

## **WCG Finds Inspiration in a special kind of partnership**

A program of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, Canine Vision Canada (CVC) Dog Guides work with Canadians who are blind or visually impaired. The dogs are trained to help clients navigate around obstacles in public areas and help to ensure that their handlers arrive at their destination safely. Graduates of the CVC program have commented that their dog guide partners give them a greater sense of security and confidence while out in public, encouraging them to be more active in their daily routines.

CVC relies entirely on the generosity of individuals, corporations and service clubs to continue its work. Six thousand dollars will sponsor a canine vision guide - this donation is directly responsible for changing an individual's life for the better.

WCG works with people with various disabilities, and we see the difference that a guide dog partner can make in their lives. WCG employees have the advantage of working with fellow employee Judy Keenan (who is visually impaired), and they see the difference that her dog guide partner, Luca, makes in her life. Inspired by this special bond, WCG staff and management came together and raised the full \$6000 that it takes to unite one of these special partnerships. WCG's sponsorship is funding the training of a dog guide set to graduate in February of 2006, being trained by the same trainer as Luca was!

Judy knows first hand the benefits of having a dog guide partner. To read her response to the efforts made by her colleagues, read on.

For more information on Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides,  
please visit them at **[www.dogguides.com](http://www.dogguides.com)**

Good morning WCG Family, Partners and Friends,

Now it is my turn to personally congratulate you all on such a successful Dog Guide Project. This project would not have been possible without the dedication, hard work, and willingness to give so generously to such a worthy cause from so many wonderful people as you. There are so many people whom I wish to thank personally and the list is huge. Therefore, I am thanking you all from my heart for a job well done. You will shortly change a person's life for the better. It only gets better from here; the best is yet to come. One day soon a person will leave the dog guide school with a dog guide as a lifelong partner, a direct result of you sponsoring a dog guide. Whatever you do wherever you go for the rest of your lives, you know when you see one of these working dog guide teams out in public that you helped to sponsor one of those dogs for a dog guide user. No one can ever take this fact away from you. Please once again accept my heartfelt congratulations with thanks. I dedicate the following to you all THE WCG CREW!!

There is a small big hearted company located in the provinces of BC and Ontario, who is affectionately known by its employees as WCG. The people who work there have the human giving spirit which is larger than life, on a daily basis they surpass goal after goal to eliminate people's hardship and strife. I salute you one and all of this dynamic company for being a part of this great Canadian country; you make a difference to others lives without missing a beat. You meet challenge after challenge set by others to make sure that you always look ahead never closing the door on people who will benefit from your kindness of heart, your positive approach plays an enormous part in ensuring the outcome will change lives for the better. Your team spirit for making a difference knows no bounds, you're the best in the business don't give up any ground. What goes around comes around; stay in the light so that daily you persevere where others have failed, your successes shine brighter than bright, never give up the good fight. You were given a challenge to be better than best, you have surpassed this one challenge and are better than best!!

Luca and Judy

