

Request for Decision City Council




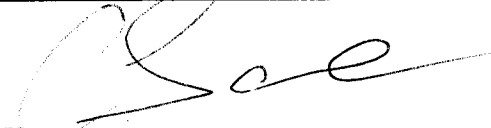
Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	November 28, 2007				Report Date	November 15, 2007			
Decision Requested		Yes	x	No	Priority	x	High		Low
	Direction Only				Type of Meeting	x	Open		Closed

Report Title
2007 Mayor and Council's Civic Awards for Volunteerism

Budget Impact / Policy Implication	Recommendation
<div> <div>This report has been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified.</div> <div></div> </div>	<div> <p>That Council congratulate the recipients of the 2007 Mayor and Council's Civic Awards for Volunteerism as recommended by the selection committee consisting of councillor Ron Dupuis, Volunteer Sudbury board members and community volunteers.</p> </div>
Background Attached	Recommendation Continued

Recommended by the Department	Recommended by the C.A.O.
<div> <p>Catherine Matheson General Manager of Community Development</p> </div>	<div> <p>Mark Mieto Chief Administrative Officer</p> </div>

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Background

The Mayor and Council's Civic Awards for Volunteerism were advertised across the community with nomination information appearing in the Sudbury Star and in community newspapers across the City of Greater Sudbury. Nomination information appeared in City of Greater Sudbury Leisure Guide and on the Grace Hartmen Amphitheatre notice board. All nominations were received by the Volunteer Sudbury committee which consists of Councillor Ron Dupuis, Linda Hunter, Barb Nott, David Carscallen, Mitch Ouimette.

Each nomination received told the story of a dedicated volunteer(s) who had given generously of their time and effort, making significant contributions to special projects and to the groups with which they were associated. The nominations received came from across the City of Greater Sudbury, from a variety of organizations and clearly depicted caring and giving individuals and groups who enrich our community.

The selection committee took great care to give due consideration to each of the nominations received. The selection committee scored, reviewed and discussed the nominations, giving consideration to the length and quality of the service to the community, the opportunities seized and the obstacles faced by the nominee(s). Furthermore, the selection committee looked for volunteers who helped to establish a lasting legacy, balanced leadership with commitment to humanitarian service and whose volunteerism lead to an enrichment of the human spirit.

Community Outreach Program Red Coats

The "Red Coats" as a group donate their time volunteering for the Community Outreach Program. Working with limited funding, their time and effort keeps the program running on a day to day basis. The "Red Coats" strive to eliminate homelessness in the City of Greater Sudbury through street intervention. The volunteers from the Community Outreach Program - Red Coats demonstrate their willingness to go the "extra mile" for the homeless in our community. The selfless hard work that the Red Coats exhibit demonstrates that a group can make a difference when community is considered the main priority.

Gerald Bradley

Gerald Bradley has been the anchor of the Navy League of Canada for many years, setting the standards for others to follow. For the past 50 years, his contribution to the organization has been enormous. Gerald served first as a cadet, then as officer and eventually as Commanding Officer to the Navy League. In his present role as a Branch member, he is responsible for membership and fundraising for two cadet corps. He is a devoted supporter of the Navy League of Canada and

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works tirelessly for the welfare of the cadet program. He volunteers his time without hesitation, often adjusting his own personal commitments to accommodate the goals of the Navy League organization. In addition to volunteering with the Navy League, Gerald also volunteers at his great grandchildren's school during winter carnivals and at various fundraising events.

Karen Luczak

Karen Luczak has touched the lives of both youth and seniors within the City of Greater Sudbury through her volunteering efforts. During the past few years in Scouting, she has chaired 2 Chief Scout ceremonies for Scout aged youth which have earned recognition from the Governor General. She has helped fundraise for youth of various age groups and can be called on to assist any other group in the Sudbury area with their activities. Karen is active with the senior ladies and youth curling leagues at the Idylwyld Curling Club and coaches Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School curling teams. In addition, she volunteers on a regular basis at her own church, Knox Presbyterian, and at various activities at St. Peter's United Church.

Emile Guy

Emile Guy has been volunteering for the past 40 years. He does weekly television spiritual messages and currently teaches a personal growth workshop to the students at Le Centre Alpha Culturel which helps promote self-esteem to adults. He is the founder of the newspaper "Le Voyageur".

Randy Crisp

Randy Crisp is the co-ordinator for the Capreol COPS program. Retired from the RCMP, he has lived in Capreol since 2001. Randy has organized and participated in regular patrols of Capreol over the past year, to help ensure a safer, friendlier and more inclusive community. Randy has devoted countless hours to ensure that the program flourishes. His efforts include recruiting volunteers, soliciting sponsors, attending meetings and providing constant support. Randy has also been active in promoting the program to other Community Action Networks in the City of Greater Sudbury. Randy is also a very active member of the Capreol Community Action Network.

