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## Estate planning helps librarians-to-be

**Gordon Hinch established the Pauline Hinch Memorial Award for Staff Development in memory of his late wife because he wanted to give back to an institution and a profession that meant the world to her.**



*Gordon Hinch with Eunice Rodrigues, winner of the 2015 Pauline Hinch Memorial Award, and past TPLF president Heather Rumball.*

The Pauline Hinch Endowment Fund provides support for library staff who wish to become librarians. Through Gordon's initial generous support and the support of others who believe in and love their librarians, the endowment fund has grown to more than \$100,000, enabling an annual award of at least \$3,500 to

support tuition for those striving to enter the worthy profession.

Gordon has also included the Toronto Public Library Foundation as a bequest in his will, thereby growing the Pauline Hinch Endowment Fund and supporting other library priorities that reflect Gordon's values and interests.

To support Toronto's future librarians through the Pauline Hinch Endowment Fund or to find out more about how you can follow Gordon's example, please contact Liza Fernandes at 416-397-5924 or [lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca](mailto:lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca).

### Did you know?

You can add the Toronto Public Library Foundation as a beneficiary or contingent beneficiary of your RRSPs, RRIFs, TFSAs or life insurance by signing a simple form. To find out more call 416-397-5924.

# Create a legacy by including the library in your will

You might be one of the many grateful library patrons who would like to give back to the library but your current financial circumstances may not allow you to make the gift you want. The answer may be a gift in your will.

Here are some considerations.

- Each gift is important no matter the size. Every dollar will be put to very good use.
- It can be hard to decide on an amount. Instead, you can designate a percentage of whatever is left over after the important people in your life have been taken care of. That way, your gift will reflect your changing financial situation during your lifetime.
- You can decide how your money is used. You can direct your gift toward the services, programs and collections at the library that are important to you. But as the library is always evolving, it is good to check with Foundation staff about the best way to word your designation so that it fulfills your wishes years into the future.
- When properly planned, a bequest gift may actually help reduce tax and not significantly affect what your loved ones and heirs would otherwise receive.
- Your intentions and your personal information are always confidential.

For more information contact Liza Fernandes, Associate Director Community and Legacy Gifts at 416-397-5924 or [lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca](mailto:lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca)

## Bequest strengthens Home Library Services at Toronto Public Library



*The late Mary May at her 95th birthday celebration.*

Mary May was a keen reader but in the last years of her life developed macular degeneration and gradually lost her sight. However she got relief by using talking books from TPLs Home Library Service. She appreciated the varied selection and hours of entertainment that library staff brought for her and always looked forward to a new visit. Mary showed her appreciation by leaving a bequest to the Toronto Public Library Foundation in her will.

### For the love of literature

This May/June, check out the Great Books Lecture Series made possible by a bequest gift to the Toronto Public Library Foundation from the estate of Weldon Thoburn in memory of his wife Ann. See the schedule at [torontopubliclibrary.ca/programs-and-classes/featured/great-books-lectures.jsp](http://torontopubliclibrary.ca/programs-and-classes/featured/great-books-lectures.jsp)

## Leave a Legacy Information Series

Would you like to learn more about wills, estate planning and charitable bequests? Join us at our Leave a Legacy Information Series with sessions from May to September. Visit [tplfoundation.ca/estate-and-tax-smart-giving](http://tplfoundation.ca/estate-and-tax-smart-giving) for details or contact Liza Fernandes, Associate Director, Community and Legacy Gifts at 416-397-5924 or [lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca](mailto:lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca).