

## Proposed Slate of

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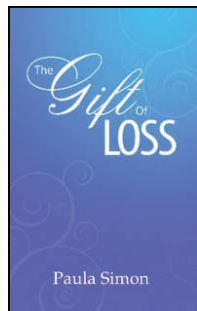
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## **Report from the Chair**

The establishment of a Hospice Centre in the Annapolis Valley has taken years of planning and hard work, but above all vision, resulting in a plan for a unique model of quality and compassionate care for families facing life-limiting illnesses. We are all eager to begin the construction of the Centre, but first we must complete our fundraising, which continues through the Our Community Our Health Campaign and our partnership with the Valley Regional Hospital Foundation. I take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers giving leadership to the campaign, and to welcome Henry Hicks to the position of Campaign Chair.

The Board members attempt to keep up to date with developments in the field of Palliative Care through the review of books and the study of articles which are summarized and presented at each meeting by Dr. Perkin. Copies of the notes provided to the Directors at each meeting will now be posted on our web site [www.valleyhospice.ca](http://www.valleyhospice.ca) for the public to view.

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It is fitting that we explore the gifts of loss during this AGM. As we reflect on the past year we honour the memory of our dear colleague Mary Jennings who sadly passed away on November 1st. Mary was committed to the healthcare community through her 25 year career with the Valley Regional Hospital Foundation, and was the Director for the Our Community Our Health Campaign. Those who knew Mary were soon touched by her commitment to her family, to her community and to her faith. It is a privilege to have worked with her. The hospice work continues to grow in her memory.

We are very grateful to the community for its support and encouragement. We very much look forward to concluding our campaign and starting the next phases of architectural design and construction.

I also thank all of the Directors for their tireless work both with the various Committees as well as with our on-going Hospice work.

Diana Patterson

## **Hospice Options Working Group**

The Hospice Options Working Group is a joint "committee" of Annapolis Valley Health and the Valley Hospice Foundation. It is the conduit for cooperation between the two parent bodies on the development of Hospice Palliative Care in the District.

The group has been working on policies and other practical matters that will have to be in place when the new Hospice opens. Over the past few years, it has addressed admission policies, alternative therapy policy, smoking, aroma therapy, and other matters of importance. Most recently, it has been addressing the complicated issue of medical charts as patients move between hospital care, hospice care and home care.

The past year has been one of transition for the group, as its founding chair, Shelagh Campbell-Palmer, left AVH to become the Manager of Professional Practice at Nova Scotia College of Pharmacists. She has been replaced by Fern Bryden, the new District Manager for Palliative Care and Chronic Pain Services, AVH. The group has benefitted greatly from the guidance and dedication of Shelagh, and we wish her well in her new position. We look forward to continued progress under Fern's leadership.

Don Wells—VP Operations

## Our Community Our Health Campaign

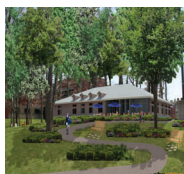
The Valley Hospice Foundation is currently raising funds in partnership with the Valley Regional Hospital Foundation to establish the Hospice Palliative Care Centre through the Our Community Our Health Campaign. The campaign has raised over \$5.5 million towards an \$8 million goal, and will also fund redevelopment projects at Valley Regional Hospital and provide needed medical equipment.

During the fall of 2011 it was announced that Henry Hicks would assume the role of Campaign Chair. The Pace Setting Team and the Major Gifts Team have combined their efforts. This has resulted in reassignments, revised strategies and renewed enthusiasm among the team. Their focus remains on one-on-one meetings for gifts over \$25,000 and presentations to certain population groups. Sub committees are being developed as a means to expand the canvasser pool & increase the prospect potential.

A sub-committee of community leaders is being developed in the western region and Annapolis County. Judge Ken Crowell has agreed to serve as an honorary member of the Campaign and is assisting with the development of this team. 4 others have shown interest. This is meant to assist with requests to municipal units in Annapolis County and the prospect base that has been identified in that region.

We acknowledge the continued support of all Healthcare Foundations and Auxiliaries throughout the Annapolis Valley Healthcare District. Members of the partnering boards, physicians and AVH staff have all shown support through pledges and participation in events and direct mail responses.

The Our Community, Our Health Campaign is about the residents of the Annapolis Valley taking ownership of and connecting to our healthcare services in our communities across the Valley. Purpose built space, patient privacy and comfort is a common theme to the projects of the Campaign. It is good to see the results of the completed projects at Valley Regional Hospital and we are eager to initiate the Hospice project. As we review the progress of the Campaign, there is a feeling of momentum from the Annapolis Valley community in completing the vision of Our Community Our Health.



Wayne Woodman  
 Vice Chair - Fundraising

### Valley Hospice Foundation Financial Report—2010/11

<u>Balance Sheet</u>		<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Current Year</u>	
<b>Assets</b>		Donations/			5,348
Cash	\$ 23,765	Membership	9,393	<b>Excess of Rev over Exp</b>	
Acct Rec.	133	Interest	<u>424</u>	<b>Capital Campaign</b>	<b>375,829</b>
Investments	141,801		9,817		<b>381,177</b>
			=====	<b>Surplus,</b>	
<i>Our Community/Our Health</i>		<b>Expenses</b>		<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>652,941</b>
Capital	857,584	Audit	905	<b>Surplus,</b>	
Project Cost	<u>11,089</u>	Bank Charges	189	<b>End of Year</b>	<b>1,034,118</b>
	\$1,034,118	Meeting Expenses	814		=====
	=====	Office Expenses	1,168	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>Valley Hospice Foundation</b>                      23 Earncliffe Avenue-                      Wolfville, NS                      B4P 1X4                      902.365.1701 x3471  <a href="http://www.valleyhospice.ca">www.valleyhospice.ca</a> </div>	
<b>Liabilities</b>		Parking	274		
Payables & Accruals	254	Publicity	201		
<b>Surplus</b>		Telephone	351		
Surplus	1,034,118	Wages	<u>567</u>		
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	1,034,372		<u>4,469</u>		
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