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Community Foundation Inc  
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2014  
Annual  
Report



## Chairman Report

I've just got to say I love serving on the Family & Friends Foundation Board! It is exciting to be a part of something so wonderful. The Foundation was started in 2003 by dedicated visionaries contributing seed money with big dreams of what it could become & here we are starting our 12th year with over 2 million dollars in donations in 35 funds.

This year we did great things again because of you!

We have established two new funds:

The Welke Family Fund

The Brookelyn Day Fund

We had a grad luncheon in both of the schools to honor the graduating classes & to tell them about the Foundation. We now have some of those awesome grads asking how they can donate to the Family & Friends Foundation on line.

In summer we had the Leroy Walz Golf Tournament where \$25,872.00 was raised and matched by the Foundation. Thank you, thank you to our golfers, sponsors & the committee who volunteered many hours to make this happen!

We had a 'sold out' Pink & Chocolate Reception with the lovely Jessica Moskaluke & the inspiring Lisa Richels that raised \$3089 for the Breast Cancer Awareness Fund. Huge kudos to the committee & volunteers including some young student volunteers for all the work that went into bringing us lovely pink & yummy chocolate!

There was a Pink Day Challenge between the 2 schools where our amazing kids raised \$4785 for the Breast Cancer Awareness Fund. Yay for kids & pinkness!

We did presentations in both the Churchbridge & Langenburg schools to the grade 7 & 8 girls to teach them about loving themselves & 'taking care of the girls'...teaching them about breast cancer awareness. They loved it & several of these young ladies cajoled their parents into attending the Pink & Chocolate Reception...hence a 'sold out' venue! Yay for girls loving themselves enough to become all they were meant to be!

We did "Kindness & Confidence; the Antidote to Bullying" presentations in the schools as well. Your fabulous kids all signed contracts that their schools would be "anti-bullying" schools!

The communities in the Rural Municipalities of Spy Hill, Langenburg & Churchbridge have huge hearts & are filled with so many dedicated volunteers...and quite simply the young people in our communities knock my socks off with their beautiful spirits, creative ideas & their generous hearts for giving to others! Our little corner of the world is going to do just fine with these Leaders of Tomorrow on the rise!

The money totaling \$2,7350.00 that was granted in 2014 improved our all of our lives in the areas of healthcare, daycare, school, arts, culture, sports, fitness, cemeteries & libraries.

The Financial Markets generated us about \$90,000 in investment interest, 7.7 %, which is pretty decent considering the fluctuating markets of 2014.

We have brought our reserve up to \$72,000 which represents about a year and a half in granting at 4% should we again encounter bad markets.

Your Board is continuing to make great decisions to manage the money you have contributed.



**Chairman Report continued . . .**

Thank you so much to the Board for all of their time & conscientious decision making & to Mervin Kendel & Warren Kotzer for their tireless mentoring of the new pink haired Chairman of the Board!

A big thanks to Sherry Talman who with an already very full plate, continues to keep us on the straight & narrow financially & to Cheryl Kotzer who devotes countless hours & unbridled enthusiasm in answering all our questions, in making sure our i's are dotted & our t's are crossed & providing the Board with all we need to do our jobs.

There's one more huge thank you that I cannot miss...to Bill Johnson for splashing us all over the Fabulous Four Town Journal as yet another contribution to the Family & Friends Foundation.

Because of you...we've got another awesome year unfolding! Thank YOU so much!

*Char Slager*

**2014 Board of Directors**

Chairman	Char Slager	Calder
Vice Chair	Tyrel Thorpe	Langenburg
	Mervin Kendel	Langenburg
	Warren Kotzer	Langenburg
	Barb Decker	Spy Hill
	Darsann VanCaeseele	Langenburg
	Dennis Elhard	Langenburg
	Judy Fieseler	Langenburg
	Brandon Eskra	Langenburg
	Pat Gallant	Churchbridge
	Jeff Dul	Churchbridge
Financial Administrator	Sherry Talman	
Program Administrator	Cherryl Kotzer	

**M I S S I O N**

Family & Friends will strive to assess community needs, provide leadership, build endowments and provide to promote a cooperative, vibrant community now and in the future.

