

**The Soong Ching Ling  
Children's  
Foundation of Canada**

**加拿大宋慶齡兒童基金會**



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## Overview

### **P**urpose:

**T**he Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada is dedicated to improving the education, health and welfare of children in both China and Canada. It upholds the spirit of international cooperation that was personified by Soong Ching Ling (1893-1981), who received international acclaim for her dedication to the emancipation of the Chinese people from domestic and foreign oppression and for her tireless efforts to better the lives of Chinese children.

### **P**rojects:

The Foundation provides financial support to various projects that foster understanding, cooperation and education among children from two diverse cultures. These projects currently include:

- **Support for The Stars and Rain Centre for Autism in Beijing**, one of the few facilities that exist in China to assist Chinese children diagnosed with autism.
- **An international symposium**, this year in **Richmond, B.C.**, for professionals and practitioners in the field of early childhood education. To date, four symposia have been held in China and Canada, attracting experts in early childhood education from several countries.
- **Scholarships** that enable financially-needy students in the poorest areas of China to pursue an education.
- **Financial support for a Chinese-speaking family support worker** and supervised after-school Kids First Programme for children at risk who attend Hastings Community School in **East Vancouver**. This inner city school has a high population of students whose families recently immigrated from China, who are among the children in the school who benefit from these programmes. The SCLCFC also has raised funds for the Kids First programme which is a supervised after-school programme that benefits students and families of all ethnic backgrounds.

### **R**esults and Future Impact:

Statistics from 2006 suggest China is home to 265 million children under the age of 14, a full 20% of China's population. This generation is emerging at a unique point in history, where there is a tremendous disparity between the quality of life enjoyed by young Chinese who are wealthy or poor, and thriving or barely surviving. The key to bridging this gap of opportunity is education.

The above projects actively demonstrate these virtues, and The Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation believes that this demonstration of altruistic giving will also help to instill these virtues in the lives and hearts of children who have never previously benefitted from them.

**I**t is the hope of the SCLCFC that the children who benefit from our programmes will become responsible and giving citizens; who are inspired to become successful, yet compassionate members of a global, socially responsible society.

**I**n Canada the Foundation's projects have effectively assisted children of many ethnic backgrounds in their transition to life in Canada as they continue to learn about, and understand, their own unique cultural heritage.

### **W**hat can you do ?

**The Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada is a non-profit, registered charitable foundation (# 886398593). We encourage individuals, foundations and businesses to work towards these common goals through financial donations and personal involvement.**



## MISSION STATEMENT

**T**he Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada is dedicated to improving the lives of children in China and Canada. It upholds the spirit of international cooperation, personified by Soong Ching Ling's life.

## HISTORY AND PURPOSE

**S**oong Ching Ling, or Mme. Sun Yat-Sen (1893-1981) is internationally acclaimed as one of the 20th century's most renowned female leaders. She was loved and revered for her dedication to the emancipation of the Chinese people from domestic and foreign oppression, and to international peace and good will. One of her greatest concerns was the protection of children, their education and welfare, for which she worked tirelessly all her life.

After her death on May 29, 1981, members of her family, friends and admirers in different parts of the world set up independent Soong Ching Ling foundations to honour her memory and carry on her work for the children. The Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada (SCLCFC) was the first to be founded, immediately after Mme. Soong Ching Ling passed away. There are currently such foundations in Beijing, Shanghai, Canada, Japan and Hungary.

The links between the SCLCFC and the Soong Ching Ling Foundations in Beijing and Shanghai are purely technical. In China, these foundations are government agencies responsible for the welfare of children and women. Through mutual agreements, these foundations have consented to act as conduits to help the SCLCFC in its work for children's education and welfare in China.

The SCLCF Canada is a voluntary, totally non-political, non-profit foundation. It is devoted to linking the people of Canada and China for the education, health and welfare of children in both countries, in the spirit of international cooperation, which Soong Ching Ling's life personified.

For the **C**hildren...



