A generous donation to the paediatric ward

University Hospital Crosshouse children’s ward has received an impressive donation of £1700 from Angela Murray and Andrew McMahon Senior, whose son, Andrew attends the children’s ward.

Angela Murray and Andrew McMahon Senior have been fundraising for the past two years for NHS Ayrshire & Arran, and Crohn’s and Colitis UK Ayrshire, raising a whopping £6000 this year. They have held two events in his local social club in Logan, Cumnock which involved local cabaret acts, entertainment and music. The family have also held charity walks, sponsored hair and eyebrow shaving, raffles and fundraising events.

Andrew commented: “Andrew’s mum, Angela, and my daughter, Shannin and I would like to thank James ‘Buller’ Reid, Double AA karaoke, and Heartbeat Showband for providing the entertainment, and Jim McMahon for letting us have the use of the Glenmuir Arms. To all of our friends, family and supporters who have made these shows what they were and donated money to such worthwhile causes, thanks for your time and generosity.

“Finally, a big thank you to all of the doctors and nurses at University Hospital Crosshouse children’s ward for the medical help they have given to Andrew since we found out that he had Crohn’s.”

The children’s ward will use the money for equipment for treating children with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).

Dr Lawrence Armstrong, Consultant in Paediatrics commented: “We have a growing number of patients in Ayrshire with IBD, which is a reflection of the increase throughout Scotland over the past three decades. This money will help us to buy equipment needed for the treatment of children with IBD. We are proud to be able to
provide a greater proportion of their care locally, which means our patients don’t have to travel to Glasgow for the same treatment.

“We can’t express how much we appreciate it when people show their gratitude to the hospital in this way. A few kind words about our staff and services is enough to make our day sometimes, but when people go to such lengths to raise money to donate to us, it is just wonderful.

We would like to thank Andrew, and all of his family and friends who fundraised and made donations.”

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