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MESSAGE from the President & CEO



Perry Lang
President & CEO

November 20, 2021 marks the ten year anniversary of our hospital. It is hard to believe that a decade has gone by! In honour of this significant milestone, we want to reflect on our hospital's growth and achievements, and the incredible memories that have been made inside these new walls over the past ten years.

I invite you to see pages 8 and 9 where we reminisce memories from moving day ten years ago and reflect on the history of the former facility. On page 10, I invite you to learn more about the evolution of Woodstock Hospital as we take a comparative look at the old and new hospital.

Ten years later and Woodstock Hospital is still evolving and continually looking for ways to innovate and improve our services. Learn more about what's new at the hospital on page 6.

In ten years, not only have we seen commendable growth in our scope of services, we have grown our Woodstock

Hospital family with the addition of many remarkable specialists and incredible staff. One thing that has not changed in ten years, is the quality of patient-centered care our staff provide and their dedication to our hospital and community.

Whether it is during a hospital move/expansion, or throughout the development of a global pandemic, the staff at Woodstock Hospital are committed to their roles and to the community members we serve. I would like to take this opportunity, once again, to thank our staff and physicians for their compliance with the hospital's COVID-19 vaccination policy, and for all of their efforts throughout the pandemic. I encourage you to see page 7 to read about the commendable work of Woodstock Hospital staff in caring for a COVID-19 patient.

On behalf of everyone at Woodstock Hospital, I want to thank the community for the unwavering support we have received since the hospital opened its doors in 2011, and especially throughout recent, more difficult times. As we approach the holidays, I urge everyone to follow public health protocols and wish you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday season! ■

GO ONLINE FOR HOSPITAL NEWS AND INFORMATION

You can get instant news and information from WH's Twitter and Facebook page. See exclusive hospital posts that include photos, links and valuable information.

Woodstock Hospital newsletters are always available online. Past publications, dating back to 2016, can be viewed electronically at www.wgh.on.ca.

If you would prefer to have newsletters emailed to you, or know someone who would, please notify us by sending a quick message to info@wgh.on.ca. New editions of the newsletter can be easily emailed to anyone!

We want to make sure you're connected with Woodstock Hospital. Share your experiences and interact with us - it's a great way to ensure we're doing the best job possible for our community!



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AWARDED for Efforts in Organ Donation

On October 18th, Woodstock Hospital was presented two awards from the Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN). On behalf of the hospital, Dr. Anita Aggarwal accepted a Provincial Conversion Rate Award, as well as an Eligible Approach Rate Award for the 2020/2021 year.

The provincial conversion rate represents the percentage of people who go on to become donors out of the total number of potential donors. While 63 per cent is the goal set by TGLN that allows a hospital to qualify for the Provincial Conversion Rate Award, Woodstock Hospital received this honour after achieving 100 per cent. This is Woodstock Hospital's first year receiving the award.

Eligible approach represents the rate that the hospital facilitated discussions about potential organ donation with families/eligible patients at end of life. 90 per cent is the goal set by TGLN that allows a hospital to qualify for the Eligible Approach Rate Award and Woodstock Hospital exceeded this target, achieving 100 per cent.

"The Woodstock Hospital team collectively does an excellent job of reporting to the Trillium Gift of Life Network," says Brad Joosse, Director of Critical Care/Dialysis at Woodstock Hospital. "When there have been eligible donors, we have been successful in providing multiple recipients with organs."

This year at Woodstock Hospital, a single organ donor, alone, led to four organ transplants and 17 tissue donations.

While right now in Ontario there are more than 1,600 people waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant, only 35 per cent of Ontarians have actually registered to be donors. Signing up to be an organ donor could save up to eight lives, and drastically improve the quality of life for as many as 75 more. **Sign up today at beadonor.ca.** ■



(ltoR) CCU Nurse, Paula North; Director of Surgical Services, Janice Koekebakker; Director of Critical Care and Dialysis, Brad Joosse; WH Physician, Dr. Anita Aggarwal; CCU Nurses: Erin Slager & Irene Gryski; OR/PACU Nurses: Donna Armour, Rachel Zajic, & Taylor Quigg.

