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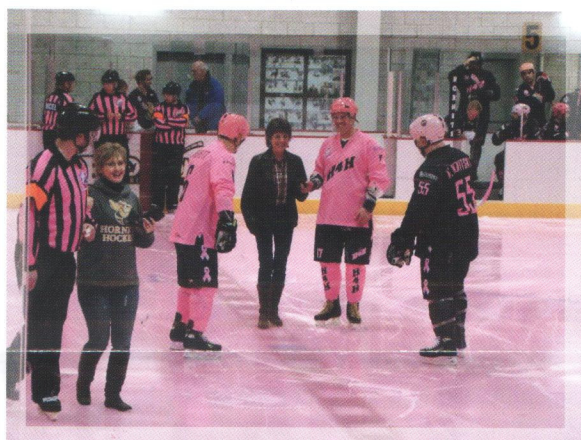
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Hockey 4 Hope Celebrates 5 Years

Once a year now for 5 years, grown men have been lacing up their skates to play a spirited hockey game for a great cause. Year after year, this group dons their pink and black jerseys that do not display their own names on the back but rather the names of their friends or loved ones who have battled cancer. The Annual Hockey 4 Hope Game which benefits the Geller Oncology Fund at the Lourdes Hospital Foundation celebrated its 5 year anniversary this year. Roughly 700 people gathered on Saturday, March 29th, 2014 at the SUNY Broome Ice Center to cheer on this local tournament and to raise awareness for cancer.

As quoted from the Hockey 4 Hope tournament program this year, "We are a group of washed up hockey players trying to make a difference." And each year, they make a huge difference in the lives of patients being treated at Lourdes Hospital and Broome Oncology. Brian Laing, a member of the Lourdes Hospital Foundation Board and founder of the event, established Hockey 4 Hope in 2010 in honor of his late Aunt Connie who lost her battle with breast cancer in 2006. At first estimate, he reports that they raised close to \$15,000 this year. There were 34 players from around the country who participated in the game along with over 40 sponsors who, once again, assisted the tournament in being a resounding success.

The Geller Fund provides financial assistance to patients receiving treatment at Lourdes Regional Cancer Center and Broome Oncology. We are deeply grateful to Dr.



Marilyn Geller (Lourdes Foundation Board member) and her late husband Dr. Sandy Geller for their vision and mission to make this financial assistance available to those in need. Thank you to Brian Laing, Hockey 4 Hope and to the Geller Family for continuing to nurture the existence of the Geller Oncology Fund.

To learn more about Hockey 4 Hope, please visit www.hockey4hope.com.

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