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Tribute Dinner Raises \$300,000



A record crowd of more than 800 people came out to honour Dr. Ignat Kaneff at Community Living Mississauga's 32nd Annual Tribute Dinner on Thursday, March 31st.

When a cheque for \$230,400 was presented at the end of the evening, Dr. Kaneff demonstrated why he is recognized as a great philanthropist, known for his generosity. He took the microphone and announced that he was donating an additional \$70,000 to bring the proceeds for the evening up to \$300,000!

The evening included silent and live auctions and guests were treated to entertainment from Dimitrovche, a Bulgarian Folk Ensemble, and the Ontario Male Chorus as well as remarks from His Excellency Nikolay Milkov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Bulgaria to Canada; the Hon. Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario; the Hon. William Davis, Former Premier of Ontario; Mayor Bonnie Crombie, City of Mississauga; Hazel McCallion, Former Mayor, City of Mississauga; and Dr. Mamdouh Shorkri, President and Vice-Chancellor of York University.

"Community Living Mississauga has seen many changes over the years. The evolution has seen growth and expansion in opportunities that cover all aspects of life from residential opportunities to day support, employment, leisure and recreational activities," said Eugene Nolin, President of Community Living Mississauga's Board of Directors. "We are proud to be hosting this event to honor Dr. Kaneff, who has been a supporter of our organization throughout this journey."

Jennifer Oppong, who has participated in Community Living Mississauga's recreational and employment programs, also shared some of her personal experiences with the organization and explained the impact it has had on her life.

Proceeds from the evening's dinner will go towards Community Living Mississauga's unfunded leisure and recreational programs including the Summer and March Break programs supporting over 300 children and teens to have a fun summer, participating in the life of their community alongside their non-disabled peers.

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