

Ripples

THE COMMUNITY
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GREATER KINGSTON

BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

The Day that Rocked Kingston to its Foundation *A Triumph for the Entire Community*

By Eveline Flint

When a *Tragically Hip* benefit concert was announced for September 12th, the whole community magically “jumped on the band wagon” and took ownership of an exhilarating Kingston event. In mid August, CFGK had made the announcement that everything was in place.

Key player was Brigadier General Jean Leclerc, Commandant of The Royal Military College of Canada, who agreed to the use of the RMC playing fields as the concert venue. General Leclerc encourages students to go off campus to get to know Kingstonians. This time, thousands of Kingstonians walked across the LaSalle Causeway to RMC, for a day with the Hip and their performer friends – seven bands including *The Tragically Hip*, announcer Dan Aykroyd, and guest appearances by local hockey heroes Doug Gilmour and Kirk Muller.

Col. L. Aitken, Commander, Canadian Forces Base Kingston, and his security staff automatically became involved once RMC was confirmed as the site. Secured by land, sea and air, *Across the Causeway* was perhaps the

most secure Canadian rock concert of all time. City of Kingston Mayor Harvey Rosen, lent immediate support when informed of concert plans. City managers, including police, traffic, transportation and the fire department worked closely with CFGK and the professional concert site planners.

The core CFGK Committee – co-chaired by Gini Rosen and Eveline Flint with chairs: Ameena Jaffer, Jan MacDonald, Judith Mackenzie, Katherine Manley, Dan Norman, Marie Shales, Michelle Skolnick and Margaret Zakos – met frequently. They were joined by more than 250 volunteers. The business community assisted through sponsorships and gifts in kind. CFGK Executive Director Glenn Stresman participated in over 50 concert meetings in the five-week planning period, and the office staff, bolstered by teams of volunteers, often worked overtime.

The spirit of cooperation



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that led up to an unforgettable concert on a perfect September day was perhaps personified by the woman who returned to the RMC site to look for her son's shoe the day after the event, and joined in

the efforts of volunteers, completing a final clean-up.

It is easy to give the facts about the *Across the Causeway* concert, not so easy to define, but just as important, was the way the entire community came together to produce a unique Kingston event headlined by Rob, Gord, Gord, Paul and Johnnie with a supporting cast of all the rest of us!

Read about the new *Tragically Hip Community Fund*, the other charities that benefited, the bands and much more on p. 7.

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GRANTS FOR 2004 – \$404,322



Disaster Can Strike Any of Us and Any of Our Communities...

It Is Not a Question of *Whether*, But a Question of *When* and *Where*.

By Michelle Miatello, Community Service Coordinator, The Canadian Red Cross Kingston and District Branch

Recent experiences, such as the Peterborough floods, the summer of 2003 blackout, the ice storm, and the B.C. forest fires, prove Canadian communities are not immune to disasters. These catastrophes displaced millions of Canadians and caused billions of dollars in damage. The effects of smaller-scale disasters, such as house fires, explosions and gas leaks, can

be just as devastating to their victims.

When a large or small disaster occurs in the Kingston community, trained volunteers from the Kingston and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross are called upon to ensure victims receive basic needs such as food, shelter, clothing, emotional support and family reunification.

With the support of CFGK, The Kingston Branch of the Red Cross will train 30 new volunteers in disaster services. These volunteers will be trained, ready, and on stand-by 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, assisting our families, friends and neighbours in crisis. With this support, the Canadian Red Cross will be wherever help is needed.

Grant Recipients 2004: THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE RECEIVED PROJECT GRANTS TOTALING \$51,150

ARTS & CULTURE

Agnes Etherington Art Centre
"Picture This", is a comprehensive program of art activities offered at the centre

Kingston Arts Council
"Kingston Prize for Contemporary Canadian Portraiture" prize will be awarded in October 2005

Cantabile Choirs of Kingston
"Residency with Composer/ Conductor Stephen Hatfield"

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Feast of Fields
"First Annual Kingston and Area Feast of Fields", a celebration of local, seasonal food, fresh from family farms

Kingston and Area Association of Administrators of Volunteers
"2005 PAVR-O Annual Conference", professional administrators of volunteer resources conference

Kingston Partners for a Safe Community
"Passport to Safety", young Canadians learn to be safer and healthier workers

EDUCATION & LITERACY

Ban Righ Centre
"Supporting Women Learning", helping women to continue their education

Limestone Learning Foundation
"Get Ready for Junior Kindergarten" assisting families with pre-school children to prepare them for J.K.

