



# MONITOR

THE HEARTBEAT OF OUR COMMUNITY

## NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM MILTON DISTRICT HOSPITAL

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### HOSPITAL

#### MDH Ranked Top Eye Donor Centre

Milton District Hospital (MDH) was ranked the top eye donor centre per hospital bed in the province according to the 1999 Annual Report of the Eye Bank of Canada, Ontario Division. MDH retrieved 156 eyes in 1999, placing the hospital fourth in Ontario for overall volume. It is a ranking that the hospital has maintained for the last three years.

Cindy McDonell, Program Leader of Family Practice at MDH, believes the Eye Donation Program is so successful because of the sensitivity and commitment with which the staff generate program awareness at the hospital. "With every death at the hospital, we let the family members know that their loved one's eyes are eligible for donation to the Eye Bank," explains McDonell. "We do not ask for the eyes. We simply present the family with the option. It is a family decision after that."



McDonell notes that since MDH adopted this program four years ago, about sixty per cent choose to donate. "The entire team is very dedicated," McDonell says. "From the staff who approach the families to the physicians who retrieve the eyes. It's a real team effort. There's real commitment there."

Donated eyes are used for corneal transplants and other ocular surgeries as well as medical research and surgical training. "At the heart of every donor program are the donor families themselves," says McDonell. "At a time of sorrow, these families look beyond their grief to carry out the wishes of their loved ones in the hopes of restoring someone's sight."

#### Osteoporosis: Building the Best Bones

Public Forum

Tuesday, May 30, 2000

6:30 p.m. Displays, Refreshments

7:00 p.m. Presentation

at

Milton Leisure Centre

1700 Main St. E.

North off Derry Road on Thompson Road (east of #25), right on Main Street E.

Registration is required

To register please call Lilla Watson at (905) 854-2655 or Phyllis Spillone at (905) 829-4863



Please join us at the  
**Halton Healthcare Services Corporation's  
 Annual Meeting**  
 Wednesday, June 14, 2000  
 7:30 p.m.  
 LeDome Banquet Hall  
 1173 North Service Road East  
 Oakville  
 For more information please call  
 338-4668

### FOUNDATION



#### DON'T FORGET HIKE FOR HEALTH ON SUNDAY, MAY 28TH

Run, Inline or Walk your way to a healthier lifestyle!  
 For information contact the Foundation Office at 876-7014



Thank you!

...to the **Campbellville & District Lion's Club** for its donation of a "Fall Fair" print. This beautiful piece of artwork will be hung in the Chronic Care Unit of Milton District Hospital



Cindy McDonell, Program Leader of MDH joins Campbellville & District Lion's Club members, artist Chris Burnett and MDHF Board Chair, Mary Devlin

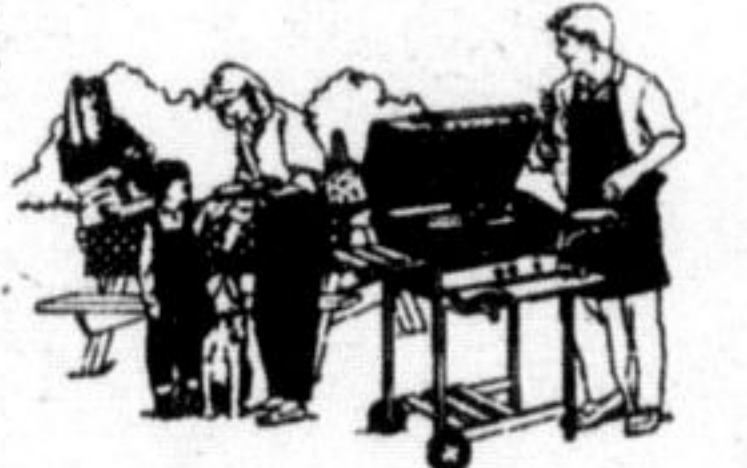
#### SIGNS OF SUMMER...MILTON CRUISE HAS ARRIVED!

Join **Milton Cruise** each and every Sunday until September 17th on the grounds of the Milton Canadian Tire parking lot. This classic car show will sell 50/50 draw tickets and donate half the proceeds to the Foundation. Thanks to this hardworking group of organizers the Foundation has received nearly \$36,000! This year **Swiss Chalet** will be participating in Cruise Nights. Look in next month's Monitor for all the exciting details!

AND .....

#### Hospital BBQ's are here again!

The first bbq of the season will be held on the front lawn of MDH on Thursday, June 1st between the hours of 11:30 and 1:30. The menu will be chicken on a skewer, baked potato, spinach salad and rhubarb crisp. Topped off with a drink of your choice. Rock bottom price of only \$5.50 per person! Remember, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Foundation. Take out available.



#### WE HAVE GOOD NEWS AND WE HAVE GREAT NEWS

The good news is thanks to Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital's Charitable Corporation's generosity, the Milton District Hospital Foundation and Auxiliary received \$90,000. This represented a portion of the proceeds from last year's Dream Home Lottery. The great news is...the Dream Home Lottery will take place again this year!



MDH Auxiliary President, Grace Hildebrand; OTMHCC Board Chair, Peter Zulauf and MDH Foundation Board Chair, Mary Devlin

**MCHAPPY DAY** held on May 16th was a great success thanks to the many volunteers who generously donated their time. Final numbers aren't in, but we will keep you posted.

### AUXILIARY

#### THE HOSPITAL IS THE PLACE TO BE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH

Grab a lawnchair and head on over to the Hospital on Saturday, June 17th for the best social time and delicious tasting strawberries of the summer. While you are there, introduce yourself to the 2000 Strawberry Marshall, Freda Strain.



Lots of activities and entertainment for both adults and children. For the little kids you have rides, surprises and lots of great fun! For the big kids a hip swiveling, exciting performance by Milton's very own Elvis impersonator, **Steve Kabakos**.

Start your day by enjoying a great strawberry pancake breakfast courtesy of the Optimist Club of Milton District Hospital

Hamburgers and hotdogs are available all day.

End your day by enjoying a delicious, mouth watering

BBQ which will be served between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

There will be raffles, "take a chance", "white elephant" and baking tables. Take a stroll down the Marketplace and buy a very special and unique gift for yourself or someone else!

**DON'T FORGET** ...Delicious strawberries are donated by **Andrew's Scenic Acres**

#### THANKS TO THIS WONDERFUL COMMUNITY.....

and hardworking volunteers, the Auxiliary presented a cheque in the amount of \$95,000 to Halton Healthcare Services.



Halton Healthcare Services Chief Executive Officer, John Oliver; MDH Auxiliary, Grace Hildebrand and Halton Healthcare Services Board of Directors Vice-Chair, Barbara Burton

**CAR WASH** by the Junior Volunteers will take place at MDH on Saturday, June 3rd.



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## Quality Care for a Healthier Community.