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## 'Dogging it' not allowed

Local dog trainer Nicky Snook of Georgetown coaches her kelpie Topic over the obstacle course as Campaign Dog Academy in Georgetown hosted the six-day Summer Sizzle agility event for the fifth year. Summer Sizzle is co-ordinated by Linda Barton, Theresa Rector, Deb Desjardine (owner of Campaign Dog Academy) and a group of volunteers. Agility enthusiasts from all over Ontario took part, as well as others from Vancouver Island, Nova Scotia, Florida, Iowa, Ohio and Michigan. Participants came to sharpen their skills with the world's best trainers. High level instructors were brought in from California, Florida, Ohio and Michigan.

Photo by Ted Brown

## Volunteer group pledges \$250K to hospital project

By LISA TALLYN  
*Staff Writer*

Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association (GHVA) has donated \$50,000 to the hospital—the first installment of its five-year \$250,000 pledge to Halton Healthcare Services and Georgetown Hospital Foundation.

The money will go toward expansion of the hospital's ER department and renovations in Diagnostic Imaging Department.

"The Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association's commitment to their community hospital is truly astonishing," said K.C. Carruthers, Executive Director Georgetown Hospital Foundation.

"They were the first ones to commit at a leadership level to this important expansion project and they did so with such enthusiasm and grit. We will be honoured to recognize their support by naming the Women's Health Suite in the new Diagnostic Imaging Department in their honour."

The donation was made last month but only announced officially last week.

GHVA president Marie Carney said this is the largest amount the association has ever pledged.

"The expansion of the Emergency Department and the renovations in the Diagnostic Imaging Department is needed, and this was the perfect opportunity for the Association to set a significant goal that will really make an impact on the future of the hospital," said Carney.

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