SCL Directors & Stars & Rain staff

## Programmes we support

# THE STARS AND RAIN CENTRE FOR AUTISM



**T**he Stars and Rain Centre for Autism in Beijing China was founded in 1993 by Tian Huiping (English name: Hope Tian), the mother of a child diagnosed with autism. At that time, autism was a rare diagnosis in China, and little known. She learned about Applied Behavioral Analysis programmes (ABA) abroad (this is the main type of therapy used with children with autism in North America), and founded her school on a completely private basis to work with her child and help other children with autism. Since then the school has expanded, and now provides services to many families of children with autism from all over China.

The school still receives no governmental support, but has received donations from China and abroad that have helped maintain and expand the programme. Current estimates are that there are at least 400,000 children with autism in China, and hardly any services to help these children or their families. This school has helped over 2000 children and families.

Our Board members have been very impressed by what they learned during visits to the Institute since October 2005. They saw a very dedicated group of staff and teachers working extremely hard with very limited resources to provide services to autistic children and their families, families who are willing to make large sacrifices to find ways to help their children.

In 2007 we decided to:

- Extend an invitation to 2 teachers to come to Vancouver, funded by the Foundation, to observe and learn from some of the first-rate programmes offered in this city for children with autism. This visit is planned for November 2007.
- Raise funds to pay partial salary to engage an Assistant Director, to free-up the director, Hope Tian, to address some of the long-term issues of the school, such as establishing a Board of Directors, finding a long-term solution to the problem of a facility for the school, starting a care home for autistic children, spreading the work of the Centre to more locations in China, etc.
- Help the Centre to purchase a used van, which is essential for their daily activities and fund-raising needs.

**W**e recognize that these are small contributions to this wonderful programme, which needs and deserves considerably more. Stars and Rain would like to be able to offer more scholarships to ease the financial burden of families who come to the Institute, and to enable more families to come to Beijing for the training. It also would like to provide more outreach programmes for families living outside Beijing, and to start a programme for older children with autism. Currently, the Institute rents its main facility (which is in very poor condition) and has no guarantee of long-term stability; it badly needs a permanent home. SCLCFC hopes to raise more funds, so that in the future we can offer even more assistance to this wonderful programme that has helped so many children and their families.





Programmes we support ....

## INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM On Early Childhood Education

### History of the Symposium

The International Symposium on Early Childhood Education was the brainchild of Dr. Glen Dixon, then president of Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada (SCLCFC). Dr. Dixon and his students at the University of British Columbia were instrumental in providing academic assistance to establish the Shanghai SCL Child Development Research Centre and the International Department of the Shanghai SCL Kindergarten.

Through their work, it became obvious that early childhood educators in both Canada and China welcome the opportunity to learn about each others' best practices and research. SCLCFC, with the collaboration of Shanghai SCL, then organized the first International Symposium on Early Childhood Education in Vancouver, BC in the fall of 1999. The symposium was a success and encouraged both foundations to establish it as a bi-annual event to be hosted alternately by SCLCFC and Shanghai SCL. To date, four symposia have been held, and a fifth is planned for October 2007.

**1999:** SCLCFC hosted the first symposium in Vancouver, BC. The theme was "Environmental Awareness."

**2001:** Shanghai SCL hosted the second symposium in Shanghai, with a theme of "Early Childhood Creativity Education." It attracted educators and researchers from China and Canada, as well as Taiwan, Hong Kong and Italy.

**2003:** SCLCFC hosted the third symposium in Richmond, BC. The theme was "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Early Childhood Education." Shanghai SCL sent a delegation of eight educators from various parts of China.

**2005:** Shanghai SCL hosted the fourth symposium in Shanghai, China. The theme was "Early Childhood Education in Multicultural Background."



Board and Advisory Board members of our Foundation at the 2005 International Seminar on Early Childhood Education in Multi-Culture Background. Left to right: Tony Lau, then President Barbara Tong, Nina Halpern, Ben Choi Vice President Eve Adams, Tommy Tam, Cynthia Lam

This symposium attracted more than 100 academics and practitioners from Australia, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan, Singapore and Malaysia. A delegation of eight SCLCFC Board members attended.

