

NHDHA

North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary



Volunteer Voices



BANCROFT HOSTS NORTH HASTINGS DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SPRING CONFERENCE

On Thursday, April 17th, our Auxiliary hosted the 2014 Spring Conference. As sitting President at the time, I was so thankful to have Trish Brooks, Gabby Coe, Jeanette Howsen, Elda Sopha and Karen Bonokoski for being part of my excellent committee and a wonderful membership for helping with foods, manning the kitchen THANK YOU!!!! I have said from the beginning, "We have the best Auxiliary anywhere". We started this venture last fall. My first thought was as "We are the Mineral Capital"; we are going to show off Bancroft to the rest of Quinte Health Care Auxiliaries Associations. We went through various scenarios from food, speaker! Set-up, décor etc. We are now in the design business. We follow a guideline set out by the Region on what YOU DO AND DON'T DO. I had more e-mails back and forth with Sandra Fletcher; I think we are now engaged. We had excellent weather and all attendees enjoyed the day. The camaraderie was outstanding and there was a wonderful spread of food from the morning welcome to the lunch. Comments from past conferences, delegates wanted homemade desserts, WOW we delivered in spades. I think that they are still licking their fingers. To the next host of the conference—try to outdo us.



We were also proud and honoured to have our HAAO (Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario) president, Elen MacMillan come. Our gift table was a great hit, a wonderful assortment of everything and anything. We definitely impressed everyone, patting ourselves on the back, YESSIR.



Finally, a footnote, at our Fund Development Committee Dinner on June 18th, one of the members of the Foundation, Drew Brown, Executive Director of Belleville General Hospital Foundation, had said that he had heard back from many Auxilians who attended our Conference on how they were very impressed with what we had accomplished in setting up a very memorable day. AGAIN KUDOS TO ALL.

Authored by Rose Goodwin

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



I am truly honoured to be President of the North Hastings District Auxiliary and to lead a wonderful new executive who I believe will not only continue the success of NHDHA but will introduce new and exciting events to add to our already successful roster. I introduced to the Executive two great words which I encourage all of us to follow **'loyalty and laughter'** upon which our term of office will be based **Loyalty** is key to the success of any organization or partnership and **Laughter** is the magic that can make any situation better. We have both, and we will have a great time!

Thank you again for your response to the Survey. Many excellent ideas and suggestions have been presented and at each meeting in the future – we will be addressing important suggestions you have made. Please remember that should you wish to give input write, email or fax your thoughts and we will happily address them.

This summer we are fundraising for vital life monitors for the Hospital and have titled our campaign **'Staying Alive'** we have also obtained the license to use the Bee Gee's music **"Staying Alive"** SO we will be 'rocking this town all summer long.

Congratulations to Janice Kunz and Sue Stevens for a wonderful "Round-Up Campaign" on right now Thanks to NO FRILLS (Claude and Beth Peppin) for their huge support to the Auxiliary and to the Hospital.

Thanks to my fellow Auxiliary members for your time and devotion. You are **"Loyalty and Laughter"** perfectly exemplified.

Don't forget the **Radiothon** on July 18th and 19th. Thank you to all who have volunteered -and even if you haven't do drop into one of our locations – either at the The Moose Radio Station, Price Ford or Dave's Restaurant. We know you will have fun!

Our fall schedule is coming together nicely and I am excited to announce we will start off in September with a presentation from our very own "Local Life Member" and perennial favourite "Sonny Cook" Thank you for your support, have a wonderful safe summer and remember:

Loyalty and Laughter

Karen



C O R N E R C A F É

It's hard to believe that the summer is finally here. Winter seemed to hold on for a long time. With the warmer weather, the café has added salads and PLTs (That's a peameal bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich) to its menu. Specials continue to be very popular. In June we served fresh chicken salad on a croissant and a vegetarian salad plate.

The Books continue to sell well in the café. Thank you Rae for caring for them. We might have to get more bookcases for storage as book donations are strong.

The volunteers of the Café and their spouses will be gathering at Jim and Elda Sofa's home on July 16th to welcome in the summer and to share a meal and news of family and friends. We are all looking forward to this time together as we often do not cross paths during the week.

Some of our upcoming specials for July and August are:

July 7 – 11 Pizza Panini and Caesar salad

July 23/24 Summer salad Plate

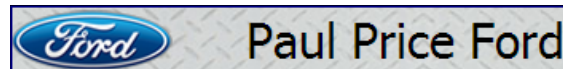
August 11 – 17 Turkey Club with chips and dill spears

August 26 – 28 Quiche and a green salad.



