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A Special Lakes Report on Your Gifts in Action!

A Family Legacy

Upper Stoney Lake resident Barbara Misener and her family know how important it is to have a world-class hospital to serve the needs of her family, neighbours, and friends while at the lake...

"We live year round on Upper Stoney, and in the summer months it is such a joy to have this beautiful place for my family and friends to share our precious moments together," says Barbara. "Our family has had our fair share of needing the services of Peterborough Regional Health Centre (PRHC), and when we thought about giving back, we immediately thought of the PRHC Foundation. We knew this is where we wanted to make a difference.

"My husband Charlie worked hard throughout his lifetime, and philanthropy and giving back were

important to him," she adds. "We were so pleased to be able to make a \$500,000 investment in building the new state-of-the-art, 494-bed regional hospital in 2008. Though Charlie passed away in 2009, I feel a tremendous amount of joy in knowing that his legacy helped play a key role in ensuring our friends and family at the lake have the best health care available when they need it most."

Lesley Heighway, President & CEO of the PRHC Foundation says the generosity of people like the Miseners plays an essential role in making outstanding patient care at PRHC possible.



Charlie & Barbara Misener

"Gifts from extraordinary people like Barbara and Charlie help PRHC's expert staff and physicians achieve extraordinary things and we're so grateful for their generosity," says Heighway. "Their philanthropy is bringing new lifesaving services to our region, and helping PRHC attract and retain expert doctors, nurses, and staff. Great patient care is the standard at PRHC because of people like them."

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Setting the standard for world-class surgical care

Peterborough Regional Health Centre's surgical program one of only eight hospitals in Canada recognized internationally!

Last fall, Peterborough Regional Health Centre's (PRHC) surgical services program quietly made its way onto a very exclusive list – one that celebrates and recognizes surgical quality and safety outcomes at hospitals across the United States and Canada.

The National Surgical Quality Improvement Program or NSQIP as it's known, is an internationally recognized and validated quality improvement program overseen by the American College of Surgeons. Tracking data from participating hospitals, the program aims to reduce surgical morbidity, while providing a firm foundation for

surgeons to apply what is known as “best scientific evidence” to the practice of surgery.

Of the 800 hospitals that participated from across Canada and the United States, 66 received the top designation “Meritorious,” including PRHC and such esteemed peers as Sunnybrook Health Sciences, Mount Sinai, Cleveland Clinic, the Mayo Clinic, and Johns Hopkins. Of the 66 hospitals recognized, only eight are located in Canada.

“This is an incredibly proud moment for our surgical program, for PRHC, and for our region,” says Dr. Lynn Mikula, PRHC surgeon and Chair of the hospital's Medical Ad-



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visory Committee. “In addition to recognizing the hospital's surgical team for this tremendous achievement, I would like to thank the PRHC Foundation, and through them our community and seasonal donors, for their support of the hospital's surgical program. Their recent \$1 million investment in leading-edge technology and equipment to support the expansion of our minimally-invasive surgery program is enabling improved safety and quality outcomes, with smaller incisions, lower infection risk, faster recovery times and shorter hospital stays.”

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Gratitude
AT THE
Lake

LET US THANK YOU!

The support of cottagers ensures PRHC's Emergency Department and regional cardiac programs can deliver lifesaving, world-class care where and when you need it most.

Join us and enjoy a cocktail and appetizers with special guests:

Dr. Peter McLaughlin, President & CEO, PRHC
Dr. Nancy White, Vice President & Chief Medical Officer, PRHC
Dr. Mark Troughton, Chief of Emergency Medicine, PRHC

Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 4:00 pm
Burleigh Falls Inn (4791 Hwy 28, North Kawartha)

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What did your gifts fund last year?

Seconds count when you're saving a life. It takes an incredible amount of essential medical equipment to deliver world-class emergency care. Thanks to donor support, PRHC has been able to invest in tools like...