Marine Museum of the Great Lakes at Kingston
"Kommunity Kits/Edukits", a user-friendly way to convey historical information to the public

Kingston and Area Early Years Coalition – Early Literacy Sub-Committee
"Let's Read!Lisons!", will develop sites in two waiting rooms at Hotel Dieu Family Medicine Clinic

ENVIRONMENT

Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation
"Meisel Woods Bridge", an attractive bridge across Beaver Creek near Crow Lake

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Big Sisters Association of Kingston and District
"Parent Workshop Series", a support program for parents to learn to prepare a budget and nutritious meals

Canadian Red Cross – Kingston and District Branch
"Disaster Services – Volunteer Training", this program will recruit and train 30 new volunteers in Disaster Services

Dawn House Women's Shelter
"Rear Addition Support", to repair the rear addition at the shelter

HIV/AIDS Regional Services
"Souper Wednesdays", a lunch program offered the last two Wednesdays of each month

Kingston Youth Shelter
"Community Relationship Building Tool",

to design a web-site that provides information on the services at the shelter

Partners in Mission Food Bank
"Wheels for Meals"
A van that will be used to collect groceries and baked goods

Ryandale Shelter for the Homeless
"Moving Beyond Homelessness", for the purchase of Captain's beds and mattresses

The St. Vincent De Paul Society Of Kingston
"The Joys in the Hood", a commercial ventilation hood for the Hospitality Centre

HERITAGE PRESERVATION

Kingston General Hospital Auxiliary
"One Hundred Years of Volunteer Service: A History of KGH Auxiliary"

YOUTH

Big Brother Association of Kingston and District
"Outings with Littles Program", regular activities will be offered to all children

58 Squadron – Air Cadets
"58 Squadron Pipe and Drum Band Project", to purchase instruments for the cadet program

Girl Guides of Canada – 1st Kingston Trex Unit
"Start-up of Kingston Trex Unit through Girl Guides of Canada Kingston Division"

The Kingston Prize for Contemporary Canadian Portraiture

By Julian Brown, Chair, Steering Committee Kingston Prize for Contemporary Canadian Portraiture

A national competition for contemporary portrait painting will be held in the fall of 2005, under the auspices of the Kingston Arts Council. From the paintings submitted, a jury of experts will choose about 30 to hang in the exhibition, and will award the Kingston Prize to the winner. The grant from CFGK will be used to help with the cost of providing a jury, which will be highly respected.

To be eligible for the competition, both artist and subject must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents, and the painting must be done "from life" within the two years preceding the closing date.

The prize is intended to encourage interest in portraiture among artists, including some who do not normally paint portraits, and so will bring new techniques into this area of art. The competition was announced in July 2004, and since then enquiries have been received from artists across Canada. The exhibition, an event of national significance, will enhance the cultural life of the Kingston region.





The Picton Gazette



STARK FAMILY FUND GRANTS

- Community Living Prince Edward*
The Breakfast Club
- Community Living Prince Edward*
Hot Lunch Program
- Community Living Prince Edward*
Healthy Snack Box Program
- Friends of Ameliasburgh Historical Museum*
Sap Shanty Restoration Project
- Friends of Macaulay Heritage Park*
Macaulay House Cellar Exhibits
- Friends of the Picton Branch library*
The Teen Room
- Friends of the Wellington Museum*
Wheelchair Access and Landscaping
- Hastings and Prince Edward Learning Foundation*
Back to Books
- Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School*
The Arts at Pinecrest
- Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School*
The Stark Multi-Purpose Room
- Prince Edward County Cemetery Board*
Bloomfield Cemeteries –
Granite Benches
- Prince Edward Corrections Advisory Board*
PASS – Positive Alternative to
School Suspension
- Prince Edward Community Care for Seniors Assoc*
Information for Seniors Directory
- Prince Edward Community Care for Seniors Assoc*
Meals on Wheels Delivery Containers
- Quinte Education Museum and Archives Inc*
The Victoria School House Move
- Recreation Outreach Centre*
Teen Skill Development
- Recreation Outreach Centre*
What's Your Passion
- The School Council of St. Gregory Catholic School*
Tutoring for Kids

