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ANNUAL REPORT

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Report presented by George Towstuk, President

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Operation of the Foundation

The Foundation is a not for profit foundation with a mandate to benefit the community schools and adult education centres of the Lester B. Pearson School Board. In addition, we reach out to assist community programs designed to serve young people in the LBPSB community.

A board sets the direction for the Foundation and makes decisions concerning grants and fund raising events to be held by the Foundation. Mr. George Towstuk served as the President, M. Remi Poliquin served as the Secretary, all volunteer positions.

Activities of the Foundation

The Pearson Educational Foundation continued to be active in the collection of donations and the provision of financial support to schools, centres and individuals. Activities of the Foundation included-:

- Accepting and acknowledging donations on behalf of schools or centres
- Accepting and acknowledging general donations
- Acting as a fiduciary agent for donations given in memoriam or designated for a specific purpose
- Managing the Sue Morris Memorial Fund
- Managing the Margaret Manson Learning Awards program and the In Trust account which supports them
- Managing the Pearson Educational Foundation – Grants to Schools program
- Managing the Lester B. Pearson School Board/ Pearson Educational Foundation annual golf tournament
- Contributing to the Space Day, organized by the Centre for Educational Excellence
- Managing donations and expenses for the Born to Read project
- Assisting schools or centres in the collection of donations for specific purposes

- Providing an opportunity for vocational centres to receive donations of cars or machinery used in student training.
- Participating in the annual charity campaign sponsored by the Lester B. Pearson School Board.

An Overall Review

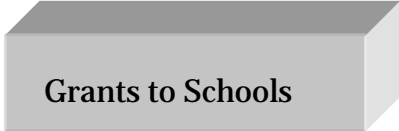
The Foundation processed over 550 monetary or “ in kind “ donations, golf tournament registrations during fiscal year 2005- 2006. Each donor received a receipt and a letter of thanks and acknowledgement. Those donors who used the payroll deduction plan, will receive a receipt as part of their income tax documentation.

The Board of Directors met on a regular basis to review the activities of the Foundation and to take decisions concerning grants to schools or centres , the appointment of an auditor and the direction the Foundation was to take for the year.

The Foundation was supported by part-time administrative help. Gregor Campbell acted as the Managing Director and was present in the Foundation’s office approximately 18 hours a week. With this presence, enquiries, the issuance of receipts and other administrative tasks were carried out in a timely manner.

Part of the administrative duties involved being a member of the golf tournament planning committee and in organizing the tournament. More will be detailed separately.

Special Projects or Activities



Grants to Schools

This year 49 requests for grants were received from schools and centres of the Lester B. Pearson School Board. A sub committee of the Foundation met and grants totaling \$ 23,415 were awarded to 34 schools. There is a higher awareness of the grants program and a number of schools have written notes of appreciation.

The money granted must be spent by June 2007 and many schools and centres have been able to provide extra programs or materials for their students.



Born to Read

The Foundation acts as a fiduciary agent for this project. The committee of Board to Read has been able to purchase books which are given to parents of newborns with the aim of encouraging the love of reading and literacy from a very early age. The project is carried on in conjunction with the Pierrefonds CLSC and a monthly well-baby/mother clinic serves as the venue for the distribution of books. The Born to Read Project will continue next year. John Killingbeck served on the Board of Born to Read and Gregor Campbell kept the books.

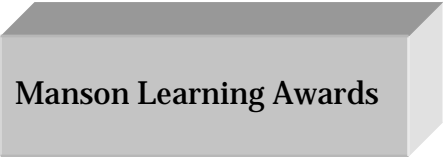


7th Annual Golf Tournament

The 7th Annual Pearson Educational Foundation/Lester B. Pearson School Board Golf Tournament took place at Club de Golf Lachute on June 27th. The weather did not co-operate and the morning began with cloudy and rainy skies , but they did clear and those who did brave the early weather enjoyed a great day of golf.

While attendance was down and attributed to a number of reasons, 212 people registered and 187 played. Despite this, over \$ 10,000 was raised from sponsorship opportunities which had been expanded for this golf tournament. They included the sponsorship of golf holes, wine, brunch, cart rental. A color pamphlet was distributed to each player noting the contribution of the sponsors.

The success of the tournament is, of course, due to a number of factors, the weather, the location, the spirit of the players and the services provided. Despite all of these, success could not have been realized without the vast help of the volunteers who spent many hours before and during the tournament making certain that the participants enjoyed themselves to the fullest.



Manson Learning Awards

The Manson Learning Awards were created in memory of the late Margaret Manson, a dedicated and insightful educator, who taught in or was the administrator of a number of West Island schools. As a result of an in trust memorial, managed by the Foundation, an award of \$ 50 and a plaque of recognition is awarded to a graduating student who has succeeded in overcoming academic difficulties.

The recipients of the Manson Award for the 2005-2006 school year are as follows:

Beaconsfield High School – Christopher Ladd

Beurling Academy – Michael Harrington

Gordon Robertson Centre – Marie France Levesque

John Rennie High School – Brian Clarke

Lakeside Academy – Andreas Kurz

LaSalle Community Comprehensive - Tanya d'Amours

Lindsay Place High School – Chelsea Gagnon

Macdonald High School – Marc Andre Giampersa-Champoux

Pearson Adult and Career Centre – Dileep Karmaker

Pierrefonds Comprehensive – Brittany Babb-Kemp

Place Cartier – Dawn Davies

Riverdale High School – Carmella Panarello

St. Thomas High School – Minakshi Iyer

Westwood High School (Senior Campus) – Lisa McGee

Some of the comments sent in by teachers and student animators attest to the unique nature of the recipients.

“Dawn has returned to finish her high school after having been away for more than 15 years”

“Brian has risen to the challenges life has dealt him despite many medical/physical issues.”

“Deana has worked very hard for all that she achieves and has been an ideal role model to all students. “

Miscellaneous Activities

The Foundation acts as a fiduciary agent for a number of memorial funds. The Bauer Memorial awards a bursary to a graduating high school student who successfully completes a CEGEP program. The Sue Morris Memorial has designated donations to assist individuals who are affected by cancer either as a patient or as a caregiver. The Andreas Gutmanis Memorial is as yet undesignated. Funds are also being held in memory of Richard Nagy, a teacher at Mt. Pleasant.

As part of the Grants to Schools Program the Centre for Educational Excellence was again able to stage a very successful Space Day. Held at Les Cedres airport, over 600 students from LPBSB elementary schools visited science and aeronautic exhibits. The Foundation was able to provide funding for the preparation of the site and through a large grant, to furnish tee shirts for each participant.

The Foundation continues to make available assorted merchandise for sale which features the logo of the Lester B. Pearson School Board.

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