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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

ADAM, Chris J.

Mr
Executive Director of Earthvalues

MSM
Carignan, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: 2006

He teaches environmental leadership, directs the sustainability & Living Campus initiative at Dawson College in Montreal, and is the executive director of the Earthvalues Institute, a non-profit charity specializing in using a Nature as Mentor theme in teaching.

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ARKINSON, Brandon

Mr.
Founder and Executive Director of Moving Hope specializing in Housing Affordability

MSM
Grimsby, Ontario

CF: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI:

Founder of Moving Hope/Housing affordability.

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ASADI LARI, Mohammad Hossein

Mr.
Co-Founder Stem Fellowship

MSM
Burnaby, British Columbia
(Died)

CF: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI:

He was the co-Founder and managing director of STEM Fellowship.org, co-Founder of NextGenU.org Pre-Health Sciences Training and an MD/PhD candidate at the University of Toronto. In May 2018, he graduated from the Honours in Cellular, Anatomical and Physiological Sciences (CAPS) program from the University of British Columbia. He spent much of his 22 years moving around the world to improve the fate of our global family

He died on a flight from Tehran to Kiev operated by Ukraine International Airlines (UIA) on 8 January 2020. The Boeing 737-800 operating the route was shot down shortly after takeoff from Tehran Imam Khomeini International Airport. All 176 passengers and crew were killed. The airplane was shot down by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.



Sister Zeinab Asadi Lari and Mohamed Asadi Lari

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

BASU, Kehkashan

Ms

Founder of youth sustainability organization, Green Hope"

MSM

Toronto, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: 2012

Born in Canada in 2000 and raised in Dubai, **Kehkashan** founded the Green Hope Foundation at the age of just 12. Green Hope Foundation is a social innovation enterprise to reduce educational inequality by engaging all sections of civil society on the rights of the marginalized and on sustainability.



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BHAYANI, Ghalib

Chief Superintendent – RCMP

RCMP North Vancouver Community Liaison

MOM MSM

North Vancouver, BC

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 15 October 2021

DOI: 2020

Launched initiatives like the IDEA Committee for equity and diversity, Project OPTIC, Fraud Aware, and Power5 in North Vancouver.

Medals: MOM – MSM – Peacekeeping – UNMISS (South Sudan) – RCMP LG&GC



Ghalib and John Blatherwick at Remembrance Day at UBC. Ghalib and his wife above.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

BOILEAU, Jean

Mr

Outaouais Hot Air Balloon Festival Director

MB MSM

Gatineau, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

"As the Hot Air Balloon Festival's General Director from its inception to 2001, Jean Boileau helped rally numerous volunteers, pilots and different artists, making this event a must-see family and tourist activity in the Outaouais."

Awarded the **Medal of Bravery (MB)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 25 January 2003. Citation



"On July 14, 2001, in Ottawa, Ontario, Todd and Wade Briscoe rescued Jean Boileau from the basket of a burning hot air balloon as he risked his life to try to get his daughter out of the blaze. The balloon had just landed in a field when a gust of wind lifted it and propelled it towards a power line. The nacelle caught fire on contact with an electric shock of some 20,000 volts, before sliding back down to the ground. Witnessing the scene, Todd and Wade Briscoe ran to the hot air balloon and tried to restrain Mr. Boileau who, leaning in the middle of the flames, was desperately trying to reach his daughter at the bottom of the basket. Despite the propane tanks exploding under the intensity of the flames, the Briscoe brothers succeeded, on their fourth attempt, in grabbing Mr. Boileau by his clothes and pulling him and his passenger out of the blaze. Todd and Wade Briscoe escaped unharmed, while Mr. Boileau suffered severe burns to his face, arms, and legs; Unfortunately, her daughter did not survive this tragedy."

