

# Ripples

THE COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION OF  
GREATER KINGSTON

BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

## Keeping Dreams Afloat: Able Sail Kingston

Audrey Kobayashi, Chair, Able Sail Kingston

**A**ble Sail Kingston put CFGK's Fast Track grant on the fast track over the summer of 2006. Our mission is to make adapted sailing accessible for people with any level of physical disability, through two programs. The children's program works with local organizations such as Easter Seals and the Child Development Centre to bring kids with muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy and other disabilities to sailing camp. There, they are introduced to the Australian-built Access Dinghy and can sail on an equal basis with other children in the learn-to-sail program.

The adult program uses the Canadian-built Martin16 racing sloop for adults who have experienced a spinal cord injury or mobility-reducing illness. This year, we participated in the *Coupe du Quebec* in Montreal, the Reach Regatta in Toronto, and our own CORK competition here in Kingston. Sailing our new racing boat,

purchased last year with a Province of Ontario grant matched by donations from local organizations such as the Davies Foundation, Civitan, and Rotary, our sailors took first place in both the advanced and novice categories in every regatta they entered. Elizabeth Woudsma, sailing for the first time, took to the sport as though she had been sailing all her life, shooting across the line in first place in race after race.

Following up on the CFGK Fast Track grant with a Healthy Communities grant, our current challenge is to continue to develop the program for young people, especially those making the transition from the learn-to-sail to the racing program. This most recent grant will allow us to adapt the Martin 16 from single- to double-handed sailing and to install a spinnaker to increase speed and keep our competitive edge. The souped-up boat will be seen again next year on the Kingston waterfront.



Keeping Dreams Afloat

## Honouring a Friend

Regina Rosen

**J**ames (Jim) Metcalfe, a fourth generation Kingstonian, understands the essence of philanthropy. His grandfather, James Henry Metcalfe, was warden of the Kingston Penitentiary from 1896-1899; he inculcated in young Jim a sincere concern for the inmates. Hence Jim has volunteered for the John Howard Society throughout his life. But the essence of his generosity is succinctly demonstrated in this story.

In 1948, he and his wife, Elva, opened West End Lunch, a restaurant on Princess Street at MacDonnell. That was then the Trans-Canada Highway (Hwy. #2), and to serve tourists and the neighbourhood's needs, it also acted as a convenience

store. One of his first customers was eight-year-old Michael Potter.

"I remember the first day I met him," says Jim. "He carefully parked his wagon outside the store and came in to buy some penny candies. There was something about him, even then, that endeared himself to me." As Michael's father owned a restaurant supply house, and Jim obviously needed such supplies,



James (Jim) Metcalfe

the families became friends. And, as Jim recalls, with fondness, "Mike blossomed into a capable young man with a natural gift for business, and ultimately worked for Graves Bros."

As the years went on, it seemed to Jim that whenever he was in need of something, or he was experiencing difficulty, suddenly, Mike would appear to help him out. "He was like a younger brother, always looking out for me." They stayed in touch no matter where Mike went.

When Jim made his will, he thought that it would be a wonderful surprise to leave Mike an unexpected legacy. "I

didn't care what he did with it – maybe throw a *helluva* party." But life is unpredictable and, as Jim sadly recalls, "Mike went and died on me!" Seventeen years Jim's junior, Michael W. Potter died of cancer on July 26, 2005. Shaken by this unexpected loss, Jim explored ways in which to honour Michael's memory.

Somebody told him about CFGK, and the way in which we try to service donors' needs. After meeting with our Executive Director, he redirected the \$10,000 he had designated for Mike in his will, to establish *The Michael Potter Memorial Fund*. His hope is that this fund will grow throughout the years by contributions of others. "After a person dies, all that is left is his memory," explains Jim, "and I want the memory of a really good man, and a good friend, to live on."

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SINCE 1995 CFGK HAS AWARDED 751 GRANTS, TOTALING \$1,300,716 TO 320 ORGANIZATIONS

## Spotlight on the Environment

Vera Kettmaker

On June 5, 2006, World Environment Day, a minicoach filled with nature enthusiasts, donors, and foundation representatives took up the invitation of the Community Foundation to visit four of the 32 environmental projects it has made grants to so far.

