

MONITOR

Halton Healthcare

THE HEARTBEAT OF OUR COMMUNITY

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM MILTON DISTRICT HOSPITAL

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HOSPITAL

Internal Audit of Infection Control Practices at HHS

Halton Healthcare has initiated a complete audit of all its infection control practices throughout the various clinical, diagnostic and processing areas. This audit is being conducted by the Hospital's infection control specialists to enhance our infection prevention, control and sterilization processes. This audit will be submitted to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) by January 9th, 2004.

The Hospital has already reviewed the equipment used for the particular trans-rectal prostate biopsy procedure identified as problematic at Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre in Toronto.

"We are confident that the sterilization and disinfection methods used for this specific procedure meet both the current Health Canada infection control guidelines and the guidelines issued by the manufacturer," says John Oliver, HHS President and CEO.

Over the coming weeks, the Hospital will continue its audit of all of its infection control practices and will keep our patients and the public informed of any developments related to the cleaning, disinfecting & sterilization process. In the meantime, if you have any concerns regarding the trans-rectal prostate biopsy procedures you can contact us by calling our confidential telephone line at 905-338-4601, option #6.

A Commitment to Women's Health

Milton now has its first medical centre dedicated to the unique healthcare needs of women – the **Milton Centre for Women's Health**. Appointments may be made through your Family Physician or by contacting the clinic directly.

Dr. Glen Hunter, Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Dr. Melodye Rajasingham, Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Dr. Valentina Cvetic, Obstetrician/Gynecologist
Dr. Carolyn Malec, Clinical Associate in Women's Health
 Milton Centre for Women's Health
 311 Commercial Street, #208
 905-875-2280

Good News for Milton's Physician Recruitment Initiative

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) has approved the Town of Milton for an increase in designation of seven Family Physicians through the Underserved Area Program (UAP). The Town has been identified as requiring 30 Family Physicians, and Milton currently has 25.

One of the main benefits of the UAP designation is their Free Tuition Program which reimburses eligible physicians for their medical school tuition fees if they agree to work in Milton for a designated number of years.

This initiative will help us greatly in our physician recruitment efforts. For more information on this program, please contact Lorraine Rohm at 905-338-4147.

For a current list of Milton Family Physicians accepting new patients, call 905-878-2383, ext. 5021, or log onto www.haltonhealthcare.com.

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FOUNDATION

COME JOIN US...

.....at the lighting of our **Tree of Caring** at the Milton District Hospital. Come see how bright our tree will be this season, share holiday

treats, and musical entertainment provided by the Milton Choristers.

Milton District Hospital, Tuesday, December 9th, 2003, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
 30 Derry Road East **FREE PARKING**

OH CHRISTMAS TREE, OH CHRISTMAS TREE

Frank Ruhl will be selling 6' to 7' spruce Christmas trees at his farm on **6607 First Line, Milton (1 km south of the Hospital)**. The trees will be available from December 5th.

at a cost of \$20. Please call **905-878-9200** before pickup. All proceeds to the MDH Foundation.

KINSMEN CLUB'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES

The Kinsmen Club of Milton will be holding its annual **Festival of Trees** campaign again this year. Local businesses or associations sponsor and decorate an artificial tree. The trees are raffled off and tickets sold for \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.00 or 9 for \$5.00. The decorated trees will be on display from mid November to mid

December at the Milton Mall. Sponsors include **Chasers; C.U.P.E. 815, Milton District Hospital; C.U.P.E. 4366; Milton Public Library; Ron Furik Councillor Ward 4; Lyon's Automotive; Mattamy Homes; Mike's Barber Shop; Pioneer Freight, and Agents of Re/Max Blue Springs Realty.**

Special Thanks!

- to the **Michael Mutcheson Memorial Trust Fund** for its outstanding donation of \$22,500. This gift will be used to finance a Zoll pacer/defibrillator for the Emerg/Ambulatory Care Unit, and to refurbish the parents' waiting room in OBS.
- to the **Harrop Restaurant & Gallery** for its proceeds of \$5,532, from the Gala Dinner Event
- Peggy Burney

Christmas Bazaar

December 6th, 2003 from 10am - 3pm
Boyne Community Centre
 Britannia Rd. E. of Hwy 25

Crafts, bake sale, Fifth Avenue Jewellery, theme art and Fitness Technique Poinsettias available in all sizes and colours. Ranging in price from \$3.50 to \$34.95. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Milton District Hospital Foundation

AUXILIARY



THUMBS UP!

The MDH Auxiliary would like to thank the following for donations to the Christmas Fair, which was held on November 8th:

A & P
Andrew's Scenic Acres
Dorothy's Alterations
Donna Coulter
Fabricland

Foodport
Foxwood Greenhouses Ltd.
The Harrop Art Gallery
Helen Stroud
Kwik Kopy

La Rose Bakery
Loblaws Milton Market
Marlyn Flemington
P. Vander Dussen Greenhouses
VOS Floral Ltd.

Thank you to the many volunteers, hospital staff, and vendors who supported our event and made it possible. Drop in and visit our beautiful Gift Shop, and see our wonderful home decorations, and gift selection for the festive season.

The Foundation and Auxillary would like to wish you all a very joyous Festive Season!

Gift Wrapping!

The Auxiliary members will provide gift wrapping at the Milton Mall from December 12th until Christmas Eve. Donations will be gratefully accepted.



ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Remember....if you have a few hours to spare a week or month and would like to become an Auxiliary member call the Milton District Hospital at 905-878-2383.



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