

The Amazing \$32,500 Challenge

Last month this column talked about the monumental task of raising another \$250K. It put forth the idea that all of us could challenge ourselves and "double up" on our contributions. After seeing the enormous progress that has taken place over the past year, the donor who kicked off last year's successful \$10,000 Challenge decided to more than double up. This very generous family will donate \$32,500 if Lasqueti can match the funds by September 15.

Make sure to attend the Gala Dinner on August 15 where you will be able to "double your double". A second donor has come forward and has offered to match the first \$10,000 raised during the "Raise the Paddle" session. This is a wonderful opportunity to leverage your generosity.

You can contribute to the \$32.5 Challenge by visiting the JFC website www.judithfishercentre.com and clicking on the Donate button. Remember to enter "Challenge" in the notation area when processing your donation. You may, of course, also send a cheque to the LRS at the address below.

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The simple answer is generosity. It started with the donation of the land by the Magic Mountain Land Coop and then the building began. We are all familiar with the calls for help at the JFC and lots of you have spent hours, days or even weeks helping this project along.

We recently needed to determine how much it would take to finish the the health center and, as part of that exercise, we wanted to take a reckoning of where the project stood. At present the site is fully serviced for multiple buildings: electricity, water, heat, communications and sewage is all underground. The HC is to lock up and mostly sided, the service building is occupied by LIAS and home to our 13 kW PV system, and the first elder cottage, Barb's Cottage, is built and occupied.

That's a huge accomplishment for the amount of cash that has been raised to date and there is a clear reason why. It's the donated time. Lasquetians have donated over \$90,000 dollars worth of labour. Additionally businesses have donated well over \$50,000 worth of materials and equipment.



Cookbook Website

The Lasqueti cookbook has it's own website. Visit the site to leave recipies, see new postings from others, and buy cookbooks. You can also take care most of your 2015 holiday shoping at the site. A Lasqueti art card is included with each book that is sent as a gift. Remember, all proceeds of the sale of this book support the Judith Fisher Centre.

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CALENDAR

 August 15
 Gala Dinner at the Community Hall

 Buy Tickets at C&C

6:00 'til ... silent auction, photographer, Howie Siegel, more ... Limited number of tickets for sale \$50 each. **Call 333 8898**

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