RECOGNIZED for Energy Conservation

Woodstock Hospital has once again been recognized for its leadership in environmental performance with a nomination for the 24th Annual Business Awards of Excellence on November 3rd, in the category of Energy Conservation-Innovation.

"Environmental stewardship has been embedded into the design and operation of the new Woodstock Hospital," says Chris Marion, the hospital's Director of Capital Projects and Chair of its Environmental Advisory Committee.



As well as bioswales to filter pollution out of rainwater runoff, the hospital has incorporated a rain garden and pollinator gardens into the landscape of the property. The hospital has also installed 340 roof-mounted and façade-mounted solar panels that make up for 50% of the power for the hospital's Medical Professional Building.

As well as the 21 electric car charging stations and corresponding educational signage, in 2019, Woodstock Hospital installed a Combined Heat and Power Cogeneration (CHP) Plant. The process of the CHP Plant provides heat for the hospital while making up for 85% of its total electricity. ■

HONOURING Retiring Employees



Brad Gates is retiring after 37 years in Woodstock Hospital's Diagnostic Imaging (DI) Department. Before becoming the Director of DI, Brad also worked as a General Radiology Technologist, an Interventional Technologist, and an RIS/PACS Specialist.

Brad reflects on his roles within the organization over the years: "Working with so many dedicated technologists and hospital staff, at varying levels, reminds you of how much care and compassion goes into the place, every day, to ensure our patients receive the best care."

Brad looks forward to a slower pace of life after settling into his retirement and is excited to spend time with his grandchildren.



Shelley Jauernig is retiring from after an admirable career in Health Records and Out Patient Mental Health. Shelley's career at Woodstock Hospital has spanned more than three decades.

"I have so many wonderful memories of the many people I have worked with over the past 35 years," says Shelley, reflecting on her time at Woodstock Hospital. "I will miss all of the wonderful people I have worked with."

In retirement, Shelley looks forward to spending more time in her garden, and with her family and grandchildren.



Terri-Lynn Wingrove is retiring from Woodstock Hospital after a 33-year career in Laboratory Services.

For several years, Terri worked as a General Lab Technologist in all departments of the Laboratory before moving into her current role as a Charge Technologist in Pathology. Terri also holds the title of Lab Safety Officer and has been a member of the hospital's Joint Health and Safety Committee.

Terri will miss her colleagues and her work in the Lab, but she is excited to relax in her retirement and hopes to be able to travel.



Linda Bucholtz is retiring after 35 years at Woodstock Hospital.

"Working in Diabetes Education has been deeply personal for me," says Linda. "I know how this disease can affect a person and family. Providing care and education to clients has been a joy and privilege."

As well as Diabetes Education, Linda has also worked in medical/surgical units over the years. Linda will miss her colleagues and clients but looks forward to reading, gardening, and spending time with family in her retirement.



Deb Baron is retiring after a 16-year career at Woodstock Hospital, working in the Maternal Child/Women's Health Department. Prior to working at the hospital, Deb was also a nurse at London Health Sciences Centre in their Medical/Surgical Unit and Labour & Delivery.

"For the majority of my career, I have had the privilege of delivering our next generation of precious humans into the world," says Deb. "I also worked with the most wonderful group of people at Woodstock Hospital."

Deb looks forward to spending more time with her family and horses on their farm, along with trail rides and travelling.

THREE DECADES in Pathology



Dr. Peter Engbers is retiring after 31 years at Woodstock Hospital. In 1989, during his residency, Dr. Engbers covered two weeks at Woodstock Hospital filling in for the Pathologist at the time. Two weeks was all it took for the hospital and staff to make an impression on him and he would later return, full-time.

As a Pathologist, Dr. Engbers miss the camaraderie he shared examines surgical specimens and not only with those in the Lab, but in laboratory samples to provide the hospital community as a whole. prognostic information to physicians. He reminisces on happy days and This information not only allows a celebrations over the years with his patient to receive a diagnosis, but fellow staff, from Christmas potlucks also helps to guide their course of to the birthday he shared with more treatment. than one colleague.