CHISHOLM, Doug

Mr

Pilot and Aerial Photographer photographed Saskatchewan's Geo-Memorial Locations

MSM

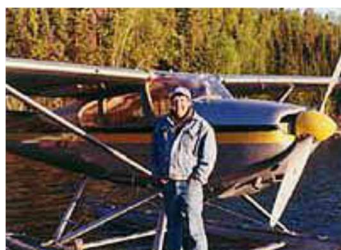
Melfort, Saskatchewan

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: Since 2002



From 1950 to 1970 the Saskatchewan Government undertook the process of naming geo-memorial locations in the northern area of the province, identifying locations with the names of approximately 3800 fallen servicemen from Saskatchewan. These locations consist of various lakes, islands and bays spread throughout the region. Doug Chisholm photographed 2,700 of the 3,800 geo-memorial locations, and devised a method of presenting the photographs to interested relatives and friends of the commemorated servicemen.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

CONNORS, Andrew D.

Mr

Artistic Director Yukon Film Society & Festival Director Available Light Film Festival

MSM

Whitehorse, Yukon

CG: 29 January 2022

GH: 27 June 2022

DOI: 2003

Awarded: 03 May 2021

"In 2003, Andrew Connors led the creation of the Available Light Film Festival, an annual 10-day event put on by the Yukon Film Society. In the many roles he has played over the years, including festival director, producer, mentor, programmer, and fundraiser, he has continually promoted northern, Indigenous and Canadian films, and has enriched the wider community. His stable leadership has helped the festival become the largest of its kind in Canada's North."

Andrew Connors is the Artistic Director of the Yukon Film Society and the Festival Director of the Available Light Film Festival. He is the producer of the multi-disciplinary production *The Grub-Stake Revisited* and co-produced the 2019 feature doc *Sovereign Soil* with the National Film Board of Canada. Andrew operates Jackleg Films out of Whitehorse.



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DALLAIRE, René

Mr

Executive Director of the Quebec Association of handicapped Sailing

CQ MSM

Montréal, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

René Dallaire became quadriplegic at the age of 19 and had an honourable professional and socio-professional career, having been Director of Finance at the Institut de réadaptation de Montréal and an active member of the Ordre des comptables agréés du Québec. Very socially engaged, he has devoted much of his time to improving the living conditions of people with disabilities. For example, he has chaired the Association des paraplégiques du Québec, the Board of Directors of the Centre de réadaptation Lucie-Bruneau and the Société d'habitations communautaires Logique. Since 2002, he has been the full-time Executive Director of the Association québécoise de voile adapté, which he himself launched.

Awarded **Knight of the Ordre National de Quebec (CQ)** in 2017.

Medals: CQ – MSM – EIIR Diamond Jubilee



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

DARTNALL, Adrienne G.

Ms

Formed Kid International Development Society (K.I.D.S.)

MSM

Nanaimo, British Columbia

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: 2004

LENNERT, Richard F.

Mr

Formed Kids International Development Society (K.I.D.S.).

MSM

Nanaimo, British Columbia

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

In 2000, Adrienne Dartnall and her partner Rick Lennert lost their only child, twenty-one-year-old Danielle, when she was killed by a drunk driver. Devastated by the tragedy they sought to find meaning in their lives and to honour the memory of their daughter, who had wanted to be a teacher and loved children. Since that time Adrienne and Rick have been traveling each year to impoverished villages and communities in developing countries. They volunteer their time and talents working to improve the lives of children and their families living in poverty. In 2004, in response to the interest of more and more people who wanted to donate and be a part of the work they were doing, Adrienne and Rick formed Kids International Development Society (K.I.D.S.).



Danielle Dartnell



Adrienne Dartnell

Richard Lennert



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

DAVID, Roopan

Mr
Managing Director of 5n2 Kitchens

MSM
Scarborough, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: November 2013

DAVID, Seema

Ms
Founded 5n2 Kitchens which provides free meals at the Scarborough Centre on Wednesdays

MSM
Scarborough, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

5n2 Kitchens, a volunteer-run Scarborough charity founded six years ago by former Dubai-based high school teacher Seema David. It provides the lunches on Wednesdays. Once stomachs are filled, many of the same folks line up again for the Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities' food bank across the hall. Roopan used a small inheritance to upgrade the kitchen and keep the meals coming.

