# **Durham & Community**

# Health Care | 365 Foundation

# **SPRING 2017** People, Stories and Foundation News



Your 2017 donations will help purchase a new CT Scanner and an upgrade to the X-Ray machine.

The CT scanner will reduce radiation levels, improve image quality and allow for a more accurate diagnosis.

Direct digital imaging produce a sharp, clear image in seconds! This process allows patient exams to be completed faster, with less discomfort. Patients are exposed to less radiation for faster, more accurate diagnoses.

This Foundation has agreed to provide \$150,000 over 3 years towards each machine. They should arrive in 2017 and 2018.

## STILL GOING STRONG! VOLUNTEER, EILEEN MIGHTON

Eileen Mighton is a familiar face to 'Durham-ites' and has ties to many of them!

Though she was born in Wiarton, the family moved to Durham when she was only 1 year old. Eileen will be turning 82 in July and has been involved in the community her whole life.

The youngest of 6 children of Fred and Olive Wilder, Eileen left school after Grade 9, taking a business course. Her father, Fred was a foreman in the finishing room at Durham Furniture, so it was natural for her to work there, too.

Eileen worked in the sales office for over 40 years, working with 28 sales staff across Canada and the US, only 2 of whom were women!

Eileen and Irvan married in 1955. They had three children- Kevan, Corinne and Dennis, who gave them 9 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren!

Eileen also cared for her mother-in-law, Alice, who became paralyzed at 55 years of age. Eileen and Irvan moved in with Alice while she rehabilitated. later building a house, right across from her.

Eileen has volunteered with many groups including hockey, Girl Guides, skating and the Durham Girls Drum Corps. She fondly remembers the many trips she and Irvan took with the group.

Eileen wanted to do something for local health care. She joined the Foundation Board in 2005 and is still



an active member! She does a wonderful job with the Christmas Campaign and the Donor Wall. She has seen many changes over the years- a bigger Clinic and Link, more doctors, and a strong fundraising program for the Hospital. She hopes it continues to grow as it is so important to the community.

Thank you, Eileen!

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Christine graduated from

George Brown College as a Hearing Instrument Specialist in the 1990's.

**ACTIVEARS HEARING CENTRE COMING TO DURHAM MEDICAL CLINIC!** 

Christine and her trained staff will provide hearing evaluations, fit and repair hearing aids, create custom ear plugs, and do wax removal and ear cleaningby referral or appointment. They welcome present and future clients to the new Durham location, providing the same great service.

"This location will be in honour of my mom and dad, and our families past and future. We look forward to meeting your hearing health care needs."

~Christine Feige

## MULTI-SERVICE WORKER AND MUSICIAN - BRIAN MONIZ

While Brian might be most comfortable on the seat of his Harley, he is just as at home with a guitar in his hand, taking care of the hospital or helping patients feel comfortable.

His smiling face, sense of humour and helpful nature make him an important part of the great staff of South Bruce Grey Health Centre.

Brian is a multi-service worker, providing both housekeeping and food services to the Chesley and Durham Hospitals for the past six years. Although he lives in Owen Sound, he is happy to make the drive to Durham because of the areat team he works with here.

Brian is a talented musician, having spent over twenty years as part of "The Outlawz", a Rock and Roll band that played throughout Grey Bruce, Toronto, and the U.S. He still enjoys picking up a guitar, writing music and entertaining.

After eight years riding his Harley solo, newly-married Brian now travels with his wife Jackie -on her own bike- as often as possible. They have two trips planned for 2017— visiting the west and east coasts of Canada.

Brian has four children from 15-29 and four grand-children from 1-9 years old! He is a devoted Leafs fan and is an avid supporter of all Toronto sports teams.

Brian loves the look of a shiny floor and is proud of the work the housekeeping staff do in maintaining the Durham Hospital. He says he has met many nice people and patients here over the years.



Brian considers it part of his job to put a smile on people's faces and make their day just a bit easier. If he can make one person's day just a bit easier, he is happy. He loves his job and has no plans to retire anytime soon. Thanks Brian!

#### SAFE, SANITARY AND EFFICIENT— THE NEW ULTRASOUND PROBE DISINFECTION SYSTEM



Diagnostic Imaging Technologist Karen Kollias spends a good part of her workdays doing patient exams using ultrasound technology. Some exams involve the use of an internal probe. It is critical to patient health that the probe be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected after each use.