Shirley Baxter

Shirley Baxter has been a tireless supporter of countless community initiatives over the past 20 years. Shirley was the chair for the Valley East Centennial and a founding member of the Valley East Community Action Network of which she is currently the secretary. Shirley is also very busy as Chair of the Valley East trails committee. She is a community supporter of the Valley East Lions and has been active with various Valley East church groups and the Valley East Youth Centre. She is a strong advocate for community spirit and keeping activities "Alive" in the Valley East community.

Sheila Ripley

Sheila Ripley has been involved with the Blue Saints Drum and Bugle Corps since 1989 and is currently the Booster Club President. Sheila's direct role with the corps is that of head chaperone and cook. While on the road with the corps, she prepares 3 meals a day for youth and adults. She is also the corps "mom" for many of the members, attending to issues as they arise. Sheila is an unsung hero, working behind the scenes and always ready to help in whatever capacity is required of her. Sheila is the reason that the Blue Saints Drum and Bugle Corps remains active today.

Maurice Armstrong

Maurice Armstrong has been a member of the Chelmsford Lion's Club for the past 13 years and

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is presently past-president of the Club. Moe has also been chair of the Western Days Festival for the past 5 years. Moe is instrumental in coordinating the many groups, organizations and volunteers for the 30 events and activities during the 10 day schedule. His commitment to the task begins 6 months in advance of the event to contact the many sponsors, entertainers and organizations. The Western Days has been a major event in the Chelmsford community for the past 28 years.

Robert Keetch

Robert has been active with the United Way for the past 4 years. He has served as the Chair of the Ad hoc Committee on Homelessness, as well as the chair of the Community Development Committee. He is currently serving as the President of United Way/Centraide Sudbury and District. Through his volunteer efforts, the United Way continues to play a part in the Housing First Strategy that is designed to address the root cause of homelessness: lack of affordable housing. Thousands of individuals have been assisted through the intervention of programs that would have had to close their doors without people like Robert to step forward and take a stand.

Estelle Bernier

Estelle Bernier has been a volunteer with Meals on Wheels (Sudbury) for over 18 years. She dedicates her time weekly to deliver meals to home bound individuals who require assistance. Estelle's reasons for volunteering are truly simple - to help others. She is always looking to find ways to help. She gives her time and energy in order to make someone else's day a good one. Her good humour and laughter brings joy to all clients of Meals on Wheels. Estelle has also volunteered for Jeunesse Ouvrier Chrétien for many years assisting in a clerical capacity, organized conferences and bowling tournaments for youth. The Older Adult Centre is also fortunate to have had Estelle as part of the volunteer team for the past 6 years.

Jill Pessot

Jill Pessot is the President of Pet Save which is a local, volunteer driven organization dedicated to the well being of animals and the education of pet owners. Jill has been the leader and driving force behind Pet Save for the last 6 years. She works tirelessly on her own time to care for stray animals and implements systems for health care and foster care. It is Jill's belief that a community that treats its animals well, treats its people well too. Her drive and compassion brings hundreds of volunteers into a caring group of people striving to make Sudbury a leader in animal care. Jill continues to care for hundreds of unwanted and injured animals each year. She also sits on several committees all in an effort to make Sudbury a better city for all its inhabitants.

Kinsmen Club of Sudbury

The Kinsmen Club of Sudbury has been able to help hundreds of groups over the past 68 years. In following their motto "Serving the Community's Greatest Needs", they engage in a big way in the community. Their largest contributions by far is through their annual Showcase sweepstakes, contributing over \$11,000,000 to the community to date. In addition to the annual showcase, Kinsmen Club members deliver food baskets to seniors and assist the Sudbury Food Bank. Funds raised allow families, children and seniors to take part in activities, outings, and increased quality of life. A smile on someone's face is priceless...something the members of the Sudbury Kinsmen Club try to make happen as much as possible.

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Tuesday, October 09, 2007

Re: **Community Workplace Health and Safety Charter – The Road to Zero
Request to appear before the City of Greater Sudbury Council**

Dear Mayor Rodriguez,

As you know, the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board successfully introduced the Community Workplace Health and Safety Charter at the AMO Conference in August of this year. I was very pleased with the enthusiastic reception this initiative received.

We know successful workplace safety “begins at the top” and as leaders in the City of Greater Sudbury, you have shown your commitment to this principle through your municipal, corporate workplace safety efforts. The Community Workplace Health and Safety Charter offers your Council an opportunity to build upon this success by championing exemplary workplace safety practices for all employers in your community.

I am writing to request an opportunity to appear before the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury to present the principles supporting the Charter and to encourage your Council to support this most worthwhile undertaking. It is only through the continued leadership of municipalities such as the City of Greater Sudbury that all sectors of Ontario’s economy will benefit from improved workplace health and safety practices.

I look forward to meeting with your Council to introduce the Community Workplace Health and Safety Charter. Mr. Brian Johnston of my office will contact your municipal Clerk to arrange a convenient time for me to appear before Council.

Thank you, Mayor Rodriguez, for your support for our journey on the **Road to Zero**.

Sincerely,



The Hon Steven W. Mahoney P.C.
Chair

c.c. A. Hache, Clerk, City of Greater Sudbury ✓