



## **Annual Report of the Smiths Falls Community Hospital Auxiliary – 2021 Presented at the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the PSFDH Corporation**

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Good Afternoon Everyone:

My name is Jackie Staples and I am proud to be the President of the Smiths Falls Community Hospital Auxiliary.

COVID has certainly changed all of our lives and everyday activities.

Because of the pandemic, the Auxiliary had to cancel all of our fundraisers last year, besides having to close the gift shop at the hospital. We also had to discontinue our volunteering in all capacities including front desk info, tea and toast and meal assist.

In the fall of 2020 we approached Chris Saumure of the Saumure Group to inquire about space at Settler's Ridge Centre for the gift shop. Without hesitation, he offered us a store without any charge.

We successfully opened on Nov 20th, but had to close on Dec 24th. We reopened on February 24, only to shut our doors again the first of May. We are still unable to open because of inside mall restrictions.

Despite everything, we were able to purchase a Laboratory Centrifuge for the hospital.

We purchase quilts from Heart to Heart Quilts Lanark County and gift one to every baby born at the hospital. Last year the total was approximately 280.

We are hoping to hold our bazaar this November.

I would like to personally thank Tanya Gray, Barry Guppy and Kim Durant for all their support. Also sincere gratitude to all of the auxiliary for always being there to assist and the Saumure group for their generosity.

Respectively submitted,  
Jackie Staples