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Canton Community Fund Awards Grant, Announces Board Changes

At its August 23 meeting, the Canton Community Fund (CCF) awarded a grant of \$1,200 to the Remington Arts Festival to support the participation of several musicians at this fall's festival, October 7 in Canton. "We believe that including musical artists in the life of the Festival will not only show their importance in the culture of arts in Canton and in the North Country; it will enliven the atmosphere of the Festival overall, drawing more visitors to the downtown area to explore," wrote Festival organizers in their grant application.

Also at that meeting, the board accepted the resignation of Treasurer Dwight Stevenson, who is moving out of the area, and named board member Brett Thacher the new treasurer. The board also approved the addition of Elizabeth Larrabee, Canton, to its membership.

The CCF is a subsidiary organization of the Northern New York Community Foundation, which manages its finances. Board members in addition to Thacher and Larrabee are Neal Burdick, Mary Ann Ashley, Christopher Rediehs, Barbara Beekman, John Casserly, Louis Tremaine and Lenore VanderZee.

The CCF encourages representatives of non-profit groups and organizations serving the Town and Village of Canton to apply for grants to further their work. Guidelines, as well as tips for making a gift and other information about the CCF, can be found at <u>www.cantoncommunityfund.org</u>.