

## Rotary Sunset Music Series tunes up with Trillium grant

Tuning in on Tuesdays is about to become a community tradition as the inaugural Sunset Music Series is launched July 6 at the new Rotary Shell at Charles Daley Park.

Yesterday on the waterfront, Niagara West-Glanbrook MPP Tim Hudak announced a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to the tune of \$14,500, launching a summer of free entertainment with a talented roster of musicians performing at the band shell.

"The money is well invested to celebrate the progress and the beauty of Charles Daley Park," Hudak said. "I want to thank Lincoln Rotary for their great work with launching the community project concert series."

Hudak was joined by Rotary Club of Lincoln President Margaret Andrewes, Lincoln Mayor Bill Hodgson, councillors, staff and community volunteers in a chorus of celebration for the addition to Niagara's arts and culture scene.

The weekly concert series is a significant community project supported by the Town and a host of local organizations and volunteers, including the Lincoln Concert Band, Note for Note Professional Music Productions, and Astral Radio Niagara.

"This is one more really important step in what has been a most amazing partnership," said Hodgson, crediting volunteers as being crucial in the success of a small town.

"Margaret Andrewes deserves a lot of credit for the organizing and paperwork," Harvie Hagerty, a volunteer with Trillium's grant review team said at the launch.

"Hundreds of community members have worked hard on this extraordinary endeavour," Andrewes said.

Initiated as a result of the resounding success of the Rotary Club of Lincoln's annual Lamplighter Tour production, the Rotary Shell is a joint project of the Town of Lincoln and Lincoln Rotary. The Rotary Club contributed \$165,000 to the capital project. "Our feisty band of more than 100 volunteers brings to life through theatre, music, dance and a tour, the remarkable stories of real people who lived, worked and played close to these waters," tour producer Jennifer Southward said. "Part of our dream was realized with the building of this marvelous facility, the Rotary Shell."

Everyone is welcome to attend the Sunset Music Series free of charge each Tuesday evening, July 6 through August 31, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Rotary Band Shell at the park, 1969 North Service Rd. in Jordan.

Geared to the musical tastes of people of all ages, each concert will feature a different theme from jazz to rock to country and more. The 2010 Sunset Music Series line up is: July 6 – Lincoln Concert Band; July 13 – Sandy Vine and the Midnights; July 20 – Niagara Regional Police Male Chorus; July 27 – Elton Lammie; August 3 – Walter Ostane; August 10 – Tiannah Jazz with a Twist; August 17 – Barroom Buzzards; August 24 – Jimmy Marando Swing Band; August 31 – Flat Broke. For details, visit [www.sunsetmusicseries.ca](http://www.sunsetmusicseries.ca).

The concerts will also be broadcast through an FM radio transmitter to car radios in the parking lot. Butterballs Express will be offering its fare at the park each Tuesday from 5:30 p.m.



**Rotary Sunset Music Series tunes up with Trillium grant.** The Sunset Music Series will launch July 6 thanks to Lincoln Rotary Club project team members from left: Rotarians Debbie Klassen and Jennifer Southward, Janice Makepeace, Lincoln Community Services Coordinator; Tim Hudak, MPP Niagara West-Glanbrook; Margaret Andrewes, Rotary President; Harvie Hagerty, Ontario Trillium Foundation; Sandy Vine, Note for Note Professional Music Productions; and Colin Saunders, President Lincoln Concert Band. *Joanne McDonald/Staff Photo*