Remembering Sandy...

Sandra Leard Bursary

On September 6, 1999, the world of figure skating lost one of its eminent and devoted coaches, Sandra Leard. Mrs. Leard was instrumental in founding the Racquet Club of Victoria in 1967 and was deeply appreciated for instructing skaters of all levels since that time. Without a doubt, she was one of the best coaches in the province and certainly was among the most dedicated individuals any of us will come across. Striving for perfection in her skaters, her expertise and determination enabled the Racquet Club to produce some of the top skaters, not only on Vancouver Island, but also at the Provincial and National levels. Mrs. Leard will always be remembered for her iron will and her untiring devotion to figure skating. She is greatly missed by coaches, students and parents of our club as well as the many people whose lives she touched.

The "Sandra Leard Bursary" was created from anonymous donations given to the club to assist skaters competing at an elite level. Our Club is so fortunate and unique, to be able to offer this funding. The Sandra Leard Bursary rewards skaters achieving Provincial recognition by covering their expenses at higher level competitions.