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**Celebrity Luba Goy celebrated National Volunteer Week
At Family Service Association of Toronto**

Actor Luba Goy of the Royal Canadian Air Farce joined Family Service Association of Toronto on Wednesday, April 30, 2003 to celebrate **National Volunteer Week** (April 27 to May 3, 2003). She spoke about her role as co-chair of the Canadian Patron Council for Volunteering, as well as her personal volunteer experiences.

Luba Goy's first experience with volunteers was felt in 1951 when her family immigrated to Canada. Volunteers greeted her family at Pier 21 in Halifax and made them feel welcome. She is committed to volunteerism and frequently supports charity fundraising events. She appears on the popular CBC-TV comedy program *Royal Canadian Air Farce*.

The theme of the event was *The Value of One, the Power of Many*. Highlights of the event included presentations by FSA volunteers, entertainment by the musical groups Muhtadi and the World Drummers and Synchronicity, and displays of FSA Toronto programs and services. **Photographs from the event are available for publication.**

Family Service Association of Toronto (FSA Toronto) is committed to volunteerism and strongly values the time and talent of our many volunteers. In the 2002-2003 fiscal year, over 360 volunteers helped further FSA Toronto's mission through roles involving direct service to clients, administrative help, assistance with marketing and fundraising and many other activities.

FSA Toronto volunteers John Bonnar, Anne Wood and Marianne Vero are available to do media interviews and are willing share personal stories of how their experiences changed their lives.

Marianne Vero has volunteered at FSA's Illahee Lodge in Cobourg, Ontario for over 25 years. Illahee Lodge is a wellness centre that gives senior citizens the opportunity to get out of the city during the summer, relax and take part in wellness programs. Ms. Vero is 82 years young and likes to encourage other seniors to volunteer.

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Anne Wood joined the FSA Toronto Board of Directors in 1994 and is currently serving as the Chair of the Volunteer Committee. Apart from her Board duties, she frequently rolls up her sleeves and helps organize special events.

John Bonnar contributes his time and talent as a photographer. He has captured many special events with his digital camera, donating professional quality images to FSA Toronto for use in agency publications.

For more information please contact Victoria Musgrave, Communications Officer at (416) 595-9230 ext. 400.

Family Service Association of Toronto is a leading nonprofit social service provider and a United Way member agency. For more than 80 years, the association has been helping families and individuals in the greater Toronto area through counseling and community development programs. More information about Family Service Association of Toronto is available at www.fsatoronto.com.

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