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OUR YOUTH, OUR FUTURE



*Denise on tour in
Europe*

Young Marten River Virtuoso Plays At The Mozarteum

Before I begin with my recent travels, I would like to thank the Temagami Community Foundation for sponsoring me in a European tour as concertmaster of the Sudbury Youth Orchestra (SYO). My preparation for this position began in March 2003 with Prof. Dr. Kozak, my music teacher & conductor of the SYO. These preparations included many fund-raising concerts during this past Christmas and Spring seasons and two performances in the Kiwanis Festival of Music & Dance.

My tour of Europe consisted of 3 of the most beautiful cities in the world: Vienna, Salzburg and Prague. The churches and halls where all the 'great ones' have performed were exquisite. Some of these where the SYO performed were the Votive Church, the Great Hall of the Mozarteum, and St. Nicholas Church. The Mozarteum was certainly a favorite of mine; the resonance and clarity was heaven for a musician!

During our stay in Prague, Czech Republic, I had the chance to see many different types of churches and sights. There was an ancient astronomical clock in the Town Square which was one of the main attractions here; when the bells rang, all of the little objects and figurines came alive and moved around (like a cuckoo clock). So old, yet still intact and working!

This tour was undoubtedly an experience of a lifetime. All of our scheduled tours in and around each city were breathtaking. For me, this was something I would love to do again in the near future. Europe is a blast, it's a whole other world over there. Everything is different, and different is what I enjoy!

- Denise Cracknell



*Denise and Prof. Kozak at
St. Vitus Cathedral, Prague*

Temagami Youth Discover Philanthropy



*Biana Lavonle, Vicki Grant,
David Manderstrom,
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Krista Gooderham*

The youth involvement initiative is off to a great start. On Sunday August 8 2004, the TCF hosted a youth day to get the word out to youth about philanthropy in their community.

How did it go you ask?

Excellent! Local youth from town, Bear Island and the lake came together with excitement and enthusiasm to discuss details of the Community Foundation movement and how we would like to get youth involved. We had a delicious BBQ of hamburgers and hotdogs generously provided by the Temagami Co-op.

We brain-stormed about youth involvement in Temagami as well as in our board. Youth have a lot to offer charitable organizations such as the TCF.

There are very few options for kids in Temagami to be part of an apprentice or Co-op program unless they wish to travel to New Liskeard. One of the ways to connect with the community is to build these types of opportunities. This will give youth a chance to gain experience and contribute locally.

Temagami is a tourist town; we thrive on the people who enjoy escaping into our vast beautiful wilderness. As well as offering tourism opportunities, our environment can serve to teach. With a huge natural resource all around us, we have the perfect location for an outdoor education program. Teaching our kids about the environment will ensure our world is protected.

During our discussion time on Sunday, we began to explore other opportunities related to CF work. Philanthropy is not only a Canadian movement, it is a global interest. Kids all over the world are involved volunteering and supporting issues that are important to them.

The idea of a Community Foundation can be quite daunting but it is a valuable resource for Temagami. The possibilities for our community, including our youth, are endless. In the words of Alfred Lord Tennyson, " 'Tis not too late to seek a newer world."

Krista Gooderham

Co-operatively and actively nurture and care for the place we know as Temagami - the land and its inhabitants - for today and the future.



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OUR DISTINGUISHED ELDERS

INTRODUCING OUR BOARD MEMBERS -Lorne Pacey

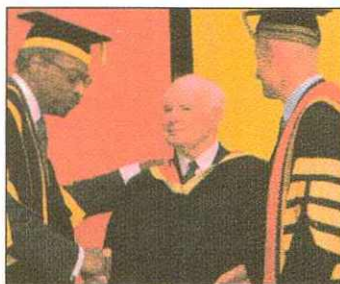
"There Is Nothing More Constant Than Change" by Judy Gouin

How can one do justice to a long life in a short space? Lorne Pacey's accomplishments are so many that not all of them can be included here.

But to begin at the beginning, he was born in the farming community of Milberta, north of New Liskeard, on July 9, 1915. As a young man, he was President of both the Temiskaming Junior Farmers (an organisation of fourteen area clubs), and the Temiskaming Musical Festival. He graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph and had thoughts of becoming a veterinarian. But the Second World War changed his life, as it did for everyone at that time, and he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) in 1941. After several postings in Canada, he was sent overseas to the RCAF base at Croft, in Yorkshire, England, where he led a crew of aero-engine mechanics attached to the 434 Heavy Bomber Squadron. Their aircraft were the famous Lancaster and Halifax bombers. Their work included the repair of shell-damaged aircraft, and salvage of many which crashed on return from bombing runs across the English Channel.

