



## WHAT'S UP? News from The Auxiliary of the Montreal General Hospital November 2015



### President's Report

A thank you to all of you who came and supported The Auxiliary at our Annual General Meeting, and Afternoon Tea. It was nice to see both new and familiar faces at our meeting.

As you know, the mandate of The Auxiliary is to raise funds for the care and comfort of our patients, to raise funds for the support of medical care and research at the MGH and to raise funds for the purchase of medical equipment on the wish list of our doctors and departments here at the MGH. To this effect, your donations and support of The Auxiliary 2014-2015 have contributed to:

- \$65,000 MGH Research
- \$6,000 towards refurbishment of the family room in the Emergency Department.
- \$150,000 equipment requests at the MGH
- \$9,500 department and services requests

TOTAL GRANTS TO THE MGH - \$230,500

- Community grants for services supporting MGH patients - \$28,000

TOTAL FUNDS DISTRIBUTION FROM THE AUXILIARY \$258,000

Apart from these donations your Auxiliary supports the annual blood drive, Holiday celebrations at the Hospital and the giving of Holiday gift bags (Santa Bags) to each patient hospitalized on Christmas day. These gift bags contain items for personal care and comfort.

The Auxiliary wishes to thank all of you for your continued support, which enables us to continue our mandate at the MGH.

**Yvonne Mass - President - MGH Auxiliary**



Christmas is coming to the **Montreal General Hospital Hospitality Corner Gift Shop!** The shop is bursting with unique and beautiful gifts for everyone in your family. Popular Jason placemats from New Zealand, interesting glassware, fun coffee mugs of all description, picture frames, bridge table covers & cards. A

wonderful selection of baby gifts include terry cloth bath robes, smocked dresses and lots of fun stuffed animals for all ages!! Lovely apparel, lingerie, leather purses in all colours and sizes, scarves, hats and gloves for winter. Stunning jewelry, sterling silver, pearls and lots of bling in rings, bracelets and necklaces! The stationery corner holds a super selection of regular and cocktail napkins, candles, note cards, Christmas & Birthday cards, calendars, journals and agendas.

Don't miss our pretty selection of Christmas decorations for your home!

The shop is open Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. 6<sup>th</sup> floor, 1650 Cedar Ave. Montreal, few steps in from the Cedar Avenue entrance.

After your shopping relax with a tea or coffee & snack in the **Hospitality Corner Dining Room!**



**Maggie Cabral, Hospitality Corner Volunteer Coordinator, Dr. Papadopoulos, Yvonne Mass**

### Hospitality Corner tip money to Research Institute

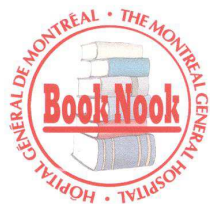
At the September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Auxiliary Board of Directors meeting, Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos was presented a cheque for \$63,000, which represents tip money from April 2013 - March 2015.

In appreciation, Dr. Papadopoulos presented a plaque which was proudly hung in the Hospitality Corner Dining Room following the meeting.

**Cedar Catering  
MGH Hospitality Corner  
1650 Cedar Avenue; D6.120**

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meetings, presentations, birthdays, etc.**

The **BOOK NOOK**, located in the 6th floor Cedar lobby, continues to be a great success. All proceeds go towards patient comfort and care.



Our reserved stock of special Christmas books are on display for sale. Many are in such great like-new condition they are ready for your gift-giving!

We welcome your donations of gently used books, magazines, cd's, dvd's and even LP records sell! Another useful Auxiliary project is to distribute some of the magazines to hospital waiting rooms. Please drop off your donations at the Book Nook, The Auxiliary E6.219. or Volunteer Department E6.227.

*Helen Keyes*

#### Volunteers and Publicity

This past Fall The Auxiliary was pleased to have exposure in two local newspapers

- The Westmount Independent and
- The NDG Free Press Publication.

From this exposure we are gaining new volunteers and have reassured the public of our continuing role at the Montreal General Hospital.

**Volunteers continue to be needed.**

**And, for those interested in becoming a member of The Auxiliary MGH**

**Contact Mattia or Rita at the Volunteer Services**

**514-934-1934 ext 43008/43674**

**or Brenda at The Auxiliary office, ext 43009**

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#### RESEARCH AWARDS

The MGH Auxiliary is happy to support and fund research candidates in their medical research endeavours. This year's recipient is Dr. Negareh Mousavi for "Cardiac Side Effects of Mediastinal Radiation". Her project focuses on long-term micro- and macrovascular cardiac side effects of mediastinal radiation therapy using state-of-the-art imaging techniques.

#### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

On December 8<sup>th</sup> 2015, The Auxiliary MGH will host its annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in the Cedar Avenue Lobby at 12:30 pm. The lobby will be filled with smiles as the young choir from Lower Canada College (LCC) sing Christmas and Hanukkah carols. Eggnog, cranberry juice and cookies will be served by our gracious volunteers.

*Mary Sue Licursi Sabbagh*

Santa Bags will be filled again this year for distribution to all patients on Christmas morning. Donated articles are collected during the year from stores, companies, hotels or bought with donated money. The enclosed Get-Well cards, done by local school children, are truly delightful. Surprise and some tears ensure! A worthy activity indeed.

*Diana Smith*

#### Save the Dates

### **Card Party Luncheon**

**Livingston Hall**

**Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 2016**

**Reserve Now!**

**514-934-1934 ext.43009**

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### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Livingston Hall**

**Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 2:00 PM**

**followed by**

**Tea & Refreshments**

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**Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays to you all!**