NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL FEBRUARY 2013

We're Expanding



The Emergency Department (ED) expansion, currently underway at Georgetown Hospital, will improve the ED experience for patients and family members as well as for the staff and physicians who deliver care at the Hospital. Highlights of the expansion include:

- Increased number of treatment spaces
- New modern and efficient space, built to current provincial standards
- Separate ambulance and public entrances
- Expanded Rapid Assessment and Fast Track (RAFT) area and waiting room
- A patient-centred and child-friendly environment
- Improved privacy and security for patients, families and staff
- Enhanced infection prevention and control
- A specific room designated and equipped within the acute care area for the care
 of infants and young children

Safer Elder Care Program

Safer Elder Program at Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) is an award winning initiative that recognizes the unique needs of the older adult population. It provides a culture of care that addresses common interrelated geriatric issues such as delirium prevention and management, safe mobility, falls prevention, skin care and the prevention of urinary tract infections.

The HHS' Safer Elder Care Program has developed pamphlets to help educate patients and families on Safer Elder Care, Falls Prevention and Understanding Delirium.



For more information or to access these brochures, please log on to www.haltonhealthcare.com.

Breathe Better - Live Better

Improving the Quality of Life for People with COPD

Halton Healthcare Services participated in the recent launch of *Breathe Better - Live Better*, a community based education program to help patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) improve, prevent and self-manage their condition. The program aims to provide patients with access to necessary supports in their communities outside, traditional healthcare facilities, while reducing emergency department visits and hospital admissions through better management of the disease.

The *Breathe Better-Live Better* Program was established through a collaborative partnership of The Mississauga Halton Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) with GlaxoSmithKline, PRIISME®, Trillium Health Partners, Halton Healthcare Services, the Mississauga Halton Community Care Access Centre (CCAC), the City of Mississauga, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville. It is being offered at the Huron Park Recreation Centre in Mississauga, the Milton Sports Centre and the Queen Elizabeth Park Community and Cultural Centre in Oakville.

For more information about this program, log on to www.breathebetterlivebetter.com.

Make a Difference in Your Community

Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) is inviting applications for an accomplished member of the Milton community to serve on the Board of Directors. Through an effective governance body HHS' first priority is to understand the unique needs of our diverse communities. This well-connected individual must currently reside in the Milton community and demonstrate an awareness of the specific issues and concerns facing this rapidly expanding community. This person will be both an active voice of the Board of Directors and a knowledgeable resource on the needs for Milton. Demonstrated not-for-profit or corporate board experience and knowledge of the current healthcare environment are assets.

If you are a recognized leader with a significant record of achievement in your area of expertise, we'd like to hear from you.

If you have the passion and availability to reflect the face and character of our fast-growing and diverse communities, please send a letter of interest and enquiry to Judy Mandelman, Promeus Inc. at judy.mandelman@promeus.ca, quoting Project: HHSBD-210203.

Hospital Hoedown

Please join the Georgetown Hospital Foundation for a Hospital Hoedown! Entertainment includes live music by 'Rolly Rocker and the Hemi Heads' and 'The Larry Melton Band,' line dancing, dinner and drinks, and there are raffles and prizes to be won.

When: Friday, June 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Nashville North

Ticket Price: \$50 (or \$25 if under age of 25)

For tickets please contact Jackie Fox at 905-873-0111, ext. 8220 or by email at *jafox@haltonhealthcare.on.ca*. Must be 19 years or older to attend. Fun begins at dusk! See you there.

Local Small Business Campaign Raises \$55,000!

Thank you to those small businesses who have already taken on the Local Small Business Challenge of contributing at least \$5,000 to the Georgetown Hospital Foundation's *Investing in Care – Close to Home* Campaign:

- Red Lemon Hair Salon
- Jill Johnson, Johnson Associates Real Estate
- Georgetown Chrysler Dodge Jeep Fiat Lt.
- Gresswell Family, Alta Electronics Inc.
- Bratin Auto
- Ray Chester, Your Home Today Realty Inc.
- Generations Physiotherapy Centre

Thank you to our ambassadors for setting the example!

Ken McDermot, Puroclean Property Rescue; Trevor Buttle, Buttle & Tavano Professional Corporation;
Nathalie Brooks, Brooks Heating & Air; Mike Francis, State Farm Insurance
Marc Henein, ScotiaMcLeod and Colin & Jeannie Brooks, Edward Jones.

Chronic Disease Self Management Program

Do you have one or more chronic condition such as diabetes, kidney, heart or lung disease, arthritis or any other conditions? Join us for a FREE, six week group based program to learn more about goal setting, overcoming barriers, positive thinking, general nutrition, communication with healthcare professionals and more! Caregivers and spouses are also welcome to attend.

YOUR HEALTH

MISSISSAUGA HALTON SELF MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Georgetown Seniors Centre March 7 - April 11, 2013 Oakville YMCA May 3 - June 7, 2013 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Registration Required. Contact us with your choice of program.

Call: 905-338-4432, ext. 4871 or 1-888-670-6636, ext. 4871 E-mail: maximizeyourhealth@haltonhealthcare.on.ca Fax: 905-338-6241