

Criteria 6 - Sault Ste. Marie Celebrates and Recognizes Our Youth

Many local organizations, including the City of Sault Ste. Marie, various arts groups, service organizations, community development institutions, and local businesses demonstrate a variety of means to recognize the achievements of youth. The traditional category of sport awards is well represented; there are also a number of diverse community groups in a variety of other disciplines which recognize the wealth of unique gifts of both individuals and groups. Many local youth also garner attention outside the community with provincial/national/international recognitions as well. Media sources have been very generous in the promotion of youth achievements, from those both grand-scale and prestigious, to small-scale and community based.

Along with award programs that have been around for decades, new additions, such as “Passport to Unity’s Community Driven Awards” have taken a prominent position on the community stage. It was great to see Jackson Reed, an impressive high school student who has spearheaded a collective arts promotion company, Ears and Eyes, to be recognized as an award winner.

Community members are wonderful at supporting local athletes and the encouragement given during this year’s winter Olympics/Paralympics was no exception. Our community celebrated Brad Jacobs’ gold medal curling team with great pride. The community’s support for 16 year old gold medal paralympian skier Mac Marcoux and his brother and guide B.J. escalated to a new level. Businesses and other community organizations made sure to express their support on marquees and billboards. If you didn’t know Mac before the Paralympics, you were certain to know of him afterwards.

It is not uncommon for the achievements of local youth athletes to be featured on the front page of the Sault Star sports section and articles regularly appear within the paper. Other sources of local media, such as Sootoday and LOCAL 2, are always at the forefront for recognizing youth in a wide range of capacities, including sport. The Bon Soo Poetry Contest highlighted in the newsletter of the Arts Council, although a smaller scale achievement was still great to see one of the winners of this all-ages award was a grade eight youth. The small is still important!

The Rotary Club of Sault Ste. Marie not only organizes a fantastic opportunity to showcase young peoples’ science-based achievements but also offers substantial monetary awards. Senior students who registered for the 2013-2014 academic year at Algoma University had a chance to win a \$500 Algoma University scholarship. There were cash awards and prizes for the top project in each category, as well

as special awards. The top two projects were able to attend the Canada Wide Science Fair for more chances to win cash and scholarships.

On June 24th, the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre (SSMIC) honoured the outstanding achievements in local science and technology at the eighth annual SSMARt Innovation Awards. Over 100 members of the community, MP Bryan Hayes and MPP David Oraziatti came out to support local business, students, graduates and academic researchers by attending the gala dinner and awards ceremony at the Grand Gardens Banquet Hall. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-0_5SUu35U Watch 8:15-10:13 2013 SSMARt Innovation Awards.

Local Awards/Special Recognition

- Rotary Sports Awards – City wide male high school athletes
- Associated Canadian Travellers/Tenaris Awards – City wide female high school athletes
- Annual High School Football Awards
- Annual Girls and Boys Basketball Awards
- Young Artists' Competition – Sault Symphony
- Soothfest Youth Drama Festival Competition – Sault Ste. Marie Music Festival
- Art in the Parking Lot – For Young and Emerging Artists
- Bon Soo Poetry Contest (Open to all – with youth winners)
- Sault Ste. Marie Walk of Fame – youth recipients
- Annual Rotary Science Fair
- SSMARt Innovation Awards - Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre
- Youth Spirit Award – United Way
- Community Driven Awards – Passport to Unity
- Sault Ste. Marie Medal of Merit

Scholarships

- John R. Rhodes Scholarship
- Union Gas Essay Scholarship - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZHH9xi-jBZE#t=29> Emily Soares
- Essar Steel Scholarships
- United Steelworkers Scholarships
- Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie Scholarships

National Awards with Local Youth Representation

- Concours et Festival d'art oratoire – French Oral Speaking Contest
- Michelle Jean Foundation - Young Arts Entrepreneur program
- Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year
- Various Provincial/National Sports Achievements

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MARCOUX BROTHERS RETURN TO SAULT STE. MARIE TONIGHT

Come to the airport to welcome home our Paralympic gold medallist

(Sault Ste. Marie, ON) Alpine skiers Mac and BJ Marcoux will return to Sault Ste. Marie at 8:15 p.m. tonight. Residents are invited to the airport to welcome home our Paralympic gold medalist, from Sochi, Russia.

