

# FOUNDATION FORUM

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION



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HOSPITAL**

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## NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

2013-2014

### Board of Directors:

- Bill Copland (Chair)
- Ann Logan (Past Chair)
- Louise Stevenson (Vice Chair)
- Don Knights (Treasurer)
- Rhonda Cunningham (Secretary)
- Scott Fraser
- Wendy Ito
- Dave Cromlish
- Kerry Lynch
- Tyler Hathway
- Cathy Settingington
- Rick Gadd
- Christine Stewart
- Patricia Fenner
- Sandra MacCoubrey
- Stephen Bale
- Helen Brenner
- Blake Jones

## MEET RUTH AND JACK FOOTE THEY ARE PHILANTHROPISTS



Ruth and Jack Foote

Even though Ruth and Jack Foote attended New York University at the same time; they never ran into each other on campus, not surprising considering the size of the campus. But a chance encounter after a fireworks display in Kearney, New Jersey, changed their lives forever. It was while walking home from those fireworks that Ruth and Jack started talking. Two months later they were engaged – and the following spring they married. That was 62 years ago.

The Foote’s moved to Canada in 1964, settled in Toronto, and six years later they proudly became Canadian Citizens.

Looking for a nice place where their three daughters could ride their horses, the Foote’s began looking for a new

home. They discovered 25 acres in Campbellcroft and this is where they built their dream home – “Tall Birches” – in 1976. They sold that home a year ago to one of their daughters and moved to Cobourg.

The Foote’s interest in the Northumberland Hills Hospital began ten years ago. It was at that time Jack was diagnosed with kidney failure. He fought off dialysis treatments for three years, but now finds himself to be a regular visitor to the Dialysis Unit of NHH. “I get fabulous care here. The nurses are just wonderful,” states Jack.

The NHH Foundation recently received a significant donation from Ruth and Jack. Their gift was funded by a donation of appreciated securities.

“Getting to know Ruth and Jack has been our privilege,” says Rhonda Cunningham, Executive Director of the NHH Foundation. “After making their gift, they told us how happy and satisfied it made them feel but we were the ones who were absolutely honoured and thrilled to be included in their charitable planning.”

When asked what their passions in life are, Jack states without hesitation that it would have to be their family. “We are a very close-knit family with three beautiful daughters, five wonderful grandchildren, a foster granddaughter plus a foster daughter. And we’re very proud of the fact that we’ve helped provide an education for not only our three daughters, but also five grandchildren and three other children.”

The hospital family would like to recognize and celebrate Ruth and Jack Foote for making a difference in the care we provide to our patients. Its people like the Foote’s that make many things possible here at NHH. Thank you.

## NHH TO WELCOME NEW CEO

Linda Davis, Incoming President and CEO of NHH, was the guest of honour at a recent reception organized by the NHH Foundation. While she doesn't officially assume her position until November 18th, Linda made herself available to meet many of the Foundation's loyal donors and volunteers.



Gerry and Betty Walker with Incoming President and CEO Linda Davis (left).



Ken and Dianne Kelly of Colborne attended the reception and welcomed Linda to our community.

## IN REMEMBRANCE OF BARBARA & NICHOLAS O'NIANS



Kathy McGuire (left) and her sister Janet Vella present Heather Norris of NHH Foundation with a gift of \$50,000.

*We* were honoured to recently meet Kathy and Janet - daughters of Barbara and Nick O'Nians. They stopped into the hospital to make a special gift in honour of their parents.

*On behalf of Janet and I, it is with great pleasure that we make this gift in the amount of \$50,000 in memory of our parents, Barbara and Nicholas O'Nians. As you know, the Northumberland Hills Hospital was near and dear to their hearts and our Dad in particular was passionate about his involvement with the hospital. Over the years, my sister and I have had many opportunities to hear about the challenges facing the hospital and to hear Dad's thoughts on what might be done to address a number of the tough issues. Equally, we shared many of the proud moments when he spoke of the results of the hard work and contributions of Board members, staff and the community. From the*

*first time Dad provided a "tour" of a big empty field that was to become the site of the hospital to the very detailed descriptions of the construction process and specifications for a room for the MRI equipment, we certainly have felt connected in some small way to the hospital.*

*We experienced first-hand the professionalism and caring of staff when our mother suffered a stroke, landing her in hospital with many long weeks in the rehab unit and later with her last stroke, spending her final days in palliative care. I personally was often struck during my visits by how much value was placed on patient care and making family feel welcome and comfortable and how thankful I was for that.*

*Our parents believed strongly in "community" and their support of the hospital gave them great pleasure. Dad in particular often speculated as to whether his involvement with the Board made a difference and there is no question in my mind or Janet's that he did. We know that this gift will further support the outstanding work of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation.*

*Yours truly,  
Kathy McGuire*

## NEW BOARD DIRECTORS

The Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. We are pleased to welcome and introduce the following community members to our Board.



