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Bicentennial medals

Volunteers receive their rewards



Mrs. Anne Todesco of Rossport was honoured with the province's Bicentennial medal and certificate on December 9th. Northern Affairs Minister Leo Bernier presented the medal to Mrs. Todesco and 42 other residents of the district at a ceremony in Thunder Bay for their contributions to volunteer organizations dedicated to community service. Mrs. Todesco has been involved in just about every community group during her 70 years in Rossport.



Mrs. Pamela Jones of Terrace Bay was honoured with the province's Bicentennial medal and certificate on December 9th. Northern Affairs Minister Leo Bernier presented the medal to Mrs. Jones and 42 other residents of the district at a ceremony in Thunder Bay for their contributions to volunteer organizations dedicated to community service. Mrs. Jones is past president and has played an active role in the Birchwood Senior Citizen's Home.

Ontario has honoured its volunteers with the presentation of 1,984 Ontario Bicentennial Medals on Sunday, December 9, 1984. Northern Affairs Minister Leo Bernier presented medals to 43 individuals at 1:30 p.m. at the Airlane Motor Hotel in Thunder Bay, and to 37 individuals at 4:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Dryden.

The Medals have been given to people who have served their communities through bettering the lives of disabled persons, the disadvantaged, the sick and the lonely. Volunteers who have contributed their time and talents to helping others with achievements in the fields of culture and arts or sports and recreation were also recognized.

The recipients of the medal were selected by their communities through numicipal and public nominations during the Bicentennial year for the part they played in improving the quality of life in their communities.

"I feel a great sense of joy that we are able to recognize and honour the often unseen but vital contributions of these individuals," said Bernier. "The Bicentennial Medal is a fitting symbol of their immensely valuable work."

During her Bicentennial visit to Ontario in October, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was presented with a gold replica of the medal. In making the presentation, Premier William Davis noted that, "No one in public life has better focused our attention on the role of the family, the importance of service and the value of co-operation and good will." A congratulations to the individuals from Terrace Bay, Mr. Joe Earle, Mrs. Pam Jones, from Schreiber, Mr. Fred Harness and from Rossport, Mrs. Anne Todesco.



Joseph Earle (left) of Terrace Bay was one of 43 residents of the region to receive Bicentennial medals in a ceremony at Thunder Bay on Sunday. Mr. Earle received his medal and certificate from Northern Affairs Minister Leo Bernier in recognition of his conceiving, organizing and staging the community's first multicultural festival. Exactly 1,984 citizens were honoured in similar ceremonies across the province on Sunday. The medals recognized community service by volunteers.



Fred Harness of Schreiber (left) was honoured with the province's Bicentennial medal and certificate on December 9th. Northern Affairs Minister Leo Bernier presented the medal to Mr. Harness and 42 other residents of the district at a ceremony in Thunder Bay for their contributions to volunteer organizations dedicated to community service. Mr. Harness has served on the school board and is a founding member of the Chimo Senior Citizen's Club.