenora Ladies of the Cloth are excited to now be able to make more blankets and items for palliative patients at LWDH after they received a \$10,000 grant from the Kenora & Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation.

Pictured L-R: Winnifred Wilcox, Cheryl O'Flaherty-LWDHF, Judy Imbeault and Jess Rheault-LWDHF)





Executive Director Jess Rheault accepts the Bachman Family Dream Fund Grant from Kenora & Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation President Dennis Alvestad. The Dream Fund for LWDHF was started by Gary and Carolyn Bachman and is used to cover the printing costs for our newsletter which helps us spread the word about what it is we do, helps us to raise money and helps turn a little into a lot! Thank you Gary and Carolyn Bachman and KLOWRCF.

Thanks to lobby vendors like Style & Sass by Amanda, \$1,817 was donated last year because of your shopping! Our lobby vendors are a treat to have in the hospital main entrance and allow staff, visitors, and patients an opportunity to shop without going far. We look forward to more visits from our lobby vendors in the future. Check out our Facebook page to find out when the next lobby vendor will visiting.

If you are independent retailer and are interested in setting up in our lobby, call us at 468-9861 x2469 to find out more!



"We bought a little cottage, when cottages were cottages."

That was 40 years ago when Eric and Carol Johnson bought a little piece of paradise on Lake of the Woods. Little did they know then that it would become their second home and a place that they and their boys reluctantly left at end of summer.

With the car already packed and ready for two months at the lake, Carol and the family dog would pick up the boys on the last day of school.

"Don't worry about saying good-bye to your friends boys, you'll see them in the fall." She didn't care if she ever went back to the city. Eric travelled back and forth for work but was always anxious to get back to his family at the cottage.

For the Johnson family, Lake of the Woods was their second home with many fond memories like how much they loved the Hobie catamaran, because the best ride is right before you tip. Both of Eric's adult sons now have their own little piece of paradise within a stone's throw of where they spent their summers to share with their families their love of the lake.

Listening to Eric's stories of cottage life before his wife passed away two years ago, it comes as no surprise that he chose Lake of the Woods District Hospital Foundation (LWDHF) to



One of Carol's favourite things was her Clearwater Bay sunsets.

This is one of the last ones she enjoyed.

support in such a profound way. In December 2017, the Eric and Carol Johnson Endowment Fund was created at The Winnipeg Foundation in sole support of Lake of the Woods District Hospital for \$1 million. Even though Carol has passed away, it was important to Eric that she be alongside him as they had enjoyed so many wonderful years at the lake together.

When asked about his gift, he modestly replied, "If you want to make a difference you pick the ones that mean the most to you. Why wouldn't I do it? It's helped me and my family. I don't think I can give a better reason than that."

Just like the memories that the Johnson family have of beautiful Lake of the Woods, The Eric and Carol Johnson Endowment Fund will last forever and continue to support your hospital on Lake of the Woods for many generations.

On the Horizon...

Tree of Life Campaign

The Tree of Life has been a Kenora
Tradition since 1987. Remembering and honouring your loved ones by purchasing your \$10 bulbs has raised over 1.1 million dollars for your hospital. That's a lot of power packed in one little bulb!

Watch for your Tree of Life form in the mail, or stop into the foundation office in the hospital to find out how you can help us celebrate this ongoing Kenora tradition.





Sean Hailstone, LWDH employee for 12 years along with wife Jackie, LWDHF Board member since November 2016 take advantage of the free time they share to enjoy days on the boat on Lake of the Woods with their family.

Sean Hailstone has always called Kenora home.

A career change later in life took him to Winnipeg where he returned to school in pursuit of a new career in Medical Radiation Technology. He was lucky enough to have some of his clinical placement at Lake of the Woods District Hospital which led to a job opportunity upon graduation.

Sean married Jackie in 2010 and they have 2 amazing kids; Liam, 6 and Olivia, 4. They love raising their family in Kenora on beautiful Lake of the Woods. The Hailstones can always find something to do as a family, just for the kids or just for mom and dad!

Choosing to raise their family, being an employee at LWDH and a foundation board member makes it very important to Sean and Jackie to give back which is why they are monthly donors. Sean takes great pride in the job he does and having the latest technology to help care for his patients is vital to their healthcare and having a positive outcome. LWDH is grateful for the support it receives from the community, knowing that without it, having state of the art technology like the new CT Scan, would not be possible. Sean and Jackie are honoured to be able to play a small role in bringing new technology to your hospital through their monthly donations.

Ray Racette appointed as President and C.E.O at LWDH



Lake of the Woods District Hospital is proud to introduce Ray Racette as new President and Chief Executive Officer for LWDH.

Ray's previous experience makes him an excellent choice for our hospital. He has served diverse communities in Yellowknife and Manitoba and has extensive experience in northern, rural and regional health settings. He has been the CEO of Morden District General Hospital, Boundary Trails Health Centre in Morden/Winkler, Victoria General Hospital in Winnipeg and the Canadian College of Health Leaders. He has a Master's in Health Administration and has published a number of articles on improving health care and leadership.

