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# 2023 Winter Newsletter

Important News and Updates



## Family & Philanthropy

Clara Christina Scott was a humble person, not wanting to draw special interest to herself. With ties to Georgetown and Cheltenham, she grew up on a farm in Mississauga. A registered nurse, Clara began her career at Toronto General Hospital, where she ultimately became the chief surgical nurse. She ended her career as the occupational health nurse at Avro Canada.

Two of Clara's many passions in life were healthcare and philanthropy. She generously donated her time and resources to multiple institutions over the years, including Georgetown Hospital. Clara gave anonymously, until shortly before her death and after discussions with her family, she agreed that her generous giving could be publicly commemorated.

"She had certain goals in life, and she just made the commitment," said her son, Jack Evans. "She told me she practiced philanthropy her whole life."

Earlier this year, Clara passed away peacefully at Amica Peel Village, at 103 years of age. Over the years, she donated more than \$650,000 to Georgetown Hospital. In honour of Clara's kindness and generosity, a room in the Maternal Newborn unit has been named in her honour.

Her anonymous giving wasn't the only surprise in Clara's life. Five years ago, her family was amazed to learn that Clara had given up a son for adoption many years ago.

"At the age of 98, Clara was reunited with her son, whom she gave up for adoption in 1942, and kept a total secret from family and friends for 75 years," read a statement from the family. "That reunion resulted in a loving friendship that lasted for her remaining five years and beyond."

When Jack called his mother on Mother's Day in 2017, Clara was soft-spoken and cautious. Jack explained to Clara that he had been looking for her for a number of years, and was able to locate her through Genealogical searching.



Clara Scott & her son, Jack Evans

Jack told his mother of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and she was very excited. She thanked Jack for finding her, and the two bonded instantly. Clara shared her happy news with her family and friends, and they were excited, too.

Following their reconnection that year, Clara and Jack continued to stay in touch twice weekly. Despite Jack living on the east coast in New Brunswick, they were able to meet in person multiple times, where Jack was introduced to his extended family and loved ones. He continues to have ongoing relationships with his new relatives, including his birth father's, Cecil Rudolph, family members as well. Clara and Cecil maintained a loving relationship of more than 25 years following Jack's birth. On those same trips, Clara was able to meet her grandchildren and two of her great-grandchildren.

Her family wants the community to know that Clara was an exceptional nurse, a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and also a generous philanthropist who quietly donated to better her community. The Georgetown Hospital Foundation extends our heartfelt thanks to her entire family for sharing Clara's story, and to Clara for her tremendous compassion and generosity that will live on within Georgetown Hospital for many years to come.



## New Ultrasound Machine Funded by Donors

The generosity of our community allowed Georgetown Hospital to purchase a new ultrasound machine! This upgraded piece of equipment funded by donors will provide clearer images and allow for faster and more accurate diagnosis.



## A Note From The Executive Director

**Our community is amazing!**

It was heartwarming for the Georgetown Hospital Foundation to once again host in person events in 2022! The damp weather for September's Walk or Run for Georgetown Hospital didn't deter over 300 people from coming out and exceeding the fundraising target in support of our local hospital.



**Sandra Taylor**

We were also thrilled to host the return of the Georgetown Hospital Gala in November. It was a spectacular event, and the largest crowd ever raised a record-setting amount for the highest priority needs at the hospital, including two vital pieces of pediatric equipment to provide the best care for our littlest patients.

2022 also saw a return of community events in support of the hospital, such as Georgetown Cruise Nights, who ran 50/50 draws at their weekly summer events. We are grateful to have been recipients of Poppy Fund proceeds from both Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120 (Georgetown) and Royal Canadian Legion Branch 197 (Acton). And the recent holiday season was once again lit up by the fantastic Lambert's Lights show with partial proceeds to the hospital. Volunteers are the backbone of all of these events, giving their time to help plan, organize and host events for our community to enjoy.

We also give a big shout out to our supportive business community, who ran their own fundraising events, sponsored community events, donated products and services and had employees who volunteered their time. Please consider supporting these wonderful businesses who make our community stronger.

On behalf of the physicians, nurses and staff at Georgetown Hospital, I extend our deepest gratitude for everyone who gave their time, talents and treasure, and for those who came out and supported all of the activities that raised funds to ensure our hospital can continue to provide exemplary care close to home. Please be sure to follow us on social media for all of the exciting plans in store this year and see how you can become involved!