### Kerry Lynch

Kerry graduated from Wilfrid Laurier University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1994. He articulated with Ernst & Young obtaining his C.A. designation in 1996.

After being away from the area for approximately 16 years, Kerry returned to Northumberland County at the end of 2006 to join the firm of Lynch Rutherford Tozer Chartered Accountants. He spent the previous 8 years working in Bermuda and then Miami as the Managing Director of Finance Latin America & Caribbean for a telecommunications company. In addition to being a member of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Planned Giving Committee, Kerry is also a member of Rotary, a board member for the Port Hope Minor Baseball Association, and a coach for minor hockey and baseball.



### Wendy Ito

Wendy and her family, including her husband Mark and their two daughters, have resided in Cobourg all their lives. A graduate from CDCI East, Trent University, and Sir Sandford Fleming, Wendy has a Bachelor of Arts Degree, her Early Childhood Education Diploma and her Social Service Work Diploma. Wendy previously worked as the Program Co-ordinator for the Northumberland Family Resource Centre. Once her second daughter was born, Wendy made the decision to stay at home full time with her girls, becoming very involved in community volunteer work. Giving back to the community through volunteering is something Wendy strongly believes in. Over the years, Wendy has volunteered at her children's schools, the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Northumberland United Way, West Northumberland Wild Hockey Association, Northumberland's Biggest Coffee Morning Event and for the past 12 years, Wendy has been involved with the Northumberland Hills Hospital Gala event. Most recently she completed a two-year stint as Gala Co-chair of the event.



### Tyler Hathway

Tyler, born and raised in Oakville, ON, has been a resident of Northumberland County for 15 years. After completing studies in Computer Sciences at Georgian College in Barrie and Loyalist College in Belleville, Tyler worked at a local manufacturing company as their IT Systems Administrator. His position there allowed him to work extensively within all departments of the company, earning him experience in sales, purchasing, scheduling, warehousing, accounting and finance. Tyler took these skills with him as he went to work with his father Nick in his family owned and operated industrial lubricant distributorship. Tyler has been the principal in the company since 2007 which he currently operates out of his home with his wife Erin. Erin, Tyler and their three children are active in the community in sponsoring local sports clubs and events, as well as being the leading fundraising team for the Sporting Life 10k Race in Toronto in support of Camp Oochigeas. Tyler has been on the committee for the Fisher's Foodland Golf for Health tournament for the past 2 years.



### Blake Jones

Since receiving degrees from Queen's University (BA) and Dalhousie University (B. Comm., MBA), Blake has spent over 30 years in the financial services industry and is an Investment Advisor with RBC Dominion Securities in Cobourg. Blake has been a member of the Rotary Club of Cobourg for over 20 years and is a Past President of that club. He has also served on the Board of the Cobourg Chamber of Commerce and is a recent member of the NHH Foundation's Finance Committee. Blake is married to Nora and they reside in Cobourg. Together they have raised three adult children.

# OSCAR NIGHT

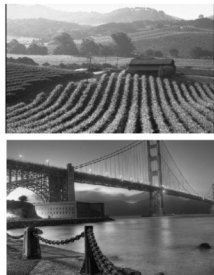
Doctors Raffle

Supporting the 13th Annual Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation Gala  
**Proceeds support the purchase of high priority medical equipment for the Northumberland Hills Hospital.**

## Tickets on Sale Now! \$100 each or 3 for \$250

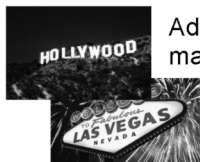
Only 500 tickets available to be sold

### First Prize: 8 Day - San Francisco & Wine Country Delights OR a \$8,000 travel Voucher\*



Fly from Toronto to historic San Francisco and discover the iconic sights; from the Golden Gate Bridge to vibrant Chinatown and on to the renowned picturesque California Wine country. Explore the lush vineyards of the Napa Valley, sample fine wines and even blend your own bottle of wine on this exciting tour through this world famous region. This small group package includes economy flights, first class hotel accommodation, breakfast each morning, 4 evening meals, an expert guided tour in San Francisco, food tasting at the 'Oxbow Public Market' in Napa, dinner at a Napa winery, a private cooking class with wine in Sonoma, guided private tour of 'Castello di Amorosa' (a Tuscan-style castle), luxury travel via air-conditioned coach and airport transfers. Finish off this unique experience by boarding a hot air-balloon at sunrise for a flight over the vineyards.

