

# Ripples

THE COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION OF  
GREATER KINGSTON

BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

## A Granting Milestone – \$274,000 in 2004

By Dan Norman, Chair, Grants & Program Committee

The quality of life of the Greater Kingston community and of Prince Edward County will be enhanced by grants of over \$274,000 flowing from the Community Foundation of Greater Kingston this year. An all-time high for CFGK, this is a remarkable achievement for a young foundation just approaching its 10th birthday. It stands in welcome contrast to 2003, when a very poor invest-

ment climate restricted revenue, and grantmaking was limited to \$65,000 in flow-through donations designated for immediate distribution rather than for endowed funds.

This year, endowments have produced \$190,000. This includes Donor Advised Funds, where donors provide input into how some of the money is distributed, as well as \$25,000 according to donors'

instructions from Donor Designated Funds. Once again there is \$65,000 for flow-through grants, including \$25,000 from the Davies Charitable Foundation. Grants from agencies and other funds make up the grand total. Some will be distributed this spring and some this fall. (see p. 5)

Elsewhere in *Ripples* we feature stories on individual grants, the first round of

grants from the Stark Family Fund, and YAC Investors Group Kickstart! Mini-Grants. Stories also include flow-through grants and special projects such as the Paul Brown Memorial Rowing Shell and additional grants from Corus Entertainment.

CFGK is pleased to be the catalyst through which generous donors give back to the community in a variety of ways that suit their needs and wishes.

## From the Roots to the Top of the Tree

By Glenn Stresman, Executive Director, CFGK

Scientists tell us that 30% of a tree lies underground. That part is called the root: a source of strength, stability and nourishment. Strong roots mean green leaves and abundant fruit for all. CFGK's

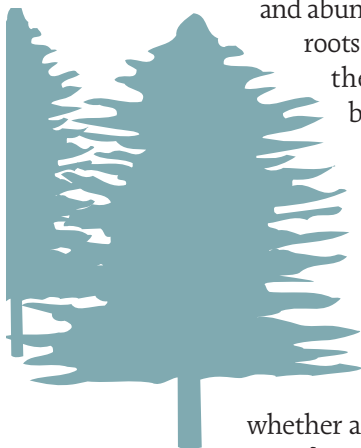
roots are strong and deep and the fruits of our efforts benefit the entire region.

In 2005, we celebrate the first 10 years of this organization's accomplishments. We have an image in our mind of all the people who have been touched by the Foundation,

whether as donors or grant recipients, forming a chain around the

Martello Tower in our logo. How many times would that chain encircle the tower? Quite a few...

But this 10-year celebration is not just about the past; it is also about what is to come. We want that chain to get bigger every year and for the tree to grow and prosper. We invite you to join us in our celebration and to become a part of our future.



## CFGK – The Focus is On Community

By Judith Mackenzie, CFGK President

As we move towards the end of our first decade, we realize that our core strength is the community: the source of dedicated volunteers for our board, committees and projects, and of our wonderful, generous donors (corporate and individual) who provide funding resources that build the endowments. It is also where the imaginative and thoughtful proposals that CFGK supports through grants are generated. The contributions of these three groups enhance life in our community. We will continue to work hard to ensure that the community benefits from CFGK's role of enabling the philanthropic goals of donors.

This is an exciting time to assume the president's role. As the accompanying articles highlight, after two somewhat lean years, we are able to distribute significant



Photo by Barry Kaplan

Judith MacKenzie looking forward to the challenge.

funds, \$274,000 to be exact. As well, CFGK has expanded its boundaries and initiated new alliances with adjacent areas. During its early years, CFGK benefited from the advice and experience of other foundations: now it is our turn to assist others who are embarking on the philanthropic journey.

The Foundation has been fortunate to have the superb leadership of its first two presidents: Michael Davies and Gini Rosen. Excellent staff support for the CFGK board and the work of its committees has allowed CFGK to achieve

much in our early years. Most important of all has been the response of the community, which has said a resounding YES to the invitation to support opportunities to make community dreams become a reality.

