

**B.C. Council of Garden Clubs (BCCGC)
Scholarship Trust Fund (STF) Trustees Report**

Trustees

Gillian Davis (Chair); *Member of the South Surrey Garden Club*

Brenda Woosnam (Secretary); *Member of the South Surrey Garden Club*

A big thank you to all our donors. We appreciate your donations and your continued interest in the Scholarship Trust Fund. Our committee has established contact with universities and colleges and we hear what a tremendous difference our scholarships and bursaries make to the studies of horticultural students. The cost of living and the cost of attending university in British Columbia continue to rise, making the Scholarship Trust Fund increasingly important.

Organisation Name	2018 Donations	Gift Amount
The Vancouver Rose Society		250.00
Vendor Table Rental		432.00
Garden Club of Vancouver		500.00
New Westminster Horticultural Society		400.00
Vancouver Dahlia Society		600.00
Vancouver Ikebana Association		50.00
Nancy Moore		100.00
Okanagan Gardens and Roses		200.00
The South Delta Garden Club		500.00
Lynn Valley Garden Club		300.00
BC Fuchsia and Begonia Society		105.00
Julie Tommila		25.00
North Surrey Horticultural Society (\$200 for 2017 & \$200 for 2018)		400.00
Gordon Head Garden Club		50.00
Karin England		50.00
Deep Cove Garden Club		150.00
Dogwood Garden Club		250.00
Dunbar Garden Club		1,000.00
Total		5,362.00

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I would also like to extend my thanks to Brenda Woosnam my co-trustee for her enthusiasm and tireless hard work.

In the 75th Anniversary of the BCCGC I would like to acknowledge the contributions you, our member clubs and Trustees have made over the years since the inception of the Scholarship Trust Fund. This endowment fund began in 1970 with \$100. It took ten years to reach a goal of \$10,000. At December 31, 2018 the fund had reached \$261,358.47.

In June of 1978, the funds were put into a Trust with Edwin Darts, Charles Brown and Joan Bawlf named the initial Trustees. Also in June 1978 the Trust applied for and was granted charitable status by the Canada Revenue Agency. In 2006, with an initial amount of \$15,000, we began transferring the management of the fund to Vancity Community Foundation. The Scholarship fund at that time had an approximate value \$170,000, most of it held in term deposits. From March 2006 to December 2011, as these term deposits matured, the entire assets of the fund were moved to the Vancity Community Foundation.

Prior to moving to Vancity the Trustees were responsible for raising funds, maintaining the fund and making all the investments. Diana Bellhouse, one of the first founders of the fund and Scholarship Committee Chairman from 1970 - 1978, is still an active member of the BCCGC. The Mildred Wells Scholarship given out by the SFT was named after a past president of the BCCGC and has helped many students studying for Master of Pest Management at Simon Fraser University. The Rose Bancroft Scholarship given out by the STF to UBC is also named after a past president. Kwantlen University College was the first recipient of an award from the STF. For 2019 we will give \$10,350 to twelve accredited colleges and universities for students attending horticulture related programs in British Columbia.

School	2016	2017	2018	2019
Simon Fraser University - Mildred Wells	1,000	1,000	1,600	1,000
Vancouver Island University *	800	800	-	800
Horticulture Centre of the Pacific	700	700	700	800
UBC - Rose Bancroft *	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
UBC - Horticulture Bursary *	1,000	1,000	-	550
University of the Fraser Valley	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,000
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	900	1,000	2,500	1,000
University of Northern BC	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,100
Camosun College	900	900	1,200	900
Thompson Rivers University	900	1,000	1,000	1,100
Okanagan College *	500	500	-	-
UBC - Horticulture Training Program **	-	-	1,100	1,100
Total	9,700	9,900	10,600	10,350

* These institutions had been working with old instructions from the Scholarship Trustees. As the Trustees increased the amount of the award to the institution, the institution continued to award students the old, lower amounts. They accumulated the excess funds. The institutions have now been instructed to award these excess amounts and update to the amount of the current award. For the institutions where no scholarship amount is listed, the school had sufficient money on hand from previous STF grants to award the regular annual scholarship. Once these excess funds are awarded, the BCCGC Trustees will again send grants to these programs.

**The Scholarship Fund began awarding amounts to this program in 2018.

Student Recipients

We continue to communicate with the student recipients of our grants. In 2018 we were able to meet Warren Wong of Simon Fraser University when he attended our October 2018 meeting. Warren thoroughly enjoyed attending our meeting and meeting our members.

In 2018 we were delighted to add UBC Horticulture Training Program to our accredited colleges and universities. Douglas Justice, Horticulture and Collections, UBC is with us today and Egan Davis who is known to many of the garden clubs is the Horticulture Program Chief Educator. Helping to maintain the UBC Botanical Garden are some of the students who came from the Horticulture Training Program. Launched in 2012, it aims to teach the skills necessary to enter the field of horticulture through eight months of instruction from late summer to spring. Graduates of the program are well prepared to apply for entry level positions with landscaping firms, golf courses, nurseries and municipal park departments,

and also receive credit for the classroom portion of Levels 1 & 2 of the provincial horticulture apprenticeship. Two of our trustees, Brenda Woosnam and Gillian Roberts, both of the South Surrey Garden Club, accompanied by Laurel Slaney of Dunbar Garden Club attended the UBC Horticulture Training Program award ceremony last fall.

VanCity Community Foundation

We continue to work with VanCity Community Foundation to ensure our funds are managed according to our expectations.

Vendors:

Many of our vendors regularly attend our meetings and we appreciate their contribution.

Vancouver Shade Garden

Julie Tommila Fashions

Jim Halliburton - the Kelp Man

Jennifer Zuk - Jennifer's Jiffies

Mike Bryant and Sandy Peters - Mike and Sandy's Berry Farm

Sandy Peters - Touch Therapy

Jennifer Pratt - Seeding Square

Kitty's Orchids

It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with the Scholarship Trust Fund and to meet the members of our clubs.

Respectfully submitted,

Gillian Davis

Chair, Scholarship Trust Fund

Statement of Fund Activity January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018

Opening Fund Value- January 1, 2018	\$263,592.28
Add: Donations and Monies Received	5,362.00
Add: BCCGC reimbursement for 2017 1% Expense Allocation	2,551.55
Add: Net Investment Income	3,140.49
Less: Grants Disbursed	10,600.00
Less: 1% Expense Allocation	2,687.85
Closing Fund Value - December 31, 2018	\$261,358.47