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## **Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough**

*Shining a spotlight on philanthropy in honour of National Philanthropy Day*

PETERBOROUGH, October 11, 2011 - The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough has announced its fall programs focused on celebrating National Philanthropy Day, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. National Philanthropy Day recognizes and celebrates the profound impact that philanthropy—and those people active in the philanthropic community—have made to our lives, our communities and our world. The Community Foundation will extend its celebrations for the entire month of November and invites community members to participate.

“Philanthropy is the unique spirit that flourishes when people believe their community holds the possibility of betterment for everyone. Philanthropy expresses itself by people coming together, identifying community issues, and providing the necessary financial and volunteer support for causes and organizations” said Community Foundation Chair, Bill Lockington. “We celebrate National Philanthropy Day to recognize the extraordinary impact the non-profit and charitable sector plays in our community. In Canada, there are more than 160,000 non-profits, and Canadians give more than \$10 billion annually to these organizations. The quality of life for all people would be significantly diminished if not for these organizations.”

The following events are a part of the Community Foundation initiatives in November and are open to the public. For ticket and registration information, visit [www.cfqp.ca](http://www.cfqp.ca) or call 705.740.2347

### **Life is What You Make It: A Concert & Conversation with Peter Buffett**

November 3, 2011, Market Hall Performing Arts Centre

As the youngest son of legendary investor Warren Buffett, Peter—an Emmy Award winning composer, philanthropist, and author—explains the reasoning behind his father's decision not to give his children a financial head start in life and how important it is for each person to define his or her own path, regardless of their wealth or background. Infused with live music performances and video clips from his film, TV, and philanthropic work, Peter's candour and unique talent make for an uplifting and rewarding evening. To learn more about Peter, visit [www.peterbuffett.com](http://www.peterbuffett.com).

### **Field of Vision: PhotoSensitive and Social Change**

November 14, 2011, Peterborough Golf & Country Club

A retrospective exhibition of stunning photos from 20 years of PhotoSensitive projects. PhotoSensitive is a non-profit collective of photographers whose projects focus on realities with which North Americans are familiar, including poverty, hunger, illness, racism, ignorance, and injustice. But it concentrates, too, on their antidotes: the hope found in the face of adversity, the laughter and love that make the difficulties of life tolerable, the simple pleasures that lighten dark lives. PhotoSensitive's founder, Andrew Stawicki, will also share his own experiences and thoughts regarding this organization's journey.

### **2011 Philanthropy Forum**

November 15, 2011, Peterborough Golf & Country Club

This second annual event features interactive sessions, breakthrough thinking, networking and a celebration of philanthropy in Peterborough. Participants will gain valuable, practical, professional advice regarding non-profit risk management, succession planning, enhancing community profile, social media strategies and more. This forum will be of interest to board members, staff and volunteers of non-profit organizations. A reception will follow with inspirational fourteen year-old special guest Bilaal Rajan, Founder, Making Change Now, UNICEF Canada Ambassador, and Lakefield College School student.



### **Charity Law Information Program Workshop with Mark Blumberg**

November 24, 2011, Peterborough Golf & Country Club

This series of workshops *Governance, Corporate Law Changes and CRA's Fundraising Guidance* and *The Dos and Don'ts of Charitable Receipting*, is specifically designed for CEOs, directors, staff, and volunteers of Canadian registered charities involved with either fundraising, issuing donation receipts or governance.

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### **About the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough**

The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough fosters philanthropy by pooling endowed and special funds, while its grants to registered charities enhance the quality of life for local citizens. The Foundation enables all community members to contribute to positive, lasting changes in the community, and is a part of a national network of community foundations which exist in more than 175 communities from coast to coast.

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