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Ivan Kilby Acton's top citizen driven to give

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Ivan Kilby has spent a lot of time behind the steering wheel of his car during the past 20 years driving Acton cancer patients to various hospitals for treatment.

That longtime volunteer commitment is one of the reasons Kilby was named the 2010 Acton Citizen of the Year.

Kilby, who has lived in Acton for more than 50 years, was selected by a panel of three previous Citizens of the Year— Dave Manes, Jon Hurst and Joyce Sprowl— Tuesday evening from five different “worthy” nominations. The Acton Rotary Club is the sponsor of the Acton Citizen of the year program.

“It was quite a surprise,” said Kilby, of the honour. “The phone hasn’t stopped ringing.”

“Ivan has been a volunteer driver for the Canadian Cancer Society for the past 20 years. His dedication, friendship and support is truly appreciated by every cancer patient he transports,” it was stated in a press release from the selection committee. “He has been described by the nominees as thoughtful, friendly and approachable, always going above and beyond expectations of a volunteer driver.”

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Cancer patient Brenda Hall gives volunteer cancer driver Ivan Kilby a congratulatory kiss on the cheek after he was named Acton's Citizen of the Year Tuesday. Kilby has been driving

cancer patients to their treatments for years, and Hall rode with him as she recently received treatment at Credit Valley Hospital.
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