

THE WDMH FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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New Stretchers Support Compassionate Care



AT WDMH, FIVE NEW STRETCHERS HAVE ARRIVED to help support the care that our team provides every day. The stretchers are replacing older ones that are nearing the end of their lifespan. The stretchers are crucial for providing safe, compassionate care.

“Having these up-to-date stretchers has improved the workflow within the department while ensuring patients are comfortable during their stay,” explains Clinical Manager Katie Robertson. “The stretchers have new features such as patient controls to allow them to raise their head or feet and an alert system that helps us to monitor patients who might be at risk for falling.”

“Because of our generous donors, the WDMH Foundation is pleased to support the hospital’s commitment to compassionate, excellent care. Part of that commitment involves replacing equipment before it breaks or becomes unserviceable,” adds WDMH Foundation Managing Director Kristen Casselman. “We are so grateful for your support.”

The total cost for the stretchers is \$49,722.30. The mattresses cost \$4,330.42.

Thank you for caring!

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every day, our donors go above and beyond with generous and creative fundraising events – even during these unusual times! Big or small, every one of them has made an impact and we are always grateful. Just a reminder that we are always here to help.

Contact Justine Plummer at 613-774-2422 ext. 6172 or jplummer@wdmh.on.ca to learn more.

All We Can Say is Wow!

THE SUSPENSE JUST KEPT BUILDING AND BUILDING AT THE OFFICIAL CATCH THE ACE GALA hosted by the Kin Club of Russell on September 29th. Supporters and sponsors were thanked and each of the six charities who benefited from the 22-month fundraiser were called up to receive their donation.

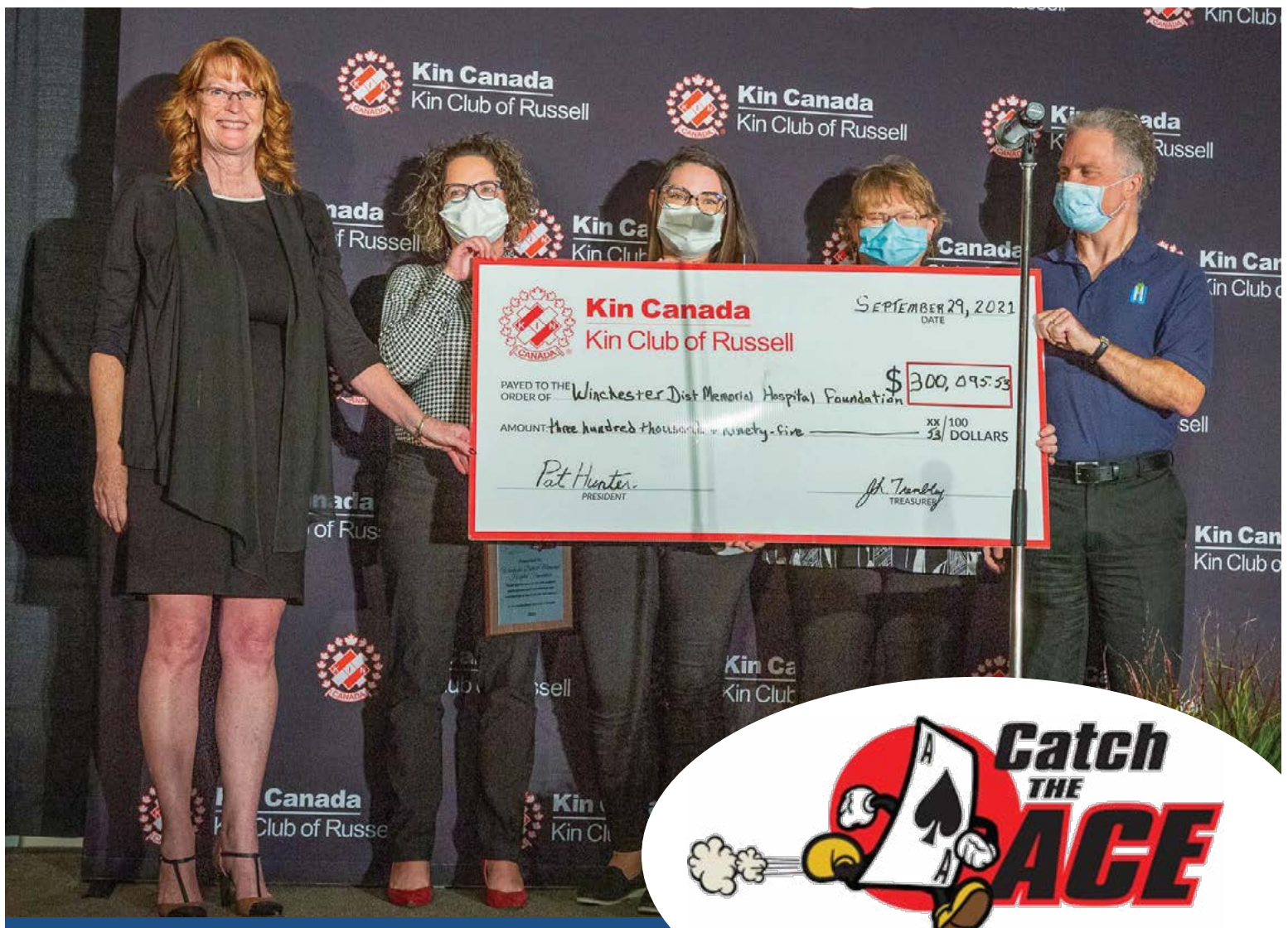
And then came the WDMH Foundation! Managing Director Kristen Casselman, former Manager of Direct Mail & Events Cindy Ault Peters, WDMH Clinical Manager Katie Robertson, and WDMH CEO Cholly Boland were all amazed when the final number was announced - \$300,095.53!