First Grants From Stark Family Fund

by Dan Norman, CFGK Grants Chair

June 9, 2004 was an important milestone for the Stark Family Fund, currently CFGK's largest single endowment fund. Recipients of the first grants from this fund assembled at Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School in Bloomfield in the Municipality of Prince Edward to receive their grants for 2004. Those attending represented 18 projects proposed by 14 Prince Edward organizations. The projects had been selected from a longer list of proposals by a CFGK grant application review committee based in Prince Edward. For these projects, CFGK (then) President Gini Rosen and Executive Director Glenn Stresman presented cheques totalling \$69,090. The largest grant of \$10,750 set a new high-water mark for a grant from a CFGK grant review competition.

The Stark Family Fund was created by a bequest of Ruth Stark to be a permanent source of grants to enhance the lives

of the people of Bloomfield and, more generally, of Prince Edward County. As former schoolteachers, sisters Ruth and Ival Stark were particularly eager to support education, and as Bloomfield residents, they were especially concerned with the Bloomfield area. It was fitting, therefore, that two grants from this first round went to Pinecrest Memorial Elementary School in Bloomfield. One will provide for the replacement of band instruments at the school and another is to be used to create The Stark Multi-Purpose room, an instructional room primarily for Science and Visual Arts classes. Bloomfield Cemeteries also received a grant for the purchase of three granite benches.

However, the Stark sisters had broader interests and concerns, so their bequests made grants available to all of Prince Edward County. The Hastings and Prince Edward Learning Foundation received a

grant to purchase library books for county schools. Community Living Prince Edward received grants for projects that will provide breakfasts, snacks, and hot meals at area schools. Prince Edward Community Care for Seniors Association received two grants, one for a directory for services for seniors, another for Meals on Wheels delivery containers. Four grants went to museum projects, including one to Friends of Ameliasburgh Historical Museum for restoration of the sugaring off display, and another to Friends of the Wellington Museum to improve wheelchair access and landscaping.

The Stark sisters contributed to their community in many ways in their lifetimes. Their generosity lives on and will make life better and more interesting in Prince Edward County through the grants that will flow from the imaginative gift of the Stark Family Fund at CFGK.

Can Everybody Read?

By Debbie Nesbitt-Munroe, Early Literacy Specialist Kingston and the Islands

The doors of the future are opened to our children by learning to read. The *Let's Read!* Program will provide attractive community-based reading areas featuring children's books, comfortable places to sit and information for parents about early literacy and language development.

The generous grant from CFGK to The Kingston and Area Early Literacy Sub-Committee will support the development of two *Let's Read!* programs at the Hotel Dieu Family Medicine Clinic waiting rooms. The Kingston Stencilers Guild will set the scene by painting beautiful designs on the walls. Sturdy, safe children's bookcases will be filled with quality young children's books for

children and parents to read together. Colourful bulletin boards and pamphlet holders will be filled with information for parents about language development, reading and community resources. Trained volunteers will interact with children and parents to promote early literacy development.

The Kingston and Area Early Literacy Sub-Committee is a committee of the Kingston and Area Early Years Coalition. Our goals are to improve the literacy levels in our communities and to promote literacy growth in young children by informing parents and caregivers about language and literacy development. We see *Let's Read!* as an important step in accomplishing these goals.



The Community Foundation appreciates the contributions and commitment of the following:

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Introducing the Ambassadors Council

By Judith Mackenzie, CFGK President

In less than a decade CFGK has made many friends who support the Foundation's purpose. In order to keep in touch with these friends CFGK has introduced a new category in the organization: the *Ambassadors Council*. This group consists of past Board members, the Nominations Advisory Committee, Honorary Life Members, Civic and Community Leaders and major donors. The intent is to have a large group in the Greater Kingston area who understand the Foundation's goals and who can speak knowledgeably about us with others in their various circles of friends and acquaintances – the *ripple* effect in action.

