



GABRIOLA AUXILIARY for Island Health Care Society

To support community health education, healthcare and patient comfort services

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Presidents Message from Linda Hellenius

After what was the shortest AGM in the Gabriola's Auxiliary history, the new slate of directors was elected, and I am proud to be your president for the next three year term. I am fortunate to have the assistance of our newly elected vice president Marilyn Geater. Your new treasurer is Val Lofvendahl and your secretary is Betty Schultze. Dominique Pattinier and Dorothy Betts remain as members at large. I have big shoes to fill with the departure of Simone Halpin, who so ably steered our organization for the past seven years, but I am also excited by the challenges that our newly elected Board faces. Our Auxiliary is such a gift to our island, with the money available for grants to qualifying community groups with health based initiatives, our well run Gabe Shop, the services of Drivers to Doctors and lastly Meals on Wheels, which I have coordinated for the last two years. This new team plans to carry on with the successful endeavors of the past and to forge ahead with new ideas and good planning. I look forward to a successful 2023.

WHERE DID THE MONEY GO?

EVERY YEAR THE AUXILIARY GIVES MONEY EARNED AT THE GABE SHOP AND THROUGH A VARIETY OF FUND RAISERS TO QUALIFYING ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE PURSUING PROJECTS RELATED TO HEALTH CARE. HERE ARE THE ORGANIZATIONS, THE AMOUNTS GIVEN AND A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECTS THE MONEY WILL BE SPENT ON.

\$10,000	People for a Healthy Community	Home Hospice & Care Givers Support Program
\$5,000	Gabriola Arts Council	Healing Power of Art program
\$6,841.52	Hope Centre	Mother Goose Pre-school program
\$500.00	Island Futures	Gabriola Climate 12-12-12 program
\$400.00	Gabriola Agricultural Co-Op	Food Security Workshops
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Total \$24,841.52		

the GABE shop

Tammie has holiday ideas that are kind to our planet.

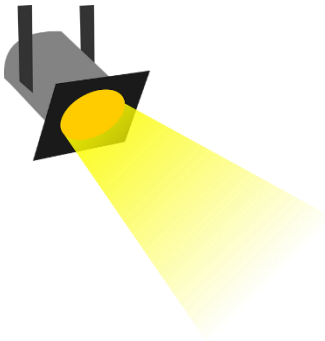
Gift ideas: GABE Shop gift certificate, repurpose an item (crystal or silver dish for your jewelry, jazz up your kitchen/dining room/bathroom etc.), and vintage linen

Gift wrapping ideas: use a scarf, fabric, or linen

Holiday crafts: lots of lace/trim, fabric to make all kinds of goodies.

Holiday décor: stockings, garland, ornaments, and linen

Check our Facebook Page for more ideas



Spotlight on Annette Sweeney, super volunteer!

Annette Sweeney has been a volunteer with the Auxiliary for over 10 years, principally as the Saturday scooper and manager of our ever-popular Ice Cream Cart. Annette and her husband Merv moved to Gabriola in 1974 and started and operated several Island businesses. She has volunteered for numerous Gabriola non-profit organizations over the years and is proud of her association with the Auxiliary. The return of her devoted, smiling ice cream customers each summer is a source of joy that makes volunteering at the Cart well worth the effort...and it's for a good cause.



Don't forget! 2:00-4:00

December 13 at the Rollo
Centre- Christmas
celebration, Free Craft
Workshop. Tea, Coffee and
goodies provided.