



## 2023 UPEI Distinguished Alumni Award

### Dr. Mary Goodfellow (SDU 1965)

If you look through the 1961–1965 Saint Dunstan's University yearbooks, it won't take you long to learn that Dr. Mary Goodfellow (nee Donovan) was an incredibly engaged student and campus leader. The young woman from Saint John, New Brunswick, was a Carnival Queen, Canadian Union of Students chair, yearbook staff and editor, member of the student council, and an organizer of various activities including blood donor clinics.

By 1971, Dr. Goodfellow had graduated from Dalhousie Medical School and began practicing medicine in Saint John. She spent a few years practicing in Halifax before returning once again to Saint John where she practiced until her retirement in 2012.

Just like when she was a student, Dr. Goodfellow was an incredibly engaged member of her community and a leader on several issues. She served multiple terms on the board of the Imperial Theatre, sat on the Dalhousie University Family Medicine Selection Committee; and served as Deputy Mayor of her community.

Dr. Goodfellow's most notable passions, however, were in the areas of women's health advocacy and domestic violence prevention. She began working with the Domestic Violence Community Action Group in 1996 and was chairperson of the group until 2002. At that time, she was honoured with the prestigious Federation of Medical Women of Canada's May Cohen Award for her groundbreaking work to coordinate the response of the City of Saint John to domestic violence.

The May Cohen Award is presented annually to a longstanding full member of the Federation of Medical Women of Canada (FMWC) who best personifies the legacy of Dr. May Cohen and her unique ability to transfer the vision of the FMWC into living action in support of women physicians and women's health.

In 2004, Dr. Goodfellow and practice partner Dr. Christine Davies were jointly recognized for their community work in the Saint John area when they received the New Brunswick Red Cross Humanitarian Award.

The pair were again jointly recognized in 2006 with the Dr. Garfield Moffat Award sponsored by the York-Sunbury-Queens District Medical Society. The Moffatt Award recognizes "excellence in patient care; a profound interest in continuing medical education; a commitment to the education of patients and other members of the health care team; outstanding community leadership and service; and a devotion to the quality of family life and to the joy of living."

In addition to giving back to her community and to the medical profession, Dr. Goodfellow is a loyal and generous donor to UPEI, supporting students through gifts to the Annual Fund.

In recognition of her many achievements as a medical doctor and her tireless work to advance the rights and protection of women, the UPEI Alumni Association is proud to present Dr. Mary Goodfellow, SDU 1965, with a 2023 Distinguished Alumni Award.