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THE WDMH FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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NEW KID ON THE BLOCK

I am incredibly honoured and pleased to be the newest member of the WDMH Foundation Board.

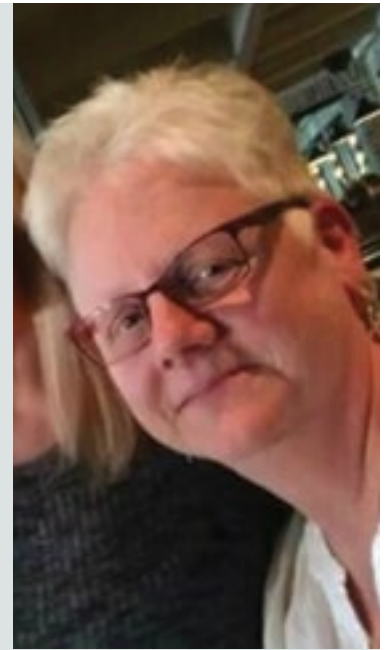
Volunteerism has been part of my life since being a candy striper at the Montréal General Hospital back in the late 1960s. I've been volunteering in whatever community I've lived in ever since.

I moved to SD&G back in the early 1990s. WDMH has been 'my' hospital since the very beginning. I've always been impressed by the extremely high level of care and all of the staff are friendly and professional.

When I retired, I saw the opportunity to 'give back'. I admit I'm not a numbers person, but the idea of writing policies and procedures, operational manuals and by-laws makes my heart just jump out of my chest! I look forward to sharing my expertise.

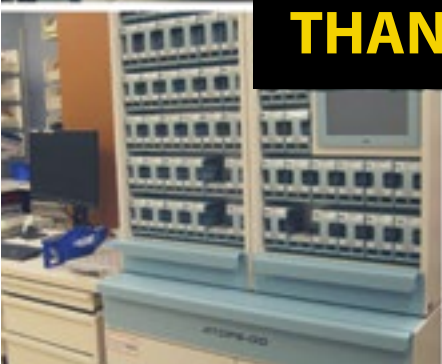
I look forward to working with this great group of people and getting to know all of the SD&G community who support the Foundation and the care provided at WDMH.

Christine Chevalier
WDMH Foundation Board Member



The ADCs have arrived!

THANK YOU!



THEY'RE HERE!

The Automated Dispensing Cabinets (ADCs) for medication and pill packager have arrived and we can't thank our donors enough. This new technology helps to ensure the right medication for the right patient at the right time. WDMH staff are busy developing a detailed training and implementation plan. Our go-live date is April 2018. Go team!



Thank you for caring!

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every day, our donors go above and beyond. Thank you to all of you for making an impact and supporting health care close to home.



LOCAL CARE

The Township of North Stormont donated \$15,000 to our General Equipment Fund in support of new equipment like the new ADCs for medication. “Many residents rely upon WDMH to provide primary and emergency care,” noted Mayor Dennis Fife. “Council is proud to be a supporter.” Since 2002, the Council has donated \$165,350 to the Foundation.

A LASTING LEGACY

Bruce Tessier of BMO Nesbitt Burns visited WDMH to facilitate the gift of shares from the estate of Fred and Carole Brouse. “I wish I had known Fred and Carole Brouse,” said Managing Director Kristen Casselman. “A gift from someone’s will is the most personal and selfless gift someone can make. This is truly an inspirational gift.”



A Great Team

Caisse populaire Nouvel-Horizon in Embrun and Desjardins Insurance have teamed up to support local health care. They donated \$4,000 to our Family Care Fund – supporting care for families just like yours.

FORE a Good Cause

Thank you to the planning committee, volunteers, sponsors and golfers who helped to raise \$7,005 at this year’s Cloverdale Golf Classic. The funds have been donated to the General Equipment Fund to purchase new equipment such as the Force FX Generator.

Acts of Kindness

We are grateful to the Florence Nightingale Home Foundation and the Order of the Eastern Star, Winchester Chapter, for their donation of \$4,000 to our General Equipment Fund in support of new equipment like the purchase of a new ultrasound stretcher. This is the organization’s fourth gift to the Foundation.

