

Georgetown man to serve as STRIDE director

H3R Human Resources Services of Georgetown's Managing Director Michael Bennett CHRP, has been appointed to the board of directors of STRIDE (Supported Training & Rehabilitation in Diverse Environments), a Halton not-for-profit organization that serves the employment needs of residents with mental illness.

"I am very proud to be joining the board of STRIDE. For almost 30 years STRIDE has been serving the residents of Halton providing critical support, employment training and employment to persons with mental illness. The work they do in the community goes highly unrecognized, but it is important work for a group of people who face tough challenges finding employment. STRIDE's support is critical to their success," said Bennett.

STRIDE Executive Director Anita Lloyd added, "We are pleased to have Mr. Bennett join our board. His over 20 years of experience in human resources and proven commitment and contribution to previous volunteer endeavours within Halton will without a doubt add value to STRIDE."

Bennett's recent volunteer work has included five years on the executive of the Halton Chapter of the Human Resources Professionals Association (HRPA), includ-

ing a two-year term as president, and six years as a citizen representative on the Halton Diversity Advisory Committee (HDAC). He is also a member of the Program Advisory Committee for Human Resources Management program at Sheridan College. He has been a resident of Georgetown and Glen Williams since 2001.

STRIDE is a non-profit, charitable, community based vocational rehabilitation program founded in 1983. STRIDE is the only Halton-based organization whose primary purpose is to serve the employment needs of individuals facing mental health issues. Info: www.stride.on.ca.

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MICHAEL BENNETT



MIKE CARBERRY

Volunteer profile: Mike Carberry

The chair of the Halton Industry Education Council (HIEC) Board of Directors— Mike Carberry— is the recipient of the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration's 2011 Ontario Volunteer Service Award.

Carberry was presented with his award yesterday (Monday) when he was recognized with the 20 Year Award for his continued dedication and service to HIEC.

Carberry was one of the original drivers behind bringing together business and education to enhance career education and opportunities for youth in Halton, attending the first steering committee meeting in 1988 and became the inaugural chair of the HIEC Board of Directors. He was fundamental in the early years rallying support from industry and education stakeholders alike.

Carberry has contributed to and continues to support many of HIEC's

programs and events, specifically the development of HIEC's Grade 8 Career Awareness Program and Career Centre 18 years ago, a program that still exists today. It welcomes over 9,000 students from both the Halton Catholic District School Board and the Halton District School Board to take part in the program each year, which combines The Real Game, a career exploration program geared toward bringing real life experiences into the classroom, with a visit to HIEC's Career Resource Centre.

"Without a doubt Mike has been a tremendous support to HIEC, always offering ideas, assistance, continued support and unwavering dedication," says Michelle Murray, Acting Executive Director, HIEC. "There is no doubt he will continue to play an important role in our organization as we embark on the next chapter in HIEC's journey."

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