The tour started at the Belle Park landfill. There, Professor Anderson is investigating how to construct wetlands which would act as a natural buffer zone at the water's edge to filter out contaminants like iron and ammonia that are still washed out of this old landfill into the Cataraqui River.

Next, the participants toured the new Energy House at St. Lawrence College. Energy House is a teaching and showcase facility for renewable energy technologies that are already commercially available, such as various solar panels, solar hot water heaters, geothermal heat pumps, etc. With the help of a Foundation grant, a coordinator will reach out to school children and the general public to educate them about these efficient, practical technologies.

Then, enthusiastic Friends of Lemoine Point ex-

plained how they grow hundreds of tree seedlings for local reforestation projects at their native plant nursery. Close by, there was a test site where they investigate which method works best for turning a former pasture back into a wildflower meadow. Starting this fall, the Friends will not only share their knowledge, but also some tree and bush seedlings with the public.

The final destination was a grassland reserve on Amherst Island that serves as a breeding-ground for birds such as the rare Wilson's Phalarope and blue Martins. Participants were delighted to observe Osprey in their nest through a telescope. The Phalarope, however, proved elusive.

All participants left the tour with just a glimpse of the wide range of important environmental and conservation projects undertaken by over 60 groups and organizations in our area. For more information about environmental projects, groups, and how to support them, visit the Environmental Initiatives web page, [www.cfgk.org/enviro](http://www.cfgk.org/enviro) or call 613.546.9696.



Seedlings on Lemoine Point

## The "Can Crushers" Upgrade

Sandra Berg, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity Kingston.

Habitat for Humanity (HFH) mobilizes volunteers and community partners through building affordable housing, and promotes homeownership as a way to break the cycle of poverty. As well, the Habitat ReStore Kingston sells donated new and used building materials to help generate funds for their house building program.

In 2004, Habitat Kingston (HK) ac-

cepted a national challenge to collect aluminum cans. The Alcan Builds on Recycling program makes it possible for three of the seventy Habitat for Humanity affiliates across Canada to win a full house sponsorship by collecting aluminum cans. In 2005, the ReStore here in Kingston collected 8000 aluminum cans and received \$112. In 2006, it collected 283,000 cans and received \$63,000. Without this money, HK's building program for 2007 would not be possible.

The Kingston community has embraced this recycling program and currently drops off over twenty garbage bags of uncrushed aluminum cans per day to the Habitat ReStore at 323 Bath Road. In fact, HK expects to collect over 400,000 aluminum cans in 2006! The ReStore must crush the cans before sending them for metal recycling. Currently the 'Can Crusher' team crushes cans with a manual, wall mounted device which was never built to crush hundreds of thousands of cans.

With the support of the Community Foundation, the Habitat ReStore will build an automatic can crushing machine. In this way, Habitat Kingston will be better able to build homes, and hope – with aluminum cans no less!



## What's a Database Project doing in an Arts Council?

Joan Sutherland and Margaret Hughes, Kingston Arts Council

Does Kingston have a Jazz Society or a Baroque Ensemble? A choir you could join? How does one get the word out about new paintings, theatre or music performances?

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) faces these kinds of questions regularly.

As the umbrella organization for the arts in Kingston, we plan to develop an information system including a database and integrated, interactive web site to collect, store, and display information regarding the whole arts community in Kingston and surrounding region. Our database will link artists with suppliers, patrons, and other artists; students with teachers, artists and public to classes, and

the public to arts services, events and outlets.

This integrated system would become the main source of information about the arts community in Kingston, and would inform people who are considering moving to, setting up business in, or visiting Kingston.

The mission of the KAC includes fostering and encouraging dialogue amongst Kingston's arts organizations and promoting their strengths. The *Birch Bark to Wild Rice Canoe Project*, the Annual Juried Arts Salon and the Kingston Portrait Prize are all ongoing.

The grant from the CFGK, by funding the Feasibility Study for the Information System, will assist us greatly towards achieving our objectives. Thank you!



