



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Over the Top!**

The disco ball has stopped spinning, the bell bottoms have been put away and the final tally is in. This year's Saturday Night Fever Disco Gala for WDMH raised more than \$60,000 to support patient care at Winchester District Memorial Hospital.

"We are grateful to all of our supporters, including the Winchester Lions. Their recent donation of \$2,500 has helped to bring the final total to more than \$60,000," notes Cindy Peters, Manager of Direct Mail and Events. "Together, everyone made a difference – our sponsors, our volunteers, all those who donated auction items and everyone who attended the event. Thank you!"

Gala feedback has been very positive. Supporter Natasha Hodge shared her thoughts on why she was there: "The Winchester District Memorial Hospital has supported my family for many years and it's only natural to want to give back. If we want this hospital to continue to support us, we need to continue to support it. This is a full circle establishment, from bringing babies into this world right through to providing comfort to us and our families on our way out of this world. We can count on WDMH to provide amazing, personalized care."

Planning for next year's gala is already underway. A feedback survey has been sent to this year's guests to ensure we have their input into next year's event. The deadline for feedback is September 30<sup>th</sup>. You can also call Cindy at 613-774-2422 ext. 6172 to share your comments.

*Funds raised have been directed to the Foundation's Family Care Fund, supporting care for families just like yours. Donations to the Family Care Fund will be used where your gift is needed most: to buy new medical equipment, upgrade existing equipment or meet other urgent needs at WDMH. We work with our donors to help ensure compassionate, excellent health care.*



Cutline: Cindy Peters, Manager of Direct Mail & Events accepts a \$2,500 donation from Doug Padbury, President of the Winchester Lions.

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