

Environmental Health
Foundation of Canada
Celebrating 30 Years

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CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

I can only imagine that the Board of Trustees were both excited and a bit humbled by the enormous task that lay before them back in 1989. Being a volunteer board has its challenges especially when the board members are spread across our beautiful country. The magic however is the commitment to our profession and the opportunity CIPHI's charitable division provides us to give back.

The Board wanted to mark the 30th year of the EHFC by hosting several promotional events with a goal to raise \$30,000. The funds raised would be used to create two new endowment funds 1) an annual environmental public health aid project in Canada or internationally, and 2) financial support for graduating year students to provide the opportunity to attend the CIPHI National Annual Education Conference. The money raised would be invested and the funds would only be used for these two projects.

Board Trustees Klaus Seeger, Ralph Stanley, Lena Parker and I formed a working group with the full support of the EHFC Board and a budget. We rolled up our sleeves back in the fall of 2018, came up with a plan with timelines, and oversaw the various aspects of that plan. We kicked off our anniversary on May 7th with a refreshed website and mailed a postcard to CIPHI members asking them to help us celebrate and reach our fundraising goal by donating \$30. You can find a complete list of our 2019 anniversary initiatives in this newsletter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following for their outstanding commitment to the EHFC during the past 30 years as you have been part of our success:

Our past and present Board of Trustees volunteers;

Board founding member, past Chair and the EHFC Treasurer for 18 years Tim Roark;

Outgoing Board member and past Chair Klaus Seeger for 30 years of service;

Past Chair Duncan Ellison and past Executive Director of the Canadian Water & Wastewater Association of Canada for 20 years of service;

Rhea Hamilton Seeger who has been a terrific Friend of the Foundation over the past three decades always stepping up to assist with our graphic design needs;

CIPHI National Executive Committee and CIPHI Branch Councils past and present for the financial support and for always being an advocate for the work of CIPHI's charitable division;

Our award funders who have always been terrific supporters of our profession: Stan Hazan, NSF International; Michael Lowry, the Lowry Group; Neil Grinwis, Hedgerow Software Ltd; the Canadian Water & Wastewater Association; and the Clifford Van Alstyne Family; and all our faithful and long-time annual donors.

As I look forward to the future of the EHFC, I know that the continued success will be because of the Board of Trustees who oversee and guide our charity work.

I hope you will enjoy looking back at the history of the EHFC and see just how far CIPHI's charity has come over the past 30 years. I'm thankful to be a part of it, and I am so very proud as we embark on the next 30 years!

Best Regards,

Pamela L Scharfe

Pamela Scharfe, CPHI(C)
Chair
EHFC Board of Trustees



Hello Members,

Congratulations to the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada on 30 years! As CIPHI's charitable division, it is exciting to realize 30 years have passed since EHFC was created. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers of EHFC over the last 30 years who have given their time, expertise and experience to guide the Foundation. EHFC Trustees have been busy with many projects over 30 years to contribute to the advancement of public health in Canada and internationally. Many are outlined in this newsletter. Thank you to CIPHI members who participated in EHFC 30th Anniversary celebrations and to those who donated during the 30th Anniversary.

To members who have not yet donated, I would encourage you to consider a special donation by year end in honor of EHFC's 30 years to support upcoming environmental public health aid projects! Congratulations on 30 years!

Best wishes,

Kari Engele Carter

Kari Engele-Carter CPHI(C)
President, Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors



Kari Engele-Carter

EHFC 30th Anniversary Milestone Newsletter – Editor's Note

Welcome to the EHFC Annual Newsletter. This year (2019) is special since we have been celebrating 30 years as the Charitable Division of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. So, along with your annual coverage of activities there is a historical retrospective using snippets of information to mark the milestones during our history. Many activities and projects over the years have enabled the Foundation to mature and become the charity it is today.

The highlights-milestones, of the Foundation activities are extracts from minutes or annual reports published during the last three decades. On occasion, we expanded the story of certain projects and provided more information.

As mentioned earlier, the Milestones are but a small snapshot of activities that occurred under the direction of the Board of Trustees. It is all based on voluntary time and effort that trustees continue to contribute. Many thanks to all those who contributed monetarily and participated with volunteer hours, in the evolution of the projects and awards. Trustees, the CIPHI membership, and donors all work to create the ideas and ensure they become a reality. It takes a lot of time and effort! So, a heartfelt thank you to all trustees, past and present who participated and guided the Foundation to what it is today. I thank all those involved for the opportunity to work with you to help the Foundation grow.

Remember that any time is a good time to donate to CIPHI's charitable division, the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada. Please visit www.ehfc.ca and click on 'DONATE' to give.

Enjoy your 30th Anniversary EHFC Milestone Newsletter.

Best Regards,

Klaus Seeger

Klaus Seeger CPHI(C) Editor, EHFC 30th Anniversary Newsletter

Acknowledgements

Many people contributed to the production of this Newsletter. We gratefully acknowledge their help, interest and time. Trustees who participated over the last three decades helped build a strong Foundation.

Actual hands-on help from Pamela Scharfe, Tim Roark, Ralph Stanley, and Lena Parker for information, photographs, reviewing and proofreading, was so essential for a project so big. And my partner Rhea Hamilton Seeger, who controlled the layout and production of the document.

Klaus

Celebrating 30 years 1989 - 2019

This year, 2019, is the 30th anniversary of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (CIPHI) charitable division, the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada (EHFC). Various activities throughout the year marked the milestone. The Board of Trustees planned various celebration activities with a launch on May 7, 2019. On this same date in 1985 a resolution initiated the process to form CIPHI's charity foundation. Below is a background of the EHFC and then brief snippets of information and milestones taken from minutes or reports. For further details of activities or motions please refer to the specific EHFC minutes which are available on the EHFC www.ehfc.ca

Background

The EHFC was created with the support and approval of the membership of the CIPHI. In a resolution approved at the 1984 CIPHI Annual General Meeting, the members concluded that, in future, it should play an important role in supporting, encouraging and promoting projects and initiatives in the field of environmental health. The members decided this could best be achieved through the creation of a non-profit charitable foundation operating as an autonomous division of the CIPHI.

In 1985, the necessary amendments to the Letters Patent, Constitution and By-Laws were prepared and then approved at the Annual General Meeting. In accordance with the requirements of the Government of Canada, the changes authorized by the membership were submitted to the federal Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. On August 2, 1985, the amendments received Ministerial approval.

In the fall of 1985, a preliminary application was made to Revenue Canada for consideration of the foundation as a "charitable organization" as defined in the Income Tax Act. On March 14, 1991, the Foundation received official Notification of Registration from Revenue Canada which advised that the application had been APPROVED effective January 1, 1991. The Environmental Health Foundation of Canada became a Registered Charity pursuant to the Income Tax Act.

To permit the appointment of the initial Trustees, the Executive Council of the Institute approved the governing documents on September 15, 1986. The initial nine members of the Board of Trustees were appointed by the Executive Council of the Institute on May 13, 1988. The inaugural meeting of the Foundation was held on July 13, 1989 in Ottawa. The Foundation has held an annual general meeting ever since.

The Inaugural Meeting of the EHFC

The Board of Trustees was established, including the election of an executive on July 13, 1989.

In attendance were the following founding members:

Tim Roark, (BC), Chair;
George Gregg, CIPHI National President (NS), Vice Chair;
Dean Sargeant, (MB), Secretary;
Charles Young, (BC), elected Treasurer;
Doug Terry, (Sask), Trustee; and
Bruce Fortin, (ON), Trustee.

Motion to Establish a Charitable Foundation May 7, 1985

CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS BY-LAW NO. 9 Being a By-Law to provide for the establishment, operation and administration of a non-profit, charitable foundation.

BE IT ENACTED as a By-Law of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors as follows: - The purposes and objects of the Corporation shall be amended and expanded to provide for the establishment, operation and administration of the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada as a non-profit, charitable division of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors.

*ENACTED this 7th day of May 1985.
WITNESS the Corporate Seal of the Association. CORPORATE SEAL (Signed)
M.R. BRAGG - President (Signed) B.R.E.
HATTON- Executive Secretary-Treasurer*

CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS BY-LAW NO. 10

Being a By-Law to provide for the establishment, operation and administration of a non-profit, charitable foundation.

BE IT ENACTED as a By-Law of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors as follows: -

*Section 1 Definitions;
Section 2 Purpose and Objectives;
Section 3 Powers of the Board;
Section 4 Appointments;
Section 5 General*

ENACTED this 7th day of May 1985

(NOTE: Refer to the CIPHI National By-Laws (2017) for the actual By-Laws and details, page 33) CIPHI By-Laws

www.ciphi.ca/pdf/2017_bylaws.pdf



Tim Roark

During the inaugural meeting discussion included the key concerns and objectives of the Foundation; the steps necessary to apply for the Foundation's Tax Number; and the establishment of a Trustee Selection Committee to enable additional Trustees to be recruited; frequency of meetings once the Charitable Tax number received; logo and letterhead. For additional items discussed please refer to the actual minutes of the Inaugural meeting, July 13, 1989 and to the applicable annual report.

