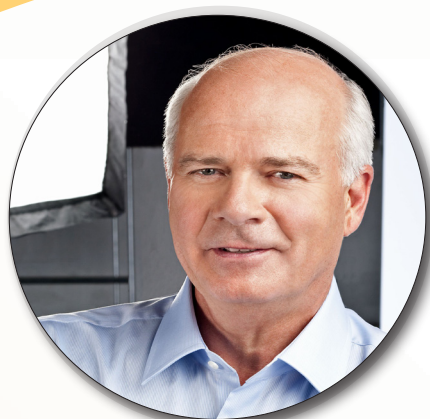


# It's About Ability



## CBC'S PETER MANSBRIDGE HEADLINES NEW CRF FUNDRAISER



Peter Mansbridge, Chief Correspondent for CBC National and Canadian celebrity, is lending his talents and experiences for a new CRF fundraiser.

Mansbridge will be the guest speaker at **"Encounter: An Evening with Peter Mansbridge - People, Places and Perspectives"** on November 4th at the Winnipeg Convention Centre. The event is a joint fundraiser for CRF and The Tallman Foundation – both Manitoba-based charities. The Tallman Foundation is dedicated to supporting positive education and healthy living programs for youth, in Winnipeg.

The evening features a gourmet meal, presentations from the charities, live and silent auctions plus guest speaker Mansbridge. Tickets are \$200 each and available by calling Rita at the Children's Rehabilitation Foundation at 204-453-9838. Corporate tables and sponsorship opportunities are also available.



## MB LOTTERIES EMPLOYEES CHOSE CRF AS CHARITY OF CHOICE

CRF is the 2011/12 recipient of the **Manitoba Lotteries Corporation's ECHO Charity of Choice**. For the second consecutive year, Manitoba Lotteries Corporation's employees selected CRF and the RCC L.I.F.E. Program as the employees' vision in supporting and improving, through volunteerism, the communities in which MLC employees live and work.

ECHO (Employees Caring by Helping Others) is an employee-driven charitable giving program run by a volunteer board of MLC employees. With the help of 600+ employee volunteers and their families, they strive to raise up to \$100,000 for CRF through community volunteering and donations.



Last year, CRF purchase 29 pieces of individual children's equipment thanks to ECHO. This year, the ECHO donation will fund 2012 summer camp and rural cooking clubs coordinated by the Rehabilitation Centre for Children staff. Pictured at left: Christine Schollenberg, CRF Executive Director, presents Trent Crawford, ECHO representative, with an appreciation plaque for Manitoba Lotteries Corporation employees' support of CRF.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**18th Annual Manitoba Street Rod Association Toy Run.** September 25. Canada Tax Centre on Stapon Road. Admission to car show is a donation of a new child's toy for CRF. Visit [www.msra.mb.ca](http://www.msra.mb.ca) for updates.

**9th Annual A Night of Miracles presented by Procurity's Encounter Brand.** October 29. Winnipeg Convention Centre. Featuring Danny Kramer Event Band, dancing, live and silent auction, gourmet 4-course meal and emcee Ace Burpee. Tickets \$150 each. Available from Rita at 453-9838 or [rita@crf.mb.ca](mailto:rita@crf.mb.ca).

**Encounter: An Evening with Peter Mansbridge - People, Places and Perspectives.** Featuring guest speaker Peter Mansbridge, Chief Correspondent for CBC News. November 4. Winnipeg Convention Centre. Tickets \$200 each. Corporate tables available. A joint fundraiser for CRF and the Tallman Foundation. Contact Rita at 453-9838 or [rita@crf.mb.ca](mailto:rita@crf.mb.ca) for tickets or visit [www.crf.mb.ca](http://www.crf.mb.ca) to download the sponsorship package.

**2012 Ride for Rehab.** January 29 - February 3, 2012. Five-day snowmobile adventure based out of The Lodge at Giant's Ridge in Biwabik, Minnesota with daily out-trips. Registration fee is \$600. This includes five nights' accommodations and all meals for Monday to Thursday. Registration is limited to 80 riders. First come, first served. Contact Erin at [erin@crf.mb.ca](mailto:erin@crf.mb.ca) for more information.

## SUMMER EVENT SUCCESS

It has been a fabulous summer for CRF, demonstrated by the success of three of our largest events.

**RBC Cruisin Down the Crescent,** held on June 12th, had 700 participants and raised \$92,500!

**Starkids Golf Tournament,** held on July 7th, was sold out early in the spring, and raised \$60,000!

**The Players Cup hosted by Jonathan Toews,** held on July 11th, raised \$35,000 for CRF!

CRF is extremely thankful to the organizing committees and volunteers who donated their time to help organize and run the events. Another big thank you to the participants whose attendance supported CRF's mission and Manitoba's children living with disabilities and special needs.



CRF volunteer Brigitte Fontaine.

## HOW BRIGITTE HELPS CRF

Volunteers are integral to CRF's success. Here is the story of just one person who makes a big difference in the lives of children living with disabilities.

**Brigitte Fontaine** has been volunteering for CRF for almost four years. Her family is very familiar with the Rehabilitation Centre for Children, as her eldest daughter Zoe has been a client since she was born.

"In January 2008, Zoe was part of a CRF fundraising campaign," writes Brigitte. "I had such a wonderful time selling raffle tickets, meeting new people and sharing Zoe's story. The response from everyone involved was incredible! I am so grateful for all the support given to Zoe by the CRF that volunteering is my way of saying "Thank you" and giving back."

"RBC Cruisin' Down the Crescent and the Fab '50's Car Show are just two of the events I look forward to volunteering at. It's really amazing to see all the people come out and show their support for CRF, and the children they are so dedicated to helping."

You too can be a CRF volunteer! If you are 16+ years old, and are interested in helping with special events or office administration, email Kelsey Hicks, Volunteer Coordinator, at [kelsey@crf.mb.ca](mailto:kelsey@crf.mb.ca) today for more information.

**You can help a child living with disabilities grow, learn and play.**

**Please donate today at [www.crf.mb.ca](http://www.crf.mb.ca).**

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