

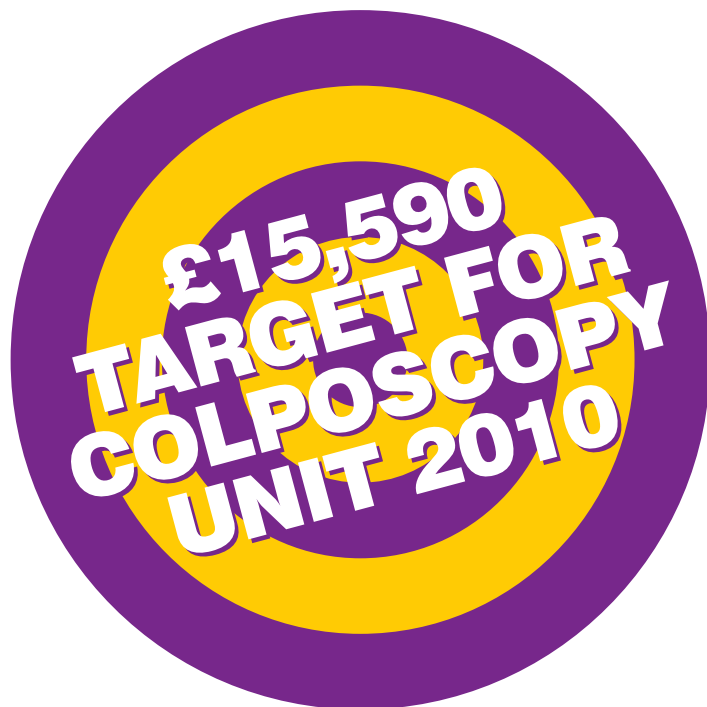
## Colposcope appeal

Following a really successful 2009 (see overleaf for some key highlights), we've started 2010 as we mean to go on. We are fundraising for a piece of equipment that we know will make an enormous difference to patients and staff.

We have joined up with colleagues in women's health to raise money for a colposcope. A colposcope is a piece of equipment that is used to test for cervical cancer. The St George's Hospital Colposcopy Unit is the second biggest in London, having diagnosed, treated and monitored 1,400 new patients and 2,795 follow-up patients in 2008-09.

The current colposcope in use is very old and the Hospital plans to replace it. We want to enhance this purchase by providing additional monitors and cameras for all 3 consulting rooms in the Unit. Our appeal will improve facilities for women, as well as for Unit staff and students.

Help us reach our target and make a donation today. We need to raise £15,590 in total and your donation – however big or small – will bring us closer to this target. Use the tear-off slip below to make your donation.



## Spring in our step

Looking ahead at other highlights for an exciting and successful 2010 – we've allocated our 5 Golden Bonds for the 2010 London Marathon and know that training has started in earnest for the 26.2 mile challenge in April!

We are planning a busy June, including our annual involvement with the 3rd Great Tooting Ambulance Pull!

We have a 6 places in the British London 10k in July and in September we bear witness to our first cross channel swim!

## You can help us

There are three main ways in which supporters can help us to help the Hospital, by:

- making individual one-off or regular donations (like the new Colposcope appeal)
- fundraising (like those featured on the next page)
- becoming a volunteer (see details in the box opposite)

## Volunteers

If you're interested in helping the Charity on an on-going basis we'd be very keen to talk to you about becoming a volunteer. Volunteering could take a number of forms – helping out at events such as a summer fayre, providing administrative help or undertaking fundraising on a continuing basis. Just ring the Fundraising Team on 020 8725 4522 or email giving@stgeorges.nhs.uk

## Colposcope donation form

If you would like to make a donation towards this appeal, you can do so by filling in this form, enclosing your cheque – made payable to **St George's Hospital Charity**, and sending it to:

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 St George's Hospital Charity
   
 Fundraising Office
   
 St George's Hospital
   
 Blackshaw Road
   
 London SW17 0QT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email\* \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount \_\_\_\_\_

I am a UK taxpayer and would like St George's Hospital Charity to treat all donations I make as Gift Aid donations, until I cancel this instruction

I wish to Gift Aid my donation

\* Email is optional, but it is the most cost effective way for us to keep you informed of our work

## 2009 round up

We have been truly busy since our first supporters' newsletter was issued during the summer of 2009; in part this is thanks to the continued efforts of our supporters and their fundraising efforts!

We're delighted that our two events in September have contributed to the breastfeeding room on Gwillim Ward receiving a face lift. The Hyde Park Ladies 5k and the 2nd Crazeefass Gig each raised £1,200 and as a result the room has been brightened up with a fresh coat of paint and now boasts comfortable sofas, a TV and DVD player.



## Festive fun!raisers

December saw a whole host of Christmas activities and is now heralded as our best festive period on record! We started off with the SW17 Fun!raiser – a fundraising evening in a favourite Tooting nightspot organised by a former patient, which raised over £2,200.

The St George's University of London Fashion Show took place a couple of days later and raised £4,000 for us. This will go towards a music system for use in the MRI unit. Music can help mask the continuous noise from the equipment and is potentially relaxing and calming for patients during the scan. This event was quickly followed by the Royal Holloway University of London Pantomime which raised over £1,600.

Our own Christmas Raffle and associated carol singing (both at St George's and Trafalgar Square) netted £2,000 for the Charity's general funds, whilst the retiring collection at the Royal Albert Hall's concerts just before Christmas raised in excess of £21,000, which will benefit the oncology outpatients department.

Space in this newsletter doesn't allow us to mention every event or every fundraiser, but we would like to let you know about our Charity Angels 2009. We made a special tribute to a handful of people who have made a significant contribution to St George's Hospital Charity through their fundraising endeavours – Alan Thorne with his Crazeefass Gig, Angela Frost and her London to Paris challenge, Isabella Beckwith for her tireless fundraising and Mariam Bhunoo for the SW17 Fun!raiser.

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Above: The 2nd Crazeefass Gig and the Hyde Park Ladies 5k

Top right: Our Charity Angels 2009 from left to right... Alan, Angela's daughter Joanna, Angela, Isabella, Mariam, Diane Mark (our Chair) and Isabella's friend Tony

Opposite: The Great Gustos sing Christmas Carols in St George's main entrance

