

**Pittsburgh Community Benefit Fund  
Annual General Meeting April 15, 2002**

**Message from the Chair, George Sutherland**

The PCBF Board of Directors once again followed the mandate of three years ago, to spend only the interest earned by the principle. In addition, the first money spent, was to reinvest into the principle the cost of inflation, then to pay the operating costs of the fund. Sponsorship was given to Winterfest, the Sheepdog Trials, the Barriefield Rock Garden, as well the Music Vets Concert at the Library. We continued to assist in completing the upgrades of the LaSalle Sport Field Project. New projects included a running track and soccer field at Holy Name School in Kingston Mills. Sponsorship was also given the Pittsburgh Women's Institute for a Christmas dinner for area Senior Citizens. In addition, five scholarships of \$1,000.00 each, were awarded to deserving Pittsburgh youth continuing their education at either the college or university level.

The Committee, as a group, experienced a very rewarding year working well together, each representing the membership judiciously. This year, four members have completed their terms with the PCBF. Chris McDonald our Vice-Chair and Chair of the New Project Sub-Committee; Carmen Bowhey our Secretary, Ulla Hoover and Ron Brown. All have served well and we thank them for their dedication and hard work on behalf of the membership.

In order to re-establish and maintain a continuous rotation of new and old executive, three new members will be elected for a term of three years each and one new member will be elected for a term of two years. Those three nominees with most votes will serve for three years and the nominee in fourth place will serve for two years. We are inviting nominations from the membership for these four positions. Nominations must be from and for members in good standing and must be received by the secretary up to ten days before the April 15, 2002 Annual General Meeting. Nomination forms are available at the Pittsburgh Library or by calling the Nomination Secretary, Ron Brown at 545-9367.

This mailing includes an Agenda for the Annual General Meeting, an Application for Membership, a Proxy Form for those unable to attend on April 15, 2002, a notice of Motion to be voted on and the accompanying proposal, as well as the Audited Statement of the Revenue and Expenditures and the Balance Sheet for the year 2001. If any member would like to review the complete Financial Statement, a copy is available at the Pittsburgh branch of the Public Library. As well, copies will be available at the AGM. Please feel free to copy both the Application for Membership as well as the Proxy Form. Additional copies of these forms are also available at the Pittsburgh branch of the Public Library.

All members of the Board of Directors look forward to seeing as many of our members as possible at the Annual General Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on April 15, 2002.

Sincerely,

George Sutherland  
Chair, Pittsburgh Community Benefit Fund