



2018 Port Hope Civic Awards Recipient List

The 2018 Port Hope Civic Awards Ceremony was held on Thursday April 25, 2019 at the Cameco Capitol Arts Centre.

Outstanding Youth

2018 Port Hope Outstanding Youth: **Madison Taylor.**

This year's Outstanding Youth has a long history of giving back to the community. For her 10th birthday, instead of asking for presents, she asked for donations to the Shelter of Hope Animal Shelter. Over the past 15 years, she's participated in every Canada Day and Santa Claus Parades. She is dance captain at the Port Hope High School dance team. Under her leadership, her team has managed to cover the cost of the costumes and competition fees through active fundraising. She is a member of the Port Hope High School's Student Advisory Committee, serving as Arts Minister. She was appointed Entertainment Captain for the Port Hope High School Relay for Life team. She's part of the Rotary Club of Port Hope's Interact Club, working on fundraising, collecting donations for the food bank and raising awareness for those in need with school and community events. She's an honour roll student and has received several awards for holding the highest overall average in numerous classes.

She has a heart of gold, cares deeply for the people around her and works tirelessly to make sure that everything she does is done to the absolute best of her ability. She is an excellent representative of her high school community and Port Hope. Our recipient is all spirit. Madison Taylor is a tremendous example of a dedicated, community-minded individual who leads with his heart and never hesitates to lend a helping-hand.

Agriculture Award

The Agriculture Award is presented to an individual or group who has had considerable impact in the area of agriculture, has promoted agricultural awareness and exhibited leadership within the agricultural community in the Municipality of Port Hope.

The Kellogg Family, including David, Mary Lou, Natalie and Janelle.

The Kellogg family will be celebrating their 100th anniversary of their family-run farm this year. Over the years, through the Dairy Herd Improvement Association, they've achieved Excellence for their quality of milk and through the Ontario Holstein Association achieved classification of Excellence. They've been involved in the 4-H Club and as a director of the cattle display at the Port Hope Fair showcasing what a day in the life at a dairy farm includes. They have prepared and presented a number of educational exhibits and displays where attendees learn about cattle. As a family, they

show their dairy cattle at numerous fairs, including the Royal Canadian fair, at exhibitions each year and have competed in field crop competitions.

The Kellogg Family implements good farming practices and provides leadership within the agricultural community, always willing to pass on their knowledge and experience to the next generation of future farmer. They encourage sustainable agriculture by helping promote agriculture and public awareness and agriculture in the community. Thank you for your years of dedication, information sharing and advocacy.

Inspiration Award

The Inspiration Award is presented to an individual who inspires those around them to serve more, to think bigger. It is presented to someone who encourages action, and emboldens those around them believe in themselves.

Owen Cahill baked his first birthday cake for the Green Wood Coalition dinner, since then, he's continued to devote his creative talents to carefully producing a different cake each month for the next four years. His dedication doesn't stop there. He's spent countless hours picking up garbage along local highways, staffing scout booths, working the coat check at the St. Mark's Pancake suppers, and handing out hot chocolate to chilly racers at Float Your Fanny. This young man also conceived a campaign called the 100 Towel Howl, dedicated to collecting 100 towels for the Northumberland Humane Society. In the end, he tripled his goal, much to the betterment of the Humane Society. Owen has a quiet way about him and doesn't expect anything in return, but he never passes up an opportunity to make someone's life a little easier, making him an inspiration to those around him.

The Friends of Wesleyville Village is a group of over 150 volunteers who have fought for the last 20+ years to save the historic Ontario Village of Wesleyville. In 2018, they succeeded in their negotiations to acquire two additional historic buildings in the village, which is a landmark win for historic preservation in Ontario. This achievement will allow generations of Port Hope residents and visitors to experience our history and nature, and allow us to understand the historical legacies of our municipality, whilst acting as a space for future groups to use for community projects and events. The Friends of Wesleyville are an inspiration however not for just their successful negotiation with OPG to acquire and restore buildings, but rather in their commitment to being an active group of volunteers who run events and seminars educating the public on environmental preservation and aboriginal and settler history in Northumberland County. The Friends of Wesleyville Village are community-oriented, forward-thinking and environmentally-conscious. This team is a source of inspiration as to what a group of active, engaged citizens can accomplish through perseverance and team work.

