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Branch 79 Buys Broda Chairs

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 79 Simcoe has generously purchased 2 new Broda chairs for patients on the 3rd floor at Norfolk General Hospital. Many of patients are elderly and require specialized seating for their comfort and the prevention of skin breakdown. NGH had been sharing chairs amongst the other units to accommodate these patients.

RCL Branch 79 provided \$5798 which was raised through the annual Poppy campaign donations. "Glad we could help" said John Charleau Past Poppy Campaign chair "and hospital staff had a lot of input as to what we purchased." Chris Ritchie Legion executive member continued "My father was the inspiration. He is a veteran and was a patient on the 3rd floor. When it was time for him to go to the 4th floor in preparation for his move into a nursing home a Broda chair was not available. We consulted with staff and bought the new chairs."

"The chairs provide a great level of comfort, support and safety. We really appreciate the Legion's thoughtfulness. These new chairs on 3E and 3B will make a difference in how we care for long term and elderly patients improving the quality of their stay in hospital" noted Nicole Chapple RN.

John Charleau, Chris Ritchie and Dan Reilly Br. 79 President were on hand Tuesday March 28 to unveil one of the new chairs with Nicole Chapple (3E) and Amanda Sonnenberg Clinical Practice Leader on 3B. The other new chair was already in use. Over the years the Simcoe Legion has contributed over \$100,000 to the Norfolk General Hospital Foundation to assist in the purchase of several much needed pieces of equipment.

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