EHFC 2nd Annual General Meeting, October 13, 1990 (Teleconference)



Charlie Young

The 2nd meeting and AGM was held on October 13, 1990 and was a teleconference, primarily because there were no funds available to hold a face to face meeting. The Foundation officers filed an application to Revenue Canada for their charity tax number. They added more members to the Board of Trustees. In addition to the Executive, members now included: Dr. Gerry Bonham, Bruce Fortin, Doug Terry, Tom Gable, Dr. Frank White. CIPHI appointed Tim Roark, Charlie Young, Dean Sargeant and Klaus Seeger as their representatives.

The strategy for the first project of sponsoring two aboriginal students to take the Environmental Health course and becoming a Certified Public Health Inspector was the major discussion point.



Doug Terry

CIPHI Environmental Health Foundation Of Canada Appointments

Advisory Committee (1986-1989)

Phil Barton, ON
Larry Copeland, BC
Rex Eaton, BC
Brian Hatton, ON
Tim Roark, BC, Chair
Dorrit Sorensen, BC
Charles Young, BC

Board Chair (1989-2019)

Tim Roark, BC (1989 to 1993)
Klaus Seeger, ON (1993 to 2003)
Duncan Ellison, ON (2003 to 2008)
Michael Florian, NB (2008 to 2010)
Shendra Brisdon, BC (2010)
Ron de Burger, ON (2010-2015)
Pamela Scharfe, ON (2015-present)



Dean Sargeant

Honouary Chairs

Dr. John Blatherwick, BC (2002-2012), Former MOH, City of Vancouver
Dr. David Jones, (2016-present), Former Chief Public Health Officer, PHAC



George Gregg

Past Board Trustees (alpha order)

Dr. Gerry Bonham, BC	Tom Gable, (NSF)	Mike Reid, ON
Mike Bragg, ON	Len Gallant, PEI	Tim Roark, BC
Shendra Brisdon, BC	Garry Gallivan, (CUBU)	Peter Rogers, MB
Tamela Carroll, NS	Mike LeBlanc, MB	Dean Sargeant, MB
Cameron Coulby, ON	Marilyn B. Lee, (Ryerson)	Jacqueline Schnider, BC
Ken Cross, SK	Scott McLean, NB	Klaus Seeger, ON
Ron de Burger, ON	Paul Medeiros, ON	Keith Smith, (FN)
Duncan Ellison, ON	Barry Morgan	Ralph Stanley, ON
Michael Florian, NS	Patrick Murray, NL	Douglas Terry, SK
Bruce Fortin, ON	John O'Laney	Charles Young, BC



Bruce Fortin

2019-2020 Board of Trustees

Pamela Scharfe, ON, Chair	Melissa McDonald, (CUBU), Trustee
Ralph Stanley, ON, Vice- Chair	Laurie Pike, NS, Trustee
Mike LeBlanc, MB, Treasurer	Fran Gelder, ON, Trustee
Lena Parker AB, Secretary	Victor Odele, ON, Trustee
Tim Roark, BC, Trustee	

For further information on the Board and its Trustees go to www.ehfc.ca/trustees

Following are short tidbits of the milestones that occurred from 1990 onward. They are grouped in ten-year segments.

1990-2000 The First Ten Years

- A resolution was passed at the 1991 CIPHI AGM, that simple labeling was needed to indicate to consumers and foodhandlers which foods were perishable; the need for this food to be kept either hot or cold; and what temperature hot food should be held (displayed) at. This eventually became the TempSafe program. (1991) See page 8 for more info on the evolution of the TempSafe symbols)
- The Revenue Canada Registered Charity Tax number tax was granted to allow tax receipts to be issued for donations. The official registration number (Registration No: BN# 870968377 RR 0001) was assigned, effective January 1, 1991.
- The initial preparation and completion of the 1st **EHFC Strategic Plan** was coordinated by Charlie Young, charting the course of development of the Foundation; this included the establishment of three committees (Projects, Fund Raising and Publicity, Trustee Search & Nomination). (1991)
- The first bank account and donations (including initial funding from CIPHI recorded \$380.12 as the balance during the AGM at the 3rd annual meeting December 30, 1991.
- During the 1992 AGM the table officers appointed by the Board of Trustees included: Tim Roark - Chair, Klaus Seeger - Vice-Chair, Charlie Young-Treasurer - and Dean Sargeant -Secretary. (1992)
- The first award proposal was made by Rob Bradbury and Richard Taki, President of the BC Branch (1992) for the establishment of the **Bob Herbison Award** and was approved by the Board of Trustees. The bursary, sponsored by the CIPHI BC Branch and the EHFC, was for a student in the Environmental Health Program at B.C.I.T. Bob Herbison was a very dedicated Life Member of the Institute. (AGM 1992)
- The concept and design of the temperature symbols created by Charlie Young and Tim Roark was sent to NSF for review and a legal opinion (1992) with a very positive response received. (1993)
- During 1992, approval of the first EHFC project was received from Health & Welfare Canada, Medical Services Branch **to sponsor two Aboriginal students** to attend BCIT to become Environmental Health Officers and subsequently obtain their CPHI(C). The Foundation would coordinate their attendance and practicum. (1992) A year later initial funding for the Aboriginal project of \$50,000 for two students attending BCIT was confirmed. (1993)
Keith Smith and Colleen Boulanger (1st EHFC sponsored Aboriginal students) were approved to attend BCIT to take the Environmental Health programme. Sponsorship funding was also obtained for the practicum; Peter Rogers, a Trustee, was appointed as the lead in coordinating the practicum. (1993)
- **The first EHFC promotional brochure** was created and approved by the Board of Trustees for distribution to the membership and the public. (1995)
- The 1996 AGM of the EHFC was held in Chicago as part of their Joint Annual Education Conference between CIPHI and NEHA (National Environmental Health Association). (1996)

Date	28 mars/Mar 2013
Votre référence - Your reference	
Numéro de dossier - File number	786096
Numéro d'enregistrement - Registration Number	TMA497,188



Sample of early Temperature Symbol
15 year Trademark renewal application

- The first Aboriginal student, Keith Smith, sponsored by the EHFC, graduated and was successful in becoming a Certified Public Health Inspector. He became employed by the Tribal Council in the Qu'appelle Valley, Saskatchewan. Keith was appointed as a Trustee to the EHFC Board and was directly involved in this project by promoting the profession and the Foundation at some of the First Nation's secondary and post secondary schools. (1996)

- The EHFC financial status for the Foundation was reported to be \$29,366 at the AGM in 1996
- The Foundation acquired the copyright for "**Septic System Maintenance Pure & Simple**"; an educational package that Vice-Chair Tim Roark and Treasurer Charlie Young developed. It includes easy to understand language on how to maintain a private sewage disposal system. The components of the package are applicable for the home owner; and agencies who work in the programme. (1996)
- New Trustees**, Bryan Walton from Canadian Council of Grocery Distributors, and John O'Laney, consultant, Environmental Public Health, were appointed in 1997.
- The Stanier Society**, in partnership with CIPHI/EHFC, sponsored an opinion paper contest. The contest was a forum through which CIPHI members had a voice on issues affecting the CIPHI, the field of public health inspection, and the sanitary sciences. The Society awarded \$300 for the opinion paper assessed to get the most interesting and original submission. Second and third received \$100 each. (1999)
- Rob Bradbury challenged members to get involved with the **Books for Tanzania Appeal**. It was sponsored by The International Federation of Environmental Health in conjunction with The Chartered Institute of Environmental Health and jointly supported by the National Executive



- The first **Recognition Award** presented to Trustees who retired from the EHFC Board of Trustees. (1996)

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Where do I start?

- I would like to donate (circle) : \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$_____
- I would like more information on how to make a bequest—start a trust fund—give a specific gift, give a corporate donation, other _____

Name _____

Address _____

Please send your donation by cheque or money order to the:

Environmental Health Foundation of Canada
P.O. Box 5367, Station F Ottawa, Ontario K2C 3J1

Funds for the operation of projects implemented by the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada may be donated, bequested, given as a gift, or provided through a trust or an inheritance. All monies received are tax deductible and an official receipt will be issued. The EHFC tax registration number as a charitable organization is 0884387-19

EHFC Goals

To develop and implement research into the field of environmental health as it relates to the protection of health of the public.

To support individuals and groups through educational activities to initiate environmental health programmes to reduce health hazards in their own communities.

To sponsor research, education activities and the implementation of environmental health programmes from funds obtained through donations provided by organizations, the business community, individuals and others.

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The first EHFC promotional brochure 1995

Council, Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors and the EHFC. The focus was to appeal for donations to purchase over 1,000 books to support a new degree program being developed in Tanzania. At the time, Tanzania faced many basic public health challenges and desperately needed professionals to advise and assist with necessary improvements. Only a handful of Environmental Health Officers had university degrees. The professionals in Tanzania yearned for these skills so that they can, in turn, provide better leadership and guidance to their people.