Then president, Barbara Tong, gave an opening address, and Board members **Eve Adams** and **Nina Halpern** presented papers.





Programmes we support ....

## INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM On Early Childhood Education



### 2007 International Symposium on Early Childhood Education: The Whole Child



The fifth international symposium will take place in Richmond, BC on Oct. 22 and 23, 2007, hosted by the Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada in collaboration with Shanghai Soong Ching Ling Foundation.

The theme for the symposium will be "The Whole Child." Chinese and local delegates will gather with parents and professionals in the early childhood education field to present and to hear current research and studies related to early childhood development and school preparedness. Richmond Health Services have confirmed their support for the symposium and the two-day event will take place in the auditorium of Richmond General Hospital.

Presenters from Canada and China will deliver papers on the factors imperative to childhood healthy development and learning. Topics will include:

- Social/emotional development
- Intellectual development
- Physical development
- Developmental stages of childhood
- Language development

Dr. Clyde Hertzman, Faculty of Early Child Development, University of British Columbia (UBC) will deliver the keynote address and an overview of UBC's internationally renowned Community Mapping Project.

A contingent of 75-100 parents, Early Childhood Educators, health care workers, and professionals involved in the delivery of services to young children are expected to attend the symposium.



## Programmes we support ....



### The Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Fund and Scholarship Programme



**The Paul and Eileen Lin Scholarship Fund** was established in 2001 to help students in needy regions of China to complete senior high school education.

The generosity of the late Paul T.K. Lin and his widow Eileen Lin helped create a substantial base for the Scholarship Fund.

Mrs. Lin remains an active Trust Fund Director.

### The Paul and Eileen Lin Scholarship Fund

In 2001 Professor and Mrs. Lin decided to donate \$190,000, total funds of the Linbridge Foundation, to provide financial assistance to talented students who are otherwise not able to attend senior high school. Inspired by the Lins' generosity and altruism, the Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation held a fundraising dinner in September 2001 and raised \$110,000 to augment the donation from Prof. and Mrs. Lin. This marks the beginning of the Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust. The funds have since grown to over \$360,000 by the end of 2005 and are invested in a portfolio of low risk government bonds with an annual yield of approximately 5%. The income from this portfolio is disbursed as the Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Scholarship.

While the government policy in China supports free education for children attending Grade 1 to Grade 9, some children in poorer regions, usually the rural farming regions, cannot afford to attend senior high schools due to financial constraints. The purpose of the Paul and Eileen Lin Scholarship Fund is to bridge the gap so that some of these students could continue their education through senior high school, and even have a chance of university education through other scholarships or student loans that are available. In addition to helping students with their education, one objective of the Fund is to foster the idea of giving and helping other people.

At the start, disbursements to high schools in An Hui province and Ning Xia province commenced in the 2003-2004 school year. In 2004, a third school in Inner Mongolia was added to the scholarship programme and in 2005 a fourth school in Xing Long County in Hebei Province was also added to the programme. The funding in each location is 30,000 RMB annually providing assistance to 30 students at each location for a total of 120 students in the four locations.



Students in Ning Xia  
With SLC Director  
Howard Chu





The Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Fund and Scholarship  
**Senior High School Scholarship  
 Programmes ..... cont.**



**T**he schools that currently receive scholarships through the Endowment Trust are:

- **Nan Xi Middle School,**  
An Hui Province
- **Gu Yuan No. 2 Middle School, and  
Hui Minority School,**  
Ning Xia Hui Autonomous Region
- **Wu Dan No. 1 Middle School,**  
Inner Mongolia
- **Xing Long No. 1 Middle School,**  
He Bei Province.



**E**very year, RMB 1,000 is distributed to each of the 120 students from these five schools. They have demonstrated academic excellence and a true need for financial assistance.

They are selected by a committee consisting of the teachers of the schools and representatives from the local school district. Information on the recipients and their progress throughout the school years are reported to the Foundation through our local agents, i.e. The Shanghai Soong Ching Ling Foundation and The Beijing Soong Ching Ling Foundation.

