

# **HELENE MACKENZIE AND PAST GOVERNORS OF QUOTA DISTRICT 18 TRUST FUND**

**NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2007**

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, the Trustees of the Helene Mackenzie Fund met to review applications received from second/third year students who are training to become interpreters for the deaf. Applications were judged on the basis of written criteria; as well each applicant submitted a video demonstrating their signing ability. This year we were, once again, able to award five \$1,000 bursaries to the following deserving students:

<b>Jodi Knox from Winnipeg</b>	<b>Studying at Red River College</b>
<b>Sheena Dalrymple of Vancouver</b>	<b>Studying at Douglas College</b>
<b>M. Joanne Hardman of Amherstburg</b>	<b>Studying at St. Clair College</b>
<b>Jennifer Chemerika of Grimsby</b>	<b>Studying at George Brown College</b>
<b>Katia Lessard of Parry Sound</b>	<b>Studying at George Brown College</b>

These bursaries are made available through the generosity of District 18 Quotarians who, either individually, or through their clubs, donate to our district trust fund. We receive in memoriam as well as regular annual financial contributions. Funds are also raised through a silent auction and 50/50 draw at our District Conference – this year's winner was Janet Gates, a first-timer from Barrie, who won \$263.50. The trustees wish to thank all of you for your support of the Helene Mackenzie and Past Governors of Quota District 18 Trust Fund.

As mentioned in our previous newsletters, the shortage of speech language interpreters, especially outside our major cities, continues to grow in Canada. This year, we learned that George Brown College in Toronto offers courses for intervenors (interpreters) for the deaf/blind (e.g. Helen Keller). Since the need for these specialists is also very great, the Board of Trustees has decided to include these students in our bursary application process. We will be working with George Brown College personnel, over the next few months, to determine how the applicants will be judged regarding their proficiency in intervention.

The need for interpreters/intervenors has never been greater. Your ongoing support of our trust fund and its bursaries to help these young people achieve their goal is crucial to our country and to our communities.

If you wish to consider making a donation, please forward it to  
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