Seema David



DEGROOTE, Philippe

Mr
Ottawa, Ontario

MSM
Ottawa, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: no date

A Canadian historian, present in France about 10 years ago, introduced me and made me passionate about WW1 and in particular about the Canadian Soldiers. The latter arrived in my commune, Vis-en-Artois, on August 26, 1918, completely destroyed and repelled the Germans leaving on the spot, killed, some 349 Canadian soldiers, including Claude Joseph Patrick NUNNEY - V.C. - D.C.M. - M.M of the 38th Bn CEF, died of his wounds 18 days later. I am now looking for the life paths of all these soldiers, in order to honour their memory and pass it on to our children, grandchildren.

deMARSH, Peter Grant

Mr
President of the International Family Forestry Alliance
(Died 06 August 2018)

MSM
Taymouth, New Brunswick
(Died 06 August 2018)

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

President of the International Family Forestry Alliance from 2011 until his death and President of the Canadian Federation of Woodlot Owners.

Peter was killed in the crash of Ethiopian Airlines Flight 302 outside Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 20 March 2019.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

DENINE, Nevaeh Joey

Mr

Raising tens of thousands of dollars for Kids with Cancer

MSM

Goulds, Newfoundland and Labrador

(Died)

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: July 2014

DENINE, Holly

Ms

Helping Nevaeh raise money for Kids with Cancer

MSM

Goulds, Newfoundland and Labrador

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

Nevaeh was diagnosed with neuroblastoma at an early age. Since that time, she raised tens of thousands of dollars for kids with cancer through her annual lemonade stand. Family and friends were wearing orange to show their support for Nevaeh. Holly was her mother.



DENNIS, Gloria

Ms

Developed Circles of Safety to protect Women from Violence

MSM

Alexandra, Prince Edward Island

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

DOI: 2008

Awarded: 03 May 2021

LUND, Kirstin

Ms

Working out how they would support the woman in coming up with a plan to help her feel safe

MSM

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

DOI: 2008

Awarded: 03 May 2021



Kirstin Lund

The idea for Circles of Safety came about when Gloria Dennis, an outreach worker with Family Violence Prevention Services, was at a loss as to how to help a client. Dennis decided to get those close to the woman together in one room, and she credits Kirstin Lund, a trained mediator who had worked in conflict resolution, with working out how they would support the woman in coming up with a plan to help her feel safe.

A Circle of Safety and Support brings a woman worried about her safety because of family violence together with service providers and other supportive people. Together they develop a detailed plan for her safety and support. A trained Circle facilitator leads the preparation and meetings of the Circle.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

DODD, Julie Devon

Ms

Trailblazer in Family Violence Prevention

MSM

Charlottetown, P.E.I.

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

Dodd is a pioneer and trailblazer in family violence prevention. Dodd's nearly 40 years of service include organizing the first group of volunteers in the creation of Anderson House, Charlottetown's women's shelter, in 1979. She also established Turning Point, a program for men who batter, and is a founding member of the UPEI Centre for Conflict Resolution Studies.

Medals: MSM – EIIR Diamond Jubilee



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FRANCILLON, Nadin

Ms

President of Fondation Voix Angélique (FOVA) - Philanthropic Fundraising Services

MSM

Côte Saint-Luc, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: 2006

FOVA-International is a non-profit organization created in 2006 working to improve living condition of children in different regions of the world. Our main objective is to fight against school drop-out, child labor and improve the living conditions of our children. An adventure that started with one child at a time, today supports tuition for more than 1500 children in Haiti, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Morocco, and Tunisia. Our activities are diverse, every year we go from providing school supplies to selected schools to organizing spelling contests and summer camps.

She is also Chief Executive of Safeway Parking Ltd. Canada and CEO of Le Journal du Lieu Secret (Secret Place Diary).



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GAGNÉ, Pierre

Dr

Consultant for PowerHealth Solutions

MSM

Québec, Quebec
(Died)

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

A Consultant for Consultant for PowerHealth Solutions helping healthcare clients deliver the highest quality medical care at the lowest operational costs. PowerHealth specialise in activity-based costing, hospital billing, healthcare budgeting, AR-DRG classification and digital wayfinding solutions.

Don't know.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

GARBER, Bryan G.

Dr
Mental Health Support to Members of the Canadian Forces

MSM CD
Vanier, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

Mental Health of members of the Canadian Forces

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GRASS, Marlene V.