Though Woodstock Hospital has now grown its team of Pathologists with his one-year-old granddaughter, to three, for several years, there was and in his retirement, he looks only Dr. Engbers, who would serve as forward to spending more time with the Medical Director of the Lab. her and his other grandchildren.

But even with his large role and substantial responsibility, Dr. Engbers' commitment to the hospital far surpassed the parameters of his job description. Dr. Engbers was a member of the Medical Advisory Committee and served as the Secretary and Vice President of the Medical Staff.

Other plans for his retirement include auditing various history courses at the University of Western Ontario. Dr. Engbers also looks forward to having "more time to be frustrated" with his garden and "irritating" his "long-suffering wife".

In his retirement, Dr. Engbers will miss the camaraderie he shared with his one-year-old granddaughter, and in his retirement, he looks forward to spending more time with her and his other grandchildren. Other plans for his retirement include auditing various history courses at the University of Western Ontario. Dr. Engbers also looks forward to having "more time to be frustrated" with his garden and "irritating" his "long-suffering wife". Dr. Engbers' dedication to his work and colleagues will leave a lasting impression at Woodstock Hospital. He will be greatly missed by all. ■

FOUR DECADES in Obstetrics

Dr. Christopher Smith is retiring from Woodstock Hospital's Maternal Child Unit after 41 years as an Obstetrician (OB)—a physician specializing in pregnancy and childbirth.

In the fall of 1980, immediately following his residency program, Dr. Smith began working at Woodstock Hospital as Chief of the Maternal Child Department. While today, Woodstock Hospital has five OBs, for several years at the beginning of his career, Dr. Smith was the only one—meaning many hours of on-call service even when he was not at work.

Dr. Smith has been an esteemed figure that has witnessed and contributed to the evolution of Woodstock Hospital and the Maternal Child Unit. Over

more than four decades, he has 12 grandchildren, and even taking a road trip to the East Coast. He will be greatly missed by his Woodstock Hospital family. ■

also witnessed the expansion of the Woodstock community, having personally helped deliver generations of babies from the same families.

Besides helping to bring precious babies into the world, Dr. Smith will miss working with delivery room nurses and watching them grow and advance in their field over time.

"They have one of the hardest jobs" says Dr. Smith of the delivery room nurses he worked so closely with. "Supporting the mothers and managing the labour process..you need to be a special person to be able to do that."

In his retirement, Dr. Smith looks forward to spending time with his



INNOVATING

Care Delivery in Surgical Services

The COVID-19 pandemic provided Woodstock Hospital an opportunity to evaluate and improve the delivery of surgical services to the community.

"In times like these, we need to be innovative in our care delivery and provide our community with an option that also reduces wait times," said Janice Koekebakker, Director of Surgical Services at Woodstock Hospital.

With space in the Pre-Admit Clinic no longer being used for in-person preoperative nursing and anesthetic assessments, Surgical Services has been able to renovate this area to be suitable for minor procedures, freeing up time in the Operating Room (OR) for other surgeries.



(LtoR) Registered Practical Nurse, Courtney Chartrand, and Surgeon, Dr. Rob Humphrey, performing the first carpal tunnel procedure in the Pre-Admit Clinic on September 10th, 2021.

The space was first converted into a sterile, surgical environment in January of this year to become a new Cataracts Clinic. Because of this innovation, Surgical Services has been able to double the number of weekly cataract surgeries they perform, increasing the annual number of the procedure from 670 to more than 1350.

The third wave of the pandemic resulted in another pause in surgical services. In June, when Woodstock Hospital was set to ramp back up to 100 per cent in the OR, there was a backlog of people needing surgeries. A particularly long procedure-waitlist was for carpal tunnel surgery.

Again, more space was converted in the Pre-Admit Clinic, this time allowing carpal tunnel procedures to operate in the new location. This change not only met the demand of the carpal tunnel waitlist, but also freed up even more OR time.

"My patients have all been very happy with this clinic," says Woodstock Hospital surgeon, Dr. Rob Humphrey. "Instead of using my Operating Room time to add in one or two carpal tunnel patients a month, with the new clinic, I can now book eight every week."

