



Several firefighters received awards for their efforts in saving the life of Rick Hoare. On hand at the ceremony were from left Deputy CAO and Fire Chief Brent Marshall, Mayor Rick Bonnette, recipients Acting Captain Mark Burger, Firefighter Chris Aitken, Captain Charlie Hancock, Rick Hoare (the man whose life was saved), recipients Firefighter Hugh Hennessey, Firefighter Brian Nelles and Lieutenant Tim Maud. Also on hand was Councillor Bryan Lewis (right), Chair of Fire Services & Emergency Planning Committee. Photo by Jon Borjstrom

# HHFD Evening of Recognition Ceremonial Helmet presented to Shannon family

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crew re-assessed the patient. He stopped breathing and Hennessey, Nelles and Burger began CPR. The defibrillator was applied immediately and shock was advised— five shocks were administered in total.

“We would be remiss if we didn’t recognize the contribution of the Hoare family and their assistance during this emergency,” said Marshall.

“It was a coincidence that two crews were on scene nearby, but that coincidence and the professionalism and actions of our firefighters saved Mr. Hoare and we are happy that he could join us for this presentation,” said Marshall.

Also at the Recognition Ceremony, the family of the late Halton Hills firefighter David Shannon received a Ceremonial Helmet as a lasting memory of the sacrifice he made in the protection of his com-

munity. Shannon died in 2000, at the age of 54, due to work-related cancer. He had been a Halton Hills volunteer (part-time) firefighter for 26 years.

In the fall of 2013 the Acton Fire Fighters Association submitted Shannon’s name to the selection committee for inclusion on the Canadian Fallen Fire Fighters National Memorial in Ottawa.

Last spring the Association was notified that Shannon’s name would be included, but that based on the criteria around date of death until date of submission they would not be able to allow the family to participate in the service of remembrance and the family would not receive the Ceremonial Helmet.

But the Acton Fire Fighters Association then made contact with the Foundation and was able to secure a Helmet to present to the family.

Awards for long service and exemplary service were also handed at out the event.



The family of former Halton Hills firefighter David Shannon, who died in 2000 due to work-related cancer, received a Ceremonial Helmet recently to recognize the lasting memory of the sacrifice he made in the protection of his community. On hand for the presentation were from left; Mayor Rick Bonnette, Lieutenant Al Scott, Lieutenant Greg Ferguson, Deputy CAO & Fire Chief Brent Marshall, Judy Shannon, Kelly Shannon, Mike Shannon, Councillor Bryan Lewis and Safety Officer Doug Andrews. Photo by Jon Borjstrom

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