

Get Ready for HeyDay 2014



Hannah and Heidi Bucks were thrilled with the dolls they bought at last year's HeyDay (2013)

As we look forward to spring after our long winter, you may find yourself cleaning out cupboards and closets, ending up with a pile of items — clothing, toys, appliances, sporting goods, furniture — that you don't want any more, but that are in perfectly good condition.

Great timing! Put them aside for Hey Day, which is coming up the second weekend in June — Friday **June 13** (7-10 pm) and Saturday **June 14** (9 am -1 pm).

HeyDay, the giant yard sale that fills the North Grenville Curling Club on the second weekend in June each year, has been a bargain hunter's dream for 54 years.

It is also the KDH Auxiliary's main fundraising event. Funds raised at HeyDay have been a major part of the over \$1 million that the Auxiliary has donated to Kemptville District Hospital since 1959.

The first sign of HeyDay is the sale of 50-50 tickets beginning in early April at various places in the North Grenville community and area. Tickets are one for \$2.00 and three for \$5.00. The

Only saleable items, please

Please make sure your donated items are clean and in working order. Also note that there are items we don't accept, either for health and safety reasons or because they do not sell. (The Auxiliary has to pay dumping fees for all discarded items, which is a waste of funds. We need to keep the amount of "junk" donated to an absolute minimum.)

We cannot accept:

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

winning ticket — winning 50% of the entire amount collected through ticket sales — will be drawn on Saturday June 14 at 1 pm. Last year's winner won \$2,780.

We welcome donations of a wide range of items, to be dropped off at the Curling Club on Thursday, June 12 (9 am to 8 pm).

Volunteers will be needed to sort donated items from Thursday June 12 through Friday June 13.

Help is also needed in the canteen to prepare the mountain of sandwiches that are devoured by HeyDay volunteers and shoppers. Donations of home baked pies are welcome and are enjoyed by all.

To volunteer, call HeyDay convenor Jane Wolfe at 613-258-3108.

2013 quilt raffle was very successful

APPLY NOW TO VOLUNTEER AT KDH

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

Application forms are available at the Gift Shop on the lower level of KDH, or from the hospital's HR department.

For more information, contact Stephanie Redmond at 613-258-6133, ext 164.

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 below.

HELP RUN THE AUXILIARY – ALL WELCOME AT OUR MEETINGS

The KDH Auxiliary meets at 7 pm in the KDH Board Room, on the third Monday of each month (except July, August, & December).

All members, volunteers and interested guests are welcome. Come and help us map out our activities to support KDH.

Managing the business of the Auxiliary is a team effort, and one that brings many rewards. We hope you'll join us!



Debra Seguin, co-president of the KDHA Acton's Corners Unit, presented a cheque for \$5,000 to Lillian Leonard at the December potluck dinner.

The Acton's Corners KDHA unit held its annual potluck supper on Dec 4, as a time for members to get together.

A highlight of the evening, as always, was the draw for the fall quilt raffle. Margaret Chartrand won the beautiful queensize quilt, donated by the Osgoode Quilters.

The annual quilt raffle is the Acton's Corners unit's major fundraiser. This year the group contributed \$5,000 to the main Auxiliary from the proceeds of the raffle. This amount formed part of the Auxiliary's \$60,000 donation to the hospital in March (see below).

Auxiliary donates another \$60,000 to KDH

On March 25, the KDH Auxiliary donated \$60,000 to the hospital, matching last year's record-level donation. With this cheque, the Auxiliary's total donations since 1959 now total \$1,100,000. These funds are generated by Auxiliary activities, including HeyDay, the annual quilt

raffle, and the Tribute fund. In the past three years, proceeds at the expanded gift shop/coffee bar have made it possible for the Auxiliary to more than double its previous annual contributions. These donations help KDH buy needed patient care equipment.



Lillian Leonard, KDHA President, presented a cheque on behalf of the Auxiliary to KDH CEO Colin Goodfellow on March 25.