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Tower of Hope Classic 2004 – Our Best Year Ever!

By Fred Laflamme, Co-Chair

A successful and enduring fundraiser has three critical elements; the sponsors of the event, the people attending the event and the committee organizing the event. Each of these groups, working together, determines an event's level of success.

At the Tower of Hope Golf Classic, our sponsors are recognized throughout the day and our golfers are treated to an excellent course, an experienced pro and a prime rib dinner complete with Yorkshire pudding. The organizers, as with all volunteers and committees, quietly orchestrate the event with little fanfare. It is this group that I wish to acknowledge and bring to your attention today.

The committee, which I have had the pleasure to co-chair for the past six years, is a group of 10 dedicated individuals, most of whom have been with the Tower since its inception seven years ago. Remarkably, few people have left our group, and when they did, usually due to a job transfer, equally committed volunteers have replaced them.

We begin planning our tournament every February, going over goals, approaching sponsors and sending out letters for an event that won't be held until the end of summer. Working together like a well-oiled machine throughout months of preparation, this committee has delivered Kingston's only Pro-Am Golf Tournament with great panache year after year.

Behind the day's events, ultimately responsible for our success,

are my co-chair, Greg Thompson of Union Gas, our financial wizard Kim Mundell, also of Union Gas and Donna Grieve of Sutton Group, who tirelessly puts together our live auction packages with the assistance of Carol Kinnear. This diverse committee also includes Eric Lockhart from Queen's School of Business, Carrie Lagasse from RBC Financial, Ken Koven of the Message Network, and completing the group, Maureen Keeler, Jeff Lundy and Joan Willison, all of *The Kingston Whig-Standard*, who do whatever is necessary to ensure complete and total success.

I know I speak for all of the members when I say it is our pleasure to organize this event and we all look forward to many more successful years. The Tower of Hope Classic, its sponsors, its golfers and its committee have raised over \$181,765 for the Foundation. This year's total \$36,000, was our best yet. Look out 2005.

Ed. Note: Fred Laflamme has chaired this event from its inception, beginning when he was a member of the CFGK Board.

His personal, and Osprey's corporate, commitment to the betterment of Kingston and area, is another wonderful example of Kingstonians working together.



DONOR PROFILE

'Not-So-Tragically' Hip: The Importance of Community

Merv Daub, Marketing and Communications Chair

A collection of local lads, known around town simply as "The Hip", are the latest in a string of donors to place their charitable intentions, and trust, in the hands of CFGK. They, of course, did it in a unique way by holding a benefit concert, *Across the Causeway*, in mid September and turning over an important part of the profits to the Foundation.

As was pointed out in an excellent *Companion* article in *The Kingston Whig-Standard*, the group – Rob Baker, Gord Downie, Johnny Fay, Paul Langlois, and Gord Sinclair – have solid roots in the community stretching back to childhood. And they have never lost this attachment to their hometown despite over two decades of success in a highly competitive music business. To have done so by constant struggle to live in the moment (to keep their music meaningful to themselves and others) while still maintaining a strong sense of obligation to family, community and generations yet to come speaks volumes about the strength of character these guys exhibit.

This is not the first, or only, instance of their contributions to the community. They have, for example, played other concerts, in '91 for *Almost Home*, at Richardson Stadium later in the decade for the *KGH Foundation*, and so on. They are also actively involved with the community whether through their comments on proposed civic projects, their involvement with school groups associated with their children's activities, and in some cases even with membership in book clubs around town. They have actually also been

seen cutting their grass... This is not exactly the kind of Keith Richards image most folks would give you if they didn't know better and you asked them to describe what the Hip look like.

Lest you think otherwise, this is no mere posing for publicity either. All but one of them live here when it might be more advantageous professionally to be elsewhere. Their main working and recording studio is in Bath. And they talk up Kingston everywhere they go. No, the feeling and commitment for Kingston that these guys have comes "from the bone". And, they put their money where their hearts are. They're like Dan and Dougie and Kirk. And thankful we all are for that!

CFGK was pleased to help bring the Hip home to Kingston once again. And it is proud to be the main vehicle chosen to advance their charitable work here in the greater Kingston area. We wish them continued success and all good things down the years. One thing for sure, we know they'll be around. And we're especially grateful for that.



