



## Lakeland College honours Keyera Energy

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**June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005 – Edmonton Alberta** – The Honourable Ralph Klein, Premier of Alberta and the Honourable David Hancock, Minister of Advanced Education, joined their government colleagues and leaders of Alberta's post secondary institutions in a round of golf and a post tournament luncheon to honour business and community partners – organizations who have made significant contributions to the growth and sustainability of the province's colleges and technical institutes.

The inaugural Premier's Cup was hosted at the Red Tail Landing golf course in Edmonton as a way of acknowledging the importance of partnerships in the heritage and future of post secondary education in Alberta. Partners honored included business, government and NGO leaders – each of whom have forged strong relationships with their nominating institutions as prospective employees, community advocates, curriculum contributors and/or financial supporters.

Going forward, The Premier's Cup will be held bi-annually and hosted by AACTI (The Alberta Association of Colleges and Technical Institutes) to continue an ongoing tribute to those who see investment in Alberta's post secondary institutions as a priority for the future of our province.

2005 Partners of the Year included: Alberta Advanced Education; RBC Financial Group; Diversified Staffing Services Ltd.; Ainsworth Lumber; Capital Health Authority; L. Robert Enterprises; Keyera Energy; The Centre for Advancement in Community Justice; TransCanada; Hewlett-Packard; The Capital Care Group; Woodland Operations Learning Foundation; Chinook's Edge School Division; Alberta Pacific Forest Industries Inc.; Bethany Care Society; EnerPlus.

Lakeland College and Keyera Energy work together in the development and delivery of petroleum-related curriculum, assessment of individual's work experience and course work, and certification of people who have met occupational or course profiles.

"Keyera's commitment to human resource planning and development is outstanding," said Dr. Brian Larson, President and Chief Executive Officer of Lakeland College. "Employees in the oil and gas sector benefit from Keyera's efforts to establish this training and certification." Lakeland College is developing a diploma in oil and gas management and in the future - with the assistance of Keyera Energy - intends to create an applied degree in production and process management.