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bringing you the news at Joseph Brant

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK: APRIL 18 – 24

VOLUNTEERS: FROM COMPASSION TO ACTION



Pictured above are some of our 540 volunteers who all bring their very best every day to help our patients and their families.

National Volunteer Week is celebrated each April to pay special tribute to Canadian volunteers across the country who give of themselves to better their communities and the lives of others.

Joseph Brant celebrates and recognizes the hospital's dedicated community of volunteers: the Auxiliary to Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital; the Board of Governors and the Foundation Board of Directors. We have a diverse group of volunteers – men, women, seniors and students, retired and employed people – whose unselfish service benefits our patients and their families.

Eric Vandewall, JBMH President & CEO says, "National Volunteer Week gives us all an opportunity to reflect on the importance of giving back to our community. We are extremely fortunate at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital to have the dedicated, enthusiastic team of volunteers that we do. They are an integral part of our health care team and we could not do all we do without them. I want to personally thank and recognize them for the significant and important contribution they make to our community hospital."

Watch for a Burlington Post two-page feature this week that highlights our wonderful volunteers and the important work they and our Auxiliary do to support our commitment to deliver safe, quality care and great service.

NATIONAL NURSING WEEK

MAY 10 - 16

Nursing: You Can't Live Without It!

Planning for National Nursing Week activities at JBMH is underway. A detailed schedule will be available soon.

CONGRATULATIONS



Thank you to **Susan & Bob Busby** and **Peter Vankessel** who have kindly purchased two tables

of eight tickets each to the Crystal Ball and donated them for a staff draw.

Winners were drawn from staff payroll donors and Care Commitment recipients. Congratulations to the lucky winners:

Zaida Wilson, (OR); **Liliana Canadic**, (Cancer Clinic); **Beth DiMarco**, (Admitting); **Sheila Pountney**, (DES); **Julie Dawson**, (4E); **Nella deGraaf**, (Palliative Care); **Barb Connell**, (Inpatient Mental Health); **Karen Morris**, (Recreational Therapy).

The Crystal Ball is black-tie event to be held at the Burlington Convention Centre on Saturday, May 1, 2010. Funds raised this year will go towards the improvement of the Surgical Unit.

THANK YOU

I, along with the Senior Team, would like to thank everyone who pitched in and stepped up while I was away from the hospital. A special thank you to the following people for their efforts:

Marnie Lynn, who assumed a number of leadership responsibilities for Human Resource Services in addition to her regular duties. Her knowledge, effort and leadership are outstanding and her contribution valued and appreciated; **James Crumb** and **Tracy Gallina** who managed the Pharmacy Department; **Mary Lou Tinmouth** who assumed additional responsibilities for the Auxiliary Board and it's Committees, with assistance from **Laura Bartolini**; and all the staff in these departments for their assistance. We appreciate the extra work and responsibilities they incorporated into their already busy jobs. Thank you also to **Dennis Castellan** and **Mario Joannette** for providing senior team leadership for my areas of responsibility.

On a personal note, I would also like to say thank you to the members of the senior team, the leadership group and all staff, physicians and volunteers for their well wishes and words of encouragement during my absence and upon my return. I can honestly say that it has all played a part in my recovery.

Dave Tisiot

Vice President, People & Clinical Support Services

MARCH 2010 BEST CARE AWARDS

The following people were selected for Best CARE Awards:

Compassion – **Dr. Chris Williams**, (Family Medicine); **Accountability** – **Brad Burella**, Porter (DES); **Respect** – **Daniel Mlinaric**, Dietary Aide (Food & Nutrition Services); **Excellence** – **Nada Baic**, Aide (DES).

The Best CARE Award recognizes outstanding people who demonstrate one or all of the CARE Commitment values. All staff, physicians and volunteers are eligible. Individuals are nominated by their colleagues and the nominations are reviewed by the Staff CARE Advisory Team. For more information, please see the **Best CARE bulletin board** outside the cafeteria.



Best People. Best Care. Healthiest Community.

JBMH HAPPENINGS

Nelly Sport (shoes); Tally's
Discount Wear; Elephant Jewellery
and Cre8tive Baskets
Wednesday, April 28
9:30 am – 3:00 pm
Proceeds to the Auxiliary.

