

Foundation starts "Investment in the future," with initial grants

\$124,876 windfall

By Rolly Ethier
It was called an investment in the future for Campbellford Seymour several years ago when the sale of the Public Utilities Commission led to the establishment of the Community Foundation of the Community Foundation.

The long-range objective is to protect the principal of the proceeds from the sale in perpetuity with only the accrued interest made available and awarded to deserving organizations in the form of grants for diversified community projects.

The visionaries who developed the strategy finally saw it become a reality Monday night at the Foundation's annual meeting.

The first 15 grants, representing a total of \$62,938, were awarded from the Community Fund to various groups and the same amount went to the Municipality of Trent Hills to be set aside for the Booth Street reconstruction, watermain, sewer and road resurfacing project.

It was something of a history-making moment when Mary Doohar of the Campbellford and District Horticultural Society was called up to receive a grant of \$4,000 presented by Foundation Director Harold Douglas.

The remaining funds from the sale of the former PUC, totaling \$62 million, was turned over to the Foundation last November. Referring to the transfer in his annual report, Foundation

president Joe Barton thanked municipal officials for having the foresight to realize "that if retaining the former PUC was not an option, then establishing a Community Foundation was the next best thing."

Other grants approved from the Community Fund: Beehive Day Care and Community Centre, \$2,700 for new brochures and parent manuals.

Campbellford and District Association for Community Living, \$5,000, for feasibility study to determine if "network volunteerism" is needed.

Campbellford and District Palliative Care Service, \$3,000, for public education workshop.

Campbellford District High School, music program, \$9,500, for restoration and sale of Steinway grand piano to provide future funding for instrument purchases and repairs.

Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation, \$5,148, for accessibility audit for the hospital.

Lower Trent Conservation, \$1,500, for park benches for Seymour Conservation Area Interpretive Trails Project.

Campbellford/Seymour Heritage Society in partnership with the Northumberland Arts and Crafts association, \$3,000, for advertising and promotion of the 25th anniversary "Celebration of Crafts."

Rotary Club of Campbellford in partnership with Campbellford Cooperative Nursery School, \$5,000, for pilot workshop for young parents.

Rotary Club of Campbellford in partnership with Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation, \$250 to go toward the garden in front of the hospital. They have also donated trees to Kent and District Public Schools for students to plant on school property.

History-Making Moment—Marg Doohar of the Campbellford District Horticultural Society had the distinction of being the first grant recipient, receiving a \$4,000 donation in a presentation from Foundation Director Harold Douglas. Photo/Rolly Ethier

Rotary Club of Campbellford in partnership with Community Policing Association, \$3,300, for computer, printer and cellular phones for Community Policing office.

Rotary Club of Campbellford, \$5,000, for marketing and promoting "Paving the Trail" project.

Royal Canadian Legion, \$1,000, for replacement of a refrigerator for the Ladies Auxiliary.

Trent Hills Transportation, \$6,000, advertising and promotion for "Venture Van Project."

Westben Arts Festival Theatre, \$6,000, for advertising and scholarship for Youth and Education programs.

Market Loss Noted
The auditor's report prompted a question from the floor from Councilor Joe Watson, who asked for an explanation for the market loss of \$145,000 through the Foundation's investment alliance with the Greater Toronto Community Foundation.

Referring to the Greater Toronto group as having some of the best investment managers in Canada, Director

Art Nelson asked for a youth infusion on the Board. Other Council members include Tanya Orr, Jessica Pannabaker, Steven Parr, Erin Petherick, Ian Redden, Andrea Scott and Brad Wallace. In its first official task, YAC will be operating a booth at Old Mill Park during the Aug. 24th Caribou Boat Regatta.

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Horticultural Society works with partners to create even prettier town

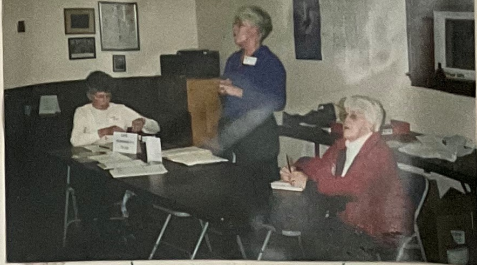
By Michele Fairfield
Campbellford "Volunteers get the job done" is a phrase much used around the community lately. When it comes to community beautification, it aptly applies to the Campbellford-Seymour Horticultural Society. The addition of the pergola to the historic Picnic Island Park along the Rotary Trail in Campbellford is one recent example.

Using funds awarded by the Campbellford-Seymour Community Foundation, the society partnered with the Campbellford Woodworking Club to create the structure. Designed by Warkworth resident Bill Wilson, the pergola was built in record time by Mr. Wilson and fellow members Ron Loughheed, Fred Ellis, Don Miller, Bill Wilson Sr., and Glenn Finch. Community sponsors were Bob Mark, New Holland, Trent Hills Concrete, Kirkland Plumbing, and RONA Cashway who provided in-kind donations and services to get the job done.