Ray brings a wealth of experience, knowledge and skill. His career has focused on driving improvements in service delivery, improving how organizations and leadership works and how people collaborate to share knowledge and execute change.

In Manitoba, Ray faced and met organizational challenges similar to those in our area. At the Boundary Trails Health Centre Ray worked effectively to improve health care in a

rural area. This resulted in a new vision statement "Services Closer to Home," which drove new investments for improving local access to services for southern Manitoba residents. He has extensive experience leading major hospital redevelopment projects and working with Boards, leadership teams, hospital staff, physicians and the community to ensure their knowledge and insights are included in planning. As LWDH moves forward to a more integrated All Nations Health System and new hospital in cooperation with its health care partners, Ray's leadership expertise will serve us well.

Ray believes that to address the complex challenges faced today, high engagement and problem solving with the frontline care teams, as well as knowledge gained from those being served, must be used to inform the best service solutions and improvements. Within hospitals he has a reputation for working closely with all levels of leadership and engaging front-line staff and physicians on problem solving and ideas for improvement, ensuring that any changes benefit from their knowledge and experience.

"I am very excited and honored to be joining the LWDH team at such an important time in its history. The organization has many strengths and a clear sense of new opportunities. Planning an All Nations Health System with service and community partners, while creating a fresh vision for a new health campus, will be truly inspiring work" noted Racette.





Racette is introduced for the first time as LWDH's new President and CEO at Lifesavers Dinner & Auction 2018.



Ray took the reins on September 24th at LWDH and the Foundation was happy to put him to work right away at our Staff Appreciation Greet & Grill. Ray grills up a mean hamburger! Thank you Ray, we look forward to working with you, for our Hospital.

Check up, with the two newest Doc's at LWDH

Help us welcome Dr. Wykes back to Kenora!

1. Where did you attend medical school?

I graduated from the University of Manitoba.

2. How many years have you been practicing?

I've been practicing for 1 year.

3. What drew you to Kenora?

I was born and raised in Kenora and always knew that I wanted to settle here. I have friends and family here, I love the lake, and after living in Winnipeg I knew that Kenora was where I wanted to be!

4. What type of work do you do in your position?

I'm a general surgeon and will perform things such as laparoscopic hernia repairs, wound care, bowel surgery, and more. I am also now in charge of the wound care clinic and will be working with long term care patients in nursing home to provide on-site care.

5. Do you have any special interests? (Work related or personal)

Wound care is definitely an area of interest for me, professionally. I am excited to be able to offer that, not only through the clinic, but through on-site visits that will help make care even more accessible. In my spare time, I love everything Kenora has to offer! Fishing, hunting, back country camping, ice fishing, snow machining...you get the idea!

Let us introduce you to Dr. Jean-Marc Rizk, Internal Medicine Physician:

1. Where did you attend med school?

McGill University in Montreal, my hometown!

2. How many years have you been practicing in Kenora? What drew you here?

This is my first year practicing. The diversity of practice that being in a rural setting allows was a major attraction for me. The fact that my wife has always wanted to settle in a small town to start raising our family made Kenora appealing; the fact that you can be walking down a street or hiking trail and run into someone you know. And I love nature. I would consider myself an introspective person so the trails and surroundings lend themselves to that.

3. What type of work do you do in your position?

Internal medicine allows to see a variety of cases including but not limited to cardio, endocrinology, and hematology. This allows people to be seen here in their community first before being sent away to the city.

4. Do you have any special interests? (Work related or personal)

Rather than being focused on one field, I want to become a well rounded physician that is able to holistically help

I love the outdoors so I can't wait to explore Kenora and it's surroundings more with my wife, Steffany, and our dog! And I can't wait to get my boaters permit!

*Doctor profiles courtesy of Kenora Area Healthcare Community.

Lake of the Woods District Hospital

Stovel Surgical Services

Operating Rooms & Medical Device Reprocessing

Grand Opening August 29, 2018

May 1, 1967– St. Joseph's Hospital and Kenora General Hospital amalgamated to create Lake of the Woods District Hospital which included a 3 theatre operating suite, and a small central supply room for sterilization and supply distribution for the whole hospital.

No major upgrades to these areas have ever been done...until now!

June 2007- LWDH Foundation receives \$1 million donation from Richard and Millie Stovel

2007-2010 – Structural and mechanical evaluation and needs analysis is performed. Concludes that a major renovation needs to be completed to maintain surgical services.

2008-2011- Senior Administration at LWDH lobbies MOHTC (Ministry of Health and Long Term Care) for capital funding for a major renovation and is told proposal must be revised noting major deficiencies to be addressed.

2011 to January 9, 2013 – LWDH revised & submitted proposal which included seven scenarios for renovation or relocation costing as high as \$23 million. MOHTC encouraged LWDH to resubmit under the Small Hospital Project falling under \$10 million.

September 2014 – LWDH moves forward with the Small Hospital revised proposal under \$10 million. At each stage, MOHTC required confirmation that LWDHF had the ability to fund the local share. Thanks to the Stovel donation, we were able to do so.

May 24, 2016 - The MOHLTC approves the project!

September 2016 – Contract is awarded and Project Manager hired to oversee the job.