I look forward to the challenge of working with you to enrich our community life.

## The Red School House Poetry Primer

By Jill Battson, Creative Director, PoetBureau

The PoetBureau collective thanks the Community Foundation of Greater Kingston for its financial support of our poetry festival, *The Red School House Poetry Primer*. The festival is a three-day poetry and spoken word festival, running on the weekend of August 13, 14 and 15 at an authentic 1800's Red School House, The Bookstore Café and The Stone Fence Theatre, all located in Stone Mills Township.

We invite you to come and experience a diversity of poetic styles, featuring poets and spoken word artists who work in different genres under the umbrella known as "poetry". The Red School House Poetry Primer pro-

grams unusual, yet accessible, performances designed to inspire and excite the audience. The festival includes workshops, open mics, lyric-heavy music and poetry performances. This year we are adding a late-night dance at the Stone House Theatre with the band Dub Trinity, and solo shows from poets who are now moving in a theatrical direction. The festival hosts over 20 performers. This year's lineup includes: bill bissett, Sheri-d Wilson, Lillian Allen, d'bi young, Sky Gilbert and Steven Heighton.

For more information, or to be included on our email list, please contact Jill Battson at 613 378-2708 or [jill@puretaos.com](mailto:jill@puretaos.com).



The Poet Barn

## Abuse and Neglect of Seniors

By Sharon Hogan at the Council on Aging

Physical, financial, psychological abuse and neglect may take many forms. In Kingston alone, 132 seniors were subjected to these violations last year. Because research shows that only one in 14 seniors report abuse, we may calculate that over 1800 seniors were victimized in 2003. Seniors, however, deserve the right to age safely in their own homes and communities.

Elder Abuse Prevention Services, a Standing Committee of the Council on Aging, was formed in 1993 to create

awareness about senior issues and to provide options for prevention or intervention for those brave enough to take some action.

The best way to create awareness is through education. We address seniors, caregivers, and staff in organizations, businesses and governments to enable them to identify and respond to abuse and neglect. Unfortunately, many locations present barriers to effective communications, such as poor acoustics and audiences

dealing with hearing impairments. Our thanks go to CFGK for its insight and support as demonstrated by a recent grant for a microphone and speaker system. This will greatly enhance our capability and ensure the rights of seniors are conveyed to those who are at risk and to those who can make a difference.

For further information, contact Elder Abuse Prevention Services at 542-0430.

## Restoration of Pentland Cemetery Stone Fence

By Joyce Haines, President, Amherst Island Women's Institute

The Amherst Island community plans to celebrate its unique "Irish" fieldstone fences this summer. Spearheaded by the Amherst Island Women's Institute, it will work to restore the fences at Pentland Cemetery, the first cemetery on the Island with the earliest interment being 1831. It is the burial place of Daniel Fowler, a

prominent watercolour artist and settler of the Island. A stonemason has been commissioned to oversee and teach community volunteers the craft, with the hope that the skill will enable the community to restore more fences in the future.

Volunteers consist of a cross-section of men, women

and youth from the Island. The fences are an integral part of the Island's history and are one of the few such examples in the greater Kingston community. This project, made possible thanks to CFGK awarding us a grant, will preserve the fences for future generations and keep our history alive.



Pentland Fence in need of restoration



Amherst Island stone fence in good repair



Georgina Riel has the attention of readers gathered in a special room funded by a CFGK grant, at the Native Friendship Centre. Goals of the literacy program are many-pronged and the sense is that most of them have been met. Photo courtesy of Barry Kaplan.

## Nokomis: a Gathering Place for Big and Little Readers

By Eveline Flint

Years ago when we began work on the concept of a community foundation for Kingston, I did not visualize some day standing in a room dedicated to improving the literacy skills of aboriginal children and their parents, that existed as a result of CFGK funding.

Early foundation organizers were convinced that modest financial support for a wide variety of projects would have positive consequences. The Nokomis program at Katarokwi Native Friendship Centre on Hickson Avenue in Kingston appears to be where a grant that would mean excellent results may go on forever.

