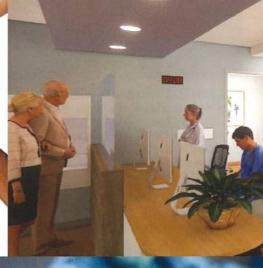


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Stratford Makers Market - Easter Market fundraiser aids donation to Special Care Nursery

Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the organizers of the Stratford Makers Market, for continuing their annual fundraiser in support of our Special Care Nursery. Generous attendees of the 2024 Easter Market made a donation at the door and collectively fundraised an INCREDIBLE \$7.524.30!

Thanks to your support, a Kangaroo Chair will be purchased for Stratford's Special Care Nursery. "Kangaroo Care Chairs are specialized recliners that allow parents of premature infants to snuggle their tiny babies skin-to-skin, and most importantly, intimately bond with their child. The benefits of this early skin-to-skin bonding period are numerous as babies transition to life outside the womb." Thank you all!



Orr Insurance & Investment and Orr Family

L-R: Andrew Williams- President and CEO of HPHA, Connie Orr, Nancy Orr, Samantha McDowell – Supervisor, Regional Pharmacy Services and Chemotherapy at HPHA and AMGH, Jane Orr, Rick Orr, Erin Parsons – Charge Nurse Chemotherapy, Sue Orr, Jeff Orr, and Cheryl Hunt- Executive Director of SGH Foundation.

Thank you to Orr Insurance & Investment and Family who have generously donated \$100,000 to name our Cancer & Medical Care Clinic's waiting room. The tradition of caring in our community, across generations, is impactful!



The Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies Aux. Charitable Foundation grants \$10,000 for a hospital bed

Pictured here at RCL Branch 8, L-R: Steve Zurbrigg, Cheryl Hunt- SGHF Executive Director, Betty Clifford, Ken Albert, Dave Mewhinney, Mary Helen McIntosh, and Doreen Zurbrigg.

The SGH Foundation is a grateful recipient of \$10,000 granted by the Ontario Command Charitable Fund (supported by RCL Branch 8 and the Ladies Auxiliary of Branch 8). Funds will go towards a new hospital bed for Stratford General Hospital. We love our caring community!

Teutonia German - Canadian Club of Stratford

Photo L-R: Cheryl Hunt- SGHF Executive Director, Walter Mueller-Director of the Teutonia Choir for 25 years, Barb Thibeault- Board Chair of SGH Foundation, Erika Behnke- Founding member of the Teutonia Choir, Andrew Williams- President and CEO of the HPHA, Heidi Rolleman- President of the Teutonia Club, and Herbert Schmitt- Director of the Teutonia Club.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the members of the Teutonia German - Canadian Club of Stratford for honouring their club's incredible legacy with a very generous gift of \$32,000.

This impactful gift will be dedicated towards one chemo bay and the In Our Hands Capital Campaign - general fund. What a special way to commemorate your club's history- we can never say thank you enough!

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Strickland's Stratford Toyota -\$100,000 Pledge PAID IN FULL!

Cheryl Hunt- SGHF Executive Director, Rick Orr- In Our Hands Campaign Co-Chair, and Andrew Williams- President & CEO of HPHA were honoured to gather with Strickland's Stratford Toyota staff to celebrate the achievement of their \$100,000 gift pledge- NOW PAID IN FULL, which will be designated toward our In Our Hands Capital Campaign. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our community members- your gift has a real impact on the lives of our patients! The In Our Hands Capital Campaign is made up of a list of vital equipment updates, staff supports, and hospital refurbishment projects – all made possible through our donors' generosity.



Excel Fitness

A big thank you to Dana V. of Excel Fitness and her generous clients!

Proceeds from their 2023 Summer fundraising event will support the In Our Hands Capital Campaign.

The generosity of our community members has a real impact in support of Stratford General Hospital's equipment needs- our staff and patients are so grateful!



