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Jean-Pierre Despins Award – 10th Anniversary Fearsome FMIG Competition! Plan Your Legacy: Scotiabank Estate Planning Seminar at FMF

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JEAN-PIERRE DESPINS AWARD 10[™] ANNIVERSARY

Dr Jean-Pierre Despins was an outstanding member of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and a strong advocate for family medicine. He was President of the CFPC in 1995 and Chair of the Research and Education Foundation (REF) in 1999. For this family doctor from St-Leonard d'Aston, Quebec, patients were at the centre of family medicine.

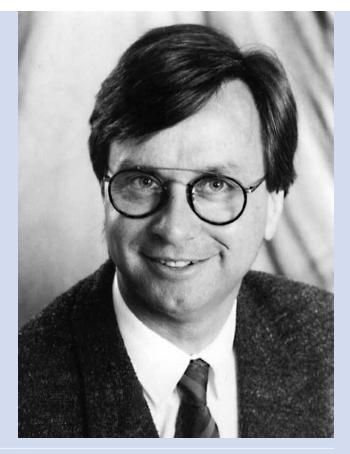
Dr Despins exemplified what it is to be a family physician. In all his endeavours he was kind, compassionate, skilled, and strong. His sudden passing due to illness at the age of 44 in 2000 was deeply felt by his family, friends, colleagues, and staff at the CFPC and its Chapters.

For ten years, the REF has been proud to remember him through the award given in his name. It is only fitting that the recipient must be an outstanding advocate for family medicine, demonstrating "many of the qualities which defined and were greatly valued by Dr Despins including statesmanship, leadership, diplomacy, courage of conviction, sense of humour, compassion, and consideration of others."

We look forward to honouring this year's recipient at FMF 2011 in Montreal, Quebec, and presenting this award to many more worthy family doctors in future. If you would like to support the J-P Despins Award, please contact the REF, ref@cfpc.ca.

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Here's the buzz on the Silent Auction



College Square, FMF Exhibit Hall Twice as many items as 2010!

Auctions closing daily November 3,4 & 5

Items will be previewed online @ www.cfpc.ca

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FEARSOME FMIG COMPETITION!

For the 2011 Walk for the Docs of Tomorrow, the stakes have never been higher. The REF Board has decided to increase the prize amount for the winning FMIG from \$250 (set in 2004) to \$1000. This is in addition to the team jackets introduced in 2010, and of course-the piece-de-resistance-the Walk for the Docs trophy and banner.

The Walk for the Docs registration pages on the REF/ CFPC website went live in early June, with the news quickly tweeted thereafter.

Each FMIG has its own winning strategy. Dalhousie University, for example, is planning its own walk on September 29, 2011 to coincide with their annual Family Medicine Resident Education Weekend. This year, the event will be at Dundee Resort in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The REF supplies a banner and tees to support the initiative. Funds raised here are pledged in a bid to take home the trophy at FMF.

Dalhousie's walk participants, September 2010. Photo by Dr Stewart Cameron

We'd love to help you help us raise

funds and awareness for family med-

icine



The bounty of University of Manitoba's winning FMIG!

PLAN YOUR LEGACY: SCOTIABANK ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR AT FMF

Do you have a will? If yes, how often should you review it? Are you prepared for changes in family circumstances? How will taxes impact your beneficiaries? You may have had these questions for some time or perhaps are just beginning to consider them. Whether you are starting out in your practice, entering retirement, or sitting somewhere in between, it's important to have an integrated plan to take care of those closest to you.

For several years the REF has had the pleasure of working with Scotiabank to offer a seminar regarding estate, will, and charitable gift planning. Join us again on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 12:30 PM for an hour filled with valuable information. Bilingual presenters will be available at these sessions to answer questions in your language of choice. We hope to see you there.



Family Medicine ESTATE, WILL, AND **CHARITABLE GIFT PLANNING SEMINAR** Thursday, November 3, 2011 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Family doctors need to plan for their families as well as for their practice. This seminar will respond to your questions about planning wills, taxation, and gift planning.

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