The Nokomis Aboriginal Literacy Enhancement Program received funding for two years from the Ontario Early Years initiative. The subsequent CFGK \$5000 grant provided funds to build, furnish and stock the room where children and parents jointly participate in a series of pre-school, after-school, evening and Saturday sessions. The children read with an accompanying adult: mother, both parents or caregiver. According to business manager Nancy Bregg, "all of the children's programs have benefited from Nokomis."

A "totally unexpected" consequence is the focus the program provides for the Visiting Families Program at Collins Bay Institution. Children borrow books from the Centre and the family members read together during the visits. There has been excellent feedback from the inmate population, several of whom are the fathers of some of the children.

Other outcomes: an understanding of the education limitations of parents has raised speculation about possible future literacy programs, especially for mothers heading single parent families. And, on a positive note, the program will receive 1800 books from an Ontario-wide cam-

paign to provide reading material for understocked libraries, particularly in northern communities. Transportation is the biggest stumbling block. Sometimes those who would like to attend just can't get there. Participants to March 31 included 301 children and 282 adults.

## Stark Family Fund Reaches Out

By Glenn Stresman

In their Last Wills and Testaments, sisters Ruth and Ival Stark made provision for a living legacy. *The Girls*, as they are affectionately referred to by family and friends in Bloomfield, left a legacy of philanthropy that will continue far longer than their life spans. That legacy is an endowment fund, directed by Ruth to CFGK, to be invested and the interest returned each year in the form of grants to charities in Bloomfield and surrounding area. The process for 2004 has begun.

In February, charities and organizations in Bloomfield were invited to submit a brief application (Letter of Intent) for review. On February 18, I held an information session in Bloomfield to brief representatives of various organizations and agencies interested in applying. By the closing date, the Foundation had received 37 such requests. Although all had merit, some fell outside the guidelines under which CFGK operates.

A committee of local citizens reviewed the Letters of Intent and selected projects from 15 organizations for further evaluation. The amount available to fund the grants for 2004 is \$80,000, seven percent of the Stark Fund balance of \$1,300,000, taken solely from the earnings from 2003. The 15 organizations were asked to submit full applications for a second review. The committee will then finalize the list of organizations receiving grants and the amount for each grant.

It is important to remember The Stark Family grants will be made annually. Organizations will be able to apply for funds next year and the year after and the year after... Clearly, *The Girls'* philanthropy will live on in perpetuity.



## Second Call for Grant Applications



In August, CFGK will be advertising for additional Letters of Intent for grant applications. We are looking for innovative and effective proposals, which provide impact in the community. A further \$60,000 will be available for fall grants.

Kingston Town Crier, Chris Whyman



### ARTS & CULTURE

*Festival on the St. Lawrence*

"Kingston Events", summer along the St. Lawrence seaway (Davies)♦

*Kingston Arts Council*

"Old Knowledge in New Hands": a celebration of our native heritage

*Kingston Canadian Film Festival*

"The 2005 Kingston Canadian Film Festival", Local Film Making Initiative

*The Poet Bureau*

"The Red School House Poetry Primer", a three day poetry & spoken word festival

*Theatre Kingston*

"The Barefoot Players" Summer Children's Theatre Project

*Thousand Islands Playhouse*

Thousand Islands Playhouse Young Company Tour of "Something From Nothing"

*The Wolfe Island Scene of the Crime Festival*

"Grant Allen Project", special

events for crime writers & the general public

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

*Kingston Bicycling Advisory Committee*

"Shifting Gears", creating a cycling culture in Kingston

*Opportunities Kingston*

"Enhanced Access for Persons with Disabilities", self employment as a basis for increased self reliance

### EDUCATION & LITERACY

*Kingston Literacy*

"Reaching Out in the West End":

The Family Learning Centre outreach program will provide a 10-week parent and child playgroup

### HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

*Council On Aging*

"Speakers Bureau", Elder Abuse Prevention Services

*Martha's Table*

"Bread For Tomorrow":