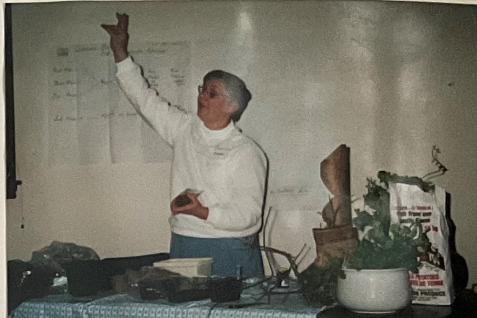
The Horticultural Society recently adopted Picnic Island Park, a beautiful spot to picnic or relax while walking the Rotary Trail. The park is one of several Campbellford waterfront development projects undertaken by the society. This spring, the society planted trees near the boardwalk on Local Drive. They have also adapted the south entrance of the Rotary Trail by County Road 30, described by Marg Doohar as a work in progress. Other projects around town include the gardens at the Campbellford Resource Centre.

Aside from designing and planting gardens, the society donates money from their popular annual plant sale to help create a picturesque town. At a recent council meeting, the society presented the municipality with \$700 toward beautification projects. A few weeks before, the society gave the Campbellford Memorial Hospital Foundation \$250 to go toward the garden in front of the hospital. They have also donated trees to Kent and District Public Schools for students to plant on school property.

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MARG Doohar opens a meeting 2003



Lois BENNETT talks Planting 2002



TREE PLANTING ON THE WAY 2002



SPRING PLANTING 2002 Resource Centre

Recipient of a nice Donation of Money for Island Park Pergola



A Beautiful Addition to Park—Picnic Island Park now boasts a beautiful new pergola to go with the existing hot tub along the banks of the Trent-Severn Waterways. The attractive addition is due to the efforts of the Campbellford/Seymour Horticultural Society and the talented and hard-working members of the Campbellford Woodworking Club. Dedication ceremonies were held last week with representatives from the Horticultural Society, the Woodworking Club, Mayor George McCleary and other members of the municipality, the Chamber of Commerce and other local sponsors attending. The pergola was designed by Warkworth resident Bill Wilson. He and fellow members of the Woodworking Club, including Ron Loughheed, Fred Ellis, Don Miller, Bill Wilson Sr., and Glenn Finch did an excellent job of construction. Photo/Rolly Ethier.

Woodworking Club Members Constructing The Pergola-Island Park



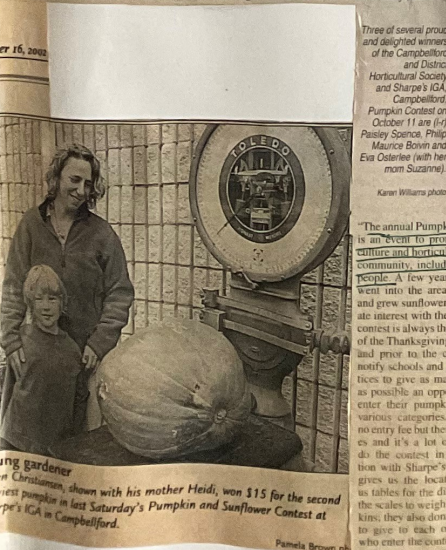
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Pumpkin never looked so good!

By Karen Williams
Campbellford The annual Campbellford and District Horticultural Society's Pumpkin Contest held at Sharpe's IGA, in Campbellford, enjoyed its biggest success ever October 11 on Thanksgiving weekend. Even the day's steady drizzle and chilly temperatures didn't deter the numerous creative pumpkin-proud entrants or the large crowds that gathered for over two hours to peruse the displays and watch the results of the judging.



Young gardener Owen Christensen, shown with his mother Heidi, won \$15 for the second sharpe's IGA in Campbellford.

Enthusiasm by youngsters



Everything's coming up pumpkin! These gussied up pumpkins were some of the near 80 spectacularly creative entries in this year's Campbellford and District Horticultural Society and Sharpe's IGA Pumpkin Contest on October 12 in Sharpe's parking lot. Categories included carved pumpkins, painted pumpkins and decorated pumpkins for kids and adults. Please see page 10 for story. Karen Williams

New entrance initiative will welcome visitors

By Rolly Ethier
Following through on the waterfront design concept provided by Brian Basterfield Associates, Campbellford will soon have an attractive new entrance, garden area to greet visitors. The location is off Highway 30 at the former Yogi's restaurant site corner near Davidson Motors.
The plan was presented and quickly endorsed by Campbellford and District Horticultural Society representatives Nancy Bovin and Lamoine Hodge at a Tuesday night Public Works Committee meeting.
Set in a triangular area in two sections, the initiative includes the planting of nine Chamblaire pear trees, and will include a variety of grasses and shrubs, including spreading yew, Downy serviceberries and spruces. The plan includes a walkway, an arbour and parking space. Work will proceed immediately and Public Works has agreed to carry out the labour required to prepare the site and plant the trees.
"It's nice to see that the Horticultural Society has taken a lead role approach in our overall waterfront transformation," commented Mayor George McCleary. "We welcome their participation."