Ms
Founder/ Director of Clinical Services, Charles H. Best Diabetes Centre, Whitby, Ontario

MSM
Oshawa, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

Founder/ Director of Clinical Services, Charles H. Best Diabetes Centre, Whitby, Ontario



Medals: MSM – EIIR Diamond Jubilee

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HULL-JACQUIN, Marc

Mr
Executive Director and Founder of Shelter Movers

MSM
Toronto, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: since April 2016



Shelter Movers is a non-profit that offers moving services to women leaving abusive homes. But on top of offering trucks and moving boxes to women in abusive situations, the non-profit moving service also offers emotional and physical support to those who need to re-enter their former homes. Shelter Movers has rescued over 2,000 people fleeing domestic violence, providing 6 sanctuaries in Canada since 2016. He's fighting an increase in DV cases during the pandemic.



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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

KNOWLTON, Nancy

Dr
Founder SMART Technologies which make large touch displays

MSM
Calgary, Alberta

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: 1986

MARTIN, David

Mr
Founder SMART Technologies which make large touch displays

MSM OBE (Civil)
Calgary, Alberta

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: 1986

Nancy Knowlton and David Martin are entrepreneurs and Canadian Digital Media Pioneers. They recognized in the 1980's the potential of touch-based interaction and together they co-founded SMART Technologies. Because of their insight and leadership, SMART's large touch displays are now in use worldwide. They co-founded the Bye Group.



David's Medals: OBE (civil) - MSM – Alberta Centennial

Awarded **Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) (civil)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 15 June 2013

LABINE, Pierre

Father – Congregation of Holy Cross
Founder Vosh Santa Cruz to Bring the gift of sight to people in need all over the world

MSM
Saint-Laurent, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021
DOI: 1999

For over 20 years, Canadian priest Fr. Pierre Labine has been bringing the gift of sight to people in need all over the world. Founder of VOSH Santa Cruz, a Montreal-based international non-profit organization of optometrists, opticians and volunteers, he works to provide vision care and eyeglasses to the poor in developing countries

A member of the Congregation of Holy Cross, in 2019 he was awarded the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award from Pope Francis for his distinguished service to the Church. While he's grateful for the recognition of awards because of the light they shine on the important ministry, he says it has been the hard work, sacrifice and dedication of the doctors and volunteers that has kept the ministry going and growing all these years.



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

LUDZIK, Steve

Mr

NHL Player with the Chicago Black Hawks and Buffalo Sabres

MSM

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

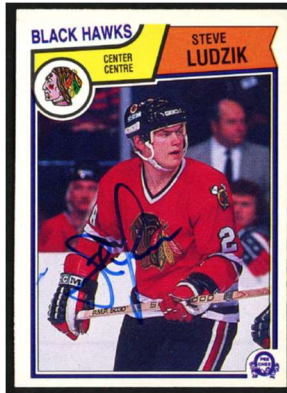
CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: 2013

The Steve Ludzik Foundation opened the doors to a one-of-a kind Parkinson's Rehab Centre at Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre in St. Catharines. He is the former Head Coach of the Tampa Bay Lightning



Niagara Falls Flyers
New Brunswick Hawks
Chicago Black Hawks
Saginaw Hawks
Buffalo Sabres
Rochester Americans
Zell am See EK

OHL
AHL (Moncton)
NHL
IHL
NHL
AHL
Austria

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McCARTHY, Gerard Francis

Dr

Obstetrician and Gynecologist

MSM

Winnipeg, Manitoba

(Died 23 August 2018)

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

He was deeply committed to the care of the Northern Medical Communities which he visited for his entire career. 'Up North' he would take helicopters, boats, skidoo's and hovercrafts to see his patients at the nursing stations. He felt a kinship with these communities from his experiences in Northern Ireland and understood the many obstacles his patients had in their lives.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

McLEAN, Ralph

Mr

Documentation of British Commonwealth Military History

MSM

The Pas, Manitoba

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

"For more than two decades, Ralph McLean has been dedicated to commemorating soldiers killed in war and peacekeeping missions. His self-funded Canadian and international travels have allowed him to identify unmarked war graves, which has helped expand the documentation of British Commonwealth military history. He has also ensured the required maintenance of graves, corrected personal information on thousands of memorial inscriptions, and submitted more than 200 000 photographic records to various databases, including the South Africa War Graves Project, which he created."

