

KDH Auxiliary to receive "Exemplary Work" Award

On April 26, the Kemptville District Hospital Auxiliary will receive North Grenville's 2010 Civic Award for **Exemplary Work In The Community**.

This award recognizes the contributions of the KDH Auxiliary, which for 51 years has supported our local hospital through fundraising and volunteer work, and has served as a key link between the hospital and the community.

The KDHA Executive will accept the award on behalf of the Auxiliary. President Mary Gervais

points out that "This award is being given to the KDH Auxiliary because of its volunteers: they are the reason for the award!"

All KDH volunteers and Auxiliary members past and present, and their families and guests, are invited to attend the award reception and ceremony at the North Grenville Municipal Centre (285 County Rd. 44, Kemptville). The reception will take place in the lobby at 5:30, and the presentation will be at 6:30 in the theatre.

Auxiliary pledges \$100,000 for Mammogram machine

At a special evening with broadcaster and breast cancer survivor Dr. Marla Shapiro on January 30, the KDH Foundation launched a campaign to raise \$750,000 to equip a mammography suite in the new wing of Kemptville District Hospital.

Having state-of-the-art digital mammography available in Kemptville will have huge benefits for our community, helping to save lives through early detection of breast cancer.

The KDH Auxiliary had already discussed this campaign and decided that we should play a major role in making it a success.

KDHA President Mary Gervais caused an audible gasp in the audience when she announced that the Auxiliary has committed to contributing \$100,000 to the mammography campaign.

The Auxiliary plans to raise this amount over four years, through a variety of initiatives. We have already made a great start, with \$3,000 from the Acton's Corners group from its fall quilt raffle, and funds being raised by an Auxiliary walking team (see article inside). In addition, nearly 50 individuals have so far made donations and pledges toward the Auxiliary's commitment.



Members of the KDH Auxiliary who attended the "Dr. Marla" launch of Kemptville District Hospital's mammography fund campaign. At right, KDHA President Mary Gervais and KDH Foundation Director Linda Bell.

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Get ready for HeyDay 2010 — our 50th!

As this year's poster says, "for 50 years, HeyDay has been Kemptville's best event for BARGAINS BARGAINS BARGAINS."

It has also been the Auxiliary's best fundraiser. Funds raised at HeyDay have been a major part of the \$800,000 that the Auxiliary has donated to KDH since 1959.

This year's HeyDay will once again be on the second weekend in June — Friday **June 11** (7-10 pm) and Saturday **June 12** (9 am -1 pm).

HeyDay Convenor Bev Carson says, "We are looking forward to a big success again this year."

KDHA President Mary Gervais is determined to have fifty prizes at the "President's raffle" table this year,

The first sign of HeyDay is the sale of 50-50 tickets beginning in mid-April at various places in the North Grenville community. Tickets are one for \$2.00 and three for \$5.00. The winning ticket — winning 50% of the entire amount collected through ticket sales — will be drawn on Saturday June 12 at 1 pm.

Volunteers will be needed to sort donated items from Thursday June 10 through Friday June 11. Help is also needed in the canteen to prepare the mountain

of sandwiches that are devoured each year by Hey Day participants, as well as to bake those delicious homemade pies that we all enjoy.

To volunteer, call Bev Carson at 613-258-5771.

PLEASE DONATE CANADIAN TIRE MONEY

The Auxiliary welcomes donations of Canadian Tire money to help buy raffle prizes for HeyDay. Please send it to the Auxiliary (address on page 1) or drop it in the locked box outside the gift shop.

SECOND HAND ROSE

The "Second Hand Rose" section in the KDH Gift shop offers a range of gently-used (and still-beautiful) jewelry, china and other items at terrific bargain prices.

Joyce Charter, co-manager of the gift shop, encourages area residents to donate jewelry and other small treasures that they are no longer using. "These items can bring pleasure to a new owner, and can benefit the hospital too."

To donate items for Second Hand Rose, please call Joyce at 613-258-6706 or Bev Cecchini at 613-258-5719, or bring the items to the gift shop during opening hours.

TO BRING COMFORT AND HOPE:

100 years of healthcare auxiliaries in Ontario

The Auxiliary has received a copy of the HAAO's 100th anniversary book, "To Bring Comfort and Hope," which is on display in the gift shop. Individuals may order their own copies from HAAO, for \$24.95 + tax (order forms are in the gift shop) or you may order direct from HAAO by phoning 1-800-598-8002 x 1407.

Only saleable items, please

Last year we were able to keep the amount of "junk" donated to HeyDay to an absolute minimum. We hope to keep up this standard, as it is a waste of funds to have to pay dumping fees for items that should not have been left with us in the first place.

Note that we cannot accept:

- box springs, mattresses, sofas/beds
- refrigerators or freezers
- propane tanks
- tires or car batteries
- microwaves
- computers, monitors, printers
- television sets, console stereos
- suitcases
- encyclopedias, textbooks, technical manuals
- sports helmets
- strollers, playpens, carseats, high-chairs, cribs

Kemptville District Hospital recognizes HAAO centennial

On February 18, Kemptville District Hospital Auxiliary members and KDH CEO Colin Goodfellow symbolically placed a logo at the hospital's entrance, celebrating the 100-year anniversary of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO).

The logo will be given a permanent spot at the new front entrance of KDH when construction is completed later this year.

The HAAO was formed in February 1910 to co-ordinate the work of hospital auxiliaries in the province. The KDH Auxiliary has been a member of the HAAO for just over fifty of those years, since our founding in 1959.

