

FALL 2021

WHEATLAND & AREA HOSPICE SOCIETY

The latest news and updates



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Hospice Society

Life and Death Matters

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD



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Thank you to our supporters and volunteers.

In spite of persistent Covid-19 and a summer of smoke and drought, there is tremendous enthusiasm and commitment in Wheatland for WAHS's vision to support palliative care. Our Bedside Respite and Palliative Navigation programs are fully operational once again, both in hospitals and our local communities. We are very appreciative of everyone's participation in fundraising. And finally, we continue to work with WHMB and Berry Architects to move ever closer to our dream of a 6-bed hospice in Strathmore.

2021 FUNDRAISING

Virtual Hike for Hospice



This year's Hike for Hospice raised over \$32,000. Here's hoping for an in-person event in May 2022!



Farming for Hospice

This year marked our second Farming for Hospice at Nutrien. A ¼ section of irrigated canola was donated.

Thank you to our corporate sponsors: Nutrien, Pioneer Seeds, Corteva Agriscience, Premium Ag. And thank you to local farmers for fieldwork, seeding, and harvesting. MP Martin Shields and MLA Leela Aheer attended our combining event.

Donations towards inputs are still being accepted.



Thank You to Third-Party Fundraisers

- Cluny Bullarama
- Kiss My Putt Golf Tournament
- Strathmore Golf Course 50/50
- Vintage and Vines Craft Show
- Strathmore Classic Cruisers



COMMUNITY SENIOR LIVING FACILITY & HOSPICE

With Hope and Hard Work, Anything Is Possible

- Schematic drawings, budgets, and site zoning of the site (east of Kinsmen Park) has been completed
- Financing and funding proposals to municipal, provincial, and federal governments are developing
- Permit and project schedule are developing

[Learn more at Wheatland Housing Management Body.](#)



COMMUNITY OUTREACH NEWS & UPDATES

Together We Are Better



Our Bedside Respite program is up and running again after a Covid pause. This program provides in-home and hospital respite care to help those living with a palliative diagnosis and to help prevent caregiver burnout.

Our Bedside Respite volunteers are partnering with Hospice Calgary and local educators to recharge and enhance their caregiving skills.



WAHS 5th Anniversary Legacy Books are now being distributed to palliative clients and families. Record precious memories and insights.

Thanks to Isabelle Klaiber for inspiring our Bedside Respite volunteers with her own work as a legacy writer for many years at Sarcee Hospice in Calgary.



Having a support system is a way of taking care of you and your family.

Strathmore Day Support Program
403-361-7121
(Dementia, Strathmore Hospital)

Red Cross Equipment Loan Program 403-273-4426



Strathmore HandiBus
403-934-3418

Self Managed Care
(contact Homecare)

Caregivers Support Group 403-361-7277

Homecare/Occupational Therapy/ Home Supports
403-361-7181

WFCSS 934-5335

Strathmore FCSS 401-934-9090
(In Home Supports, KARE Drivers, Frozen Meals, Snow Angels, Volunteer Income Tax Service)

Wheatland & Area Hospice Society
401-934-8199

Email: info@wheatlandhospice.ca
www.wheatlandhospice.ca
www.facebook.com/Wheatlandhospice
(Bedside Respite, Palliative Navigation, Dying2Learn)

Alberta Aids to Daily Living
310-0000 then 780-427-0731

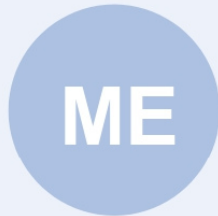
Alberta Mental Health
403-943-1500

Rural Palliative Homecare Team
(referral by Homecare or MD)

PCN Calgary Primary Care Network 403-901-0142
(Chronic Disease Mgmt, Complex Care, Foot Care)

PEOLC Rural Inhome Funding
(contact Palliative Homecare nurse or Hospice Society)

eHospice
www.eHospice.com



EMS
(Assess, Refer, Treat Program and Community Paramedic Program)

Alberta Hospice Palliative Care Association
www.ahpca.ca

Your Family MD

Pharmacist
(Blue Cross, Palliative Meds Funding, Medical supplies)

Myhealth.ab.ca
search "palliative"

TBCC Shared Care Team
(your MD and TBCC coordinate your care together)

Funeral Home
Wheatland Funeral Home
403-934-4404

Service Canada
1-800-277-9914

Community Groups
(Lions, Elks, etc)

Veterans Affairs Canada
1-866-522-2122

Private Community Caregivers
Bayshore Health 587-216-3882;
Nurse Next Door 403-306-0180;

Meals on Wheels
403-324-0655
(Strathmore only)

Strathmore Legion
403-934-5119
(hospital parking passes, medical equipment)

Personal Care: assistance with personal hygiene, dressing, toileting, mobilization and transferring, eating, oral care, and medication management.

Home Support: assistance with preparing meals, home cleaning, and recreation activities

Respite Care: day, evening, or night care to give unpaid caregivers (generally family) a break

Professional Services: Nursing, social work, and physio/occupational therapy

Wouldn't you help someone if they were in a similar situation?
• Ask for and Accept help.

Giving some tasks to others lets you focus on tasks you feel you can do yourself.

Many people don't want help when they need it the most.

The Palliative Navigator

If you have questions about palliative care, you can go to the Palliative Navigator. They are your local expert on everything related to palliative care in our community.

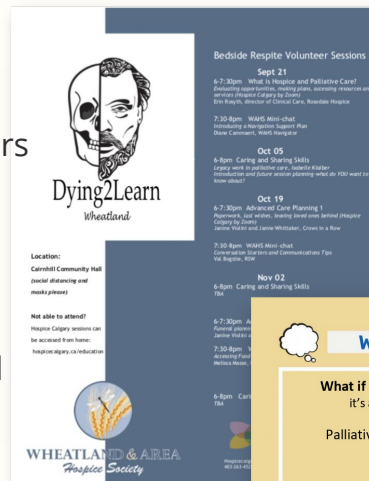
Reach out to: navigator@wheatlandhospice.ca

Programs & Events

Curious? Have questions? Find some answers from our programs, events, and services.

Watch for:

- Dying2Learn events coming this spring
- Mythbusting Mondays on Facebook and Instagram starting January 2022
- What if... Wednesdays on Facebook and Instagram starting January 2022



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Compassion Corner at the Strathmore Municipal Library

The Wheatland & Area Hospice Society has partnered with the Strathmore Municipal Library to provide the community with print resources on death, dying, supportive care, and coping with end of life.

These resources are suitable for all ages and focus on aspects of grief, caregiving, and loss. Visit the library today and check it out.

Upcoming Important Dates

November 11: Remembrance Day.

November 16: National Bereavement Day. *In recognition of this day, we acknowledge with gratitude the generosity of family, friends, and community who have donated to us in memoriam this past year. A full list of our loved ones forever remembered can be found on our website under Our Supporters.*

November 26: Final day to purchase tickets for the Harvest Wrap-Up Raffle. Draw on November 27. *Tickets can be purchased on our website.*

November 27: The Harvest Wrap-Up Show with Drew Gregory and Farming for Hospice. *Tickets can be purchased on our website.*