October 2016 – Work trailers and supplies begin to arrive on site and the first stage of the project gets started with the construction of a new Mechanical Room on the second floor roof. This room will supply the new mechanical, electrical and HVAC systems for Surgical Services and MDR.

2017 Phase 1 – Surgical Services and MDR continued to be fully operational during construction process

February 2018 – MDR supply rea, OR Control Desk, OR theatre 3, sterile storage room and soiled break out room were opened.

Phase 2 – Contractors now have to access OR theater 2 from the roof to continue renovation. OR staff access the two other theaters through a narrow passage built from hoarding walls. OR theater 2 opened May long weekend. MDR sterile wrap area and control desk was completed.

Phase 3 – Renovations to remaining half of recovery room, last operating theater and decontamination room.

Phase 4 – Done! The completion and certification of all functioning components took place August 20-22, 2018.



Grand Opening
August 29, 2018!

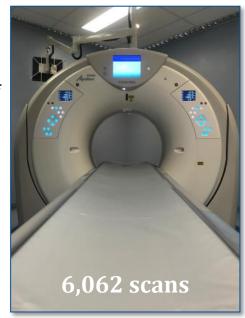


Finish Line in Sight!

The new CT arrived at LWDH in November 2017 thanks to the outpouring of community support for this important project for your hospital. Thanks to your commitment, LWDH was able to move forward with the purchase of the new CT and the hospital foundation committed to raising the remainder of the funds needed. Today, we are only \$75,000 away from completion. We need your help to cross

the finish line. Make donation your support your CT today.

"CT is a standard of care for so many different conditions diagnose and treat. It is absolutely essential; there is no could we way function without it."-Sean Moore, Chief of Emergency Medicine



Please visit www.lwdhf.com for a complete listing of CT partners.

About LWDHF Our needs are ongoing.

The Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care covers, on average, 80% of your hospital's operating costs. This limited funding for healthcare increases the financial pressure for your hospital in addition to the fact that none of this funding is designated to cover capital expenses. There is not a matching program from the Ministry to help purchase equipment, which leaves LWDHF to raise the funds needed, dollar for dollar.

Your hospital has identified over \$2.5 million in capital equipment and infrastructure needs over the next 2 years.

The list shown to the top right is a portion of what is needed by your hospital to ensure quality medical care remains available to your community at LWDH. The items checked off will be arriving to your hospital soon!

LWDH Equipment Wish List, 2018-19

Ultrasound Unit—Diagnostic Imaging	\$200,000
Ventilator Replacement x2	\$99,000
Operating Room Table—Surgical Services	\$90,000 🗸
Histology Tissue Processor—Laboratory	\$90,000 🗸
Histology Slide Stainer—Laboratory	\$85,000
BiPAP Therapy Ventilators x2	\$80,000
Amsco 400 Steam Sterilizer—MDR	\$71,000
Transport Incubator—2 East	\$24,500
Vein Viewer—Chemotherapy	\$24,000 🗸
Ultrasound Probes—Emergency	\$19,500 🗸
Patient Beds x3—Psychiatry	\$18,000
30lb Washer—Environmental Services	\$8,000
Treatment Table—Rehabilitation	\$5,000

Who is LWDHF?

The Lake of the Woods District Hospital Foundation was established in 1992 and continues to be the lifeline between your community and your hospital.

LWDHF is governed by an 11 member board which meets monthly; has 3 fulltime employees and benefits from over 2,000 volunteer hours per year. We are dedicated to raising funds for the purchase of medical equipment and capital infrastructure. Since our inception, LWDHF has transferred over \$18.5 million to Lake of the Woods District Hospital (LWDH).



Ways to give to LWDHF...

Memorial Giving

A memorial gift to LWDHF provides a meaningful way to remember your loved ones. Family and friends have an opportunity to donate towards a lasting tribute set up as a memorial fund. Memorial gifts are recognized on our Donor Board when accumulated donations for the fund reach \$1,000.

Monthly Giving

Did you know that for as little as \$5 per month, you can make a difference in the quality of medical care available at your hospital? 1,000 donors contributing \$25/month = \$300,000 for your hospital. Imagine the possibilities for your hospital, our patients and your community!

Planned Giving

Including LWDHF in your will ensures your support for a cause you care about will continue—even after you're gone. By choosing to designate to LWDHF's endowment fund, your gift continues to give, benefitting your family and your community—forever. You can also take comfort in knowing that your gift will lessen the tax burden on your loved ones when transferred your estate.

Please contact LWDHF to discuss your planned giving options such as bequests, gifts of life insurance, RIFs or RRSPs. Final arrangements should be made through your financial advisor.

Why not make a donation today? 100% of your support stays within your community!

Jess Rheault, Executive Director would love to take the time to meet with you to answer any questions you may have.

Please contact LWDHF offices to book your chat today!

LWDHF STAFF—WORKING FOR YOU SINCE...

Jess Rheault Andi Scheibler Lindsay Whitaker Executive Director *since November 2009*Development Coordinator *since January 2016*Operations Assistant *since May 2014*

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Jess Rheault, Executive Director, LWDHF

