

2008

2008 was a very productive year for The Christopher Shatagin Sports Foundation. Friend and neighbor, Phyllis Palmer, came up with a creative fundraising idea for the foundation in 2007. Over the years she had enjoyed Betsy Shatagin's homemade soups and thought others might also. Thus, the Hug in a Bowl program was born. Betsy and Phyllis offered four different, homemade soups for donation to friends, neighbors, school teachers and John Salter's co-workers. The soup was requested throughout the year and raised a total of \$720.00 for the foundation.

Our annual neighborhood yard sale was held on October 12, 2008. Many of our neighbors gave both merchandise and money. We didn't price anything; people were free to take whatever they wanted and contributed whatever they liked. We made \$600 that day. All left over merchandise was donated to the Salvation Army and Burlington's Recycle North.

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The CSSF has accomplished the following:

- To date, CSSF has been able to send 65 young people from the Burlington Boys and Girls Club to the 2 week sessions of the YMCA/YWCA overnight, and University of Vermont Sports Day Camps.
- In the summer of 2004, the cost of sending one child to camp was:
 - UVM Baseball Camp: \$110/week
 - UVM Soccer Camp: \$200/week
 - UVM Basketball Camp: \$150/week for girls
 - UVM Basketball Camp: \$175/week for boys

 - YMCA (overnight) for boys: \$450/week
 - YWCA (overnight) for girls: \$475/week
- Grace O'Brien ran in the Vermont City Marathon to benefit the CSSF. She helped the foundation to reach its financial goal of sending an additional 20 children to camp for the summer of 2003. She also distributed flyers alerting people to the dangers of Hepatitis B. Grace repeated her efforts for us in 2004.
- The Foundation distributed both donated and purchased baseball equipment to schools and villages throughout rural Nicaragua. This equipment included: 20 baseball gloves, 30 baseballs, 4 bats, 40 tee-shirts, and 6 baseball hats.



This Nicaraguan baseball team was using rocks and sticks until the foundation replaced them with real equipment.

All of these achievements have been possible because of the generous support of family, and Chris' many friends. We are truly blessed to keep Chris' name alive in so many positive ways. Our gratitude goes out to them. It means everything to us. Thanks Ted, for your "web" of support.