*"How do you paint all of Kingston's arts businesses, artists, their venues, and their events with one can of paint and a single brush? Digitally, of course, with one self-managing, exciting, ArtsKingston web site built by the Kingston Arts Council."*

## Fall Grants 2006

Marilyn Banting, Chair,  
Grant Selection Committee

It has proven to be an exciting year to be part of the Grants Selection Committee. Over 175 grant applications were received in 2006, including 52 for the City of Kingston's *Healthy Community Fund*, and 21 for grants from the *Stark Family Fund*. The rest were applications for the funds held

by the Community Foundation. The committees (in Kingston and Bloomfield) read, reviewed (involving much discussion!), and made decisions on each application. They awarded just over \$200,000 from the CFGK funds, \$71,778 from the *Stark Family Funds* and on behalf of the City of Kingston, \$290,000 of the *Healthy Community Funds!* It was a wonderful year to be involved with so many community groups, and fantastic individuals, all of whom have seen a need in our community

and came up with creative ways to fill that need!

One category that came on-stream this year is the Fast Track category of grants. These grants are small, one-time only, and for less than \$1,000. Projects must still meet the criteria for any grant from CFGK. Monies are thus available for projects where a need has come up at short notice and/or outside the normal spring and fall granting cycles. Applicants submit a slightly shorter application form and the

review process is done quickly – but only during the specified time periods. Please see the CFGK web site for further details.

This fall, the committee looked at 27 full applications and eight applications for Fast Track grants.

The Community Foundation is constantly searching for ways to help organizations in the City “do what they do” more easily. And it is always exciting to find an innovative and creative project in Kingston!

## FALL GRANT RECIPIENTS 2006: THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS HAVE RECEIVED GRANTS TOTALING \$92,049.68

During the year there are several rounds of grant-making. With the fall round complete, we are pleased to announce that we have awarded \$261,802 in 2006.

The *Kingston Melos Society* will be establishing a new string Quartet with this grant, allowing for instrumentalists to perform with their choral group for the three concerts in their upcoming season. This quartet will provide a unique quality to the range of performances available to the Kingston Community. **\$3,000**

The *Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation* will be completing the building and installation of a bridge over Beaver Lake. This bridge is in the Meisel Woods Conservation Area, and its completion will be the final touch to the recreational/education forest trail that was started in 2004. **\$5,000**

Through the purchase of storybooks, videos and workshops, the *Children and Prisons Resource Initiative project* taken on by Bridge House (Kingston) Incorporated, will assist in the development of educational resources for families who are experiencing the incarceration of a loved one. **\$880.48**

*Habitat for Humanity Greater Kingston & Frontenac* will receive a grant to build an automated aluminum can crushing machine, which will aid greatly in their recycling program. No longer having to crush cans by foot, this machine will promote both safety and efficiency in the workplace. **\$1,900**

*Kingston Community House for Self-Reliance* will replace their front porch with this grant. This project will improve the safety, security, and aesthetics of the Kingston Community House. **\$3,400 – Alcan**

*Kingston Literacy* will be introducing two new workshops: *Books & Breakfast*, and the *Bookmaking Workshop Series*. These programs offer parents an incentive-filled opportunity to learn family literacy skills which will benefit their children's future, and by extension, the community at large. **\$4,000**

The *Swim to Survive* program, offered by the *Limestone Learning Foundation* will teach children three basic skills to help them survive accidental immersion. It will focus on roll entry, treading water, and swimming 50 metres. About 1,500 grade 3 students will receive this training during this school year. **\$6,000**

The *Central Frontenac Community Services Corporation* will start a licensed Child Care Playgroup support group, where providers will be able to share programming ideas, and network with others offering quality care. **\$2,905**

*Mississippi Valley Conservation* will purchase and preserve a parcel of land that is both environmentally and historically significant. The area, known as Ragged Chutes, is a key wildlife habitat, and along with preserving this habitat, there will also be a large recreational and educational value to purchasing this site, as it is available to the community. **\$5,000**

The *Kingston Youth Arts Cooperative* will provide children with the opportunity to explore the richness of art and how it can positively affect their lives. This will be done through workshops such as bucket drumming, First Nations crafts, choirs, and a year-end performance, which will all work to bring the community together. **\$2,875 – Alcan**

