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AND THE WINNER OF THE OTTAWA VALLEY'S GOT TALENT CONTEST IS...

Static Notion! Arnprior rockers Chris McComb, Jordan Potvin, Andrew Meier and Daniel DiGiacomo had last night's capacity crowd at Pembroke's Waterfront stamping, clapping and cheering with their energetic performance that featured polished guitar playing, tight vocals, and on stage presence. Local music veterans Dr. Ron Lloyd and Brian Hebert, as well as Star 96's Brian Burton judged all of the evening's performances, and were unanimous in their decision that gave Static Notion first place overall.

Second place went to **After School Special**, a young rock band, made up by Cory Desouza, Ryan Jones and Dave Hageraats. Their dedicated group of fans kept the crowd cheering throughout their hard driving rock performance. Third place was awarded to vocalist **Vicky Charbonneau**, with the judges giving her high marks for her on stage presence and vocal stylings.

Organized by local music performers and entertainers, Those Phantom Knights, for the City of Pembroke Recreation Department, the Ottawa Valley's Got Talent contest was a great success, made even more so by the surprise donation of \$1500 for the first place winner by Those Phantom Knights. Principal owner and entertainer, Michael Parent, told the audience that he "believes in giving back, and because Pembroke has supported our efforts, it's only fitting that my partner Toni and I now pay it forward."

The three winners will next be seen at the Waterfront Festival, with After School Special opening for Foot Soldier on Friday, Aug. 7th; Static Notion opening on Aug. 8th for Prairie Oyster and Jason Blaine; and Vicky Charbonneau opening on Sunday, Aug 9th for the Shanty Party performances and Gail Gavan.

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