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400th donation made to ConVal scholarship

The ConVal Community Scholarship Foundation Dollars for Scholars recently received its 400th donation since its founding in 2006.

This donation followed a recent report to the Peterborough Rotary Club by CVCSF President John Vance on the high success rate of the scholarship award winners in the ConVal Classes of 2007 and 2008.

Three of the four CVCSF scholars who graduated in the ConVal Class of 2007 have earned their associate degrees or job training certificates. The fourth has completed the first two years of her four-year baccalaureate program.

One of six winners in the ConVal Class of 2008 has already won his job training certificate and has landed a job. Two others are on track to earn associate degrees in May and three in four-year programs are expected to complete the first two years of their baccalaureate programs this year.

The CVCSF has chosen 12 disadvantaged ConVal region students in the Class of 2010 to be awarded scholarship grants of \$250 to \$6,200 on Awards Day at ConVal High School this year in June. This week its awards committee

will decide which will be given the top 2010 awards.

“Four hundred contributions, more than a hundred a year for this organization, now in its fourth year,” is important, said Vance. “It demonstrates in real numbers that this unique, community driven scholarship initiative to help disadvantaged youth has built a broad base of community support from individuals and local organizations (including the Peterborough Rotary Club), many of whom give every year.

Another \$10,000 grant was recently received from the Maude Corser Living Trust.

Winners of CVCSF awards are selected on the basis of disadvantages to be overcome, courage in facing challenges, performance improvement, probability of success in postsecondary education or job training and likelihood that in raising their own expectations they will inspire others to do the same.

The milestone donation came from John Kaufhold, of Kaufhold Memorials and Stoneworks.