Ross Campbell Fund -Stratford Perth Community Foundation

The SGH Foundation is the proud recipient of a \$2,500 grant from the Ross Campbell Fund held within the Stratford Perth Community Foundation. Funds from this grant will support the In Our Hands Capital Campaign.

We'd like to thank the Board of Directors at Stratford Perth Community Foundation, and our caring community members for being our hospital's biggest cheerleaders.



Lisa Hutchison

In the fall of 2023, Lisa was able to donate \$740 from her book sales.

Wonderful SGH Volunteer, and accomplished author, Lisa Hutchison has her books available for sale in the VSGH gift shop and generously donates the proceeds to support the VSGH fundraising efforts. Titles include: "Iron Annie", "Bertha", "The Donkey" and "Pieces of Us".

A BIG shout out to Lisa for her heartwarming commitment, and thank you to our caring community members for your support!



Stratford Hunter Steel Warriors Club

Photo L-R: Jamie Nigro, Stratford Hunter Steel Warriors Hockey Club & Cheryl Hunt, SGHF Executive Director

Thank you very much to the Stratford Hunter Steel Warriors Hockey Club who have made a generous donation of \$800 to Stratford General Hospital's NEW Cancer & Medical Care Clinic. This donation was made possible through the fans and patrons who contributed and left tips in memory of: former players, board members, and staff. Your gift has a real impact... We are touched by our community's support!



Township of Perth South

Photo L-R: Councillor Robert Wilhelm, Councillor Jaime Martin, Cheryl Hunt-Executive Director of SGHF, Paul Roulston- In Our Hands Capital Campaign Co-Chair, Mayor Jim Aitcheson, Deputy Mayor Sue Orr, Councillor Sam Corriveau, and Councillor Jim Van Nes.

Thank you to the Township of Perth South for awarding the SGH Foundation with a cheque for \$12,500 from their Wellness Fund, in support of the In Our Hands Capital Campaign. We are so grateful for the support of our dedicated community members.

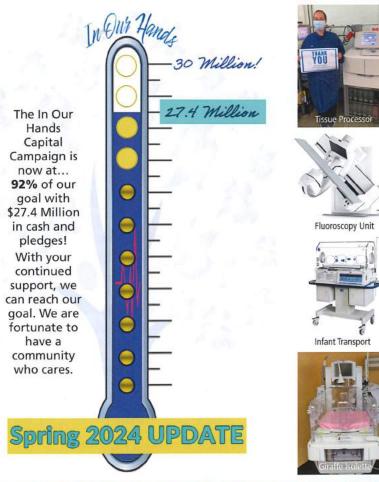
COMMUNITY UPDATE



Message from the Board Chair

As the current SGH Foundation Board Chair, I find myself reflecting on the past two years as Chair and have seen our community in action with their unwavering support and dedication to our hospital. It has been truly astounding to witness and a privilege to be part of this journey. Growth is the vital force behind our mission. It drives our commitment to excellence and innovation in healthcare. It is the foundation upon which we build a future filled with hope and possibility. Our vision for the future is aspiring yet essential. We envision a state-of-the-art facility equipped with the latest advancements in medical technology, ensuring that every patient receives the best possible care. Above all, we aspire to cultivate an environment where hope flourishes, inspiring healing and transformation in the hearts of all who walk through our hospital doors. This vision is not possible without you, our dedicated donors. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your continued support, commitment, passion and dedication to our wonderful hospital. Box Twoalf

With sincere gratitude, Barb T





2023/2024 EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

Investment Amount- \$809,399.02 The items sponsored through our donors' generosity include:

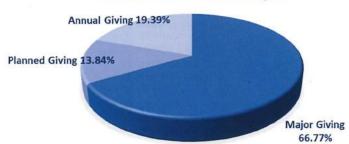
Investment amount		\$809,399.02
	and West Building Annex	
Donated Expenses	Staff Education (Elsie), Hospital Wide Support,	\$111,859.94
Emergency Room	Vital Signs Tower & Roll Stand x3	\$7,854.95
Mental Health	Vital Signs Tower & Roll Stand	\$2,618.31
Laboratory	Processors - Tissue (20% Fifth & Final Payment)	\$27,274.50
Laboratory	Water Bath	\$1,342.16
Laboratory	Tissue Stainer & UPS	\$64,699.18
Laboratory	PageWriter Cardiograph	\$16,700.60
	(Third & Final Payment)	200
Maternal Child	Incubators - Giraffe Carestation Incubator	\$4,983.29
Maternal Child	Infant Transport	\$50,262.77
Maternal Child	Centrella Beds	\$25,057.80
ISU/Telemetry	2-Wheeled Commode	\$2,388.50
ISU/Telemetry	Power Tilt Commode	\$3,276.75
Rehab	SCIFIT StepOne & E Mini Rehab Trainer	\$7,524.10
Medical Imaging	Imaging Suite (First Payment)	\$72,182.49
Medical Imaging	Mammography (Third + Final Payment)	\$83,385.85
Medical Imaging	Fluoroscopy System (Third Payment)	\$164,885.04
	(Fourth + Final Payment)	
Medical Imaging	Digital Mobile Standard C-arm	\$52,982.85
Medical Imaging	Ultrasound Units x5 (First Payment)	\$94,580.40
Medical Imaging	Ceiling Lift Installation - X-Ray room and CT	\$15,539.54

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COMMUNITY STORIES ...

Remembering Erma and Adam Clarke - by Susan Palmer, loving daughter

"As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way." (Mary Anne Radmacher) What does it take to give to other people in need? What does pay it forward really look like in a community. Stratford is a humble community with a big heart. Why is Stratford

rated in the top ten best Ontario cities to retire? To have a sense of community is a gift. Many people live their entire lives in Stratford. Adam and Erma Clarke who resided at 120 St. Vincent St. S. were the light to many in the community.

Adam, employed by Cooper, was a Tinsmith by trade even traveled to Toronto to work the Rounds in train maintenance and repair. After Cooper closed he joined the P.U.C. staff in Stratford. He was a gentle soul who possessed a determination to live life with morality and kindness. Loved by the community at large, Adam was a willing participant who was eager to help others. As a member of Ontario Street Baptist Church the Clarke's gave generously to make the community a better place.

Erma was employed as an X-ray technician at S.G.H. The eldest of four, she thrived in leadership opportunities such as many years in Guiding where she mentored children who remember her fondly as Brown Owl. Early morning bus rides to competitions with The Stratford Festival City Majorettes were a highlight for Erma. Gardening was not only a hobby but also her passion. Erma loved creating floral arrangements for special events and Sunday church. Erma inspired others to take pride in everything you do. "For if it's worth doing, it's worth doing well," For twenty-one years, Erma crossed hundreds of children to safely get to Hamlet School. Volunteer of Distinction was an award Erma received for her dedication to public safety. Adam and Erma loved getting involved in community initiatives but were often the driving force for progress. If they could do the job asked of them, they would.

Cancer crept into both of them like a slow moving shadow. Years of treatments and surgeries between Stratford and London established

new community relationships. "I remember listening to Mom tell her Doctor how much she loved him." This after her diagnosis of the recurrence of cancer. Both Erma and Adam appreciated the care given to them while in treatment.

Adam and Erma believed that the hospitals needed help. Seeing first hand the difficulties with equipment, staffing numbers, long waits on uncomfortable furniture all prompted legacy gift giving.

The pharmacist study that will house the memories of Adam and Erma is quite fitting. This will be a place where physicians, pharmacists and in care patients will collaborate to develop the best treatment plan. Mom carried a big binder to appointments to reference when Doctors or Nurses wanted to discuss treatments. It seems fitting that their gift should go towards the Chemo suite to provide a comfortable space for such important planning.