Join us in the Café for these tasty specials

R A D I O T H O N



On Friday, July 18th and Saturday, July 19th, our Auxiliary will hit the Moose airwaves again to kick off this year's major fundraiser "Stayin' Alive". An impressive list of interviews, lined up by Karen Bonokoski will inform the community and all listeners of the need for Vital Sign monitors for our hospital. These monitors will greatly improve the quality of medical care for all residents of North Hastings. On Friday, Price Ford will host our donation table and BBQ down on Hastings Street. Saturday morning, we will start the day with the Charity breakfast at Dave's Place. An advance thank you to all the NHDHA volunteers, Moose staff, Dave Ho and Price Ford who have again stepped forward with their support for our community.



NHDHA AND FACEBOOK

Facebook is everywhere and we thought it should be here too. It is such an easy medium to use and is accessible to everyone who cares to visit. People might be a little shy at first to add their stories, opinions and general comments but we welcome everyone! The purpose of the Facebook page is to be an informal forum where all members can get together. No skill required. Those who visit our web site will notice some changes. First of all, we have a new, fresher look. It is an ongoing process but it is still under reconstruction as we need to get rid of old, outdated material and make sure that it is up-to-date and relevant. The website is designed to be a more formal statement of who we are and what we do. As ever, we would welcome any suggestions for improvement or new features that you would like to see.

Authored by Val Winsor



SMILE COOKIE CAMPAIGN



The Wheelchairs Have Arrived

One dollar can make a difference.

Last September Glen Keating and his staff at Tim Hortons welcomed the North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary (NHDHA) to their two Bancroft locations to participate in their annual Smile Cookie campaign.

Auxiliary members and staff invited customers to purchase a one dollar Smile cookie to make a difference in our community. This fundraiser raised \$6,178 and the money was used to purchase much needed wheelchairs for our local hospital. We are all smiles because the wheelchairs have arrived and are now in use.

Watch for us again this September.



VOLUNTEER WEEK



On Saturday, April 12th, the North Hastings District Hospital Auxiliary celebrated the culmination of Volunteer Week. After enjoying a homemade strata and salad lunch, the volunteers participated in “Volympics 2014”. Divided off into teams representing countries around the world, the members participated in four events;

- A) hockey shootout – golf balls through a target using left-handed hockey stick
- B) curling – shooting quarters on a plexiglass ‘ice-sheet’
- C) biathlon – without the skiing, shooting nerf bullets at a target, and
- D) Wii downhill slalom.

Every volunteer competed in at least one event and was cheered on by the other members of their team. The room rang with laughter, cheers and cries. Every volunteer left, not only with a token gift, but feeling a part of a great group of people who enjoy time together and time giving to others.

It was a TERRIFIC day!

Thank you to the organizing committee and to all of the volunteers who came and had fun.



NEW TO YOU



The New To You has shown improvements in sales the past few months. Spring has sprung with weekly "In Store" specials, which has brought great success. The men's section has taken off quite well. The men are frequently seeking sales in their section as we have added more space for their garments. Our 2nd annual yard-sale took off earning us a whopping \$469.00. This sale brought out our volunteers to help again with special events. We have two ladies who have been dressing up the shop and their designing of the shop has been raved about since we

started with decorating for special events, as well as holiday seasons. Thank you goes out to Barb Swan and Jeanette Howsen.

Last, but not least, all the volunteers have shown more interest in how the shop has been operated and their input in decision making has also shown favourable to our sales.

So, thank you everyone that volunteers at the New To You shop.

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S



If you see Nan Boyle or Mary Freeman around and about, pass on congratulations for fifty years of blissful marriage and the arrival of a first granddaughter.

Jeanette and Ron Howsen are new grandparents of twins



C O N D O L E N C E S

For those who are unaware we regret to inform you that:

Rose Goodwin's father passed away a few months ago.

Pat Drummond recently lost her aunt.

