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St. Andrew's Holds Successful Foundation Festival

St. Andrew's Foundation held its 7th Annual Foundation Festival on April 28th at the Metigoshe Ministries Christian Center. The event was another success for the Foundation, and saw the largest crowd yet with an increase of 20% in attendance from last year. Almost \$12,000 was net in profits that night, more than any other year thus far.

Many area residents and businesses donated items for the live and silent auctions, which were the highlights of the evening. Dwane Getzlaff again volunteered his time and services to be the auctioneer for the live auction. Auction items included everything from hotel rooms and restaurant gift cards to yard games, a photography package, and a patio set. It also included many talented handmade items, including a clay vase, hand painted china clock, wreaths, and more.

Attendees also enjoyed a meal of either prime rib or baked lemon pepper cod, complete with all the trimmings, appetizers, salad and dessert. The meal was served by employees of St. Andrew's Health Center, all volunteering their time.

The Foundation's mission is to secure the financial stability of St. Andrew's Health Center. The Festival is the main fundraising event held each year to meet this mission. In past years, money raised was spent on electronic beds, lifts and hoysers for patients; a new mopping system for our housekeeping department; updated chairs, TVs and décor for patients' rooms; technological advances toward an Electronic Medical Record system; and other improvements throughout our facility.

St. Andrew's sincerely appreciates everyone who attended the Festival, contributed auction items or donated their time for this cause. Thirty-four local businesses also supported the Festival through business sponsorships. All those who contributed their time, talent and energy made this event such a huge success.





