

# Your Health



## NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

### Annual Appeal supports Georgetown Hospital

**Georgetown Hospital Foundation**



The 2007 Georgetown Hospital Foundation year-end appeal will be arriving in mailboxes in November. We are more than half-way to our \$500,000 goal, but we need everyone to lend a hand and contribute what they can to provide all of the equipment Georgetown Hospital currently needs that is not funded by the Ministry of Health.

For those who are not on the Georgetown Hospital Foundation's mailing list, you can still help support hometown healthcare at Georgetown Hospital through our website [www.GeorgetownHospitalFoundation.ca](http://www.GeorgetownHospitalFoundation.ca). On-line donations can even be made in honour of a special person or in memory of a loved one.

### Christmas Ball tickets now available

The Annual Hospital Christmas Ball will take place on Saturday December 1st at North Halton Golf & Country Club. Tickets are \$150 per person and are available through Shelley Phipps at 905-873-2252.



### Tree Lighting Ceremony

The Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Georgetown Hospital will take place on Tuesday December 4th in the Hospital Courtyard. This free family-centred event features carol singing, the tree lighting ceremony, refreshments, entertainment and a special visitor from the North Pole. Free parking will be available.



### Halton Healthcare's Home at Last Program

Halton Healthcare Services' (HHS) new Home at Last Program allows patients to safely leave the hospital and go to the comfort and security of their own homes promptly upon discharge. Funded by the Ministry, the Program provides a 'companion' from Links2Care, a community-based service provider, to come to the hospital and accompany patients home by taxi. On the way home, the companion can help get medication, fill prescriptions and arrange for delivery of groceries.

"This is a joint pilot project recently launched by the Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) in conjunction with Links2Care and Halton Healthcare Services," explains Cathy Raiskums, Manager of Social Work and Discharge Planning at HHS. "It is designed to enhance patient flow through our hospitals by facilitating the discharge of patients who either live alone or cannot arrange for someone to take them home until late day or evening."

"This Ministry initiative partners HHS with a community based organization like Links2Care to enhance continuity of care," notes Denise Hardenne, Vice-President of Programs and Quality Development at HHS. "This is a great program that provides an integrated community response and facilitates timely discharge for patients, especially seniors, transitioning from the acute care setting of the hospital back to their home in the community."

### Living Healthy

Halton Healthcare Services is pleased to offer a full range of free education seminars in Georgetown and the neighbouring communities of Oakville and Milton.

#### Macular Degeneration

Tuesday, November 6, 2007

Displays: 6:30 p.m.

Seminar: 7:00 p.m.

with Dr. W. B. Kates, Eye Physician & Surgeon  
Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital  
327 Reynolds Street, Oakville

#### Don't Just Survive: Thrive with your Diabetes

Thursday, November 15, 2007

Displays: 6:30 p.m.

Seminar: 7:00 p.m.

with Dr. I. Blumer, Diabetes Specialist  
Southside Community Church  
2850 Derry Road East, Milton

#### Living with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: What You can do to Help.

Thursday, November 22, 2007

Displays: 6:30 p.m.

Seminar: 7:00 p.m.

with Dr. J. Sutherland, Family Physician  
Activity Room – Georgetown Hospital  
1 Princess Anne Drive, Georgetown

**Please call 905-873-0111, ext. 4379 to register.**

Please call or email us – [elittle@haltonhealthcare.on.ca](mailto:elittle@haltonhealthcare.on.ca) - if you'd like to receive our calendar of upcoming health education seminars.

### Grow your career

*Live the lifestyle*

An innovative, growing organization with three progressive community hospitals, Halton Healthcare provides quality health services to more than 275,000 Halton residents. As integral members of the interdisciplinary health team, our



Nurses practise in a friendly, team-oriented environment to meet the needs of diverse patient populations within the thriving communities we serve.

If you are looking for challenge, growth potential and support in enhancing your work-life balance, Lucy Martins, our RN Recruitment Host, invites you to contact her at 905-338-4690, ext. 6385 or [Lmartins@haltonhealthcare.on.ca](mailto:Lmartins@haltonhealthcare.on.ca). A complete listing of available opportunities may be found on our website.

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