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Hello Neighbour!

What a busy year for the North Hastings Hospital Fund Development Committee! We have gratefully welcomed more new donors and renewed more past donor relationships than ever before.

While we would love to be able to thank each of our donors personally, there are just too many, so we collectively thank every one of you for your support, both mentally and financially: the Back The Cat campaign is a success because of you! We have tried to present a broad representation of our donors in the pictures reflected in this newsletter, from the North of 007 Casino Night, our first gala, which raised close to \$64,000, to the North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary, and so many more.

As I write this, the CT project is right on track. The staff are taking refresher courses, the walls are being mudded and sanded and delivery of the CT Scanner is expected by the end of November. You can bet we will be outside cheering the arrival of the delivery trucks!

The hospital is used round the clock, seven days a week. An enormous amount of gratitude is due to Tammy Davis and the physician group for working hard to ensure our emergency department stays open. However, to stay open and relevant, you need to keep up to date on equipment. While the CT Scanner will be the best addition to our hospital, we are continually raising funds for new and replacement equipment. Inside, you will see the most basic list of needs for 2023/24. The next few years will see the need for your support more than ever as we enter the cycle of replacing some big pieces of equipment. In addition, Back the Cat requires just a little push to take it over the finish line. Proudly, we have kept costs to a minimum because we are all volunteers passionate about the best health care and want the money to go directly to the project. This little push would give us a secure cushion against rising costs in construction and medical equipment estimates.

To that, within this newsletter, we kindly remind our supporters about how to donate. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for putting health care first.

Kim Bishop

Chair, Back the Cat
Chair, North Hastings Hospital Fund Development Committee



DONOR SPOTLIGHT



\$100,000 DONATION RECEIVED FROM NHDHA

Last year, the North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary (NHDHA) pledged a momentous gift of \$300,000 to support the Back the Cat campaign, which supports bringing a CT scanner to Quinte Health North Hasting Hospital. This year, they made their first instalment of \$100,000!

The tireless fundraising efforts of the “cheerful band” of volunteers includes many endeavours, such as:

The Corner Café: Operating in the Professional Services Building attached to the hospital and Manor, the Corner Café offers hot and cold foods and beverages Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

New to You: The New to You boutique offers gently used or almost new men’s and women’s clothing and accessories in a pleasant and welcoming setting. With a wide variety of sizes, browse the racks and shelves for one article or discover an entire quality outfit from head to toe! Donations of quality, clean clothing items are welcome.

Radiothon: The popular Radiothon began in 2008 in partnership with Moose FM in Bancroft. “Running” each summer since it has raised well over \$400,000 toward much-needed medical equipment, including the Back the Cat CT campaign.

Tim Hortons Smile Cookie Campaign: The Smile Cookie program started in 1996 to help raise funds for the Hamilton Children’s Hospital in Ontario. Today, 600+ local charities and organizations in communities across Canada benefit from Smile Cookie sales, including The North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary!

We are indebted to the Auxiliary for their hard work and dedication.



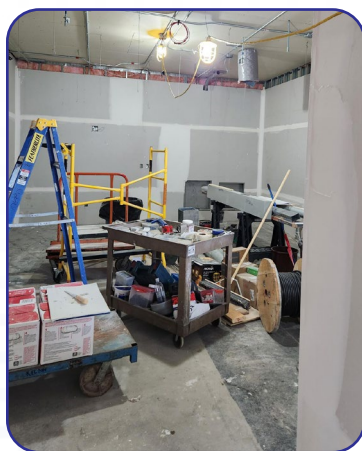
Courtney Challinor, Medical Radiation Technologist from North Hastings Hospital (R) learning the ropes from Haley Thompson, Medical Radiation Technologist at Trenton Memorial Hospital (L).

HELP GET 'BACK THE CAT' ACROSS THE FINISH LINE

One of the many advantages of being a family of four hospitals is knowledge sharing – and an example of that remarkable connection is happening right now. Diagnostic Imaging staff members from North Hastings Hospital are spending time with colleagues at Trenton Memorial Hospital, learning more about the operation of a CT Scanner.