Philanthropy Award

The Philanthropy Award is given to an individual or group for their outstanding desire to promote the welfare of others through donations of money, goods, talent or service.

Matthew St. Amand. Matthew never passes up an opportunity to sponsor good causes within the community, which is clear by the number of donations he has made in the past year. Matthew has made contributions to Northumberland Fare Share, Northumberland Big Brothers and Sisters, Northumberland Hills Hospital, Northumberland Humane society, Northumberland United Way, , Cornerstone Family Violence Prevention Centre and multiple sports teams, to name just a few. Because of donations like these, these valuable organizations can continue to function and serve the community. Thank you, Matthew for your philanthropic contributions.

Arts and Culture Award

The Arts and Culture Award is awarded to individuals or groups for promotion of the arts, high achievement in the arts, and for significant cultural contributions to the community.

Bram Vermeulen is known as the Man of the Critical Hour. He has established himself as a key volunteer in Port Hope, serving eight and a half years on the Board of the Capitol Theatre. He stepped in as President and Treasurer when these vital roles needed to be filled. Bram has contributed to the financial management of the Capitol Theatre and has worked to help preserve the building attributes, which allowed the theatre to be designated as a National Historic Site. Bram has defined his service to the Theatre and this community in terms of integrity, transparency, sound judgement and as a generator of goodwill.

Ray Rhines has been a member of the Port Hope and District Pipe Band for 50 years, and during the past 8 years, has volunteered hours of his time every week to teach free lessons to anyone who wishes to learn the bagpipes. Ray's contributions to the enrichment of the arts in Port Hope, is well appreciated. Thank you, Ray!

Sean Carthew is the man behind the Ontario Street Theatre organization. Ontario Street Theatre is a Pop Up Theatre that will bring in, produce and offer a variety of Independent performances at a wide range of venues. Sean produces a series of fundraising events each year that contribute to both the cultural fabric of the community, and to its prosperity too. Sean raised thousands of dollars for Green Wood Coalition with his Johnny Cash tribute night. He also offered four free shows to families to enjoy Old Time Tunes and organized five free performances to bring awareness to bullying. He's produced and directed 'Shapeless' a play that educated attendees about eating disorders and raised \$400 for the Northumberland Hills Hospital. Sean continues to provide entertainment to Port Hope with his comedy shows, concerts and more, sharing his creative energy and entertainment opportunities with us all.

Dian Carlo is a high energy, driving force who contributes his artistic talents to local projects. He has worked on two key projects that contributed to the vibrancy of Port Hope. Dian designed decorative posts for Lent Lane that payed homage to the historical look and feel of Port Hope street lights, but with a contemporary twist. These posts were designed with art installations in mind – which we have seen two since they were put in

place. Dian lent his artistic vision to a project that turned a pile of chicken wire and papier-mâché into a 25-foot whale that appeared in the Santa Claus Parade and during the Candlelight Festival in 2018. Dian is thanked for making a huge impact on these projects and helping to turn them from ideas to reality.

Ed McGriskin has been lending a hand to Critical Mass and Cultivate Festival for years by helping without need for notice or recognition. He signs on to do the jobs that no one wants -- the heavy lifting, the scraping of paint, setting up and tearing down of tents, climbing up ladders to install art, engineering giant whale parts, and building and repairing items to make our cultural spaces more accessible and inviting to the public. Ed quietly goes about contributing his expertise and unwavering dedication to projects that enhance the vitality of Port Hope, and for that, we thank him.

Alex Kirkham-McGriskin brings an infectious enthusiasm to her volunteer contributions and artistic excellence within the community. Alex is a driving force behind making many of the things happen at Critical Mass. From painting and sewing hundreds of fish for a public art installation, putting in some real elbow grease to transform the Little Station House, and coordinating the marketplace for the Candlelight Festival, she always manages to create a fun and inviting atmosphere that people want to take part in. Alex has been a wonderful leader, helper, and all-round trustworthy asset to artistic organizations in this community.

