

Focus on Friends

On behalf of children living with mental health problems, NCYS Foundation extends sincere thanks.



▲ The Kiwanis Club of St. Catharines generously supported NCYS with a gift of \$36,000 for the purchase of much needed furniture for family treatment rooms and waiting rooms at both the Schmon and Merrittville sites.



▲ The Kiwanis Club of St. Catharines Central has supported the children of NCYS with gifts totalling almost \$2,000 in the last year alone.



▲ Niagara Community Foundation supported the Play Therapy Program at NCYS with a gift of \$500 for the purchase of a digital camera and printer.



▲ Canada Post Foundation for Mental Health and Mental Illness has made the addition of the Parent Connection program a reality with a gift of \$72,900 for the training of staff and start-up costs of toys and supplies.



▲ M&M Meat Shops on Fourth Avenue in St. Catharines chose NCYS to receive the generous proceeds from their Grand Opening celebrations.

A Planned Gift

Marguerite Lucas was dedicated to serving others and making a positive impact on those around her. She spent her 44 year professional career as a legal secretary, with the last 12 years as assistant to senior Court of Appeal judges. In 1999, Marguerite chose to join the Board of Directors for NCYS (NCDC), where she was active on several committees.

Marguerite is fondly remembered by family, friends, and acquaintances for her personal tradition of sending



hand-written notes and birthday cards without fail. Those around her always felt special and appreciated due to her caring and kindness. The Lucas family experienced a great loss in September of 2008 with the passing of Marguerite. However, with her boundless spirit of giving, she had planned ahead to leave a legacy for the children served by NCYS with a planned gift through her Will. On November 10, 2009, Susan Lucas personally delivered a gift according to Marguerite's wishes which was gratefully accepted on behalf of more than 4,000 children and their families.