AN IAN ANDERSON HOUSE UPDATE

In November 2015, our founder, Margaret Anderson, received the Paul Harris Fellow Award from the Rotary Club of Mississauga West for her tireless efforts on behalf of those with terminal cancer in the community. This is the second time she has received the honour, the first coming in 2005.

The Paul Harris Fellow Award is Rotary’s highest honour and is meant to recognize significant contributions to the community. It acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. At the Rotary International Assembly in 1979, then-President-elect James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. Many other notable figures have been named as Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell and UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

My mother, Margaret, lost her husband, Ian, in November 1990 and she used her passion and experience of caring for my father at the end of his life to create Ontario’s first residential hospice in his memory. In accepting the award, Margaret referred to the seven-year struggle to establish the hospice after her generous financial contribution. Since the opening of Ian Anderson House in 1997, she has remained as a volunteer, executive director and board member. She has also remained a strong advocate for the residential hospice movement and for the necessity of providing dignified care and support at for those at the end of their lives.

Our team of Home Coordinators make about fifty home visits a month to potential residents of the hospice. They will sometimes make multiple visits and provide ongoing support and advocacy through follow up visits and phone calls. It is expected that the “House” will care for about two hundred residents in 2016 in addition to providing support to their families. The Mississauga West Rotary Club has been a long-time supporter of Ian Anderson House, as have other Rotary Clubs based in Burlington and Oakville. Rotarians engage in fundraising activities and volunteer time and effort to assist others. “Service above Self” is an ideal to which Rotarians everywhere are dedicated. The Mississauga West Rotary Club was founded in 1965 and now has approximately forty active members who raise more than $100,000 annually for local charities.

All of the money raised is spent in support of more than twenty-five organizations to assist youth and local non-profits like the Mississauga Symphony, Compass and the Mississauga Food Bank. They also devote hands-on support to international causes, including the Polio Plus Campaign intended to eradicate polio from the earth.

On behalf of the volunteers, staff and Board of Directors of Ian Anderson House, I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Mississauga West along with all of the thousands of other donors who have made it possible for us to continue to serve those in the community with terminal cancer and to provide support to their families. We wish you all the best for the holiday season and the New Year.

Stuart Anderson, Board Chair, IAH
A TRIBUTE TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers at Ian Anderson House are an extremely important part of our “care team”, as they support the staff, affording them the necessary time to care for our residents. All who apply are interviewed and trained “in-house” in order to understand the day-to-day routines of the house and to be better prepared to assist our residents and families.

Volunteer roles include answering the phone, greeting visitors, and helping out in the kitchen by making light meals, keeping the kitchen tidy and ensuring there is always fresh coffee and tea for visitors. Volunteers also spend time chatting with our families and offering a supportive listening ear.

Many of our volunteers help out at events, administrative tasks, and in the garden. We are grateful to our dedicated team of volunteers help make Ian Anderson House the special place that it is. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Heidi Harrigan, Volunteer Co-ordinator.

REMEMBERING

FRANK BOONE

We were very saddened this year to learn of the death of Frank Boone. Frank had been a volunteer with Ian Anderson House since our opening in November of 1997, until the spring of 2014, providing almost 17 years of dedicated service. Frank volunteered every Wednesday morning greeting families and visitors and answering the phone.

Frank is fondly remembered by the staff and his fellow volunteers as a “true gentleman” who was “kind and dedicated.” Staff describe him a “lovely man with a hearty laugh and big booming voice.” He was well-travelled and we all loved to hear his interesting stories of his many trips. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

LIBBY HOUSTON

Libby Houston joined Ian Anderson House in the spring of 2012. She was volunteering at Ten Thousand Villages and heard about us from a fellow volunteer there. She had lost close family members to cancer and felt that she knew what our families could be going through and that she could provide support to them.

After volunteering for about a year Libby became one of our “House Shoppers”, purchasing food for our residents and household supplies. While being the shopper, she continued volunteering her time in the house and at our fundraising events.

Libby describes her volunteer experience here as “incredible.” On her first day another volunteer told her that “the house will give you more than you ever give the house.” She finds that statement to be absolutely true and passes that along to all new volunteers she trains. Libby feels that the house is “not a place, it is more of a feeling, a feeling of acceptance, caring and support.” It is “a time for families to be with their loved ones and focus only on each other.”

