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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation
Carleton Place, ON

Civitan's 'help' Mayor Paul Dulmage shave his head



Mayor Paul Dulmage accepting the \$500 pledge from Civitan President Joan Bennett (Photo credit to Ron Legge)

The Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) Foundation is pleased to announce that the Carleton Place & District Civitan Club has given a \$500 pledge to help Mayor Paul Dulmage shave his head in support of the Carleton Place Hospital. The donation was presented to Mayor Dulmage at the Civitan annual Open House on March 8, 2007.

Mayor Dulmage is one of thirteen individuals participating in a fundraiser to raise approximately \$70,000 for a new anaesthetic machine for the hospital's operating room. Event participants are collecting pledges to reach individuals goals ranging from \$1,000 – \$20,000 and will shave their heads on May 17 if they reach their targets. The Mayor has set his target at \$10,000 and has currently raised \$1784.

“When we heard Mayor Dulmage was participating in this event, our members decided to help the Mayor reach his goal,” stated Joan Bennett, Civitan President. “The Civitan Club is pleased to help the hospital in any of its fundraising initiatives, however, this event was especially appealing since it presented the opportunity to see Mayor Dulmage bald!”

Other participants involved in the head shaving fundraiser are Jean Brown, Dr. Rob Courchene, Mark Gormley, Mike Gagne, Sylvie Powell, Dorothy Smith, Chantelle Troy, Dr. Steve Walker, Dr. Marty White, Mona Williams, Katrina Ayling and Denise McIntyre. To date over \$16,000 has been raised from the event.

“When we started this event we were a little unsure if the community would respond in a favourable way,” stated Ian Edwards. “We are pleased to see the response has been favourable and on behalf of the Hospital and Foundation I would like to thank everyone, including the Carleton Place & District Civitan Club, for their support.”

The Carleton Place & District Civitan Club is one of nearly 1,000 Civitan Clubs worldwide. Civitan is a worldwide community service organization of more than 30,000 men and women in 24 nations on four continents who work

together in community clubs to help those less fortunate than themselves. The three basic principles of Civitan are Service, Knowledge and Fellowship.

The Carleton Place & District Civitan Club have been proud participants of the Canada Day celebrations, the Riverside Jam, the Carleton Place Dragon Boat Festival and the Carleton Place Christmas parade. The club offers bursaries to local students each year, holds a Seniors Appreciation Night and helps send needy children to camp. In 2004 the Civitans partnered with the Mississippi Mudds to organize a murder mystery which raised \$10,000 for CPDMH.

The group currently has 28 members and meets regularly on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at the Lanark Community Living Building located at 178 Townline Road, Carleton Place. Individuals interested in becoming a member of the Carleton Place & District Civitan Club are asked to contact Ron and Heather Legge at 257-5110 or the club at P.O. Box 317, Carleton Place, K7C 3P3.

Anyone interested in helping Mayor Dulmage or any of the participants reach their target for the head shaving is asked to contact the Foundation office at 613-257-2200 ext 856 or e-mail ctroy@carletonplacehosp.com. Donations can also be made online at <http://www.carletonplacehospital.ca/found-hairevent.html>

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