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NGH Celebrates Staff

Each December, Norfolk General Hospital and the Norfolk Hospital Nursing Home celebrate their employees at the Staff Christmas Open House. The event hosted by Kelly Isfan NGH CEO includes the presentation of awards for Humanitarian Service, Nursing Home Employee of the Year, Career Advancement Funding and Years of Service.

Dr. George Marshall Memorial Award. This peer nominated award is presented to an outstanding employee in honour of Dr. Marshall who practiced at NGH and acted as the Employee Health Physician. His caring approach prompted the NGH to create this award.



The 2018 recipient is Lisa Turnbull. Lisa has been a Registered Practical Nurse with NGH since 2015. Her 3E and 4B coworkers say she is *inspiring*. She is not only an extraordinary nurse but a great human being. She is ambitious, intelligent and most of all sincere. This married mother of 3 teenagers also loves to care for animals. She ultrasounds and delivers goats and donates her time consulting with farmers whose pigs are having breeding difficulties. She also volunteers at her Church and is a member of the Optimists Club.

“She is an inspiration – going above and beyond for patients and coworkers. She really lives our Mission, Vision and Values at Norfolk General Hospital.” Kelly Isfan

“I am not sure who to thank, but probably everybody! I want to thank my family for being here for all the support that they have given me... Everybody is wonderful and it is easy to be inspirational when I work with a great bunch of people.” Lisa Turnbull

The **Norfolk Hospital Nursing Home Employee of the Year Award** is also a peer nominated prize. The award is reserved for a very special individual who not only cares for the residents but one who is seen to go above and beyond the expectations of their job. Working in a nursing home environment demands a unique kind of sensitivity, patience, respect and dedication.

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Talk about dedication – this year’s recipient Sherri Taylor RPN began her career at NHHH in May of 1987 and to this day she continues to be a strong advocate for residents and her coworkers alike.

“She has such a big heart and it always ensures that everyone is treated fairly. Sherri is a true team player helping out and pitching in whenever needed, always willing to go above and beyond and welcoming new staff to NHHH. We are privileged to have this employee working

with us.” Vicky Florio Director NHHH

“I am very honoured to be awarded with this and I feel all the staff at the nursing home deserve this award.” Sherri Taylor. She concluded by thanking her family for their support and through a few tears shared the award with her Nurse Manager Cathy Smith.

NGH believes in Career and skills development. This year marks the 7th year for the **Hazel Race Career Advancement Fund Award** created by philanthropist John Race and named in memory of his wife Hazel. The money is available to staff who are interested in taking additional courses to advance their careers or simply be the best they can be in their role. Since its inception, the program has awarded \$24,258.33.

This year \$6,743.00 was shared by 15 qualifying applicants who received the amount they asked for to a maximum of \$500.00. Each recipient also had the choice of one of Hazel Races’ spoons that she had collected on her many world travels with John.

OSCARS – Our Staff Commitment Awards Recognizing Service

The final presentations on the afternoon marked milestones in the careers of NGH and NHHH staff.

For 2018, the “OSCARS” awarded service pins to employees recognizing 5 to 30 years of employment with the hospital and nursing home. 76 employees received pins totalling 1015 years of service; 15 of those recipients with 25 or 30 years.

“Thank you for your dedication. You make our hospital and nursing home great places to work and contribute to providing an incredible experience for our patients and residents.” Kelly Isfan

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30 Years of Service: Annette Vroom, Sheri Myke, Connie Forsyth and Karen Taylor

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