

Welcome to this edition of *Because of You*. We are excited to share the latest news, and most of all, we want to share the impact that our amazing donors – like you – are making every day in helping to support health care close to home. To begin, here's an update on one of the latest pieces of equipment to arrive at Winchester District Memorial Hospital - thanks to you!

### **Supporting Safe Patient Care**

Installing a 2,600-pound sterilizer was no easy feat. But the WDMH maintenance team were up for the task – twice! That's because they understand the importance of specialized equipment that supports safe patient care. Our community does too!

Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) now has **two new sterilizers** – thanks to the generosity of several donors who gave gifts to the WDMH Foundation's General Equipment Fund. These donors include the Kin Club of Russell and the proceeds

from their Catch the Ace 5.0 Lottery. "Thank you to the Kin Club volunteers and everyone who purchased tickets for CTA5," notes WDMH Foundation Managing Director Kristen Casselman.

These specialized sterilizers, also called autoclaves, are used to properly sterilize medical equipment and instruments. For example, they are used to clean our instruments used to perform laparoscopic and open surgeries.

"With three operating rooms, our sterilizers are used a lot," sums up Kristen. "These pieces of equipment are essential to the smooth operation of WDMH and to patient safety. Thank you to our community for your generous support."

The total cost of the sterilizers was **\$208,760.41**.

Medical Device Reprocessing Technicians David Vincent Campbell (left) and Evan Antonakos (right) check out the new sterilizers with Acey from the Catch the Ace Lottery!

Thank you for caring!

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Big or small, every community event makes an impact and we are so grateful.

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



What an amazing community!
Thanks for your support!

Our community has a whole lot of heart and **Sharon Monteith** from **Up the Creek Glass Studio** spread the love around with some beautiful hand-crafted glass heart suncatchers. All proceeds were donated to the WDMH Foundation, resulting in \$4,030 for the General Equipment Fund.

The North Dundas United Soccer Club ended their season with year-end celebrations for the players. They also celebrated health care close to home with a \$1,082.75 donation to the WDMH Foundation's Family Care Fund, noting that our hospital is an important part of the community that every player has used at one point or another.

Patients undergoing cancer treatment at WDMH benefited from a \$78,305.29

donation to our Cancer Care Fund – thanks to the **Dairy Producers of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry** and the generosity of local community members at **Dairy Cares for SD&G**. Local farmers really care!

Shoppers at a gift shop in Finch have enjoyed choosing both treats and treasures – all in support of the WDMH Foundation's Cancer Care Fund. **Treats & Treasures Gift Shop** owner Gloria Logtens recently stopped by the hospital to present a cheque for \$2,000 – and share her thanks for health care close to home.

It was a sea of yellow ducks heading down the South Nation River at the **St. Daniel's Knights of Columbus** Duck Race in May. And this year, there was a lot of extra quacking and flapping as the funds raised were donated to *BOTH* WDMH and Dundas Manor – \$1,000 for the Diagnostic Imaging Fund and \$1,000 for the new home!

Charlee's WOD – Workout of the Day – also took place in May and it was a tough one with a 2,000 metre run, 11 box jump burpees and 29 sit-ups – repeated four times. But the results made it all worthwhile. Charlee's WOD raised \$2,340 for the WDMH Family Birthing Unit!

Sixty-five kayaks showed up on June 8th for a ten-kilometre ride and poker run with the **Chesterville Kayak Club**. The event supported four local charities, including \$450 for the WDMH Foundation's Cancer Care Navigator Fund.

### **What a Fun Day!**

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our Family Fun Day in June. It was a chance to say thank you to our wonderful community - for your support and your commitment to health care close to home.

A little rain didn't slow things down as guests enjoyed giant lawn games, free hot dogs, door prizes and more. Thanks for coming out!



#### **Get Involved for WDMH!**

Thank you to everyone in our community who has hosted an event in the past few months to support Winchester District Memorial Hospital. If you have an idea, we'd love to chat and support you with your plans. Please contact Justine Plummer at 613-774-2422 ext. 6172 or jplummer@wdmh.on.ca.





## Expanding the circle of compassionate care

LET'S BUILD THE NEW DUNDAS MANOR

# \$4.44 Million More! We Can Do it!

Check out Dundas Manor resident Joan Dunlop right in the middle of this group of local leaders, staff members and volunteers. Everyone was happy to don hard hats and work boots to check in on the construction progress for the new Dundas Manor.

"It's a beehive of activity and it's very exciting," noted Dundas Manor Administrator Susan Poirier. "We are so proud to show off the new Dundas Manor to our community. Every day, there is something new to see!"

The WDMH Foundation continues to lead the fundraising efforts right alongside the construction work. As the walls go up, so do the gifts for Dundas Manor. Planning is now turning from the bricks and mortar to everything that is needed inside the new home – from furniture to flowers to even forks. It's very exciting and there is much more to do to keep the magic going for Dundas Manor residents. We only need \$4.44 million more! We can do it – together!

"We are in the home stretch, but we're not there yet. But we know we can do it – together!" says WDMH Foundation Managing Director Kristen Casselman. "We are grateful to everyone in the community who is supporting the campaign to build the new Dundas Manor and everyone who is considering making a gift. We need everyone's help to make this dream a reality for the residents and our community!"









#### **Making Magic!**

We are grateful to the many donors who are supporting the Expanding the Circle of Compassionate Care campaign to build the new Dundas Manor. Every day, we meet donors who recognize the need for a new, larger long-term care home in our region. And they want to help.

Recently, WDMH Foundation staff and volunteers took to the streets to keep these conversations going. The Home-to-Home Drive was a chance to connect and give. And you did! You smiled, waved and rolled down your windows to give. And by the end of the weekend, the Home-to-Home Drive raised \$6,529.61 across North and South Dundas. That is an incredible amount and really shows that every bit really adds up!



