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BARC Announces 2008-2009 Board of Directors *Newly Elected President and Vice President Join Four Appointees*

Hamilton, ON – The Bay Area Restoration Council (BARC) has elected a new President and Vice President to its board of directors along with the appointment of four new members.

BARC bid farewell to Judy Dolbec, Martin Keller, Scott Koblyk, Robert Matthews, Dr. Walter Peace and Andrew Sebestyen who retired from the board after many years of dedication, hard work and outstanding commitment to the restoration of Hamilton Harbour.

The six new board members offer a wide range of environmental sustainability experience in the fields of business, education, technology and health. Welcoming these new appointees are five veterans on the board, bringing the board total to 11.

New Members of the Board

- **Larry Russell, President**, Business Consultant and former Chair of the Hamilton Port Authority Board
- **Debra McBride, Vice President**, Educator, artist and active community volunteer
- **Dr. Pat Chow-Fraser**, Chair, Biology Department, McMaster University
- **Dr. Bruce Newbold**, Director, McMaster Institute for Environment and Health
- **Sarodha Rajkumar**, Environmental Specialist, ArcelorMittal
- **Jonathan Wetselaar**, Port Technologist, Hamilton Port Authority

The Bay Area Restoration Council is at the centre of citizen efforts to restore and protect the ecosystem health of Hamilton Harbour and its watershed. A community non-profit group, BARC functions as a watchdog organization, assessing and promoting the clean up projects for the bay. In addition to community event series, BARC also delivers school programs, public planting events and shoreline clean ups, newsletters and reports on the state of the harbour, as well as guidelines and recommendations to government.

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