## News Release

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## THE ADIRONDACK TRUST COMPANY DONATES COOLERS AND SARATOGA® WATER TO B.E.S.T.

**Saratoga Springs, NY** ... B.E.S.T. announced today that it has received a gift from The Adirondack Trust Company in the form of twenty Igloo® Coolers and ten cases of Saratoga® Natural Spring Water to support the employees of the Saratoga Race Course Backstretch.

Paul Ruchames, B.E.S.T. Executive Director noted, "The twenty coolers donated by Adirondack Trust have already begun to be distributed and they have proven to be very fitting gifts for our workers who are often on the road going from track to track and lack a way to bring and care for their food or drinks. BEST is deeply appreciative for these generous and thoughtful gifts and those who have already received the gifts have had their spirits lifted by Adirondack Trust as it provided the workers with yet another concrete example of the support of the community."

Accordingly to Charles V. Wait, Jr. Vice President of The Adirondack Trust Company, "as we celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of racing in Saratoga Springs this summer we thought it would be ideal to also recognize the employees of the Backstretch with this gift of coolers and water. They do a tremendous job in supporting the Saratoga Race Course and are the backbone to what makes this a world-class horse racing venue, now 150 years old. We are indebted to their service and are proud to help them with this gift."

B.E.S.T. is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide the close to 2,000 barn area workers of the Saratoga Race Course with free medical care, health insurance, counseling, food, clothing, transportation and translation assistance.

Founded in 1901 in Saratoga Springs, New York The Adirondack Trust Company is an independent, employee and locally owned and operated community bank offering a wide variety of business and personal financial services. The bank also offers trust, investment and insurance services and originates real estate mortgages, both residential and commercial, and commercial business loans throughout its market area. The bank has over \$1 billion in assets and twelve branches. The Adirondack Trust Company

is rated a 5-Star superior bank (the highest) by Bauer Financial for the period ending March 31, 2013 based on the most recent data available.

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## Pictured, left to right:

Charlie Gomez, Backstretch employee Charles V. Wait, Jr. The Adirondack Trust Company Yale Theatt, Backstretch employee Julie Roberts, Saratoga Program Coordinator of B.E.S.T. Paul Ruchames, Executive Director of B.E.S.T. Esperanza Garcia, Backstretch employee