The members of CIPHI raised \$715 for the **Tanzanian Book Project** toward books for the new school of Environment Health in Tanzania. The NEC had the lead in this project in partnership with the EHFC. (1999)

- **The Groundwater video**, conceptualized by Charlie Young, was completed and began playing on the Rogers Cablevision in B.C. The EHFC has the copyright. An accompanied brochure and course notes are included in the package. (1999) Sales of the Sewage and Groundwater videos and educational programs were successful with 3,050 videos 138,000 brochures for sewage and 1,500 groundwater videos (50,000 brochures) distributed/sold. (1999)
- It was noted that Ed Fleming, who worked for the Sudbury & District Health Unit, passed in 2000. The **Ed Fleming Memorial Fund** was created with a \$175 donation to the EHFC in trust. The Fund distributes the septic system maintenance and groundwater videos to the libraries in the Sudbury district. Initially, the Sudbury Library Association became the recipient of the videos related to groundwater protection. The overall goal of the project is to provide the videos to all library branches in Ontario and then across Canada. (2000)

Sales of the Sewage video reached \$10,000 in revenue with the Groundwater video progressing with \$1,600 in sales. (The Sudbury DHU donated \$500 to the Ed Fleming Memorial fund to help facilitate the distribution of the videos. (2001)

A sale of 500 sewage videos, valued at \$3,832, to the Wayne County Health Department (Michigan) was noted. Additional revenue of \$1,250 in the form of a donation from the Township of Langley (B.C.) was also noted. (2001)



Of over 200 entries, Tim Roark and Charlie Young were 2nd place finalist in the Arts, Media and Communications category of the Canadian Healthy Environment Awards, for their **Septic System Maintenance Pure and Simple** video, brochure and information package. Tim Roark, Project Manager, attended the presentation ceremony in Ottawa on June 5 1996. The package is distributed by the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada.



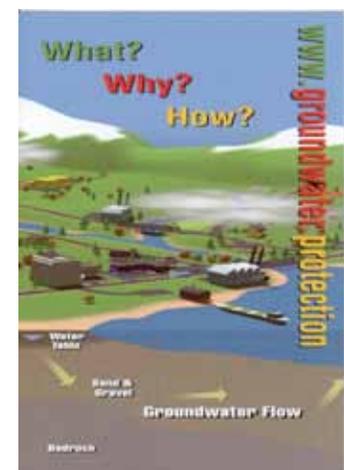
Septic System Maintenance
Pure & Simple
video & brochure



EHFC Logo Created by Patrick Fan

The 1st place winner of the EHFC logo contest was Patrick Fan and he received full registration for the 2000 CIPHI conference. Victor Mah was the 2nd prize winner and received a one-day registration for the conference. There were nine different designs submitted for the contest. The logo includes both French and English versions of the Foundation name. (April 2000)

Patrick Fan - Designer



www-groundwaterprotection
video & learning program



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Evolution of the TempSafe Symbol

Simple labeling was needed to indicate to consumers and foodhandlers which foods were perishable; the need for this food to be kept either hot or cold; and what temperature hot food should be held (displayed) at.

A temperature symbol resolution was presented at the CIPHI AGM in 1991.
Moved Tim Roark Seconded by Peter Parys:

'Whereas, at present in Canada there is no symbol or symbols to advise consumers which foods are potentially hazardous; and

Whereas, it would be beneficial to clearly indicate to both consumers and merchants which foods are potentially hazardous and must be kept either hot or cold and what temperature they must be kept at; and

Whereas, temperature abuse of potentially hazardous foods is a major cause of food poisoning;

Therefore be it resolved, that CIPHI approach government agencies and industry to support the creation of a symbol or symbols to advise consumers and merchants which foods are potentially hazardous and at what temperatures they should be stored.' CARRIED August 1, 1991 CIPHI AGM, Edmonton, Alberta

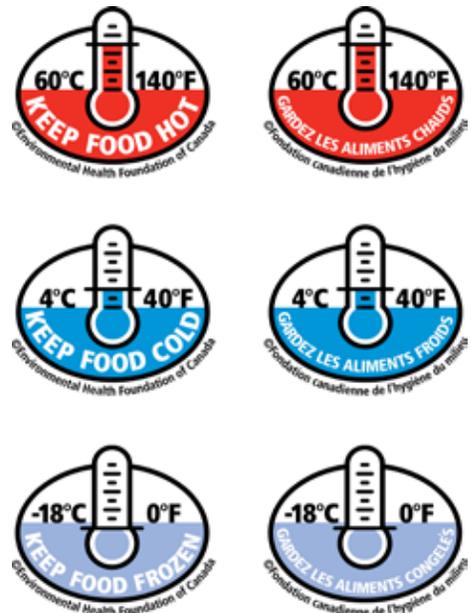
Prototype designs and concept were developed for using the temperature symbols on supermarket display cases and other food equipment and was presented to a national Food Regulation Review Committee. The intent was to have the same symbol on display cases; food packages as a safety message; and continuity of recognition for the customer. (1992-1993)

The National Sanitation Foundation (NSF International today) was consulted for a legal opinion. Positive support of the temperature symbol concept was received. Advice on the copyright and trade mark process was received. The project was transferred from National CIPHI to the EHFC. (1993-1994)

Copyright registration was received for the *Safety is...* symbols in 1995 and registration process for trade mark of all the symbols was initiated in 1996.

Trademark approval was achieved for the *Safety is...* in 1998 which allowed for the development of the TempSafe national food safety strategy using the temperature symbols.

Trade Mark applications were made to Industry Canada, Intellectual Property and Copyright, for the temperature symbols Safety is Hot, Cold, Frozen in English and French. The cost for each application was \$450. Therefore, the cost for the six (symbols) applications was \$2,700 plus tax. Final Approval and Registration occurred in 1998.



Newer designs trademarked in 2015

Safety is... Symbols Trademarked in 1998



Fight Bac! Campaign



The **Canadian Partnership for Consumer Food Safety Education (CPCFSE)** was formed in 1997 to develop a national umbrella food safety education campaign. The main goal was to contribute to the reduction of foodborne illness in Canada by increasing awareness of safe food handling practices through the coordination and delivery of food safety education programs focused on the consumer. The Partnership was formed following a stakeholder meeting in Ottawa on food safety labelling and other issues, concluding that a coalition of industry, government and education would avoid duplicating efforts in creating a common food safety program that participants could use. The result was sixty (60) organizations became founding members and agreed to create a common national food safety program that all could endorse and participate in. It was decided to adapt (Canadianize) the newly developed FightBac program that, a similar, U.S. Partnership created. EHFC became a founding voting member and had a seat (Secretary) on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Partnership.

The Fight BAC! TM campaign was launched in November 26, 1998 in five Canadian cities, Vancouver, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Halifax. Radio, television, daily and local community weekly newspapers provided additional coverage of the campaign launch. The events consisted of a press conference to announce the campaign followed by kitchen food safety demonstrations. Klaus Seeger, Foundation Trustee, participated in the activities in Toronto. Since, 1998 many organizations and health agencies across Canada initiated their own version of the campaign. www.fightbac.org/about-us/partnership-history (1999)

In the meantime, there were a lot of meetings and communication with Partnership members (especially the Beef Information Centre, (BIC)) in determining how to best use the temperature symbols when it was suggested that we needed a term/phrase to use when referring to the symbols rather than stating each one separately. **Charlie Young suggested that a catchy title could be "TempSafe"** This occurred on July 21, 1998.

The term TempSafe continues to be used as part of the marketing of the temperature symbols. Sale of TempSafe magnets began with 500 magnets costing \$0.73 each and 5000 at \$0.41 each. (Jan 2000) TempSafe was used in various food safety programs and 'tool boxes'. The FightBac K-3 educational campaign was launched in 2000. The EHFC took the lead in launch activities, such as TV and radio interviews.



Food Safety Matters published by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care

Cook

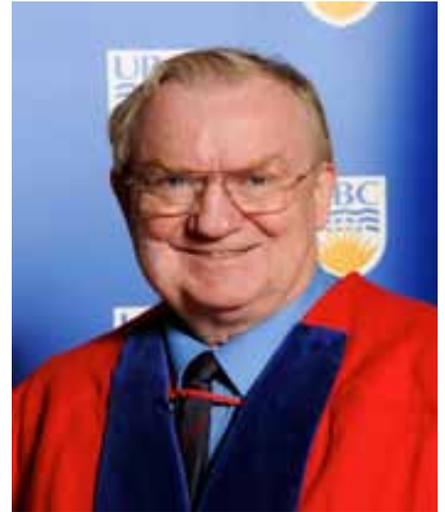
- Keep hot foods hot!
- Stay out of the danger zone
- Keep cold foods cold!

The 4-6 FightBac education package was modified to reflect Canadian specific content and was launched in the spring of 2001 by the Canadian Partnership for Consumer Food Safety Education. (2001)

TempSafe symbols are used in *Food Safety Matters* published by the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, which is distributed to farmers' markets and community special events.

