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A Record Breaking 50/50 Jackpot

We can't believe our eyes every time we check out December's constantly growing jackpot. We are thrilled to say that this is our LARGEST jackpot yet!

As of December 23, the total is sitting at over \$108,000 with over a week left to grow before the Grand Prize Draw on December 31 at 10am. We are ecstatic to see such incredible enthusiasm from our community in support of healthcare at Woodstock Hospital through the 50/50.

We want to thank everyone who has purchased tickets. Whether you have purchased them for a chance to win the jackpot or purchased them just to give back to your hospital, we greatly appreciate your support. We also want to thank our sponsors who have added an extra boost of excitement to our Early Bird Draws. With the support of some incredible community businesses, we have been able to add in extra draws (like our 12 Early Bird Draws this month) or increase the Early Bird Prize money.

Tickets for the December 50/50 are on sale until December 31 at 9:30am and can be purchased online only at www.woodstock5050.ca.

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New Mobile Fluoroscopy Camera Purchased with Proceeds from 50/50

Over a year ago we launched our monthly 50/50 to raise much needed funds for new technology in our Diagnostic Imaging (DI) Department. Much like a home computer, medical technology has a lifespan before it becomes outdated and requires replacement. In our DI Department there are several pieces of equipment that are nearing the end of their lifespan and need to be replaced. Thanks to the success of the 50/50 we have been able to purchase one of the pieces on our list: a mobile fluoroscopy camera.

The new camera came to Woodstock Hospital mid September and has been a workhorse in Diagnostic Imaging since the start of October. Previously the department had been using a mobile fluoroscopy camera purchased at the old hospital in 2006.

The mobile fluoroscopy camera allows someone to view real-time imaging of a patient. The technology used is the same type used in airport security scanners; however, medical fluoroscopy uses higher doses of radiation for clarity of the images. You can see a heart beating, someone swallowing, or screws being placed for difficult fractures.

A mobile fluoroscope's value is realized in the operating room for imaging gallbladders, kidneys, hip replacements, internal fixation (plates and screws) of broken bones, and foreign body surgeries. Currently we use our new mobile fluoroscope 7-10 times per week.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Monthly 50/50; making it possible to purchase this vital piece of equipment. It is so important to ensure our staff have up-to-date specialized equipment they need to carry out exceptional care and services for our community.

Our equipment needs don't end there. Much like a home computer, medical technology has a lifespan before it becomes outdated and requires replacement. In our DI Department there are several pieces of equipment that are nearing the end of their lifespan and need to be replaced. We still need a new general radiology camera, an echocardiography ultrasound, and general ultrasound machines.

With your support we're getting closer to being able to purchase these vital pieces of equipment.



Thank You!

Newton Massage Therapy

Thank you to Newton Massage Therapy for hosting a fundraiser in support of our Chemotherapy Clinic! They donated \$10 from every massage (plus collected additional donations) throughout the month of August and raised an incredible \$1,610!

Thank you for being such caring and compassionate community members in support of our Chemotherapy Clinic. This donation will make a HUGE difference to patient care.

Sri Guru Singh Sabah Sikh Temple

Thank you to the working committee of the Sri Guru Singh Sabah Woodstock Sikh temple in Woodstock for dropping off a cheque for \$1,100.

The committee collected donations from members to give back to the Woodstock Community. Woodstock Hospital is very grateful to be the recipient of this caring donation.

Ambikare for Diversity and Inclusion

In November, Ambikare hosted a multi cultural event to promote and celebrate diversity and inclusion in Woodstock. The event raised an incredible \$12,000 to support patient care at Woodstock Hospital.

Thank you to the organizers for planning a successful day and to everyone who came out in support of the event.

Woodstock Moose Lodge 1329

Representatives from the Woodstock Moose Lodge donated \$500 to the Chemotherapy Clinic at Woodstock Hospital and \$1,000 to the greatest equipment needs of the hospital. Moose Lodge donated money raised through their Break Open Nevada ticket sales.

Thank you for giving back in support of patient care at Woodstock Hospital! We greatly appreciate your support.



Increasing Patient Safety with 10 New WOWs

In 2020, one of the essential pieces of equipment we fundraised for was 10 new Workstations on Wheels, also known as WOWs. These workstations are essential in bringing the electronic patient record system to the bedside and are used all throughout the hospital. WOWs are equipped with a monitor, keyboard, and several drawers that securely store medications and other supplies.

