



CAMPBELLFORD

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

The Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation Hosts 2019 Annual General Meeting Virtually and Reports a Very Successful Year

~ Campbellford Financial Advisor Brooklyn Allan Elected New Chair of the CMH Foundation ~

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TRENT HILLS – The Campbellford Memorial Hospital (CMH) Foundation held its 2019 annual general meeting Wednesday afternoon, but like most meetings being held right now it was done virtually.

Calvin Newman, Chair, of the CMH Foundation reported 2019 was a very successful year raising funds to direct to the Hospital. In his report to the Foundation AGM Newman said, “I am pleased to report the Foundation surpassed the one million dollar mark in funds raised in 2019. The funds allowed the Hospital to proceed with the purchase of a number of pieces of medical equipment, in addition to supporting the emerging Information Technology needs of the hospital. Topping the list was the arrival of forty new I-V Pumps following the successful **Buy a Pump Campaign.**”

Newman added, “I know this is the 2019 AGM, but I would be remiss in not talking about the past four months. Since March we have been in the midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic. It has captured our attention, challenged our Hospital and changed the way we are doing things at the Foundation. I want to give my personal thanks to the CMH Doctors, Nurses and Support Staff for doing an incredible job making sure the Hospital is prepared to take on the challenges of the pandemic and to be prepared for what the future may hold. I would also like to thank the community for its continued support of the hospital. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the community has answered the CMH Foundation’s call for assistance both with personal protective equipment and cash donations. It’s so wonderful to see that whenever there is a need our donors respond generously and thoughtfully.”

The Foundation AGM also marked the last meeting with Mr. Newman as the Chair of the Board a position he held for the past 12 years.

Speaking of Mr. Newman, Foundation Executive Director John Russell said, “Calvin has been a great Chairman providing wonderful guidance and direction for the Board. Over the years I would seek his counsel on issues the Foundation was facing and regardless of his extremely busy schedule, he always made time. In addition, he set a great example of what the leader of a charitable organization should do. Not only did he provide generous personal support to the hospital he also has helped to curate other support for the hospital. Newman’s support and passion for the hospital is un-wavering.”

During the AGM Financial Advisor Brooklyn Allan of Forgrave Financial Service in Campbellford was elected as the new chair of the CMH Foundation. Allan has been a dedicated member of the Foundation Board for many years having served as Chair of the Foundation's Planned Giving Committee and a member of the Hospital's Re-development Committee.

Martha Hunt of Marmora, a retired high school teacher and guidance counsellor, was elected as Vice-Chair. Foundation Board Members Paul Cudmore and Gene Brahaney retired as Foundation Board Members.

Highlights in 2019 for the CMH Foundation include,

- the Foundation's three Signature Events, the ***Incredible Doctors' Cook-off***, ***CMH Foundation Golf Classic***, and ***Ranney Gorge Run*** all surpassed previous years fundraising,
- many successful third party events hosted by local groups and businesses in support of the Hospital, including the ***Annual CDHS Jazz Concert*** and ***Ice, Cheese and Wine Bonspiel***,
- the annual ***Lunch with the CEO*** and new ***Behind the Scenes Tours of the Hospital*** that were great events to keep the donors and community up-to-date on what was going on at the Hospital,
- the launch of the \$600,000 ***Digital X-Ray Campaign*** took that continues today,
- a successful ***Angels of Care Campaign***, including the ***Giving Tuesday Initiative*** in partnership with Scott Drummond Motors,
- new equipment purchased for the hospital in the past year with donor support, includes forty I-V Pumps, two Vital Signs Monitors, two Beds, a Stretcher, a Ventilator and Accessories, NOCO Spray Sterilizer, HEPA Filter Cart, Patient Ceiling Lifts, Stethoscopes, Thermometers, Medication Dispensing Machine, Blood Gas Analyzer, CO2 Incubator, a Fire Suppression System, HVAC, Boiler & Energy Systems Supports, annual Information Technology Upgrades and Clinical Information System Supports, and Staff Education.

The AGM concluded with a remarks from Catherine Holt, the Foundation's Coordinator of Donor Relations and Communications, who said, "It is always exciting to look back at the year to not only celebrate the achievements, but also recognize that it is through the awe-inspiring generosity and the caring of the many hundreds of dedicated donors that we have state-of-the-art technologies and equipment at the Hospital. The IV Pumps are a perfect example of the incredible difference that donors make with their generosity. The old pumps were breaking down regularly. The new IV Pumps arrived just as staff was preparing for the COVID Pandemic. This support means everything to staff and to patient care – and Donors made this possible – better health care – at their community hospital. Thank you for all that you have done to make someone's life better."

In the next few days the CMH Foundation is mailing residents and donors the newest edition of its ***Giving Matters Newsletter*** and a current appeal. Look for it in your mail box soon.

Donations to the Hospital Foundation's current ***Support the Effort Campaign*** can be made in the following ways:

- Mailing a cheque to the CMH Foundation, 146 Oliver Road, Campbellford, ON K0L 1L0

- securely on-line at www.givetocmh.ca,
- via E-transfer to arunciman@cmh.ca,
- using a credit card and call Angela at 705-653-1140 ext. 2107, Catherine at 705-653-1140 ext. 2104 or John at 705-632-2014
- Contacting the CMH Foundation to discuss other arrangements

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