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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation
Carleton Place, ON

***Help Improve Tomorrow Today!* campaign receives commitment from The Exchange**



Available for the cheque presentation were: (l-r) June McNeely, Viola Anderson, Mary Brazeau, Jean Keddy, Colly Scullion, Kathy Ball. Missing from the photo were volunteers June Brazeau, Neil Vandewater, Susan Vandewater, Judy Beck, Julie McNeely and Norman Keddy

The Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation is thrilled to announce that The Exchange has made a three-year commitment of \$3000 to the *Help Improve Tomorrow Today!* campaign.

Located behind the Queen's Hotel, The Exchange is a community thrift store with a mandate to support needy organizations throughout the community. The items sold in the store are donated by the community and sorted and priced by the 12 volunteers associated with the organization. The store was established in 1976 and over the past 29 years, The Exchange has given \$240,000 to various organizations including the Carleton Place Library, Cancer Society, CNIB, CHEO and the Sheppard's of Good Hope.

"Our ability to give is made possible through the continual generosity of the community. There are many organizations in our area that need help and try to lend a hand wherever we can," continued Mrs. Keddy.

In addition to making a commitment to the campaign, The Exchange donated \$2,750 in 2002 and \$1,000 in 2003 to the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital and has also purchased a duck on the MHAuxiliary's River of Life. Other past contributions has helped purchase a teaching spine and exercise bike for the Physiotherapy Department at the Hospital.

"We are regular supporters of the hospital because it's local and benefits so many members of our community," stated Jean Keddy. "We know it's a good cause and we're very happy to do our part to help this campaign."

"I'm very pleased that The Exchange has decided to support the *Help Improve Tomorrow Today!* campaign", stated Dereck Hicks, President of the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital. "They have given a lot of money to this community, including the hospital, over the years and I thank them for their ongoing support."

The hours of operation for The Exchange are Tuesday 9am - 12 pm;
Wednesday - Friday 9:30am - 12:30 pm and Saturday 10am - 1pm.

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