


ConVal Community
Scholarship Foundation 
Dollars for SCHOLARS®

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CONVAL REGION

Merchants enable scholarship

Collection jars at businesses yield \$2,517 this year for new award

ConVal Scholars Dollars collection jars are displayed in 24 locations in the ConVal region. Because of them, another scholarship will be offered to a graduating senior in 2010.

The jars are in the stores to raise scholarship funds for disadvantaged ConVal students who, without financial and mentoring assistance, would have little likelihood of postsecondary education.

The containers are placed in the stores by the ConVal Community Scholarship Foundation Dollars for Scholars, with the permission of the merchants.

John Vance, a foundation founder, said, "This year our jars added up to enough to fund the first-ever CVCSF ConVal Merchants Scholar-

ship grant to be awarded to a ConVal region Class of 2010 graduate next June."

This month, collections in all 24 ConVal Scholars Dollars jars were tallied for all of 2009. With \$390 collected in its jar, the Dublin General Store is declared winner of the 2009 and first ever, annual CVCSF Top Jar award.

A prize will be presented to store co-proprietor Michelle Freeman. Michelle and her husband, Andy, said are glad their store has been able to contribute in this way to this worthy cause.

In second, third and fourth place were CVS Pharmacy at \$242, the T-Bird Mini Mart in Antrim at \$241 and Little Roy's at \$159.

The total for the year raised in all locations was

\$2,517, enough together with matching funds from the ConVal Community Scholarship Foundation to fund the first ever CVCSF ConVal Merchants Scholarship of as much as \$6,000 for one disadvantaged graduating senior in the class of 2010.

The mission of the scholarship foundation is "To provide hope and confidence with community support to help more students in the ConVal Region achieve their potential."

In 2010, as it did in 2009, CVCSF expects to offer scholarship grants and mentoring support to six graduating, disadvantaged seniors with awards of as much as \$6,000.

Collection jar labels each have a photograph of a re-

cent CVCSF scholarship award winner. The one in the Dublin General Store jar is of Jie Lu, ConVal High School class of 2008, a Dublin resident expected to earn her associate degree in hotel administration at N.H. Technical Institute in Concord in June.

One reason for the success of CVCSF collection jars is a high level of community recognition of the faces of the award winners on the jars, said Vance.

This program began with a single jar at Roy's Market in 2008. Two more were placed in the Antrim Market last week.

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