Campaigning for community support & additional funding for a permanent residence

*The St. Vincent De Paul Society Of Kingston*

"Sign Us Up", a sign for the front of the Loretta Hospitality Centre

*The Coalition for the Prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome*

"Handle with Care"

### HERITAGE PRESERVATION

*Amherst Island Women's Institute*

"Restoration of Pentland Cemetery Stone Fence", on Amherst Island

*Marine Museum of the Great Lakes at Kingston*

"Steam Festival 2004", a Labour Day weekend of festivities

*Pump House Steam Museum*

"The Kingston Water Works 1846-1890: A Pictorial History"

### YOUTH

*Katarokwi Native Friendship Centre*

"Katarokwi Youth Initiative", activities for youth 7 to 18 (OECYR)♦

*Kingston e District Immigrant Services*

"Youth Host Recreation Program", welcoming newcomers (OECYR)♦

*Kingston Family YMCA*

"Enhanced Support Consultant for Camp", a positive summer day camp experience for children with behavioral problems (OECYR)♦

Some grants are funded in part or in whole from the following funds:

- ♦ **Davies:** *The Mrs. Rupert (Margaret) Davies Fund*
- ♦ **OECYR:** *For Kids ... Forever Fund (Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation)*

## Sectors That Strengthen and Enhance Our Community

Grant applications received are classified according to one of the eighth general areas listed below. Division into categories helps us balance our grant totals time. The categories are:

### ARTS AND CULTURE

Quality of life in a community is greatly influenced by accessibility to arts and culture. The Community Foundation responds to community needs by embracing arts and culture as one of our granting sectors.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Grants awarded in this sector from the Community Foundation support local initiatives that strengthen social capital. Grants are awarded to projects that empower citizens to work together to find solutions to local issues.

### EDUCATION AND LITERACY

The Community Foundation supports innovative and effective programs that offer opportunities to people in the Greater Kingston area to gain new skills, develop new thinking capacity and acquire important knowledge. Literacy in people of all ages is an important focus in this sector.

### ENVIRONMENT

While people are a major focus of community, the environment – from air to land to water – has a significant and lasting effect on our quality of life. Grants awarded in this sector support projects that enhance and strengthen our environment.

### HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Healthy citizens are important for a healthy community. The Community Foundation supports the projects of organizations

determined to better the health and social well being of people in the Greater Kingston area.

### HERITAGE PRESERVATION

As one of the oldest communities in Canada (and its former capital), Kingston and the surrounding area is a mix of the "old" and "new". Grants from this sector preserve, enhance and celebrate our heritage.

### RECREATION

There are many health and social benefits to an active lifestyle. The Community Foundation strives

to enable greater accessibility to recreational programs to allow anyone the opportunity to participate in worthwhile recreational programs.

### YOUTH

Grants awarded by the Community Foundation in this sector support programs that directly benefit the children and young people in the Greater Kingston area. From accessibility to education, from arts to social services and so much more, the Foundation aims to build strong youth for a strong future.

## A total of \$274,000 for 2004!

Our lead article gives the total number for grants in 2004. Listed below is a breakdown of the funds awarded.

Community Fund	\$41,000	These funds, totalling \$127,000, were awarded to organizations in the Greater Kingston area. All agency funds were given by May 15. Half the other grant amounts were awarded by May 15 and the balance will be distributed by November 15.
Named Funds	\$71,000	
Agency Funds	\$15,000	
Stark Family Fund	\$80,000	The donor designated these grants to go to the Bloomfield/Picton area
Flow-through Grants	\$67,000	These include \$25,000 from the Davies Foundation, \$2000 from Investors Group (Mini-grants), \$16,000 from Corus Entertainment and \$24,000 in donations to the Paul Brown Memorial Boat Fund

## YAC Investors Group Kickstart! Mini-Grants 2004: THE FOLLOWING CLASSROOMS HAVE RECEIVED GRANTS TOTALING \$2000

This program, a partnership with the Limestone Learning Foundation and funded by Investors Group, allows elementary school classes to apply for funding of less than \$250 to support small community projects, thereby teaching them about community, philanthropy and legacy. This year, grants were awarded to the following projects:

### Amherst Island Public School

"Building a Weather Station": The grade 5/6 class will be constructing a weather station on the island for use by the students and residents of the island.