Thank you everyone who gave, our amazing volunteers who stood in the heat and local businesses who donated snacks and even hats!



### **Spread the Love**

We still have lawn signs ... or perhaps living room window, boat or camper signs! If you want to help spread the news and show your commitment to the new Dundas Manor, pick yours up at the Foundation office in the lobby of the hospital. Or call 613-774-2422 ext. 6169 for other pick-up locations.



# ONLY 8,100 TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!

**GET YOURS BEFORE THEY SELL OUT!** 



#### **Vroom! Vroom!**

Tickets are going fast for the Raise the Roof Lottery for the new Dundas Manor. You could take home a 2024 Jeep Wrangler and \$13,000 in grocery gift cards to spend at Foodland, FreshCo or Sobeys! Tickets are \$30 each, 5 tickets for \$100, or 25 for \$250. You can also add a 50/50 option with 3 tickets for \$5, 10 for \$10, 60 for \$30, or 200 for \$70. The guaranteed jackpot is \$9,995 but it could be much more! Plus - the lottery includes one more \$1,000 early bird prize in September. Get your tickets online at wdmhfoundationraffles.ca. The final draw takes place on September 30th. Good luck everyone!

# Get Involved for Dundas Manor!

There are so many wonderful events taking place in our community to support the new Dundas Manor. We hope everyone can join in the fun. All the campaign events are posted on the Dundas Manor Dream website at www.dundasmanordream/events. There's something for everyone and every little bit helps.

To chat about fundraising events for Dundas Manor, please contact Cindy Ault Peters at 343-572-6345 or cpeters@wdmh.on.ca.

### **Amazing Sponsors**











### **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!



# New Clinics at WDMH

Winchester District Memorial Hospital has launched two new clinics to help care for our local communities.

Welcome to Dr. Shannon Meilleur who has joined the WDMH team to lead a new **Rheumatology Clinic**. Rheumatology is the branch of medicine devoted to the diagnosis and management of autoimmune disorders where the common feature is inflammation in the bones, muscles, joints and internal organs.

And patients are breathing a little easier, thanks to the new **Pulmonary Function Testing Clinic**. It supports patients with asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), pulmonary hypertension and pulmonary fibrosis.

A physician referral is required to make an appointment at these clinics.









### **Yummy Strawberries**

Every July, Dundas Manor's Strawberry Social provides a chance to gather and celebrate the season. Residents, families, staff and volunteers enjoy an afternoon of entertainment, fun - and yummy strawberries of course! It's also a time to celebrate the Dundas Manor team with the annual Service Awards and the Commitment Award.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for this festive event.





### Your Legacy – Read all about it!

Have you heard about our legacy giving newsletters? We publish two issues of *Your Legacy* each year and each issue is chock full of information. Topics include legacy giving, types of legacy gifts, why donors decided to include the WDMH Foundation as part of their legacy, and how this special way of giving benefits you, your family and local health care.

Even though these gifts will be received in the years to come, legacy gifts are helping the new Dundas Manor be built today. And while past legacy gifts have helped to shape Winchester District Memorial Hospital into what it is today, future legacy gifts will help to provide care close to home for generations.

No matter the reason for giving, whether it be for personal fulfillment, a way to say 'Thank You' or for the charitable tax benefits, legacy donors help provide excellent care for everyone close to home.

Thank you, legacy donors!

To receive your issue of *Your Legacy*, please reach out to Erin Kapcala, Manager of Major and Planned Giving for the WDMH Foundation at ekapcala@wdmh.on.ca or 613-292-7468 (call or text).



### **Planned and Legacy GIVING**

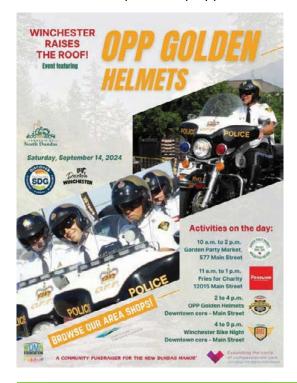
If you have included a gift to the WDMH Foundation in your Will, or listed the WDMH Foundation as a beneficiary to an investment or life insurance policy – or plan to – thank you!

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful commitment to the future of compassionate care at WDMH



#### Please Join Us!

We have some amazing events coming up this fall – and we hope you can join us! For all the details, please visit the WDMH Foundation Facebook page, <a href="www.wdmhfoundation.ca/cometoanevent">www.wdmhfoundation.ca/cometoanevent</a> or <a href="www.dundasmanordream.ca/events">www.dundasmanordream.ca/events</a>. And if you are interested in sponsorship opportunities for any of these events, please reach out to Cindy Ault Peters at 343-572-6345.





see you there!







#### **Grateful for Our Local Communities**

Our 2024 Report to the Community

Welcome to a joint update from **Winchester District Memorial Hospital**, **Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home**, the **WDMH Auxiliary**, and the **WDMH Foundation**. It's our annual opportunity to share some of the highlights from the past year and to thank our local communities for your incredible support. We also want to thank our healthcare teams for their commitment to the very best care.

#### **Hot Off the Press!**

Our Joint Report to the Community is hot off the press! It provides updates from Winchester District Memorial Hospital, the WDMH Auxiliary, the WDMH Foundation, and Dundas Manor.

Visit <u>www.wdmh.on.ca</u> to read all the news.

#### We'd love to keep in touch!

We'd love to chat about whatever you can do to help support health care close to home. Give us a call or feel free to stop by our office and say hi. Thank you!

Visit our website to sign up for an online version of this newsletter!



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