Green Wood Art Hive. Green Wood Coalition's commitment to building a healthy and vibrant Port Hope, is exemplified through its Art Hive. The facilitators of Green Wood Art Hive are the recipients of the Arts and Culture award; **Darlene Denis, Judita Pamfil** and **John Hensgens** accepted the award on behalf of the team.

The Green Wood Art Hive facilitators teach, encourage and engage the community in cultural and artistic projects. Throughout 2018, Green Wood Art Hive offered a range of weekly programs attended regularly by up to 30 individuals, brought art into public spaces by partnering with community organizations and schools, and hosted community events designed to encourage public interest in a broad range of creative expression. While open to everyone, Art Hive offers free, drop-in, facilitated creative arts programming to individuals who would, otherwise, not have access because of poverty or mental or physical disability. In the words of volunteer art facilitator, Judita Pamfil, Art Hive is intentionally designed to "allow imagination to kindle and fortify the spirit, inspire and foster compassion and mutual respect, and celebrate our collaborative accomplishments." Throughout the year, Green Wood invites the public to art exhibitions at its Community Hive and takes art into the public sphere. The 1,000 Cranes origami-making event at the Port Hope Arts Festival, Short Order Poetry pop-ups, Fish Mural group collage during Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny, and other events attracted Port Hoppers of all ages in 2018.

Sounds of the Next Generation Artistic Team. Sounds of the Next Generation, also known as SONG, provides under-served children and youth with the opportunity to engage in ensemble music-making, promoting social values and principles that lead to

positive social change and a brighter future. SONG's artistic team are Art & Culture recipients tonight, members include: Artistic Director: **Marie Anderson**, String Coordinator: **Deborah Henderson**, Choral Instructor: **Shannon Linton**, String Instructor: **David Shewchuk** and Accompanist: **Heather Stubbs**.

This inspiring and inclusive team host SONG three days a week in Port Hope where children grades 1 – 6 from five different Port Hope schools meet to sing, play string instruments, learn musical theory and have a nutritious snack. Through this program, students also learn life skills in communication, leadership and good citizenship as they prepare for multiple performances each year. SONG is offered free of charge to youth thanks to this transformative team, sponsors and the amazing group of 40+ talented support volunteers. This team deserves recognition for working together to help our youth, and this community, discover the joy of music.

Michael Lyons and **Laurie Mitchell** are dedicated and hardworking leaders of La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra . Laurie Mitchell, the Director of Strings, and Michael Lyons, Founder and Music Director, have been with La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra since its inception in 1999. Over the past twenty years, the pair have consistently dedicated their time and talents to the orchestra; conducted weekly rehearsals and sectionals throughout the school year and mentoring youth. La Jeunesse Youth Orchestra is an organization that provides young aspiring musicians unparalleled opportunity to develop musically and socially. Under Michael and Laurie's guidance, the community in Port Hope has been able to enjoy exciting performances three times annually for the past two decades and students have had the opportunity to play in a symphony orchestra with other talented peers like themselves. Michael and Laurie are inspirations to the youth in La Jeunesse and continue to encourage and spread the love of music.

Athletic Award

The Athletic Award is given to athletes who have placed at a national or provincial championship, qualified for national funding, or chosen to represent Ontario or Canada in a competition. These are incredible athletes, and we are pleased to honour them here tonight.

Charlotte Grimshaw is in grade 8 at Dr. M. S. Hawkins Public School by day and by night, she is an accomplished baton twirler. You might recognize the name; Charlotte is a champion baton twirler that has graced the stage several times over the past years, with good cause. Charlotte is a member of the Oshawa Camaros Baton Club, Ontario Baton Twirling Association and the Canadian Baton Twirling Federation. Last year alone, she won three gold medals at the Ontario Baton Twirling Championships and an individual gold medal in the Junior Ontario level B Medley. At the Canadian championships, Charlotte won a bronze medal for her Level B baton division and a silver medal with her team. She also performs at community events and seniors' homes in the area. Charlotte is a dedicated athlete, she practices four nights a week and her hard work is sure paying off. Congratulations, Charlotte on your outstanding achievements.