### Bath Public School

"Let's Dig In": The grade 3 students will be planting and caring for a school garden and will be seeking the assistance of seniors in the area.

### Elginburg District Public School

"Earth Day Play": Grant money will help create masks and set material for the grade 6 production about the use of pesticides. The students hope to increase knowledge and decrease the use of pesticides.

### Elginburg District Public School

"Fun in the Sun for Everyone": This grade 7/8 class will be building a beach volleyball court for their use and encouraging the community to use it as well.

### Frontenac Public School

"Peace Garden": Kickstart! mini-grant

money will be applied towards the purchase of shrubs for the front of the school. These grade 4 students are becoming involved in the beautification of their school.

### Land O'Lakes Public School

"Youth for Sports Dream Project": The Special Education Behaviour Class (grades 1 to 8) is developing a lunchtime sports program. They will be purchasing needed equipment with their grant.

### Marysville Public School

"Marysville Garden Improvement Plan": This grade 3/4 class has involved the community and local businesses in their garden and wishes to buy tools and seeds.

### North Addington Education Centre

"Patio Pot Gardening": This grant will be used for patio pots at the front of the school. The grade 2 students recognize that the school is a community gathering place and they wish to make it more inviting.

### Prince Charles Public School

"Tree Nursery": Grade 7/8 students from the school are developing a nursery of young trees to provide shade for the students at their school.

### Yarker Public School

"The Even Greater Pumpkin Project": Students in grades Junior Kindergarten to 3 are planting and caring for pumpkin plants at a local

farm. They will be donating their produce to the Food Grains Bank and will be involved in the popular local Pumpkin Fest.



### YAC – Young adults learn about philanthropy firsthand.

The Foundation's Youth Advisory Committee meets twice a month during the school year. Their responsibilities include reviewing the YAC Investors Group Kickstart! Mini-grant applications and advising the Foundation's Board of Directors which applications meet the criteria for the mini-grant awards. In addition, Kingston YAC maintain close contacts with other YAC groups across Canada.

## ENDOWED FUNDS 2003/04

**Community Funds** are the Foundation's most flexible funds, composed of many gifts, large and small. Awards are distributed by the Grant Selection Team through an application process.

- The Community Fund
- Ruth and Stu Barton Community Fund

**The Operating Endowment Fund** supports the Foundation's day-to-day administrative operations, allowing CFGK to carry out projects beneficial to the community, to build infrastructure and to engage in community leadership activities.

**Donor Advised Funds** give donors the chance to participate in the grantmaking process. Donors may make recommendations as to which projects receive support, and the Board of the Community Foundation handles the final decisions.

- Alcan Endowment Fund
- Cameron e' Laurie Thompson Fund
- Community Design and Environment Fund
- Joe Chithalen Memorial Fund

- Kau-sha-lya Fund
- Margaret e' George W. Bracken
- Peter and Francis Splinter Endowment Fund
- Vincent e' Rose Amodio Fund
- VOCEC Education Award Fund

**Donor Designated Funds** allow donors to name one or more charitable organizations to benefit from the income generated by the fund.

- Chester Yuen Memorial Fund
- Cyril E. Wharrie e' Evelyn D. Wharrie Fund
- Francis Carney Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Henrietta Whitmarsh Greenwood Memorial Fund
- James S. e' Grace Brown Memorial Youth Advantage Fund
- Lloyd e' Vivian Willows Memorial Fund
- Matt Cahill Memorial Scholarship Fund
- William G. Cherry Fund

**Field of Interest Funds** let donors specify a field of interest to be supported without naming individual charities. The Foundation then awards funds to appropriate local organizations serving the designated need.

