

Former board chair heads group Community Foundation offers non-profit funding

By Natasha Hotchkiss
About half a million dollars have been pledged to a newly established foundation that seeks to provide funds to organizations in need.

In 1994, the Community Foundation of Durham Region was formed by citizens wanting to give something back to the community by raising money for non-profit organizations (charity, education, culture and the environment). The foundation was officially launched last month.

The group of citizens was concerned about the effect of government funding cuts on such organizations.

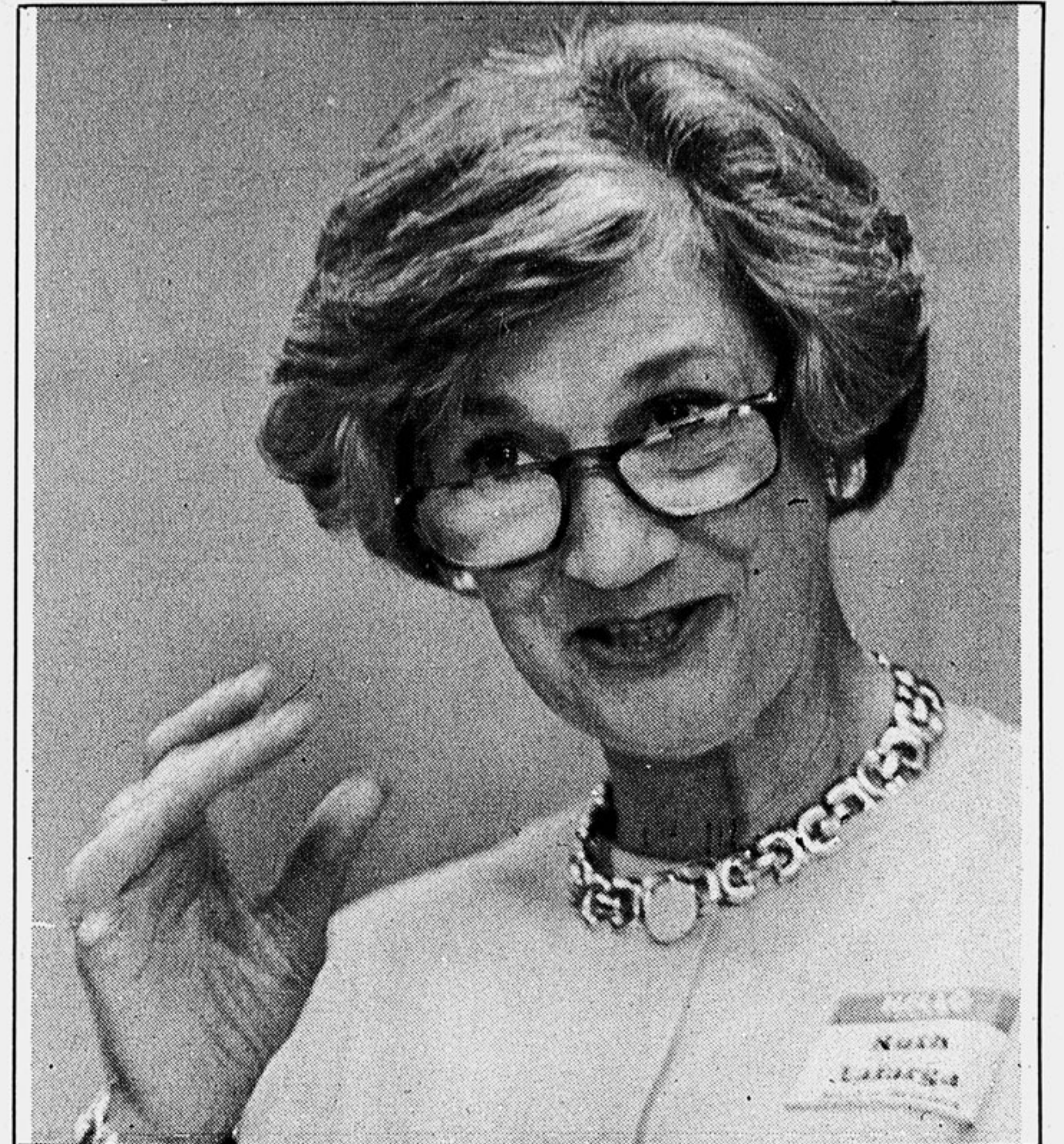
Distribution of foundation funds is determined by the foundation's board of directors, under chair Ruth Lafarga of Oshawa, a former chair of the Durham Board of Education.