Until recently, cleaning the probe involved a detailed process using strong cancer-causing chemicals. Staff had to protect themselves by wearing hazardous materials suits and gloves.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Durham Hospital now has an ultrasound probe disinfection system. The Trophon EPR is known for its small size, high efficiency and non-use of toxic chemicals.

This system ensures equipment is sanitary for each use, ensuring patient health and disease control. It is environmentally-friendly and disinfection takes place in a closed system. This eliminates the risk of staff exposure to chemicals.

It is a fast, effective and convenient procedure. With less down time between exams, more patients can be seen. This reduces time to diagnosis and treatment and improves the overall health care of the community. Your support for the Durham Hospital is greatly appreciated by the DI team!

#### NEW JOB AND LOVING IT! - ALISON WALTER, WARD CLERK



Alison may have only been at the Durham Hospital for 14 months but she can't imagine working anywhere else!

As Ward Clerk, she is often the first person visitors and family see in the mornings as she

answers calls, logs doctors' orders for tests, care and medication into the computer, and takes care of discharge paperwork.

Alison also makes arrangements for patient transportation between hospitals for tests or advanced care. She orders medical and clerical supplies for the ward and is always smiling!

A former paramedic, Alison worked from an airplane for three years, serving the Timmins area. After an injury, she returned to school and graduated from Conestoga College with a certificate in Health Office Administrator— a 2 year program.

She started in the Intensive Care Unit at St. Mary's Hospital and finally

moved north to cover the Walkerton, Chesley and Durham hospitals.

Alison's family has a strong background in health care and she always knew what she wanted to do. She enjoys spending time with her husband, Mike and their 8 year old daughter. Alison likes to spend her free time biking, swimming and watching her daughter play sports. The family often goes fishing for pike and pickerel although she can't clean her catch!

She loves it here in Durham, saying the health care team feels like a family and the management staff supportive and approachable. She finds all the doctors very pleasant and easy to talk to. Say 'Hi' to Alison next time you're here!

## 'IF YOU HAVE A WILL, WE HAVE A WAY' - LEAVING A CHARITABLE BEQUEST

Why leave a gift in your Will? A charitable bequest could be the most important gift you ever make - and one of the easiest.

It's a common misconception that only wealthy people leave money to charity when they die. But really, gifts in Wills are made by all sorts of people, from all walks of life. Bequests, or gifts in Wills are not just for the rich—they are for everyone!

The reality is that most bequests are made by ordinary, hardworking people who want to make a positive difference to their community after they're gone.

Bequests can be cash, stock or

securities, real estate or other assets. It can be as simple as designating a specific sum to your favourite charity or leaving the remainder of your estate to the charity after your heirs are remembered.

Bequests allow you to support your community without affecting your present lifestyle; and if your wishes or situation changes, bequests can be easily changed in your lifetime.

Putting a charitable gift in your will doesn't require much time or a lot of money. Bequests of any size can have an impact far greater and more lasting than you might expect. Those who include a charitable gift



as part of their estate plan become immortalized to the causes, organizations and the community they support.

If you are considering a bequest or are drafting your Will, please consider the Durham Hospital. Let me show you how your gift can make a significant difference.

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# Yes! I want to support the Durham Hospital

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<ul> <li>Your gift is secure and green - saving paper, postage and energy</li> <li>You are in control - able to cancel or make changes at any time</li> <li>Budgeting is easy - plan for a level of support that is right for you</li> </ul>				
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# **Upcoming Events!**



#### **SCRUBS AND SCOPES**

June 24, 2017 1 pm Highland Glen Golf Course, Priceville, ON

Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament Proceeds to the Durham Hospital \$125/pp by May 19

Golf, Cart, Dinner, Games, Prizes! Call 519-369-2340 x 5267 for information or to register today!



#### **LEAVE A LEGACY EVENT**

Learn how a gift in your Will can reduce taxes and create a lasting gift to your family and community.



A presentation by legacy, financial and estate advisors.

Wednesday June 14, 2017 at 7 pm Durham Medical Clinic Boardroom

Complimentary, but RSVP is required Phone (519) 369-2340 x 5267

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