Thank You

As another Christmas fast approaches and we commence our countdown to the end of the year there is definitely a sense of gratification as to what we have achieved in 2016, mixed with a tinge of trepidation as to what we have to accomplish in 2017 and beyond.

During the past year we have continually assessed how we can best deliver services to our patients, set our strategy for the next 3-5 years, reviewed and changed our values, vision and purpose, improved our model of retailing, and after exhaustive investigations and advice-seeking, the Trustees have made the decision to build a new purpose-built hospice on our existing site to replace our earthquake prone building.

While we all agree it will be a sad day to demolish the present buildings, changes in palliative care mean the buildings no longer meet the requirements of a modern hospice environment and the building is unsafe. The decision was not made lightly, and in the end the main focus has to be the safety of patients and their families. We will shortly be embarking on a campaign to raise the $10 million required to build the new hospice.

These innovations will be of particular benefit to patients in primary and aged care.

The patients we care for and their families are always at the centre of everything we do. Whether it be around making decisions on the best use of additional funding from Government, or changing our model of retailing to increase revenue, we always aim to make the best possible decision that will ensure the ability of Te Omanga to provide free palliative care to the Hutt Valley community now and for future generations.

It has been a busy year but we could not have achieved what we do without your help. On behalf of us all at Te Omanga I would like to thank you for our support, whether this be by way of donation, supporting an event, donating or buying goods through our shops, becoming a volunteer or leaving a bequest in your will.

With best wishes to you and your family for Christmas.

Biddy Harford
Chief Executive


And what better way to take an overseas journey than from the comfort of your chair!!

Loren South and Natasha Taylor from House of Travel Lower Hutt took members of our Living Well Programme on a virtual journey to places far away. Hawaiian leis, grass skirts and aeroplane lollies were all part of the experience. “It is great to have a place where we can come together with others in similar situations.”

The Living Well Group is a social group for Te Omanga patients as well as their family and friends. The group meets weekly on a Wednesday at Te Omanga between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm. For further information phone Heather Lock 04 568 0724.

Since our last newsletter we have had a number of young people contact us to say they were about to, or had, fundraised for Te Omanga and wanted to present us with their donation. What an amazing sense of achievement this will be for them knowing that their selfless efforts are helping those we care for.

We are overwhelmed and heartened by what these young ambassadors for Te Omanga have accomplished. You will see some photos of our amazing fundraisers throughout this newsletter.

A special thank you to:
- Millie’s House Preschool 2
- Samantha McGough and Olivia Salzano
- Hayley and Grace Holmes
- Jack Cocker
- Pomare School
- Ryan Barrett
- Wainuiomata High School
- St Oran’s College

What a heart warming sight to walk into the hospice foyer and find the children from Millie’s House Preschool 2 singing. The children walked all the way from their preschool to give us their donation from their yellow day fundraiser.

Hayley and Grace Holmes shaved their heads in support of Te Omanga and the Cancer Society.

Jack Cocker held BBQ’s and raffles to raise funds which he presented to Keryn Squires (L) and Julie McMeeken(R) from Te Omanga.

Pomare School ran a cafe and sold food to the staff and pupils and presented the money to Te Omanga Fundraising Relationship Manager, Julie McMeeken.

Ryan Barrett (L) donated his school holiday time to volunteer at Te Omanga. Wainuiomata High School senior pupils (R) raised money for us through a week of activities where students paid $5 to participate. Making a presentation to Te Omanga CE, Biddy Harford (second to left) are Michael Martin, Head Boy, Ariana Randall, Head Girl and Cassie Jupp senior student.

Samantha McGough and Olivia Salzano raised money for Te Omanga by running a cake stall at Summerset Village. Their fundraising event also helped them to finalise their Endeavour Badges.

A gift in your Will helps secure our care for future generations
To find out more about leaving a bequest to Te Omanga please phone 04 568 0725 or email fundraising@teomanga.org.nz
‘TWAS 20 DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS...
And Te Omanga Hospice brings you the exclusive 2016 Christmas tables tour.

From the bush hut to a treasure box, your Christmas spirit will be ignited.

Come and share Christmas with us!

