



## WHAT'S UP?

News from The Auxiliary of the Montreal General Hospital  
June 2014



Executive Committee

Susan Curry, Martha Barrington, Diana Smith  
Mary Guay, Yvonne Mass. (Bob Gaudreau not in photo)

Yvonne Mass is the incoming President of The MGH Auxiliary. She has had a long time association with the MGH as a staff nurse on 10 West Medical, Director of Nursing Education at the Chest Hospital, Professor of Nursing at Dawson College, and has sat on various boards: The Westmount Liberal Association, Centaur Theatre, Nova Montreal, and The Auxiliary of the MGH. Her greatest pleasure was working with her Nursing Students, to foster an understanding of the compassion, caring and expertise involved in the practice of Nursing.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This past year, the Board has been very involved in committee work to develop a Strategic Plan for The Auxiliary with a focus on defined goals; the revision of the By-Laws and the revision of the Board Structure. The Auxiliary, along with the Foundation, redecorated and refurbished the 18th Floor East and West Sunrooms, provided funding for Research and equipment on doctor's and department's wish lists and supported Community Out-Reach Programs. Also, The Auxiliary is participating in many MUHC committees in anticipation of the opening of the new Hospital at the Glen.

Thank you for your past support, and we count on you to help as we move forward, with new projects and new ideas.

*Yvonne Mass*

### FRIENDS OF THE MUHC

The Formal Launch of The Friends of the MUHC took place on Tuesday, May 21, 2014 in Glen Hall. The history of the formation of the Friends over the past decade was presented. The newly constituted organization is poised to build community and civic volunteer support of the entire MUHC network.

Kitty Lackenbauer will continue as Chairman of the Board of the Friends of MUHC. She has some new faces, a few young men, and The Auxiliary of the MGH is well represented.



Gisele Chévrefils, Karen Fried & Jean Lenzi  
Representing The MGH Auxiliary

Ongoing activities of the Friends:

- support of the Heritage mission, identifying and housing artifacts and archival material;
- the TOONIE CHALLENGE based in our area schools;
- broadening membership with initiating drive for founding members.
- the Friends will guide community tours of the new facility in early December, and will host staff celebration breakfasts in June 2015.

Let us celebrate together the good news founding of the Friends of the MUHC.

And let us show the patients, staff, teachers, researchers, and pan-community, "the warmth of our welcome, the breadth of our smile, the depth of our care" \*. \*Jill Harrington

Good luck to the new Friends Board! You'll do good work and have fun too!

*Bim Bushell*

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



*Barbara's contribution to the MGH has been enormous over the years. It is our pleasure to honour her.*

On Tuesday June 10th, 2014 a luncheon was held at the Atwater Club to honour Barbara Whitley who has devoted her time and boundless energy to the Montreal General Hospital. Our hosts were the Foundation of the MGH, The Auxiliary MGH, and the Legacy Committee. Barbara was awarded A LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD for her remarkable contributions to The Auxiliary, the Board of Directors, and The Foundation.

The special luncheon was part of the MUHC Legacy Year and recognized her many achievements with the hospital, having served as a Charter Member and The Auxiliary's 4th president, as well as the first woman to serve on the MGH Board of Directors.

Barbara enchanted all present with her speech, recounting memories and anecdotes about her time with the Hospital. She is truly an inspiration to new generations of volunteers.

## AUXILIARY CARD PARTY LUNCHEON

On May 7th, 2014 The Auxiliary of the MGH held a Card Party Luncheon. We had 25 tables with 101 participants! The majority were Bridge Players, but some played Mahjong and Scrabble.

The food was delicious, thanks to our caterer, Yves Coderre. Everyone had a wonderful time!

Many Thanks to all our Auxiliary members who helped serve and make this event a success.

Let's make this an annual fund raising affair for Patient Care.

*Georgia Shamie*

## THE BOOK NOOK

Sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who has supported the Book Nook. The volunteers who have been so devoted in terms of their time are very special people. Many thanks to everyone in the community who have donated books to this project. Profits continue to support patient care in the hospital. We thank you most sincerely.

*Helen Keyes*

## HOSPITALITY CORNER

Exciting new plans are being developed for the Snack Bar 'Dining Room'. After hours the tables and chairs can be moved into different configurations allowing for conferences, seminars, and meetings. A state of the art Audio Visual system with a very large screen is being installed, giving us the potential to project procedures, lectures and conferences from around the world.

**Yves will be on site to cater breakfast, cocktails, dinners or whatever the choice to the participants!** Regular daytime service and shopping will continue as usual.

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