## **Kingston General Hospital Auxiliary**

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# Message From the President Sandra Fletcher



Since we have news of interest to our members, which could not wait until the March letter, we are issuing a January Newsletter.

Both the Christmas Bazaar and the Teddy Bear Campaign fundraisers were very successful this year. Many children will benefit from receiving the bears as well as from the use of the equipment the proceeds will purchase.

On February 2nd, from 12 to 2, we have been asked to provide refreshments at the KGH Community Showcase offering coffee and snacks during their "Coffee House".

Do you come by bus to volunteer? If so, bus passes are available from the Volunteer Office. With the increased cost of parking, taking the bus is an economical alternative.

At our next General Meeting we have invited two of the recipients of the Millennium Bursary to explain what their bursary money was used for. One is from Sexual Assault Domestic Violence department and the other is a Pharmacist. Both have very interesting projects and their talks will be worth your attendance. See March Newsletter for more details.

Included in this letter is an impressive list of the Milestones some of our members have reached while volunteering at KGH. It is remarkable To note that many of the long-time volunteers are also Auxiliary members!

## **COMING EVENTS**

## **SPRING FLING!**

April 2018 Cookes -Portsmouth United Church

# **BUS TRIP**

# STRATFORD FESTIVAL

Tuesday June 12 & Wednesday 13, 2018
Cost: Members \$400
Non-Members \$425
Price Includes: Bus & Driver Gratuity; 1 night
Arden Park Hotel with breakfast; Dinner at the Steak House in Kitchener;

PLAYS: "Music Man" &
"An Ideal Husband" a
comedy by Oscar Wilde
– Matinee performances.
For reservations call the
Auxiliary Office
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# MARCH GENERAL MEETING

March 26th, 2018 At Cookes - Portsmouth Church

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Surplus allocated to KGH as of December 31, 2017 \$342,360.27

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# 2018-19 Membership Fees

By Lorraine Coull

REMINDER!

Membership Fees
Will Be Due April 1, 2018
\$15.00 single
\$20.00 family
\$150.00 life membership

Fees may be mailed to the Auxiliary Office or may be paid at the registration table at the General Meeting.

Please notify the Auxiliary Office of any changes of address, phone number or email address. If we are kept up to date, it saves money and time. A quick phone call or a short email will do the job.

Thank you.

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Marion Atack Katherine Crothers Joyce Schroeder

### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

Jean Fraser & Barb Arniel – Co-Convenors

The Annual Christmas Bazaar took place on November 29, 2017and was a huge success. There were tables from the Gift Shop –Lingerie, Jewelry, fashion tops, Gifts and Toys. Shoppers also enjoyed a 15% discount in The Gift Shop while the Auxiliary Cafe offered a special lunch menu. The Bake Table and Candy tables sold out early as usual and the Silent Auction had many excellent items up for bid. This year, one

table offered Christmas items, including a few wreaths as well as decorations.

Total receipts from the day were over \$6,000.

We would like to extend sincere thanks to all who participated: volunteers, donors, bakers, and the visitors who joined us. It takes the co-operation of all our members to achieve such excellent results.

# 2017 TEDDY BEAR CAMPAIGN

Another successful Teddy Bear Campaign came to a close on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. To date we have raised nearly \$25,000 to purchase an ECG machine. Over 250 bears have been delivered to several pediatric areas at KGH and HDH to comfort young patients.

We are again very grateful for the support of Royal Canadian Legion 560 and the Ladies Auxiliary to RCL Branch 560 who provided the funds to cover all the expenses of the campaign. Also, thanks to "Santa" (Ron Manor), KHSC staff photographer, Matt Manor, and Camera Kingston for their work towards a large donation from "Photos with Santa".

Thanks to everyone on the committee for all their help - especially to Theresa who kept everything organized and was always there to help.

# Christmas cards for patients

Christmas cards were distributed to patients on Friday December 22nd by cheerful Auxiliary members. The visits were much appreciated by the patients who had to stay in hospital over the holiday season. Please consider joining us next year. The more the merrier!

#### **MILESTONES**

The following KGH Volunteers and Auxiliary Members reached significant milestones during 2017.

#### **FIVE YEARS**

Donald Cooper Mary Johnston Shirley King

Sheena Lucas Anne Worden

## **TEN YEARS**

Peter Ginn

Julia Gravonic

Karen Kitney

Eleanor Nelson

Liz Spotswood

### **FIFTEEN YEARS**

Heather Breck

Lois Irwin

Julie Robinson

Janet Rosser

Alberta Saunders

Mary Walker

### TWENTY YEARS

Sandra Fletcher

Jean Fraser

Linda Patry

Liliane Vanderhout

#### TWENTY FIVE YEARS

Eva Duffe

Gerda Paterson

Marjorie Musgrave

Eugene Noonan

Sandy Thomas

Margaret McGowan

The last 6 Auxiliary Volunteers were also recognized by KHSC at a very special event when they joined the 25 year club!

For information or reservations for any coming Auxiliary event call Theresa at the Auxiliary Office

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