Creating this new clinic space in the Pre-Admit area has freed up significant time in the Operating Room that allows for more acute surgeries and total joint replacement surgeries to be performed at a faster rate. ■

WELCOMING

New Physician, Dr. K. Lien

Dr. Kelly Lien is a new physician to Woodstock Hospital, working in the Emergency Department.

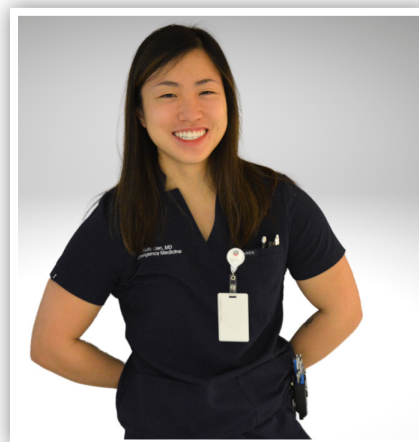
This past June, Dr. Lien graduated from the Emergency Medicine program at Western University having previously completed the Family Medicine program.

Even though she now splits her time as a physician between Woodstock Hospital and a neighbouring healthcare facility, Dr. Lien is a former competitive weightlifter!

Dr. Lien looks forward to settling into her role at Woodstock Hospital and building a collegial group of staff to work alongside.

"I love how friendly everyone is," says Dr. Lien when asked what she has enjoyed most about her new role so far.

Woodstock Hospital is proud to welcome this talented new addition to our skilled team of staff and physicians. Welcome to the Woodstock Hospital family, Dr. Lien! ■



New Woodstock Hospital physician/hospitalist, Dr. Kelly Lien.

A PATIENT'S

Experience with COVID-19

"When I woke up in the Critical Care Unit, I had no idea where I was," says Andrea, reflecting on her first moments awake after two and a half weeks on a ventilator at Woodstock Hospital where she was treated for COVID-19.

On February 13 of this year, Andrea Porter received a call from Public Health informing her that she had tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. Andrea had been experiencing shortness of breath and trouble breathing prior to being tested two days earlier. With her positive diagnosis and worsening symptoms, Andrea was admitted to Woodstock Hospital.

"It was shocking to us to see someone so young facing such grim odds," recalls CCU nurse, Erin Slager. "She was our first real glimpse into this terrifying virus."

Andrea's condition continued to worsen and on February 15 she was put on life-support.

By the end of February, Andrea's oxygen levels were so low, her family prepared for the worst. On the night that seemed like it might be her last, nurses held a phone to Andrea's ear so her family could tell her they loved her. The next morning, Andrea's health improved, and on March 2, she woke up.

From March 10 until March 24, Andrea spent time recovering in the Complex Continuing Care unit where she became close with many of the staff on the ward.

"They became my family," she recalls.

Though her own family had been worried sick since her admission to the hospital, Andrea speaks fondly of the great care that hospital staff took to give comfort to her family and children throughout the whole experience.

Reflecting on her time at Woodstock Hospital as a COVID-19 patient, Andrea notes the compassion of staff towards both her and her family; the way they took time to visit with her, listen to her concerns, and, most importantly, make her feel like she mattered and was well taken care of.

"They did a really good job," says Andrea, "otherwise, I wouldn't be here today." ■



Andrea Porter shared her experience from her time at Woodstock Hospital where she was treated for COVID-19.

OXFORD

and Area Ontario Health Team Update

Since 2019, Ontario Health Teams (OHT) have been established across the province, bringing together hospitals, primary care, and home and community care, in efforts of building a more integrated healthcare system. The Oxford and Area OHT consists of approximately 20 different health organizations, including Woodstock Hospital, patient advisors, caregivers, and clients, who are committed to improving health care in our region.

This fall, Woodstock Hospital's Director of Strategic Planning and Community Engagement, Mark Weir, played an instrumental role leading the Oxford and Area OHT initiative to produce a Patient and Caregiver Handbook. This handbook was designed to help residents of our region navigate health care in Oxford County and provide practical guidance for navigating appointments, tests, procedures, referrals, and follow-ups that can involve a variety of people, organizations, and locations.

