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First Pelham Community Centre Donations Announced

The Town of Pelham announced several major gifts to the Pelham Community Centre's \$3 million dollar fundraising campaign at an intimate event at the Old Pelham Town Hall to recognize a number of Niagara Region individuals and organizations for their generous contributions to the new Centre.

Designed with the many needs of the Pelham and Niagara community in mind, the new Pelham Community Centre is slated to become the central destination for health and wellness, sports, recreation, private and corporate events.

The new Centre is currently in the first phase of the capital and community fundraising campaign, with a goal to raise \$3 million of the \$36.2 million needed to complete the construction of the Pelham Community Centre. Several eminent individuals and organizations have already stepped forward to pledge their support for the Centre.

Arena A will be named the Accipiter Arena, thanks to the incredible generosity of Dr. Tim Nohara and his company, Accipiter Radar Technologies. The company donated \$250,000 to the capital fundraising campaign. The Accipiter Arena will feature an NHL-size ice surface with a 1,000-seat spectator area. This space will be capable of hosting major sporting events, tradeshow, concerts, and other commercial affairs.

"I am a resident of Pelham whose life, along with the lives of my family and co-workers, has been enriched by this charming community for many years. I couldn't be more pleased that Accipiter Radar Technologies, the tiny high-tech company I re-located to Pelham in 1995 has been able to grow here in this fertile and welcoming community. We are proud to be able to pay it forward by investing in the Pelham Community Centre, a once-in-a-lifetime undertaking that will enrich the lives of our present and future residents for years to come" said Dr. Tim Nohara, President & CEO of Accipiter Radar Technologies.

Arena B will be named the Duliban Insurance Arena by virtue of the generous contributions of the Duliban family and the Trillium Mutual Insurance Company, who donated \$125,000 and \$25,000 to the campaign respectively. This NHL-size ice rink will host events similar to those in the Accipiter Arena. The Duliban Insurance Arena will be visible from the Upper Viewing Area, which will allow visitors easy access to activities that are taking place in the space and feature 100 seats at ice-level.

Following the capital fundraising campaign, the Pelham Community Centre will begin their community fundraising campaign phase in late 2017 or early 2018. Every community member will have an opportunity to contribute to this once-in-a-lifetime project, by pledging his or her support for the Pelham Community Centre. More details are available at www.ourpcc.ca.

“I deeply appreciate all those involved – over many years – in developing the new Pelham Community Centre,” says Mayor Dave Augustyn. “The iterative yet important process has been a genuine community and grassroots endeavour. Our groundbreaking event and gift announcements show that by working together we can achieve great things and can continue to transform and improve our community.”

For more information about this transformational project, visit www.ourpcc.ca. If you wish to be a part of Pelham Community Centre’s capital fundraising efforts, please contact Martin van Zon, Capital Campaign Consultant at 905-332-8315 or at mvanzon@interkom.ca.

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About the Pelham Community Centre: The new Pelham Community Centre will serve as a place for residents of all ages to gather and enjoy a wide-variety of recreational, social, health and community activities for many, many years. The stunning facility will include adaptable and multi-purpose community rooms, a double gymnasium, a double NHL-size arena, an indoor walking/running track, a concession area, change rooms & washrooms, and an atrium/lobby area.

About Interkom: Interkom has been proudly in the fundraising, branding and communications business for over 30 years. Most recently, they successfully completed the FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre's capital and community campaign in St. Catharines, which exceeded the \$5 million dollar goal.