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Life is "trying things to see if they work."
~ Ray Bradbury



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HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT AND CEO

I want to express my appreciation again to all of you for your continued and ongoing commitment to providing Outstanding Care in a compassionate fashion for our community.

I appreciate the WRH team for embracing the realignment process and minimizing the impact on our patients and families. We have taken the first big step towards a new state-of-the-art acute care hospital. Recently, the Board of Directors of Hôtel-Dieu Grace Healthcare and Windsor Regional Hospital, along with the Erie St. Clair LHIN Board, unanimously approving Stage 1A that will result in a state-of-the-art acute care hospital becoming a reality. As well, through the efforts of many, we achieved approval to be recognized as a Level 2 Thoracic Cancer Surgery Centre by Cancer Care Ontario.

We have much to do yet, and with your continued commitment and team work, we can accomplish anything toward establishing the best healthcare system for Windsor and Essex County that will be looked at across North America as a system to mirror and replicate.

I extend to you and your families, Happy Holidays and the best in the coming New Year.

David Musy
President and CEO



GENEROUS DONATION FOR THE LABORATORY

Lawyer, Tullio Meconi is now an elite philanthropist in our community as a result of his \$900,000 donation toward the Pathology Lab at the Met Campus.



Tullio Meconi with Father David Meconi, his cousin who came in from St. Louis to say mass as part of dedication.

Mr. Meconi approached the hospital about a year ago, suggesting he would like to support healthcare in a way that would honour the memory of his late wife, Rosemary and mother, Gilda Meconi.

"We have always wanted to improve and upgrade the diagnostic part of medicine in the hospitals laboratories, so part of the money is going toward newer technology and equipment to catch up with the personalized diagnosis and treatment of cancer," said Dr. David Shum, Chief of Pathology for WRH. The funding will also be used to transfer programs and staff to a centralized Pathology Laboratory recommended a few years ago.

**stop
and
sanitize**
do your part to reduce
the spread of infection

Clean hands save lives.

 **WINDSOR
REGIONAL
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OUTSTANDING CARE - NO EXCEPTIONS!



Congratulations to all as we enter the final week of the WRH Family Giving Campaign. Thank you to all those who have responded to date and for getting us to over 75% of the goal! One more week of the Family Giving Campaign provides you with an opportunity to win a number of prizes offered simply by visiting: <http://bit.ly/1h36oy9>

Let's reach our goal and make this year one of the best in the WRH Family Giving Campaign history!

PAYING IT FORWARD DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Christmas brings the best out in people and that includes Grade 5 students from St. Williams School in Emeryville. They wanted to Pay It Forward and did so by designing and donating a variety of holiday greeting cards for children in the hospital over the holidays.



Alex Young, Grade 5P student seen with some of the uniquely designed greeting cards that will be handed out to young patients at the Met Campus now through the Holidays. Thank you St. Williams School Grade 5 students for thinking of others during this festive season of giving!

THE POWER OF WOMEN

A donation was recently presented by a relatively new fundraising group, '100 Women Who Care Windsor/Essex' to the Windsor Regional Hospital Sexual Assault Treatment Centre/Domestic Violence and SAFEKIDS Program.

Joanne Barbera, Program Manager stated, "Due to the current circumstances our clients are confronted with this \$10,000 gift will go to very good use including prevention tools, gift cards and basics such as toiletries and food."



(L to R) Cathy Mombourquette; Maureen Lucas; Joanne Barbera, Program Manager and Sue Porto, Clinical Practice Leader, WRH; Liz Farano and Erin Mammarella, members of 100 Women Who Care.

The Centre attends to over 400 men, women and children annually, providing medical assessment, testing for sexually transmitted infections, collection of evidence and psychological support.

'100 Women Who Care Windsor-Essex' was founded by Maureen Lucas and Liz Farano whose mission is to bring women together to make meaningful and influential donations to local charities. The group raised approximately \$10,000, held four times a year through personal donations.

FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE FOR WINDSOR/ESSEX - STAYING CONNECTED!

Windsor Regional Hospital is now on Twitter. For the latest news, events and hospital activity, follow us @WRHospital. As we move forward with plans for a new acute care facility, email updates are offered on the project's progress.

Visit windsorhospitals.ca and sign up for email updates and find out how you can comment or have your say during the planning process.

COMPASSION is our
PASSION

DID YOU KNOW?

The Metropolitan General Hospital Auxiliary formed on May 16, 1934. In their first year, a total of \$416 was given to the hospital. The Auxiliary has met regularly since 1934.

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WINDSOR REGIONAL HOSPITAL EXCLUSIVE TICKET OFFER



See the Spitfires in action during the 2013-14 regular season for only \$15.

This exclusive ticket offer for Windsor Regional Hospital consists of one ticket voucher that can be redeemed for a regular bowl seat (Value of \$22) during any regular season Windsor Spitfires home game at the WFCU Centre.*



\$15.00 TICKET

(HST included) Includes:

- Ticket voucher to redeem for one Windsor Spitfires home game for the 2013-14 Season
- \$5.00 from every ticket purchased will be donated to Windsor Regional Hospital

Contact Ben at ext. 52449 to order your tickets today!



Neuro Care

College

The goal of Neuro Care College is to improve your knowledge and comfort level with the care of the Neurosurgical patient. We are offering free education sessions on the following 4 topics:

- Neurological Assessment
- Exploring Brain Injuries
- Spinal Cord
- Exploring Spinal Cord Injury

These education sessions will provide you with information related to the current trends, treatments, clinical needs, and assessments for this population. See next page for dates/times/locations.

A certificate of completion will be provided once you have attended all four education sessions.

To register for these sessions, please contact Sean Hopkins, Neuro Nurse Educator/ Neurosurgical Outreach Education at Sean.Hopkins@wrh.on.ca or 519-973-4411 x33932. Please be sure to provide your name, contact information, and education session topic, date and time that you are registering for.