- Ruth and Stu Barton Environmental Fund (environment)
- For Kids... Forever Fund (children and youth in recreation)
- Fund for the Environment (environment)
- Gordon F. Tompkins Funeral Home Children's Endowment Fund (children)
- Marion Meyer Opportunity Fund (education and training)
- Mrs. Rupert (Margaret) Davies Fund (civic musical interests)
- Stark Family Fund (Prince Edward County)
- The Whig-Standard Literacy Fund (literacy services)
- Youth Endowment Fund (youth endeavours)

**Agency Endowment Funds and Managed Funds** are established to support specific organizations, allowing them to benefit from the Foundation's investment expertise.

- Boys and Girls Club of Kingston Endowment Fund
- Camp Outlook Endowment Fund
- Gananoque Community Endowment Fund
- h'art studio Endowment Fund Kingston
- Kingston Frontenac Public Library Fund
- Kingston Humane Society
- Kingston Symphony Endowment Fund
- Marine Museum Endowment Fund
- Rideau Waterway Land Trust Endowment Fund
- Seniors Association Kingston Fund
- United Way Endowment Fund

Agencies with endowed funds held by the Foundation will receive interest earnings totaling \$14,916. These funds were distributed in May based on individual fund balances at the end of 2003.

# Dreams Can Become Reality

## CFGK: The Creation of a Prized Community Resource

Part two of an outline history of CFGK: By David Pulver, based on research by Eveline Flint

In 1994, sales of the Doors of Kingston poster, which eventually reached \$30,000, helped to open up a new era for The Martello Tower Society. By that time, the Society decided that it must sink or swim – in pursuit of full foundation status and a charitable number. Martello's chair, Eveline Flint, was strongly supported in this option by the board members.

Eveline told the board in 1995: "In fulfilling our mandate as a grant-giving foundation, we are aware of a growing need of support for worthy local community projects.

We feel it is time to expand along with these demands in order to give effective financial aid to more projects that will benefit Kingston and area." Two newcomers to Kingston did much to assist in the change: Tom Wightman, who had been an Ottawa Foundation volunteer, and Peter Tobias, a corporate lawyer.

"The manual, *The Community Foundation – What It Is and How to Get Yours Going*, allowed us to be well prepared by the time we met with Peter," recalls Eveline. "Peter told us we saved \$3000 in legal fees through our preparations – then threw in his services *pro bono* for the next eight years." After a series of legal steps, whereby members of the Martello executive formed The Community Foundation of Greater Kingston, the full membership endorsed the change at the society's annual meeting in June 1995, and Michael Davies was elected the Foundation's first president.

In the fall of 1995, a search committee began to look for a part-time executive director. Katherine Manley, well-known

for her publicity work and fundraising with Epilepsy Kingston and the United Way, began her appointment in March 1996. The official launch took place in City Hall, when a buoyant crowd cheered

Dan Aykroyd riding his motorcycle down the centre aisle of Memorial Hall, with Mayor Gary Bennett in the passenger seat.

Mayor Bennett officially welcomed the Foundation to the community "and from that point," says Eveline, "the CFGK became

visibly active." In the past eight years, the Foundation has financially supported a wide range of activities in the Kingston area in the categories of arts and culture, education and literacy, environment, health and social services, recreation, youth, community development, heritage preservation and sports.

*And from that point the CFGK became visibly active.*



Katherine Manley retired in March 2000, and was succeeded by Monica Stewart, who resigned in January of last year. In June 2000, Michael Davies stepped down as president, and was replaced by vice-president Regina (Gini)

Rosen. A second staff position had evolved during Katherine's time as Executive Director. It became full-time, and a part-time position was added. "Office volunteers were a feature of Katherine's operation," Flint recalls.

CFGK's first office was located in the basement of the Manley home. When the burgeoning foundation outgrew its quarters, Empire Life donated space and Alcan donated furniture to a suite of offices on King Street. Eighteen months ago, new storefront offices opened on Ontario Street, thanks to Kincore Corp. and Michael Davies. The current executive director, Glenn

Stresman, was appointed in September 2003.

A goal of \$1 million was set by the end of 1998, with the theme "Thanks a Million," followed by "2 by 2" (\$2 million by the year 2000). Since 1998, CFGK has continued to attract \$1 million a year.