We are grateful to Libby, who is one of our valued volunteers, for her dedication and support to Ian Anderson House.

REMINDING

WE WELCOME OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS

Debbie Newell
Nancy Featherstone
Michelle Harcourt
Peggy Harcourt
Sabrina Glavota
Deb Anderson
Natalia Sasyk
Robyn Morris
Barb Davison
Sue Marchioli
Alexandra Dubelt-Moroz
Catherine Painvin
Teresa Lagoda
Michelle Land
Joni Mann
Marlene Sweet
Hiroko Katagiri
Anu Raina

WE BID FAREWELL WITH OUR GRATITUDE AND BEST WISHES TO:

Mary McCarthy
Maresa Porfido
Pat Millet
Vincent Daly
Sue Lindstrom

To learn more about Ian Anderson House
Please visit our website at:
www.ianandersonhouse.com
or email:
info@ianandersonhouse.com

To learn more about Ian Anderson Resource Centre
Please call 905-337-3924

IAN ANDERSON HOUSE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Mr. Gene Allevato
Mrs. Margaret Anderson
Mr. Stuart Anderson
Mr. Rob Pollard
OUR SPECIAL THANKS

Our special and sincere thanks to all those individuals, organizations and companies who held events in the past year and for their donations made in support of our hospice.

- The Stout Monk Pub Spring Charity Golf Classic $46,000.00
- 8th Annual Oakville Men’s Club Golf Tournament $32,000.00
- Magnes Charity Golf Classic $15,000.00
- Audi Quattro Golf Classic $11,515.00
- The Brogue Inn Polar Bear Dip $8,888.00
- The Brogue Inn Golf Tournament held in memory of Mrs. Wendy Heron. $5,900.00
- Michael’s Back Door Invitational $5,560.00
- Mrs. Joanne Richards who organized the Pedal for Palliative Care Fundraiser that raised funds for our hospice. $4,150.00
- The Healing Cycle - Dr. Lynne Benjamin, her family and Ms. Heather Dickie and Mr. John Delfin & Team Concept $4,028.00
- John Delaney and Family - Annual fundraiser in memory of Mr. Arthur Delaney $3,376.00
- Bronte Harbour Yacht Club’s Annual Turkey Roll Fundraiser $1,700.00
- Delmanor Glen Abbey - various fundraising events held $1,599.00
- Zumba Fitness Canada who held a fundraiser in memory of one of their members, Mrs. Terry Bruno $1,115.00
- Mr. Andrew McKay who organized a fundraiser in memory of his grandmother, Mrs. Iszzilah Tate $800.00
- Mrs. Lorena Zevallos who organized a friends & family BBQ $695.80
- Continental Austrian Club Fundraiser for IAH $525.00
- Oakville MCM Soccer Club who held their annual soccer tournament in memory of Mrs. Sheila Patterson $500.00
- Mrs. June Strachan who organized the 12th Annual Bridge Tournament at the Mississauga/Oakville Bridge Club to raise funds for IAH

OUR THANKS FOR “GIFT-IN-KIND”

To: The companies, organizations and individuals who generously donate their product or services.

Wilson Arakal; Bill Bevington; Bill Demytruk; Clear Cut Group; Elizabeth Chenier; Edible Arrangements Clarkson #148; Joshua Creek Furniture; Life Source Water Systems; Mississauga Fire & Emergency Services; Oakville Spee-Dee Print; Mario Pannunzio; Tony Randall; Ren’s Pet Depot; Reunion Island; Rochester Midland Ltd.; South Peel Naturalists; The Custom Touch; Tim Hortons; Toronto Police Mounted Unit; Voortman Cookies.

To: The individuals, organizations and businesses whose employees or members volunteer for the Spring and Fall cleanup of our grounds and gardens.

Deloitte; HIROC; Tzu Chi Organization; UPS; COSECO Insurance.