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Join a Decade of Donors

By Virginia Gordon, Chair Resource and Fund Development

Ten Years of "Helping People do Great things" – that is what we are celebrating in CFGK's anniversary year. So many people have found ways to make it possible to reach our goal of \$10 million that we would like to thank them and note their names in a special commemorative book, a *Festschrift*, to be published in November 2006, as a record of our first 10 years.

The Tragically Hip gave a wonderful kick-start to our "Decade of Donors". What a unique way to be able to give back to the community! Not many people are members of a rock band who can use this vehicle to donate funds for everyone's benefit. However, donors who have helped our dreams come true at CFGK have used many innovative ways to respond to our long-term goals.

The fortunes of our Foundation were enhanced from the beginning by the generous support of our corporate citizens. Employees of many companies have long understood the value of a healthy community and contribute not only their funds but

also their time to our Board and our committees. Many smaller businesses have now made commitments in the form of sponsorships for various events, as well as building up

some of our endowment funds. "Corporations for Community" is alive and well.

Many people have left personal legacies to CFGK in their wills. As an example, the late Ruth and Stu Barton cared very much for their community, and through careful planning with us and their legal advisors were able to give back enormously for the benefit of future generations. Since the official launch of CFGK in November 1996, we have received a number of these gifts.

Insurance is a very practical way to make it easy to give. Spreading a gift of insurance over a few years builds up an endowment with guarantees for the giver and the receiver. It is an automatic charitable legacy when so directed.

And then there are the unusual ways of giving. One donor was a collector of salt and pepper shakers. The collection became so large that the owner decided to give it to one of her favourite charities. This group auctioned the collection for a tidy \$10,000.

Help us celebrate our 10 years of building for the future. Anyone who has given \$3000 or more by June of 2006 will have their names included in our *Festschrift*. Our Executive Director or any member of the Board will be pleased to work with you and answer any of your questions.

Our Community Foundation

Who Are We?

The Community Foundation of Greater Kingston (the CFGK or "the Foundation") is a public, charitable foundation supported and run by citizens of the Greater Kingston and surrounding area.

What Do We Do?

The Foundation encourages individuals and organizations to establish and build permanent endowments and other funds from which worthwhile community projects are then funded.

How Does It Work?

The funds from our donors are held in permanent endowments which are invested. The income earned is used to make grants to worthy causes of all kinds whose projects "enhance and strengthen the quality of life in Kingston and the surrounding area". Currently, the Foundation has over \$6 million in its various endowments.

How Do I/We Find Out More?

Please visit our website, www.cfgk.org, or just call us at 546-9696. We'd love to tell you more.

CFGK Truly Defines Community

By Brenda Fisher, CFGK Grants Assistant

As the CFGK's Grants Assistant I have had the opportunity to meet and be involved with so many of the organizations that receive funding through the Foundation.

I was thrilled to be invited for lunch at the St. Vincent de Paul Society after it put up its new sign. I cooked with the best of chefs who volunteer their time to provide lunch to so many in need. They never stopped smiling, singing, or cooking until all who came were fed.

Planting pumpkin seeds with the children from Yarker Public School at a local farm was a very muddy but smile-all-day experience. The children from this village were so proud that their grant application was approved, they invited me to plant their pumpkins with them. Not only do these elementary children plant the seeds and watch them grow, they donate the pumpkins. When the pumpkins are ready, the children sell them at the local Pumpkin Fest and donate the money to Canada Food Grains Bank.

This is what the Foundation is all about.



What They Said About *Across the Causeway*

By Gini Rosen

The Kingston Whig-Standard August 7

Sarah Crosbie

"TTH announced last night the end to a decade-long drought in Kingston... The Hip is rocking the grounds at RMC... it could be the stuff that legends are made of."

Kingston This Week August 20

Paul Gurnsey

"After a decade the Hip [Kingston's favourite sons] are coming home."

The Heritage August 24

Mike Depew

"TTH lead singer Gord Downie said that CFGK fits the profile for how the band wanted to give back to their hometown... 'We wanted to create something that was more ongoing for the community.' With [the Hip's] fund, the money is invested and held in trust... and charities are invited to apply for funds twice a year."