The Patient and Caregiver Handbook was awarded the Integrated Care Runner Up Award at the North American Conference on Integrated Care in early October.

You can access this handbook by visiting the Oxford OHT's website at www.oxfordandareaoh.com. ■



A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE

In November 2008, construction broke ground at the new hospital site on Juliana Drive, to be completed, on time and on budget, in June 2011. On November 20, 2011—10 years ago this fall—ambulances transported patients and staff, unit by unit, to the new location.

More than twice the size of the old facility, the new three-storey hospital is 350,000 square feet and has the capacity for 178 patient beds.

Over the past ten years, Woodstock Hospital has continued to expand, advance, and innovate. During these years, the hospital has been awarded high honours such as Accreditation with Exemplary Standing by Accreditation Canada, silver level certification in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design; has been recognized for its Emergency Department wait times and efforts in energy conservation and innovation; and has welcomed

the addition of talented staff members, services, and cutting-edge technology.

“Ten years in our new hospital is a significant and exciting milestone,” says Perry Lang, Woodstock Hospital President & CEO. “This new facility, along with our range of services and talented healthcare professionals, allows us to proudly provide the highest standard of patient-care to our community.”

With considerations to current circumstances related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, an in-person celebration will not be held to commemorate this anniversary. Instead, to celebrate this momentous occasion while remaining compliant to health regulations, Woodstock Hospital will be recreating the graffiti wall that staff left in the old building prior to its demolition. This recreation will be done using sheet paper and will allow staff to reflect on memories that have been made in the new hospital over the past decade. ■



A team on moving day in front of a wall of messages left by staff to say goodbye to the old building (2011).

“I remember the day we moved into the new hospital. We were really prepared for moving day so transporting patients was done very quickly and efficiently. In order for the staff to move over to the new site, I stayed at the old hospital running the switchboard until I was given word that all calls had been successfully transferred to the new site.

I remember sitting in the old switchboard area reflecting on all the memories. I have to be honest – I was sad to leave. After all, I'd been there since 1985. That's a long time to leave an old friend.

The staff had written messages on the walls of our department, and I read each and every one before finally walking out the door for the last time.”

Kelly Danford,
Switchboard Supervisor

“I remember that moving day was full of mixed emotions. We gathered bright and early in the cafeteria for one last time receiving our instructions for the ‘big move’ and I recall there was a lot of chatter and excitement that day.

We tried to send as many patients home prior to that day as possible but those patients that had to move with us were probably just as anxious as we were. I was privileged to be an escort for our palliative care patients. I remember that it was quite stressful for some patients and their loved ones, but the entire move went so smoothly.

A move to a brand new hospital is truly a once in a lifetime experience. For me, it's one that will always be remembered.”

Diane Murray
Registered Nurse & Palliative Care Coordinator

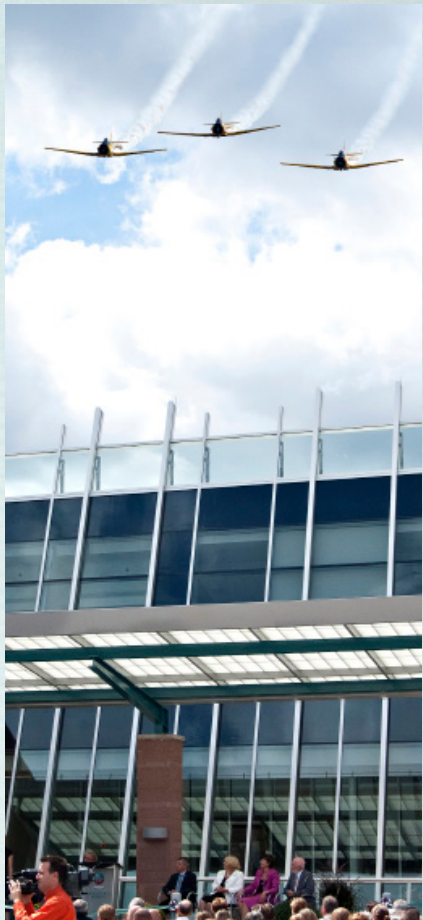
“I remember when we were first invited to come on site to see progress of the new building it looked amazing but I could never imagine how great this new building would be.

