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The Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation “Light up a Life” Campaign Raises Over \$104,000



Campaign Chair Dr. Kathy Barnard-Thompson (left) and Foundation Executive Director Rhonda Cunningham post the total amount raised in the 2008 *Light up a Life* campaign in the Main Street Bistro of the Northumberland Hills Hospital.

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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY – It's official...the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation **“Light up a Life”** campaign has come to a successful conclusion.

Over the past two months the west Northumberland community has once again shown its generosity and donated \$104,125 toward the annual campaign. Funds raised through this year's campaign will help pay for several items of high priority medical equipment for different areas of the hospital, including a **Pyxis Medication System** (Operating Room), a **Fetal Monitor** (Birthing Suites), a **Mobile Cast Cart** (ER) and **Patient Lift Motors** (Nursing).

“I'd like to thank everyone for their generous support,” said Dr. Kathy Barnard-Thompson, Chair of the 2008 **“Light up a Life”** campaign. “It's truly encouraging to see that our community understands the value of a well-equipped hospital.”

During the campaign a number of events were held to raise funds. On December 6th, the members of the Port Hope Fire Department collected change from shoppers at Davis' Independent Grocer while members of the Alnwick/Haldimand and Cobourg fire departments did the same at Northumberland Mall. The firefighters' combined efforts raised \$4,802.

Special thanks to Sabic Innovative Plastics, who made a significant donation on behalf of their employees and to the Lakeshore Lions Club of Cobourg, who gave \$2,000 to the campaign.

A special thank you is owed to Dr. Barnard-Thompson,” said Rhonda Cunningham, Executive Director of the Foundation. “On top of her busy practice and family life she took on the additional role of chairing our campaign. She did an outstanding job.”

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