**O**ver the years, Board Members have traveled to these schools on their own time at their own expense to meet with the students and their teachers. We have never failed to be impressed by the students' appreciation of our help and their determination to succeed.







## Programmes we support ....

### Senior High School Scholarship Programmes ..... cont.

China is a growing economic power and it is hoped that government assistance will be available to students going to school beyond Grade 9 in the not too distant future.

#### The Three Year Senior High School Scholarship Programme

Through our work in the Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Scholarship project, we realized that there are indications that the government of China is recognizing the void of financial aid for senior high school students and that they are going to take measures to remedy that in the near future. This realization inspired us to start a separate short-term Three Year Senior High School Scholarship Programme at the end of 2005, to help bridge the gap until the government is able to act on that recognition. Donors are solicited to commit to donating a certain amount for a three-year term. Donations to this programme provide direct financial aid to students. In contrast to the Paul and Eileen Lin Scholarship Fund where only the annual interest income earned on the fund is disbursed, donations to this programme provides direct financial aid to the student; and funding and disbursements are matched annually.

The first funding was sent in September 2006 to China to benefit 100 students from three schools in Ning Xia. This short-term programme will take five years to complete because the Grade 10 students receiving funding in the third year will still have two years to go until they graduate. This short term programme will actually take five years to complete because the Grade 10 students selected in the third year will take another two years to complete their Grade 12. We already have commitments from donors to provide funding for the full five years.

We hope that our scholarship programmes can change the lives of young people by assisting them to pursue higher education. We can see how economic development in the big cities will provide life expanding opportunities, both negative and positive for the youth of China. Through the provision of assistance to these students at an early age, we hope to promote the concept of giving and caring for the less privileged. It is hoped that students benefiting from our scholarship programme will learn these values as they grow up, and become useful and responsible citizens of the society.

#### Financial Summary

##### The Paul & Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Scholarship

Startup donation from Linbridge Foundation	\$190,000
Donations since 2001	<u>\$160,000</u>
Total funds received	<u>\$350,000</u>
Annual investment income = annual disbursement	\$18,000
Disbursement in RMB @7.00	RMB 126,000
Number of students assisted annually	120 students

##### Short Term Scholarship Programme

Pledged donation per annum	\$15,000
Scholarship disbursement per annum	\$15,000
Disbursement in RMB @7.00	RMB105,000
Number of students assisted annually	100 students





## Messages from our scholarship students in China

Translated from Chinese by Cynthia Lam

### From Zhang Lian Yeh

I can't guarantee you anything, but one thing I firmly believe, is that victory belongs to determined people. I will not disappoint you. For my parents, and for my country, I must work hard to be accepted and enter a good university, so that I can later contribute to the building of my village and my country. China is a developing nation, still behind in economy, science and technology. She is in great need of knowledgeable, cultured and able people to help build it up. And I hope to be one of them. My hometown Gou Yuen, is a small hilly village, surrounded by big mountains. People here barely manage to survive, education is far from being a priority... educating girls is thought simply as a waste of time, as they will be married off and work for other families sooner or later. As a result, very few girls get to go to school. For this, and this alone, I'm determined to study hard, aiming at changing this outdated mentality and at creating a new face for my village. I know this scholarship did not come easily, they are from your own expenses. This scholarship represents your love for our country, it also symbolizes the friendship between the 2 countries. The world today indeed is in need of this friendship, people around the world are in search of peace and compassion, to build a beautiful big family... our planet earth.

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### From Kwok Juen - 2<sup>nd</sup> year

I feel so privileged to have received your scholarship. I do not dare to think what would happen if I didn't have your help. Maybe, like many young girls in the village, I may have left home trying to earn a living on my own, roaming around all by myself, and wasting my youth away day after day.. Or maybe I'd be like my Mother, working in the fields every single day, looking far, praying for the miracle to happen, for a better harvest. I was so frightened, looking at what lay ahead of me, as it felt like I was just dreaming...

I was so afraid that it was all but a dream... Until I calmed myself, and then I realized it was all true what you have brought me. Words became powerless to express how I felt. All I could try to do is to transform these words into actions, to study and to work, to pay back to my country and my community.