I recall doing a scavenger hunt around the hospital, looking around and exploring our new work place. It seems surreal that we will have been here for 10 years already. ”

Bonnie Hartsell,
Registered Nurse



(LtoR) George Smitherman, former Minister of Health; Natasa Veljovic, former WH President & CEO; & Glen McDonald, former WH Board Chair, breaking ground at the new site in 2008.



Community members gather as Harvard aircrafts fly overhead in celebration of the new Woodstock Hospital on August 26, 2011, at the hospital's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

DID YOU KNOW...

The original Woodstock General Hospital on Riddell Street was opened in 1895 in response to frequent epidemics of Typhoid Fever. This original building had a small operating room and a capacity for 30 patient beds.

Expansion to the building began in 1924 with additions including an X-Ray Department and a Children's Ward, but by the mid 1950's, much of the original structure had been replaced. Expansion of the hospital continued into the 1990's as the Woodstock community grew. ■

THEN AND NOW

A Comparative Look at the Old and New Hospital



Aerial View of the Old Hospital



Aerial View of the New Hospital



Staff:

Old Hospital: **694**
New Hospital: **1,060**



Surgeries/year:

Old Hospital: **7,467**
New Hospital: **14,888**



Births/year:

Old Hospital: **627**
New Hospital: **984**



ER Visits/year:

Old Hospital: **30,276**
New Hospital: **46,357**

NEW
WH Services

Inpatient Rehab
5,993 patient
days per year

MRI Access
6,414 exams
per year

Chemotherapy
2,104 visits
per year

A DECADE OF EQUIPMENT

Through the support of donors and the community, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation raised nearly \$20 million in funds for their *Building the Vision Campaign*. Because of this campaign, updated, state-of-the-art medical equipment could be provided for the new hospital.

Over the past decade, since moving to the new facility, Woodstock Hospital has continued to innovate, evolve, and improve to ensure that our community has access to the highest quality care. Other than our team of skilled healthcare professionals, a large part of what makes this possible is the acquisition of reliable, cutting edge medical equipment funded through the Foundation.

"There is no provincial funding to support our equipment needs," says Jocelyn Jenner, Senior Development Officer of Woodstock Hospital Foundation. "This is why we are so

grateful for the support of our community. The generosity of our donors helped make the new hospital possible, and over the past ten years, has helped make sure that high quality care is available in our own backyard. Thank you for your continued support as we look to the next ten years."

The Foundation sees many donations as a result of the exceptional care provided at Woodstock Hospital. These contributions help make this great care possible.

In the past decade, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation has fundraised another \$20 million for new equipment purchases for our hospital. Below are a few of the purchases the Foundation has fundraised for since moving to the new hospital, through the support of our community. ■



Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanner



Echocardiography System



UV Disinfection System

More Equipment Made Possible in the Past Decade:

- Anesthetic Gas Machine
- Neoprobe (surgical equipment)
- Specialized Equipment for Otolaryngology
- Electrocardiogram Machines
- Portable Ultrasounds
- Cardiac Monitors
- Patient Beds
- Fetal Monitors
- Portable Obstetric Ultrasound
- Workstation on Wheels
- IV Infusion Pumps
- Cardiorespiratory Monitor
- Nitronox and Scavenger System (for Maternal Child)
- Nuclear Medicine Camera
- Coverslipper (lab equipment)
- General X-Ray
- General Ultrasound
- Echocardiography Ultrasound
- Yag SLT Laser (for cataract surgery)
- Cystoscopes (bladder scopes)
- Surgical Tables
- Bone Mineral Density Scanner
- Ventilators
- Chemistry Analyzer

MESSAGE from the Woodstock Hospital Foundation



Jocelyn Jenner,
Senior Development Officer

sure the members of our community have access to the highest quality services and care.

I want to thank all of our donors who supported the planning and construction of the new Woodstock Hospital ten years ago and for everyone who contributed to our Building the Vision Campaign. I also want to thank our donors and community for the continued support the Foundation has received since moving into the new facility.