The CT Scanner is expected to arrive at North Hastings Hospital in time for additional onsite training to begin in December, with the hopes of being in full operation by early 2024. The team at North Hastings Hospital is remarkable and they deserve the best tools to provide the best care possible to the patients they serve.

There is still time to help get the 'Back the Cat' campaign across the finish line. Whether it's \$5 or \$500, all donations make a difference. Visit www.nhhfd.ca/back-the-cat to give. Donations can also be made in person at the North Hastings Hospital or mailed to: North Hastings Fund Development Committee
1H Manor Lane, Box 157 Bancroft, K0L 1C0.



Photos of the construction progress taken November 5, 2023.



\$30,000 DONATION RECEIVED FROM CHOICES THRIFT & GIFT SHOP

Choices Thrift and Gift Shop has donated over \$1M to health care since 1991. The hospital has directly received almost half of that... \$500,000. Most recently, we received their second payment towards 'Back The Cat' CT Scan Campaign; Fulfilling 50% of their donation commitment.



DIALYSIS CLINIC UPDATE

The North Hastings Hospital Fund Development continues to support the needs of the local Dialysis Unit. This six-chair unit runs three days a week and is always full. Two shifts a day are staffed by nurses who take wonderful care of the dialysis patients.



This year NHHFD purchased new TVs and new pillow speakers for the patients. The speaker can be tucked inside a pillow, providing a more comfortable way to listen to audio while lying in bed than traditional headphones. The speaker itself produces a low-level sound that doesn't disturb those around the user. He shoots, he scores! (Quietly) Dialysis patients spend approximately three hours in treatment and can now pass the time with their favourite TV show without disturbing others in the unit. Pictured is dialysis patient Larry, a huge Toronto Maple Leafs fan. We are thrilled that Larry can now catch game highlights with others in the unit only seeing the jubilation or the agony.

Recognizing Exceptional Individuals

CATHY LEVIA

Who is behind this important but often under-recognized office work? Cathy Levia has been handling the North Hastings Hospital Fund Development administration for many years,



and we would be lost without her in this role. The NHHFDC has one part-time staff to keep our costs low, but we know that Cathy has dedicated many more hours than she has billed for, a generous reflection of her deep dedication to health care. Having decided it was time to retire, we thank Cathy for the many bank deposits, phone calls made on our behalf, and the innumerable administrative tasks always undertaken with grace and commitment. Outside of supporting her health-care community, Cathy keeps busy as a mom, grandma, golfer, curler, pickleballer, flower gardener and husband-manager. Thank you, Cathy!

YOUR SUPPORT KEEPS HEALTH CARE STRONG IN OUR COMMUNITY

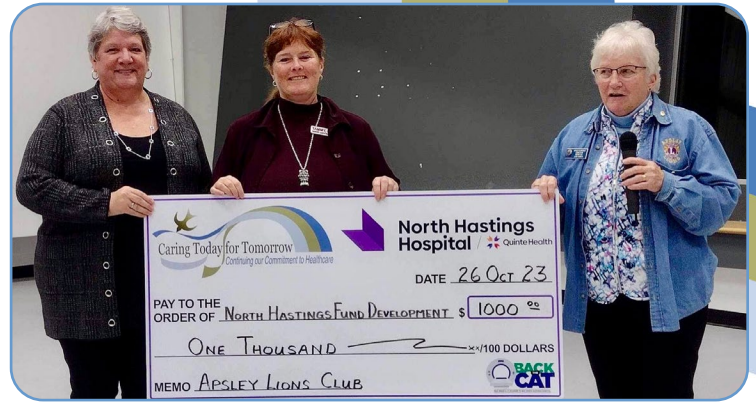


The North of 007 Casino Royale event, a fundraiser to help bring a CT Scanner to North Hastings Hospital, was held at the Bancroft Curling Club on Saturday, June 10.

The enthusiasm of the crowd was electric as they were transported to the Casino Royale, Montenegro. Starting with a red-carpet entrance, it was a truly glamorous night with great food, cocktails—“shaken over ice with a thin slice of lemon peel”—dancing and games. “There are dinner jackets and then there are dinner jackets” with guests dressed in the latter, all looking like they belonged at the gaming tables: blackjack, roulette, and craps providing a fun and memorable experience.

