



Milton-Based Oldstars Hockey Club Reach Contribution Milestone

Milton, Ont. (August 8, 2011) - On Friday, August 5, the Milton District Hospital Foundation (MDHF) recognized long-standing contributor, the Milton "Active Transport" Oldstars Hockey Club, for raising \$220,000 for MDHF since their inception in 1980.

The Oldstars Hockey Club reached a milestone in their cumulative fundraising efforts by donating to various Foundation events and appeals, including the Annual Classic Golf Tournament, the CT Scanner Campaign as well as a myriad of other vital health care equipment purchases.

Founding members Dave Del Papa and Joe Auger were on hand with other team members John Loeprich, Peter McCuaig, Patrick Duggan, and Phil Prestidge at the Milton District Hospital, where a cheque was presented in honour of all their continued efforts.

"Today the Foundation was able to demonstrate not only our gratitude but admiration, to a generous group of individuals that have come together for many years to support both the Hospital Foundation and Milton community," said Helen Vatisstas, MDHF Executive Director. "The Milton Oldstars Hockey Club is setting a standard in this community as distinguished contributors which suit the group perfectly as they are currently sitting at the 'Pacesetter' giving level."

The team began raising money via exhibition hockey games and dances and today operates both a hockey tournament and golf tournament for charity.

"The Milton Oldstars Hockey Club was founded on the premise that we could combine our love of hockey with some fundraising efforts designed to give back to the community in which we live. Our main beneficiary has been the Hospital Foundation, which has done a terrific job of enhancing our community's health care facility", said John Loeprich, Oldstars Hockey Club President. "With the support of our corporate and individual sponsors we have been able to donate the money we raise to this and other worthy causes in Milton."

The Active Transport Milton Oldstars Hockey Club was founded in 1980 when a group of 20 local men decided they wanted to play tournament hockey and at the same time contribute to their community. Always a competitive team on the ice, the club's greatest achievement has taken place off the ice through fundraising. These efforts benefit many worthwhile projects in the community including MDHF.