As you saw on page 11, through donor support, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation has been able to purchase an impressive list of cutting edge medical equipment for the new hospital over the past decade. Thank you to

The Woodstock Hospital Foundation is excited to be celebrating ten years in the new hospital location on Juliana Drive. Since 1988, with the help and generosity of our donors, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation has been raising funds for equipment and technology to help make

everyone who has helped to make this possible.

As well as our hospital's ten year anniversary, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation's 50/50 has also reached a milestone. This season marks the first year anniversary for our online raffle. I invite you to see page 14 to learn about our most recent monthly winners.

In honour of the holiday season, this coming December, 50/50 ticket purchasers will have four times the chances of winning as we will be drawing twelve Early Bird Prize winners for the "Twelve Days of Winning"!

On behalf of the Woodstock Hospital Foundation, I would like to thank our donors and the community for supporting our fundraising initiatives—now, and over the past ten years. Your donations help to ensure that our teams of skilled healthcare professionals have what they need to provide the highest level of care to patients at Woodstock Hospital.

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday season. ■

Coming Soon: the 26th Annual Dairy Capital Run!

SPRING 2022



THE
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WALK & RUN

Beat those winter blues by getting active and preparing for the next Dairy Capital Run! We're excited to celebrate the Dairy Capital Run's 26th anniversary.

It's never too early to start training! Let us know how you're getting ready by using **#JointheHerd** on Twitter. Further details will be provided in the New Year.



THANK YOU for your Support

The Foundation's annual Golf Tournament was held at Craigowan Golf & Country Club on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. This year's tournament saw a record number of golfers and raised over \$50,000 to support the purchase of a new Chemistry Analyzer for the Laboratory Department here at Woodstock Hospital.

A Chemistry Analyzer is a device used to calculate the concentration of certain substances within lab samples including serum, plasma, or other body fluids. The addition of this device helps us improve patient care at Woodstock Hospital.

A special thanks is extended to all sponsors, participants and volunteers for making this year's tournament such an

outstanding success! Also, to our Title Sponsors, CIBC Wood Gundy, and The Lowes Family for their unwavering support.

Donations to the Woodstock Hospital Foundation are very important, as the province does not fund hospital equipment. Donations and funds raised through events like our Charity Golf Tournament ensure our skilled healthcare professionals have the equipment and technology they need to provide excellent patient care for our community.

Thank you to everyone for your contributions through this year's annual Woodstock Hospital Foundation Charity Golf Tournament! ■



KMPG team, winners of this year's Graham F. Lowes Memorial Trophy: Jeff Stewart, Todd Shaddick, Nick Tiede, & Steve Sauve.



BDO team, winners of this year's David Lowes Memorial Trophy: (LtoR) Steve Morris, Brent VanParys, Tyna Crockford, & Jenna Morris



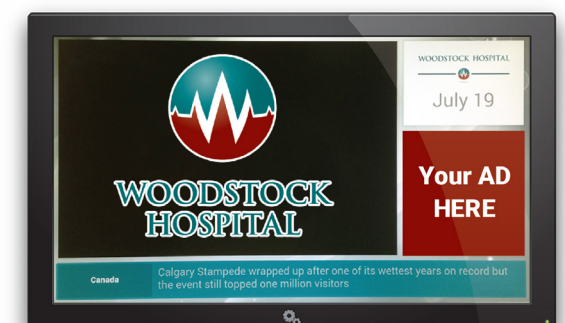
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ADVERTISE with our Digital Signage

Woodstock Hospital has a growing network of digital advertising displays strategically placed throughout the hospital. The revenue generated from the ad spaces will support the Woodstock Hospital Foundation.

If you are interested in advertising with us, please contact the Foundation Office at 519-421-4226.



GRAND PRIZE WINNERS

A Look Back on Recent Lucky Winners

A year ago this month, back on November 4, 2020, Woodstock Hospital Foundation kick-started our monthly online 50/50 Raffle! In only one year, the Woodstock Hospital Foundation has raised over \$380,000 to improve the patient care in our community—right here at Woodstock Hospital. That also means that there has been nearly \$380,000 won by our lucky winners!