*Theatre Kingston* will work with TCP Global Solutions to update their web site, allowing individuals to use credit cards and to access a broader range of information online. **\$750**

*Theatre Kingston* will purchase a new Constant Contact Email Marketing

system, and create an email marketing initiative, which will incorporate new software, and help them effectively communicate with current and potential audience members. **\$1,000**

This grant will assist the *Frontenac Heritage Foundation* in restoring 62, 64, 66 Brock Street (one of the few wooden frame properties from the 1820s in Downtown Kingston) to its nineteenth-century glory, while providing another viable model for renovation and restoration in the downtown area. **\$7,000**

This grant will allow the *Association of Fundraising Professionals* to offer a 50% subsidy to 12 non-AFP member organizations in order for them to participate in this year's National Philanthropy Day, which will take place on November 15, 2007. This subsidy will ensure greater participation by smaller organizations that normally would not have the budget to send staff to this event. **\$810**

*Friends of Big Sandy Bay* will construct and install a Display Cabinet/Notice Board with this grant. The cabinet will include an orientation map and other important information, and will be visible to all visitors entering the area. **\$1,800**

This grant will assist the *Marine Museum of the Great Lakes at Kingston* in the restoration and rehabilitation of the Museum Ship Alexander Henry. This ship is an internationally recognized feature of the Kingston waterfront, and is the museum's single largest artifact. This funding will be put towards the scraping and painting of the hull of the ship. **\$6,500**

The *Ice Storm Project* will publish a second CD, which will include all of the relevant documents and analytical papers pertaining to the Ice Storm of 1998. This CD will be distributed to organizations within Kingston and will be available within Queen's University Archives to the public. **\$5,000**

*Rideaucrest Home* will run a program in collaboration with the Alzheimer Society of Kingston and H'Art Studios. This three-month project will have persons with dementia and persons with intellectual disabilities working together to create folk art panels that will decorate Gardenwalk Terrace; a garden that provides beauty and nature to the residents and their families. **\$2,000**

The *Frontenac Arch Paddling Association (FAPA)* plans to establish/improve upon existing paddling routes to create an interconnected water trail for paddlers between Gananoque on the St. Lawrence River, to Westport in the Rideau System. **\$4,240**

With this grant, *Almost Home* will purchase three replacement vacuums, allowing for one vacuum per floor. This will lead to a cleaner, more comfortable environment. **\$889.20**

*Bridge House (Kingston) Incorporated's Youth Crisis Intervention Program* targets at-risk youth, who are experiencing homelessness, pregnancy, and/or other challenging situations. It will provide affordable transitional housing for young women, while helping them prepare for successful independent living. **\$3,700**

*Boys and Girls Club of Kingston & Area* will use this grant to establish a bus route to pick up children from a host of elementary schools and drop them off at Robert Meek Community Youth Centre to attend Boys and Girls Club after-school and evening programs. **\$6,400 – Alcan**

*K3C Community Counselling Centres* is implementing a new project for young people ages 16-21, to educate them on the topic of healthy relationships. They will work as a group, and cover topics such as self-esteem, anger management, and will discuss how these areas play significant roles in relationship building. **\$5,000**

The *Kingston Arts Council* will build an information gathering, storing and

retrieving system for their office. It will include a relational database and integrated web site. The database will be suitable for all arts councils, and will be accessible to the Kingston Community. **\$3,000**

*Families Learning Together* is an innovative literacy/numeracy project, which will be implemented at 28 Limestone District School Board schools over the next two years. **\$2,500**

The *Limestone Learning Foundation* will use this grant to purchase 11 GPS units for their new program, *Geo-Caching for Island Treasures*. This program will be offered to students in grades 6-8 and will provide an opportunity to use and understand GPS by engaging them in “treasure hunts” on Amherst Island, using GPS coordinates. **\$2,000**

*Keeping it Real* is a technology based literacy project that will use innovative, hands-on activities to capture the interest of students who are no longer motivated to attend school. The Limestone Learning Foundation is administering this project with the belief that by offering an alternative to the structured school environment, it will ultimately facilitate the students return to school. **\$2,000**