NURSES FOR AFRICA

The JBMH Nurses For Africa (NFA) team is holding a draw on Saturday, April 24 to raise funds for their next medical mission to Kenya in May 2010.

1st prize: hand-crafted stained glass window valued at \$500; 2nd prize: beer basket with two dozen domestic and imported beers valued at \$85.

Tickets are three for \$5 or \$2 each and can be purchased from **Madeline Desrosiers** (Cancer Clinic) at ext. 4847, **Victoria Tatcheva** (ED) at ext. 4116 or **Trish Corbett** (Geriatrics) at ext. 5848.

Cash donations to NFA can be made by contacting **Gail Wolters** at 905-335-2157 or emailing nursesforafrica@gmail.com. Donations of uniforms and stethoscopes would also be gratefully accepted.



Join us on Tuesday, May 18 in the Bodkin Auditorium from 10:00 am – 2:30 pm. Great exhibits including dental care, Reiki, reflexology, aromatherapy, chiropractors, fitness clubs and much more! Staff, physicians and volunteers welcome. For more information call Human Resources at ext. 4129.

CPR RECERTIFICATION

There is an onsite CPR recertification session scheduled for Thursday, May 5 from 8:00 – 10:00 am in the 2West classroom. Sign up sheets are available in the Library. Fee: \$40.00 payable to **Dowd & Associates**. For more information, please contact **Owen Salter** via email at osalter@jbmh.com or at ext. 5521.



Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital's commitment to our patients, families and each other based on our values.

Compassion
Accountability
Respect
Excellence

NATIONAL TISSUE AND ORGAN DONATION WEEK APRIL 18 - 25

Go to **Trillium Gift of Life Network** to learn more about tissue and organ donation at <http://www.giftoflife.on.ca/>

BRANTS BISTRO

Mark your calendars! On the following days Brant's Bistro will be hosting their Vendors from 11:30-1:45: April 22 - Campbell's; April 29- Nestlé's Special Menus; and prizes to be won! Don't miss out!

NORA'S GIFT FOUNDATION \$20,000 SURPRISE!

Doug and Val Bennett of Nora's Gift Foundation presented a cheque for \$20,000 to Cancer Clinic staff recently following a tour of the Cancer Clinic hosted by **Liliana Canadic**, Manager – Palliative Care/Oncology & Ambulatory Care.

Their gift will go to purchase three special examination beds, an icemaker for use in chemotherapy and a flat screen TV for the patient and family waiting lounge. Cancer Clinic and Foundation staff extended a sincere thank you to Nora's Gift Foundation for this special gift.



Pictured l-r **Cathy Foster**, Lab Technician; **Kelly Watkinson**, Nurse Clinician; **Liliana Canadic**; **Val and Doug Bennett**, Co-Chair persons – Nora's Gift Foundation; **Cheryl Soderlund**, Manager – Personal and Corporate Giving, JBMH Foundation; and **Chris McGarvey**, President – JBMH Foundation.

LET'S BE SCENT-SITIVE

Scented products may be harmful to people with allergies, environmental sensitivity or chronic heart or lung disease. The hospital is dedicated to providing a healthy, comfortable and productive work environment for our employees. We encourage you to avoid bringing or wearing fragrant products and strong scented flowers into the hospital.



THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who participated in my Retirement Tea, Golf and Country Club reception and contributed to a most generous retirement gift. You made my retirement very special and I will never forget it. I have had the good fortune of working with so many wonderful people over the years. I will be thinking of all of you as you move forward into the future. It will be a very exciting time for Joseph Brant.

Special thanks to **Donna McKay** for organizing the events. The reception at the Golf and Country Club was like a Joe Brant reunion.

Hazel Minnett

LIBRARY

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE NLM PUBMED MEDLINE: TRY IT!
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez>.

- PubMed Medline is the first choice for health information. Freely available at home or in the office, it is a database with millions of citations to articles covering both clinical and health administration research. Some of the articles are free full text; others are easily obtainable through the Joseph Brant Library system.
- Articles selected can be saved to **Clipboard** and emailed.
- Note that **Single Citation Matcher** is very useful if you are tracing an incomplete or incorrect citation.

Contact **Janette Hatton** at ext. 5515 in the Library for a demonstration of the many features of this useful search engine or for more information about the Library and its services.

WEB SITE OF THE WEEK

MedlinePlus Sleep Disorders information: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/>

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