Funding will come from local community members through a bequest in wills, a cash gift, gift of real estate or property, stocks and bonds, entitling the foundation as the beneficiary for a life insurance policy, or a transfer of a trust.

Tax receipts are issued, and the foundation will publish an annual report.

"This money is only going to be granted to organizations within Durham Region," states foundation member Gale Mossman of Ajax.

The first foundation was



RUTH LAFARGA is chair of the Community Foundation of Durham Region which accepts donations for a fund established to help non-profit charitable, educational, cultural and environmental groups.

Photo by Mark Reesor, Whitby Free Press

established in 1921 in Winnipeg. There are now 61 across Canada working to meet community

needs.

For more information call Lafarga at 576-6219.



WHITBY AERO Modellers held a flying demonstration and display at Heber Down Conservation Area on July 1. With some of the proceeds from a videotape the club made about the 'Great Canadian Flying Circus' at Heber Down last year, \$500 was donated to Heber Down. The funds will go toward the establishment of a play structure for disabled children.

Photo by Peter Nilas, Whitby Free Press

Fees acceptable to most residents

By Lisa Gardner

There have been a few complaints, but for the most part visitors have no qualms about paying the newly established entrance fee to Heber Down Conservation Area.

That's what Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority staff have found since the summer admission fee of 50 cents per person or \$2 per vehicle was begun earlier this year.

"Most people seem quite willing to pay it," says Jeff Andersen, a member of the Heber Down staff, noting that a user fee is the preference of many over higher taxes to raise revenue to maintain conservation areas.

"The fee is experimental at the moment," says Rick Clow of CLOCA. "We would like to see how we administer it."

Clow says provincial and municipal grants as well as private donations no longer provide enough money to maintain parks, so a number of conservation authorities are charging fees.

"Some of the smaller-sized authorities are, for example, closing conservation areas because they can't operate them," says Clow.

Shelter moved

A bus shelter which was set on fire three times last year and once this year is being removed.

The shelter, on the east side of Anderson Street just south of Lofthouse Drive, has been vandalized more often than any other in Whitby, according to public works director Wayne Hancock.

At the urging of west ward councillor Dennis Fox, Hancock agreed to consider reinstalling the shelter about a year from now.

There is as yet no fee to enter Lynde Shores, Whitby's other conservation area.

"It is a case really of the need of the conservation area. The use of Heber Downs is high, so of course it has additional costs," says Clow.

Fee revenue doesn't provide new facilities in the parks, it just replaces grants no longer received by CLOCA.

The conservation areas still rely on donations to provide new or improved facilities.

Heber Down, for example, recently received \$500 from the Whitby Aero Modellers, a club that stages events at the area.

Those funds will go toward the cost of a play structure for disabled children.

Answers to Whitby Trivia from page 15

- Whitby's oldest municipal election brochure is for mayoralty candidate Albert W. Jackson in 1907.
- Myrtle Methodist Church was opened on Jan. 31, 1909 by Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist Church of Canada. It is now Myrtle United Church.
- David Burns (1850-1922) was Brooklin's poet.
- Rev. Dr. John James Hare (1847-1922), principal of the Ontario Ladies' College (now Trafalgar Castle School), received a teacher's certificate at age 12.

Zoo is venue for artist

Local artist Ron Chandler will be appearing at the Bowmanville Zoo to display his latest works on the July 22-23 weekend. Viewing this prominent display is included in the Bowmanville Zoo's general admission fee.

You will have the opportunity to see Ron at work on his latest creation, and children of all ages

will be able to enter the Bowmanville Zoo's 1995 colouring contest on Saturday between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Each child (12 years and under) entering the colouring contest will receive one free Zoo Buck, valid for one mechanical ride, and a chance to win a T-shirt with Ron Chandler's work on it.

Works on display by Ron Chandler will include famous Bowmanville Zoo animal performers and other wildlife drawings. T-shirts, cards, and matted pictures depicting Ron's work will be available for purchase. Regular admission is \$8.50 for adults, youth and seniors \$6, children \$4.25, children under two are free.

