



Newsletter August 2016

Our Fundraising Goal Has Been Met!



We are thrilled to announce that the Foundation's fundraising goal of \$300,000 has been met.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND LOYAL SUPPORT. WE ARE TRULY GRATEFUL.

We are also pleased to announce that we awarded 8 scholarships for the 2015/16 academic year and have just awarded 12 scholarships for the 2016/17 academic year. Since the inception of the Foundation, friends, colleagues, family members, corporations and many others have all volunteered their time and donated funds to help us provide scholarships to students who have been diagnosed with cancer, are attending college or university and have demonstrated an ongoing volunteer commitment to causes that are important to them. The generosity of all our donors will allow us to continue to award scholarships for many years to come.

Every year we receive many scholarship applications – this past June our Selection Committee reviewed 65 applications from across Canada. The decisions are always difficult. **We are grateful to Salah Bachir and Jacob Yeres, Kerry and Dan McGrath, and Kate and David Daniels for each sponsoring a scholarship this year.**

In our first year of the Foundation we granted 3 scholarships. That number increased to 6 for the 2014/15 academic year and 8 for the 2015-2016 academic. Each scholarship granted was in the amount of \$1,500, This year, not only have we proudly funded 12 scholarships but we increased the scholarship amount to \$2,000!



Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 2

November 21, 2015

Thank you to **Cineplex Entertainment and Cineplex Media** for hosting this awesome early Saturday morning premier!

This dramatic finale had all attendees on the edge of their seat.

Two sold out theatres of movie goers, enjoying their popcorn and drink watched the thrilling and superbly acted Hunger Games finale. We shall miss following Katniss' life!

Thanks to all of our other sponsors also: **Scotiabank; Bank of Montreal, Coca Cola, E One Entertainment; Phamous Characters. *This event raised \$70,000.***

Many thanks to Emmy's friends and family who formed a terrific committee and had a great time putting the event together: Jocelyn Gillespie, Maddie Dalzell, Emily Evans, Scott Gillis, Chantalle Sawison, Emma Warrillow, Kira McGrath, Erin O'Neill and Kerry McGrath.



2016 has been a time for us to catch our breath and we have not planned any fundraising events. Our focus has been on planning for the granting of scholarships for 2016 and the years to come. We are always grateful for donations that you may wish to make.

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The Emmy Duff Scholarship Foundation
Recognizing the perseverance of students with Cancer

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EMMY DUFF SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

We are proud of our accomplishments since the inception of the Foundation in early 2013. We want to thank all of our followers, volunteers, supporters and donors, who have made it possible to recognize the perseverance of students with cancer who, like Emmy, have treated cancer as a challenge and have not been deterred from reaching their goals while remaining willing to volunteer their time and energies. We are also grateful for the generosity of so many that we will be able to continue to grant scholarships for many years to come.

Please take a minute to read about each of our scholarship recipients from the last two years. Brief bios are written below. You will be inspired!

Thank you,



Graeme Duff



Carolyn Watson

2015/16 Scholarship Recipients

Danielle Swant from Cobden, Ontario is enrolled in the Practical Nursing program at Canadore College in North Bay. Danielle's volunteer activities include the planning committee for the Canadian Cancer Society's Relay for Life event in Renfrew County, public speaking and various awareness and prevention activities.

Scott Campbell from Seaforth, Ontario is studying to be a Veterinarian Technician at Georgian College. Scott's volunteer activities include coaching goalie skills to support minor hockey.

Romene Sablok from Surrey, B.C. is enrolled in the Bachelor of Science program at the University of the Fraser Valley. Romene volunteers for the B.C. Cancer Agency and is involved with a number of activities.

Madeleine Di Gregorio from Dundas, Ontario is enrolled at the University of Toronto in the Bachelor of Science program. Madeleine's volunteer activities include the Canadian Cancer Society's Relay for Life event in the Ancaster-Dundas area, President of the Canadian Liver Foundation University of Toronto Chapter and being a member of the Team Transplant Dragon Boat Crew.

Trey Elkins from Airdrie, Alberta is studying Emergency Medical Technology – Paramedic at SAIT Polytechnic. Trey's volunteer activities include being a medical volunteer for the Alberta Cancer Foundation and as an Ambassador for the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation, which involved Trey speaking at various events.

