

SOUTH HURON HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

newsletter

Fall 2009



Health Care Where and When You Need It

The South Huron Hospital Association plays a pivotal role in our community and is the first access for emergency care for over 19,000 residents, recreational visitors, workers in local industries and businesses.

Our 24/7 emergency services, laboratory, x-ray services, or outpatient clinic service, provide many primary services for the communities we serve.

Since 1982, the South Huron Hospital Foundation has worked to ensure that our hospital has the patient equipment necessary to deliver quality health care.

In the last year, the Foundation purchased equipment to assist with the development of a Cardiac Stress Test Clinic and a Bone Mineral Density Program at South Huron Hospital Association.

The Cardiac Stress Test Clinic began in October 2008 and Dr. Fiaani and Dr. McLean have tested over 100 patients to date. The staff of South Huron Hospital Association's Diagnostic Imaging Department have tested over 250 patients since the introduction of the Bone Mineral Density Program .

“The quality of care our hospital delivers today is as much a testament to the commitment of our donors as it is to the skills and dedication of the physicians, nurses and staff who work here.”

Please join the South Huron Hospital Foundation family and help us continue to offer the best possible care close to home. Your contribution will benefit your family, friends and neighbours.

Odette Pelletier
Chair,
South Huron Hospital Foundation

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We're Here to Help

South Huron Hospital Association is here for you when you need help. The physicians, nurses and staff are committed to providing excellent care. Every day they provide the gift of quality health care close to home.

To achieve safe and quality patient care, equipment and technology need to be current.

The hospital regularly assesses its capital equipment (items costing \$1,000 or more) to determine what needs to be updated or replaced.

While the funds provided by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care ensure that the access to services continue, the hospital still requires community donations to purchase capital equipment.

Annually the Foundation has provided \$250,000 to purchase needed equipment.



Number Needed	Item	Cost
3	Electric Beds - for patient and staff safety	\$5,000 each
12	Ceiling Lifts - for safer patient transfer	\$6,000 each
4	Pressure Mattresses - for patient comfort	\$700 each
1	Crash Cart - for patient care	\$2,500
20	Overbed and side tables for patient rooms - to replace worn and broken tables	\$1,000 each



South Huron Hospital Auxiliary To Assist the Hospital in Every Way Possible



In 1952, Elmer Bell, Board Chair, asked the wives of Lions Club members to form an Auxiliary, to assist the hospital in every way possible in the interest of patient care.

All communities served by the hospital were asked to send representatives. Over 100 area women attended the first meeting.

The Auxiliary began their fundraising efforts with very successful Tag Days. Now, the Gift Shop and the Spring and

Fall Rummage Sales allow the Auxiliary to be an integral part in the quality of care provided at South Huron Hospital Association.

Many vital pieces of patient care equipment have been purchased by the Auxiliary in their 57 years, such as: autoclave, patient beds, heart monitors, IV pumps and most recently \$50,000 towards the purchase of digital x-ray equipment and \$20,000 for the purchase of the bone mineral density scanner.

The Auxiliary has given in excess of a \$1,000,000 over the years to support the hospital and community, not to mention the countless volunteer hours.

Thank you to the Auxiliary for their many years of support and caring!!



The First Executive, 1952 - Back row, left to right: Mrs. Ward Hern, Woodham; Mrs. Ralph Hicks, Exeter; Mrs. J.G. Dunlop, Exeter; Mrs. Norman Walper, Exeter; Mrs. E.D. Bell, Exeter. **Second row, left to right:** Mrs. Lorne Tieman, Dashwood; Mrs. William Middleton, Exeter; Mrs. Harvey Pollen, Exeter; Miss Margaret Brown, Exeter; Mrs. Vernon Heywood, Exeter; Mrs. H.H. Cowen, Exeter; Mrs. Hubert Jones, Exeter; Mrs. Roland (Motz) Brock, Crediton; Mrs. F.J. Milner, Exeter. **Front row, left to right:** Mrs. C.S. MacNaughton, Exeter; Mrs. Hobbs Taylor, Dashwood; Mrs. Gordon Koch, Exeter; Mrs. Kenneth Johns, Elimville, President; Mrs. James D. Smith, Exeter; Mrs. Gerald Zwicker, Crediton.

