

New hospital committee

April 21 to April 27, 1991 was designated in Canada as Organ Donation Awareness Week. Organ and tissue donation has been called the "greatest gift of all, the gift of life."

The recently formed Organ Donation Committee of Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital is actively involved in promoting and increasing awareness, both in the Hospital and in the community of the need for organ and tissue donation. The Committee will also develop policies, procedures and protocols for the Hospital regarding this important issue.



On Wednesday, April 24, 1991 the Hospital held its first information and awareness session for the Hospital staff on the Multiple Organ Retrieval and Exchange Program (MORE). Guest speaker, Christina Marshall, Regional Co-ordinator for the MORE program, gave a slide presentation of the program and discussed how the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital could participate in the Regional program. The meeting also heard from a recipient who described the remarkable changes in her life since receiving a donated lung.

The Organ Donation Committee of Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital is planning an information session for the Georgetown community to increase awareness of the issues involved in organ donation. Currently, there are over 600 people waiting for transplants in Ontario.

Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital is a 112-bed primary, acute care and long term care facility. As a primary health care provider, the Hospital is committed to identifying health care needs for Halton Hills, and developing programs in co-operation with other health agencies.

Established in 1961, Georgetown Hospital celebrates its 30th anniversary this year.

Local business wins award

Meat processors from across Ontario competed for top honors at the Annual Cured Meat Competition, held in Markham, Ontario on April 13th, in conjunction with the 11th Annual Convention of the Ontario Independent Meat Packers and Processors.

Member firms provided entries in five product categories. Judging Ontario's finest port products were Dr. Ron Osborne, Vice President Quality Control - Caravelle Foods, Dr. Al Booren - Professor Michigan State University, Rod Graham - Chef Consultant for the Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board and Sandy Forsyth - Promotional Consultant - Catherwood Consulting.

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