**V I S I O N**

BUILDING . . . GIVING . . . LEADING

*Laying Cornerstones for the Future*

## Financial Statements

Family & Friends Foundation Inc  
 Revenues over Expenditures  
 December 31, 2014

Revenue:	<b>2014</b>	2013
Donations:		
Charitable donations	<b>109,478</b>	23,265
General donations	<b>18,471</b>	27,686
	<b>127,949</b>	50,951
Other ;		
Administration income	<b>60</b>	21,498
Interest revenue	<b>96,708</b>	100,351
	<b>96,768</b>	121,849
Total Revenue	<b>224,717</b>	172,800
Expenses:		
General & administrative		
Accounting & legal	<b>4,084</b>	958
Advertising	<b>456</b>	859
Grants disbursed	<b>22,506</b>	90,669
Fund administration charges	<b>6,781</b>	26,486
Office supplies	<b>571</b>	694
GST paid	<b>0</b>	93
Memberships	<b>450</b>	450
Miscellaneous	<b>3,880</b>	3,276
Honorariums	<b>2,400</b>	2,400
	<b>41,128</b>	125,885
Net Income	<b>183,589</b>	46,915

**FAMILY & FRIENDS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT**

Family & Friends Community Foundation Inc  
 Balance Sheet  
 December 31, 2014

	<b>2014</b>	2013
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Administration account	3,547	\$1,548
Endowment account	<u>118,531</u>	<u>16,360</u>
	<b>122,078</b>	<b>17,908</b>
<b>Restricted Assets</b>		
Palliative Care Flow Through	7	10,279
Partners in Health Flow Through	25,974	104,039
Saskatoon Fund (see next page)	<u>1,282,928</u>	<u>1,120,016</u>
Total Restricted Assets	<u>1,308,909</u>	<u>1,234,334</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>1,430,987</u></b>	<b><u>1,252,242</u></b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Grants Payable	39,300	44,144
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Opening Net Assets	1,208,098	1,162,026
Prior period adjustment	0	-843
Revenue over expenditures	<u>183,589</u>	<u>46,915</u>
Closing Net Assets	<u>1,391,687</u>	<u>1,208,098</u>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b><u>1,430,987</u></b>	<b><u>1,252,242</u></b>

**FAMILY & FRIENDS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT**

<b>Saskatoon Fund</b>		<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cemetery	Beresina	3,461	3,205
	Ingleside	30,465	29,386
	St Paul Marchwell	15,260	14,782
	Thingvalla	1,736	1,608
	Landshutt	1,278	1,183
	Christ Lutheran	33,221	32,036
	St Paul's Langenburg	5,500	5,307
	St. Joseph	2,226	2,061
	Bethel	12,018	11,589
	Churchbridge	10,076	9,719
	Hoffenthal	6,494	6,261
	Spy Hill	33,258	32,075
	Community	Spy Hill	9,529
Churchbridge		25,866	24,945
Other	Langenburg	120,053	115,776
	Undesignated	29,522	28,486
	Health	412,718	397,944
	Breast Cancer Education & Awareness	25,560	24,785
	Arts	8,435	8,148
	George Layh Theatre	7,459	7,230
	Bernice Popick Memorial	11,404	11,011
	Walter Fieseler Memorial	49,246	47,516
	Wayne Mund Memorial	14,509	13,995
	Little Red Car	18,808	18,138
	FLS - Scholarship	8,745	8,335
	Friends of Langenburg School	18,024	17,416
	Churchbridge Grad Legacy	16,746	16,171
	Kelly Reitenbach	10,469	10,098
	Trent Fieseler Memorial	35,680	34,450
	Langenburg Daycare	54,114	52,185
	Langenburg Royal Canadian Legion	21,611	20,250
Flo Thru Fund	Palliative Care	10,461	
	Partners in Health	105,880	
	Grant Reserve	77,724	71,977
	Admin Reserve	35,374	32,758
		<b>1,282,929</b>	<b>1,120,016</b>

Note:

New Funds Created in 2013- 2014

Moneys are included in Endowment Bank account

Churchbridge Manor Flow Through	5000	5000
Welke Family	6200	0
Brookelyn Day Flowthrough	2000	0

## 2014 Board of Directors



In 2005 while instructing at the Medicine Hat College, Char Slager met Randy...on the phone. They fell in love, were married & she moved out here at Christmas of that year. The pink haired city slicker became a grain farmer's wife.

Char is a motivational speaker, corporate consultant and life coach. She works with corporations in developing an excellent team environment, speaks at various venues and does one on one life coaching with individuals.

