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9th Annual Old Chicago Wichita Golf Open Raises \$8,000 for The Opportunity Project Early Learning Centers

Monies raised to help with holiday events for The Opportunity Project clients

WICHITA, Kan., August 11, 2009 – The Opportunity Project (TOP) Early Learning Centers in north and south Wichita will be the recipients of \$8,000 raised by the Old Chicago Foundation through their 9th Annual Old Chicago Wichita Golf Open Tournament held at Tallgrass Country Club July 20.

It is an honor to have once again been selected as the beneficiary of Old Chicago's golf tournament." said Janice Smith, executive director of TOP schools, "Support from great community partners like Old Chicago Restaurants contributes to the success of the work we do with our at-risk kids. Funds will be used to purchase, wrap and deliver shoes to about 400 TOP students during the upcoming Christmas season."

The Old Chicago Foundation is the charitable arm of Rock Bottom Restaurants, Inc., parent company to Old Chicago Restaurants. "TOP schools is a great organization to support because of our similar goals - to serve children in the community who come from tough financial situations. We always look for opportunities to be involved and believe it is our responsibility to give back to those communities in which we do business," said Old Chicago Regional Manager Steve Hohl, "We were proud of our ability last year to support the education of young, at-risk children at TOP preschools and we are glad to do it again this year."

TOP is a 501c(3) charity based in Wichita, Kansas. TOP Early Learning Centers provide educational day care and preschool in some of Wichita's poorest areas; Oaklawn and north central Wichita. Dedicated to creating school readiness for at-risk children, TOP's mission is to improve life outcomes for Kansas' children in poverty and to collaborate with educators elsewhere to improve early education for all children living in poverty.