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### From He - 1<sup>st</sup> year

This I owe to you, my dear benefactors! I pledge to do the following as my meagre ways to repay you:

1. I will study diligently and strive for excellence in both academic and moral behaviours.
2. I will strive to work to improve the quality of life for the farm village, and to improve access to schooling for its poor children. I will also forever support any organization with a loving heart, like your Foundation.

Please believe in me. And allow me to say once more: Thank you!

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### From Li Fung -1<sup>st</sup> year

The mountain village I come from is very poor, very few of the children go to school, let alone girls! And I am the only girl who goes to school. My Dad often wants me to go help in the farm like other parents do with their children, but every time, my Mom struggled and fought hard from her sick bed to prevent this. Whenever I think back on this, I can't help but shed tears, and reminding myself the promises I made, to study hard to enter a good university, and to work hard towards helping other needy children, against this feudal mentality, doing my share to making change and to contribute to society.





Programmes we support ....

## The Hastings School Project



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**Honorary Chairperson Mrs. Eileen Lin  
and pupils from Hastings School**

Since 2004, the Foundation has been providing assistance to two very important projects at **Hastings Community School**; the hiring of a part-time Chinese-speaking family support worker and the after-school Kids First activities programme.

The fundraising dinner proceeds of \$12,000 in 2004 were donated to the school to hire a part-time, Chinese speaking, family support worker to fill a void which was created by government funding cuts. Gore Mutual also donated \$2,000.

The work of this family support worker has proved to be very valuable, based on the reports from the community school coordinator at Hastings Community School. The Foundation organized another successful fundraising dinner in September 2006 and again raised \$12,000 to continue funding this position. A planned calligraphy exhibit and sale of works by renowned calligrapher Mr. Yim Tse, to be held in August 2007, is expected to raise another \$6,000 to continue funding the family support worker.

The Foundation is also very aware of the importance of the after-school programs for the students, especially students at the inner city schools such as Hastings Community School. Through the work of the Foundation, \$12,000 was raised from the Ministry of Child Care in 2005 which was contributed toward the cost of the Kids First Program. The Kids First program provides supervised activities for children at risk in the after-school hours. In 2006, again through the work of the Foundation, Teck Cominco Limited has committed to donate \$20,000 to the cost of the Kids First program for three consecutive years.

The Board members of the Foundation are very concerned that many of the needs of the students at the Hastings Community School, and many other inner city schools, are not met due to a lack of funding.

The Foundation intends to approach other organizations, such as the Rotary Clubs and Lions' Clubs in the Vancouver community, to enlist more support for these schools. Efforts will also be directed to bringing this information to the public and government representatives, so that children in our very own community that are at risk and in need will not be left unattended.





Programmes we support ....

## The Poetry Project

As part of the continuation of a Poetry Project initiated in 1998, our current project produced electronic audio and video teaching materials of classical Chinese poetry studies by Professor Yeh Jia Ying and provides free distribution to universities in China, Canada and other countries.



Professor Chia-Ying Yeh, Mrs. Eileen Lin & Library Representatives in the Vancouver area.

The first series of materials was the production of a set of VCD's on Professor Chia-Ying Yeh's "Seventeen Lectures on Lyric Poetry of the Tang and Song Dynasties".

The distribution of these sets has already begun with the initial presentation in Vancouver in June 2007 to several Vancouver Region libraries. Special thanks to Simon Fraser University and its personnel, especially Prof. Jan Walls, for their participation in this important event, and the use of the David Lam Centre for the Presentation.

### A Brief Biography of Professor Chia-ying Yeh

Professor Yeh is a Chinese Canadian and a renowned scholar of classical Chinese poetry in the genres of Shi (poetry) and Ci (lyric poetry). She is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Canada; Professor Emeritus of University of British Columbia; Honorary Research Fellow of the Institute of Literature, Chinese Academy of Social Science; Director of the Institute of Classical Chinese Culture at Nan Kai University, Tian Jin, China. She has taught at Taiwan University, Harvard University and Michigan University.