She also works with the Foundation speaking in the schools promoting kindness & self confidence as being the antidote to bullying, & speaking to the Grades 7 & 8 girls about Breast Cancer Awareness ...“Taking Care of The Girls” & becoming confident, positive & loving young women.

Char serves on the MacNutt library board and is President of The International Rural Exchange Canada Inc. This is a non profit organization that matches farmers with young people (trainees) from different countries, who want to learn more about agriculture in Canada, and matches our



Mervin Kendel grew up on the family farm east of Langenburg. After completing High School and one year at Tech. he spent a short time in the potash construction industry. In 1964 he started employment in sales & service with Langenburg Motors and was there until his retirement six years ago. Mervin & wife Ann are very involved with local community organizations. Mervin is looking forward to serving on FFF board.



Warren Kotzer has recently retired after 38 years of being involved in the farm equipment business, first starting as an employee of Scherloski Farm Equipment, then purchasing the business in Langenburg and eventually expanding into Yorkton and Preeceville. After many successful years of operating WarDale Equipment he and his wife Cheryl had an opportunity to sell to Rocky Mountain Equipment in Calgary.

Warren has always been involved in our local community including many years on town council, president and secretary of his church, a board member on Family and Friends Community Foundation since it was founded. Warren has also been involved as a director on East Central Development Board and a director and president of Canada West Equipment Dealers Association which were very rewarding.

Warren and Cheryl worked together for 29 years and retired on the same day. We have one child Jami who is married to Cory Andres and a granddaughter Karlee. Warren has enjoyed his many years on the FFF board and is looking forward to continued success by this organization.





**Darsann VanCaesele** is originally from Langenburg. After marrying her husband Dale in 1985, they moved to the family farm 3 miles north of Langenburg.

They have 2 children, Chris, who is a Crop Consultant, and Nicole, who is a school teacher. In 2014, they were blessed with 1 grandchild, Emmett.

Darsann works at Sharpe's Soil Services, branch accounting, for both Langenburg and Angusville branches. In spare time, Darsann enjoys spending time with her children and grandchild, camping at Lake of the Prairies, fishing, travelling.



**Barb Decker** was born and raised on a farm in the RM of Spy Hill. She attended the Spy Hill School until grade nine and continued her high school years in Langenburg. Barb has been married for 31 years to a Nokomis native, Brian Decker. Barb and Brian made Spy Hill home after they were married. They have three grown daughters as well as a young grandson.

Barb and Brian have been in the janitorial industry for 30 years. They have owned and operated their own janitorial business for 15 years, and they presently have 23 employees.

In Barb's spare time she enjoys golfing, gardening, watching both hockey and football, playing with her grandson, and spending time with her family and friends.



**Judy Fiesler** grew up in Langenburg. She received her nursing diploma in Calgary and then returned home to live on the farm with her husband Henry.

She recently retired after 37 years of nursing. They have three children and four grandchildren who she loves to spend as much time as possible with.

Hobbies include camping, golfing, tating, music, soap making and going south in the winter.



**Brandon Eskra** was born and raised in Churchbridge. He completed the Primary Care Paramedic and Intermediate Care Paramedic programs and graduated from Parkland College's first Firefighter training program.

Brandon started work as a casual PCP for Sunrise Health Region in 2007 and moved to Langenburg in 2008 upon taking a permanent position. He enjoys staying busy on the Churchbridge and Langenburg Fire Departments, hunting, fishing and playing rec hockey.

Brandon and his wife, Marcy, enjoy living close to home and being a part of the local communities.



**Jeff Dul** moved from Edmonton to Churchbridge with his wife, Shannon, and family in 2010 after receiving the call to be the pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church. They have four children; the oldest three attend Churchbridge public school.

Jeff worked for six years in the petro-chemical industry before attending seminary. There he earned a M. Div. Trinity Lutheran is his first congregation. Jeff is looking forward to serving on the FFF board.



**Pat Gallant** grew up in Millwood, Manitoba. She and her husband Jim have two sons, 3 grandchildren and one great grandchild. They have lived in Churchbridge for 31 years.

Pat worked in the care home in Langenburg. Her hobbies are golfing, camping and numerous crafts.



**Tyrel Thorpe** was born and raised in the Spy Hill area. He attended school in both Spy Hill and Langenburg graduating from Langenburg High School in 2006. While attending LHS he was involved in many activities including SRC and various sports teams.

