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Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks and Joanne Smith, Medical Lab Technologist.

The Foundation Sets **\$100,000** Fundraising Goal for 2018 Campaign

Community support is needed once again to ensure laboratory professionals have the best technology to provide the most accurate results for patients.



A Chemical Analyzer, a critical tool for the lab, is needed.



This year, the Foundation will raise funds to purchase a sophisticated **Chemistry Analyzer** for the lab at the Sackville Memorial Hospital. This technology will provide quick and accurate results allowing physicians to make the correct diagnosis and administer prompt treatment to patients. *The new unit will replace an aging unit that is reaching the end of its lifespan.*

The **Chemistry Analyzer** provides fast and precise analysis of blood samples. This technology will be used

for many things including testing liver, kidney and heart function. Glucose is the most frequently performed clinical chemistry procedure used in the diagnosis and treatment of Diabetes.

The lab, which performs over 61,000 tests per year, is arguably the Hospital's most vital service. Diagnostic tests are often the least expensive component of the health care pathway, yet they influence more than 70% of all health care decisions. **Please give today.**

Your Donations At Work 2017 Annual Campaign **Exceeds Goal**



Donors were provided a demonstration of how the Mini C-arm X-ray device works.

Recently donors were welcomed to a reception at the Sackville Memorial Hospital to celebrate the success of the 2017 campaign, which raised **over \$110,000**.

\$85,000 was invested in a portable Mini C-arm X-ray machine for the Day Surgery Program. The Mini C-arm will expand and strengthen the hospital's surgical capabilities by offering a host of plastic and orthopedic surgeries which were not previously being done.



Grateful Patient Deanna Cadman shared her personal health care story and stressed how grateful she was to have the SMH in our community.

A **modern defibrillator**, a lifesaving device which offers optimal cardiac emergency care, was also purchased for the Brunswick West Unit, a 21-bed inpatient unit.

Over 100 people attended the reception where donors also had the opportunity to view the updated Donor Recognition Wall in the main lobby of the hospital.



2017 Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks thanked donors.



Funding Available for Community Health & Wellness Initiatives

If you have a health and wellness project that focuses on improving the wellbeing of our community, the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation may be able to help. Community groups and not-for-profit organizations throughout the Tantramar area are encouraged to apply for funding for health and wellness initiatives.

Application guidelines can be viewed on www.smhf.ca/healthandwellnessfunding. Please submit a detailed proposal at any time throughout the year to Sheila Parker, Communications Chair, SMH Foundation, 8 Main Street, Sackville, NB E4L 4A3.

Please note that limited funding is available and not all projects will be accepted.

More recent projects that the Foundation has funded include:

- **Biking Without Barriers** Project (see page 3);
- The purchase of a **Portable Blood Pressure Tru Machine** for the Port Elgin and Region Health Centre;
- SMH Physiotherapy Department's purchase of exercise bands, portable speakers and a fan for the **Seniors' Exercise** program for residents of the Tantramar Area.

Foundation Supports **Bicycle without Barriers** Project

Sackville's new accessible bicycle will allow individuals with limited mobility have the opportunity to go out for a bike ride and enjoy the outdoors. Purchased from a company based in the Netherlands, the accessible bicycle came with a price tag of about \$9,000 and was funded in partnership with the town, the Drew Nursing Home, the Rotary Club of Sackville,

the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation, and the province of New Brunswick.

The new bicycle allows one or two people to sit on a seat at the front while a volunteer "pilot" takes them for a ride. The bike is available seven days a week during daytime hours and can be booked through the town at m.pryde@sackville.com.



The launch was held at the Drew Nursing Home. In picture from left to right: Jim Martin, resident; Elaine Smith, Foundation Chair; Susan Fisher, representing the Rotary Club of Sackville; and John Higham, Mayor of Sackville.



Health Centre has **New Ownership & Management**

The Tantramar Community Health Centre has been sold to Neil Ritchie, President of Invicta Health. Foundation Chair Elaine Smith says the change in ownership will enable the Foundation to focus on its core mission, which is fundraising for the hospital and improving health care in the broader community.

"We wanted to work with someone who had a vision of how the facility needs to change to meet the new realities of the medical marketplace. Besides understanding health care, Neil is also sensitive to the importance of the health centre to the Sackville community," says Smith.

Ritchie has a long history with the Sackville Memorial Hospital. He was the Administrator from 1985 to 1992 and was responsible for building the current hospital and health centre, as well as introducing new programs such as the day surgery clinics. He's had a progressive career as a senior health executive and in business development roles in the private sector.

DONATION FORM

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8 Main Street, Sackville, NB E4L 4A3
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Young Donor Gives to Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation – Seven-year-old Tyler Langlais raised \$222.95 for the Sackville Memorial Hospital, which he presented to Foundation Chair Elaine Smith at the November board meeting. It took him about three months to raise this amount through his fundraiser called **Saving 1000 Lives**. Tyler is the son of Patrick Langlais and Meghan Barrett of Sackville.



Hats Off to TRHS Dragon Boat Team – Foundation Chair Elaine Smith presented Tantramar Regional High School Dragon Boat Team *Leviathan* with a certificate of appreciation for raising over \$5,000 for the Foundation in the last two years.

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 and click on **Share Your Story**.

AGM – You are invited!

The public is invited to attend the Foundation's Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, June 13 at 7 pm in the hospital boardroom. **All are welcome!**



New Furniture for Palliative Care Suite – The Foundation recently purchased two leather couches for the palliative care suite at the SMH. This will provide much needed comfort for patients and families.

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.



Did you know?

You can make a donation to the Port Elgin and Region Health Centre through the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation? A charitable receipt will be issued.

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