The Queen's Journal, September 10

Across the Causeway – special edition.

"...[I]t seems nothing short of a miracle that the Hip and CFGK were able to pull this massive gig off in barely a month."

CFB Kingston

J.D. (Dave) MacLeod

Lieutenant-Colonel

Deputy Base Commander

"Canadian society and Canadians need to know what we do for them. We are part of you, we come from you, work for you, and hope that what we do is of benefit to our society. I

hope that hosting the concert [as landlords] helped bring us a little closer to the community and allowed the community a short glimpse into our world."

The Kingston Whig-Standard September 14

Letters to the Editor

Kristen Spring

"Sunday's concert was amazing, and despite the fact that I couldn't see the huge crowd of people (I'm blind), I could hear them and feel their excitement and the joy and laughter and share in it all... Among the people... with disabilities... the general consensus was that ATC

was pretty wonderful... We ranged in age from persons in their twenties to a gentleman in a wheelchair who was 87 years old."

The Kingston Whig-Standard September 14

Letters to the Editor

Ronald R. Holden

"I purchased five tickets to give to my son for his 15th birthday... Ten hours later... No one got lost. Nothing was missing. There were no injuries... and the fellows had a blast. At first I thought that it was good fortune... Then it dawned on me that... most of

the credit for nothing going wrong was due to the organizers of the concert..."

Kingston This Week September 14

Lynn Rees Lambert

"... So, what was all the kvetching about?... We couldn't bring our lawn chairs... It makes sense... it was for our own benefit. No concertgoer under 30 was surprised by the restrictions... [T]hose who attended – 20,000 plus, all ages – didn't complain about the lack of seating. They were too busy enjoying the show."

"G" from K-Rock 1057 says...

"The HIP in K-Town?... The Hip brought it home in a BIG WAY and 'Rocked It Outta The Park'."

Kingston This Week September 14

The Word on the Street

Richard Hulton

"Awesome. I've been waiting to see the Hip in Kingston my whole life."

The Tragically Hip, Dan Aykroyd, and the six bands who participated in the *Across the Causeway* concert, produced magical results. **Riley O'Connor**, Senior Vice-President of the House of Blues, concert manager par excellence, led us through the unknown world of rock concerts. Thanks also go to **David Levinson** and **Macklem-Feldman Management** for their support. Along with **Matthew Good, Hugh Dillon (The Hugh Dillon Redemption Choir), Chris Koster, The Sadies, The Spades, and The Trews**, they all donated their talents to this benefit. They not only provided an outstanding musical treat for fans but considerable funds as well – funds which will create their own magic for several agencies. CFGK feels privileged to have been a part of this stellar event and is deeply grateful for everyone's contributions.

Across the Causeway: Grant Recipients

By Glenn Stresman and Judith Mackenzie

While memories of the *Across The Causeway* concert will fade in time, the members of *The Tragically Hip* have ensured that there will be a permanent legacy of this marvelous concert in the form of "The Tragically Hip Community Fund" at **The Community Foundation of Greater Kingston**.

The members of the band have directed that CFGK's share of the concert profits – \$200,000 – be placed in an endowment fund with the interest earned each year directed to an annual grants program in the band's name. By this designation, the Hip have made funds accessible to all area eligible charities. This wide-ranging grants program reflects the band members' commitment to all aspects of life in their hometown and forms a lasting partnership between Canada's quintessential rock band and their number one fans – Kingstonians! (*Donations can be made at any time to this, and any, CFGK fund.*)

Members of the *Tragically Hip* additionally directed that each of the two agencies noted below receives 20% of the proceeds of the concert:

The **Joe Chithalen Musical Instruments Lending Library** honors the memory of a young musician well known in the Kingston area. This library, a unique concept, receives and repairs used instruments, and lends

them out to both aspiring and veteran musicians. Loans are made on both a short-term and long-term basis. There are plans to establish branches in other areas. The Joe Chithalen Memorial Fund, which supports the development of local musicians, is one of the Donor Advised funds held at CFGK.

