

Foundation Update

The Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation Report

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TD Supports RMH Staff...

Recently, 6 RMH staff were awarded TD Canada Trust Grants in Medical Excellence.

In 2002, TD Canada Trust pledged \$30,000 to the RMH Foundation. This is awarded to 6 staff each year as a \$1000 scholarships toward upgrading their skills through an educational course or conference. This is the final year of the program.



This year's recipients are:

Nancy Atkins, Cheryl Harris, Bonnie Patterson (absent) and **Terri Readman** who are all currently enrolled to acquire their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN).

Julie Coutu is currently enrolled at Charles Sturt University in Australia for a Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Medical Imaging Degree).

Father Gary Davis is currently pursuing his Doctorate of Health Administration.

Also shown are RMH President & CEO Brian Payne, Ann Gibbons from TD Canada Trust and Foundation Board Chair Rick Dunsford.

Dialysis at the Ross....

As you may know, Ross Memorial Hospital has received approval from the Ministry of Health to plan for a 15-station Satellite Dialysis Unit as part of the Haliburton-Kawartha-Pine Ridge Regional Dialysis Service.

Dialysis is a treatment for kidney failure. Chronic kidney failure occurs when the kidneys lose their ability to do their job.

The Need for Dialysis in our Community

In 2004, the Durham-Haliburton-Kawartha-Pine Ridge (Durham HKPR) District Health Council completed a review of kidney disease and the services offered in the region.

They discovered that current providers of dialysis were unable to respond to the increasing demands of our growing and aging population.

In fact, the study projected that by 2007, **50** people in the City of Kawartha Lakes alone would need dialysis each year, while only **148** spaces were currently in operation.

Diabetes is the leading cause of kidney disease in North America as it causes damage to the blood-filtering units of the kidneys.

In the City of Kawartha Lakes, diabetes is known to affect 7% of the population, with another 3% that have not yet been diagnosed with the condition.

In February, gifts were received...

In Memory of...

Evelyn Albert	Theresa Kelly
Norman Arnott	Reginald Kyle
John Beukeboom	Eric Law
Donald Bingham	Winnifred Lees
Wilmot Blackhall	John (Jack) Lynch
Edna Burgoyne	James Lyons
Jean Crowe	Ron MacDuff
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Alice Horn	Peggie Vincent
Ernie James	William Watson
Verna Junkin	Douglas R. Keetch
Bette M. Kearns	Gayle Wilbee



We sincerely appreciate the kind gifts that have been made on behalf of these individuals.