The Growing Years 2001-2010

- **Friends of the EHFC** concept discussed - People are appointed to the EHFC Board of Trustees, then when their term is finished, they leave us. Therefore, the idea of an alumnus of ex-trustees, called "Friends of the EHFC" was suggested. It was also suggested that loyal donors should also be included. We would have to engage them somehow to keep them interested. There may also be individuals who are donors and wish to participate in different projects but not as a Trustee. (2001)
 - The joint **CIPHI / EHFC Continuing Education Award** was established. The intent of the scholarship is to provide some financial assistance to CIPHI members who are employed in the public health field, and who wish to further their education in a recognized educational institute. The EHFC Board of Trustees approved a motion that "The amount of \$2,500 be placed into CIPHI/EHFC Scholarship Fund." President Bradbury personally pledged \$700 to the scholarship fund. This award is equally funded by both sponsoring organizations. (2002)
 - The EHFC AGM Board meeting for the CIPHI/EHFC Scholarship Fund of June 23, 2003 reviewed the criteria for the Fund and after discussion with members of the NEC, the following amendments were made:
 - Eligibility criteria - 5 consecutive years as a CIPHI member in good standing.
 - The number of available awards should increase as the fund principle increases. This will allow for more students to benefit.
 - There should be separate awards for full time and part time students. Both awards would be for the same amount of money.
 - The scholarship will be paid to the student at the completion of a specific course.
 - The scholarship can be applied to a course taken in the current calendar year or the upcoming year.
 - Provincial CIPHI branches will be requested to donate to the fund.
 - The name of the award should be changed to the CIPHI/EHFC Continuing Education Award.
- Moved by Tim Roark and seconded by Ron de Burger that: "The award criteria be amended as discussed." CARRIED (Currently called EHFC Continuing Education Award and is no longer supported by CIPHI National Executive Council 2019)
- The names of recent recipients and the current description and eligibility criteria are found at www.ehfc.ca/award-descriptions
- A total of \$1,900 was raised from a **lottery sponsored by the EHFC**. The funds raised were, by approval of CIPHI and EHFC, earmarked for the CIPHI/EHFC Continuing Education Award. **Tim Roark donated a Robert Bateman and John Horton prints** to the EHFC as prizes for the fund raising lottery. Bateman is a well known and respected Canadian artist and naturalist. Horton is an internationally respected painter and mariner who was born in England and emigrated to Canada in 1964. Once the fund had a base of \$10,000 the interest is used to fund the scholarship. To be self-sustaining \$20,000 is needed . (2002, 2003)
 - **Stanier-EHFC Symposium** held on May 10, 2002, with eight international speakers with the discussion topics "Linking Hygiene to Health: Old Foes & New Challenges" at the University of Western Ontario. Topics included: food safety in the home, infection control issues and Cryptosporidium. (2002)



Dr. John Blatherwick
2001-2016

Dr. John Blatherwick was appointed as the first "Honourary Chairman" for the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on September 30, 2001. Board Chair, Klaus Seeger, stated "This is a very positive moment for the Foundation with the acceptance of one of Canada's top public health physicians as Honorary Chairman".

Ron de Burger, Trustee, said "John Blatherwick has been a terrific champion for Public Health and Public Health Inspectors in particular for as long as I've had the pleasure of knowing him." Tim Roark, EHFC Treasurer, pointed out that Dr. Blatherwick had been a long time member and then Chairman of the Environmental Health Program Advisory Board at BCIT. He was a strong advocate for the establishment of a degree in Environmental Health - Public Health Inspection.

Dr. John Blatherwick was Medical Health Officer for the City of Vancouver. He completed a two year term of office as a Trustee on the EHFC and was also a member of the Board of Certification for CIPHI. In 1988 Dr. Blatherwick was made an Honorary Member of CIPHI. In 1996 he was appointed to the Order of Canada for his work and advocacy in public health.

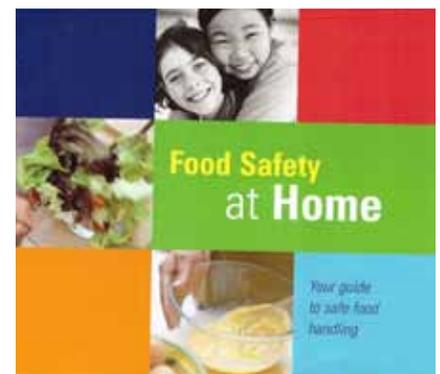
- In partnership with the Beef Information Centre (BIC) 800,000 booklets were printed, **“Food Safety: You’re in Control”** with the majority being an insert in a magazine titled “What’s Cooking” published by Kraft Canada. Another publication from the Partnership was a booklet called “Food Safety for Older Adults” and was inserted in a magazine called “Fifty Plus” in which another 25,000 copies were printed. The EHFC TempSafe symbols were included in the publications. (2002)
- The **Chill Out** food safety booklet was reprinted (60,000) and distributed via the Partnership with several thousand distributed through CIPHI and its Branches/ members. EHFC contributed to the printing. (2002)
- The **Len Hiebert Environmental Health Review Award** is in honour of Len Hiebert a Life Member of the profession and a highly regarded Editor of the journal, *Environmental Health Review*. The award was initially presented to a student based on his/her submission of an article to the EHR. The EHR review board selects a winning submission from each of the five (currently 6) Environmental Public Health schools. Students have to be CIPHI members in good standing. (2003) Each successful candidate is chosen by the EH program staff and receives an award of \$500.
The FIRST Len Hiebert Environmental Health Review Award recipients in 2006 were: Kim McLennan - British Columbia Institute of Technology (BC); Ivor Norlin - Concordia University (AB); Jenee Wallace - First Nations University (SK); Misako Yano - Ryerson University (ON); Andrew Girouard - Cape Breton University (NS). Subsequent Len Hiebert Environmental Health Review Award recipients are posted on www.ehfc.ca/past-award-recipients
- Policy developed for reimbursement of Trustees travel expenses for 2004. No travel expenses would be approved for Trustees to attend Annual General Meetings until a significant improvement was seen in the financial situation. An appropriate solution was found that became a win-win situation. Whatever a trustee claimed they would donate the same amount back to the Foundation. At the end of the process the Foundation receives in return the amounts claimed and the claimant receives a tax receipt for the donation. NOTE: The policy is still in place today in 2019. (2004)
- **First EHFC Newsletter** published in November 2006. Approximately 1,400 were distributed to members and former donors. Debra Losito, Office Manager for CIPHI (at that time), coordinated the effort as part of the Institute’s annual membership renewal drive. A total of 18 donations were received as a result of the mail-out, nine in 2006 and nine in 2007. A grand total of \$6,227 was received. The flyers cost \$414 to produce and distribute. (2006)
- The EHFC **“Public Health Response to Waterborne Disease Outbreaks”** report released. As a result of the research undertaken by the EHFC for Health Canada, it was concluded that there was a great variation across the country in the preparedness and measures of Public Health Units in responding to a waterborne disease outbreak. It was decided to share the results with colleagues in CIPHI via a presentation or a workshop. (see April 22, 2007 minutes) Subsequently, a presentation was given at two conferences, Kelowna, 2007 and St. John’s in 2008. A summary report of Best Practices was prepared and distributed during the presentations. In addition, a DVD of the survey response summaries was sent to each of the survey participants. (2007)



Dragana Djordjevic was the first recipient of the CIPHI/EHFC Continuing Education Award in 2005. Ms. Djordjevic is a Public Health Inspector with the Fraser Health Authority in Surrey B.C. and was completing her Certificate in Health Care Management at the B.C. Institute of Technology. The \$500 award was presented by Tim Roark and was jointly funded by the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors and the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada.



Len Hiebert



Just one of many educational brochures promoting food safety

Environmental Health Foundation of Canada banner, below, was produced and donated by Burger King. The banner included both the CIPHI and EHFC logo and was organized by Paul Medeiros, Trustee, who had contacts with Burger King (2002)



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Friends of the Foundation – Newsletter #1

Dear friends, colleagues & all past donors:

Interested in knowing how your donations have been used? Our Board of Trustees agreed we should send out a newsletter to all past donors and let you know how we are doing with our various projects. Presently our top priority is to ensure our educational scholarships, bursaries and awards are sustainable through the creation of a \$50,000.00 endowment fund. The good news is we are 62% of the way there with \$31,000.00 in the fund and only \$19,000.00 to go. The awards are as follows:

CIPHI – EHFC Continuing Education Award:

Current Environmental Public Health Professionals are eligible for this award. One recipient is chosen annually by the Board of Trustees to receive the \$500.00 award. Recent award winners are:



Shelly Stetsko is our 2006 recipient and is presently completing her Bachelor of Environmental Health at the University of Cape Breton via distance learning.



Dragana Djordjevic is our 2005 recipient and has been completing her Certificate in Health Care Management at the B.C. Institute of Technology.

Len Hiebert Environmental Health Review Award:



Len Hiebert

This award is presented annually to aspiring students in the five accredited Environmental Public Health programs across Canada in honour of Len Hiebert a Life Member of the profession and a highly regarded Editor of the journal, "Environmental Health Review". Originally the Board of Trustees approved only one award of \$100.00 but this was recently increased to five \$250.00 awards so that students at each accredited school will be eligible to receive an award. We are very pleased to indicate that the first four awards have just been presented to students located across Canada.

Lilli Ann Zahara Award:



Lilli Ann Zahara

Current Environmental Public Health Professionals are eligible annually for this \$500.00 award upon nomination. The criteria are dedication, commitment, inspiration and leadership in the field of Environmental Health, particularly with a commitment to food safety and/or health education. The first award will be issued in 2007. The award is issued in memory of Lil Zahara as one of the first few women Public Health Inspectors in Canada. In 1977 Lil was presented with a Canadian Silver Jubilee Medal by the Governor General in recognition of her contribution to the field of Environmental Health as an Inspector, Educator, Consultant and Executive Director of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors.

Founding Member: Canadian Partnership For Consumer Food Safety Education
EHFC — Inaugurated 1989

- The **NSF International Food Safety Award** was established in 2008. This annual award of \$500 for studies in the area of Food Safety was first shared between Roger Parsonage and Nina Van Der Plujim. The award, sponsored by the NSF International, is given to a practicing Public Health Inspector who has made outstanding contributions primarily to the promotion of food safety. (2008)

- **Ontario Project for Water Quality** - Ralph Stanley reported that the Ontario Branch had decided to support Foster Parents of Canada (Plan) who wanted to construct a well in Sierra Leone. He suggested that the Foundation might support this initiative, in view of the strong support the Ontario Branch has given to the Foundation. Subsequently the EHFC donated \$3,000 to the CIPHI Ontario Branch Sierra Leone school well project in Africa through the Ed Fleming Memorial Fund.