- The newest vital signs monitors and central station for the Emergency Department
- A targeted temperature management system for ICU patients
- Vital upgrades and technology for the cardiac cath lab
- Emergency minimally-invasive surgical tools
- Portable, bedside diagnostic equipment such as a new ultrasound for the ICU's Critical Care Response Team

When accidents and emergencies happen, PRHC is your lifeline at the lake. Please help us be ready in case of your emergency.

"We rely on a combination of experience, expertise, instinct and technology to diagnose and treat our patients. That's where donors are critical, funding the technology and equipment we use every day to deliver world-class patient care."

**Dr. Mark Troughton,
PRHC's Chief of
Emergency Medicine**

Kudos for the Dembroski Emergency Department

PRHC recently received a special commendation from the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care, recognizing and congratulating them on the outstanding performance of the **Dembroski Emergency Department**.

Having the best tools for diagnosis and treatment plays a key role in allowing PRHC's emergency and critical care teams to effectively manage increasing volumes, without lowering quality of care.

Thank you for funding the emergency equipment that's helping to make this outstanding patient care possible at "your hospital at the lake!"

Looking back... Wildfire Lunch & Golf Day, September 2017



Our sincere thanks to Terry Windrem and George Cooke for once again hosting a "Lunch and Golf" day at Wildfire Golf Club last September.

Our guests enjoyed sunny weather, great golf, and the opportunity to hear the latest and greatest successes happening at PRHC. Thank you Terry and George for your loyal support in sponsoring this event for the past four years!

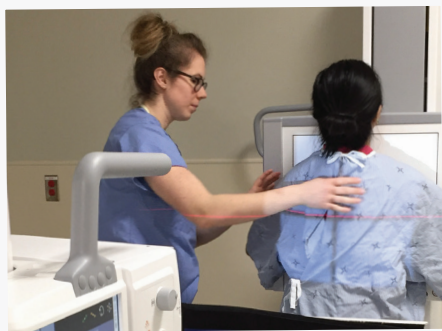


Top left: Franz Roessl & Joe Hawley

Top right: Donnell Leahy, John Davis, Rick Barr & Terry Windrem

Bottom left: Maria-Elena Stern, Jaymes Winch, Adair Ireland-Smith, Chair of PRHC's Board of Directors & Ian Scates

Bottom right: Terry Windrem, Lesley Heighway, PRHC Foundation President & CEO & George Cooke



Equipment Spotlight: X-Ray Trauma Suites

PRHC's Emergency Department depends on being able to access dedicated diagnostic imaging equipment like X-rays 24/7, so doctors and nurses can identify the most critically ill and injured people as quickly as possible.

"When older technology starts to break down, it causes delays in patient diagnosis and treatment," says Dr. Mark Troughton, Chief of Emergency Medicine. "We can't afford to let this happen when seconds can mean the difference between life and death."

With your support, we can make sure that when you or your family and friends come to PRHC in a crisis, the expert care you need will be ready and waiting.

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This type of ongoing Lakes' community involvement is essential to funding the equipment and technology that form the backbone of world class patient care at 'your hospital at the lake', something Barbara and her family have taken to heart.

"I am honoured to be able to continue our family's legacy of transformational generosity with our recent gift of \$50,000 to the PRHC Foundation in support of two new X-Ray Trauma Suites for the Emergency Department," said Barbara.

When PRHC replaces the two trauma suites, they will be able to take advantage of the latest evolution of diagnostic imaging technology – going wireless.

Radiologists will be able to position the equipment to suit the patient's injuries, rather than the other way around, reducing pain

significantly, and for many patients, the need for multiple x-rays.

"If an emergency happens for my friends or family at the lake, I don't want the equipment and technology to be adequate – I want the absolute best care," says Barbara. "This is my family's way of saying thanks for the great care we have received at PRHC. Together we can continue to ensure the best, lifesaving care is available and waiting in case of an emergency at the lake."



From left: Janice Cowie, Joanne Misener, Charlie Misener, Barbara Misener, Deborah Misener-Lloyd, (Douglas Misener not pictured)

This summer, our top priority is to bring the latest X-ray technology with the highest quality images to you and your loved ones. Your support is critical. Join the Misener family in funding PRHC's top emergency priority. Give today.

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