

### SCHOOR DEPALMA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRESENTS DONATION TO RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

**MANALAPAN – July 24, 2006** - The Schoor DePalma Community Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Schoor DePalma, a leading engineering and consulting firm, recently donated \$8,500 to the Ronald McDonald House in Long Branch, NJ. The money, donated to the Ronald McDonald House on June 27th, was collected at a recent Casino Night fundraiser sponsored by the SDCF. The event was held at the Robert B. Meyner Reception Center at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel, NJ, and over 200 Schoor DePalma employees and their guests attended the event.

The Ronald McDonald Houses are widely known for providing a home away from home for families with seriously ill children receiving treatment at area hospitals. Currently there are 258 Ronald McDonald Houses (RMHs) in 28 countries; the Long Branch unit was established in 1987 and partners with the RMHC, New Brunswick house. Both houses welcome families from all over the world, but approximately half of these temporary residents are from New Jersey.

“The RMH in Long Branch was founded through a community collaboration and has served over 3,000 families since its inception,” explained Corinne M. LeBaron, Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House, Long Branch facility. “We have worked hard to build awareness of the need for this kind of support service within our community and this generous donation from Schoor DePalma will go a long way in aiding our children and their families.”

Schoor DePalma has long held the belief that it has a responsibility to support the local communities it serves on an ongoing basis. This philosophy led to the creation of the SDCF in 2004. Since its inception the Foundation has donated over \$230,000 to benefit causes as far reaching as relief efforts for international disasters and as close to home as hardship assistance for individuals within the firm. Their community outreach programs support a number of educational, emergency, cultural, medical, and social needs of the community.

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