### Second Prize: Design Your Dream Getaway - \$2,000 Value\*



Add this prize to any vacation you may already be planning or, treat yourself to something you may not normally take the opportunity to do! Why not indulge in a couple of nights in Toronto at the posh Ritz-Carlton Hotel during the TIFF? Or, fly to New York City for a few nights and take in a Broadway play or two. What about a trip to Los Angeles, the ultimate 'Hollywood Mecca'? Stay at the Beverly Hills Hotel on Rodeo Drive and enjoy a VIP tour of 'Grauman's Chinese Theatre'? *The world is your oyster!*



### Third Prize: iPad with Retina display - \$600 Value\*\*



Right from the start, there's a lot to love about iPad. It's simple yet powerful. Thin and light yet full-featured. It can do just about everything and be just about anything. And because it's so easy to use, it's easy to love. The Retina display on iPad makes everything look crisp and lifelike. Text is razor sharp. Colours are vibrant. Photos and videos are rich with detail. All thanks to its 3.1 million pixels — a million more pixels than an HDTV.

### Order Form (Please print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

- Cash/Cheque     
  Please charge my credit card     
  Visa     
  M/C  
 1 Ticket for \$100     
  3 Tickets for \$250     
  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Draw to be held at the 13th Annual NHH Gala, "*Oscar Night... a Touch of Hollywood*" on  
**Saturday, November 2, 2013**

Completed forms can be returned for raffle tickets at the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation, The Avid Reader (Cobourg), Expedia Cruiseshipcenters (Cobourg), The Beauty Clinic (Cobourg) or Holton Flowers (Port Hope).  
 Completed forms can also be faxed to the Foundation Office at 905-373-6936 (fax) and your tickets will be delivered to you.

**Raffle tickets can also be purchased securely on-line at [www.nhhgala.ca](http://www.nhhgala.ca)**

For more information contact the Foundation at 905-372-6811 ext. 3068.



\*Winner will receive a travel voucher to design the trip to their specifications (First Prize: \$8,000 maximum value/ Second Prize: \$2,000 maximum value)  
 \*\*No exchanges or prize substitutions

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# OSCAR NIGHT

*A Touch of Hollywood*

The 13th Annual Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation gala will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2013. This year's theme is **"Oscar Night - inspired by a touch of Hollywood."** Stroll down the red carpet and pose for the paparazzi on an evening that will magnify all the glitz, glamour and excitement that Oscar night is so famous for. After rave reviews from last year's gala, the Cobourg Community Centre will once again be the gala venue for this important community event.

Last year, the dedicated gala committee, along with many other volunteers transformed the Cobourg Community Centre's gymnasiums into a grand ballroom. The added space meant guests were able to socialize, keep an eye on their silent auction items and enjoy all the beautiful décor - all in one room. Having benefitted from the experience of dealing with the new space last year, organizers have new ideas and promise they won't disappoint. Gala guests will enjoy the best in food, décor, live music and live and silent auctions.

Since its inception the gala has raised over \$1.3 million for the hospital. Funds raised this year will be directed towards the Surgical Services Program at NHH.

Tickets to the gala can be purchased through Adrienne Barrie in the Foundation Office at (905) 372-6811, ext. 3068. Tickets are priced at \$250 each. For the latest information on the gala, please visit [www.nhhgala.ca](http://www.nhhgala.ca).

## What Our Patients Are Saying...

*Recently (August 12) my wife came to Emergency with what we thought was pneumonia but after careful examination and expeditious diagnostic imaging, it was discovered that she had a tumour on her lung. You can imagine how shocking this was to us especially in non-smokers.*

*The reason for this letter is to praise and thank both the ER doctors and all the staff who were tending to her that terrible day. The compassion and overall caring nature of all involved was really outstanding; the heartfelt hugs were so helpful. Besides this exceptional treatment in ER, the quick work by the Diagnostic Imaging personnel and really fast biopsy within days of that first shock could only be found in a community hospital with the right equipment and good staff. The oncology surgeon in Oshawa was stunned by how fast she had the majority of the needed images and reports. She thought we had friends in the right places and we said we did – NHH!*

*We will now await some further tests and surgery date (not nearly as quickly booked as at NHH) and hope for the best outcome during and after surgery.*

*With gratitude,*

*M&RF*

# Good News Good News

## THE NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION'S GOOD NEWS PAGES



Stew, Millie and Marli

### Bon Voyage! The gift of Flight

Congratulations to Doug Langille (*centre*) winner of two WestJet tickets to anywhere in the world WestJet flies. In celebration of his recent retirement, Doug and his wife will fly to Hawaii with their prize. Pictured with Doug are Richard and Lorraine Mansey – coordinators of the raffle which supports the NHH Foundation as part of the Chris Mansey Memorial Golf Tournament. This year's raffle raised \$6,000. Thank you to all those who purchased tickets.

