

STEVENSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Report of the Auxiliary President to the Annual General Meeting
June 19, 2012

The Stevenson Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is a dedicated group of individuals who give freely of their time and knowledge to provide support for various activities associated with our community hospital.

The Auxiliary ends this fiscal year with a membership of **208** members, who gave a total of **18,898** hours of volunteer support within the Hospital and the fundraising activities that were scheduled in support of equipment needs for our Hospital. Twenty youth volunteers contributed **1,348** hours of the total.

The Auxiliary started the year with a successful Tag Day in May, canvassing in the communities of Alliston, Angus, Beeton and Tottenham. During the spring, summer and fall months, our volunteers spent many hours making crafts and participating at community events selling our wears and quilt raffle tickets. October brought the Annual Autumn Leaves Craft Sale at St. John's United Church and the Christmas In October Bazaar at the Royal Canadian Legion. In March, our First Annual Afternoon Tea was held at the Gibson Center and by all reports was enjoyed by all.

Last summer, the Auxiliary took on a new project of maintaining the front gardens of the Hospital with the support of the maintenance staff. It was a large undertaking and took most of the summer months to complete. Community members accessing the Hospital continue to make positive comments. This in itself has made the project worth while.

This year the Auxiliary's Student Bursary award was presented to Arlanna Pugh at our June 9th, 2011 Annual General Meeting. She is attending the Health Sciences program at the University of Ottawa. We are pleased to announce Arlanna was one of the recipients of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO) \$1,000 Bursary and was presented with her award at the November 2011 HAAO Convention. Margaret Enever (Youth Convenor) and youth volunteers, Ashna Khanna and Mitchell Lam-Dang, were on hand to see Arlanna receive her award.

Auxiliary members attended the HAAO Annual Convention in Toronto, November 5th through 9th, 2011 and the Central Region Spring and Fall Conferences. It was good to see new Auxiliary members taking part in these events. A lot can be learned from our associated auxiliaries and their hospitals.

At this years December 14th Christmas Dinner, provided by the Hospital Board, the Auxiliary presented the Foundation with our final contribution of \$13,700 towards the Digital Mammography Campaign. In total the Auxiliary's contribution towards this project was \$23,700.

In August, the Auxiliary received a generous donation from the Estate of Margaret Richmond, (a past auxiliary member) in the amount of \$30,000. With the memberships approval equipment was purchased for the departments of Emergency Services, Ambulatory Care and the Medical Surgery floor. In March, the Auxiliary presented the Foundation with a cheque covering the cost of these purchases.

As I reflect over my first year as President of the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, I am grateful for the experience the Hospital Board, staff and my fellow Auxiliary members have shared with me. I am proud to be apart of an organization who's role focuses on supporting the healthcare needs of our community and as healthcare continues to evolve I look forward to working with your Hospital Auxiliary during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Munro
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