Wear red and white and bring signs and banners to show pride for our Paralympic champion.

"I encourage Sault residents to go to the airport this evening to give Mac, BJ and their family a warm welcome home. We are so proud of Mac's sensational performance at the Sochi Winter Paralympics – winning 1 gold and 2 bronze medals," says Mayor Debbie Amaroso.

There will be no cost to park at the airport – parking will be free courtesy of the Sault Ste. Marie Airport Development Corporation.

A community celebration to acknowledge the participation of Team Jacobs and Ted Nolan at the 2014 Winter Olympics, and the Marcoux Brothers at the 2014 Paralympics, will be held at the Essar Centre on April 3. More details to follow.

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Medal winners recognized

PETER RUICCI
The Sault Star

It seems only fitting, Sault Ste. Marie's Olympic gold-medal winners will share this year's H.P. Broughton Trophy as the city's sportsperson of the year.

The Brad Jacobs curling rink, which also includes third Ryan Fry, second E.J. Harnden, lead Ryan Harnden and fifth man Caleb Flaxey, and Paralympic skier Mac Marcoux, along with his guide and brother, B.J. Marcoux, were presented with the Broughton on Tuesday at the conclusion of the 58th Rotary Sports Awards Dinner at the Marconi Club.

The Broughton is voted upon by past and present members of the local media.

Team Jacobs, having now won the Broughton three times in four years, secured a gold medal at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Marcoux, a visually-impaired skier, won a gold and two bronze medals at this year's Paralympic Games, also staged in Sochi.

In late February, the Jacobs

rink defeated Great Britain 9-3 in eight ends in the men's curling gold-medal game.

Team Jacobs struggled early in Sochi, opening with a 1-2 record before reeling off eight consecutive victories.

The Soo Curlers Association rink won six straight to finish round-robin play with a 7-2 record. That was good for a tie for second place with Liu Rui of China.

The Jacobs rink defeated China 10-6 in the semifinals before meeting David Murdoch of Great Britain, a 6-5 semifinal winner over Sweden.

The Sault rink was flawless in the final, scoring a deuce in the first end and three more in the third for a 5-1 lead.

A steal of one in the sixth made it 6-1 and the rest of the game was basically a coronation.

After eight ends, the Brits shook hands.

"The biggest word that comes to mind right now is relief," Jacobs said moments later.

"We wanted to go out, play a textbook curling game and that's what we did. It's incredible, it's awesome."

Weeks later, Mac Marcoux



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Mac Marcoux (left), B.J. Marcoux (centre) and Robin Femy, who replaced B.J. as Mac's guide due to injury, celebrate a good medal haul at the Paralympics.

(with Robin Femy of Mont Tremblant, Que., filling in as guide for B.J., who was suffering from a back injury) won a gold medal in the visually-impaired giant slalom.

Declared legally blind in 2007, Marcoux registered a combined time of 2:29.62 to finish the giant slalom 2.04 seconds ahead of Jakub Krako of Slovakia.

Moments later, Marcoux

described the experience as "a dream come true. It's so surreal. When I stood on the podium and heard the national anthem, I think I was the proudest Canadian out there."

Previously at the Paralympics, Marcoux, who, at 16 was the youngest member of the Canadian Paralympic team, secured bronze medals in both the super-G and downhill events.

■ KUDOS: 2014 Sault Ste. Marie Walk of Fame inductees named

Pyette, Marcoux brothers a step ahead

KELSEY BURTON
For The Sault Star

They each have reason to walk a little prouder these days.

Canadian News Hall of Fame member Lester Pyette and Paralympians Mac and BJ Marcoux are 2014 Sault Ste. Marie Walk of Fame inductees.

BJ Marcoux is the guide and older brother of visually impaired skier, Mac Marcoux. The 19-year-old began racing able-bodied alpine and transitioned to para-alpine to guide Mac as his brother's vision deteriorated.

Although the duo had no experience skiing, they learned together. The brothers have achieved inter-

national success in para-alpine skiing. They burst onto the IPC World Cup scene in 2013, scoring three World Cup finishes and a silver medal at the World Championships in La Molina, Spain.

