

Team Burke, Royal LePage Lakes of Muskoka Real Estate is proud to be the Huntsville Hospital Foundation's newest Business Cares partner!

Wednesday December 15, 2021 Huntsville Ontario: Team Burke, Royal LePage Lakes of Muskoka Real Estate is happy to announce they are the most recent and 57th partner to join the Huntsville Hospital Foundation's Business Cares Program. Their donation is an investment in our community which will help improve healthcare for all residents.

Team Burke, a dynamic Mother and Daughter group is now modernizing the experience of buying and selling real estate by cultivating a spirit of collaboration, innovation and integrity. "Fostering a culture of partnership in which all our clients are not handed off from person to person, but instead are working with two people aligned and totally informed on all the nuances of the transaction" says Sue.

Sue has a personal connection to Huntsville Hospital. Two out of three of Sue's children were born here, where have also been sports injuries and occasional visits to the hospital over the years. Sue's Dad recently had a TIA and the care he received at the Huntsville Hospital was amazing. The Doctor on duty visited him several times over the course of the 4-5 hours we were there, making her Dad feel relaxed and cared for which kept them both in good spirits. Sue explained, "Over the years, my family, friends and clients have taken comfort in knowing we have an amazing hospital right here in Huntsville, with so many specialized services that are not generally available in a hospital with the population of Huntsville. We are really lucky...but also that is because of the wonderful fundraising by the staff at Huntsville Hospital Foundation and our very generous community. I am a believer in supporting Huntsville Hospital...when you need it, you will be grateful you did as it makes a real difference in getting more equipment and services above what we can get with government monies. I have supported Huntsville Hospital over the years, through the annual Radiothon and fun fundraising events, but it was my daughter in law Holly who inspired Team Burke to join the Business Cares program, a five year pledge to support Huntsville Hospital. In the beginning of the pandemic Holly was working with the patients that had Covid 19, being involved with the Imaging department. She was brave, uncomplaining, and became my Covid hero".

Sue and Britt have a family connection to the hospital as well. Holly, married Sue's son, Britt's brother, Gabe Burke-Brenn in August 2021. Her daughter in law Holly Burke-Brenn is a Medical Radiation Technologist at Muskoka Algonquin Health Care. Holly knows first hand the importance of upgraded technology and equipment, and how it positively affects her patients. New and improved equipment also has a huge impact on the hospital staff's ability to do their jobs. Holly told us: "Through the generosity of the community our department has been able to purchase some of the newest equipment available, such as; ultrasound machines, a digital portable x-ray machine, as well as a fluoroscopy suite. With this new equipment and technology we are able to provide better image quality, decreased patient dose and the highest level of patient care."

Katherine Craine explained: "We have enjoyed support from Sue, Team Burke and her family for many years and it is so wonderful to have them on board the Business Cares program. It's exciting that her daughter in law Holly will get to see first hand the impact that this generosity will have on our patients and staff! We are so grateful!"

Huntsville Hospital Foundation in partnership with their Business Cares Committee officially launched their new "Business Cares" initiative in January 2016 with the goal of enrolling forty businesses in the community. They are very happy to report that they have surpassed their goal. Their plan is to continue with this successful initiative, as they have many businesses expressing interest in joining the Business Cares community. Since

its inception, fifty six local businesses have committed to donating \$25,000 or more over the next five years for Healthcare for life, here.

Pat Dubé Committee Chair, is joined by Committee Members Chantelle Armstrong, Katherine Craine, Mike Harrower and Trish Kruusmagi who are very active in pursuing new Business Cares Partners, and exploring more, much needed support for Huntsville Hospital.

Pat Dubé sends this message: "The ability of a community to invest in its own health and future for our neighbours, our families and everyone who visits here is evident in the support of local business leaders. I'm sure you share my profound gratitude to them all. We're great when we work together – that's Business Cares."

Huntsville Hospital Foundation is a fundraising organization dedicated to improving healthcare services for residents of Muskoka and East Parry Sound. A registered charity since 1984, its mandate is to provide ongoing capital and education resources for Huntsville District Memorial Hospital. This will ensure our hospital and medical professionals have the technology and equipment they require to provide exceptional care. Find out more about the Foundation by visiting www.huntsvillehospitalfoundation.ca

Team Burke, Royal LePage Lakes of Muskoka Real Estate is a boutique real estate company putting personal service and attention to details above number of transactions. We are truly enjoying the business and this translates to our clients having a more positive and satisfying experience. Sue has been a realtor for over 30 years in Huntsville/Lake of Bays/Almaguin area. Sue's education at Ryerson, Business Administration, majoring in Marketing/Advertising gave Sue excellent overview of running and managing a real estate business while always keeping an open mind for new creative ideas for marketing and exploring upcoming trends in the industry. Britt graduated from University of Toronto in 2016, with an Honours Bachelor of Science and joined her Mother, Sue shortly after. Britt's market knowledge, attention to deal and professionalism is second to none. Britt grew up either overlooking the lake at Hidden Valley Highlands, on Lake of Bays, or on Lake Vernon. Britt and Sue love the area and are proud to call Huntsville home. Sue was lucky enough to buy her 3 John Street dream location in 2019. The building is Team Burke's pride and joy, nestled on Muskoka River right downtown, and has been renovated and is open to our clients. In 2019 Sue also moved from "the big house" on Lake Vernon to a smaller home on Pen Lake after the kids moved out. Britt lives downtown which has become a very popular trend, for buyers of all ages.

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Pictured from left: Sue Burke, Holly Burke-Brenn, Britt Burke-Brenn