The South Huron Medical Centre

Family Practice Centre by day, Walk-In Clinic by Night!

South Huron Hospital Association operates both the South Huron Medical Centre and the Walk-In Clinic.

The South Huron Medical Centre at 23 Huron St. West, is the home of the 6 family practice doctors; Dr. Yasmin Mussani, Dr. Sean Ryan, Dr. Mario Bueno, Dr. Ming Lam, Dr. Munsif Bhimani, Dr. Maureen Farrell and the Walk-In Clinic.

Patients without a family doctor, or have a medical condition requiring urgent care, can seek medical help at the Walk-In Clinic.

The Family Practice Centre - Office Hours

8:30 a.m – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday, (excluding holidays)

Closed at lunch from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Phone: 519-235-3343



Walk-in Clinic - Hours

4:00 – 7:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

11:00 – 2:00 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays,

The Walk-in is open every day but Christmas is based on physician availability.

Patients will be registered from 3:45 – 6:45 p.m.

“Angels Among Us”



A beautiful way to honour the memory of a loved one.

Donations made to the Foundation, in “memory of”, and totaling more than \$500, will be recognized with a letter to the family, requesting permission to honour their loved one on the “Angels Among Us” memorial board displayed in the hospital.

Visit our website at www.shhf.on.ca

South Huron Hospital, the ‘Little Hospital that Does’ – how true that statement is. Several years ago I found myself in the SHHA ER with a serious hand wound. Thanks to the doctor’s incredible skills, my thumb is almost 100%. It could have been so much worse had I not received the expert attention I was so fortunate to have had.

A year later, our youngest son (an Emergency Physician) and his wife (also a physician) came to visit us. Our daughter-in-law ended up needing ER care after a boat propeller sliced open her knee. Upon arrival at the hospital, we were greeted by the same highly skilled ER doctor who had so competently put me back together, the year before. Today, the knee is as good as new with only a slight scar. Our family marvels at the professionalism and care given by the ER department that serves our small rural community.

How fortunate we were to have South Huron Hospital there when we needed expert medical attention. Clearly the ‘Little Hospital that Does’, did for us!

Stephanie Donaldson
Oakwood Park, South Huron

Another Great Day on The Greens!

The 5th annual fundraising golf tournament was held at Ironwood Golf Club on Friday, September 18th. Over \$14,000 was raised. Many thanks to our sponsors, participants, volunteers and Ironwood Golf Club.



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8th Annual Radiothon



The South Huron Hospital Foundation is one of 15 hospitals in Midwestern Ontario hoping to raise over \$900,000 during the 8th Annual CKNX Health Care Heroes Radiothon. The one day event was held Saturday, October 17th,

2009 and was broadcast on AM920 CKNX, 101.7 The One and 94.5 The Bull.

Hospital Foundations from Chesley, Clinton, Durham, Exeter, Goderich, Hanover, Kincardine, Listowel, Markdale, Mt. Forest,

Palmerston, Seaforth, Southampton, Walkerton and Wingham are participating.

South Huron Hospital Foundation and the Royal Canadian Legion hosted a Sunrise Breakfast at the Legion on Saturday, October 17th from 7 a.m. to 12:00 p.m with entertainment. Funds raised will go towards the purchase of the Bone Mineral Density Scanner.

To make a donation to the Radiothon and the Bone Mineral Density Scanner, please call the Foundation at 519-235-2700 ext. 5133.

Here's my gift of:

\$50 \$75 \$125 or I'd prefer \$ _____

Enclosed is a cheque payable to South Huron Hospital Foundation

OR Please charge my

Card No.

Expiry / Signature _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The Foundation has a policy of recognizing donations over \$500.00

No, I do not wish to have my name listed in any public recognition issued by the South Huron Hospital Foundation. For more information on recognition levels, please contact the Foundation

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