Likewise London Health Sciences was able to purchase six comfort chairs and tvs in the chemo suite with the legacy gift from Adam and Erma, "I remember a discussion I had with Mom about legacy giving to the hospitals. After a thoughtful pause like she was remembering a moment back in time she said to me, Dad and I hated sitting those long hours in the uncomfortable chairs in the waiting room." It impacted them enough to leave sizable gifts to both hospitals. They believed that to be a part of a community one should share their means to help others.

It's coming on the five year anniversary of Mom's passing. Dad passed away in 2006. Each day is another without our parents. By

remembering them today I hope our family can demonstrate the teaching of their generosity. We continue to "Hike for Hospice" with team "Erma's Neighbours" striving to help others who need care. It brings our family happiness knowing that we can bring light to others in their time of need.





A Gift to Celebrate Smelski Pumpkin Farm

Our heartfelt thanks to Richard and Jean Smelski (Jean is also a SGHF Board Member) for making a very generous donation of \$35,877.55 to mark the end of "Smelski Pumpkin Farm" in Shakespeare, ON. We congratulate them on all their hard work, and know many families and visitors will miss visiting their pumpkin farm- an annual tradition where countless cherished memories were made! Richard and Jean share the following message:

"Smelski Pumpkin patch no more – it was an enjoyable and good ride for the last 20 years. We have made the decision to quit our noted Pumpkin Farm on a high, 'and not when we have to'. To all our customers and followers: Thank You, and after a thorough search, we decided to donate to the 'needy' Stratford Hospital Foundation, as a token of our appreciation and successes.

At our senior stage in life- the Stratford Hospital Foundation is more of an investment than a donation – it is only right to share our well-being knowing this is one of the best health providers right next door, which we need and depend on. Not only do we thank the many customers, associates and friends through this donation, but also to a well-managed health provider that we can depend on. Thank You."



SGH School of Nursing - 1955 Graduating Class gives back!

A heartfelt thank you to the 1955 Graduating Class of the SGH School of Nursing who have generously donated \$1,000 to our foundation in support of the MRI. Thank you for your generosity and thoughtful gift.



Leap Year Tradition

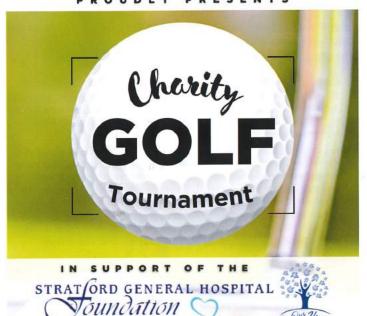
Pictured here: Jessica Coulthard- RN Maternal Child, Henrik and Jessica Cade, Audra Boersen Reg. N.-Manager, Maternal Child Unit and Scheduling Office. Jess Cade an RPN at SGH Operating Room, and her family celebrated Leap Year with a special gift to Leap babies born at SGH.

EIGHT years ago, her oldest son Henrik was born at SGH on February 29, 2016-- making him a leap year

During their time at the hospital, a previous employee gave a gift for the leap year babies (the employee was a leap year baby also). This gift was so special to Jess and her family that they've decided to "pay it forward" by starting off a tradition with their son. Happy Birthday Henrik ... & "Hoppy" Leap Year everyone!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ...





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Cancer and Medical Care Unit and Pharmacy Update

The construction project continues, and every day we see more progress. Excitement heightens, as we get even closer to seeing our new state-of-the-art cancer and medical care unit for our community. The new environment will be a warm, welcoming, and supportive environment that will echo the care our patients are used to receiving from our medical professionals. We are almost there! Your continued support and passion for this project is greatly appreciated, as this new unit would not be possible if we did not have your overwhelming support.



Chemo Unit Virtual Tour





Pharmacy Unit Virtual Tour



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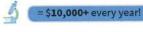


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The Stratford General Hospital Foundation is grateful to the family members and friends who have made Honour and Memorial donations from October 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024.

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