Camp Trillium provides camping experiences for young cancer patients whose medical conditions make them unsuitable for most camping settings. Young people are provided with positive, upbeat camping life in safe environments, with the special resources needed to support them. Families are assured that their young peo-

ple will receive both the needed care, and the fellowship that a typical camping experience provides.

Three other agencies also received funding in acknowledgement of the support they provided for the event: the **Royal Military College of Canada**, the host site for the concert, received a \$2000 grant for its athletic programming as a recognition of the use of the playing field for the concert site; the **Kingston Military Family Resource Centre** received a \$2000 grant in recognition of the significant contributions made by CFB Kingston; the **Fort Henry Restoration Fund** received a \$1000 grant in acknowledgement of its co-operation.

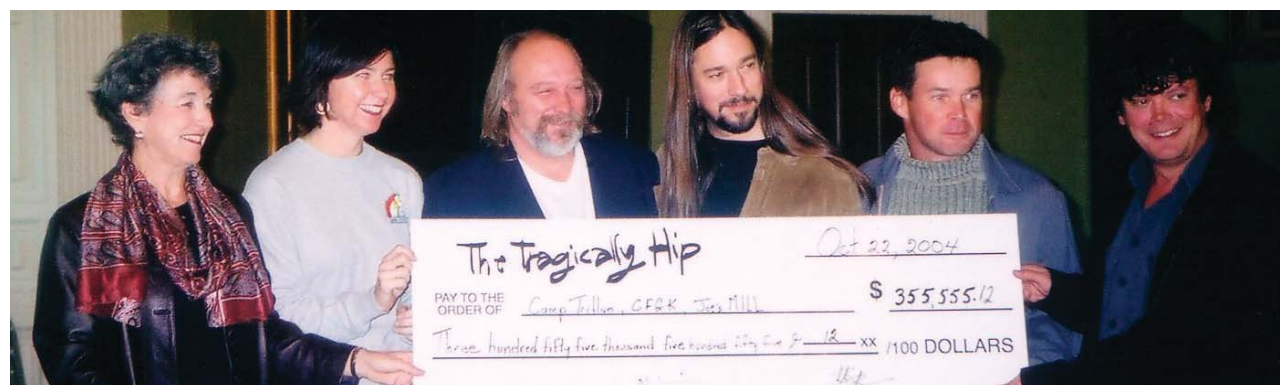


Photo by Brenda Fisher, CFGK

MAKING WAVES

Community Foundations of Canada Annual Executive Directors Conference

Glenn Stresman recently attended CFC's annual conference for executive directors of comparably sized foundations. Key issues discussed included regulatory issues and strengthening relationships with professional advisors. Newly published CFC statistics indicate there are now 140 community foundations across Canada. Although less than 10 years old, CFGK is in the top quarter in the country, based on asset size.

Leave a Legacy

Gini Rosen is representing CFGK at a video-conference workshop for *Leave a Legacy* on December 15. Its purpose is to encourage charities to reach out to their donors and encourage them to create charitable gifts in their wills.

Call for Memorabilia

We are publishing a *Festschrift* (commemorative book), celebrating our 10th Anniversary, in November 2006. We are looking for articles, photos or anything of relevance to include or to add to our archives.

Environmental Initiative Phase II

CFGK has received word that our application for funding of Phase CII of our Environmental Initiative has been approved. We are pleased to be going forward with this successful program.

Is your Ripples information correct?

Our new computer program is specially designed to record and issue tax receipts for gifts to CFGK. We have converted all available data from our old program and are in the process of checking for accuracy. While we aim for the highest level of accountability, if you do spot a mistake, please make the office staff aware as quickly as possible!

Annual Giving Society:

The *Giving Circle* was developed to build a consistent source of annual gift support from individuals who direct \$1000 per year for a three-year commitment toward our operating budget. This strengthens and sustains the life and work of CFGK. You, too, can be a part of this society.

Holiday Open House

Join us for a toast to the season on Wednesday, December 15, 2:00 pm, at the CFGK office. Feast once again on a scrumptious Yule log prepared especially for the occasion.

A Gift from the late Nan Yeomans:

We were pleased to learn that local artist Nan Yeomans left a bequest, which included works of her art, to CFGK. Please look for an event in Spring/2005 that will honour her memory and her continuing passion for the visual arts.

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