



## PRESS RELEASE

**Temiskaming Shores Mayor Carman Kidd has declared a proclamation!**

**Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 will be "The NHL Alumni, Law Enforcement Torch Run for Ontario Special Olympics Day"**

The NHL Alumni Tour, presented by Scotiabank, brings the heat to the Local Law Enforcement All-stars in Temiskaming Shores

*This annual event promises to be the best yet!*

**Temiskaming Shores, Sunday, January, 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012:** Scotiabank brings the greatest game on ice to the Don Shepherdson Arena, giving you opportunities to meet some of the most renowned hockey players of all time! No one should miss this unique chance to shake the hands of Hockey Hall of Famers and Stanley Cup winners. You will have the chance to see your favorite players **Hall of Famer Marcel Dionne, Stanley Cup winner Mike Krushelnyski, special guest Coach and Ambassador for the game, Walter Gretzky plus many more** at this great charity event. The NHL Alumni are coming to not only battle the Law Enforcement All Stars, but also to join forces to raise money for Special Olympics Ontario with the Law Enforcement Torch Run. **Mayor Carman Kidd has also been added to our roster for game day and will take part in our opening ceremonies and puck drop. Mayor Kidd has also proclaimed the day of the game to be "The NHL Alumni, Law Enforcement Torch Run for Ontario Special Olympics Day".**

"We are very excited to showcase an exhibition game with Temiskaming Shores' local heroes from the Law Enforcement All Star team" said Mark Napier, Executive Director, NHL Alumni. "We cherish the chance to get together as Alumni to play with old friends and promote the game of hockey across Ontario, all while raising money for a great cause."

The exciting blend of hockey skill and fun ensures that all will have a fantastic time. In addition to the game, the fans will be treated to a skills competition featuring the world-class players, as well as some hilarious on-ice practical jokes. The game will be taking place at **Don Shepherdson Arena**, which is located at **75 Wellington Street South New Liskeard Ont. at 2 pm**. For ticket information, please visit [www.benefithockey.com](http://www.benefithockey.com). Come out and join in the fun!

**Scotiabank** is proud to provide exciting experiences like the NHL Alumni Tour for hockey fans in our community. As Canada's Hockey Bank, Scotiabank has seen first hand, the love that Canadians have for this game. Through this Tour, the NHL Alumni and Scotiabank are able to support an event that raises much-needed funding and awareness for children and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities. All funds raised through Torch Run events are aimed at programs that directly support and affect all community-based Special Olympics programs. Funds are channeled into community programs, assisting with a variety of expenses including games travel, accommodation, meals, staff support, grants to new community programs, athlete training, public education, volunteer/coach training and development initiatives like school programs (which opens up opportunities to new younger athletes).

**The Ontario Law Enforcement Torch Run** ([www.torchrunontario.com](http://www.torchrunontario.com)) is a community based, province-wide event that sees the "Flame of Hope" being carried right across Ontario by members of Law Enforcement Agencies. The objective of this and other events is to raise funds for and awareness of the Special Olympics movement in Ontario.

**The NHL Alumni** ([www.nhlalumni.net](http://www.nhlalumni.net)) is a non-profit organization, which serves as a liaison for 28 local alumni groups. The Association has adopted the motto of "Hockey's Greatest Family", providing programs and assistance for all retired NHL players, including career transition with the Life After Hockey Program.

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