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Dedicated hospital volunteers are honoured

Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) unveiled a lasting tribute to its volunteers Wednesday as part of the International Year of the Volunteer.

HHS president and CEO John Oliver unveiled a fountain at Milton District Hospital (MDH) to commemorate the important contribution of volunteers.

"Our volunteers have always been, and will continue to be, an integral part of the everyday operation of our hospitals," Mr. Oliver said.

"They continue to amaze us with their eagerness to take on more services, to fundraise for our capital needs and to make our hospitals a more caring place for our communities."

MDH benefits from the efforts of several volunteer groups. The Milton District Hospital Auxiliary provides support to HHS programs, performing a variety of tasks including giving directions, delivering books and magazines, managing the gift shop, transporting patients, helping in various outpatient programs, comforting patients on the nursing units, selling tickets, attaching items to pay cheques and running errands.

ConnectCare volunteers provide support to seniors living independently in the community and pastoral volunteers provide spiritual and emotional support to MDH patients and staff.

Certificates were presented to each of the major volunteering groups in the hospital as well as the HHS Board of Directors and the MDH Foundation Board of Directors.



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From left, Barbara Burton, chair of the Halton Healthcare Services Board of Directors; Michael Beaver of the Milton District Hospital Board of Directors; Kathy Powell, pastoral visitors co-ordinator for Milton District Hospital; and Rose Barrow, Milton District Hospital Auxiliary president, accept their certificates.

Local young achiever earns national JA award

By FANNIE SUNSHINE

The Champion

Hutchison has won the Seymour Schulich Award for Entrepreneurship from the Junior Achievement program.

The award was presented to Ms Hutchison at the Canadian National Junior Achievement Conference held in Calgary this past August.

Students from across the country involved in the Company Program, JA Student Venture, JA Business Game or Globe were eligible to apply for one of six scholarships being offered by Mr. Schlich.

Applicants were to present a 500-word essay

on what skills and knowledge they learned in Junior Achievement will assist in plans to become an entrepreneur.

"I kinda didn't believe it, I thought, did they say the wrong name or something?" Ms Hutchison said of

Hutchison said of Christina Hutchison winning the award. "I was shocked but happy. It's nice to be recognized."

She and her company sold first aid kits and Avon ornaments in town.

Ms Hutchison, a graduating achiever from the

Company Program of Junior Achievement of Halton, spent four years as an achiever in various capacities in the Company Program such as vice-president of administration and president.

"A dedicated, committed person would be interested in joining the program," Ms Hutchison said. "The number one thing it taught me was not to quit and to work through situations — you learn more from failing than from achieving. It also taught me leadership and people skills."

During her four years with Junior Achievement, she sat on the programs' committee, participated in in-school recruiting activities, was the president of the Achiever's Association and was involved with the Future Unlimited Banquet committee for two years.

Ms Hutchison, who attended both Bishop

Reding Secondary School and E.C. Drury High School, currently attends the University of Waterloo, where she plans to attain a BA in Honour Arts and is double majoring in history and drama. After university she plans to pursue various aspects of theatre, including live theatre and voice acting before becoming a secondary school teacher.

"I think it's a great opportunity for students to compete at the national level," said Sue Suess, president of Junior Achievement of Halton. "Being singled out from across Canada is pretty exciting."

Junior Achievement of Canada is a national organization offering seven business education programs for elementary and high school students. Junior Achievement of Halton serves Milton, Oakville, Halton Hills and Burlington.

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