

**London financial security advisor Terry Zavitz  
receives prestigious award for community service**

*London, September 24, 2009...*Four London charitable organizations will share in a \$10,000 donation from The Great-West Life Assurance Company to honour the outstanding community involvement of local financial security advisor, Terry Zavitz, BMusA, CFP, CLU, RHU, GBA, EPC.

Zavitz is the 2009 recipient of Great-West Life's Jack Hopwood Memorial Award. The award is named for Warren Jackson Hopwood, Jr., a Winnipeg financial security advisor associated with Great-West Life, who demonstrated exemplary service to his clients and his community.

The award, which is presented every two years, includes a \$10,000 corporate contribution through *The Key to Giving*<sup>™</sup> – the national corporate citizenship program of Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life. Zavitz has chosen to have the donation shared between The London Health Sciences Centre, Goodwill Industries, Merrymount Children's Centre and Fanshawe Chorus London.

Zavitz is active in London's music community as a member of Fanshawe Chorus London. She has also served on the committee of Music Reigns, one of London's premiere fundraising events, and has served as Chair of the Advisory Council for Orchestra London.

Zavitz is also a past recipient of the YM/YWCA Woman of Distinction Award, Businesses and Trades.

In addition, Zavitz has donated her time to Advocis, the largest professional membership association of financial advisors in Canada, and many local non-profit organizations. She was instrumental in creating one of Canada's first planned giving programs for healthcare, as well as for spearheading the development and launch of the London Health Sciences Foundation hospital campaign. Zavitz has also served as Director of the Merrymount Children's Centre.

To celebrate 25 years in business, Zavitz made \$25,000 in charitable donations, as well as arranging a planned gift of \$10,000 for every year she's been in business.

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