Brooklin Spring Fair

Winners

DEMOLITION DERBY
June 1 - William Walker, Oshawa
June 3 - Derek Mitchell, Uxbridge

PARADE FLOAT

Non-commercial

Most representative of theme
Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (CLOCA) & Heber Down Conservation Area
Most dramatic
Meadowcreek Public School
Most humorous
Brooklin and District Kinamen Club
Best design by detail
Big Sisters Oshawa-Whitby-Clarington
Children's group
St. Leo Catholic School
Special merit
1st Brooklin Sparks & 1st Brooklin Brownies

Commercial

Most dramatic
Mitchell Bros. Building Supplies
Most humorous
The Sorbers Group
Special merit
Young's Water systems

FANCY DRESS FROLIC

Best costume
5 years & under
1st - Heather Bird
2nd - Kathryn Hannam
6 - 8 years
1st - Leanna Tillett
2nd - Alicia Tillett
9 - 14 years
1st - Tammy Dignan
2nd - Monika Weber

Best decorated manual transport & rider
5 years & under
1st - Shelby & Ryan Hunter
6 - 8 years
1st - Alex Tillett
9 - 14 years
1st - Andy Guiry
2nd - Katie Guiry

Best decorated battery operated vehicle & rider
5 years & under
1st - Kiefer Stevens

6 - 8 years
2nd - Mark Bird
1st - Jessica King
Best decorated bike & rider
5 years & under
1st - Brooke Mowbray
2nd - Kristina VanEgcholtz
6 - 8 years
1st - Brittany King
2nd - Curtie Hannam
3rd - Curtie Hannam
4th - Brad Miller

Best decorated pet & handler
6 - 8 years
1st - Alyshia Leblanc
9 - 14 years, tied
1st - Melissa Etherington
1st - Sarah Hannam
15 years & over
1st - Renee Hunter

Best group
1st - Ben McLeod, Jeff McLeod, Daniel Ebisuzaki
2nd - Craig Jackson, Brock Heron, Shaun Robichaud
3rd - Rob & Debbie Tafertlihofer & passenger

NAIL DRIVING

13 years & under
1st - name not known
2nd - Justin Reid
3rd - David Mackie
Women
1st - Joanna Ingley
2nd - Patricia Mink
3rd - Patricia Hannam
Men
1st - Phil Mackey
2nd - Jason Hurbese
3rd - Jon Mowbray

LOG SAWING (sawed saw)

13 years & under
1st - name not known
2nd - Tieg Mowbray
3rd - David Mackie
Women
1st - Julie Rennie
2nd - Patricia Hannam
3rd - name not known
Men
1st - Henry Hannam
2nd - Don Scott
3rd - Jason Hurbese

LOG SAWING (cross cut)

Mixed
1st - Henry & Patricia Hannam
2nd - Jason Hurbese/Juanita Rudolph
3rd - Tom & Rhonda Mulcahy
Women
1st - Penny Mowbray/Patricia Hannam
2nd - Rhonda Mulcahy/Juanita Rudolph
Men
1st - Jon Mowbray/Henry Hannam
2nd - Tom Mulcahy/Jason Hurbese

CRAYOLA COLOURING CONTEST

Aged 3 & under
1st - Maggie Grierson
2nd - Krystyna Gordon
3rd - Robin Snoddon

Aged 4 & 5
1st - Amanda vanBeinum
2nd - Kendra Vico
3rd - Natalie Dodd
Aged 6 & 7
1st - Kaillin Handscomb
2nd - Toria Gibbs
3rd - Derek Stevens
Aged 8 to 10
1st - Derek Stevens
2nd - Danielle Sharp
3rd - Laurie Macpherson

SPELLING BEE

Class A - Grade 3 & 4
(tied for 1st place)
Leanne Barfoot, R.H. Cornish School
Jennifer Zakoor, Sir Albert Love School
Bryce Zimmy, Sir Albert Love School

Class B - Grade 5 & 6
1st - Jeremy Woodcock, Holy Cross School
(tied for 2nd place)
John Bertivistle, Sir Albert Love School
Lyndsey McPhillips, Sir Albert Love School

Class C - Grade 7 & 8
1st - Amy Devlin, Sir Albert Love School
(tied for 2nd place)
Lauren Zakoor, Sir Albert Love School
Stephanie Horgan, Sir Albert Love School

MITCHELL BROS. PET SHOW

Dogs only
Most like owner
Jessica Bolahood & Woody
Shake-a-paw
Aynaley Smith & Barclay
Sit, lie and rollover
Jenny Kesseler & Devon
Best other trick
Chantal Hanson & Lady
Best vocal performance
The Singing Malts (Daniel, Alycia, Jessica) with Chester
Best name
Jessica Bolahood & Woody

Open category
Most like owner
Trista Stevens & Thumper
Best name
Jessica Bolahood & Brillo
Most unusual
Scott Bennett & Chincy
Best trick
Katie Flanders & Buttons

Special mention
Triple trophy winner
Solo performance
Jessica Bolahood
Josh Tracy & Barclay
for 'This Old Man'