ROUND UP - 2014

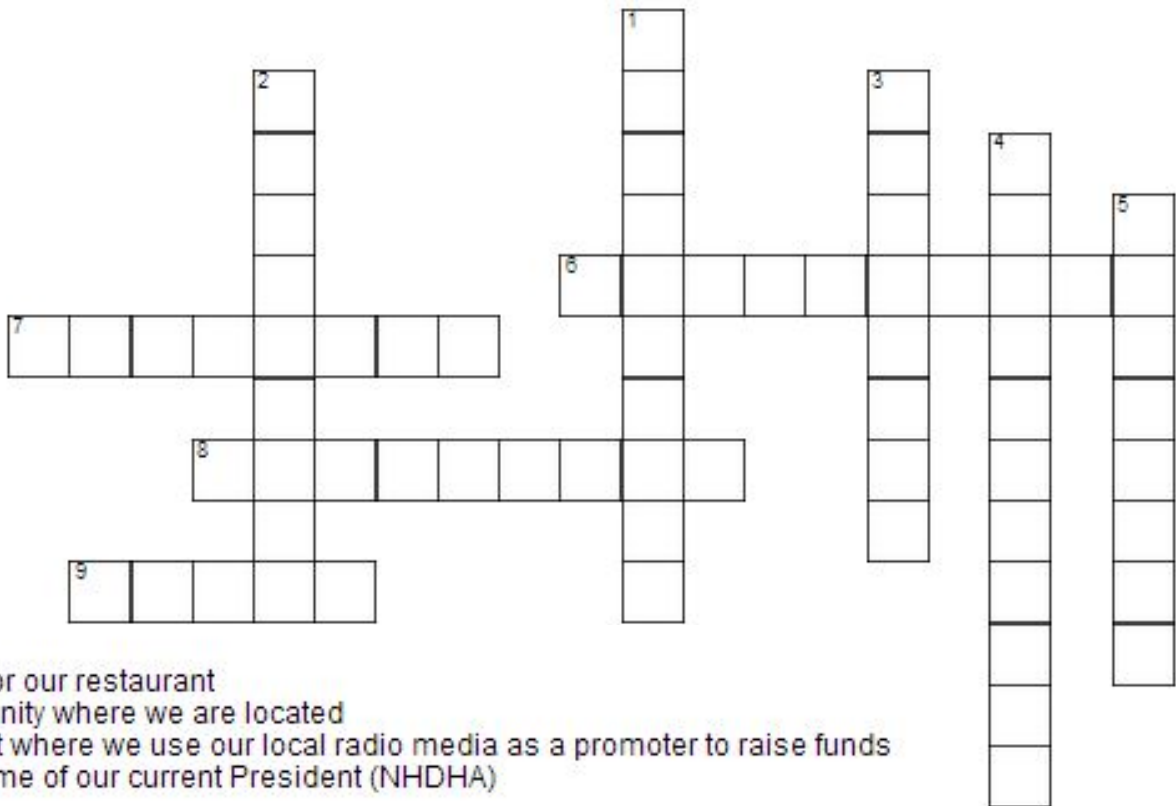


Sandra and Jim George working hard Barbequing at No Frills

Well as you should know by now, we've been out in full force Barbequing and manning the doors at No Frills. This is a great opportunity for us to fundraise towards our ultimate goal in 2014, to help the hospital purchase vital life monitors. Although the totals are not in yet, it was another successful year. So thanks to all those who were able to provide some volunteer time, both barbequing and manning the main door at No Frills.



NHDHA Puzzler



ACROSS

- 6 Name for our restaurant
- 7 Community where we are located
- 8 An event where we use our local radio media as a promoter to raise funds
- 9 First name of our current President (NHDHA)

DOWN

- 1 Organization who provides us with local support during our "cookie campaign"
- 2 The street name where you will find our cafe
- 3 Place where we hold our annual Round Up fundraiser
- 4 Name of this year's fundraiser campaign (think Bee Gees)
- 5 Place to buy some nice donated clothing

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 18-19 – **Radiothon**

September 8 – Auxiliary General Meeting

September 13 - Euchre Tournament in Corner Café 12:30 start

October 6 – Auxiliary General Meeting

October 18 - Euchre Tournament in Corner Café 12:30 start

October 23 – **Anniversary Dinner**

November 8 - Euchre Tournament in Corner Café 12:30 start

November 10 - Auxiliary General Meeting

December 8 – Auxiliary General Meeting

SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. September's meeting will Feature Sonny Cook who will be doing a mini workshop on Aging Gratefully
2. October's meeting will feature a road trip to Lana Minnie's Farm to see the ELK she will provide soup and the Corner Cafe will have sandwiches for purchase
3. November's meeting will feature Scentsy (<http://scentsy.com/>), who will doing a fundraiser with us. Bring your Christmas list and 25% of your purchases will be donated to our equipment campaign.

Important
Dates

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