EQUIPMENT PROFILE

One of the Foundation's latest equipment purchases is a pediatric scope. It is used to visualize the large bowel. It has a smaller diameter than an adult scope, which helps to navigate tight corners in patients who have had previous surgeries. Endoscopies are performed to aid in the diagnoses and treatment of many bowel cancers, polyps, bleeds and pathology .

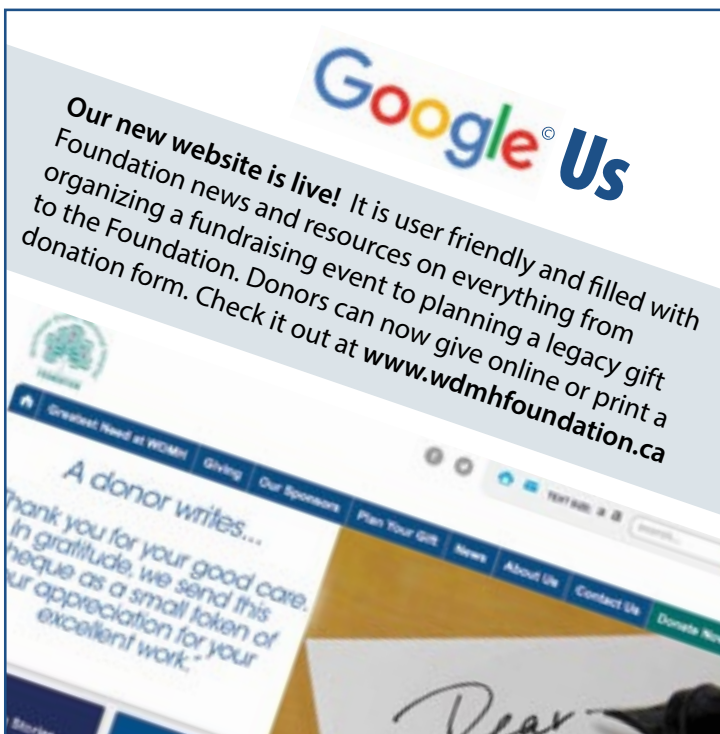
"We are fortunate enough to have the latest in technology to accommodate this large patient population," notes Karen Lydiatt, Team Leader, Perioperative Unit. "Thank you to our donors!"



The 20th annual Christmas Wish Tree program provides a way to honour or remember your family and friends with a gift to the WDMH Foundation.

This year, the program has extra special meaning, as it has been renamed "The Judy Lannin Christmas Wish Tree". Judy Lannin, a kind-hearted and determined WDMH team member, started the program 20 years ago. A granite memorial stone was unveiled in her honour, to be placed at the foot of the tree in the roundabout at the front of the hospital.

Thank you to everyone for your support of this annual tradition.



Join Us

We're looking for volunteers to help with next year's Gala ~ set for June 16th, 2018. We need help with everything from brainstorming ideas to cleaning up after the big event. If you can spare a bit of time, please call the Foundation office at 613-774-2422 ext. 6169.



LOTS OF SMILES

A new Pediatric Waiting Room in the WDMH Emergency Department is bringing smiles to little faces. The new space - christened Little Monkey's Lounge – includes a colourful mural, colouring tables, fun games on the walls and even chalkboards shaped like elephants and rhinoceroses.



THANK YOU TO OUR 2017-2018 GALA SPONSORS



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PROUD TO BE NAMED TOP EMPLOYER

WDMH has received the 2017 Employer Award of Excellence from the Registered Practical Nurses Association of Ontario (RPNAO).

"It is such an honour to work with our 42 Registered Practical Nurses (RPNs) every day. They are an amazing group of professionals who are truly committed to caring for our patients," notes Lynn Hall, Senior Vice President, Clinical Services. "They are an integral part of our health care team."

Sign Up Today!

Because of You is online too. If you'd like to receive the newsletter right to your mailbox, please [sign up today](#).

Thanks for your support of the WDMH Foundation!

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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Did you know that the provincial government does not fund medical equipment purchases for hospitals?