$50 per ticket
$100 family pass

Tickets are available from our three retail stores
226 Main, Upper Hutt
50 Queens, Lower Hutt
Wakahuia, 41 Fitzherbert St, Petone
or by emailing events@teomanga.org.nz

No additional tickets will be available on the day. A family pass is two adults and up to four children.

Our Christmas Wish List

We really appreciate the generosity and gratitude that so often comes back to us from the family and friends of people we have cared for on our programme.

We sometimes receive enquiries from people wishing to donate something specific for the hospice that we are not able to acquire through existing funding.

- Kaucher Window Vax
- Large boxes of tissues
- Small bottles of soft drinks and juice

Christmas Fare
- Two Turkeys
- Hams
- Chocolates
- Sweet biscuits
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To find out how you can contribute please email Julie McMeeken, julie.mcmeeken@teomanga.org.nz or phone 04 568 0725.

Thank You

Our grateful thanks to the following who have recently supported our work with a generous grant, bequest, sponsorship or in kind donation:

- Antiques & Collectibles Vintage Fair
- Bunnings Petone
- Clegg Family Charitable Trust
- Concept Signs
- Concrete Placements
- Creative Mouse Design
- Crown Movers
- David Daily Charitable Trust
- Dorothy L Newman Charitable Trust
- Dulux
- Duncan Spence
- Dzine signs
- E M Pharazyn Trust
- Eftpos and Retail Systems
- Estate Adrianus J Heefer
- Estate Audrey I Gibson
- Frances HM Charitable Trust
- Gaynor Charitable Nominees
- Hutt Art Society - Workshop Painters with support from Ray White Real Estate Lower Hutt
- Hutt Valley Country Music Club
- Infinity Foundation
- Irene Baker Foy Charitable Trust
- JT Property Wash
- King Toyota, Lower Hutt
- Lion Foundation
- Lions Club of Featherston
- Mokoia Masonic Perpetual Trust
- NZ Community Trust
- Orange Box
- Patricia O’Brien Charitable Trust
- Peak Electrical
- Pelorus Trust
- Placemakers Seaview
- Quality Painting Guaranteed
- Rotary Club Hutt Valley
- Rotary Club of Heretaunga
- Rotary Club of Hutt Valley
- Salute Hair & Day Spa
- The Jack Jeffs Charitable Trust
- The Learning Connexion
- The Rotary Club of Petone Trust
- Wormald
- Workzone

Facebook
If you haven’t ‘Liked’ us on Facebook yet, please find us at https://www.facebook.com/TeOmangaHospice-73960993669/We use Facebook to keep our supporters involved in our events, community support and general important announcements.
This year the Tree of Remembrance campaign will run from 21 November to 24 December with trees located at all Farmers stores throughout New Zealand. The partnership between Farmers and Hospice NZ has been a major success over the last two years and we look forward to working with the staff at our local stores on this year’s campaign.

This is a special way for you to remember someone at Christmas time. Donations made at the Tree of Remembrance displayed at Farmers Queensgate and Upper Hutt Mall will go exclusively to Te Omanga Hospice.

This year Farmers has very kindly produced 8,000 baubles to be sold across all stores. There is one design this year, by NZ artist FLOX (Hayley King).

The baubles will retail for $10 and all proceeds will be donated to the local hospice service. The baubles will be sold in Farmers stores only and will be on-sale in stores mid-October.

So please head into Farmers and purchase these beautiful pieces of art for your Christmas tree and help raise funds for your hospice. While there, you can make a donation and leave a note on a special Christmas card to attach to the Tree of Remembrance as your way to remember a loved one at this time of the year.

The 2016 Vintners’ Lunch was an outstanding success for 220 guests. Every effort was made to ensure our guests experience on the day was more spectacular than ever before.

As the theme of the event is ‘Vintners’ Lunch’ special attention was paid to ensuring that the wine was matched with each course and the services of a sommelier were acquired to speak about the choice of wine alongside the chef.

For variety the pre lunch drink was changed to a cocktail with a special Te Omanga cocktail being created. This was very well received by those in attendance. New entertainment was introduced into the mix proving a popular choice with guests.

A novelty fundraising event ‘Diamonds on Ice’ was introduced whereby guests could purchase ice cubes and watch them melt in front of their eyes to see if there was a zirconium in the cube. If they were lucky enough to find one their name went in the draw to win a half caret diamond.