*Green Scheme* will complete phase 2 of their project, which includes the planting of street trees along King Street in the student village. This project seeks to nurture student-community relations, by providing students the opportunity to work side by side with members of the community, to achieve horticultural improvements. **\$2,500**





## OUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

### ■ Who Are We?

The Community Foundation of Greater Kingston (the CFGK or the "Foundation") is a public charitable association supported and run by citizens of the Greater Kingston area (i.e., west to Loyalist Township, north to North Frontenac Township and east to the former Pittsburgh Township, including Amherst, Wolfe and Howe islands.)

### ■ 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 the Greater Kingston area. Currently, the Foundation has over \$10 million in its various endowments.

### ■ How Do I/We Find Out More?

Please visit our web site, [www.cfgk.org](http://www.cfgk.org), or call us at 613.546.9696.

## An Endowment Fund for the Music Director's Chair

Ameena Jaffer, Chair, Donors' Committee

It is an astonishing survival tale that Malcolm Williams has recounted in his recent history of the Kingston Symphony Association, 1954–2004. For fifty years, the commitment of the musicians, the audiences, and many volunteers has meant a secure status in our community for the Kingston Symphony. Kingstonians now take for granted that we have a first class orchestra in our city but few realize the hard work and dedication it has taken to reach that position. It is the community's responsibility to make sure that the Symphony and Choral Society, the Kingston Youth Orchestra, Youth Strings and Kingston Community Strings will continue to enrich the lives of Kingstonians in the future.

It is with this thought in mind that a group of Symphony supporters in concert

(if we may use that term) with CFGK has initiated an endowment fund for a Music Director's Chair. It is a very exciting concept that will help guarantee the perpetuity of the Symphony in Greater Kingston.

It is the community's role to attract musicians to Kingston so as to create the opportunity to experience the full impact of symphonic music in live performances. Securing an Endowment Fund for the Director's Chair is not a short-term fix; it is a long-term goal. It will create a living legacy for the donor while, for the Symphony, it will mean strong and continuous leadership which will allow us to experience and enjoy the full impact of symphonic music in live performance.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss this initiative with you.



Glenn Fast, Musical Director, KSO

## Nan Yeomans' Legacy

Mary Ann Higgs

For over fifty years, Nan Yeomans lived and worked in her chosen community of Kingston. Her quiet presence everywhere could almost be taken for granted. She maintained memberships in many community organizations, her limitless curiosity about life taking her along to field naturalists, the Kingston Historical

Society, many different Arts associations, rock and stamp collecting and politics. An efficient bookkeeper by day and artist whenever time allowed, her interaction with other artists of note started in the 1950s. A diminutive woman, she excelled at making small and detailed prints but allowed herself to explore any artist medium of interest to her. She imitated no one and seemed to enjoy the process of her art above all.

Each creation now forming part of her estate is a bit of her soul. Her generosity while with us has been multiplied by her gift of the residue of her estate to CFGK in the form of paintings. The proceeds will support promising young artists and artisans in financial need. A call for key volunteers with expertise in arts promotion to put into effect a fun and ambitious marketing plan to sell the paintings will be issued shortly. Many Kingstonians already own a 'Nan'. Many more will now be able to enjoy owning one of her precious works and be transported by her ability to take a simple subject and present its intricacy to us in her unique way.

Watch for announcements about a special partnership with another vibrant organization that will give us a venue in which to show our community and friends our beloved 'Nan' and the things that brought her joy – the vast world of small things be they bluebirds on a wire or a star in the sky. As local artist, J.T. Winik, has said, "Fifty or one hundred years from now, someone not yet born, may glance up from a desk to a special place on the wall where hangs a delightful little print of a turtle or a comet or a sailboat or an autumn leaf... and he or she will smile. In doing so, the person will have known Nan."