Clinical staff can bring the WOW's into patient rooms and using a health information system called Cerner, look up patient's medical history including bloodwork, x-rays, and other useful information that may be needed to make assessments.

One of the most important features is barcode scanning which allows nurses to match the medication orders that are then verified by the pharmacist electronically before being given to the patient. A nurse scans the patient's wristband and scans a barcode on the medication packaging to ensure the patient receives the appropriate medication and dosage. This technology is adding a significant level of safety and enhancing the overall patient experience.

The hours go by quickly for clinical staff, especially during busy shifts. Having technology and equipment at the bedside that helps provide personalized care and enhanced safety is very important. Thank you to everyone who supported the purchase of new WOWs in 2020.



Elvira Villaneuva using a WOW to check patient information.



(LtoR) Nurses, Carrie Tran and Elvira Villaneuva with a Workstation on Wheels. *Please note, this photo was taken prior to COVID masking regulations.

Helping More Patients with New Cystoscopes

Proceeds from the 2020 Dairy Capital Run supported the purchase of four new cystoscopes for our Outpatient Clinic.

Cystoscopes are used in cystoscopies to examine the lining of the bladder and urethra to diagnose and treat urinary tract problems including bladder cancer, bladder control issues, and enlarged prostates. The scopes are a long thin flexible tube that have a camera on the end. Once the tube is inserted in the bladder, the physician is able to get a view of the whole bladder.

On average our Outpatient Clinic does 35 cystoscopies per week. In addition to this, our Operating Room uses a couple scopes each week for visualization in certain surgeries. After use, each scope is sent to our Medical Device Reprocessing Department (MDRD) to be sterilized. The turnaround time for cleaning is about two hours per scope. This lengthy cleaning time limited how many cystoscopies our Outpatient Clinic could complete in a day.

By adding four new scopes to our fleet, the clinic is now able to accommodate more scopes in a day. It also relieves pressure on MDRD giving them a longer cleaning turnaround time. Donor support makes a huge difference to care at Woodstock Hospital. Thank you to everyone who supported our 2020 Dairy Capital Run and made it possible for us to purchase new scopes.



THE DAIRY CAPITAL VIRTUAL WALK & RUN

The 2022 Dairy Capital Run will once again be a virtual event! Participants will have the opportunity to run/walk their distance anywhere they want and will have between May 29- June 30 to complete it. That means participants get to be creative with their race route- they can run around their neighbourhood, enjoy a trail run, or even complete their distance on the treadmill.

All participants will receive their race kit in the mail which will include a 2022 Dairy Capital Run branded shirt, and finishers medal. Registration will open in early January 2022 at www.DairyCapitalRun.ca.



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Fundraising for New Automated Dispensing Cabinets

Hi, my name is Fatima and I am the Director of Pharmacy at Woodstock Hospital.

I started at Woodstock Hospital in 2011, which was the year we closed the doors at our old facility and made the move to our current location on Juliana Drive.

Even though it has been ten years since we have been in the new hospital, there is still a particular technology in use here today that was used in the old hospital. This equipment helps us manage medication distribution and affects almost every patient in our hospital. This equipment is our Automated Medication Dispensing Cabinets (AMDC).

AMDCs are secure and computerized cabinets that store medications on the nursing units so that nurses, anesthetists, midwives and respiratory therapists have ready access to medications when patients need them. There are many safety features in these AMDCs. Medications cannot be removed from the AMDC until all the proper checks have been performed by a pharmacist to make sure that the medication is right for the patient. The AMDC also allows nurses to find medications in other cabinets throughout the hospital which saves time and unnecessary phone calls. There are many different cabinet styles available that will allow us to select the best cabinet design for each clinical area.

AMDCs also track drug distribution and notify Pharmacy staff, like me, when different supplies need restocking so that our patients can receive the medication they need when they need it. Replacing the outdated AMDCs in our hospital would make sure nurses have quick access to the medications they need to treat our patients, increase pharmacy's efficiency to manage medication and track information like expiring or recalled medications. All of these features contribute to exceptional patient care that we provide.

In a hospital, especially in Pharmacy, we can't afford to waste time or make mistakes. To ensure medication distribution in our hospital is as quick and as safe as possible, we need to purchase 33 new AMDCs. To do this, we need our community's help. The cost to replace our AMDC's is \$1.4 million.

I want to thank you for your support as we planned, built, and moved to our new hospital in 2011 and for your unwavering support every day since. We couldn't do what we do, without you.

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