Ralph McLean is an Editor at Opasquia Times Online based in The Pas, Manitoba.



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NOUKHOVITCH, Alexandre Sacha

Mr

Teacher / Works in Toronto School Board

MSM

Toronto, Ontario

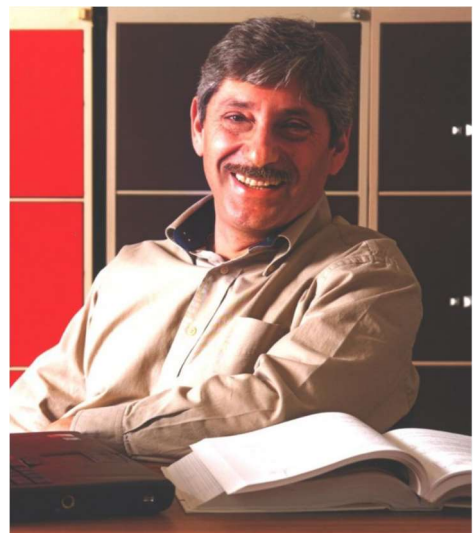
CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: April 2015

A leader and expert in instructional design and data-native generation pedagogical practices. President and Editor-in-Chief STEM Fellowship - Student Research and Innovation Network.



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

PASTERNAK, Barbara

Ms

Founder and Chair of the Diabetes Hope Foundation (DHF)

MSM

North York, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: 1999



Founder and Chair of the Diabetes Hope Foundation (DHF), a non-profit established in 1999 after two of her three sons were diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes, despite no family history of the disease. DHF has raised over \$11 million to implement unique transition programs and initiatives that have impacted the lives of over 4,000 children and youth living with diabetes and their families across Canada.

She is the Vice President of Fluid Hose and Coupling Inc., a leading manufacturer and distributor of engineering and industrial applications company that she co-founded with her husband in 1985.



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PIRANI, Shafique

Dr

Orthopedic Surgeon in North Vancouver

MSM

North Vancouver, BC

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021



Changed the lives of countless children in Uganda and other Third World countries through his Pirani method of healing Clubfoot in a non-invasive and gentle way. He established the Uganda Sustainable Clubfoot Care Project (USCCP), a non-profit organization dedicated to reducing widespread disability and poverty from neglected clubfoot.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

PRIFTAKIS, Tony

Mr

Restaurateur Le Buffet des Continents in Gatineau

MSM

Gatineau, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

Helping young patients through his small business philanthropy at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO).



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PROVOST, Nicole

Ms

Founder and Director of the Mayday Club Youth Choir for Neurodiversity

MSM

Abbotsford, British Columbia

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

Awarded: 03 May 2021

DOI: August 2015

Founder and Director of the Mayday Club Youth Choir for Neurodiversity and the Mayday Club. The purpose of the choir is to eradicate many of the stigmas associated with autism and other neurological conditions through the use of live rock music, dance, drumming, and personal testimony. The choir offers youth on the autism spectrum an early intervention by connecting them with like-minded people and empathetic mentors, helping them realize that they are not alone in their journey. She was 23 years old when she did this.



MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

QUINN, Wayne Allan James
Chief Warrant Officer (retired)

MMM MSM CD
Ottawa, Ontario

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

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Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 17 July 1999 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer.