Upon graduating in 2006 Tyrel moved to Saskatoon to attend the University of Saskatchewan. Tyrel graduated from the U of S with a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy in 2011 and promptly moved back to Langenburg to start his career at the Langenburg Pharmasave.

In July 2012 Tyrel married Aubrey Schappert also from Langenburg. Tyrel is currently a managing partner of Rubicon Pharmacies Canada Inc. managing the Langenburg branch.

Tyrel is involved in both Senior Hockey and Baseball in Langenburg and is enjoying being home!

## 2014 Administrators

**Sherry Talman** grew up in Langenburg and graduated from LHS in 1984. She received her Business Admin diploma from ACC in Brandon, MB where she met her husband Clarence Talman.

She has lived in Winnipeg briefly, then Melita for close to 20 years and moved back to Langenburg in 2012 to be close to family. Sherry attained her HBComm from Laurentian University in 2007 and CGA designation in 2008, all while working full time for an accounting firm in Souris, Manitoba. She is currently employed at Sensus Partnership of Chartered Accountants in Russell, Manitoba and her husband Clarence is the Home and Agro manager at the Churchbridge Co-op.

Sherry & Clarence have one son, Kief, who is now 21.

Sherry has volunteered with many groups over the years, notably the Melita Kinettes, the Melita United Church, and currently the Langenburg Lioness club.

**Cherryl Kotzer** was born and raised in Langenburg. She is enjoying her retirement, she worked as a partner with her husband Warren for 29 years owning and operating WarDale Equipment. She is a partner with her daughter in a quaint flower and gift shop in Langenburg, Kadaizy Flowers and Gifts.

She enjoys spending time with her family, and friends. She is proud of her community and is excited to be a part of Family & Friends Foundation as Program Administrator and to be a part of a difference that the Foundation is making in our communities!

*Working together, we can change far more lives than we could ever do on our own!*

*“The true meaning of life is to plant a tree, under whose shade you do not expect to sit”*

NELSON HENDERSON

## Paying it Forward . . .

*In 2014 we are pleased to announce two new funds were started*

### Welke Family Fund

As a member of the board of directors and a family member of the ancestry of the "Welke Family" who immigrated to Langenburg in the late 1880's.

I am very proud to announce the profits from a family reunion in August 2014 along with a generous donation from Orland Welke we have started a new endowment fund, " The Welke Family Fund." In recognition of the history and contributions that this family has brought to the community of Langenburg. The Welke family has a long history of supporting the community through participation on boards and committees to help make Langenburg a great place to live and visit. With this fund the Welke Family is providing an opportunity to grow a fund which will provide financial support every year for the community of Langenburg into the future.

*Warren Kotzer*

### Brookelyn Day Fund

Within the Foundation the majority of the Funds are Endowment Funds where the money contributed remains in the Foundation & the interest earned is granted. To establish an Endowment Fund there needs to be \$5,000 in it. Another type of Fund is a Flow Through Fund which means that the money contributed can be accessed through grant applications at anytime.

My husband, Randy & I have 2 children with Aspergers & beautiful twin grand babies that have high special needs due to being born extremely pre-mature. Due to immediate needs Randy & I have established the Brookelyn Day Fund as a Flow Through Fund, & should enough funds be raised we will also establish the Brookelyn Day Endowment Fund so that we can continue to have the interest granted in perpetuity.

It is named in memory of the daughter, Brookelyn Day, I had in 1979 who was full term & stillborn. It is also in memory of all the babies who went to heaven way too soon due to miscarriages, stillbirths, crib deaths, early childhood illnesses, birth defects or accidents. A Mother's heart never forgets...neither does a Father's nor any who have loved these little ones or those who with joyous hearts have anticipated their arrival.

The Brookelyn Day Fund has also been established to honor the children who are hungry, those who are ill, those with special needs, those who are being bullied & the bullies themselves, those who have been or are being abused...mentally, physically & sexually, those who's self esteem is low...along with their families, friends, teachers & care givers. This fund is for children & their families.

In our communities we have children coming to school with hungry tummies...without proper nourishment their ability to learn is greatly inhibited. There are some local heroes who have been contributing to snack cupboards & food programs & they need our help.

We have families overwhelmed with counseling, medical & travel costs to obtain treatment for their children.

We have many kids who are lacking in self esteem being bullied & they, along with the bullies need to be educated that the antidote for bullying is kindness & healthy self esteem.

