

## **For Immediate Release**

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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation  
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### **RBC Employees donate time and money to Carleton Place Hospital**

The Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) Foundation is pleased to announce that RBC has donated \$2000 to help purchase new medical equipment for the hospital. The donation was made through RBC's Employee Volunteer Grants program on behalf of Sharon Craft, Cindy Hobbs, Nancy Sonnenburg and Diane Thomas. The RBC employees volunteered their time to help plan the 6th Annual Bed Pan Classic Golf Tournament, which raised nearly \$35,000 for the hospital.

"On behalf of the CPDMH Foundation I would like to thank Sharon, Cindy, Nancy and Diane for accessing these grants on our behalf and more importantly for giving their time to help our organization," said Sylvie Powell President of CPDMH Foundation. "In the last few years the Bed Pan Classic has become our biggest annual fundraiser and I would like to thank all the members of the committee for making our tournament such a great event."

"RBC believes in being a responsible corporate citizen and passes that belief on to its employees. As a result our employees are involved with a number of charities in the community, including the CPDMH Foundation," stated Cindy Hobbs, Branch Manager, RBC Carleton Place. "We have been really happy with what we have been able to accomplish by helping to plan the Bed Pan Classic with the Foundation and I am very pleased that RBC has awarded these grants to the Foundation."

RBC's Employee Volunteer Grants program was launched in 1999 to support employee community involvement. Employees and pensioners who volunteer a minimum of 40 hours a year to a registered charity are eligible for a \$500 grant to the organization in their honour. Since 1999, RBC has made over 12,488 grants and donated more than \$6.24 million to celebrate its employees' volunteer efforts.

"I very much believe in the importance of the Carleton Place Hospital and Foundation to the overall well being of the community and I have been involved with the Bed Pan Classic since it began in 2003," stated Sharon Craft, Manager Client Care. "I'm very pleased to see that the tournament has continued to grow over the years and I would like to thank my employer, RBC, for giving me the freedom to become involved with the event."



*RBC employees, Cindy Hobbs, Diane Thomas, Nancy Sonnenburg and Sharon Craft, with a cheque presenting their gift to the CPDMH Foundation*

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Bed Pan Classic has been scheduled for Monday June 15, 2009 and organizers have begun planning for the event. More details will be announced as the date of the tournament approaches.

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