

Your Health



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL APRIL 2011

GHVA Quilt Raffle

The Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association (GHVA) is raffling a 86"x 96" handmade quilt. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 and are on sale in the hospital Gift Shop or by calling 905-873-0111, ext 8250. The draw date is September 30, 2011 at Georgetown Hospital. All funds raised will go to the purchase of essential hospital equipment for Georgetown Hospital. Lottery licence M329751.



Thank you to the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW), Georgetown Quilters for donating this beautiful quilt named, *Nightfall*. Pictured with the quilt are (l-r) Marie Carney, GHVA President, Carole Lisby, Eunice McGowan and Carol McMurray, CFUW Georgetown Quilters.

GHF Has a New Addition



Please welcome Nicole Hand to the Georgetown Hospital Foundation (GHF). Nicole joins the Foundation team with an extensive (13+ years) history in the not-for profit and charitable sector with a focus on fundraising and special event management. Although her career began in the arts industry (galleries, theatres and arts education), her introduction into healthcare five years ago provided many new and exciting opportunities and she quickly developed a passion for it!

Nicole considers being able to work in a community hospital and raise funds for the betterment of all its patients a privilege and admires those who spend their days caring for others. She looks forward to building relationships in Georgetown and working with local businesses and community groups. Nicole is confident that her enthusiasm and love of her work will directly result in success for the Foundation, and is hopeful that patients, physicians and hospital staff alike will benefit from her efforts.

The Big Chill is Back!

The Georgetown Hospital Foundation would like to thank the Georgetown Firefighters Association who are supporting the reincarnation of the *Big Chill* in Georgetown to raise money for the community hospital.

For those of you who remember the *Big Chill*, you will know that this was the biggest fundraiser of the year. For those of you who aren't familiar with it, the last time this event was held was in 2005 and it consisted of a dance at the Arena with bands, spirits, your neighbours in the community, and tons of fun!

This event always raised a lot of money for local organizations. Tickets are \$20 each with a 50/50 draw and door prizes available. All of the proceeds are going towards Georgetown Hospital. To purchase tickets please contact Rob Clark by e-mail to hbfd19@hotmail.com or call the Foundation Office at 905-873-0111 x. 8221.

The Georgetown Firefighters Association is proud to help bring this event back to the community, so come out and enjoy yourself!

Clean Hands Protect Lives

Hand cleaning is one of the best ways you and your healthcare team can prevent infections from spreading. Halton Healthcare Services has implemented the Ontario *Just Clean Your Hands* campaign, an initiative which trains healthcare providers how to clean their hands, "the right way" and, "at the right times" before, during and after every patient interaction. Log on to www.haltonhealthcare.com for more information on our many patient safety initiatives including the latest results of our annual Hand Hygiene Compliance audits.



Halton Healthcare Services Corporation Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony

Thursday, June 16, 2011

6p.m. – Wine and Cheese Reception

7p.m. – Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony

Oakville Conference Centre • 2515 Wycroft Road, Oakville

By-law changes will be recommended.

Audited financial statements will be available at the meeting or by calling the Hospital Administration Office at 905-815-5114. Join us!

Quality Improvement Plan at HHS

Quality improvement is an ongoing priority at Halton Healthcare Services (HHS). It helps us continually find new and better ways of doing things so that we can enhance care for patients, increase satisfaction and achieve even better clinical outcomes.

In June 2010, the Ontario Government passed the Excellent Care for All Act. This legislation will help support hospitals to further improve the quality and safety of care they provide for members of our community.

Every hospital in Ontario is now required to develop and publish a Quality Improvement Plan. Many hospitals in Ontario, including HHS already create plans based on local priorities. Quality Improvement Plans provide a meaningful way for our organization to clearly articulate our accountability to our community, patients and staff. Visit the HHS website at www.haltonhealthcare.com to view the 2011/12 HHS Quality Improvement Plan. For more information on the Excellent Care for All Act visit www.ontario.ca/excellentcare.



Annual Georgetown Hospital Memorial Service

The Spiritual Care Department of Georgetown Hospital invites you to attend our annual Memorial Service to celebrate and honour the lives of those who have passed away in 2010 while at Georgetown Hospital.



Thursday, May 12, 2011

7:00 p.m.

In the Rotunda on Complex Continuing Care

R.S.V.P. by Friday, May 6, 2011 at 905-873-0111 ext. 7719. Please leave a detailed message including your name, contact phone number, the number of people attending and the name of your deceased loved one.

Please park in the Visitors Parking Lot. You will receive a validated parking pass at the service. Light refreshments will be served.

Living Healthy Seminar

Please join us at the following FREE Health Education seminar provided by Halton Healthcare Services. Displays start at 6:30 p.m. Seminar starts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 24, 2011

Hearing Health: Better hearing with today's technologies

Susan Thomsen & Dianne Desmond, HHS Audiologists
Georgetown Hospital, 1 Princess Anne Drive, Georgetown

Reserve a seat by email at healthpromotion@haltonhealthcare.on.ca or by phone at 905-878-2383, ext. 4379.