We already have some corporations on board with contributions & they have asked what levels of contributions are in place. There are many levels of contributing:

First & most importantly are:

**“Brookelyn’s Companions”**

A companion is a person who shares the experience of another especially when these are unpleasant or unwelcome.

These contributors range from the child who wants to donate \$1 or \$2 from their allowance so their friend can have a breakfast or lunch to those who will contribute \$20, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500 or more.

Then we have:

**“Brookelyn’s Guardians”**

A guardian is one who protects & defends.

These are the ones who will stand in the gap to provide for advocacy, special need assistance, education & counseling for those less fortunate. They will contribute \$1000 - \$1999.

And next there are:

**“Brookelyn’s Champions”**

A champion is someone who vigorously supports or defends a person or a cause. They will stand up to defend the rights of our children to have full tummies so their brains can learn so they can become the leaders of tomorrow.

They contribute \$2000 - \$4999

And then there are:

**“Brookelyn’s Enthusiasts”**

An enthusiast is one who is ardently attached to a cause or pursuit.

They will help to lead the charge to provide nutrition, education, health & wellness for those who cannot provide their own.

They give \$5000 or more.

Your gifts to this fund or any other in the Family & Friends Foundation can be given in memory of anyone you wish & a letter will be sent to their family letting them know a gift was given in memory of their loved one.

**Together we can do this...we can pay it forward.**

**The Family & Friends Foundation will keep making a difference . . . Because of You!**

*Char Slager*

## Paying it Forward . . .

### COMMENTS FROM OUR DONORS

Family & Friends is a worthy cause. What we give to the Foundation benefits our community not only now but also well into the future.

*- Irene Adams*

Having been on the original board of FFF for several years it is exciting to review the 2013 report and see how the foundation and the funds have grown.

I am still reminded of Don Layh's idea to create a local foundation in talking to some of his clients particularly older ones I suspect he realized the great potential and possibility for a community foundation in this area. As one looks at the assets in the foundation and the number of various specific funds dedicated to so many good causes I believe it is a major accomplishment for the size and population of the area.

We were told at the start by several other foundations that it would take a long time to get established. I sincerely believe FFF has established itself relatively quickly. The cost of operation is very minimal. I congratulate the board and administrators for all their hard work.

If you as a community member have not been supportive of FFF I urge you to look at this annual report and look at all the great causes that have been helped . When you have done this I hope you will very seriously consider supporting FFF.

*- Don Wyand*

Family & Friends Community Foundation would like to thank  
all Donors & Supporters from 2003-2014

Special thanks to Bill Johnston and the Four Town Journal for media coverage.

Thanks to Brandi Kelly for updating the website.

**Gift to Family & Friends Community Foundation**  
**Mail to Box 800 Langenburg,SK S0A 2A0**

Please accept the enclosed donation and invest it in perpetuity (minimum 10 years) with the interest generated to be used for charitable causes. Please allocate my donation to one or more funds as indicated:

- Undesignated Fund for General Charitable Purposes
- Churchbridge Community
- Langenburg Community
- Spy Hill Community
  
- Beresina Cemtery
- St. Paul Marchwell Cemtery
- Ingleside Cemtery
- Landshutt Cemtery
- St Joseph's Cemtery
- Christ Lutheran Cemtery
  
- Bernice Popick Memorial Fund
- Wayne Mund Memorial Fund
- Health Fund
- Friends of the Langenburg Schools
- George Layh Theatre Fund
- Walter & Vera Fieseler Fund
- Langenburg Daycare
- Langenburg Health & Palliative
- Friends of Langenburg School- Scholarship Fund
  
- Spy Hill Cemtery
- Bethel Cemtery
- Thingvalla Cemtery
- St Paul's Langenburg Cemtery
- Churchbridge Cemtery
- Hoffenthal Cemtery
  
- Kelly Reitenbach Memorial Fund
- Breast Cancer Awareness & Education Fund
- Little Red Car Fund f or Children
- Arts Fund
- Churchbridge Grad Legacy Fund
- Trent Fieseler Memorial Fund
- Royal Canadian Legion #250
- Welke Family Fund

**OR**

Please allocated the enclosed donation to the following flow through account:

- Palliative Care Flow Through
- Administration
- Partners in Health Flow Through
- Brookelyn Day Fund
- Churchbridge Manor Fund

Amount of Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of Donor:

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

Note: only those donations equal to or greater than \$20.00 will be issued receipts.

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