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# GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

## Cruise Lottery

**COMING SOON...**



## Community Partners

### GEORGETOWN CRUISE NIGHTS

Congratulations to the committee for raising \$7,410 for Georgetown Hospital through their summer 50/50 draws. We're so grateful for organizations in our community that support our local hospital.



### MAKING A DIFFERENCE INITIATIVE

Thank you to the Shop Local to Make a Difference initiative for its very generous donation of over \$660! Local businesses, including you, are the reason we can continue to provide exemplary care close to home, always.



## Queen's Platinum Jubilee Pins

Halton Healthcare volunteers, staff and physicians were honoured with Queen's Platinum Jubilee pins in recognition of their significant contributions and service to the community. The Canadian Platinum Jubilee pin was created to mark the 70th anniversary year of the late Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne. Congratulations to all of the recipients!



**Dr. Craig Carson**  
Associate Chief of Staff



**Mandy Armstrong Rogers**  
Chair, Georgetown Hospital Foundation  
Board of Directors

### Gift Planning | Ways to Give

*Gift in your Will*

*Stocks*

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For more information about how you can make a future gift to Georgetown Hospital, please contact:

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# New Geriatrician at Georgetown Hospital

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Monia Hamouda to Georgetown Hospital. Dr. Hamouda is the newest addition to the hospital's team focused on geriatric and specialty services to support the local aging population.

"As Geriatricians, we specialize in caring for aging adults who generally have a number of complex medical conditions, like diabetes or cardiovascular disease," said Dr. Hamouda. "Many may also have some mental health challenges. Instead of treating each condition separately, it's crucial that we look at and understand the whole picture. My goal is to optimize their health so they can live their best life."

"Dr. Hamouda's endearing and compassionate approach coupled with her extensive experience is instrumental in helping us grow our Geriatrics Program," says Dr. Craig Carson, Associate Chief of Staff, Georgetown Hospital.



**Dr. Monia Hamouda**

Dr. Hamouda completed her specialized training at the University of Geneva in Switzerland. She has served as head of the Geriatrics Department at Dr. Georges-L.-Dumont University Hospital Centre, and Assistant Professor at the University of Sherbrooke, both in Moncton, New Brunswick.

"I consider it a great privilege to work with the elderly and their families and help them transition through what might be the most difficult time of their lives. Bringing a little comfort, hope or joy to them is extremely satisfying," says Dr. Hamouda.

## Georgetown Hospital is clearly close to your heart.

Did you realize you can make a large and lasting contribution through a gift in your Will without using resources you need now, or taking away from loved ones? Even 1% of your estate could result in a truly powerful gift, while still leaving 99% for family and friends.



← Scan the QR code to learn more!

Please reach out to Deborah Bauder if you have any questions:  
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**Invest just 90 minutes,  
and it could save you and your  
family thousands in tax dollars.**



**February 7: 2 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.  
Location: Zoom Webinar**



← Scan the QR code to register!

## WALK OR RUN FOR GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL

September marked a return to the Gellert Community Centre for the Walk or Run for Georgetown Hospital! Thank you to everyone who participated, supported, donated to, sponsored, and volunteered for this year's event! We had so much fun and raised over \$83,000!



## GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL FOUNDATION GALA

The return of the Georgetown Hospital Foundation Gala was a resounding success, breaking records with the largest number of attendees and the highest fundraising total ever! Over \$180,000 was raised at the event, which will be directed to equipment needs, specifically supporting vital equipment for our littlest patients.



## SHOPPERS DRUG MART RUN FOR WOMEN



\$107,000 was raised for mental health programs at Halton Healthcare through the 2022 Shoppers Drug Mart Run for Women!

## 2022 Events

### BEER STORE BOTTLE DRIVE

The Georgetown Beer Store ran a summer empties drive and through their philanthropic efforts, raised over \$7,000! Thank you to our community for coming together to donate your empties, and thank you to The Beer Store for your kindness.



### SMILE COOKIE

Thank you to the three Georgetown Tim Hortons restaurants! More than \$21,000 was raised through this year's Smile Cookie campaign. Your support of Smile Cookie allows us to purchase vital surgical equipment at Georgetown Hospital.



## Feel Good Fact

Thanks to the generosity of you and other members of our community, since 2012, the Georgetown Hospital Foundation has provided over \$10 million to Georgetown Hospital for the purchase of new and upgraded equipment and technology!