Community Service Award

The Community Service Award recognizes individuals or groups that have a leadership role, or positively impacted the community. Without these people's time and energy, many of the programs and services that our citizens have come to rely on would not happen.

Harrison Wou is a student at Trinity College School and has participated in a wide range of service programs, committing much of his time to community service. Harrison has lent his time to Habitat for Humanity, summer tutoring, the Trinity Service Saturday program, sporting events and other local organizations. Harrison's passion for service led him to find a way to take his love of music and turn it into a service opportunity; he is a steward for the music program assisting others on their musical journey and involved with the Chapel Choir at Trinity College School. Thank you, Harrison for all you do!

As a community minded volunteer, **Jiyun Yu** was chosen to be a Service Stewart at Trinity College School. In this role, she supports the service office in many ways, making her an essential part of the team. In addition, she has shown her commitment to the local community by volunteering at Haute Goat Farm, Rose Glen Village, Cultivate, and many other community events. This dedicated volunteer has also participated in two service trips abroad. Jiyun has put her time into service for all the right reasons and positively impacts our community with her dedication and diligence that she applies to all the volunteer work she does.

Susan and Dennis Snider. Three years ago, this couple started and continues to organize the Port Hope Duplicate Bridge Club. The club is committed to playing competitive and stress-free bridge for the over-50 crowd at the Ruth Clarke Activity Centre for Seniors. Because of the warm and welcoming environment these two kind individuals have created, the Club has become so popular, there are now over 50 people who participate. Congratulations to Susan and Dennis Snider on their long-standing contribution to improving quality of life in Port Hope.

Andrew Wood has been an active member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church for over 6 years and is always willing to help where needed. He is a thorough recording secretary, assists during story time and plays the chime every Sunday and on special occasions. In the winter, it's not unusual to find him shoveling the sidewalks. Thank you, Andrew for your years of service.

Ruth Polley volunteers at least 12 hours a week in the Port Hope Extendicare's hair salon, scheduling, portering, and assisting residents to and from appointments. She also volunteers during group programs, breakfast clubs, and special events to ensure residents are having a fantastic time during these programs. Ruth also supports staff and residents during outings and on a one-on-one basis. Ruth shows compassion, reliability and eagerness in her volunteer work, and we thank her for service over these past three years.

Kerry Yates and Laurie Yates. For 4 years, these two have volunteered hundreds of hours running the parents' committee of the Port Hope Air Cadet Squadron. This includes huge fundraising efforts, organizing multiple training events, and book keeping. Both Kerry and Laurie Yates have been described as selfless, loyal and dedicated.

Colin Cackette dedication and commitment to helping the community is reflected through his volunteerism. For 10 years, Colin served with the Ontario Emergency Assistance Program and was able to help this organization contribute a great amount of support to the community through a partnership Port Hope Police Service. Colin provided leadership and countless hours to his volunteer role as Executive Officer and help raise the profile of this local organization. In this role he assisted with local emergencies, such as evacuations, and many community events, such as Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny, Parades, Remembrance Day ceremonies, and Canada Day. Colin has a passion for giving, and it has shown over his years of dedicated service.

Steve Mark has been an active board member with the Chamber of Commerce for six years, serving as a leader in helping business in Port Hope. In this role, he has participated with both the Downtown Business Association Committee and the Heritage advisory Incentive Committee. Steve has been described as a dedicated volunteer who always follows through on his commitments.

Matthew St. Amand has been an innovative volunteer as a Chamber board member for five years, supporting many community causes. He is a considerate community member who's not afraid to offer leadership, ideas, and his energy to turn concepts into reality. Matthew's willingness and dedication makes him an influential community volunteer.

Avril Ewing served on the Port Hope Civic Awards Advisory Committee for many years; serving both as a committee member and Chair. She worked tirelessly on this program over the years, evolving the recognition categories, shaping the terms of reference, promoting and encouraging nominations, and welcoming new committee members. Avril provided innovative ideas and strong community connections that helped to shape the program and was a dedicated spokesperson. Thank you, Avril, for all you've done for this great program.