Eveline Flint is optimistic about the Foundation's future: "Continued effective choice of individual board members, staff, committee members and supporters will determine the future progress of this important community instrument for change and fulfillment," she says. "We are proud of the Foundation's and our donors' achievements in enhancing the quality of life in so many ways in this community."



**Easy riders?** First CFGK president, Michael Davies, and Monica Patten, CEO Community Foundations of Canada, test out Dan Aykroyd's Harley-Davidson at the official launch of the Foundation in 1996. Earlier, the well-known entertainer rode his bike down the centre aisle of Memorial Hall with then mayor, Gary Bennett, seated on the back.

### The Community Foundation Difference

#### What does the Foundation do for our community?

CFGK helps charities accomplish their good works by making financial grants. We promote community philanthropy and encourage citizens to invest in projects that bring positive change.

#### How does it work?

Donations are held in a permanent endowment fund which is invested. The income earned is used to make grants to charities whose projects fit our mission of "enhancing and strengthening the quality of life in our community." To apply for grants please see our website

#### Who gives to the Foundation?

Individuals, families, businesses and corporations contribute donations of any amount – cash, securities, bequests, gifts of life insurance or real property. Since 1995, citizens have given over \$5 million.

#### What else does the Foundation do?

CFGK actively participates in discussions about community needs, runs a youth philanthropy program and actively engages over 80 volunteers. We work with donors to help them meet their charitable wishes and assist local charities to manage their endowment funds.

#### How do I find out more?

We'd love to tell you more about contributing to our many funds. Please visit our website, [www.cfgk.org](http://www.cfgk.org), or call and arrange to visit us.

# A "Student On Ice" and Other Flow-through Grants

By Glenn Stresman

Again this year, the Foundation has used its expertise to assist other charitable organizations by linking them with donors. In the past months, we have helped: a student travel to Antarctica, a high school buy new and reconditioned instruments and a group of athletes buy a new piece of equipment for their club. All these projects were funded by donations that came to the Foundation and were passed on immediately as the donor directed.

Since our business is using endowed funds to make grants, why be involved with short-term flow-through grants? In part, because the Canada Revenue Agency gives us the legal mandate to – as long as the gift goes from the donor to us and then to another registered charity. We can receive gifts from a group of individuals, and then pass them on in the form of a larger grant. We did just that to enable a rowing shell to be purchased for the Kingston Rowing Club, dedicated to the memory of the late Paul Brown.

We do it because we have the experience to handle a gift such as the one that helped a local high school student travel to Antarctica this past December. Funds came from Dan Aykroyd, but not directly. The money was transferred through a Foundation in California, and then from us to the Royal Canadian Geographic Society resulting in the special program that allowed her to make the trip. Complicated? Yes. But we have been making these arrangements for the past nine years, so we are able to handle complicated processes. In fact, our first grants at the Foundation were because of the generosity of the Davies Foundation through grants that flowed through us to the donors.

We do it because we want to "help good people do great things!" When companies like Alcan, Corus Entertainment or Investors Group ask us to be their partners in