A HUGE congratulations to Cathy Levia and Leslie Cox from the members of the North Hastings Hospital Fund Development Committee; we sincerely thank you and your dedicated team of volunteers (Martin Cox, Karen Croft Cooper, Joan Grant, Emma Kearns, and Sarah Lawrence) who helped make this event an incredible success. North of 007 Casino Royale night was a definite win, win, helping to bring the CAT to the community.

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No end to the good news! Recently, Tammy and Kim spoke about ‘Back the Cat’ and future health care needs at the Apsley Lion’s Club. In the audience were several people that had spent time in our hospital and shared what excellent care they received. We received \$1000.00 for ‘Back The Cat’.



Little Mississippi Seniors Club has donated \$5,000 in support of the ‘Back The Cat’ campaign.

A big thanks to the Hastings Centennial Manor Auxiliary for supporting ‘Back The Cat’. Seen with their donation of \$1000.00.



If your organization has donated, but is not pictured in this edition of The Pulse, follow us on Facebook or visit www.nhhf.ca/news as you could be featured there! We are grateful for all support.



NORTH HASTINGS HOSPITAL FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Passionate about our mission, we are responsible for funding Quinte Health North Hastings and Quinte Health. With community partnership at the heart of our objectives, our dedication is matched only by your support.

WHO WE ARE:

- Kim Bishop, Chair
- Tom Malloy, Treasurer
- Debbie Speck, Donor Recognition
- Tammy Davis, RN BScN Quinte Health North Hastings Hospital Site Lead & Manager Patient Services
- Glenna Armstrong, Past President Aux.
- David MacLeod, Community Member
- Sharon Oram, Public Member
- Catherine (Cathy) Levia, Part Time Staff Support

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OUR GIVING PRIORITIES CONTINUE

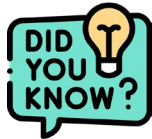
In 2023/24 the North Hastings Hospital Fund Development is committed to covering the following costs to make health care in your community better today and tomorrow.

The time we are in is unprecedented. Our need for equipment, Physicians, and patient care have never been higher and we do not anticipate any relief. Items you may feel we just asked you to support are at the end of life. Time goes quickly and medical equipment use goes just as quickly. Please consider making a monthly donation to help fund new and replacement equipment.

We continue to be grateful for our donors and encourage donors to consider a gift to support the needs. Whether we ask through the newsletter, personal calls, or social media, we are grateful for your support. You could even consider a monthly gift or designate the hospital as a beneficiary in your will.

Thank you, what you do matters.

EQUIPMENT	COST
Centrifuge Replacement (lab)	\$7,615.00
Smart Bed	\$16,078.00
Blood Fridge	\$10,189.00
Replacement Stretcher	\$23,510.00
Power Replacement	
Recliner Chair x 2	\$27,510.00
Vital Signs Monitors	\$20,887.00
TOTAL COMMITMENT:	\$105,714.00



Donations to Dialysis are always welcome. The North Hastings Hospital Fund Development receives donations that are specifically marked for Dialysis, as well as In Memoriams designated for Dialysis. Donations are recognized on the Dialysis Donor Wall in the dialysis room and the Main Donor Wall in the hospital waiting room. Learn more here: www.nhhfd.ca/our-donors

Your support keeps health care strong in our community

Visit www.nhhfd.ca to read about our many community partners that have BACKED THE CAT and more!

Sign up for our E-Newsletter for updates on the healthcare of our community.



Caring Today, for Tomorrow.

Your donation is an investment in critically needed equipment for your community.

WAYS TO DONATE:

Telephone: (613) 332-2825 ext 0 (Hospital Reception)

E-Transfer: QHC.NH.Fund.Dev@gmail.com (no password necessary)

In Person: You can leave your donation of cash, debit or credit in person at the Hospital Reception. Please be sure to leave your contact details.

Mail: Please detach, complete and return this portion with your gift to:

North Hastings Fund Development Committee P.O. Box 157, Bancroft, ON K0L 1C0

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

I would like to make a single gift of: \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 Other Amount \$ _____

Please make cheques payable to: Quinte Health North Hastings

Please bill my credit card: Visa or Mastercard

Card #: _____ Expiry date: _____ CVV: _____