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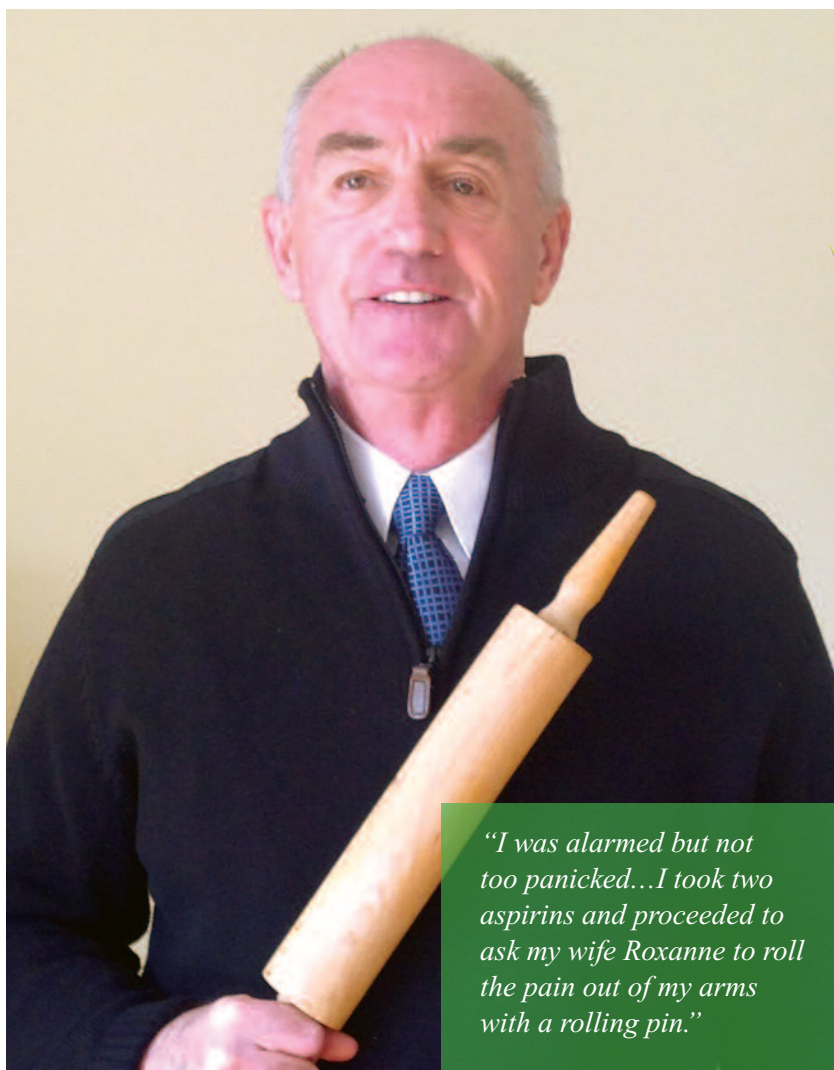
## Joe McKinnon is Indebted to the SMH and its **Healthcare Team**

*"I am very grateful that the Sackville Memorial Hospital is so close to home."*

Sixty year old Joe McKinnon has been doing all the right things and taking care of his health. The retired Atlantic Regional Director of Community Infrastructure and Environment for Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada in Amherst is a non-smoker. He was eating properly, exercising, and not overweight. But despite this regime, Joe suffered a heart attack in the early morning hours of December 16, 2016. Shortly after waking up, he experienced pain in his lower arms.

**"I was alarmed but not too panicked...I took two aspirins and proceeded to ask my wife Roxanne to roll the pain out of my arms with a rolling pin."** Roxanne would have none of that, and after shovelling out from a storm the night before, she quickly drove him to the Sackville Memorial Hospital.

Upon arrival in the Emergency Room (ER), the medical staff moved swiftly to treat Joe for a heart attack. Once stable, Joe was transported to the Saint John Regional Hospital where he underwent surgery to have a stent inserted to clear a badly blocked artery. Joe is recovering nicely and watching his diet more closely.



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Joe and his wife, who have lived in Sackville for over 20 years, are so very thankful to have the SMH just a short distance away from their home. **"It takes a lot of pressure off you**

**in the heat of the moment and alleviates a lot of the anxiety knowing you can be treated just minutes away from home. I may not have made it otherwise."**

# Give our Surgeons Inside Information Campaign 2017



In March, the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation launched its **Give our Surgeons Inside Information** Campaign 2017. The campaign has an ambitious **\$100,000** fundraising goal which will enhance surgical and emergency cardiac care at the SMH.

On the list to purchase this year is a portable **Mini C-arm X-ray** device for the Day Surgery Program. The SMH is renowned for its outstanding Day Surgery Program offering over 40 different types of Orthopedic, Plastic, Urology and General surgeries. In fact, over 920 surgeries were performed at our facility last year alone. This technology, which carries a price tag of \$85,000, will expand and enhance the hospital's surgical capabilities by offering a host of plastic and orthopedic surgeries not currently being done. This low-radiation, high-resolution technology renders exceptionally detailed X-rays allowing surgeons to safely and accurately operate on bones and joints, as well as visualize hardware (plates and screws) for placement or removal. The portable Mini C-arm can be used in a wide range of foot, ankle and hand surgical procedures including identifying fractures, dislocations, repairing joint deformity (toe fusions), bunion removal, and straightening and securing broken bones to facilitate healing. Dr. Jayson Dool, Plastic Surgeon, is delighted that patients needing certain hand, wrist, foot or ankle surgeries will soon have the option to come to Sackville.



Unveiling the campaign goal is Dr. Jayson Dool, Plastic Surgeon, Foundation Chair Elaine Smith, and Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks.