Two new PLMs to be recognized

This spring, two longtime Auxiliary members will receive their Provincial Life Member (PLM) pins and certificates from the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO). Their PLM status was awarded in 2013 but they are officially receiving them this spring.

Helen Racine

Helen has been an active member of the KDH Auxiliary for over fifteen years. During that time her efforts have been recognized with two Certificates of Appreciation (1998 and 2009) and a V-Pin (2009). Helen has volunteered in the gift shop, has been a regular at raffle ticket sales, and always helps decorate the hospital at Christmas. She is also a stalwart at HeyDay, acting as convener of the Children's clothing table.



Bev Cecchini

Bev joined the KDH Auxiliary in 2002 as a volunteer in the gift shop. Since 2004 she has served as Secretary of the Auxiliary. She received her V-Pin in 2006, in recognition of her many contributions to Auxiliary projects. Bev has been general manager of the KDHA coffee bar/gift shop since 2011. She runs the canteen (Lil's Café) at Hey Day and she always comes out to set up the Christmas Village at Christmas.

One of KDH's original nurses helps celebrate the Auxiliary's \$1 million donation milestone

Lois Latimer, a longtime KDHA volunteer now living in Kingston, visited KDH on October 23, 2013 to attend the Auxiliary's celebration of having donated over \$1 million to Kemptville District Hospital.

Lois was one of the first nurses employed at KDH when the hospital opened in 1960.

Here Lois is seated below a photo of that first group of nurses. In the black-and-white photo behind her current smiling face, Lois is the tall figure in the centre.



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.

Betty Beach, Second Hand Rose co-ordinator, encourages area residents to donate jewelry, ornaments, dishes, 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 Betty at 613-258-4454 or bring the items to the gift shop during open hours. (every weekday from 9 am - 5:30 pm.)

**GIFT SHOP
&
COFFEE BAR**

Hours:

Monday to Friday

9 am – 5:30 pm

Coffee bar: Serves coffee, tea and juices, soups, sandwiches & wraps, salads, yogurt, fruit and muffins and healthy snacks.

Gift shop: Offers a range of gift items, including jewelry, dishes, purses and knitware. The stock is regularly updated with seasonal items and fresh merchandise. Some personal care items are also available.

All volunteers welcome at Volunteer Tea, April 22

We look forward to welcoming all Auxiliary volunteers and supporters at this year's Volunteer Tea. Come and bring a friend, to encourage them to also lend support to our hospital.

The Kemptville District Hospital hosts this event each year to honour its volunteers. This year's tea will be held at **2 pm on Tuesday, April 22**, at the **Kemptville Municipal Centre**. (Note: it's NOT at the Legion Hall this year.)

The Auxiliary always gives out its own awards at this tea, and this year several long-time volunteers will receive recognition for their contributions. This includes two new HAAO Provincial Life Members (see article on page 3.)



Cake enjoyed at 2013 Volunteer Tea

We encourage all volunteers to attend this event. It's a great way to get filled in on what's going on at the hospital, to meet new volunteers and catch up with old friends.

CALENDAR

Auxiliary Meetings:

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

- April 21
- May 19
- June 23 – Hey Day wrapup and AGM

Other Events:

April 16: **HAAO Ontario East Fall Conference**, Pembroke.

April 22: **Volunteer Tea**, Kemptville Municipal Centre

June 13-14: **HeyDay**, North Grenville Curling Club. Friday 7-10 pm, Saturday 9 am-1 pm.

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IN MEMORIAM



Rebecca Dukes

Peacefully on Saturday December 14, 2013. Rebecca was an active member of the KDH Auxiliary, and a generous supporter of its Mammography Campaign. In 2011 the Auxiliary awarded her a Certificate of Appreciation to recognize her commitment to Auxiliary activities, especially to HeyDay where she worked on the adult clothing tables.



Wanda Tensen

Wanda Tensen passed away at home after a lengthy illness on January 9, 2014, at the age of 63. Wanda was a longtime member of the KDH Auxiliary. In 2010 she received a Provincial Life Membership from the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO) in recognition of her contributions to volunteer work.