

## We are FOREcasting a terrific event coming soon!

Our first-ever *Be A Saint Golf Tournament* is scheduled for Thursday, September 30th , at Tamarac Golf & Country Club in Ennismore.

We are so excited to bring together members of our community who share a passion and concern for the issues facing residents in long term care. To ensure the safest and most enjoyable experience for each of our attendees, staff, and volunteers, we have gone above and beyond the current Provincial Health and Safety protocols. As such, our *Be a Saint Golf Tournament* will be limited to 80 golfers who will spend the afternoon playing 18 holes in a shotgun start, best ball format.

Following the game, attendees will enjoy a delicious dinner while learning more about our *Be a Saint Campaign* and our other exciting events that will help us reach our goal of improved comfort and care for our residents. A highlight of the evening will be the raffle for a wheelbarrow full of premium and craft beers!

Sponsorship opportunities are still available, and we have a few golf openings remaining. But please — hurry so you don't miss out – call Sarah Cox at our Foundation office, 705-743-4744, ext. 3060 or email her at [foundation@sjfltc.com](mailto:foundation@sjfltc.com). Donations of items for our prize table/silent auction and Barrow of Beer gratefully accepted – they can be left with Sarah in the Foundation office, just behind reception.



## Toronto Based Foundation supports SJF ...

Since the *Be a Saint Campaign* started, SJF Foundation has been applying to a wide variety of charitable foundations who support issues such as long term care, seniors' housing, etc. In November, 2020, we applied to the J.P. Bickell Foundation, based in Toronto. This Foundation is named after John Paris Bickell, also known as Jack, who lived from 1884 until 1951. Jack was a Canadian businessman, philanthropist, and sports team owner, best remembered for his long-time association with the Toronto Maple Leafs hockey team as their owner, president, chairman and director.

On his death, Jack Bickell willed \$13 million of his \$14.6 million estate to the creation of the J.P. Bickell Foundation, now managed by Scotia Trust. He established the Foundation to donate half of its interest income each year to the Hospital for Sick Children, 10% for bursaries aiding in Medical Research, 5% in Mining Scholarships and 35% to be distributed to general charities in Ontario.

Since its inception, SJF recognized that good nutrition, physical activities, social interactions and a safe environment needed to be hallmarks of the philosophy of care at SJF. Community dining is a cornerstone of SJF's provision of care – if at all possible, residents gather together for each meal. Dining rooms in each of the 8 wings allows about 25 residents to spend time enjoying each other's company while being served nutritious food tailored to individual needs. The 200 residents at St. Joseph's at Fleming have been dining at the same tables that were purchased when the building was first opened 16 years ago. They were definitely showing signs of wear and tear – bearing scuff marks, scrapes, worn tops, wobbly legs, etc. But 2020 introduced an even greater concern with the condition of the existing tables. The advent of the COVID-19 pandemic increased the level of disinfection required to keep residents safe. There was growing concern that the scratches and marks in the old table tops could house bacteria and viruses which were difficult to fully disinfect. New tables made from non-porous, sturdy materials were needed now more than ever.

In November 2020, SJF Foundation applied to the J.P. Bickell Foundation for funding to replace the dining tables and we are thrilled to let you know that earlier this spring, SJF received \$10,000 from the Bickell Foundation which will fund the replacement of almost half of the number of tables needed!

This is an excellent example of how communities even well beyond Peterborough can come together to support our seniors. Look for another exciting example of support for our *Be a Saint Campaign* in next month's newsletter – and if you have any questions about the Campaign or wish to discuss your gift, please don't hesitate to reach our to Foundation Fundraising Coordinator, Sarah Cox at 705-743-4744, ext. 3062 or email [foundation@sjfltc.com](mailto:foundation@sjfltc.com).



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