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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation  
Carleton Place, ON

**Women's Institute donates to Carleton Place Hospital**



*The members of the Franktown-Numogate Women's Institute with a cheque representing their gift to CPDMH. The quilt in the background was made by the group and will be donated to a needy family in the Franktown area.*

The Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) Foundation is pleased to announce that a donation of \$100 has been received from the Franktown - Numogate Women's Institute. The donation will be directed to improving palliative care at CPDMH and a similar donation was also given to the Smith Falls Hospital Foundation.

"Healthcare is an important issue for our members", stated President Janice Campbell. "Our group has always supported the Smiths Falls Hospital and this year we thought we would expand our efforts to include the Carleton Place Hospital."

"We are very grateful that the Franktown - Numogate Women's Institute has included our organization in its list of charities," stated Chantelle Troy, Manager/Community Relations Officer of the CPDMH Foundation. "On behalf of the Hospital and Foundation, I would like to thank the members of the Institute for their generosity."

The Women's Institute was started in Ontario 110 years ago with the motto 'For Home and Country'. With branches throughout Canada and many other countries of the world, the Women's Institute encourages women to improve their lives and the lives of other women. The organization is a not-for-profit charitable organization with affiliates around the world working with and for rural and urban women and their families. Their original focus - domestic science education - quickly expanded to include personal growth opportunities, government lobbying and health and community wellness initiatives.

The first meeting of the Franktown - Numogate Women's Institute was held in April of 1982 and the organization celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on April 14, 2007. The Franktown - Numogate Women's Institute

currently has 14 members with one member being involved with different Women's Institute branches for 50 years and 5 others with 20 or more years. Meeting are usually held at the Centennial Hall in Franktown on the first Tuesday of every month.

Over the 25 years since its inception, the Institute has donated more than \$10,000 to charity. Some of these charities include Camp Merrywood, Interval House, CHEO and Look Good Feel Better which is a national non-profit program committed to helping women manage the appearance related effects of cancer and its treatment. The group has also donated 2 quilts to families in the Franktown area that are in crisis.

Anyone interested in becoming a member or requiring more information on the Franktown-Numogate Women's Institute is asked to contact Janice Campbell at 613-283-5940. New members are always welcome!

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