The Woodstock Hospital Foundation 50/50 Raffle features at least three Early Bird Prize Draws and one final Grand Prize Draw every month. Don't miss out on December's "Twelve Days of Winning"!

To buy tickets, please visit www.woodstock5050.ca. License No. RAF1224560. ■



Meet **Janette and Vern Herrin**, the winners of our September Grand Prize Draw! After winning the draw, Janette and Vern walked away with a total of **\$61,402**.

Janette and Vern have been together over 50 years. Both are thankful for the services they've used at the hospital over the years and the great care they have received at Woodstock Hospital.

When the lucky couple picked up their cheque, they were still deciding what to spend their winnings on, but Janette mentioned she was looking forward to a shopping spree!



Retired Fire Chief, **Joseph Bondy**, was the lucky winner of August's 50/50 Grand Prize Draw, taking home a total of **\$43,898**.

Joseph is a regular supporter of the Woodstock Hospital Foundation 50/50 and other lotteries in the area and this month, his commitment really paid off!

When asked what he wanted to spend his winnings on, Joseph reported that he would be buying lots of Tim Horton's coffee for himself and his wife, Jo. That sure is a lot of coffee!



Winners of the July 50/50 Grand Prize Draw were **Ken and Audrey Howard**! This lucky couple took home an amazing **\$60,508** this past summer!

After 54 years together, Audrey is used to Ken playing tricks on her, so she didn't even believe him when he told her the news.

"We bought tickets not because we thought we'd win, but to support the hospital," said Ken.



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YOUR CHANCE TO WIN STARTS HERE
MONTHLY 50/50

Buy your tickets now
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To you this holiday season,

Hi, my name is Fatima and I am the Director of Pharmacy at Woodstock Hospital.

I started at Woodstock Hospital in 2011, which was the year we closed the doors at our old facility and made the move to our current location on Juliana Drive.

Even though it has been ten years since we have been in the new hospital, there is still a particular technology in use here today that was used in the old hospital. This equipment helps us manage medication distribution and affects almost every patient in our hospital. This equipment is our Automated Medication Dispensing Cabinets (AMDC)

AMDCs are secure and computerized cabinets that store medications on the nursing units so that nurses, anesthetists, midwives and respiratory therapists have ready access to medications when patients need them. There are many safety features in these AMDCs. Medications cannot be removed from the AMDC until all the proper checks have been performed by a pharmacist to make sure that the medication is right for the patient. The AMDC also allows nurses to find medications in other cabinets throughout the hospital which saves time and unnecessary phone calls. There are many different cabinet styles available that will allow us to select the best cabinet design for each clinical area.



AMDCs also track drug distribution and notify Pharmacy staff, like me, when different supplies need restocking

so that our patients can receive the medication they need when they need it.

Replacing the outdated AMDCs in our hospital would make sure nurses have quick access to the medications they need to treat our patients, increase pharmacy's efficiency to manage medication and track information like expiring or recalled medications. All of these features contribute to exceptional patient care that we provide.

In a hospital, especially in Pharmacy, we can't afford to waste time or make mistakes. To ensure medication distribution in our hospital is as quick and as safe as possible, we need new AMDCs. To do this, **we need your help. The cost to replace our AMDC's is \$1.4 million.**

This holiday season, in honour of our hospital's ten-year anniversary, I ask you to consider making a donation to fund the purchase of 33 new Automated Medication Dispensing Cabinets.

I want to thank you for your support as we planned, built, and moved to our new hospital in 2011 and for your unwavering support every day since. We couldn't do what we do, without you.

Wishing you a happy holiday season,

Fatima Vieira-Cabral, Director of Pharmacy

P.S. Technology has come a long way in ten years. Woodstock Hospital continues to evolve and advance to ensure our patients and community members have access to the highest quality services and cutting-edge technology. Your gift will allow us to continue providing exceptional care to those who need it most.

Yes! I want to support fundraising for Automated Medication Dispensing Cabinets!



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