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## BOARD CORNER



Committed volunteers are the backbone of our organization.

Lives are changed in this community because of their work.

What an amazing mark to leave on the place you live.

#### **INTRODUCING THE 2022-2023 BDHF BOARD MEMBERS**

The Foundation welcomes Ruth Lockett, who was a previous board member, and newcomers to the fold, Andrew Mulder and Bob Clark.

Seated (1-r): Kevin Tackaberry, Board Co-Vice Chair, Linda Hansen, Board Chair, Dawn Tymianski, Board Co-Vice-Chair and Marilies Rettig, Board Past Chair. Standing (1-r): Nick Vlacholias, President & CEO, Brockville General Hospital, Chris Puddicombe, Board Director, Andrew Mulder, Board Treasurer, Hugh Hammond, Board Director, Tom O'Shaughnessy, Board Director, Jamie Wright, Board Director, Ruth Lockett, Board Director and Norma Banford, Representative, Brockville General Volunteer Association. Missing from the photo: Dennis Hudson and Bob Clark, Board Directors.

#### **OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS**

Longstanding board members of the Brockville and District Hospital Foundation took part in their last Annual General Membership meeting on Tues., June 7th, 2022.

These four board directors served a total of 31- years collectively on the Foundation board, in various roles, over the last 15-years. Their support and guidance has been greatly appreciated and the Foundation wishes them all a well deserved rest from board duties.



#### STAFF FAREWELL

The Foundation recently said goodbye to contractor Tina Hughes (*left*), who managed our events for the past year. We wish Tina every success in the future.



Pictured (l-r) are: Seated, Ainslie Coleman and Heather Halladay. Standing: Scott MacCrimmon and Brian Normandin.

## **EQUIPMENT CAMPAIGN**

## Together, we can do this.

The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation is excited to be embarking upon an MRI and Equipment Campaign. The funds raised will support the purchase of identified equipment needs for Brockville General Hospital.

The YOUR HEALTH YOUR HOSPITAL MRI and Equipment Campaign launched on May 29th at the Ride the River event where riders participated in *Ride for the MRI*.

The campaign goal is \$12.5M over two (2) years, which includes the cost of an MRI and suite. Any monies raised over the cost of the MRI and suite will be applied to the priority equipment needs of Brockville General Hospital.



The Foundation will be relying on the generosity of our greater community to reach our target goal in support of Brockville General Hospital's much needed state-of-the-art equipment.



Being part of the MRI/Equipment Campaign Cabinet and co-chair with Tom is a privilege! Raising funds to purchase new equipment for BGH will provide improved patient care and also improve local clinical providers experience in providing care to patients.. It's a win/win for our community!

Sherri Fournier Hudson, Co-Chair

I am honoured to be able to give back to a community that has given so much to me. What better way to do this than to act as co-chair with Sherri on an equipment campaign raising funds for an institution that provides care to the people of our communities throughout our entire lifetimes.



Tom O'Shaughnessy, Co-Chair



#### EVELYN GALWAY-PETERS RAISES MONEY FOR THE MRI

Her reason for wanting to make money was not to buy toys or other things that little girls like; her purpose was to raise funds that would help purchase an MRI for Brockville General Hospital (BGH). Evelyn has raised \$600 to date and plans to continue in her efforts. On June 28th,

> came by Brockville General Hospital to interview Evelyn and her family.

## FOUNDATION NEWS

#### THE CAROLYN SIFTON FOUNDATION DONATES \$1 MILLION TOWARDS MRI

The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation (BDHF) is excited to announce the remarkable gift of \$1,000,000 from the Carolyn Sifton Foundation. This donation will go towards the purchase of a much needed MRI for Brockville General Hospital (BGH). This donation brings the goal of \$6 million even closer to a reality.

Joan Simon, BDHF Executive Director shared, "The Foundation is beyond thrilled to receive this generous gift from the Carolyn Sifton Foundation. This gift, clearly shows that the Sifton Foundation understands the need for having an MRI in our community, and this gift has brought us that much closer to having an MRI here at BGH."

The Carolyn Sifton Foundation has been a longtime supporter of our entire community through an array of projects and initiatives. The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation and BGH has been fortunate



Pictured is Graeme Sifton, President, Carolyn Sifton Foundation and Jay Martin, Secretary, Carolyn Sifton Foundation.

through the decades for the Sifton Foundation's great support of past Capital Campaigns, the Palliative Care and Cardiac Rehabilitation Cardiovascular Programs, through their generous hosting of two Heart and Solstice events and supporting equipment needs.

When asked what contributed to the decision to make a gift of this magnitude, Graeme Sifton, the Foundation's President noted, "If anything, the last two years have proven to us is that good health care is vital and just how important a hospital is to a community. We are blessed with a wonderful facility in BGH. Supporting the purchase of an MRI only enhances the quality of care available locally and ensures a vibrant, healthy community."

We are forever indebted to the Carolyn Sifton Foundation for their generosity.

