

The first one on the table of the new CT scanner at Georgetown Hospital was donor Fred Helson, as he was joined by (from left) Cindy McDonell, Hospital COO, John Oliver, Halton Healthcare Services President & CEO; Dr. Timothy Durrant, Site Lead of Diagnostic Imaging at Georgetown Hospital; Diane Sala, Manager of Diagnostic Imaging and Dr. Robert Yu, Chief of Diagnostic Imaging at Halton Healthcare Services. *Photo by Ted Brown*

CT scanner is now operational

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contribution, Helson said, "Marg (his late wife) and I both had to endure the unpleasant experience of being sent to other hospitals for CT scanning. Our hospital was important in making Georgetown a self-sufficient town and as such I feel it is important for us to help keep the facility up-to-date for our doctors and staff, as well as all of the patients who come to Georgetown Hospital for care."

In recognition of this contribution, the CT scanner will be housed in the Marg and Fred Helson CT Scanner Suite, which is located immediately adjacent to the new Emergency Department- ensuring easy access for Emergency staff and physicians.

CT scanning, sometimes called CAT scanning, is a non-invasive medical test that helps physicians diagnose and treat medical conditions. A CT scanner combines special X-ray equipment with sophisticated computers to produce multiple images or pictures of the inside of

the body. These crosssectional images can then be examined on a computer monitor or printed. CT scans of internal organs, bone, soft tissue and blood vessels provide greater clarity and reveal more details than regular X-ray exams.

"The CT at Georgetown Hospital is one of the best there is. It is advanced medicine. The scanning technology is fast enough to image the beating heart with clarity. It can image the whole body in seconds and reproduce these images in three dimensions. There are multiple features that improve patient comfort and safety. Most importantly, the CT does all this while reducing radiation dose," explained Dr. Robert Yu, HHS Chief of Diagnostic Imaging.

Georgetown Hospital's new Siemens Somotom Definition AS+ 128 Slice CT scanner arrived on Nov. 7.

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