

Dear Friends of Brooke and Friends of Friends of Brooke!

Thanks to the many donations from the Vancouver Chapter to the 2013 Brooke Forbes Legacy Fund Carport Sale, we have added **\$502.35** to the Fund, bringing the total to just under \$46,000.

The annual Carport sale was on September 14th and it was a busy, fun-filled event as usual.



In keeping with Brooke's love of stories about everything and in particular about little slices of life, here's some of what went on:

- Brooke loved her Saturday Afternoon at the Opera and this year, we had two big opera buffs at the sale. One was a UBC Masters Student who is preparing for a lead role in the Tales of Hoffman and has big plans for an international career on stage. She bought an Opera DVD that she couldn't wait to hear. The other was an older woman who loved Arias and bought several CD's that she plans on singing along to as she does the wash and irons in her basement!
- An avid reader was thrilled to find Sue Grafton's V for Vengeance. She said she had every book up to V. In response to a question about whether she had a favourite, she said she hadn't read any of them. She was too busy reading other stuff!
- We had a beautiful bird feeder to sell that a woman was interested in but she couldn't make up her mind. She went home and got her husband to come back with her to look at it and was just about to buy it when another customer said she had a feeder just like it and all she got were rats, mice and squirrels! Fortunately, the sale went through anyway.

- We had three generations of women each buy something – the oldest, a puzzle she could do in the winter; the middle-aged, some quilting material; and the youngest a folding chair because it was “cool” with its maple leaf, and drink and a cooler holders.
- A 78 year old woman who said she’s “going for 91” and is a lifelong subscriber to Granta volunteered to show Sid (one of the Carport sale contributors and organizers) how to crochet a blanket for her soon-to-arrive granddaughter. That reminded me of the beautiful, colourful and free form blankets Brooke used to knit for so many little ones.

These funds, as you know, go towards supporting minority youth discovering the joy of making radio. This year, we had three interns learning to do radio at the Raycam Community Centre in inner city Vancouver. The Centre has a low wattage community radio service primarily for residents of the nearby social housing.

Alvin and Curtis worked on music programming and **Josephine** worked on stories related to her journey to Canada as a refugee from Burundi.

You can add to the Fund by clicking on:

<http://vancitycommunityfoundation.ca/s/brookeforbes.asp>

Thank you to everyone who made this year’s Carport Sale a success. We’ll be in touch in a couple of months with more details on this year’s recipients and news of who the next recipients will be.

Cheers,

Joan (Andersen), Syd (Portner) and Sid (Sawyer)
The Carport Sales Team!