Just to illustrate how one donation can make an impact. Our \$3,000 donation (over three years) was matched by Plan for a total of \$6,000. Then Plan's partner Dubai Cares matched 3:1, the overall donation became \$18,000.

Not only was safe water provided from a well to the school but latrines for boys and girls were constructed. This resulted in proper handwashing facilities for the students. Proper toilets also resulted in a substantial increase in girls attending the school.

This fund offers financial support for projects encouraging safe water for consumers in Canada and internationally through education and aid projects. (2010)

For a full copy of the first newsletter, left, see www.EHFC.ca/newsletter (2006)

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- **New brochure and displays** - To update the professional image of the EHFC the Board of Trustees approved a newly designed display and promotional brochure. The display was on view at the conference in Kelowna and was well received. The background theme was based on the CIPHI display and provides consistency in presenting the different components of the Institute. The newly developed EHFC brochure uses a similar theme and compliments the new display. The combined display and brochure promotes visitation to the EHFC website to obtain more information about the Foundation and support the various projects and awards. (2008)



The Lilli Ann Zahara Award, established in 2007, commemorates the contributions made by Lilli Ann Zahara and her devotion to environmental public health, particularly food safety. Shauna Dimock from Capital Health (AB), the first recipient, was presented the \$500 award in 2007 by Duncan Ellison Chair of EHFC. The names of recent recipients and current description and eligibility criteria are found at www.ehfc.ca/award-descriptions



Co-recipient Roger Parsonage receives the first **NSF International Food Safety Award** for 2008 from Ken Christian, Director of Health Protection with the Interior Health Authority in BC.

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Co-recipient Nina van der Pluijm receives the **NSF International Food Safety Award** for 2008 from Gary O'Toole, the New Brunswick CIPHI Branch President.

TempSafe pull-up banners, above, were designed and developed by Rhea Hamilton Seeger and Klaus Seeger to promote both versions of the TempSafe symbols. (2010)

Leg Waxing Challenge Supports Student Attendance at AEC - President Adam Grant raises \$5,000.

A challenge by Adam Grant, President CIPHI, that he would have his legs waxed if the EHFC could raise \$5,000 during the May conference in Kananaskis, 2009. The challenge was accepted by the



Tim Roark accepting the challenge from Adam Grant, CIPHI President.

Foundation Trustees attending the conference and a concerted campaign soon raised funds and pledges in excess of \$5,000 from the very generous PHIs/ EHOs attending the Conference.

At their November 23, 2009 meeting, the EHFC Board of Trustees approved a motion to financially support students attending the CIPHI accredited schools to attend future National CIPHI AEC up to \$5,000 if funding is available, on an annual basis. Initial funding raised with thanks to Adam's challenge.

The first year of support was at the joint 2010 CIPHI AEC & International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) hosted by the Vancouver Health

Authority. The EHFC Board was able to support the attendance of 52 students (42 BCIT students and 10 Concordia students).

Between 2010-2019 (except for three years due to lack of funds) the EHFC Board has sponsored a total of 87 students in the amount of approximately \$18,000. The sponsorship funds have also come from TempSafe profits and unrestricted donations. Students who receive sponsorship are required to provide a report on the benefits of attending.

To sustain future student sponsorship, the EHFC Board has established an endowment fund that is one of our 2019 fundraising focuses.



Between 2010-2019 the EHFC Board has sponsored a total of 87 students, some pictured here, in the amount of approximately \$18,000. Students who receive sponsorship are required to provide a report on the benefits of attending.



"The conference was invaluable and we are very appreciative of the opportunity to participate and to be part of this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Thank you again for your organization's generous donation."

BCIT Students

Foundation Trustees Tim Roark, Klaus Seeger, Len Gallant and Pamela Scharfe with the student delegates at the 2010 Conference in Vancouver. Missing from the photo are CBU students Margaret McGrath and Lindsey Smith and EHFC Chair Ron de Burger. Photo courtesy of Dr. John Blatherwick, former EHFC Honorary Chair & Medical Officer of Health for Vancouver



BEYOND OUR BORDERS 2011-2019

- **Christine Chociolko, of the National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health (NCCEH)**, was welcomed to the 2011 AGM and she presented a proposal on how the NCCEH awards will complement the EHFC's awards. Len Gallant and Gary Gallivan, Trustees, offered to develop criteria that could be used for the NCCEH awards and administered by the EHFC. This was endorsed by the Board of Trustees and the NCCEH. (2011)

2012 NCCEH First Award Recipients :

An Investigation on Organic Contaminants on Tattoo Machines, S. Jalili, BC Institute of Technology,

Environmental Health - Is house dust a reservoir for infant gut bacteria?, T. Konya, University of Toronto: Master of Public Health

Infection Prevention and Control in Vancouver's Medical Clinic Waiting Room: Is there consistency between regions of different socio-economic status? B. Kung, BC Institute of Technology, Environmental Health

One Health and EcoHealth in Ontario: A qualitative study exploring how holistic and integrative approaches are shaping public health practice in Ontario, Z. Leung, University of Guelph: Master of Public Health

Uranium Mining: Assessing the potential health impact of uranium mining in Nunavut R. Moorhouse, G. Habibi, D. Richard, T. Byambaa, T. Fabro, Simon Fraser University: Master's in Public Health

- Food Safety Committee chair Klaus Seeger and Treasurer Tim Roark reported that the **TempSafe project** in Ontario went well but did not reach the desired total of 50,000 products but expect to reach that with other orders (outside of Ontario or by EHFC buying for future needs).

Pamela Scharfe contacted BC, AB and SK, but would also cover the rest of the provinces. For Quebec and NB there would be a need to confirm the French equivalents and she will contact Daniel Savoie who does translations for CIPHI. Duncan Ellison proposed, and Cameron Coulby seconded a motion to approve the planned actions. Carried. (2012)

- In 2012 the Ontario Branch began a new tradition to have the Foundation sponsor a **Charity Golf Tournament**. The Foundation was looking for sponsorship/fund-raising opportunities and Ron de Burger EHFC Chair and the Foundation Board of Trustees approved a golf trophy named the EHFC Best Ball Trophy. It was originally called the CIPHI Ontario Branch Winning Golf and sponsored by Cara Operations. We thought it would be more fun to have it as a team trophy (won by a foursome) so renamed it and the old trophy was repaired with an EHFC nameplate. A popular raffle ticket draw (for a free round of golf) is a main event in raising funds. A "closest to the hole" contest has become a popular activity with the Tournament.



2012 CIPHI Annual National Golf Tournament

Enjoying the game, left, Ron de Burger, Ted Devine, BJ Christensen, and Robert Moulton 2012

Winners, right, with a score of 66 (-6) scramble, best ball format - L to R Brandon Krupa, Chris Gaspar, Bill Hunter, Dave Young. They won the tournament by a putt off as they were tied for first place with Keith Smith's team.



Dr. David Jones
Current Honourary Chair

Dr. David Jones joined the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada Board of Trustees in September 2016. He was Canada's first Chief Public Health Officer and led the Public Health Agency of Canada from 2004 to 2014.

Dr. Jones was the 2012 recipient of the CIPHI Honourary Member award for his strong support of Public Health Inspectors and environmental public health issues. The award was presented at the National Annual Education Conference hosted in Blue Mountain.

Dr. Jones works in a variety of roles including Professor, University of Manitoba, and Clinical Professor, University of Saskatchewan, serving on other boards as well as advising on public health issues, notably as it relates to indigenous health.





EHFC Trustees Cameron Coulby and Pamela Scharfe attended the 25th anniversary celebrations of WaterCan in Ottawa on June 14, 2012 to present a \$2,000 cheque to launch the new "Clean Water for Health" project.



Jim Reffle, first recipient of the EHFC Canadian Water & Wastewater Association Safe Water Award centre is flanked by EHFC Trustees Klaus Seeger (L) and Ralph Stanley (R).

- **Trademarking New TempSafe Symbols:** Klaus Seeger reported that this (trademarking) process is ongoing, and that the existing symbols will have to be renewed every 15 years. The next step is to repeat the process for the new versions. i.e. Keep Food Cold, Hot, Frozen (2013)

- The Environmental Health Foundation of Canada provided a donation of \$2,000 to **WaterCan** that was matched to the Wakiso Clean Water for Health Project. This project aims to assist two health facilities, Ndejje and Kasanje Health Centres in Wakiso District of Uganda, in providing safe water, sanitation and hygiene education over 250 out-patients per day as well as the health facility staff and surrounding catchment area of the facilities of over 40,000 children, women and men. On behalf of the EHFC, Pamela Scharfe and Cameron Coulby attended their AGM and met with their honorary Chair Margaret Trudeau to present the donation. For detailed information on the WaterCan-EHFC project go to www.ehfc.ca/fundraising-initiatives (2012)

- The **Canadian Water & Wastewater Association Safe Water Award** is an annual \$500 award recognizing outstanding contributions to the promotion of drinking water or wastewater safety in Canada.

