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**Richmond's Newest Doctors Are Named!  
Hospital Foundation Awards "Doctors of Philanthropy" to Generous Donors**

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At their annual donor recognition event last night the Richmond Hospital Foundation awarded Doctors of Philanthropy to some of the foundation's most outstanding donors. Top supporters of the Minimally Invasive Surgery Operating Rooms campaign were also recognized.

The Doctor of Philanthropy Award was created to honour individuals, corporations, foundations and service clubs who have given over \$50,000 during their lifetime to the Richmond Hospital Foundation. The honorary title comes complete with a ceremonial lab coat and stethoscope. This year the awards were given to:

- **Vancouver Metropolitan Lions Club** - May Ho accepted the award on behalf of this entirely volunteer-run organization. They raised over \$45,000 for The Richmond Hospital Foundation by hosting the "Golden Show," a concert that featured two blockbuster Hong Kong entertainers.
- **Barry and Laurie Cavanaugh** – These community leaders were honoured as long-time donors to the foundation. "Not only are they generous donors," Westermark explains, "Barry's company Penta Homes was our 'builder of choice' for our beautiful lottery homes."
- **Asa Johal, O.B.C., C.M.** – The Founder and Chair of Terminal Sawmill Group has been supporting the foundation, both personally and through his company, for close to 20 years.
- **Variety - the Children's Charity** – Bob Stewart accepted on behalf of these long-time supporters of the hospital's special care nursery. They qualified for a Doctor of Philanthropy award years ago. "It is a great pleasure to award it today," says Westermark.

"We are so fortunate that this group continues to grow each year," says Lisa Westermark, Executive Director of the Richmond Hospital Foundation. "Their generous support benefits every patient at Richmond Hospital and those who care for them."

Special awards were given to the top donors to the Minimally Invasive Surgery Operating Rooms campaign.

- **The Maureen and Milan Ilich Foundation** donated **\$500,000** to fund the construction and equipment for a single operating room.
- **The James and Ann McPhail Family Foundation** contributed **\$100,000** to the campaign.

Established in 1987, the Richmond Hospital Foundation is a registered charity that is committed to raising money to fill the gap between government funding and the greater needs of our hospital. The foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees who represent a broad spectrum of the community.

*Attached please find a photo of Milan and Maureen Ilich accepting their special award. They are past recipients of the Doctor Philanthropy Award and are wearing their ceremonial lab coats.*