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Leamington Business Achievement Awards presented

BY BILL GAY

Leamington businesses celebrated their achievements March 24 at the 13th annual Business Achievement Awards night held at the Portuguese Club. The awards are presented by the Leamington and District Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Woodslee Credit Union.

Award winners included the following:

Customers First Award – John Penner of The Eye Glass Shoppe

Above and Beyond Award – Essex Power Lines

Warm Welcome Award – Pelee Days Inn

Innovation Award – Cybergrade Technologies

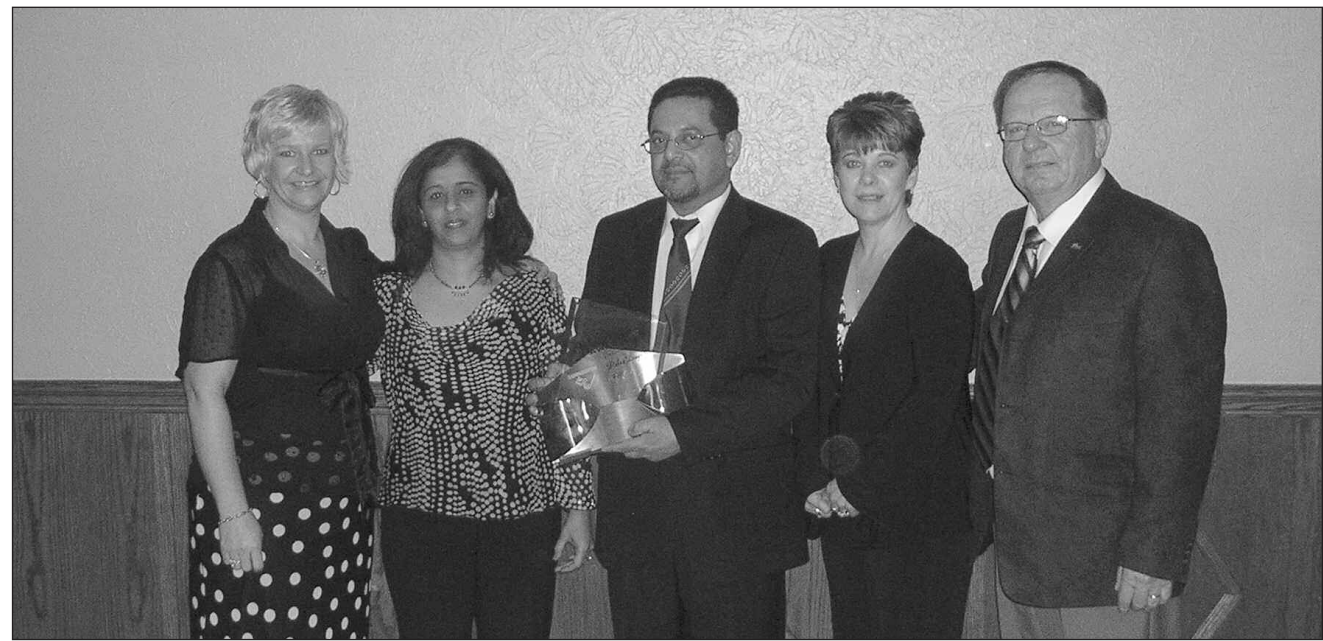
Community Futures Award – Hike Metal Products and Shipbuilding of Wheatley

Home Grown Award – Lakeside Produce

A unanimous choice for the Breakthrough Award was Leamington based musician Jody Raffoul.

The coveted Alf Bennie Award for outstanding community service went to the most popular choice of the evening, longtime volunteer to a host of non-profits and charities, Vi Pepper.

Over 100 people attended the event.



The new management team at the Pelee Days Inn was delighted with being chosen for the Warm Welcome Award. From left, Sherry Bondy, Bhavna Trivedi, General Manager Nish Trivedi, Denise Gaffan and Leamington Councillor Herb Enns, who congratulated the group.

The five types of intellectual property

(NC)-Celebrate World Intellectual Property Day on April 26 by brushing up on intellectual property, or inventions of the mind, such as symbols, names, pictures, designs, songs and even electronic circuitry that can be legally protected. Is your great idea the next light bulb or telephone?

• Patents give inventors exclusive rights to their inventions. Patents are granted for products or processes that are new, workable and ingenious (novel, useful and inventive). You must provide a full description of your invention so that all Canadians may benefit from it.

• Trade-marks are used to distinguish the wares or services of one person or organization from those of others in the marketplace. A trade-mark is a word or design (or a combination of these features) that distinguishes you.

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• Industrial designs include the shape, configuration, pattern or ornament (or any combination of these features) applied to a product.

• Integrated circuit topographies refer to the three-dimensional circuitry inside modern information, communications, entertainment, manufacturing, medical and space technologies.

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office, an agency of Industry Canada located in Gatineau, Quebec, administers the intellectual property system in Canada and processes thousands of applications every year. Contact their office if you have any questions about your great idea or creation at 1-866-997-1936 or visit their website at www.cipo.gc.ca.

10 Canadian inventions

(NC) – Did you know Canadians have invented some of the most remarkable, lifesaving, timesaving and innovative devices and treatments in modern history, such as:

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- Basketball
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