Tom Turtle, Chicken Little & Me: mixed media by Nan Yeomans

“My composition in watercolour, pen, coloured pencil, collage, etc. depicting my UEL homestead, me at age 3 or 4, my first pet a chicken and my present pet Tom Turtle hatched January 1969. Turtle in Native American teachings being the oldest symbol for planet earth – mother earth, from an article given to me by Karen Pepperkorn at QECVI in autumn 1991.”

# Community Foundation as a Catalyst in Kingston

Glenn Stresman, Executive Director

While two areas of CFGK's work in the greater Kingston area – grant making and endowment building – receive publicity on a regular basis, the third area, acting as a catalyst to build the community's social capital, receives only sporadic notice.

When The Foundation acts on behalf of another agency, as it did to help get the Grand Theatre Restoration Foundation off to an early start, or as the organizing agent for the *Across the Causeway* concert, or the more

recent *GreenUp! Environmental Fair*, the Foundation is, for a time, in the news. Other times, it goes about its work quietly and efficiently, always looking for new opportunities to add value to the greater Kingston community. That next new opportunity might just be found in work now being done by CFGK's sister community foundations across Canada.

Since 2001, the Toronto Community Foundation has frequently published *Toronto's Vital Signs*, an indicator re-

port measuring the vitality of the community. This year, through support garnered by Community Foundations of Canada, Vancouver, Victoria, Ottawa and Montreal will follow suit and publish similar reports. (See [www.vitalsignscanada.ca](http://www.vitalsignscanada.ca))

The trick for CFGK is to find a way to make the *Vital Signs* program doable for a community foundation such as CFGK, which is in the mid-size range. To this end, the Red Deer (Alberta) Community Foundation is testing the process this year and will publish their first report in 2007. With their help, CFGK could be on our way to adding an important part to its third role, being a catalyst for good in the greater Kingston community.



City of Kingston Healthy Community Fund Grant Recipients for 2006.

## An Honest Broker

Brian Osborne

On Tuesday, April 4, 2006, City Council passed a motion that authorized the Community Foundation of Greater Kingston to oversee the "Healthy Community Fund Grant Program" on behalf of the City of Kingston. The purchase of service agreement entailed that CFGK supervise the processing, issuing and tracking of approved 2006 Healthy Community Fund funding. As part of the agreement between CFGK and the City, CFGK adjudicated the 2006 applications and, once decided upon, entered into contract agreements between the Foundation

and the successful applicants. It is understood that this is an interim measure until such time as City staff present a report to Council on the mandate and operation of the Healthy Community Fund.

The CFGK willingly undertook this service for the City as it fitted its mission of striving to "enhance and strengthen the quality of life in our community", and because of its proven expertise in three areas: helping donors establish funds; making grants to charities; and acting as a catalyst in building the community's social capital.

To this end, in July 2006, eighteen adjudicators, working in six teams, evaluated 53 applications and awarded 38 grants amounting to \$289,913 in the five Healthy Community Fund categories: Culture, Youth, Volunteers, Neighbourhoods and the Elderly. Apart from seasoned CFGK volunteers, the review teams consisted of members of City Council and City staff, the community at large, and experts in the areas of culture, heritage, recreation and social services. Awards were made to support an array of community activities such as the Kingston Symphony, the Agnes Etherington Arts Centre, the Cataraqui Conservation Authority, Able-Sail Kingston, the Kingston Film Festival, the Kingston Jazz Society, the Modern

Fuel Artists-Run Centre, etc.

So, was the exercise a success? We trust that the Foundation's administration of the City's 2006 Healthy Community Fund meets with the approval of City Hall as well as that of the cultural community and the community at large. As in the past, the Healthy Community Fund grants have been awarded to organizations that developed remarkable projects that in turn will contribute to our community and to Kingston's quality of life. Congratulations to all recipients, and both the City of Kingston and the Community Foundation of Greater Kingston look forward to celebrating the completion of your projects, and working with you again in the future.

## Gifts of Stock enjoy New Tax Status

Merv Daub

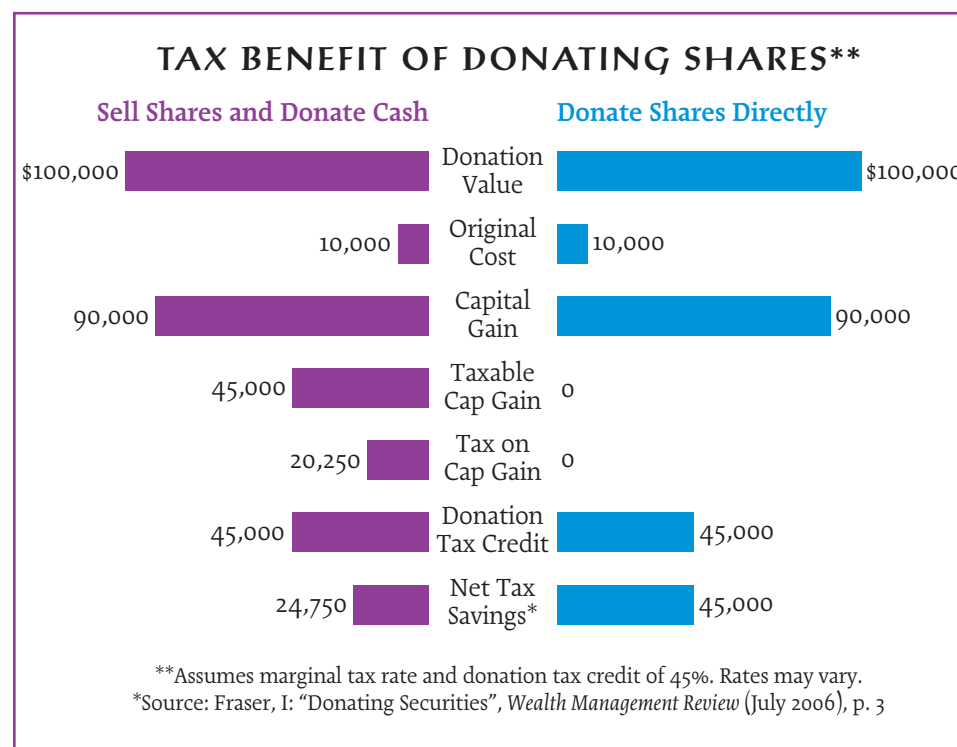
It may be old news to some of our readers but we at The Community Foundation thought it important to inform readers about an important change in the tax law contained in the federal budget earlier this year. It concerns the gift of stocks which donors might want to make to eligible public charities and foundations such as the CFGK.

Before 1997, all gifts of securities such as publically-listed shares were subject to the usual 50% tax of capital gains on those securities when donated because they were deemed to have been sold as of the date of contribution. In 1997, this rate was reduced to 25%, and, in May of this year, eliminated completely. As a result, a donor now gets a donation receipt for the full market value of his/her donation as of the date of donation, pays no tax on any capital gains they might have on those securities, *and* earns a generous tax credit in the normal charitable donation way. As some have noted (see, for example, the attached table), this can substantially reduce the cost of charitable donations over what it would have been if the shares had been sold first and the cash proceeds then donated. It is also possible to envisage circumstances in which the tax credit earned will exceed the original cost of the shares especially if the shares have appreciated significantly

(see *National Post*, May 25/06 article by Jonathan Chevreau)! Yet another advantage for those securities with DRIP (Dividend Reinvestment Program) features is that the lengthy procedure required to establish deemed average cost is now eliminated completely when the shares are donated.

For all these reasons, and no doubt others, it is worth taking another look at

donating stock. To help with this see your usual investment/legal/accounting professional advisor or contact the Executive Director of the Foundation, Glenn Stresman. The Foundation has also added a new fact sheet on *Appreciated Securities* to its *Professional Advisors e-Resources: a toolkit for helping clients achieve their philanthropic goals* which can be accessed via the CFGK web site at [www.cfgk.ca](http://www.cfgk.ca).



## Grants and Endowments – Interlocking Foundation Link

Dan Norman, CFGK President

If grantmaking is the major thrust of a Community Foundation, it goes without saying that building income-producing endowments is essential to that activity. The thrill of receiving a new fund is just as exciting for the board and staff now as it was in our early days; and we are therefore delighted to announce Jim Metcalfe's, \$10,000 *Michael Potter Fund*, and the new *Symphony Director's Endowment Fund* in this issue of *Ripples*. Such new funds, and the ongoing support of longtime donors, are perhaps testimony to CFGK's established track record as a trustworthy and effective philanthropic community conduit.