Samantha Morton has been a Beaver leader with the 1st Port Hope Scouts since 2014 and has consistently brought her incredible passion and enthusiasm to the club over the years. She takes her position seriously and creates new and innovative ways to support the colony as they pursue their interests and learn everything a Beaver Scout needs to know. Samantha is a leader and a mentor. She is an inspiration to the youth and makes a difference in their lives week after week.

Mary Trevor has been an energetic volunteer for many, many years. She has served numerous organizations including the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario as a Board Member, Chair of the Port Hope Hour Tour, and a volunteer for the Annual Antique and Artifact Auction. She's been a board member of the Canadian Firefighters Museum, a member of the Friends of Wesleyville and has held the position of treasurer for many

groups. Mary is a believer in the things that make the Municipality of Port Hope a great place to live. She is passionate about preserving heritage, while eager to make good things even better. She brings commitment and accuracy to the positions she holds and is a hardworking and dependable volunteer. Thank you, Mary, for helping to shape this great community over the years. Your service is valued.

Julie Mavis' passion for Port Hope is infectious. She has consistently and tirelessly volunteers to help the residents of Port Hope enjoy a diverse and happy lifestyle. Throughout Canada's 150th year, Julie provided a free weekly breakfast to anyone in the community on Monday mornings. She has served on the Port Hope and District Chamber of Commerce Board, at St. Mark's Church, on the Citizens Liaison Group with the PHAI. Currently serving as the Chair of the ACO Port Hope Branch, Julie works to preserve the heritage of this vibrant community. She's a dedicated community champion.

Amanda Blong's community service journey began at a young age and she has been volunteering in the community for nine consecutive years. Amanda is an invaluable volunteer with the Port Hope Panthers. She's helped out with everything from music to technical game day director and everything in between. She's reliable, up to any challenge and is able to adapt to each situation. The whole Port Hope Panthers organization will miss this dedicated volunteer as she moves on to university.

Graeme Whitehead has been a reliable volunteer for the Port Hope Panthers for the past 9 years. The organization never had to ask if Graeme was coming, he was always there! Over the years, through a variety of roles, Graeme supported the team, helping to make sure they were ready to play for their community. Graeme's unwavering support and dedication will be missed by the Port Hope Panthers as he shifts his energy to his post-secondary journey.

Malcolm Pacey. For over a decade, this volunteer has been a popular presence at Beatrice Strong Public School. Since his retirement as a teacher, Malcolm has continued to be a valuable part of the school community. He runs the stamp club, intramural sports and provides the school with beautiful geraniums. He is a wonderful role model and his patience and dedication with the students is unparalleled.

Wendy Glinski. For over ten years, Wendy has dedicated her free hours to Beatrice Strong Public School. She volunteers her time and resources to help create an imaginative and caring atmosphere for students and educators. Her efforts include service on school council, organizing the nutrition program, and decorating the school hallways, creating a positive and welcoming environment. In addition, she takes extra time with students who need it, taking care of their special needs.

David Broughton. David is a citizen who goes above and beyond and cares deeply about local democracy. David is committed to democratic principles and wants to make sure his fellow constituents understand how local politics may impact them. David has organized and promoted an all-candidates' debate, providing an opportunity for voters

to compare and interact with candidates. Over the years he's been involved with reporting the happenings at Town Council meetings, often times working alone. He launched a website, which was for many, the go-to resource for Port Hope election information. David's practice of following local politics and presenting unbiased information can't receive enough accolades. He is a tenacious, steadfast volunteer whose integrity pushes him to empower his community with knowledge.

Emily McCarthy is a hard-working volunteer who is a part of the Youth Advisory Council for Rebound Child and Youth Services Northumberland. She spearheaded this initiative and recruited a strong group of students who advise and plan activities to support and promote Rebound. In addition, she's spent three years volunteering at Hope Street Terrace Long Term Care Facility and has volunteered at Second Helpings Thrift Store. Emily's commitment to this community, her tireless volunteerism whilst maintaining a high-grade average at school is commendable. Emily is a kind, selfless role model who is a credit to the Municipality of Port Hope.

