

2007 Healthy Communities Cup Awards

The Healthy Communities Cup Awards is annual opportunity to recognize the efforts individuals and organizations that have through their personal efforts or projects, contributed in ways that help the community to realize the Community Vision.

Recipient of the Healthy Communities Initiative Cup

Sylvan Lake Seniors Association for their efforts and contributions to the Sylvan Lake Community Vision over the past year...

In February of 2006 the Seniors Information & Resources Center opened its doors for the first time in Sylvan Lake. To do this, members of the Sylvan Lake Seniors Association volunteered a steering committee, volunteers to attend the required training provided by the province, numerous hours of planning and the commitment to deliver the service at the Seniors Center.

These volunteers arrive every Thursday ready to help other seniors and family members to find programs, to fill out forms and applications for a variety of government programs services and supports.

The weekly service has provided assistance to over 400 seniors. The commitment and support of the Seniors Information & Resource Center volunteers and the Seniors Association truly bring meaning and opportunity to experience the reality of the community's vision of

- Living Together: Children Youth, Adults, Senior's and Families are respected, valued, and have a vital role in the life of the community.
- People Connecting: Public, private and volunteer organizations work together.
- Healthy Living: Information, support and resources are available and provided locally.



Congratulations Sylvan Lake Seniors Association!

Healthy Communities Cup Nominees

Community Economic Development Board – A new welcome Council committee addition to the community vision and support in the area of balancing the best of small town atmosphere with the advantages of healthy growth.

Gail Foreman – for organizing the 2006 “No Smoking Campaign” in Sylvan Lake.

Joanne Crook – Women’s Wellness Committee member, active volunteer at the Community Garden and member of the Sylvan Lake Community Partners Association. She contributes in many ways to people connecting and healthy living in Sylvan Lake.

Kathy Bradshaw – One of Kathy’s many passions is the annual Jazz Festival. Her efforts assist in bringing world-class musicians to the Town of Sylvan Lake which helps to promote balance and healthy living by inclusion of live music and the arts into our thriving community. Living together in a community that is creating balance through people of all walks is healthy living.

Linda Gill – she organized the volunteers and the community walk-about for petition signatures for the non-smoking by-law. She dedicated many hours to this initiative; attending council meetings and monitoring public sentiment. Linda and her volunteers collected over 1000 signatures.

Sylvan Lake Pyromaniacs – an energetic group of volunteers who weather our winter’s cold and the summers heat to entertain us with a spectacular fireworks display.

Sylvan Lake Playgroup Society – For nearly two decades this volunteer organization has coordinated two community programs C.H.I.P.S. and Playgroups. These programs are most likely the venue for new residents, caregivers and families with preschool children to connect with the community and offer compassion and support to the big job of parenting.

Vi Robertson - Via is a quiet, gentle lady who for many years has helped people connect with each other. Through the years she has done a tremendous job making sure that people get the help they need. This is the tip of the ice burg and to describe in detail what she had done and still does for the community would take a book.

Warren Kay – chairperson of the Sylvan Lake Community Partners Association, his quiet leadership and diplomacy has a positive impact on the Association. Countless hours of patience, kindness & guidance to the community.

Sylvan Lake Youth Employment Initiative – helping youth make healthy and wise choices. The program has the opportunity to have a positive impact on many youth in Sylvan Lake. The initiative has helped youth in the program to connect with others in the community and to achieve their goals.



Congratulations to all the nominees!



Healthy Communities Initiative Special Recognition

Tim Hortons for the generous support to numerous community events including the Fall Family & Community Information Fair, Winterfest, and National Child's Day' and the 2007 Community Asset & Needs & Survey. Your kindness and support in our community is very much appreciated.

Shane Cyrenne, Al Frenette and Chris McNeil, the "Hockey Rink Guys" for sharing their backyards to build a hockey rink and reminding us that Sylvan Lake is a community of good neighbours, community pride and spirit.



Healthy Communities Outstanding Contribution

Vi Robertson was recognized for her outstanding contributions to the Community Vision...

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