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Deep River and District Hospital Hosts Annual Employee Recognition Ceremony

Deep River, ON, March 23, 2010- Recently the Deep River and District Hospital hosted its annual employee recognition ceremony to honor staff who have made significant contributions to the organization. The awards handed out included, long-service pins for five year, ten year and fifteen years of dedicated service and gifts for those who retired in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

“The purpose of hosting an annual event such as this one is to let our staff know how important their continued contribution to providing exceptional service is to the success of our Hospital and the quality of care we provide,” said Larry Schruder, CEO of DRDH. “The people who we are recognizing this year have all demonstrated our Vision through the values they uphold every day.”

Marguerite Zillman is one of the retirees being recognized for her 22 years of service at DRDH providing clinical care, activities coordinator for the Four Seasons Lodge Residents and for her role as the education and Telehealth Assistant.

“Marguerite always has a positive attitude and goes out of her way to making things extra special for the people she encounters,” says Lianne Wheeler, CNO at DRDH. “We will truly miss having her around.”

Joanne O’Gorman, who retires from DRDH next month, has been with the Hospital for more than 28 years and has been in the health care profession for nearly 45 years. She was one of the original nurses who worked for the Hospital when it was owned and operated in the community by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. Joanne was also a major player in the set-up of the Four Seasons Lodge in 2003.

“We will miss Joanne’s ongoing commitment to the facility and for her always going the extra mile for our clients,” says Wheeler.

DRDH also acknowledges the recipients of this year’s long-service awards:

Five Year: Cheryl Bradley, Maikie Peters, Erica Van Drunen, Lianne Wheeler, Lisa Pilatzke, Shirley Stewart, and Claudette Viens

Ten Year: Jodi Colligan, Sandra Griffiths, Grace Richmond, Grace Smits, Kim Ballman, and Amy Emerson

Fifteen Year: Bernie Brown and Carol Tonner

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