



4th Annual Bearskin Airlines Skip to Equip Classic a Huge Success

Twenty-two teams of women participated in the 4th annual event for a weekend filled with fun and anticipation. The long term care needs at the Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre have been identified and the success of the weekend presented the Health Centre Foundation with a cheque in the amount of \$65, 500 at the closing ceremonies on Sunday afternoon. \$5000 was also donated to the Sioux Lookout Golf and Curling Club for providing ice and services for the event. The committee was truly overwhelmed at the total monies raised.

Funds were gleaned through entries fees and pledges that each curler obtained prior to the event. Each curler brought at the least \$100 in pledges. Six of the curlers were recognized for exemplary work in collecting pledges. Very successful silent and penny auctions were part of the weekend fun as well as a \$5000 cash draw, half of which, was donated back by the winner Doug Lawrance.

Games were played using skins format with draws starting at 5 p.m. on Friday and ending at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. The top team of Laurel Hakala, Rita Driver, Tracey Ellek, and Cathy Bowen won a total of 22 skins and received Bearskin Airlines Skip to Equip jackets.

Without our generous sponsors, the many volunteers for ice maintenance, the auctions, rides home and hospitality, the staff of the Sioux Lookout Golf and Curling Club and kitchen, the curlers and a dedicated, hard-working committee, the amazing outcome would not have been possible.