In March, Mac became a three-time Paralympic medalist, winning gold in giant slalom and bronze in downhill and Super-G at the Sochi Paralympic Games.

Pyette spent 41 years in the news business. Beginning in his hometown at 17, Pyette began his long newspaper career working as a sports writer at the Sault Ste. Marie Daily Star from 1963 to 1967. From here, his career blossomed to include being publisher and CEO of the National

Post (2004 and 2006), vice-president of new products at the Quebecor (2003), vice-president of Sun Media Eastern Region (2002-2003), publisher and executive assistant to the president, executive editor of the Toronto Sun (2002, 1984-1992), editor-in-chief, publisher and CEO of the Calgary Sun (1980-1984).

In October 2013, Pyette was inducted into the Canadian News Hall of Fame. With other 40 years of journalistic experience, he has striven to emphasize the importance of a free and independent print media that is both accurate and accountable.

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JEFFREY OUGLER/SAULT STAR

Mac Marcoux arrives at the Sault Ste. Marie Airport last March wearing the gold and two bronze medals he earned at the Paralympics in Sochi, Russia. He and his brother, BJ, were greeted by a large, enthusiastic crowd. The brothers, along with veteran journalist Lester Pyette, are 2014 Sault Ste. Marie Walk of Fame inductees.



Are we proud of Mac? You can bank on it

Thursday, April 03, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



NEWS RELEASE

CIBC

CIBC is proud to welcome home Canadian Paralympian Mac Marcoux, a gold medallist in giant slalom, who also captured the bronze medals in the downhill and the super G, to a community celebration on Friday following his performance at the recent Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games.

He will be joined by his older brother and ski guide Billy Joe Marcoux and their mother, Lee Marcoux.

Please join us at the CIBC branch at the Cambrian Mall, 44 Great Northern Road in Sault Ste. Marie, to celebrate their return.

To mark Mac's performance in Sochi, CIBC will present him with a gold-plated coin and a personalized sports pennant commemorating their participation at the Sochi Games.

Mac, Billy Joe and Lee will be available to speak about their experiences at Sochi, their involvement with parasport and next steps in their athletic careers.

Who: Mac Marcoux, gold and double-bronze medallist – visually impaired, para-

alpine skiing, Sochi 2014, Billy Joe Marcoux, guide, para-alpine skiing, Lee Marcoux, mother of Mac and Billy Joe Marcoux, Brenda Telik, CIBC, District Branch Manager

What: CIBC Paralympian Welcome Home Celebration

Where: CIBC Cambrian Mall, 44 Great Northern Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, ON

When: 9:30–11 a.m. on April 4, 2014

CIBC is a proud banking partner of the Canadian Paralympic Team.

CIBC's four-year sponsorship of the Canadian Paralympic Committee, announced in October, broadens CIBC's support of Canada's up-and-coming amateur athletes and reflects the bank's passion for sports as a way of enriching communities and inspiring the next generation of youth.

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CELEBRATE LOCAL OLYMPIANS/PARALYMPIANS APRIL 3 - ESSAR CENTRE

The Sault Ste. Marie community is invited to join together to celebrate the 2014 Olympic/Paralympic accomplishments of Team Jacobs, Mac and B.J. Marcoux, and Ted Nolan.

A community event will be held at the **Essar Center on Thursday, April 3 beginning at 7 p.m.** to congratulate and show appreciation for our local athletes/coaches who recently participated at the 2014 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games held in Sochi, Russia.

Team Jacobs won a gold medal in men's curling at the Sochi Olympics. Team Jacobs includes: skip Brad Jacobs, vice Ryan Fry, second E.J. Harnden, lead Ryan Harnden, alternate Caleb Flaxey and coach Tom Coulterman.

Alpine skier Mac Marcoux captured one gold and two bronze medals at the Sochi Paralympics.

Ted Nolan coached the Latvia men's hockey team to a successful showing at the Olympic Winter Games. Family representatives will attend the April 3 celebration on behalf of Ted Nolan, who is not able to be at the event.

Wear your red and white, bring signs and banners and get ready to cheer. Event to include: presentations, videos, autograph session, entertainment and free popcorn and pop. Doors open at 6 p.m. – more details to follow.

Mac and BJ get grounded

Thursday, July 10, 2014 by: Kenneth Armstrong



BJ and Mac Marcoux have been selected to receive a plaque on the Sault Ste. Marie Walk of Fame, says the Downtown Association on Thursday.

"That's crazy, it's such a good feeling knowing all the hard work does pay off," said BJ Marcoux.

His brother Mac, who won multiple medals in Sochi is currently taking part in dry-land training in Whistler, BC.

The Marcoux Bros. will join Team Jacobs on the Walk of Fame, who were awarded the honour in 2013.

Newspaper man Lester Pyette will share the honour with the brothers for the 2014 honour.

"That's fantastic, I know when we got that last year it was a big honour," said Brad Jacobs, who looks forward to sharing the sidewalk with the duo.

"Those guys are great and it's such an honour to be right beside them," said Marcoux.

SooToday.com reached BJ by phone in Sault Ste. Marie, where he continues to recover from the back injury that prevented him from medaling with his brother during the Paralympic Winter Games.

The pair won a silver medal together at the 2013 World Championships.

"My back recovery has been going quite well," said Marcoux, who hopes to join his brother in Switzerland in September to continue their training together.

"You never think that you're going to have your name on the street where people are going to be walking," he said.

"To have done something like they did for our city, they deserve that. Hats off to them," said Jacobs.

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The Tenaris Algoma Tube Vipers came out on top, competing in the Ancaster Heritage Days Soccer Tournament this weekend with a shootout win against the Toronto Lady Lynx in the finals.

The Vipers met the Lady Lynx in the first game of round robin play and lost by the score of 1 - 0 . The Vipers bounced back in their second game against Hillsburgh Erin and District Soccer Club with a 1 - 0 win.

The lone goal being scored by Taylor Bellini and Jayme Ricard recording the shutout. In the third game Vanessa Rota scored a pair of goals in the first half to give the Vipers a 2 - 0 win over the Brantford City Barracudas, Ricard again with the shutout. In the championship game versus Toronto both teams traded numerous scoring opportunities but both goalies turned back everything that was shot at them. In the overtime which consisted of each team kicking five penalty kicks the teams were still tied with both scoring 3 times.

The Lady Lynx 6th shooter was stopped by Ricard which allowed Viper's fullback Nikki Barill to seal the championship. The Ancaster Heritage Days Tournament is now the largest youth soccer tournament in Ontario.



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- 1:00 pm 2014 NOSSA Sr. Final - Knights v... @ Superior Heights C. & V.S.

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2014 Senior Girls Basketball Award Winners

By SS Staff | November 10, 2014 | Basketball, High School

After the Korah Colts were crowned the 2014 Sault Ste Marie Girls High School Basketball City Champions with a 37 - 33 win over the St. Mary's Knights at the Sault College Health and Wellness Centre on November 8th in Sault Ste Marie, the 2014 League All Stars were awarded to the top five players from the Sault Ste Marie High School senior teams. The players were chosen by the Sault Ste Marie Girls High School senior coaches.

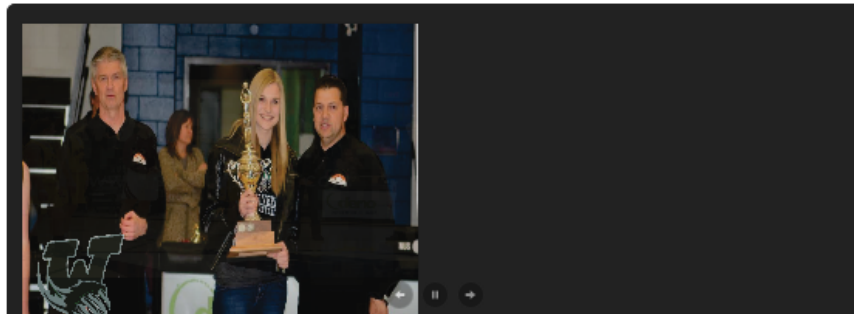


- White Pines Wolverines - Darby Sewell
- St. Basil Saints - Emma Fillion
- Superior Heights Steelhawks - Autumn Brule
- St. Mary's Knights - Lydia Murrach
- Korah Colts - Carina Hargis

The 2014 Lyn Cole Trophy was presented by grade 11 senior White Pines Wolverine Riley Crockford that is brought home annually by the Sault Ste. Marie Association of Basketball Officials to the senior girl's player who best exemplifies both sportsmanship and ability.

The nominees for 2014 were:

- Autumn Brule (Superior Heights Steelhawks)
- Danielle Wilding (Korah Colts)
- Hannah Soares (St. Mary's Knights)
- Mercedes Ryan (St. Basil Saints)
- Riley Crockford (White Pines Wolverines)



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Wooooo Sara!

Wednesday, June 25, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



NEWS RELEASE

STUDIO DANCE ARTS

At the age of eighteen, Sara Hinding has danced her way into the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival in the Berkshire Hills of Western Massachusetts.

A Studio Dance Arts Dancer since doors opened in 2003, Sara has been an exceptional student, advancing her skillset in ballet, pointe, jazz, lyrical, contemporary, tap and hip-hop.

After winning numerous top soloist awards throughout Canada and the United States, Sara has since graduated and will be attending Sheridan College to pursue musical theatre; but not until she performs in the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival.

According to the New York Times, the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival is "the dance center of the nation."

Studio Dance Arts has awarded Sara with a \$1000 scholarship.

"It's a thrill for all of us at the school to watch Sara flourish. We saw that special talent within her since she walked into the studio. We have laid a good foundation for her and hopefully helped her to be confident in her dreams of pursuing a professional career. Her acceptance to Jacob's Pillow is definitely a step in the right direction as she continues her dance journey," Studio Dance Arts Founder/Executive Director Richard Kim stated.

Last summer a guest teacher and Broadway Performer, Shannon Lewis, recognized Sara's potential and recommended she audition.

The highly specialized program accepts only twelve female students and twelve male students out of hundreds of applicants from around the world.

Sara's audition tape earned her a spot for a month long training session.

The 220-acre campus includes two theatres, an outdoor stage, five dance studios, exhibition galleries, gardens and a wetlands trail.

Sara will be taught in a class small enough for individual coaching in a rehearsal environment.

BASKETBALL: Makes U17 Provincial Team, will represent Ontario at Canadian National Championships

Sam Ivey climbs to new, rare heights

MIKE VERDONE
The Sault Star

Sam Ivey has done something few local basketball players have ever accomplished.

He cracked the roster of the U17 Provincial Team and will represent Ontario at the Canadian National Championships in Alberta beginning next week.

The six-day tournament kicks off July 25 at the Saville Community Sports Centre in Edmonton.

Making the team is no small feat, says U17 head coach Jeff Giovanatti.

"It's humongous." No local teen has been named to the provincial squad since DJ Wright made the team 10 years ago.

Wright played high school ball with the Bawating Braves before moving to Toronto to attend Toronto Academy Prep School in his final year of secondary school. He earned an NCAA scholarship to Louisiana State.

While some local players have

been among the top 30 or 40 in the province in the past decade, "Sam has been the first to come through on top," said Giovanatti, who also coached Ivey the past two seasons with the Korah senior Colts, and with the Steel City Slam, a local basketball club.

Giovanatti says Ivey is a selfless athlete that is not afraid of hard work and who is willing "to do anything he can" to help his team.

"He's a gym rat," he said of the 17-year-old.

Ivey helped the Korah senior Colts win the city high school championship this past season and the gold medal at the Northern Ontario Secondary Schools Association (NOSSA) tournament. Provincial team coaches were impressed by Ivey's versatility and competency, Giovanatti said.

"He really understands how to play the game, not only with the ball but without the ball. He knows how to defend. And that's such a crucial compo-

nent at a high level ... I think those attributes are what sold the coaching staff."

At six-feet and 175 pounds, Ivey is multi-sport athlete who is also a standout in football, track and field, soccer and badminton.

"But I think his passion is with the game of basketball, and it shows. He's in the gym all the time. He's going to be in for a great year this year," Giovanatti said.

Ivey was quick to thank those who have helped him excel at the game and make the provincial team.

"It's a tribute to everyone around me," he said Wednesday. "It's a great feeling."

He was surprised to be named to the provincial team, but he was also taken aback after being nominated for the Walter Lowe Memorial Trophy as the top male high school athlete in the city this past year.

"I was very surprised considering all the great athletes we

have," said Ivey, who is going into Grade 12 this fall.

There have been no shortcuts for the Sault teen, he has been training regularly for the past two years.

"Every day I go to the gym for a few hours, putting shots up and working out," he says.

Eventually he would like to play at the CIS level. However, he knows it won't be easy and has no illusions about suiting up with a university team.

"It takes a lot of work." During his first year with the senior Colts, Korah lost a squeaker at the buzzer in the city final to the St. Basil Saints. Winning the city title this past season over St. Basil was very special, Ivey said.

"It meant a lot. I really wanted to win for our returning guys," he said.

He attributes his work ethic to his father Winston Ivey, who played at the CIS level in university.

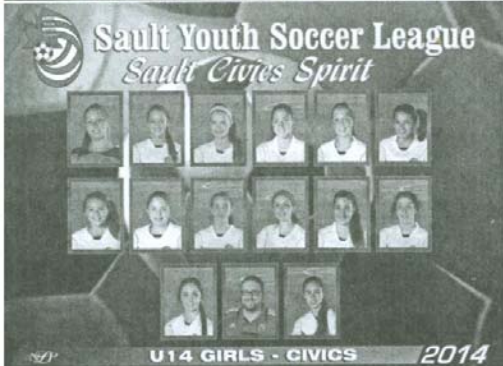
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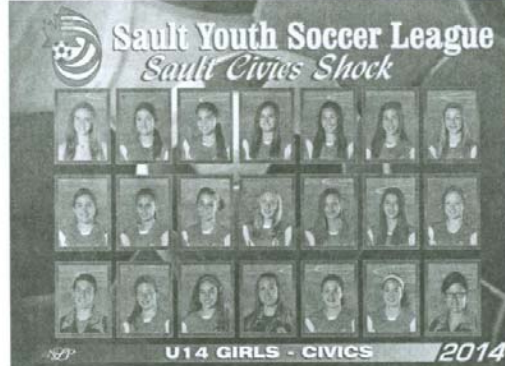
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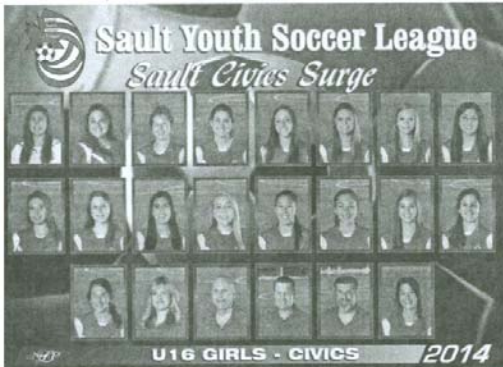
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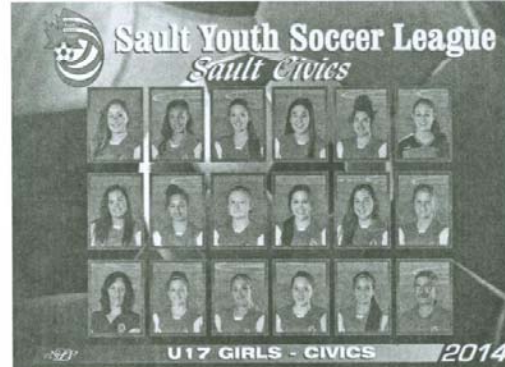
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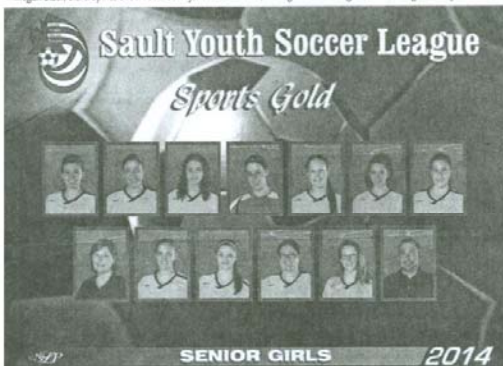
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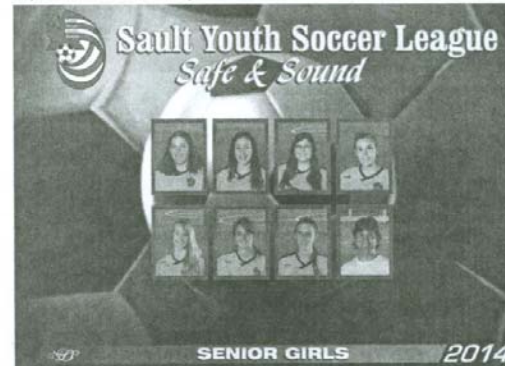
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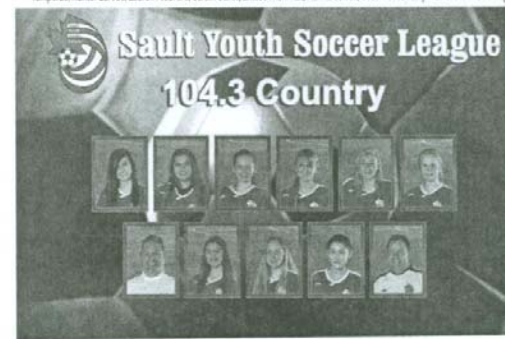
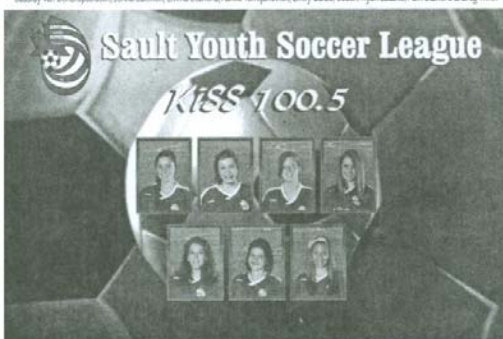
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STORM BLASTS INTO WINDSOR TEAM CHAMPS!

Dec 16, 2013

NORTHERN STORM BLASTS INTO WINDSOR

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The Northern Storm Aquatic Club (NSAC) battled through the tumultuous winter weather this past weekend to compete at the Division 3 Provincial Team Championship swim meet in Windsor, Ontario. The event was hosted by the Windsor Aquatic Club (WAC) at the Windsor Family Aquatic Complex and ran from Friday, December 13, through to Sunday, December 15.

Twenty-five swimmers between the ages of 8 and 16 years were coached by Head Coach Nancy Day and Assistant coaches Toby Beynon and Dave Simard to perform at their best. The team placed 8th out of 23 teams which competed in the three day event.

Leading the team to their great finish was 12-year-old Desmond Wood-Anderson. The Grade 8 student at F.H. Clergue Public School was awarded five gold medals for 200 m free, 400 m free, 800 m free, 100 m butterfly, and 200 m IM. All of Desmond's times were personal bests and qualifying times for the upcoming 13&Under Winter Festival.

Reilan Dupuis, aged 14 years, came home with a silver medal in 100 m breast (Provincial qualifying time), a bronze medal in 200 m breast, and a 4th place in 100 m free. All were personal bests for Dupuis and Head Coach Day said he "raced his heart out."

Danielle Morin, also aged 14 years, made the finals in all of her events by swimming personal bests in each of her races. Danielle came home with a bronze in 100 m back, bronze in 100 m butterfly, 5th place in 50 m free, 5th place in 100 m free, and 7th place in 200 m back. Elizabeth Neish, aged 13 years, swam 6 personal best times.

Meagan Perlini, aged 12 years, was awarded a gold medal for 200 m IM, 5th place for 50 m free, 5th place for 100 m free, and 6th place for 200 m free. Eleven-year-old Olivia Starzomski took home a bronze medal for 200 m breast, 6th place for 400 m free, and 8th place for 100 m breast (times which qualified her for Winter Festival). Paige Banton, aged 11 years, received a 4th place for 200 m breast and a 7th for 100 m breast (she also qualified for Winter Festival). Olivia Simard, aged 12 years, took 5th place in the 200 m IM. Elisa Dumanski, aged 11 years, took 7th place in the 400 m free and Molly Miller, aged 12 years, took 7th place in the 200 m butterfly. Twelve-year-old Hanna Scott achieved two personal best times.