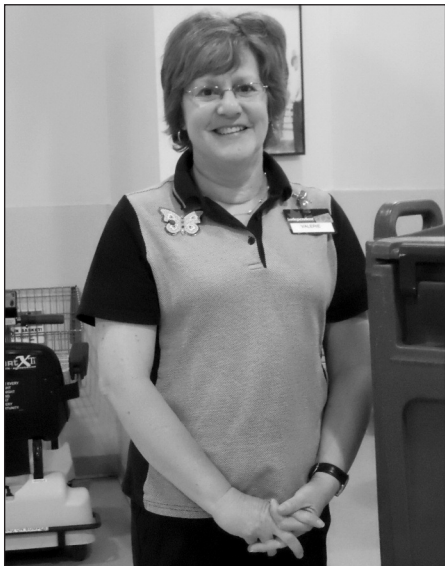
### Bob Smoke Memorial Golf Tournament Raises \$2,471

Lloyd Smoke (*right*) and his mother Sharon (*left*) present Dr. David Moorsom and Rhonda Cunningham, Executive Director of NHH Foundation, with proceeds from the 4th annual golf tournament they organize in honour of their son and brother. In the last five years, they have raised over \$7,000. Fabulous!



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Valerie Tanner of Davis' Independent in Port Hope was one of the hosts of a 2013 coffee party.

## Northumberland's Biggest Coffee Morning

We are pleased to announce that \$31,655 was raised during the 7th Annual Northumberland's Biggest Coffee Morning event. With more than 43 parties held across west Northumberland, guests and their hosts enjoyed laughter and fellowship, while making donations toward the purchase of new medical equipment for the Surgical Services Program at NHH.

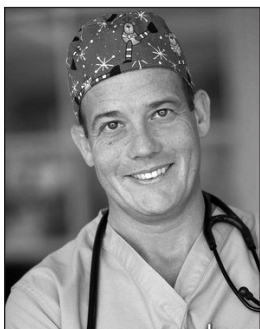
This result would not have been possible without gracious organizers and hosts, supporters, sponsors and of course – the very generous attendees.

Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate this success.

**THANKS**

**A special  
"thank you" to  
Mary & Peter Smith  
for their very  
generous gift in  
September.  
We are indeed  
grateful to be  
included with your  
charitable planning.**

## We are pleased to welcome Dr. Michael Barrie as this year's Campaign Chair



**Dr. Barrie is an anesthesiologist with the Surgical Services program at NHH.**

### Why did you choose to work at NHH eight years ago?

*I remember being so impressed with NHH the first time I visited. It truly is a first rate hospital with first rate staff. I was also drawn to the beauty of the area and the livability of the associated communities. I'm proud to call Northumberland home.*

### Please tell us a little bit about yourself?

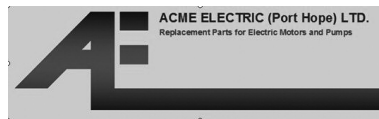
*I'm married to Marie-Annik who is a teacher and originally from Montreal. We have four young boys ages 3 to 9 (three born here at NHH). We speak mostly French at home, and my children go to a french Catholic school. Life is busy as a full time anesthesiologist and I'm on call frequently. I also work occasional shifts in the Emergency Department. Long hours aside, I love my job! When I'm not at the hospital or home parenting, I'm usually at the rink with one of my sons, out for a run or bike ride, or when I can, hunting, fishing and enjoying the outdoors. As a family we are very active with two of our favorite things being camping and downhill skiing.*

**Be sure to watch your mailbox soon for a letter from Dr. Barrie inviting your support of the 20th Anniversary of the *Light up a Life* campaign.**

# Good News Good News

The Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation is proud to receive support from local businesses.

We're pleased to recognize and welcome the following new businesses to our **Business Partners Program (BPP)**.



Visit the Business Partners tab on the Foundation website to view a complete list of our BPP members.

For more information about the Business Partners Program, and how your business can become a member please contact

**Heather Norris at 905-372-6011 ext 3065 or [hnorris@nhh.ca](mailto:hnorris@nhh.ca)**

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