We are also very grateful, not only to those mentioned above, but to the families who asked for memoriam donations to be made to Ian Anderson House and to all the individuals, businesses and organizations who held events or who asked that donations be made to Ian Anderson House in lieu of birthday, anniversary or wedding gifts. All of you have helped make it possible for us to use 96 cents of every one dollar donated for our day-to-day operating costs.
1. Annual Walk/Run For The Care
2. The Stout Monk Continues To Support IAH
3. Pedal For Palliative Care Fundraiser
4. HIROC Helps Out With Spring Gardening
5. Clear Cut Group Donating Christmas Lights
6. Rotary Club of Oakville Cheque Presentation
7. IAH’s Amazing Tina Aultman Retires
8. Healing Cycle Cheque Presentation
9. Oakville Club Cheque Presentation
10. Delmanor Cheque Presentation
UPCOMING EVENTS

Tree of Lights 2016
Our 20th Annual Tree of Lights will be held on the grounds of Ian Anderson House, 430 Winston Churchill Blvd., Oakville, on Sunday, December 4th. Families and friends are invited to join us at 5:00 pm for carols, and the illuminating of our tree, in memory of a loved one. In the spirit of the season, hot cider and delicious desserts will be served in the Ian Anderson Resource Centre.

Walk/Run for the Care 2017
Our 19th Annual Walk/Run will once again be held in early June 2017. This is always a great day to step up and help support Ian Anderson House. As always, you can count on food, friendship and fun to accompany your feet. Stay tuned for advanced mailings and additional information on the event which will be posted on our website at www.ianandersonhouse.com.

Ian Anderson House Golf Tournament 2017
This fun and friendly tournament will be held once again at Indian Wells Golf Club in late September, 2017. You will be able to find more details before the event on our website.

PAST EVENTS

Tree of Lights 2015
Our 19th Annual Tree of Lights was held on December 6th, in the grounds of Ian Anderson House. There is a worldwide hospice tradition of illuminating a tree to honour the memory of a loved one, and last December we had many friends and family gather for that purpose. We would like to send our thanks to the St. Andrew’s Junior Choir for leading our carol sing; to our amazing volunteers for all the scrumptious desserts they baked, to the Clear Cut Group for installing the lights on the “House”, and of course, to all the families who came out to make our evening so meaningful.

Walk/Run for the Care 2016
Our 18th Annual Walk/Run for the Care was held again on the welcoming grounds of Mentor College on June 5, 2016. To all the families, teams and friends who requested and collected pledges in support of Ian Anderson House, we send out our sincere appreciation. The day was a major success, with nice weather, plenty of food and treats, and appearances by the Mississauga Fire Department and their trucks, and the Toronto Police Department’s Mounted Unit and their beautiful horses. Once again we send out special thanks to the amazing staff and volunteers at Mentor College, as well as those from Ian Anderson House who work together seamlessly to provide such a successful and enjoyable event for all.

Ian Anderson House Golf Tournament 2016
On September 19th, 2016, Indian Wells Golf Club once again provided the beautiful setting for our annual golf tournament. We are so grateful to owner Mr. Ed Liptay for generously donating his golf course to support our hospice. To all those who sponsored the event, to those who donated prizes, and to the golfers who came out to support Ian Anderson House, please accept a heartfelt thank you. It was a beautiful day and a tremendous success.

The Ontario Ministry of Health provide some nursing and support services to IAH. However, in order to provide the quality and level of professionally trained staffing that is necessary and should be expected in a hospice setting that is comfortable, comforting and safe, we must currently raise approximately $850,000.00 annually.

We are very grateful to all the family and friends of our residents and all who participate and support our annual events.
IN APPRECIATION OF THE SUPPORTERS OF IAH

We sincerely thank all of those who have made donations to Ian Anderson House since the publication of our 2015 Annual Newsletter. Although we are unable, due to the lack of space, to list the name of each donor, we are very grateful to all whose generosity makes it possible for us to continue to offer care and support, without charge, to our residents and families.

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A TRIBUTE TO OUR SUPPORTERS

CRH CANADA MISSISSAUGA PLANT

In 1956, St. Lawrence Cement, as it was known then, began production. Sixty years later, as CRH Canada Group Inc., the plant continues to be a prominent member of the south Mississauga business community.

It is fitting that a cement company provides foundational support to its community. CRH Canada has demonstrated its generosity to Ian Anderson House for more than 15 years by raising funds and awareness for the “House.” Our sincere thanks to Barb Smith and her team for their continued support.

We are very grateful to the fine folks at CRH Canada for their kindness and generous support of IAH. We congratulate them on the occasion of their 60 years in business, and wish them continued success in the future.