This award is sponsored by the CWWA, founded in 1986 to address Canadian water and wastewater issues at the national level. The CWWA is a non-profit national body representing the common interests of Canada's public sector municipal water and wastewater services and their private sector suppliers and partners.

Jim Reffle, CPHI(C), Elgin St. Thomas HU was the first recipient of the EHFC Canadian Water & Wastewater Association Safe Water Award. The \$500 annual award is generously funded by EHFC Trustee and Former Executive Director of the CWWA Duncan Ellison. (2013) Award recipients are posted on www.ehfc.ca/past-award-recipient

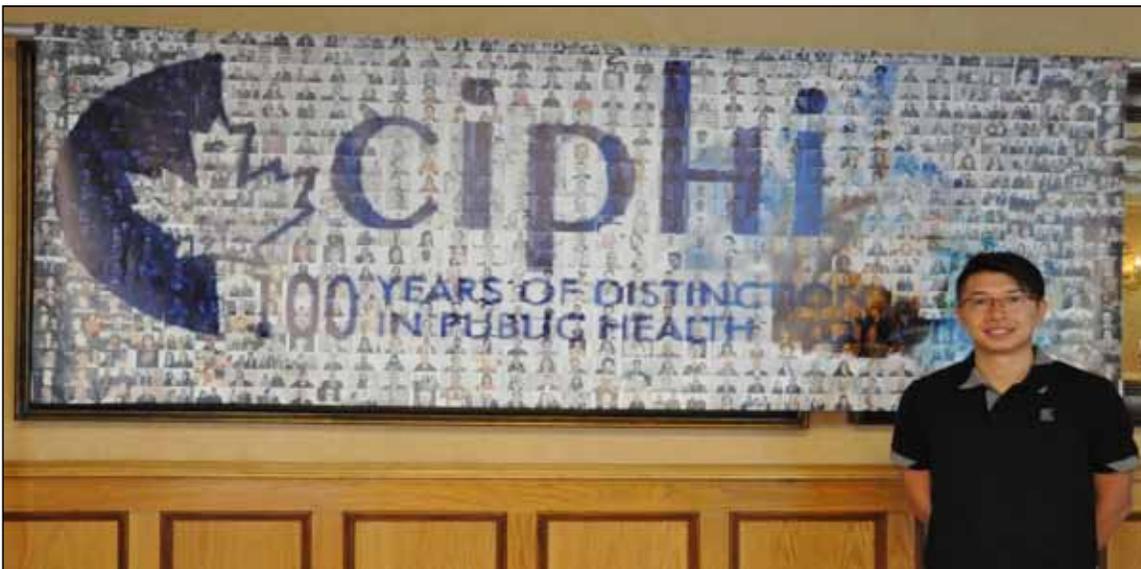
Mosaic Banner - Centennial Fund Raising for Clean Water for Health Project

Past CIPHI BC Branch President Gary Tam suggested a Mosaic Banner as a part of the CIPHI Centenary activities. It would profile photos of past and current CPHI(C) and act as a fund raiser for the EHFC Donation Project WaterCan's initiative "Clean Water for Health". The "Mosaic Banner" project created a keepsake that would immortalize CIPHI

members for future generations and would be used at future CIPHI events and conferences. The project raised an additional \$2,033 towards the Clean Water for Health project.

Congratulations and thank you Gary Tam for seeing this exciting project become a reality! (2013)

Gary Tam and banner



EHFC Fundraising improves life at Clinica Verde, Nicaragua

Michael Sidra and Sharon Regimbald (EHOs from Alberta) proposed a partnership project to support **Clinica Verde in Nicaragua**. Clinica Verde is a non-profit organization formed to build and assist sustainable health clinics that improve maternal and infant healthcare to those in need around the world. (2014)

Nicaragua is the second poorest country in Latin America. As much as 47% of its residents live in poverty and 15% in extreme poverty. Many environmental public health issues play a role in this statistic, with the most obvious being the lack of potable water, poor sanitation and safe food handling. Nicaragua does not have a strong health governmental run program they are not a member of the International Federation of Environmental Health. Most environmental public health activities are organized and run by non-profit organizations such as Clinica Verde.

The partnership allows the EHFC to work with the operators of Clinica Verde in two ways: through a financial contribution and by a food safety course (translated into Spanish). Participating Canadian Environmental Health Officers – Sharon Regimbald and Michael Sidra will lead the development of this course and the fundraising efforts. Through their fundraising efforts and a contribution by the EHFC, more than \$4,200 was forwarded to Clinica Verde for food safety, water safety and general sanitation education efforts. Clinica Verde marked a brick in their building with the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada on it as appreciation for this support! We thank Michael and Sharon as they continue their fundraising efforts.

Taste for Charity was founded in 2014 after a few public health inspectors saw a need to raise awareness and funds for Clinica Verde, a maternal and infant clinic in Boaco, Nicaragua. After much discussion on how they could best support and raise funds for the clinic, they decided that a cookbook of favorite family recipes should be developed. The public health inspectors sought support from the Environmental Health Foundation of Canada (EHFC) and the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (CIPHI) who partnered to create the cookbook. Lena Parker, editor and photographer, along with Michael Sidra were key to its success. The EHFC still uses the cookbook as a fundraising tool. (www.tasteforcharity.net)

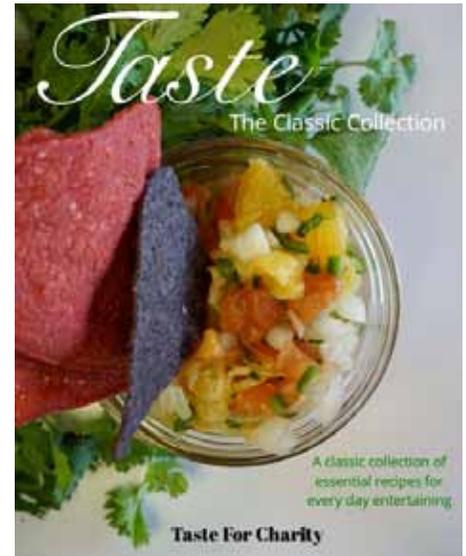
In 2016, the Foundation was approached by our colleagues in Alberta to once again support the fundraising and transfer of funds to Clinica Verde (Green Clinic) in Nicaragua for the purchase of a van to transport patients to the clinic and to visit remote communities.

In February 2017, 10 CIPHI-Alberta members traveled to Nicaragua with a goal of promoting public health beyond the borders of Canada. During their time in Nicaragua, they built a handwashing station at a primary school in the rural community of El Palo and visited Clinica Verde to speak with managers at the clinic to both identify further opportunities for cooperation and see first-hand how previous support has helped the clinic. Clinica Verde's first clinic opened its doors in 2007 and is found in rural Nicaragua in the town of Boaco.

- In 2016 the NCCEH student research award was renamed the **Ron de Burger Student Award** in memory of Ron de Burger. Ron was a celebrated leader in public health and a longtime NCCEH advisory board member. This annual award is offered in partnership with the NCCEH and the EHFC for students enrolled in Canadian post-secondary institutions offering a Public Health Inspection (PHI) program or a degree in public health.

The award offers students the opportunity to: demonstrate their understanding of the Knowledge Translation (KT) process and how to apply KT to environmental public health practice and policy making; obtain valuable networking opportunities through the NCCEH; and, be recognized for quality KT work.

In 2019, the award now sits at \$700 for each of three outstanding short knowledge



Taste The Classic Collection, an attractive and delicious cookbook was edited by Lena Parker, who also provided the photography along with Michael Sidra. They were key to its success. The EHFC still uses the cookbook as a fundraising tool. The TempSafe symbols are featured throughout the cookbook. It is available in various formats including hardcover, softcover and an e-cookbook in Apple iPad format.



Clinica Verde marked a brick in their building with the EHFC name as appreciation for their support!



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Cheryl Galbraith, CPHI(C), Alberta Health Services (AB) received the **Dr. Neil Lowry Safe Recreational Water Award** (centre) from Michael Lowry (left), son of Dr. Lowry, and EHFC Trustee Klaus Seeger (right). Cheryl was nominated by her colleague Koreen Anderson and was the first recipient of this new award sponsored by Lowry & Associates.



Angelo Kouris, Vancouver Coastal Health, BC was the first recipient of the **Hedgerow Software Ltd Leadership in Environmental Public Health Award**. 2016. Angelo was nominated by Richard Taki. Klaus Seeger EHFC Trustee, and Richard Taki accepting the award from Angelo, Neil Grinwis, Hedgerow President and CEO.

Angelo Kouris first recipient of the **Hedgerow Software Ltd Leadership in Environmental Public Health Award**.



translation papers addressing an environmental public health problem. Recipients are given the opportunity to write a blog post for the NCCEH website highlighting their paper, and a chance to present their work as part of the NCCEH seminar series. Winning submissions are posted on the NCCEH and EHFC websites. There was only one award winner in 2019.