Community Health Centre Food Cupboard Volunteers

Members include: **Maureen Tambeau, Terry Holmes, Carole Sterling, Ken Dalby, Brad Arrand, Ursula Whalen, Dorothy Porter, Sharon Cooksey, Anna Mae Garratt, and Tom Brown.** The Community Health Centre Food Cupboard is open every Thursday afternoon, providing food for individuals and families in need. This team of 10 ensures there is food available that is of good quality, which contributes to improving the quality of life for many in our community. Volunteers assist in the statistical administration of the program, purchasing food, downsizing large donations into small sizes, stocking shelves, cleaning, serving in the café and picking up and receiving donations from local farmers, clubs and individuals. These committed and compassionate volunteers make everyone accessing the food cupboard feel welcome, included and supported. There were over 2600 people helped in 2018 because of their combined efforts. Congratulations to this team for your ongoing service.

Rotary Interact Club. Members include: **Miranda Jordans, Sulin Fletcher, Maddi Taylor, Rachel Robbins, Sein Kim, Christian Roberts, Emma Treney, Mandi Yakiwchuk, Gord Atanasof, and Kevin Eves.** The Interact Club started in April 2017 through the Port Hope Rotary Club. The Club brings together students 14 – 18 to develop leadership skills all while discovering the power of service above self. Members have a long list of volunteer efforts in Port Hope, from serving Hot Chocolate at the Coldest Night of the Year, fundraising for the Green Wood Coalition, running a purse drive at Port Hope High School and fundraising for the Humane Society. They've raised money for numerous causes including world polio day and collecting food donations for Northumberland FareShare. This is a dedicated, enthusiastic and caring group is making a difference in the lives around them.

Cameco Capitol Arts Centre Volunteers.

The Capitol Theatre relies on a phenomenal group of volunteers to help deliver exceptional service. The Capitol volunteer team consists of 180 individuals. These dedicated volunteers provide a quality theatre-going experience and promote an

important attraction in Port Hope. Service anniversaries for several dedicated volunteers include:

5 years of service: **Gerry Chapman** and **Virginia Mair**.

10 Years of service: **Peter Abrams, Heather Cromien, Leigh Facey-Crowther** and **Shirley Robinson**.

15 years of service: **Rose Wood, Bev VanDoleweerd, Tony VanDolweerd, Shirley Dobie, Isabel Eyman, Pat Goodyear, Shirley Kane** and **Betty Knight**.

20 years of service: **Shirley Horner** and **Jo-Anne Debattista**.

Trinity Rescue Animal Program Founders: Megan Titterton and **Tilley Woodford**. Trinity Rescue Animal Program was set up by these grade 11 students after identifying a desire and need to help our local humane society. What started as just the two of them, is now a popular club with 23 members. All members of the club have received training and volunteer at the Humane Society. In addition, the two founders have also organized volunteers and fundraisers for the Pet Value dog baths and the Bow Wow Ball. These two ladies have shown exceptional initiative and leadership in getting this Club off the ground. They are dedicated and we thank them for their compassionate volunteer work in our community.

The Rose Project Volunteers: Rose Wilton, Debbie Wilton, Larry Wilton, Juliana Wilton, and Buddy Guy. The Rose Project was started by Rose Wilton with the goal of collecting toiletry and other personal items to deliver to people in crisis. This project has expanded support to supply toiletries for students in the local high school, and most recently, collected donations of personal care items and gift cards for local families dealing with cancer. The team manages a Facebook page to inform the community of local needs which spurs on more donations. The behind-the-scenes team, including Debbie, Larry, Juliana and Buddy all assist with helping to make up the kits, but distributing them to organizations or walking around the streets to hand them out in person. To date the Rose Project has donated to over 90 charities/individuals and has handed out over 250 Street kits to people living on the street.

3M Dance Works. We recognize this new group of volunteers from 3M Dance Works for their diverse volunteer efforts. Over the past year they've participated in parades, Port Hope McHappy Day, the Grace Power fundraiser, Northumberland Food Share, The Rose Project, Strength for Syllas Fundraiser, and Port Hope Fire fundraiser. Congratulations to 3M Dance Works.

There were no recipients in the Environment and Outstanding Citizen categories for 2018.