RIOUX, Alain

Mr
Organization Gagne-Bergeron Helps People in Need

MSM
Lac-Beauport, Quebec

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
Awarded: 03 May 2021

Born in the Saint-Sauveur district of Quebec City, a former hockey player at the various levels in Quebec to a professional player in Europe, Alain Rioux has developed a team player mentality to the point of wanting to fade in front of the honours to leave all the room for others. However, his commitments over the years in various causes have led him, over the past 10 years, to ensure that the Organization of Pro-Am Gagné-Bergeron achieves its objectives to help people in need. This year, for the tenth presentation of the friendly game between professional players from the National Hockey League and fans from the region, the Pro-Am Gagné-Bergeron took place in the amphitheatre of the Videotron Centre where \$428,000. \$ was raised for the five beneficiary organizations: Pignon Bleu, Leucan, Philippe Boucher Foundation, Maurice Tanguay Foundation and Simple Plan Foundation. In 10 years, some \$1.5 million has been raised. Captain and volunteer. It was also an opportunity for Patrice Bergeron and Simon Gagné to highlight the commitment of this volunteer at the head of the organization of the event. Present during the interview, Simon Gagné recalled the importance of having a good captain to lead the team as Alain Rioux has done over the years. The idea for the hockey game came from two organizers of Simon Gagné's golf tournament. Initially to set the idea in motion, there was Pierre Gagné, Simon's father, and Jos Faucher. Pierre Gagné asked Alain Rioux and his cousin Claude Rioux to also work on starting the project.

When Pierre Gagné died four years ago, someone was needed to continue the work as a team leader. "Alain was in the best position to replace my father," says Simon Gagné. He amazed everyone, so the Pro-Am was able to continue and improve year after year." Moreover, shortly before his death, Pierre Gagné had made Alain Rioux promise to continue the work they had set up with four people. He told her: continue the mission! "He was close to death, but he was thinking about the mission," adds Mr. Rioux. I learned a lot with Pierre. Especially not to be embarrassed to ask people" to contribute and participate. Today, the volunteer team includes about twenty people for the various components of the past event from the L'Ancienne-Lorette sports complex to the Videotron Centre.

SEMENOFF, Nik

Professor – University of Saskatchewan
He was a founding member of the Saskatchewan Society of Artists (1959) and Gallery

MSM
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

CG: 29 January 2022
GH:
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DOI: 1959

Semenoff is credited with inventing a "waterless lithographic process," and is known for his innovations and research in safer, non-toxic printmaking, which have been published in journals and demonstrated in workshops in Canada and internationally. Semenoff was inspired to improve printmaking processes when he began teaching at the University of Saskatchewan and saw how toxic chemicals were being used.

He was a founding member of the Saskatchewan Society of Artists (1959-1960) and Gallery.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

WERGELAND, Dell Marie

Mr

Director Compassionate Resource Warehouse

MSM

Victoria, British Columbia

CG: 29 January 2022

GH:

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DOI: 1999

In 1999 Dell Marie Wergeland went to Honduras to help victims of Hurricane Mitch. The powerful winds and drenching rain had created landslides that killed thousands and left millions injured and homeless. Dell, a nurse by training, took along medical supplies, tools and school materials.



In the aftermath of the destruction, the aid that arrived was chaotic. Clothing suitable for northern winters would show up, but not the much-needed bandages, needles or medicines. Dell was deeply disturbed by the lack of practical supplies that could have helped wounded and homeless people. She returned to Victoria determined to do something about it.

Under the umbrella of the Church of the Nazarene and with family support, she decided to send a 40-foot container full of goods that would actually fit local needs (a container holds the equivalent of a fully stuffed single-car garage with a nine-foot ceiling). It took her 18 months to send the first container, all the while learning about finding donations of goods and cash, recruiting volunteers, locating responsible agencies to use and distribute goods, dealing with shipping companies, preparing export manifests and satisfying ever-changing customs regulations. There is no “dummies” handbook to teach these things.

Since that slow and humble beginning, more than 525 such containers filled with donated supplies have now arrived in 60+ countries ranging from Ukraine to Malawi to the Philippines. These goods have helped those less fortunate to receive medical care, a toy, some decent clothing, or equipment and tools that will allow them to earn a living.

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Civil) - CITATIONS

ZALZAL, Hana

Ms

Founder of Cargo Cosmetics using natural ingredients for cosmetics

MSM

Toronto, Ontario

CG: 26 May 2022

GH: 05 November 2018

GH: 26 May 2022

DOI: 1996

“Civil engineer Hana Zalzal founded Cargo Cosmetics to help support a more sustainable global makeup industry. By replacing often harmful and less effective synthetic chemicals with natural ingredients, she designed portable and eco-friendly products that became known to professional makeup artists, celebrities and consumers for their avant-garde designs and convenient packaging. Over the past 20 years, her business has grown into a multi-million-dollar international brand available in more than 1,400 stores in a dozen countries, bringing recognition to Canadian innovation.”