As a conscientious scholar, she has devoted herself to the study, research and teaching of classical Chinese literature, Chinese poems and lyric poetry for six decades with outstanding achievements. She has published more than twenty scholastic works on the study of Chinese poetry and lyric poetry in China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and U.S.A. Some of her works are considered classics in the field of Classical Chinese Literature.

In 1993, with the co-operation of Nan Kai University, Prof. Yeh initiated the establishment of the Institute of Classical Chinese Culture. It is Professor Yeh's great desire to preserve and propagate Classical Chinese Culture. In addition it is her wish to encourage the younger generation to pursue classical Chinese studies. She believes that classical Chinese poems and lyric poetry are the essence of traditional Chinese culture.

Reading poetry allows one's mind to resonate with that of the "ancients" of thousands of years ago. Prof. Yeh firmly believes that not only can one enjoy the beauty of poetry, it is equally important for one to appreciate the philosophical and moral thoughts expressed within. This, she believes is of utmost importance to the younger Chinese generation.

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## Programmes we support ....

# Summary of our Past & Current Projects

- **2007** — Continue to provide funding of \$33,000 annually (220,000 RMB) to assist 220 students attending senior high school in the poorer regions of China.
- **2007** — Continue to help fundraise for Hastings Community School for the hiring of a part-time Chinese speaking family support worker and the Kids First after-school activities programme. Funds raised from 2005 to 2007 were approximately \$40,000 annually.
- **2007** — Sponsoring/organizing the Fifth International Symposium on Early Childhood Education, to be held in Richmond, B.C. October 22 & 23, with presenters from China and Canada.
- **2007** — Invited two teachers from the Stars and Rain Institute to come to Vancouver in November for advanced training in educating children with autism.
- **2006 – 2007** Funded the making and distribution to educational institutions in China and Canada of VCDs of a series of lectures on Chinese lyrical poetry given by Professor Yeh Chia-ying, a renowned expert in the field.
- **2006** — On the basis of visits and investigation by Board members, identified the Stars and Rain Institute in Beijing, a unique centre for training children with autism and their families, as a target for assistance and fund-raising. Raised funds to help pay salary of an Assistant Director to allow for more long-term planning by the Director.
- **2005** – Co-sponsored the 2005 International Seminar on Early Childhood Education in Multiculture Background, held in Shanghai, and sent a delegation of eight to the Seminar, three of whom presented at the Seminar.
- **2005** -- Participated in the First Worldwide Soong Ching Ling Foundation Chairman's Forum, held near Shanghai.
- **2005** – Established a 3-year senior high school scholarship programme to allow more financially-needy students in poor areas of China to attend high school. Supported 90 students in the first year of the programme.
- **2005** – Raised funds to support the “Kids First” programme at the Hastings Community School -- an after-school programme for at-risk children attending the school.
- **2004** – Raised funds to engage a part-time Chinese-speaking family support worker at the Hastings Community School, to reach out to the many Chinese-speaking parents of students there.
- **2004** – Provided translation service for the production of the Chinese version of “Fair Play” brochure, a programme aiming at creating a community without bullying.
- **2003** – Co-sponsored a cross-cultural Early Childhood Education Symposium in Vancouver Canada with Shanghai Soong Ching Ling Foundation
- **2002** – Produced and distributed the Chinese version of CICH brochure “First Years Last For Ever”





