

270 Carling Terrace, PO Box 1228
Wingham, ON N0G 2W0
519-357-3903 | wdh.foundation@lwha.ca

 @WDHFoundation

 @winghamhospitalfoundation

29th Edition | Winter 2025

www.wdhfoundation.ca



Wingham & District
Hospital Foundation

The Foundation Connection

Strong Foundation, Strong Hospital

Guardian Angels at the Hospital

Local, small-town healthcare is a special and unique experience. The healthcare professionals who look after you are friends and neighbours. Or become friends through the healthcare journey. That has certainly been Bruce Clavette's experience during his infusion treatments for ITP. He shares how grateful he is for the compassionate care at the Wingham & District Hospital and how he put that gratitude into action:

"I'm very grateful for the excellent care I've received at the Wingham Hospital for the last several years. Everyone who cares for me during infusion treatments and blood tests treats me with the utmost respect. The service they provide is compassionate and they have excellent communication. In my opinion, they've all earned their angel wings. I'm so fortunate live in this region and have them help me. Couldn't ask for better.

I have ITP, a low blood platelet problem. We've tried several different medications for it. I've been in for many infusion treatments – more than 20 – over the past several years. It takes 6 to 7 hours each time. They make sure you're comfortable and warm. I'm a wood turner so I made a gift for everyone who takes care of me.

I also donated a TV for the infusion room. I was watching other people who came in who had such compelling stories and sad situations. I was so sorry for them. I thought if a TV would take their mind off it for even half an hour, then I was more than happy to do that for them. Hopefully I won't need it much longer. Hopefully, we find the right medication that will work for me for good, but then it will still be there for everyone else.

It's been a pretty darn good experience at the hospital. They all know me by my first name which is nice. You wouldn't get that in the city. We're tickled pink with the service, we appreciate having a great family doctor in Wingham. We're lucky and grateful for it. Without everyone at the Wingham Hospital the experience would be frustrating, but with them it flows smoothly, and the care is unbelievable. They are all guardian angels".

--- Bruce Clavette, Wingham ON



Enhancing and supporting our Diagnostic Imaging department is an important focus for our hospital. The CT Scanner, x-ray, and now bone density scanner are all vital to the care we provide our patients.



Scan to Give Today!

or visit www.wdhfoundation.ca



TV in the infusion room donated by
Bruce Clavette



Future Care Collective Kicks Off – *Magic & Martinis*

The Future Care Collective is a membership-based group of like-minded friends and neighbours who have committed to support the Wingham & District Hospital on a monthly basis. By subscribing to a monthly gift, club members are invited to three exclusive social events each year.

The first such event was an evening of Magic and Martinis held in September at the Wingham Sportsmen Club. The event consisted of a martini bar featuring three signature cocktails, a taco and nacho bar, photobooth, and a comedic magic show performed by James Alan Magic.

The highlight of the performance was when the magician borrowed real wedding rings from five of the club members and magically – unbelievably – joined them together to form a chain. He was then able to magically disconnect them, and everyone received their jewelry back unscathed. Many of the club members were invited to participate in various magic tricks and get involved in the show which made for some memorable experiences.

Member-exclusive events like Magic & Martinis and the upcoming Showdown Reception are made possible through the generous sponsorship of Howick Mutual Insurance. Their generosity allows us to thank the club members with these unique experiences and allows every dollar contributed by club members to directly benefit the hospital.



Magician James Alan with two wedding rings owned by club members joined together

The next member-exclusive event will be the annual Showdown Reception at which hospital staff will pitch different equipment and projects needed by the hospital and club members will get to vote on how the club's collective funds will be used.

Currently, the Future Care Collective has 44 members. New members are still being accepted and can join at any time. New members will receive an invitation to the next upcoming event. Learn more or join the Future Care Collective at www.wdhfoundation.ca/future-care-collective/.



Future Care Collective planning committee



Club members Ainsley and Marilyn participating in a magic trick

CKNX Healthcare Heroes Radiothon

\$83,000 for Bone Density Scanner

The goal for the Wingham & District Hospital Foundation at the 2025 CKNX Healthcare Heroes Radiothon was to raise at least \$83,000 towards a new Bone Density Scanner for the Diagnostic Imaging department. Thanks to all those generous donors who sent in their donations and called during the live broadcast, we have successfully achieved that goal.