- In 2016, the Board of Trustees were pleased to partner with Lowry & Associates a Division of Chem-Aquascience, Inc. in creation of the **Dr. R. Neil Lowry Safe Recreational Water Award**. It recognizes outstanding contributions of certified Public Health Inspectors who advance safer and healthier recreational water in Canada to protect the public's health in their community. The Dr. R. Neil Lowry Safe Recreational Water Award of \$2,500 is generously sponsored by Lowry & Associates. Dr. Lowry founded the Lowry School of Pool & Spa Chemistry in 1980 which has become the most comprehensive chemistry course in the industry. Dr. Lowry was a fierce defender of the integrity of the industry when it came to water treatment and loved to teach water chemistry and proper sanitation to public health inspectors and pool managers. Award recipients are posted on www.ehfc.ca/past-award-recipients (2016)
- In 2016, the Board of Trustees were pleased to partner with **Hedgerow Software Ltd** to create the **Leadership in Environmental Public Health Award**. This award recognizes a certified Public Health Inspector in any position or role who has consistently demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities to inspire excellence and professional integrity in the field of Environmental Public Health. Hedgerow Software Ltd believes in the work of Environmental Public Health Professionals and respect the vital role of each PHI in keeping our communities healthy and safe. This ongoing commitment is fueled daily by those who inspire and empower each other toward excellence and who demonstrate professional integrity within the field of Environmental Public Health. The \$500 award generously sponsored by Hedgerow Software Ltd., is presented annually to a CIPHI (regular) member who has consistently demonstrated leadership qualities of trust, commitment and courage. This person also gives freely of themselves to coach, mentor and inspire others. They value, and actively promote, a culture of respect, empathy, openness and inclusion. They uphold for these values for themselves, their colleagues and clients. Angelo Kouris, Vancouver Coastal Health, BC was the first recipient of this prestigious award 2016. Angelo was nominated by Richard Taki. Award recipients are posted on www.ehfc.ca/past-award-recipients (2016)
- **Strategic Plan 2016-2018** - During the Strategic Planning session the Board approved the EHFC Vision, Mission, and Goals. The Board discussed the collapsing of all of the committees into two umbrella committees: Governance and Advancement. A Marketing Strategy will now be the responsibility of the Advancement Committee (Klaus, Jacqui, Ralph, Duncan) and a Trustee Recruitment and Retention Strategy will now be the responsibility of the Governance Committee (Tim, Melissa). The Vision is a new inclusion in the strategic plan. Previous Strategic Planning was completed in 1991, 1998, 2005, 2012 (2017)



The EHFC Award Review Panel in consultation with Cliff's family chose two very worthy CPHI(C)s to be the first recipients of the **Clifford Van Alstyne Communication Award**. Dennis Persaud, left, Peel Public Health, ON was presented his award by Pamela Scharfe and Rylan Yade, right, Sudbury & District Health Unit, ON was presented by Holly Browne (program manager and Rylan's supervisor), left, and Cynthia Peacock-Rocca who nominated Rylan.



Clifford Van Alstyne

- **Clifford Van Alstyne Communication Award** -In 2017, the Board of Trustees were pleased to partner with Clifford Van Alstyne's family in the creation of an award to recognize excellence in communications. Cliff was a strong advocate for communication, be it educating business owners, members of the public, education using social media or maintaining an informative CIPHI Branch newsletter.

This annual \$1,000 award recognizes a CPHI(C) recipient who displays commitment, involvement or innovation in the field of environmental public health, with a focus on communication in all its forms.

The EHFC in collaboration with the BC Branch sent out a fundraising letter to BC CPHI(C)s to promote awareness of the Van Alstyne award. Tim confirmed that the Van Alstyne family donated \$1,000 for the 2018 award. (Minutes 2018). BC Donor Campaign raised \$925 from BC CIPHI members (2018)

Award recipients are posted on www.ehfc.ca/past-award-recipients

- **Tim Roark retires his treasurer's pen** after 18 years as Treasurer of the EHFC. Tim was approved to the position in January 2000. As treasurer, Tim oversaw many projects and ensured that funds were appropriated as necessary for their success. In many instances Tim was the contact person for revenue received. An example is the TempSafe project where Tim received the orders for magnets, stickers etc. and



ensured the printer produced and shipped in a timely manner. Throughout his tenure Tim ensured that the Board of Trustees participated in various fundraising activities. He donated the Robert Bateman and John Horton prints for the Lottery and oversaw the collection of funds from the Leg Waxing Challenge. Once the awards were established Tim, as treasurer, ensured sufficient reserve funds were available annually for all recipients. Tim is still one of the NEC reps and Trustee of the EHFC Board.

It should be noted that Tim is also a founding member of the Foundation and its first Chair. (2018)



Cliff Van Alstyne's son Craig, daughter Tyla, wife Harriet, EHFC Trustees Pamela Scharfe and Tim Roark

Clifford Van Alstyne received his Certificate in Sanitary Inspection (Canada) #804 in 1952 at the age of 25 and became a life-long member of CIPHI. He was a member of the Manitoba Branch Executive. Cliff believed that the Institute needed to do a better job of communicating with its members so he promoted a branch newsletter and became its first Editor. In 1967. Cliff moved his family to BC to take a position with the BC Ministry of Health and was elected as a CIPHI National Executive Councillor in 1968. Cliff then joined the Medical Services Branch of Health Canada and became a strong supporter of Federal EHOs. In 1977, when Len Hiebert retired as the Editor of the CIPHI Environmental Health Review, Cliff became joint editor of the EHR for two years. Along with two colleagues they took on the role of Editor and Publisher of the BC Branch Page from the Winter 1979 to the Spring 1982 issues.

EHFC Award Winners for 2019



Congratulations to Peter Parys and Ian Harrison 2019 recipients of the Hedgerow Software Ltd Leadership in Environmental Public Health Award. Presenting the award at the CIPHI MB Branch workshop Natalie Lowdon nominator, left, Peter Parys receiving award from EHFC Treasurer Mike LeBlanc and Julie Swanlund, nominator.



Congratulations to Gregory Marsh, left, the 2019 recipient of the EHFC - Dr. R. Neil Lowry Safe Recreational Water award. Presenting the award at the CIPHI MB Branch workshop are EHFC Treasurer Mike LeBlanc and award nominator Ali Rana.



Pamela Scharfe presented Ian Harrison, CIPHI SK Branch his award in Halifax. Congratulating him is Neil Grinwis, Hedgerow President and CEO.



EHFC Vice Chair Ralph Stanley presented the 2019 Lilli Ann Zahara award to Heidi Pitfield, CIPHI ON Branch joined by her nominator Karen Kivilahti at Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit. Both Ralph (2009) and Karen (2015) are past recipients.



Heather Langemann, CIPHI AB Branch, left, received the 2019 EHFC Continuing Education Award



Ildiko Herr, CIPHI SK Branch, received the 2019 NSF Food Safety Award



Nominator Lynn Navratil, Melissa Carruthers holding her 2019 Van Alstyne Communication award, Lena Parker, EHFC Trustee and Tara Hluchy, Nominator, CIPHI AB Branch.

30th Anniversary Celebrations in 2019



Anniversary Initiatives

- Completed a 3 year Strategic Plan
- Created a 30th Anniversary logo
- Launch of a refreshed Website
- Initiation of ThrowBack Thursdays with selected EHFC milestones
- EHFC Limited Swag availability campaign
- 50/50 draw at CIPHI Annual Education Conference (AEC) in Halifax
- Sponsorship and production of delegate lanyards for CIPHI AEC 2019
- Silent Auction
- Sponsored Environmental Public Health students to attend CIPHI AEC, three schools out of the six participated
- 30 for 30 fundraising campaign for the creation of two new endowment funds
- 30th Anniversary EHFC Milestone Newsletter



Kari Engele-Carter CIPHI National President, above left, received her EHFC Foundation pin from EHFC Chair Pamela Scharfe

Environmental Health Foundation Trustees, above, Melissa McDonald, Tim Roark, Pamela Scharfe, Laurie Pike and Victor Odele



Alan Radu, CBU, student, won the 50/50 Raffle Draw

3rd Annual EHFC Silent Auction another Success - Thanks to the 2019 CIPHI AEC Conference Committee and the NS/PEI Branch for supporting the EHFC Board's 3rd silent auction. We did something different this year by using an on-line site - www.32auctions.com (thanks to the CIPHI AB Branch for the suggestion). We had 38 items up for auction; 50 bidders; and had support by the CIPHI Branches and some of the conference exhibitors who either donated items or purchased one or more of the gift baskets provided by the EHFC. The on-line auction allowed CIPHI members to participate even if they could not attend the conference. All of the items sold and the bidders raised \$2,064 for the EHFC 30th anniversary fund raising campaign. Thank you to all our bidders!

Foundation Trustees hosted an anniversary cupcake celebration during the National AEC. Left to right, Melissa McDonald, Victor Odele, Tim Roark, Laurie Pike, and Pamela Scharfe





Keir Cordner, British Columbia



Ken Christian, CIPHI Life Member, Mayor of Kamloops, BC.