Larger endowments generate more income, allowing more granting dollars, and more creative grantmaking; from a practical standpoint, they also contribute to administrative efficiency through economies of scale. Thanks to our donors, CFGK was able to selectively grant \$190,000 to projects in Kingston and the surrounding area, while the Stark Family Fund Committee distributed \$80,000 in Prince Edward County. An additional \$135,000 flowed automatically to specified community organizations from Donor Designated and Agency endowments.

As the Foundation's president, I invite you to consider adding to, or creating an

endowed fund at CFGK. We can set up endowments where our volunteers choose projects to fund; or where you participate in choosing projects; or Donor Designated Endowment Funds.

If you are considering a charitable gift of any kind, you may wish to take advantage of the relatively new capital gains provision that offers a significant tax advantage for the donation of shares or mutual funds that have appreciated in value. Read about it in Merv Daub's item, found elsewhere in this issue. Or contact our Executive Director, Glenn Stresman, who will be pleased to assist with your enquiries.

## Success leads to Change: How we Report the 'Good Guys'

Eveline Flint

Philanthropists from the Kingston area have responded generously from the time we launched the Community Foundation ten years ago, to the present day; judged by donor giving, this is indeed a caring community. In the past, we gratefully acknowledged *all* our donors by publishing an annual list in *Ripples*.

Regular readers will notice a change in our donor list format this time. Earlier this year, we acknowledged all donors in our tenth anniversary publication, *A Decade of Giving: Celebrating our first 10 years* (available at no charge from our office). It permanently commemorates the names of those bedrock supporters of a new and important community resource. Thanks to their philanthropic vision, more than \$1.5 million in grants has gone to assist charities in the greater Kingston area to date.

The CFGK Board has now decided to more formally present reports to the community at our Annual General Meeting in June, by issuing a booklet that includes a financial statement, lists of grants and donors and other brief summaries.

To avoid duplication, and beginning with this issue, the Fall-Winter *Ripples* alphabetical listing includes all those who have given donations of over \$100 from November 1 of the previous year, to October 31 of the current year: these names will, of course, be integrated into the Annual Report.

On behalf of the community, the Board takes this opportunity to recognize and thank our valued donors.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Winnipeg established Canada's first community foundation in 1921.
- There are more than 1,100 community foundations in 42 countries. Canada is a recognized leader in this growing global movement.

# The Community Foundation appreciates the contributions and commitment of our donors

We gratefully acknowledge the contributions of all our donors and thank them for their continued support. We are pleased to publish the names of those donors who have contributed over \$100 between November 1, 2005 and October 31, 2006. We are currently updating our website. By January 2007, a complete list of all donors since 1995 will be available for viewing.

Ann Abraham ●  
Mortimer and Shirley Abramsky  
Acadian Computer Service  
Ace Auto Leasing Ltd.  
Art Acharya  
Mike and Jyoti Acharya ●  
Sherri Agnew  
Agnew Foods  
Alcan Aluminium Limited  
Algonquin Travel ●  
David and Gloria Allan ●  
Robert and Mary Amendala ●  
Amherstview Golf Course Limited ●  
Amherstview Sports Association ●  
Kathy Arney  
Anchor Concrete Products Ltd.  
Autohouse Kingston ●  
Grace Bacon  
Bank of Montreal, Financial Centre  
Keith G. and Marilyn J. Banting  
Michael and Brenda Bardon  
Margaret Barraclough  
Estate of Ruth Barton  
John Bates ●  
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- **Combined assets:** \$2.3 billion
- **Total grants:** over \$115 million to support local charitable causes
- **Population served:** 85% of Canadians (28 million)
- **Distribution:** community foundations in every province and one territory (NWT)

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- ▲ Deceased
- First time donor since November 1/05



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## A Decade of Giving:

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Join us on December 3, 2006, 2:30 – 4:30 pm  
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We are using this festive time to distribute our fall grants.

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