This logo placement is one of many events that will be held across Ontario



From left to right: Joyce Charter, Lis Angus, KDHA President Mary Gervais, KDH CEO Colin Goodfellow, Bev Carson, Helen Rough

throughout 2010 to mark the HAAO centennial year.

The HAAO has published a 100th anniversary book with stories from many Auxiliaries, including ours.

KDH Auxiliary team to walk 60 km for mammography fund



The KDH Breast Cancer Walkers team. From left to right: Bev Cecchini, Lis Angus, Dawna Merritt, Diane McLaughlin, Linda Cruz, Jennifer Bradshaw, Beulah Legate, John Legate.

Our Auxiliary team now has eight members, all preparing for the two-day, 60 kilometer Weekend to End Women's Cancers in Ottawa on June 5-6,

The Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation has agreed that 75% of funds raised by Kemptonville teams walking in this event will be directed to KDH to help purchase a mammogram machine.

The Auxiliary team's share will count towards our commitment of \$100,000 toward the mammography campaign,

Each team member must raise at least \$2,000 (or \$1,250 for one-day walkers). The team goal is the sum of the individual goals. Our team goal is just over \$17,000, which will bring over \$12,000 to KDH.

The Auxiliary team has already raised

over two-thirds of its goal amount, and is working hard to raise the remainder. Donations are eagerly welcomed.

To donate, visit the team's website at www.endcancer.ca/goto/kdhauxiliary

When you scroll down past the team description, you can click on each team member's name to reach their personal website. There you can click on their "donate to" button to donate online; or if you prefer, you can print off a form to mail in with a cheque. All donations over \$10 will receive a tax receipt.

Along with fundraising, team members are in training for the challenge of walking 30 kilometers a day. If you see them walking around Kemptonville, looking determined, please cheer them on!

APPLY NOW TO VOLUNTEER AT KDH!

We welcome new volunteers to help with patients (ER, OR, long term care), in pastoral care, in the gift shop, or in other KDHA activities.

Volunteers must fill out an application form and attend an orientation.

To apply, please submit your application, and you'll be contacted to let you know when the next orientation session will be held.

Application forms are available outside the Gift Shop on the lower level of KDH, or from the hospital's HR department. You can also download the form from kdhauxiliary.ca (scroll down and click on "Join our team of volunteers.")

You will be contacted once your form has been received. For more information, contact Helen Rough at 613-258-4537.

TRIBUTE FUND

Make a tax-deductible donation to the Auxiliary to honour the memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special occasion. All Tribute Fund donations are used for the direct benefit of patient care at KDH.

Send your donation, marked "Tribute Fund" and with the name of the honouree, to the KDH Auxiliary—see address on front cover.

Or donate online at kdhauxiliary.ca (click on the "donate now" button and select *Tribute Fund*.)

Attend the 2010 Volunteer Tea on April 20

The Kemptonville District Hospital honours its volunteers each year at a Volunteer Tea. This year's tea will be held at 2 pm on Tuesday, April 20, at the Kemptonville Legion Hall on Reuben Street.

The Auxiliary always gives out its own awards at this tea, and this year several long-time volunteers will receive recognition for their contributions.

All volunteers are encouraged to attend this event to get filled in on what's going on at the hospital, to meet new volunteers and catch up with old friends.



KDH staff presented a special appreciation plaque to the Auxiliary at last year's Volunteer Tea.



Auxiliary donates \$28,000 for cardiac monitor.

KDHA President Mary Gervais hands a cheque to Colin Goodfellow (KDH CEO, on right) and Andy Pinhey (KDH Director Financial Services, on left). This amount will go toward a much needed cardiac monitor at the hospital. The Auxiliary has now given more than \$800,000 to the hospital since its founding in 1959, helping to finance the acquisition of much critical equipment to improve patient care.

KDH Auxiliary to host booth at Home & Lifestyle Show

Bring your friends to the the Home and Lifestyle show being held at the Kemptville College's W.B. George Centre on Friday April 23 (6-9 pm) and Saturday April 24 (9-7 pm).

Be sure to stop at the Auxiliary booth, which will be the first one on your right as you enter. You'll be greeted by a team of Auxiliary members, eager to promote the organization's activities and invite area residents to participate.

We'll be using this opportunity to inform attendees about the Auxiliary, with our brochure and a slide show.

- We'll also be:
- offering a great selection of items for sale from our gift shop (including some of Joyce Charter's new spring inventory)
 - selling HeyDay 50-50 tickets

- encouraging people to become KDH volunteers
- asking for donations for our Breast Cancer Walk team.

We hope to see you there!

In Memoriam

We lost two long-serving Auxiliary members in January:

Wilena McFarlane - Deceased Jan 11, 2010, age 91. Wilena was a founding member of the KDH Auxiliary, and a long time member of the Actons Corners Unit.

Janet Bailey - Deceased Jan 1, 2010, in her 89th year. Janet played an active role in the Auxiliary, including heading the Furniture Section at HeyDay for many years.

CALENDAR

Auxiliary Meetings:

7 pm, 3rd Monday in month in KDH Board Room (no meetings July, August or December):

- April 19
- May 17
- June 21 (includes AGM)

Other Events:

April 20: **Volunteer Tea.** Legion Hall, 2 pm.

April 23-24: Auxiliary booth at **Home & Lifestyle Show.** Kemptville College Campus, Fri 6-9 pm, Sat 9am - 7 am.

April 26: **NG Civic Awards ceremony.** Municipal Centre, reception 5:30 pm, presentation 6:30 pm.

June 11-12: **HeyDay.** Kemptville Curling Club Fri 7-10 pm, Sat 9 am - 1 pm.

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If you move - please let us know your new address!