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Petawawa Legion Branch 517 Poppy Fund donates \$3389 to Deep River and District Hospital

Deep River, ON, April 1, 2010- The Petawawa Legion, Branch 517 recently presented a cheque for the amount of \$3389 for the purchase of a new electronic IV pump for the Hospital. The money was made available from the Legion Poppy Fund through the sale of poppies and donations from community residents in Petawawa.

“The reason we decided to donate this money from the Poppy Fund to the Deep River and District Hospital is because we know there are a lot of people from the Petawawa area who utilize the services of the Hospital, including many seniors and veterans whom we support,” says Bob Lescombe, 2nd vice and Poppy Chairman for branch 517. “The Hospital’s noticeable dedication to providing services for our community and their ongoing need for capital equipment donations to keep their programs running was the sign that this is money well spent.”

The Deep River and District Hospital has a rolling capital equipment plan that outlines the needs of the Hospital outside of what the Ministry of Health funds. The Ministry expects the communities served by the Hospital to carry that price tag.

“We are always grateful for any donations we receive to support the continuation of our services and to serve our vision of making every client’s healthcare experience exceptional,” says Larry Schruder, CEO. “It’s because of community groups like the Petawawa Legion and the people who support our causes that the communities we serve including Petawawa have the access they need to Hospital services.”

For more information about the Deep River and District Hospital capital equipment needs please contact Stacey Mortson, Chief Financial Officer 613-584-1266 ext. 162.

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