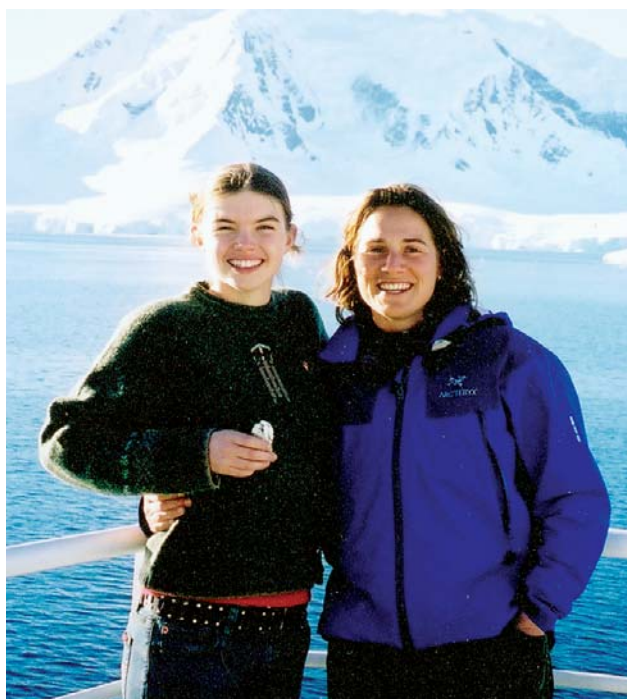


*In the right place at a lot of right times: CFGK is strategically placed to help move money from good people to good causes. Here, Jim Elyot of Corus Entertainment, and Chris Alsano, LaSalle High School bandleader, display a \$10,000 cheque honouring the memory of Andrew Trudeau, who was a member of the band. The band, and Andrew's family, at top, enjoy the special moment.*

philanthropy, we are excited to be that partner. In April, a partnership resulted in a grant of \$10,000 being made by Corus Entertainment through the Limestone Learning Foundation and CFGK to LaSalle High School. This special gift went to purchase instruments in memory of a band

member, Andrew Trudeau, who lost his life in a tragic event this past fall. We feel privileged to be able to help.

*For more information on our special grants program called Flow-through funds please contact the Foundation office.*



*Paradise bay, Antarctica, Christmas Day 2003. Student Rachelle Ellerbeck (left) and teacher Lisa Glithero (right).*



*Bev Brown, passes flowers to daughter Ashley, seated in a rowing shell purchased by the Kingston Rowing Club and dedicated to the memory of their husband and father, the late Paul Brown.*

# MAKING WAVES

## Board News

Congratulations to our new President, **Judith Mackenzie** and Vice-President, **Dan Norman**. Special thanks to departing members: **Walter Fenlon**, **Ian Fraser** and **Regina (Gini) Rosen**. During Walter's six years of service, he played an enormous role in the development of our endowment. Ian, who served for seven years, has been our "philanthropic" guru and interim Executive Director. Gini, who was Vice President for four years and President for another four, has been a vital contributor to CFGK. We welcome the fresh vision and energy of new members: **Florence Campbell**, **Al Crago** and **Margaret Zakos**. A full list of committee and staff members appears on this page.

## Staff News

**Brenda Fisher** has been hired as Grants/Program Assistant. Our good friend **Jason Wagar** has assumed the role, once again, of summer student placement.

## Community Foundations of Canada

The 2004 National Conference was held in Quebec City in May. Twelve CFGK Board members, YAC representatives and staff members attended. We all learned a great deal and shared our expertise with other colleagues from across the country.

## Tenth Anniversary Celebrations

**Eveline Flint** and **Gini Rosen** are co-chairing CFGK's Tenth Anniversary Celebrations, which begin June 2005. Among the many fabulous projects in the planning stages is a *Festschrift* – the publication of a commemorative book highlighting our success. We are looking for pertinent information to include. Please contact CFGK if you have any documents, photos or memories to share.

## Bob Blenderman Painting

Our boardroom now has a beautiful Bob Blenderman piece of art gracing its walls. It is a scene of a Martello Tower from which the masthead of Ripples was originally taken.

## Congratulations to our outgoing President

**Gini Rosen** was recognized by the Kingston Rotary Club for her extensive philanthropic work in the Kingston area (especially, we add, for CFGK!), by naming her a "Paul Harris Fellow". This is Rotary's "way of expressing its appreciation for substantial contributions towards humanitarian causes."

## Special Events

Our **Annual General Meeting** takes place in Memorial Hall, City Hall, on Wednesday, June 16 at 4:00 p.m. Special guests will be Mayor Harvey Rosen and Barbara McInnes, President/CEO of the Community Foundation of Ottawa. Everyone is welcome.

The **Tower of Hope Golf Tournament** will once again be held at Loyalist Golf Club on Monday, August 23. Pros, prizes, dinner and fun along with great golf.

## Board of Directors 2004-2005 As of June 16, 2004

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