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Scholarship honours contributions of Dawson forester

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is making a one-time contribution to a post-secondary scholarship to honour the memory of long-time Dawson forester and sawmill operator Bill Bowie.

"Bill Bowie was devoted to building a strong, sustainable Yukon forest industry," Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Scott Kent said. "The Government of Yukon is proud to contribute \$5,000 to this scholarship."

In honour of Bill's legacy, his family established a Yukon Foundation scholarship for post-secondary studies in the forest management field.

The contribution was announced on June 7 at the annual Canadian Council of Forest Ministers meeting in Dawson with Bill's wife Helen Bowie in attendance.

"Bill was an energetic and creative man," Helen Bowie said. "Through his work in forestry, participation in land use planning and a variety of volunteer and charity efforts, Bill was a respected and active member of the Dawson City community."

Born in rural British Columbia, Bill Bowie worked for the B.C. Forest Service before coming to Yukon in 1971. He built his sawmill and lumber operation in Dawson from the ground up. His drive and business acumen made him a key individual in development of Yukon's forest industry.

For more information on the Bill Bowie Scholarship, please contact the Yukon Foundation at 867-393-2454 or www.yukonfoundation.com.

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