



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIR WDMH FOUNDATION 2006-2007

I have been involved with the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation since 2001 and have had the honor of being the Chair of the Board of Directors for the past four years. During this time I have been inspired by the determination and commitment of our Board members, the staff, our volunteers and our donors.

The dedication, commitment and drive of our Board members, the staff, volunteers and donors has enabled the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation to allocate over \$19 million dollars to our soon to be renewed hospital. These funds will help ensure the future of healthcare in our community by funding a state of the art hospital which will soon be under construction.

In addition to our continuous support for the \$15 million Renewing the Vision Campaign, this year the Foundation has committed to fund the following projects that will vastly improve patient care and services in our community.

- \$2.5 million dollar for a state of the art CT Scan for diagnostic imaging
- \$500,000 for Maternal Child Care programs
- \$400,000 for Lab Information Systems
- \$640,000 for PACS – Picture Archiving & Communications System
- \$110,000 for minor equipment needs in 2006/07

The Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation truly makes a difference in the quality of healthcare in our communities and we must continue to ensure that vital funding is available when it is required to make improvements to technology, services, education and patient care at WDMH.

I am pleased with the direction of funding the Foundation has taken this year. With the conclusion of the Renewing the Vision Campaign, we have aligned the direction of our funding to support the clinical and academic services required to meet the strategic plans of the hospital. The Foundation will continue to work closely with WDMH to ensure we are leading and learning partners in quality healthcare.

The next few years will be exciting ones in terms of development for the Foundation.

- The Board of Directors is currently completing a strategic planning session which will help guide the future of our Foundation office and Board. The results of this planning will provide us with a framework to help us meet the changing environment of our day to day operations and allow us to meet the future funding requirements of WDMH.
- The ground will soon be broken for the construction of our new and improved hospital which will feature a state of the art CT Scan, PACS (Picture Archiving Communications System) technology, increased obstetrical services and an improved infrastructure. The success of our *Renewing the Vision Campaign*, through the generosity of our donors has made this vision come true. The Foundation takes great pride in the contribution we are making to this project.

- Looking to the future, the Foundation will undoubtedly be called upon to support the role of WDMH as the first rural teaching hospital in Eastern Ontario. This will be a change in scope for the Foundation as we move from funding equipment and “bricks & mortar” to funding teaching and academic programs. However, it clearly aligns us with supporting the strategic plans of WDMH.

We have certainly come a long way with the success of our Renewing the Vision Campaign; however a lot of work remains to be done. I am certain as I pass the torch to the incoming chair that the WDMH Foundation will continue to support the needs of WDMH - the best little hospital in the country.

It is with gratitude and pride that I thank you for allowing me the honor and privilege to have served you as Chair for the past four years. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the past and present staff of the Foundation, past and present Foundation Board Directors, past WDMH CEO Andre Rodier, current WDMH CEO Trudy Reid, medical staff and administrative staff at WDMH, the members of our local media, all of our donors, and lastly my family.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry MacLellan
Chair
Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation