

Hockey Canada looking for local hockey leaders

Behind-the-scenes workers to be honoured for contributions to the game

The men and women who make minor hockey work in Canada could soon be cast into the spotlight.

Hockey Canada is teaming up with RBC Financial Group, hockey commentator Ron MacLean and the Hockey Hall of Fame in the RBC Local Hockey Leaders program.

This program recognizes and rewards those behind-the-scenes individuals who work to support grassroots hockey while helping young athletes realize their potential

"We are looking for the tireless volunteers who go beyond the normal call of duty and inspire others through their dedication and actions," MacLean said.

These leaders may coach teams, shovel outdoor rinks, organize fundraising campaigns or teach hockey and life skills — the things that make hockey such an important and accessible part of community life in Canada.

REGIONAL WINNERS TO BE SELECTED

Thirteen regional winners will receive \$5,000 towards a registered charity/hockey cause in their community, recognition in the Hockey Hall of Fame and a signed Team Canada jersey.

MacLean will present one national winner

with \$25,000 to benefit a hockey-related cause in their community. This person will be selected from 13 regional winners, one from each of Hockey Canada's 13 branches.

"Look around your community and nominate the people who most deserve this award because without them, hockey simply would not happen," said Ann Louise Vehovec, senior vice-president, RBC Financial Group.

"With the help of our partners at Hockey Canada, the Hockey Hall of Fame and the entire amateur hockey community, we want to make sure these leaders are recognized for the role they play."

"Hockey is a way of life for millions of Canadians involved as volunteers, whether they are coaches, players, officials, adminis-

trators or parents," Hockey Canada president Bob Nicholson added.

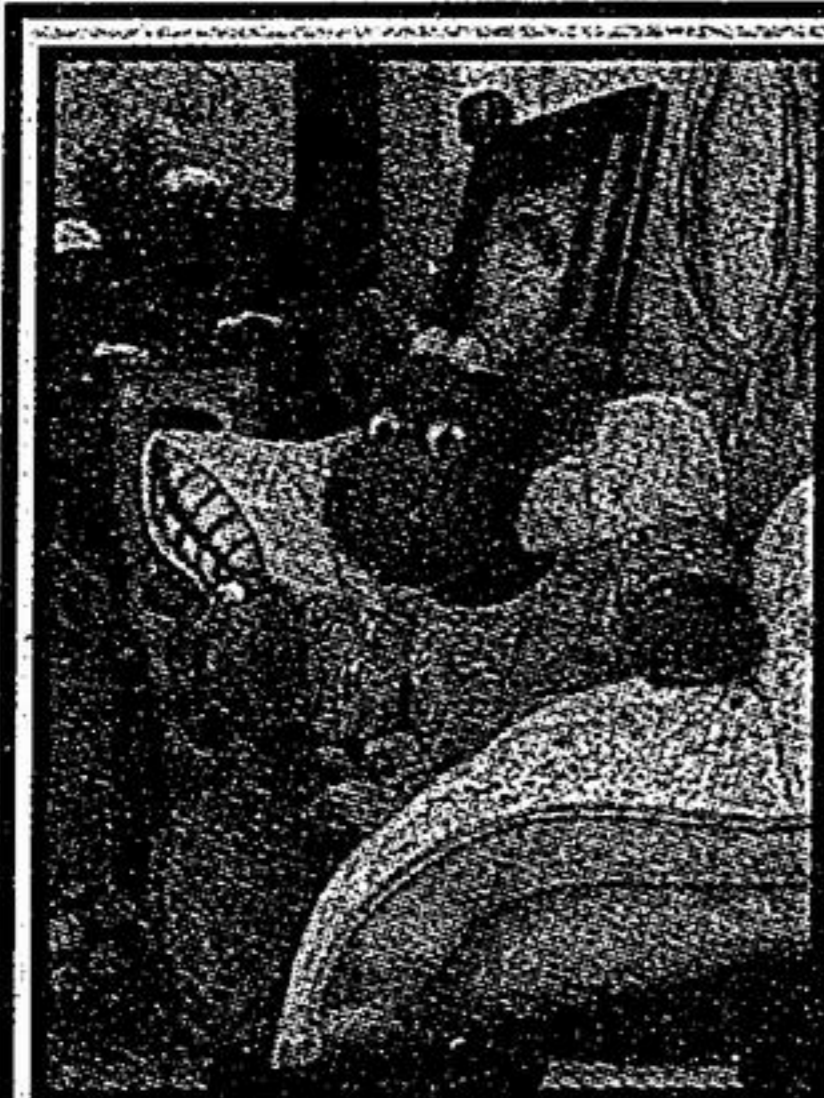
"RBC is investing in Canadian communities through this program, and we are proud to be a part of recognizing some of the great people and volunteers at the minor hockey level."

PANEL PICKS WINNERS

A panel including MacLean and Hockey Canada officials will select winners from nominations submitted on the program web site, www.rbchockyleaders.com.

Nominations will be accepted until midnight, Jan. 10. For further information, contact Chris Pepper at RBC Financial Group, 416-974-2124.

Registration



Christmas Show and Sale
ELLIOT MOOSE
ART & PRINTS
Signed books and toys, too!

Andrea Beck

Dec 11th - 14th
McKay Art Centre
197 Main St., Unionville

Thurs. 10-15 8-00 Fri & Sat. 10-15 5-00 Sun. 12-15 5-00

McMullen races off to his goal

Gormley resident fifth in the Fran-Am 2000 North American Pro Championship series

Dan McMullen was hoping to conclude the Fran-Am 2000 North American Pro Championship by earning a top-five finish in the overall series standings.

And when the racing series recently concluded in Phoenix, Arizona, the 20-year-old Gormley resident achieved his goal.

Occupying seventh in the overall standings entering the final weekend of competition — which was comprised of three races — McMullen began his assault by driving off with a second-place finish in the 12th race of the 14-event series.

In the following race, run under extremely windy conditions, McMullen qualified in sixth and was just six tenths of a second away from reaching the podium as he settled for fourth place.

With the top three places already locked up in the overall standings, McMullen entered the 14th and final race by qualifying sixth.

McMullen had a good start and manoeuvred into third place by race's end.

That enabled McMullen to accumulate enough points to vault him into fifth place in the final standings.

Further information on McMullen and the Fran-Am series is on his website, www.danmcmullen.com, and at ATI's website, www.ATI.com in the Get In The Game section.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Philip H. Allan, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Pickering College, Newmarket, is pleased to announce the following Board appointments.



Ms. Jennifer Mitchinson

Jennifer Mitchinson has been a volunteer with Pickering College for the past three years and has led the school in the development of its Vision and Mission. Jennifer is a specialist in organizational development. Over the past 17 years, she has gained a broad perspective on workplace issues through in-depth consulting to business owners/CEOs, human resource departments and leadership teams. Prior to starting Mitchinson Consulting in 1994, Jennifer worked for nine years at Seneca College, consulting to business and industry in strategic planning, management development, adult education and training. Jennifer has served on the Board of Directors of Markham Board of Trade and has also served on the York Region District School Board Special Education Advisory Committee. Ms. Mitchinson was elected to the Corporation of Pickering College in 2003.

Pickering College is a coeducational, non-denominational learning community with classes from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 12, founded by the Quakers in 1842. For more information visit www.pickeringcollege.on.ca



PICKERING COLLEGE

16945 Bayview Avenue, Newmarket
905-895-1700



Mr. Gerald W. (Gerry) Smith

Gerry Smith is President, Chief Executive Officer and a founder of Changepoint Corporation, a software company headquartered in Richmond Hill, Ontario, with offices throughout the United States and Europe. Since founding Changepoint in 1992, Gerry has grown the business from \$0 to \$35 MM, won the business of leading global companies (such as Microsoft and Siemens) and raised over \$60 MM from Venture Capitalists and Institutional Funds. Prior to Changepoint, Gerry was an environmental consultant at Gore & Storrie Limited, a 450 person engineering practice headquartered in Toronto. He is a member of the Young Presidents' Association (YPO) and was honoured in 2003 as one of Canada's Top 40 Under 40TM. Gerry is a licensed professional engineer in the Province of Ontario. Mr. Smith was elected to the Corporation of Pickering College in 2003.

CALL US TODAY!

Hooray for better grades!

Better grades, for now and for the future, can be obtained with individual programs that work with learning strengths and modify learning limitations. Offer your child better grades, confidence and motivation. Call Oxford Learning today.

Hwy. 7 & Kennedy
905-513-8186
16th Ave./Hwy. 48
(Garden Basket Plaza)
905-201-2700
Steeles Ave. & McCowan
416-321-1646
www.oxfordlearning.com

To advertise
in this space
please call
905-294-2200

Academy for Mathematics & Science

THE MATH TUTORING SPECIALIST

EXAM PREPARATION

Grades 9-12
Calculus, Finite

Qualified & Experienced Tutors
Personalized Programs

TUTORIAL & ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS GRADES 1-12
MARKVILLE SHOPPING CENTRE (905) 470-4080

MATH • ENGLISH • CHEMISTRY • PHYSICS

Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle
Reduce Reuse Recycle

MADD
MOTHERS
AGAINST DRUNK
DRIVING
1-800-665-MADD
This message brought to
you as a community
service of The Economist
& Sun/Sun-Tribune