Dalton Brown from Grand Manan, New Brunswick is enrolled in the Early Childhood/Educational Assistant Program at the Atlantic Business College. Dalton's volunteer activities include the Grand Manan Relay for Life event, his local library, Rotary Club and Animal Welfare League.

David Rankie from Brampton, Ontario is enrolled at Humber College in the HVAC Program. David was a Patient Ambassador at the Hospital for Sick Children, including being a speaker/presenter/volunteer at various events. As well, David has been involved with Skate Canada – Brampton and the Gymnastic Giants as a volunteer coach and judge.

Jordan Thorne from Cambridge, Ontario is enrolled in the Community Integration program at Conestoga College. Jordan's volunteer activities involvement with the local YMCA youth program.



Congratulations to the following recipients:

2016/17 Scholarships

Serena Bonneville, from White Rock, B.C. is enrolled in the Bachelor of Communication program at Simon Fraser University. Serena helped create a “Relay for Life” event that gets communities together in order to raise money and awareness for cancer research;

Noah Severino, from South River, Ontario is enrolled in the Bachelor of Humanities program at Carleton University. Noah is a Family Room volunteer at the Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario. In the Family Room he works to provide a relaxing space where parents and children can go to regain some normalcy that is lost when their child is being treated in hospital;

Jillian Zitars from Waterloo, Ontario is enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology program at Wilfrid Laurier University. Jill (aka Blondie, despite the fact that she is bald!) greets families of hospice residents, and helps out in many other ways at Lisaard House (Cancer Hospice);

Alicia Denoon, from Guelph, Ontario is enrolled in the Bachelor of Commerce program at the University of Guelph. Alicia was the student in charge of the epic multi-school fundraiser, Ten 4 Ten – Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. They raised \$300,000! Alicia is the recipient of the scholarship sponsored by Kate and David Daniels;

Kajan Vigneswaran, from Scarborough, Ontario is enrolled in the Business Management program at Ryerson University. Kajan suffers from a physical disability, as well as cancer, and as a student with a disability, confined to a wheelchair, he advocates for students with disabilities with Access Ryerson;

Mariam Abdel-Akher, from Ottawa, Ontario is studying Journalism at Carleton University. Mariam has volunteered with “Relay for Life’ for 5 years as part of the executive committee and the survivors’ committee;

Nicole Duffin from London, Ontario is enrolled in the Community Integration through Co-Operative Education Program at Fanshawe College. Nicole has been involved with the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada for 15 years and helps spread awareness about brain tumours and how people can be helped by BTFC. Nicole and her family hold a gala “Rigatoni for Research” to raise funds for cancer research;

Mark Allison from Hunts Point, Nova Scotia is studying Utility Line Work – Construction & Maintenance at the Nova Scotia Community College, Cumberland Campus. Mark has been registered with the War Amps of Canada through their Child Amputee Program since becoming

an amputee due to bone cancer at the age of 3. Since the age of 16 Mark has volunteered with the war Amps “Operation Legacy”;

Kaitlyn Robouts from Delaware, Ontario is enrolled in the Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing at the University of Western Ontario. Kaitlyn and her family organize an annual golf tournament. “A Day to Remember” golf tournament helps raise awareness for childhood cancer, and funds raised go back to the community that have helped Kaitlyn and her family so much for the past 18 years. Kaitlyn is the recipient of the scholarship provided by Salah Bachir and Jacob Yerex;

Maria Lovsin from St. Albert, Alberta is studying Child and Youth Services at the University of Victoria, B.C. Maria is a special event speaker throughout the provinces of Alberta and B.C. She tells her cancer story to many groups including the Stollery Hospital Foundation, KWCS and Racing for a Cure;

Matthew Demchuk from Calgary, Alberta is studying Economics in Humanities at the University of Toronto. Matthew was an assistant junior coach for his brother’s Special Olympics Floor Hockey Team;

Keon Collett is from Edmonton, Alberta and enrolled in the Bachelor of Science program at the University of Alberta. Keon volunteers with “Kidsport” which advocates to remove the financial barriers that prevent low-income youths from playing organized sports. Dan and Kerry McGrath, in honour of Dermot Keon’s scholarship was provided by Dan and Kerry McGrath.

***CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RECIPIENTS. WE ARE PROUD TO SUPPORT THEM
AND WISH THEM SUCCESS IN THEIR STUDIES.***