After the War ended, he and two of his brothers, Grenville (known as Jack) and Verdun, who were also discharged from the Air Force, returned to Temagami. Here they began a career in business which ultimately included ownership of the Texaco Garage & Service Station (formerly operated by Frank Goddard), a General Motors franchise, and the Valliance Acceptance Corporation (a financing company), along with the Esso Service Station, White Rose Service Station and Lorne Pacey General Insurance Agency. Lorne married Verla Goddard in December of 1945, and became associated with the businesses belonging to her family: Goddard's Hotel, Goddard's Theatre and Dance Hall, Herridge Lake Summer Resort and a mink ranch. Altogether, Lorne was a central figure in Temagami's booming business sector in the '50s and '60s, when three sawmills and four mines flourished together with a tourism industry that was entirely serviced by the town, through the train, highway and boatlines. Lorne recalls that there were so many cars parked in town that a parking valet and two assistants were employed full-time all summer looking after them. As well, each train brought so many people to town in summer that traffic on the highway was stopped so that the crowds of passengers could cross over to the boat docks.

Lorne's public life has not been limited to business. He served as the area's Presiding Justice of the Peace from 1970 to '95, was one of the first lay Chairmen of the Temiskaming Presbytery of the United Church of Canada in 1970 and '71, and has



Lorne becomes Honourary Companion of Univ. of Guelph

been an Elder of the United Church in Temagami for the past forty years. He has been an active Freemason and member of the Temagami Legion. Lorne was the government's representative for six years on the Temiskaming and District Hospital Board as Vice-Chairman at the controversial time of its construction.

In 1991 he was presented with the commemorative medal for Canada's 125th anniversary of con-

federation, by Joe Clark. Most recently, he was the founding Chair of the Temagami Station Restoration Trust and a member of the Board of the Temagami Community Foundation. And this year, the 40th anniversary of the amalgamation of the Ontario Agricultural College, Ontario Veterinary College and Macdonald Institute into the University of Guelph, Lorne was among the founding alumni who was made an Honorary Companion of the University.

Now in his 90th year, having experienced so many different aspects of the world during his life and seen so many changes in Temagami in the past sixty years, his view of the future is worth thinking about. "There is nothing more constant than change, and I see drastic changes coming soon, some for the good and some not so good. Once there are four lanes of highway as far as North Bay, Temagami will be only four hours from downtown Toronto. The value of lake property in this area will treble in very short order. There will be huge pressure to open the shorelines to development, and there will be less and less room for anyone who is not a millionaire. Everything we hold dear about this place will be seriously challenged. We should look carefully at the experience of cottage country further south, and be ready to take control of the forces of change if we want to keep those characteristics of our area that we value most."



Jack, left and Lorne off to join the Air Force, 1941

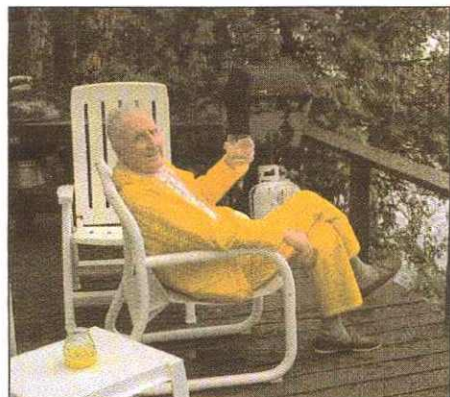
CELEBRATING OUR DONORS - Robert Grant

A Christmas trip to Deacon's Island under Northern lights



By Walter Ross

Bob Grant, a few weeks away from his 89th birthday, immaculately attired, is in his mid-town Toronto office. The leather chairs invite conversation.



Bob enjoying a beautiful day in Temagami

Growing up in depression-era Toronto necessitated Bob's withdrawal from Trinity College School. He finished his formal education at U.T.S. completing, in his words, "half of grade thirteen". He then commenced his life's work in the transportation business, providing leadership to his company, Overland Express. Following the sale of the business, and several years spent sail-

ing, Bob turned to writing a family history, completed in 1998 and published by the Highway Book Shop in Cobalt.

One thing became immediately clear in our conversation. Bob is very proud of his children Richard, Daphne and Michael. He is also very fond of that "wonderful lady", his daughter-in-law Vicki, the Chair of the Temagami Community Foundation.

Bob was in attendance at the launch of the Foundation at Bear Island on that stormy summer day in 2002. "It was a great day; both Dick and Vicki spoke so well. I am very interested in what they are doing and want to support them and the Foundation".

The Temagami connection for Bob began through his son Dick who had been a camper and a counsellor at Camp Temagami. Subsequently, with Hugh and Carin Stewart, Dick operated a year-round wilderness travel enterprise, Headwaters, out of his place on Deacon's Island. Vicki was becoming an important part of Dick's life at this time. On one visit Bob observed Vicki

teaching Dick how to make babiche from moosehide. His conclusion: "This is getting serious." Recalling Dick and Vicki's marriage at St Ursula's Church on Bear Island, Bob noted "The McKenzies are quite a family." Vicki was particularly close to Bob's wife Marni who, after 58 wonderful years together, passed away recently.

Bob's passion in life is sailing. He has been an active member of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club for nearly 80 years, including serving as Commodore in the 70s. "I have been a sailor all my life, never had anything to do with canoes; I always preferred bigger boats". Bob is clearly delighted with Dick and Vicki's recent acquisition of a Niagara 35 sailboat, as this allows him to pass on a lifetime of nautical experience to a fourth generation of Grant family sailors.

So how is it that this sailing enthusiast, a natural for the navy, landed on the beaches of Normandy on Day One as a member of the Fort Garry Horse, sailing a 30-ton Sherman tank? "Some colour blindness kept me out of the navy and I found myself assigned to the tank corps. These tanks were fitted with skirts enabling them to float." The weather was terrible that day but they successfully navigated their tanks onto the beaches. He was wounded about a month later. After 3 months convalescing in England he returned to the front, finishing the war with the rank of Major.

Bob and Marni were frequent visitors to Deacon's Island. Two Christmas visits were especially memorable. The first featured a dodgy trip over new and uncertain ice culminating in a black tie formal dinner, a Grant family tradition, on December 24th as a thunderstorm raged outside. The next year Bob Gareh's helicopter made dealing with tricky ice conditions unnecessary.

Bob and Marni's final winter visit was made one January in the late 70's, when they arrived in Temagami on the Northlander in pitch darkness and 40 below, and travelled to Deacon's by snowmobile, one behind Dick, and one behind Vicki, under a remarkable display of northern lights.

The conversation was easy, and concluded only when Bob had to head for the gym for his workout!

We are very grateful for Bob's enthusiasm for the Temagami Community Foundation and for his support.

'The Temagami Community Foundation strives to continuously improve our skills as grant makers, making a visible and lasting difference in our community through a granting programme that is balanced, flexible, creative and responsive.'



OUR RECENT GRANTS



by Maureen O'Sullivan - Chair

The "Bring Your Own Bag" project allowed every member of the Temagami Co-op Grocery Store to receive a canvas shopping bag at no charge. This is a great start for the Co-op to realize its dream of getting rid of all plastic bags from the store. Top quality and reusable, the canvas bags will prevent hundreds of plastic bags from being thrown into the garbage, consequently the environment will benefit from having less plastic to break down. This was an excellent idea, well worth supporting and we hope that the Co-op will continue to encourage its members to use reusable bags to carry groceries home.

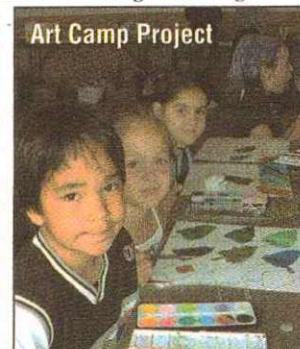


Walter Ross, Lorne Pacey, Verla Pacey and Judy Gouin



Power from the wind and kindness to the environment is the aim of Trek North's Temagami Wind Farm Cooperative Development Project. The Foundation felt that a contribution towards their feasibility study would be an excellent investment in our future and the future of our world. Whenever the wind blows, gas, oil, wood and all other fuels will be unnecessary.

The second year for the summer art camp at Bear Island began on a very windy day... but 3-foot waves didn't keep director Bettina Schuller from crossing the lake to greet her eager students. Children from all over the Temagami Community walked, took the barge or arrived by four-wheeler to get there, to learn what art was, how they could create it and how to appreciate and love it. I have been asked already when it starts next year and I consider that a success!



