

## The Ace of Spades has been CAUGHT and Over a Million Dollars has been Raised for the Pembroke Regional Hospital!

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**(Pembroke)** The Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation is excited to announce that the Ace of Spades was “caught” on Week 39 in their *Catch the Ace* lottery supporting the highest priority equipment needs at the Pembroke Regional Hospital. The lucky winners, Mary-Beth and Denis Goyette of Pembroke, took home an amazing prize of \$631,661! Their winning ticket #MM-17972571 was drawn from the online electronic generator with their choice of card #44 revealing the Ace of Spades!

Mary-Beth expressed her excitement, telling the Foundation staff, “Best Call Ever! I was speechless when Roger said we’d caught the Ace of Spades - a life changer. Thank you Roger, Leigh and PRH for this amazing gift. I was born at PRH 44 years ago so #44 is a fantastic number for sure.”

Executive Director Roger Martin of the PRH Foundation said the whole team is very proud of everyone who helped raise an incredible \$1,006,408 for the hospital. “We are super excited that everyone who took part in this round of *Catch the Ace* has been able to see how successful only 39 weeks can be, which can only make the next CTA that much more exciting! Every ticket sold helps our hospital, so thank you all. A huge congratulations to Mary-Beth and Denis for their big win and catching that elusive Ace of Spades.”

Over the course of the 39-week lottery, an incredible \$374,747 in weekly prizes was presented to 38 winners with the jackpot of \$631,661 going to the grand prize winners.

“This latest edition of the PRH Foundation's *Catch the Ace* lottery not only helped to generate over one million dollars for our hospital, but it also created a great deal of excitement throughout our region,” said PRH President and CEO Sabine Mersmann. Citing the value of diagnostic equipment which will be purchased with a portion of the funds as well as other equipment purchases which will enhance the patient experience, Mrs. Mersmann expressed her gratitude to all who participated in *Catch the Ace* and ultimately supported hospital improvements.

PRH Foundation Board Chair Lisa Edmonds said it was a real treat to meet Mary-Beth and Denis. “*Catch the Ace* is a win-win for our community and our hospital. Thank you to all who support our *Catch the Ace* lottery by purchasing tickets. One ticket at a time you are making a difference. Congratulations to Mary-Beth and Denis. So well deserved.”

Stay tuned for updates regarding the next *Catch the Ace* lottery in support of the Pembroke Regional Hospital, which will be announced in early June.

Community Fundraising Specialist Leigh Costello added, “Thank you to our generous

sponsor of *Catch the Ace*, OK Tire for their incredible support and to all our ticket sale locations whose dedication we are so thankful for; Bumpy Roads Studio, Cork Culture, Making Seasons Bright, Holiday Inn Express, NRTC Communications and our volunteers, Sue Seguin, Maureen MacKinnon, Carol Campbell and Diana Gagne. We will see you when the deck gets shuffled for the next *Catch the Ace* folks!"

Donations towards the *Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation* are welcome at any time and can be made by contacting the Foundation Office at (613) 732-2811, extension 7408 or by visiting [www.prhfoundation.com](http://www.prhfoundation.com).

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