

St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation

NEWSLETTER

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Fall 2011

Direct Appeal Launched

Rita Janes, Foundation Board Chair and **Paula Ellsworth**, Fundraising Committee Chair, recently announced the start of a **Direct Appeal** to raise \$120,000 for the purchase of 20 electric ceiling lift for the residents of St. Patrick's Mercy Home.

Joan Marie Aylward, Executive Director of the Home, thanked the Foundation for responding to this urgent need at St. Patrick's. "Residents and nursing staff are extremely pleased with seven ceiling lifts the Foundation donated to the Home recently. Their use reinforced and highlighted the need for additional lifts and their importance in providing safe handling and quality care for our residents."

The **Direct Appeal** will be the Foundation's Major Fundraiser for 2011, replacing the Emerald Auction which will return in 2012.

You can support the **Direct Appeal** by sending your donation to the Foundation Office or pick up a donation card at St. Patrick's Mercy Home.

Remember if we each give a little, then we all give a lot!

Foundation Donates to Home



Chair **Rita Janes** (centre left) presents cheque to **Joan Marie Aylward** (centre right) for the purchase and installation to seven ceiling lifts. Also pictured, **Gene Howard**, Finance Chair and **Paula Ellsworth**, Fundraising Chair.

Russell Family Donate to Home



(Left to right) Daughter, **Ruby Frye**, sons: **Renwick** and **Eli**; **Rita Janes**, Foundation Chair; daughter, **Phyllis Peddle**, daughter-in-law, **Faye Russell**; son, **Cyril**. Absent: son, **Glen** (Nova Scotia).

On September 6, 2011 the family of the late **Trixie Russell** made a donation to St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation in memory of their mother.

Trixie, from Winter Brook, Bonavista Bay, was a resident of St. Patrick's Mercy Home until she passed away on May 22, 2011. Although she was at St. Patrick's for only 3 weeks, the care and attention she and her family received from staff on 3 East/West as well as the Pastoral Care Team made a lasting impression.

To honour their mother's memory, on what would have been her 90th birthday (in July), the family requested her 6 children, 18 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren to make a donation which would be presented to St. Patrick's Mercy Home for use on 3 East/West.

In presenting the cheque, her daughter, **Phyllis Peddle** said, "the donation is but a small token of appreciation for the wonderful care mom received during her short stay here at St. Patrick's. The staff was wonderful and words were not enough to express our appreciation and gratitude".

In accepting the donation Rita Janes, Chair of the Board of Directors of St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation thanked the family for their generous gift and assured them it will be put to good use for both residents and staff on 3 East/West.

In Loving Memory

St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation gratefully acknowledges and appreciates the generosity of all those who made donations (January to September 2011) in loving memory of:

Dorothy Carol Anonsen	Imelda Lawlor
Mary Ellen Bennett	Ada LeShana
Bernard Gordon Carew	Frank Maher
Patrick Congdon	Marie McCarthy
Harold Dale	Gabrielle Munch
Edward Dawe	Gerald F. Murphy
Reta Elliott	William Joseph Murphy
Elizabeth Eustace	Marie O'Reilly
Bernice Fagan	Trixie Russell
Terry Fleming	Edward James Ryan
Genevieve Gladney	Elizabeth Ryan
Terence (Teddy) Greene	Garrett Joseph Ryan
William F. Hennessey	Sarah Mercedes Sellars
Jean Walsh-Hibbs	Rose Thorburn

About the Foundation

The **Sisters of Mercy** established St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation in November 1998. The Foundation's mission is *to support financially the on-going efforts of St. Patrick's Mercy Home to provide a safe and comfortable home for its residents.* A dedicated, volunteer Board of Directors manages the Foundation, which has a part-time staff person.

Thank You!

The Foundation thanks **Rita O'Brien** of St. John's for her generous donation to St. Patrick's Mercy Home. Rita is a retired teacher, who taught in many parts of the province, including Holy Heart of Mary.

Did You Know?

You can keep your **Charitable Tax Receipts** for up to five years and claim them all in one year. The first \$200 you donate to a registered charity is eligible for a federal tax credit of 15 per cent of the donation amount, increasing to 29 per cent for donation amounts over \$200. In addition, Provincial tax credits apply for charitable donation.

One of Many In Motion



Frank Cramm displays the medal he received for his participation in Rick Hanson's **Many In Motion Cross Canada Relay** held recently in the Mount Pearl area. Frank is a resident at St. Patrick's Mercy Home and a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Paraplegic Association. He is one of seven thousand taking part in the Relay which will finish next year. The medal is an exact replica of the medal **Rick Hansen** received twenty five years ago in recognition of his Man in Motion World Tour.

You can now donate Online

Donations in support of **St. Patrick's Mercy Home** can now be made online by using the secure website offered by **CanadaHelps.org**.

All you have to do is go to the Foundation's website and click on Contributions and the icon



then follow the instruction on this secure website. Your donation is acknowledged and a tax receipt issued immediately. The Foundation is advised of your donation, which is then deposited in the Foundation's bank account.

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