Meghan Allen, above, Alberta Branch President



Lena Parker, Alberta, EHFC Trustee



Alden George, Saskatchewan



Kari Engele-Carter, Saskatchewan, CIPHI President



Natalie Lowdon, Manitoba Branch President



Kevin Freeborn, Ontario Food Safety Conference Exhibitor



Ralph Stanley, Ontario Vice Chair EHFC



Kelly Huges, Prince Edward Island



Laurie Pike, Nova Scotia, EHFC Trustee

Colleagues from across Canada donated to the EHFC fundraising campaign which kicked off in May, 2019. Donors at the Halifax AEC conference also had their photos taken to be part of the anniversary mosaic banner that will be unveiled at the 2020 CIPHI National AEC. You can still be part of the movement by mail or email. Donations to Mike LeBlanc, EHFC Treasurer, 30 Odessa Cove, Winnipeg, MB R2P 2Z6, OR donating online at www.ehfc.ca

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Melissa McDonald, Nova Scotia, EHFC Trustee



Shaun Crawley, New Brunswick Branch President



Terry Battcock, CPHI(C) NL bought the first 50/50 Raffle Ticket

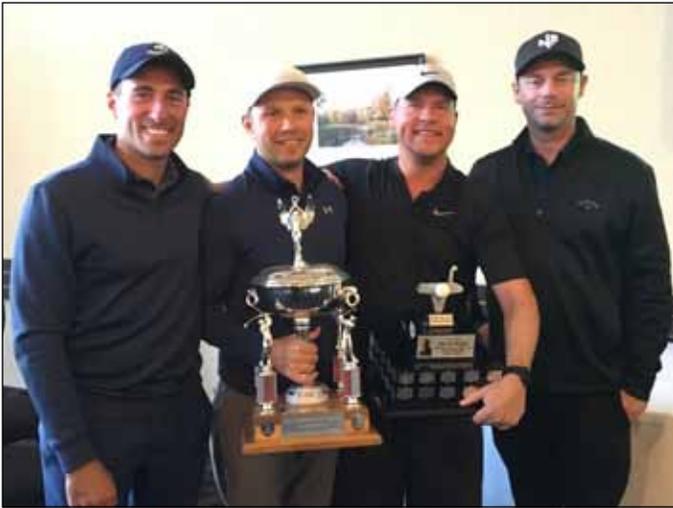


Tammy McDonald, Newfoundland Labrador Branch President



Sion Shyng, FOODSAFE Conference Exhibitor

Charity Golf Tournament 2019



2019 EHFC Best Ball trophy and tournament winners, Jay Wolf, Joe DeGuile, Chris Gasper, and Matt Smythe

As part of the 2019 golf tournament at King's Forest Golf Course the EHFC, the Charitable Division of CIPHI, partnered with the CIPHI Ontario Branch and the Conference Committee hosts, Hamilton Public Health Services to add to the golfers fun while supporting their professional charity.

All golfers had a chance to support the EHFC by purchasing 5 tickets for \$20 for a chance to win their golf tournament fee back (\$100 value), or, to help celebrate the EHFC's 30th Anniversary, they could purchase 10 tickets for \$30 for a chance to win their golf fee back (\$100 value), a pair of sunglasses, and their photo taken for the EHFC anniversary mosaic banner.

As well, in honour of the memory of Ron de Burger, CPHI(C) and past Chair of the EHFC, all golfers had the chance for prizes and a beautiful trophy donated by Ron's family for the "putting contest" using Ron's favourite putter.

This was the seventh year that the EHFC Board Trustees participated in fundraising at the Ontario CIPHI golf tournament and the fourth year for the **Ron de Burger Golf Putting Contest**.



Chris Gasper, above, winner of the Ron de Burger Annual Putting Contest with 80 points with Ralph Stanley, EHFC Vice Chair presenting the EHFC swag prize. Runner up Paul Willard had 70 points and George Matsumura had 55 points.



Dave de Burger, above, and his mother, Fran, with the Ron de Burger trophy. Dave is holding his Dad's putter.



Bob Moulton, left, won the EHFC "win your golf tournament \$100 registration fee back" presented by EHFC Vice Chair Ralph Stanley.

The Challenges of Supporting and Fundraising

A goal of the EHFC Board is to carry out fundraising activities in collaboration with other like-minded non-profit organizations for Canadian and international environmental public health aid projects. The ability to support initiatives is based on the annual giving of our donors.

The EHFC Board is made up of volunteer trustees who are responsible for the creation of projects, fundraising and the administration of the Foundation's work. We have no staff and keep our administration costs to a minimum for items such as printing, stamps, banking fees, and teleconference meetings.

Our Board does not have the human resources to organize and manage an annual environmental public health aid project, but it has been able to support five different projects in the last ten years. One of the projects, Clinica Verde in Nicaragua supported some of our Alberta colleagues who travelled to, and carried out, aid work that supported the clinic. We were able to make the case to Revenue Canada's Charities Directorate that the money donated was used for its intended purpose. The Canadian government is always concerned about money laundering and donations being used for illegal activities. It is not as simple as you pick an aid project and donate money. As a Canadian recognized charity (Registration No: 870968377 RR 0001) we must carefully follow Canadian laws and report to the government on an annual basis. You can view our historical annual reports to the Charities Directorate at <http://www.ciphi.ca/membership-list/> and enter Environmental Health Foundation of Canada.

The volunteer Board members seek out potential partners; investigate their projects to ensure that the funds donated to us are used as intended and that the organization has very low overhead. Our latest partner is the Rotary Club of Stratford Charitable Foundation. They created the Canadian Outreach Medical and Mission Team (COMMIT) and partnered with Nicaragua Public Health and have focused for the past eight years on small communities to make an impact and positive difference in the lives of those who live there.

COMMIT's Mission Statement: Compassionate commitment to bettering the lives of people in less advantaged countries, through effective and collaborative use of medical, social and education programs. COMMIT members are made up of physicians, nurses, dentists and interested persons who travel yearly (winter and fall) to Nicaragua to work on projects, providing long term commitment, a few villages at a time. Their projects include clean drinking water, sanitation, eco-friendly stoves, sustainable agriculture, educational and social support. Two of the many positive aspects that interested the EHFC Board Trustees is that they have no overhead and there is an ongoing evaluation component to each of their projects. You can learn more about COMMIT by visiting our website www.ehfc.ca – Support Us Page – Fund Raising Initiatives – Current Initiative – 2020 Nicaragua.

The EHFC Board is looking forward to working with COMMIT on food safety educational materials. The COMMIT team members are hoping that interested PHIs/ EHOs will plan to join them on future trips as they currently did not have a public health professional on their team. The cost to team members includes transportation, meals and accommodations (approximately \$1,800) and the amount is tax deductible. To learn more please send an email to EHFC@outlook.com and a Board Trustee will be in touch.



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Professional Development

In 2019 the EHFC was pleased to be able to financially support one of the CIPHI ON Branch professional development series, the Recreational Water Educational Seminar held in October. Ralph Stanley, EHFC Vice Chair was one of the guest speakers.

The EHFC Board welcomes the opportunity to financially sponsor future CIPHI Branches and their professional development days.



Recreational Water Educational Seminar

November 18, 2019 | 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Region of Waterloo, 99 Regina Street South, Waterloo, ON N2J 4V3 | Room 508

This course has been approved by the Council of Professional Experience (CoPE) for 6.0 PDHs

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The EHFC Board has updated our promotional brochure and display banner and also created a new bookmark.

The brochure and bookmark are available compliments of the EHFC for CIPHI Branch conferences and professional development days.

Also available for delegates are ID lanyards.

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The volunteer Board of Trustees main financial goal is to keep administration costs to a minimum including adhering to a policy that allows for Trustees to be reimbursed for travel expenses to attend the annual general meeting and CIPHI conferences but 100% of that money is donated back to the Foundation for which a tax receipt is issued. Another priority is to make wise investment of donations to ensure our awards and projects are sustainable for decades to come through endowment of the funds donated and as directed by our donors.

Your Donation is a gift that keeps giving throughout the coming year and beyond!

- ◆ Donations may be made in the form of a bequest in your will
- ◆ Creation of a trust fund
- ◆ Purchase of a dedicated life insurance policy
- ◆ Donations of \$20 or greater will receive a tax receipt for income tax
- ◆ You can direct your donation to one or several different projects or products

You can donate online at www.EHFC.ca and pay via credit card or PayPal or send our Treasurer Mike LeBlanc a cheque c/o 30 Odessa Cove, Winnipeg MB R2P 2Z6.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



DONATION FORM (revised 2018)

Donations may also be made in the form of a bequest, the creation of a trust fund, the purchase of a dedicated life insurance policy, a cash, or a credit card donation.

Support for all projects, **OR**

AWARDS

Canadian Water and Wastewater Association Safe Water Award: An annual \$500 award for a PHI/EHO currently working in the field in recognition of outstanding contributions to the promotion of drinking water or wastewater safety in Canada.

Clifford E. Van Alstyne, CPHI(C) Communication Award: An annual \$1,000 award for a PHI/EHO currently working in the field in who displays commitment, involvement or innovation in the field of environmental public health with a focus on communication in all its forms.

EHFC Continuing Education Award: An annual \$500 award for a PHI/EHO currently working in the field based on a submission outlining how this further education will benefit their career and assist them in protecting the health of the public.

Len Hiebert Environmental Health Review Award: An annual \$500 award for Public Health Inspection student research. One award issued to a student or group of students at each of the six CIPHI accredited schools of Environmental Public Health nominated by their respective faculty.

Lilli Ann Zahara Award: An annual \$500 award for a PHI/EHO currently working in the field displaying dedication, commitment, inspiration, and leadership, particularly with a commitment to food safety education.

PROJECTS

Food Safety Education: Food Safety education through the use of the TempSafe ® food safety temperature symbols education project.

Ed Fleming Project: Financial support for projects encouraging safe water for consumers in Canada and Internationally through education and aid projects.

DONATIONS TO THE EHFC ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE UNDER THE INCOME TAX ACT
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