The donation will be used to help purchase much-needed medical equipment. The first \$255,000 will help purchase

a new X-ray machine, with the rest directed to the Digital Mammography Fund. The total cost of this equipment is estimated at \$973,000.

"These two pieces of equipment are used daily to make life-saving diagnoses. On behalf of the Diagnostic Imaging department and all the patients and families you will touch with this donation, thank you so much," noted Clinical Manager Katie Robertson.

Thank you to the Kin Club of Russell, our amazing retail partners, and everyone who purchased tickets each week! And more good news – Catch the Ace will be back in 2022!



Big Smiles

It was all smiles at the four local Tim's restaurants during the Smile Cookie Campaign. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to pick up a cookie and support the WDMH Foundation. The money raised will help to fund a new digital mammography machine. Watch for the grand total coming soon.



Get Growing!

Get ready! *Dare to Flash a 'Stache* is back and it's time to get growing starting on November 1st.

To register yourself or your team and start fundraising, visit <http://bit.ly/DTFAS2021>. For all the details, visit www.daretoflashastache.ca.



Your Will is Powerful **Support a charity in your Will**

THE WDMH FOUNDATION has joined more than 500 charities, financial advisors, and legal professionals from across Canada for the launch of [Will Power™](#). Will Power is a national public education effort designed to inspire Canadians to leave gifts in their Wills to charity.

"Research shows that 86% of Canadians are aware they can leave a charitable gift in a Will, but more than 60% choose not to because they believe it would take away from their loved ones," explains Kristen Casselman, Managing Director, WDMH Foundation. "But it's not an either/or proposition. Everyone can leave a gift to charity while still taking care of those they love most. We would love to talk to our donors about the possibilities."

"Even 1% left to the WDMH Foundation in a Will can make an enormous impact, while still leaving 99% of an estate for their family. Leaving a small portion of an estate to charity could result in a bigger contribution than most people would ever think possible, while still supporting those they love," adds Erin Kapcala, Manager of Major and Planned Giving.

To learn more, visit the [Will Power™](#) website. You can learn about gifts in Wills and get tips on estate planning or calculate your potential gift with the legacy calculator. You can also visit the WDMH Foundation's Planned Giving section on our website at www.wdmhfoundation.ca/aboutplannedgiving or contact Erin Kapcala at 613-774-2422 ext. 6769 or ekapcala@wdmh.on.ca.



It's the most wonderful time of the year! And the Judy Lannin Christmas Wish Tree provides a special way to honour or remember your family and friends with a gift to the WDMH Foundation. Watch for more details coming to your mailbox soon.

Please join us for the Virtual Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 14th at 5 pm. It will be live on our Facebook page!



Neighbourhood News



The WDMH Foundation is proud to be part of a caring community of health partners. Together with Winchester District Memorial Hospital, Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home, and the Community Care Building, we are providing health care close to home for our local communities – from babies to seniors. And our local communities support us every step of the way. Here are some updates from our neighbours!

Inaugural Teaching Award

CONGRATULATIONS TO Dr. Adam Jones-Delcorde who is the first recipient of the Dr. Wayne Domanko Award for Teaching Excellence in Rural Medicine. The award is presented to a recipient, chosen by the WDMH Family Medicine Residents, who has made a significant academic contribution to the WDMH Family Medicine Residency Program. The award is named after Dr. Domanko, who has provided care at WDMH for more than 50 years.



Dr. Wayne Domanko, Dr. Adam Jones-Delcorde, and Dr. Vikas Bhagirath

100%!

On October 1st, the provincial government announced that all staff in long-term care homes must be vaccinated by November 15th, 2021. Dundas Manor is already there! One hundred per cent of the staff have received both COVID-19 vaccinations. Only 5 out of 626 long-term care homes in Ontario are at 100% and Dundas Manor is the only home in eastern Ontario to reach this milestone to date. What an amazing team!



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THANK YOU TO OUR FRIEND SPONSOR!

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A Great Evening!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Sip, Savour & Support in September. And thank you to our wonderful sponsors. The final tally is in and \$10,369 was raised for the Foundation's General Equipment Fund!

Our Commitment

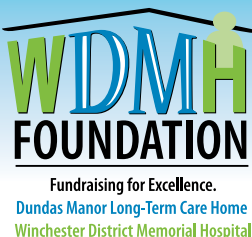
Together with current and future donors who – like us – value excellence in local health care, we work to inspire and support their investments of time and financial gifts.

We work hard to ensure that our donors trust us, feel our gratitude, are well-informed, and enjoy positive giving experiences. In all things, our donors are #1.

We value accountability, transparency, integrity – and celebrating our donors' achievements and successes along the way.

Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home
Fundraising for Excellence
Winchester District Memorial Hospital

Keep In Touch



We'd love to keep in touch! You can help today by volunteering, hosting a fundraising event, or making a donation. Whatever you would like to do, we'd love to chat. Thank you!

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