The 24th edition of the Radiothon took place on Saturday, October 18th with nine participating hospital foundations. The live broadcast featured stories from local patients, interviews with healthcare professionals sharing the importance of the medical equipment being funded, and fun opportunities to win prizes such as the power hours and challenge contest.



While we appreciate every gift, there were a few notable ones this year. We're grateful to Germania Mutual Insurance, West Wawanosh Mutual Insurance, Conway Furniture, the Royal Canadian Legion, and all the local Lions Clubs for their support.

A special thank you to the Lucknow & District Kinsmen Club for a donation of \$60,000 in support of the Radiothon and the bone density scanner.

This will be a brand-new service for the Wingham & District Hospital allowing patients to receive scans closer to home. Early detection of osteoporosis means patients can receive treatment to prevent fragility fractures that are common in our aging population.

The overall cost of the bone density scanner is \$150,000. Successfully meeting and exceeding the goal of raising \$83,000 during the Radiothon has made significant strides towards fully funding the new device.

Donations towards the bone density scanner will continue to be accepted until the end of the year. Thank you to everyone who called, clicked or texted their gift. You are all healthcare heroes!



CKNX
HEALTH CARE
HEROES
RADIOTHON

The Lucknow & District Kinsmen Club donated \$60,000. \$10,000 of which will support the Radiothon goal and the remainder will go towards the overall Bone Density Scanner project.



\$10,000 BIG Match!

GIVING TUESDAY

Dec 2

Lucknow Pharmasave will double your gift to WDH Foundation on Giving Tuesday

Lynn Hoy Enterprises is passing the BIG MATCH baton to **Lucknow Pharmasave!**

All donations made on Dec 2nd – Giving Tuesday – will be matched up to \$10,000.
Double your impact for your hospital!

Celebrate with us Dec 2nd
10am to 2pm at Lucknow Pharmasave
622 Campbell Street, Lucknow

- Coffee and holiday treats
- Sign the holiday card for our doctors, nurses and care and support staff
- Raffles for gift baskets & BIA Bucks!

Follow Wingham & District Hospital Foundation and Lucknow Pharmasave on Facebook or Instagram for more ways to participate

The Greatest Gift Is Care Close to Home

This has been a year of exciting progress at the Wingham & District Hospital. Thanks to our community, the new CT Scanner is now installed and is already helping patients right here at home.

The WDH Foundation also launched the Future Care Collective in 2025. It's an initiative bringing people together as members of a social giving club to champion the future of local healthcare.

Please help us build on this momentum. As the year comes to a close, consider making a gift to your hospital part of your year-end traditions. This holiday season, your donation will support the purchase of a bone density scanner. This is a much-needed device will help detect osteoporosis and prevent fractures that have a detrimental impact on quality of life. Bone density tests are especially important to help us care for our aging population.

The holidays are a time to reflect on what truly matters and to give back in meaningful ways. Making a gift will ensure quality care remains close to home. And if you're looking for the best way to make a lasting difference, monthly giving is a wonderful way to support patients and families all year long.

Wishing you a joyful and healthy holiday season,



Nicole Duquette-Jutzi

Nicole Duquette-Jutzi
WDH Foundation, Executive Director

 **We're now on Instagram! Follow us at @winghamhospitalfoundation**

Give the Gift of Health this Holiday



☒ **YES!** I will send my gift towards vital medical equipment **TODAY**. My Hospital matters to me.

☐ \$500 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$50 ☐ Surprise us! \$_____

☐ One-time gift

☐ Monthly gift

☐ Cheque

☐ Cash

☐ VISA

☐ MasterCard

Card Holder Name: _____

Card #: _____ / _____ / _____ Exp: ____ / ____ CVV#: _____

Address: _____ Town _____ Prov. _____ P. Code _____

Email: _____ Phone #: (____) _____ - _____

☐ I wish to donate anonymously

☐ I would like to discuss my giving in person.

Your gift this holiday season will help us fund a Bone Density Scanner to prevent fragility fractures that greatly reduce quality of life

Give online at **www.wdhfoundation.ca**

Cheques payable to WDH Foundation. Mail to PO Box 1228, Wingham ON, N0G 2W0



Wingham & District
Hospital Foundation