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Christmas comes early for Dream winners

LONDON, Ont. – Christmas came early for some lucky hospital supporters as the top two winners of the Dream Lottery were revealed this evening at the Silverleaf Dream Home in London. The lottery sold out quickly for the fourth time in a row, resulting in the final draw being held at its earliest possible date. Dream Lottery has raised more than \$44 million (net) since 1996 in support of the regional hospitals located in London.

The winning ticket for the lottery's Ultimate Grand Prize (ticket number 016237) was purchased by Lori Flynn of Exeter. Flynn will have to decide between an adventure package that includes \$750,000 cash; a backyard makeover package that includes \$750,000 cash; a furnished Silverleaf Dream Home in London by Bridlewood Homes; a furnished Edgewater Estates Dream Home in Kilworth by Vranic Homes; or \$1 million dollars cash.

The winner of London's largest 50/50 was also revealed. Malaysia Visouvath of London (ticket number 5231445) takes half of the record prize pool of \$1,266,375.

All winning numbers for the lottery were drawn December 9 at the office of MNP, 495 Richmond Street, Suite 700, London, Ontario under the supervision of accountants of record from the firm MNP LLP. The primary purchaser of each winning ticket will be contacted by phone and/or mail.

All Dream Lottery and 50/50 prize results will be posted on the lottery's website at dreamitwinit.ca by Thursday, December 17. Making a Difference Calendar Draw prizes will be announced daily on the lottery website and on Dream Lottery's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/dreamitwinit in the months of February, March and April.

Quotes:

"We are so grateful to everyone who purchased a Dream ticket. Your support means we can fund specialized equipment and medical research that improves patient care for thousands in our region." **Sara Cameron, Chief Development and Communications Officer, St. Joseph's Health Care Foundation**

Dream Lottery continues to make dreams come true for winners like Lori Flynn, and all the patients receiving care at London's hospitals. Thanks to our community's overwhelming support, we are all winners today." **John MacFarlane, President & CEO, London Health Sciences Foundation**

"This Dream Lottery was a huge success and another record-breaker thanks to our generous community! Thank you to everyone who supported our hospitals - allowing them to provide the best possible patient care, now and in the future." **Scott Fortnum, President & CEO, Children's Health Foundation**

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Dream Lottery is a joint venture of St. Joseph's Health Care Foundation, London Health Sciences Foundation, and Children's Health Foundation.

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Together, St. Joseph's Health Care London, London Health Sciences Centre and Children's Hospital at LHSC receive more than 1.9 million patient visits from across Southwestern Ontario and beyond each year. In addition to caring for London-area residents, the hospitals are referral centres providing specialized services in support of the excellent care of the region's community hospitals.

Dream Lottery (LL11816)

50/50 (LL11818)

Money & Memories Calendar (LL11857)

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