We were very fortunate that Partridge Jewellers donated three half caret diamonds for the event. The other two went up for auction acquiring $5,000 bids on both items. The ever popular Live Auction Bonus Lot for ‘Absolutely Nothing’ raised an amazing $4,500!

The food, wine, entertainment and auctions were fabulous and made for a fun packed day.

A special thanks to our Principal Sponsors Partridge Jewellers, Gee & Hickton Funeral Directors, Bupa and Apex Print & Design. Also to Sheryl Edgar, Sue Guppy, Kelly Sutton, Anne Topp and Colleen Marcanik who volunteered their services to work with the Fundraising team to create such a spectacular occasion.

The Committee are currently working on the new theme, look and venue for 2017. Watch this space.
TE OMANGA HOSPICE INVITES YOU TO EXPERIENCE OUR FABULOUS NEW RETAIL WAREHOUSE TO COMPLEMENT OUR RETAIL STORES AT LOWER HUTT AND UPPER HUTT.

- Specialising in Vintage, Retro and the Unique
- We receive different stock daily
- All proceeds from your purchase go directly to patient care

41 Fitzherbert St, Petone
Monday to Friday: 10am-4pm
Saturday: 10am-2.30pm
Open 7 days in December
Ph 0800 836 626

Remembrance Service
This lovely centre piece was made and donated by Jack’s Florist for our Remembrance Service on Wednesday 26 October. It was lovely to have a focal point which family members could pin their memory butterflies onto during the service.

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO HAVE RECENTLY JOINED THE TE OMANGA TEAM

LISE BRAGGER
Palliative Nurse Specialist, responsible for the delivery of primary/specialist palliative care in the community specific to the needs of the patient and their families, in conjunction with the Primary Health Care Team.

VIVIANA FON
The newest member of the Family Support Team. Viviana is our new Counsellor/Liaison Primary Care.

SARAH HAYWARD
Joined the Fundraising & Marketing team in the role of Fundraiser Coordinator responsible for overseeing the administrative needs of the department.

LEANNA BRUCE
Has taken on the position of Communications & Marketing Manager. Her role is to deliver a range of marketing and communication services for the organisation.

FAIRWELL
Farewell and best wishes to Leanne McLean, Director Fundraising & Marketing and Brian Wood, Events Manager fundraising who vacated their positions in August.
As in previous years the Festival of Summer Fashion show organised by Shirley Jones, was a sell out and extremely successful. Attendees were exposed to a preview of summer fashions for 2016 from Ballentynes, Farmers, The Vogue Store and Pagani. Shirley estimates that the show raised in the vicinity of $8,200 for Te Omanga. Thank you Shirley and all the wonderful helpers and sponsors who make this fundraiser such a success.

Congratulations to our doctors Ian Gwynne-Robson and Kay Basire who presented their abstracts at the ANZSPM Perth Conference in September. It is wonderful to see Te Omanga again sharing our knowledge and experience with others.

We have achieved our re-accreditation as a teaching site for Advanced Trainees in Palliative Medicine. This has been extended from 6 month to 12 months which is an excellent result.

Starting 28 November we will be hosting a House Surgeon for 13 weeks. This supports our new strategic goals to develop a strengthened teaching service. We hope that by teaching junior doctors about palliative care here, they will use that knowledge and skill in every medical job that they do in the future.

Our good friends at Dilmah are currently donating 50c cents from selected packs of the new Dilmah Pure Ceylon Green Tea range to Hospice New Zealand, to help raise awareness of hospice services throughout the country. Please purchase a specially-marked pack, available now in supermarkets, and help raise $20,000!

Yes I would like to support Te Omanga's Christmas Appeal

I would like to support the hospice with a donation of:

☐ $25 ☐ $45 ☐ $75 ☐ $100 ☐ or my choice of $ _________

Please choose the method of payment which suits you best:

☐ A cheque is enclosed (made payable to Te Omanga Hospice)

OR: Please charge my gift to Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐

Card No. _________/_______ Signature(s) _____________________________

Email address________________________________________ Phone no__________

OR: Please visit our website and press the ‘Click here to Donate Online’ button on our homepage

OR: Please donate by electronic banking directly into the Te Omanga Hospice bank account

BNZ, Queensgate, Lower Hutt Account No: 02-0528-0477632-00 Ref: XMAS16