#### THE 100 WOMAN WHO CARE SHOW THEIR CARE BY DONATING FUNDS TO THE MRI



Pictured presenting the 100 Women Who Care's donation to Linda Hansen, In-coming Board Chair, Brockville and District Hospital Foundation (centre) are: Sue Steele (l) and Mary Mansworth, (r) 100 Women Who Care Members.

The 100 Women Who Care, 1000 Islands Group is a group of community-minded women who gather four times a year to raise funds for a common goal or need.

During a recent meeting, the 100 Women Who Care Group heard that the Brockville community was in need of an MRI at Brockville General Hospital. They also heard an anonymous donor had stepped up to match all donations made to the 2nd Annual Ride the River/Ride for the MRI event. With that thought in mind, the 100 Women Who Care unanimously voted to support by donating a total of \$11,400 to the Ride the River/Ride for the MRI event.

The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation sincerely thank the 100 Women Who Care for their generous donation and for stepping up to the cause.

## FOUNDATION NEWS

#### THE BUTCHER SHOP BROCKVILLE MAKE A MATCHING DONATION

The Butcher Shop in Brockville has always been strong supporters of the Brockville community. For many years, they have supported the Friends of Palliative Care Golf Tournament, Ribfest, and many other community initiatives.

In early May, Joan Simon, Executive Director of the Brockville and District Hospital Foundation received a call from Tanya and Rick Orr, owners of The Butcher Shop who had a plan to raise funds for the Foundation's current MRI campaign. Their plan was to sell cooler bags at a cost of \$5.00 with the tag line, "Help bring an MRI to BGH." In less than two weeks, The Butcher Shop was sold out of the cooler bags having raised \$2,500 with all proceeds going towards the MRI. Tanya and Rick Orr were amazed by the outpouring of supporters that they decided to match the donations.



Pictured in front of their storefront, Tanya and Rick Orr, owners of The Butcher Shop Inc., present a cheque in the amount of \$5,000 to incoming Brockville and District Hospital Foundation Board Chair, Linda Hansen.

#### **BROCKVILLE ISLANDS LIONS CLUB MAKE MULTIPLE DONATIONS**



(Right) Jessica Gerritsen, former Brockville Lions Club member, and Patient Experience and Engagement Specialist for Brockville General Hospital presents Joan Simon, Executive Director, Brockville and District Hospital Foundation with a cheque in the amount of \$2,500 towards an MRI for BGH. Two separate donations were also made by the Brockville Lions Club in support of BGH's Palliative Care Program and for an ultrasound with echocardiogram capabilities.

July 6th, 2022: Over the years the Brockville Lions Club have supported many community initiatives. This year, the Brockville Lions Club channeled some of that support by giving three donations to the Brockville and District Hospital Foundation (BDHF), in support of Brockville General Hospital (BGH).

The first donation made was for \$2,500 to assist with BGH's purchase of an MRI. This donation was followed by two separate donations; \$2,400 for BGH's Palliative Care Program and \$2,400 towards an ultrasound with echocardiogram capabilities.

The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation is grateful for the Brockville Lions Club support and generosity. They are a service club that truly answers the needs of our community.

## SIGNATURE EVENTS

## THE BROCKVILLE AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL FOUNDATION EXCEEDED THEIR \$250,000 GOAL BY RAISING OVER \$800,000 DURING THE RIDE FOR THE MRI EVENT

The Brockville and District Hospital Foundation (BDHF) is astounded by the overwhelming support for the Ride the River 2022/Ride for the MRI event that far surpassed the goal with the final tally of funds raised sitting at over \$800,000! Once again, the BDHF is humbled by the generosity of our community and very generous donors who contributed to this unprecedented success.

It is hard to believe that just three years ago, in December 2019, Ride the River was just an idea brought forward by the now event co-chairs, Bob and Jane Clark, that a cycling fundraiser might be a great fit for the BDHF.

The BDHF would like to acknowledge everyone who contributed to the success of Ride for the MRI, all volunteers, Ride the River organizing committee members, and the Foundation team. We sincerely appreciate everyone's hard work and time. Thanks to Scott MacCrimmon and everyone at ParkStor for hosting and supporting this event. Finally, our heartfelt thanks to all of our sponsors, riders, donors, and most importantly our anonymous donor who truly allowed us to realize this outstanding achievement by matching all donations.



## SIGNATURE EVENTS

#### 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HEART & SOLTICE EVENT RAISES \$153,000 FOR BROCKVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL'S CARDIAC PROGRAM

It was a bittersweet evening for the planning committee of the Brockville and District Hospital Foundation's (BDHF) Annual Heart & Solstice event. After 13 years of raising funds for Brockville General Hospital's (BGH) Cardiac Rehabilitation Program, the 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event, that was held on Thurs., June 16<sup>th</sup> was the final chapter for raising funds for BGH's Cardiac Rehabilitation Program.

Attendees are pictured enjoying refreshments while gathered at Thornton Cliff Estate. The gracious hostess for the evening, Rosemary Sexton opened her doors to allow attendees to tour her historical estate, enjoy catered food and refreshments. The rain held off for the duration of the social gathering and an astounding \$153,000 was raised for an ultra sound with echocardiogram capabilities for Brockville General Hospital.



Photo compliments of Carson Wright.





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