L to R, Jordan Metatawabbin, Meagan McKee, Brooke Mathias, Kylie Burns-Potts



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OUR SUMMER EVENT

"A Walk Through History"

by Kirk Smith

The Temagami Community Foundation's summer fundraiser was billed as a walk through history. St. Simon's Anglican Church in the village of Temagami was 63 years old this year and the small congregation under Rev. Fred Heathcote was looking for ways to raise some badly-needed funding to help fix it up. The church, once an old store located at the Temagami waterfront, was moved to its current site in 1941. The Foundation saw an opportunity to help restore and preserve one of Temagami's older landmarks and help a small but dedicated congregation. The idea of having a walk through history followed by an old-fashioned Strawberry Social to help raise money seemed like a great idea for such an occasion.

The tour was a self-guided walk through the village, using a pamphlet prepared by our volunteers, complete with descriptive narrative and historical pictures. It was a beautiful sunny day that started out at the Temagami Train station where everyone was welcomed and given a brief introduction to the day's activities.

The tour participants were an eclectic group, made up of a smattering of Temagami old timers who had come back for the day and a number of people from the lake who felt it would be interesting to get an authentic perspective on the village. They were not disappointed. There were stories that ranged from murders, to weddings, to baptisms and funerals as the groups found their way around.

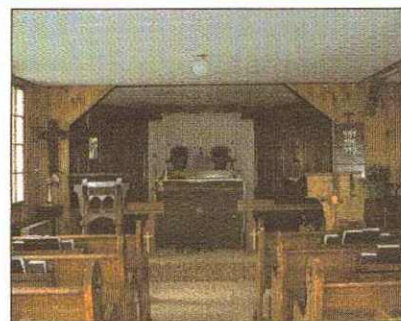
At the Strawberry Social there was a video show of historical shots from the past that brought out lots of great stories. Many of Temagami's oldest residents attended to help us all fill in gaps in our remembrances.

The strawberry shortcake prepared by the congregation of St. Simon's, was a wonderful treat, and everyone reminisced about the old days and great times.

The day was a great success in bringing together old friends and acquaintances and raising money to help with the preservation and restoration of St. Simon's.



Jane Heyde, Pearl Rinker, Peggy Guppy, prepare strawberry shortcake



Interior of St Simon's

We extend a big thanks to the members of St. Simon's for the Strawberry Social, the gang from the Temagami Train Station for the use of the station and the video presentation, all the seniors who took part, and our staff at the TCF. We would also like to thank the Town for donating the photocopying of the tour brochure, the Catholic Church for donating the use of the Church hall, Bill Humphrey for the slide show pictures, John Guppy for donating proceeds from the sale of his book, and all those who gave generously to St. Simon's toward its preservation.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



The leaves are falling; getting up in the dark, coming home in the dark, draining water systems, and preparing for winter season, Christmas not too far into the future. This wasn't one of Temagami's finest summers, a little cool, a little more rain than necessary; for some, not as busy as they would have liked and for others just fine. The fall has been exceptional, warm, and lots of sunny days.

Congratulations to those volunteers and participants of the Summer Art Camp, and the Summer Event: The Historical Walking Tour in Temagami. These are the kind of events that build community. A heartfelt thanks from myself and all the directors of the TCF.

The TCF has just had our annual fall director's meeting. We welcome Lila Clemenshaw and Judy Gareh, two new directors, to the board. Lila has been coming to Temagami every summer for most of her life. Her family owns property in the North Arm of the lake. She was a camper and staff member at Camp Wabun. When not in Temagami, Lila resides in Missoula, Montana. Judy Gareh has lived in Temagami since 1942, married Bob in 1961, and purchased Lakeland Airways in 1972, and Three Buoys Houseboats in 1988. Bob died in 1994. Judy with her

son Darren has continued on with the business.

The Temagami Community Foundation continues to receive support from the community, receiving donations from approximately 40 new donors. In order to continue to make grants to community projects as the Temagami Community Foundation has been doing over the past three years, we need to build the endowment fund to one million dollars. The Temagami Community Foundation needs to find a champion and/or champions. We would welcome any opportunity to speak or meet with anyone who would like the opportunity to be a champion for the Foundation.

As always, I thank all of the board members for their time and effort; and a special thanks goes out to June Keevil who is instrumental in putting together this newsletter; the volunteers for their support; and most especially to our donors, without whose support the Foundation would not have been able to make grants to the community.

May all of you have a safe and happy fall, a wonderful holiday season, and have Temagami in your hearts.

Respectfully,
Victoria Grant