## Programmes we support ....

# Summary of our Past & Current Projects Page 2

- **2002** – Translated materials about the “Roots of Empathy” project to allow Chinese-speaking families to understand their children’s participation in this programme aimed at building empathy among elementary-school children.
- **2001** – Established the Paul and Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Scholarship Programme.
- **2000** - Funded the rebuilding of a school in Luan Ping County, He Bei Province to the northeast of Beijing, China, for 400 students, Grades One through Nine.
- **1999** - Hosted an International Symposium in Vancouver, the focus of which was environmental awareness in children.
- **1999** - Funded the addition of a community library at the Chi Ying Middle School in Ning Xia, which SCLCFC helped to rebuild in 1994.
- **1998** - Fostered the very important Chinese Poetry Project in China to encourage children to understand and appreciate the ancient art of Chinese poetry.
- **1998** - Established a Scholarship Fund for outstanding teachers and students in An Hui Province, China.
- **1995** - Established a separate fund to support Outreach Programmes in Child Education, administered through the Shanghai Soong Ching Ling Foundation.
- **1994** - Funded the rebuilding of a school to benefit 1,300 children in Gui Yuan County of Ning Xia Autonomous Region in north central China.
- **1994** - Fostered a Collaborative Project between Shanghai SCL Kindergarten and the University of British Columbia Child Study Centre.
- **1994** - Assisted in the establishment of the SCL International Kindergarten in Shanghai. Introduced both Montessori and Early Childhood Education Methods to the school.
- **1993** - Helped establish the SCL Child Development Research Centre in Shanghai, China.
- **1985** - Produced a documentary --- "The Children of Soong Ching Ling"--- depicting the life of children in China. The film was nominated for an Oscar for Best Documentary by the Motion Picture Academy in Los Angeles, USA.





## Our Annual Fund Raising Target for 2007

### Advisory Board 2007-2008

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### Budget for 2007

Paul & Eileen Lin Endowment Trust Scholarship	\$ 18,000
Short Term Scholarship Fund	15,000
Poetry Project– Continued funding	16,000
Hastings School Family Worker Engagement	24,000
Stars & Rain Centre Financial Aid	18,500
2007 Early Childhood Education Symposium	<u>9,000</u>
Total disbursement (a)	<b><u>\$100,500</u></b>

### Projected Income and Fundraising Target

Projected endowment Trust Income	\$ 18,000
Pledged short term scholarship donations	15,000
Donations earmarked for poetry project	16,000
Planned Fundraising Event	<u>20,000</u>
<b>Total projected income (b)</b>	<b><u>\$ 69,000</u></b>
<b>Fundraising Target (a-b)</b>	<b><u>\$ 30,500</u></b>

### Notes:

1. The amount of funds to be raised does not include amounts donated to our projects directly by the donors but raised through our efforts, such as the \$25,000 donated by Teck Cominco to Hastings Community School.
2. The actual amount of funds raised will vary and may be more or less than the targets.
3. The Foundation strives to raise substantially more funding for the ongoing programmes of the Hastings Community School and other inner-city schools, as well as for the long-term need of the Stars and Rain Center for Autistic Children in China.



# For the Children Award....



**Prof. Paul T.K. Lin O.C. (1920-2004)  
& Mrs. Eileen Lin**

**T**he Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada "**For the Children Award**", was established in 1996 when Theresa Odishaw stepped down as President of the Foundation. The Foundation wanted to present to her an appropriate award for her outstanding contribution.

During her presidency Theresa always signed her letters "For the Children" instead of "Yours truly". The phrase became synonymous with the Foundation. Professor Paul T. K. Lin and Mrs. Eileen Lin co-founders of the foundation recommended an award called "**For the Children Award**" and Theresa Odishaw was the first recipient.

The Award continues to be given, to honour men and women who give selflessly of their time and talents to change for the better, the lives of children. The phrase "For the Children" is now used in all correspondence by the Soong Ching Ling Foundation of Canada and by the Soong Ching Ling Foundations in Shanghai and Beijing.

Former recipients include (in order of date of presentation)

**Theresa Odishaw**—former President and long time member of the SCL Board.

**Professor Paul T. K. Lin O.C. (1920-2004) & Mrs. Eileen Lin**

co-founders of the Soong Ching Ling Children's Foundation of Canada.

**Mr. Hamish Cameron**, a long time board member, supporter and Solicitor for the Foundation.

**Dr. Grace McCarthy, OC.,** - Founder and long time activist of CHILD foundation.

**Dr. Clyde Hertzman** - Director of the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP), University of British Columbia



**Hamish Cameron**



**Dr. Grace McCarthy O.C.**



**Dr. Clyde Hertzman**



**Theresa Odishaw**