**“This acquisition is a benefit for the patients (flexibility and decreased wait times), hospital, and for our orthopedic and plastic surgeons,” says Dr. Dool.**

## Also on the list to purchase...

A lifesaving device offering optimal cardiac emergency care is urgently required for the Brunswick West Unit (21-bed inpatient unit). It is critical to have a modern **defibrillator** ready and close by when needed by our medical team. A new defibrillator will replace the one currently being used which is reaching the end of its reliability. This device features innovative technology used to treat a person when their heart stops beating properly, delivering an electric shock to stimulate the heart to get it pumping effectively again. It also works as an external pacemaker as well as allows staff to monitor crucial information such as cardiac rhythms and vital signs. Having a designated defibrillator in the Brunswick West Unit saves the response team precious time, *minutes that could save a life*, without having to use one from another area of the hospital.

Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks encourages everyone to support the campaign.



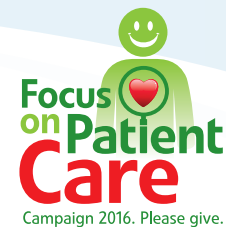
Grateful patient Marilyn Lerch provided a testimonial about how a simple cat bite went wrong.



A lead gift of \$15,000 was presented to Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks by Marguerite Harvey, past Vice Chair of the Sackville VON branch, which had remaining funds when the organization was dissolved.

## 2016 Campaign Wrap

# Improving Patient Care Together



More than 100 people gathered at the celebration wrap-up event in the hospital atrium held in November to celebrate the **\$100,000** goal being reached.

The money has been spent on two new high-tech **wireless electrocardiograms** (ECGs) to improve patient care. An ECG is a painless, non-invasive test to check the problems with the electrical activity in the heart and this wireless technology allows ECG results

to be transferred immediately into the system so that a physician in Moncton can determine diagnosis and treatment.

Other items purchased from 2016 campaign funds and already in use are six modern **hospital beds** for Brunswick Unit, a **shoulder instrumentation tray** (housing a wide variety of innovative shoulder instruments to allow surgeons to perform difficult procedures with ease through a



*Earl Ali, Medical Radiology Technologist, explains to donor Heather Patterson how the wireless ECG works. Also shown in picture is the shoulder instrumentation tray purchased with campaign funds.*



*Ove Samuelsen provided a testimonial about his recent healthcare journey where he praised the hospital, staff and the Foundation.*

scope), three **overbed tables** and an **electronic card access system** in both the Laboratory and the Operating Room (OR) to enhance privacy and the overall level of security for patients and staff.

Donors were thanked and provided a light lunch in appreciation.

## DONATION FORM

### Yes, you can count on my support!

Enclosed is my gift of:

● \$35 ● \$50 ● \$100 ● \$250 ● Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*thank you!*

# The Foundation supports community health & wellness initiatives

The Foundation is proud to have partnered with and provided contributions to the following organizations and programs:

- The SMH Physiotherapy Department in support for a seniors' exercise program for residents of the Tantramar area.  
*"Just a note to say "thank-you" so much to the Hospital Foundation for sponsoring the Seniors Fitness Class this Spring. Cindy, Julie and Holly are doing a terrific job, and filling a much-needed niche for seniors in this area. Their enthusiasm is infectious, and they have enormous patience with us "Oldies"! I hope the program will be continued in the future."* Joyce Ferguson, Participant
- The Tantramar Family Resource Centre for pre-natal courses for expectant mothers in the Tantramar area.
- The East Botsford Recreation Centre for equipment and supplies needed to provide sports, fitness and recreational programs to the residents of the North-East Tantramar area. Funds were used to purchase sports/fitness equipment; ping pong, card and pool tables; games; and basic classroom equipment to provide educational health and wellness seminars.  
*"For the past several years equipment and supplies have not been available at the centre. The funding provided by the Foundation has enabled Botsford residents of all ages various options for better health, fitness and recreation."* Danielle Arseneault, Board Secretary, East Botsford Recreation Centre

- The Mount Allison Health Care Outreach program to enable a group of students to attend a mental health workshop.

Community groups and not-for-profit organizations throughout the Tantramar area are invited to apply for funding for health and wellness initiatives.

Application guidelines can be viewed on [www.smhf.ca/healthandwellnessfunding](http://www.smhf.ca/healthandwellnessfunding).



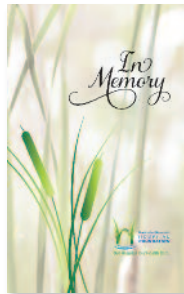
*You are welcome!*



*Botsford residents enjoying co-ed volleyball with new equipment.*

## Memorial Giving

Memorial giving is a thoughtful way to remember and honour a loved one. All memorial gifts go toward providing quality health care services to our community. Cards are available in the SMH lobby. If you would like a package of Memorial Cards sent to you, please call Jessica at 364-4205. You can also make a secure memorial donation on-line at [www.smhf.ca/donate](http://www.smhf.ca/donate).



### Has Our Hospital Touched Your Life?



We invite you to share your experience with us. Whether you are a patient or family member who has experienced our care, a dedicated staff member, volunteer or a devoted supporter, we want to hear from you. Visit [www.smhf.ca](http://www.smhf.ca) and click on **Share Your Story**.

## AGM – You are invited!

The public is invited to attend the Foundation's Annual General Meeting (AGM) on **Wednesday, June 14 at 7 pm** in the hospital board room.

**All are welcome!**



## 2017-2018 Board of Directors

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*The mission of the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation is to raise funds and administer its resources to preserve, maintain and enhance the quality of health care in the Tantramar region.*