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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital  
Carleton Place, ON

### **Members of the MHAuxiliary receive Provincial Life Memberships**



MHAuxilians awarded the provincial life membership, (l-r) Isabel Hawkins, Norma Hamilton, Bea Gladish, Eleanor Henderson, Jessie McBain, with Flora Neave, President of the MHAuxiliary and Mike Gagne, CEO of CPDMH. Missing from the photo is Eleanor Code.

Six members of the MHAuxiliary were honored at the recent convention of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO) with Provincial Lifetime Memberships. MHAuxilians receiving the prestigious award were Eleanor Code, Bea Gladish, Eleanor Henderson, Isabel Hawkins, Norma Hamilton and Jessie McBain.

"On behalf of everyone associated with the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) I would like to thank these wonderful ladies for everything they have done for our hospital over the years", stated Mike Gagne, CEO of CPDMH. "Their dedication is an inspiration to us all and I would like to offer them all my sincere congratulations on this wonderful achievement."

Four of the six ladies, Bea Gladish, Eleanor Henderson, Norma Hamilton and Jessie McBain, are past presidents of the MHAuxiliary as well as past members of the CPDMH Board of Trustees. Norma is also currently a member of the CPDMH Foundation Board of Directors. Eleanor Code and Isabel Hawkins have been very active in all aspects of the MHAuxiliary and are always willing to lend a helping hand whenever asked. Collectively the ladies have completed 163 years of service with the MHAuxiliary and have performed countless volunteer hours with the CPDMH.

"I am thrilled that each of these fantastic individuals has received this honor from the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario. Over the years, each of these ladies has made their own mark on our organization and the MHAuxiliary has become better because of their contribution," stated Flora Neave, President of the MHAuxiliary. "I would like to personally thank Eleanor, Bea, Isabel, Norma, Eleanor and Jessie for everything they have done for the MHAuxiliary as well as let them know I feel privileged to be associated with them."

Provincial Life Membership is an honor bestowed by Ontario auxiliaries to recognize their most dedicated and esteemed members. Presented at the Gala Banquet on November 1, 2005, the award was given to 131 auxiliaries throughout Ontario by the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario President Sheila Meijer. There are 6 other members of the MHAuxiliary who have received the award and they are Catherine Bennett, Mary Dack, Betty Godfrey, Melba Jarvis, J.A. Johnston, Helen Montgomery.

Founded in 1953, the MHAuxiliary was formed with the goal of ensuring both patient care and comfort through fundraising activities and through service within the CPDMH. The organization currently has 131 members and in the last ten years, has raised over \$800,000 for the Hospital. The Auxiliary has hosted many events to raise money for the hospital including the Ride of Splendor, River of Life, HELLP Lottery and selling tourtières at Christmas time. The Auxiliary also manages "Our Gift Shoppe" in the front lobby of the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital.

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