

Take opportunity to recognize outstanding citizens

The County of Lanark wants your help to recognize outstanding citizens with a new award – and the close of nominations is drawing near.

The Lanark County Awards of Excellence program was established in late spring and aims to recognize recipients for their contribution to the county at large or in at least two municipalities. It was developed as a way to say thank you to citizens of Lanark County, to provide community recognition and visibility, to support those citizens for their contributions and to inspire further community service.

To qualify, individuals must be residents of the county or operate a business or industry here. The nominee can be an individual, organization, business or industry, and must have made a significant and/or extraordinary contribution in one or more of the following categories: volunteerism, community service, youth; business, agriculture, industry, tourism; heritage, ecology; arts, culture, recreation, sports, philanthropy; or other.

“There are so many in this county who have given so much of themselves for their community,” said County Warden Susan Freeman. “Our county has been enriched by their contributions.”

A sub-committee of council will review submissions received by Sept. 30 and choose recipients from the nominations received. Any person or organization may nominate outstanding citizens in their community, however self-nominations will not be accepted, nor will entries from sitting members of county council.

The awards are to be presented each year in the category where strong candidates have been nominated. Presentations will take place at the November county council meeting, and recipients will also be invited to the annual Warden’s Banquet. A plaque will be hung in the Lanark County Administration Building, and recipients would be recognized on the county’s website as well.

“I urge you to look around you,” Ms. Freeman added. “For those who have made a significant and/or extraordinary contribution to Lanark County, please nominate them for a Lanark County Award of Excellence. I look forward to presenting these awards later this year.”

Information and nomination forms are available on the county website at www.county.lanark.on.ca or by calling the clerk’s office at (613) 267-4200, ext. 119. Completed forms must be submitted to Lanark County Awards of Excellence, County of Lanark, Clerk’s Office, P.O. Box 37, Sunset Blvd., 99 Christie Lake Road, Perth, ON K7H 3E2 or by e-mail to clerk@county.lanark.on.ca by Sept. 30.

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