Thanksgiving 2022

As the leaves begin to change and our landscape becomes more breathtaking by the day, this time of year always reminds us to pause and give thanks to everyone who has supported the St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation this year.

You may not know that the government simply does not provide funding for healthcare equipment. The Foundation, with generous support from the community, raises funds for its three healthcare partners including St. Francis Memorial Hospital, Madawaska Valley Hospice and the Valley Manor. Money goes toward the purchase of equipment and services for our partners.

This has been an exciting year with an increase in third-party fundraisers and incredible support of our annual fundraisers as well.

Please scroll down to read just some of the fundraisers the Foundation has been involved with this year.



We are truly grateful for your generous support

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who continues to support us and our healthcare partners. We wish you a very happy Thanksgiving, spent in the comfort of your loved ones.

Third-Party Fundraisers



Smile Cookie Week

The Barry's Bay Tim Hortons once again chose the St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation as the beneficiary of this year's Smile Cookie Week. We had many volunteers come out and decorate cookies during the week of Sept. 19th to 25th. Thank you to owners Jason and Olena Armstrong for coordinating this fundraiser.

An announcement will be made soon with the final tally.



Lorna Hudder Memorial Golf Tournament

Friends and family members gathered on July 9 for the first-annual Lorna Hudder Memorial Golf Tournament that took place at the Homestead at Wolf Ridge. A total of \$2,806.70 was raised. Lorna was a strong supporter of local healthcare, so organizers say it was only natural that proceeds went to St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation.



Kay Keller Memorial Tournament

Thank you so very much to the organizers of the firstever Kay Keller Memorial 3-Pitch Tournament, who raised an incredible \$2,521.05 for hospice palliative care services in the community! The money will be used to ensure hospice palliative care services are free to anyone who needs them.



KAPOA Poker Run

The Kamaniskeg and Area Property Owners Association (KAPOA) hosted its 10th annual Poker Run on July 23. Through registration fees, sponsorships and donations, an incredible \$31,723.00 was raised, with proceeds going to local healthcare including the purchase of a ventilator for the hospital.



Donation from Polish Scouts

The local Polish Scouting Association donated \$1,000 toward local healthcare this summer. Money was raised through the sales of homemade bracelets to campers, as well as through a fundraising dance party for the youngsters.

Chippawa Shores Charity Run/Walk

Representatives from Chippawa Shores visited with the St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation to donate the proceeds of the first annual charity run/walk. A total of



\$4,195.00 was raised from the event, which took place at Chippawa Shores. Money will go toward local healthcare needs.



Yard sale for Hospice

The family of the late Hubert Perrier hosted a yard sale with 100% of the proceeds going to hospice palliative care services this summer. Hubert passed away at Madawaska Valley Hospice in February, and his family wanted to give back. The family raised an incredible \$5,000 for hospice!



Fall Makers Market

Thank you to the organizers of the Fall Makers Market, who raised funds for the Foundation at their September event held at the Paul J. Yakabuski Community Centre in Barry's Bay. Proceeds from the \$2.00 door admission went to local healthcare needs.

Thank you to **ALL** third-party fundraiser organizers for helping to support our local healthcare partners! We truly could not do it without you!

Signature fundraisers





Catch the Ace is Back!

lt's official! The St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation had launched another round of Catch the Ace. Proceeds will help support the purchase of medical equipment at St. Francis Memorial Hospital. Tickets are available at your favorite vendors including Round Lake Centre Food Market, Round Lake Country AJ's Store. Convenience, Killaloe Hardware, Wilno Building Supply, Charlie D's, Barry's Bay MacEwen, Lorraine's Pharmasave, Barry's Bay Shell, Barry's Bay Ultramar, CO Country Market, The Cottage Cup, Eganville Shell, Conway's Pharmacy, Village Discount and Variety, Ramona's Hairstyling and Whitney Pharmacy.

Memorial Butterfly Release

Despite the rainy day, the annual Memorial Butterfly Release was a huge success thanks to the flexibility of our amazing supporters. While many chose to pick up their butterflies and release at home, others stayed for the indoor ceremony. Just as the ceremony ended, the skies cleared and participants were able to release their butterflies outdoors. Organized by Madawaska Valley Hospice Palliative Care St. Francis Vallev Healthcare Foundation, the Memorial Butterfly Release provides a safe place for people to come together and honour and remember loved ones in a meaningful way.



Rockathon

Our first-ever Rockathon held June 17th raised an astounding \$26,600.00 for local healthcare, including updating the resident lifts at the Valley Manor. Thank you to our sponsors and awesome teams for their time spent collecting pledges and rocking throughout the day. Teams included: Hospice Rocks, Sacred Heart League, Bay City Rockers, CWL, Heart Hustlers, Rockerfellers, RockNStrollers, Rock Stars, The Lakers, Foundation and Northern Credit Union. Thank you to our wonderful Rockathon committee for spearheading this initiative. But most of all, thank you to everyone who supported this Rockathon. We truly could not have done this without you!



Friends of St. Francis Charity
Golf Tournament

The 18th annual Friends of St. Francis Charity Golf Tournament was held on Sept. 2 at the Homestead at Wolf Ridge Golf Course in Killaloe. A total of 36 teams participated in the tournament. Thank you to everyone who supported this annual event, which raised an astounding \$36,477!



Annual Online Auction

Thank you SO much to Rosanne Hoffman and her dedicated Online Auction committee for organizing another incredibly successful Online Auction. Thanks to the businesses and individuals who donated an item to the online auction, and everyone who bidded, the auction raised an amazing \$18,616!

Together, the charity golf tournament and online auction raised over \$55,000 for local healthcare! Thank you so much!

Thank you to our Board of Directors

We are so fortunate at the Foundation to be supported by a hardworking volunteer Board of Directors. Day after day, our Board volunteers bring their passion, insight, experience and resources to the team to help us with our fundraising efforts to ensure that our healthcare organizations have the equipment they need to provide excellent care close to home!

We are proud to welcome five new directors to our board for 2022-2023. The St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation Board of Directors are pictured below, left to right, back row: SFVHF Executive Director Erin Gienow, Directors Bruce Willmer, Heather Poliquin, Lorraine Finn, Treasurer Christine Hudder, Colleen Buch, Sheilagh Dunn, Lynn Beauchamp, and Board Chair Karen Tierney (holding photo of Vice Chair Mary Conway). Pictured, sitting, left to right: Marie Finnerty, Cheryl Reid, Sean O'Dwyer, Pat Pilgrim and Jill Vermaire.



It truly does take a community to raise the funds needed to purchase essential medical equipment & programs to ensure the best possible care for everyone.

> Thank you for your generosity and for always making local healthcare a top priority!

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