Twelve-year-old Colby Durette received bronze for 100 m breast, bronze for 200 m breast, 7th place for 50 m free, and 8th place for 100 free. All of Colby's times were personal best times. Spencer Bordin, aged 16 years, took home 5th place in the 200 m butterfly, 7th place in 200 m breast, 8th place in 100 m butterfly, and 10th place in both 100 m breast and 200 m IM. Mark Jobst, aged 14 years, qualified for the finals and placed 9th in 200 m back. Sixteen-year-old Colin Bovingdon achieved five personal best times while Steven Fabbro, aged 12 years, achieved four personal best times.

The younger swimmers also had a great weekend. Ten-year-old Lilli Kelgar was awarded with 5th place in 50 m back, 5th place in 100 m back, 6th place in 50 m free, 7th place in 100 m free, and 7th place in 200 m free. Mackenzie Beynon, also ten years old, placed 5th in 100 m butterfly. Ten-year-old Aliah Robertson took 8th place in 50 m butterfly. Avery Hemsworth, also aged 10 years, swam to five personal best times. Michael Starzomski, one of the youngest swimmers at age 8 years, took home 6th place in 200 m free, 8th place in 100 free, and 8th place in 50 m butterfly. Will Banton, also aged 8 years, took 10th place in 100 m IM. Andre Marchand, aged 9 years, received 8th place for both 200 m free and 100 m back. Ethan Murphy, aged 10 years, took 9th place in 200 m free.

Head Coach Day stated that this was "the best meet we have had so far [with respect to] how the kids raced, their times, and the energy on deck since the club's inception. All of the hard work our coaches are doing with teaching the technical skills and racing tactics are beginning to come together. It takes several years to build a club...and we are beginning to prove that NSAC is a contender."

The Northern Storm Aquatic Club can next be seen competing in January, 2014, in Elliot Lake, Ontario.

Stefanizzi another step closer to Olympic team



By Mike Verdone, Sault Star
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SAULT STE. MARIE - Anthony Stefanizzi knew it was a longshot to make the 2014 Canadian Olympic Team that competed in Sochi, Russia, in February.

He had only been on the radar of Canadian snowboarding officials for a little more than a year before the short list of potential athletes was compiled for the 2014 Games.

And even though he was ranked 18th last fall among snowboarders in the country, he did not make the team.

But the good news is the Sault Ste. Marie teen was recently informed he made the Canadian Olympic national development team, which puts him one step closer to representing Canada in 2018 at the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea.

"I was waiting for that word for quite some time. I was actually on the edge of my seat for about two months just waiting for the phone call," said the 19-year-old, whose forte is slopestyle snowboarding.

"I was very pleased. I was very happy to see my hard work paid off."

Stefanizzi said being a member of the development team helps boost his confidence.

"It makes me realize that it's very, very realistic that I can compete at the 2018 games if I keep with the same progression I have been."

Being a member of the national squad also opens up opportunities for him to compete at many different training camps that will be held this coming season.

He expects to be invited to development camps that will be held in Canada and the U.S.

There were not many competitions last season in the run up to the Sochi Games. Last winter was mainly a season for progression, he said.

And Stefanizzi took advantage of his opportunities to improve his standing by moving up in the rankings to No. 16 in the country.

"The competitions that I did do, I did well at and that gave me enough points to qualify for the (Olympic development) team," said the five-foot-eight, 145-pounder.

Stefanizzi injured his knee slightly at the National Championships in Calgary, Alta., in one of the first events of the 2013-14 season.

"That really hit home when I couldn't compete at nationals."

The next event was a professional contest sponsored by Mountain Dew that was held at Sun Peaks, B.C. The teen placed fourth at the Dew-Tour event.

After that he was invited to a huge ski and snowboard competition in Whistler, where he again placed fourth.

Although he did not make it to the podium at either event, he did garner several points that helped improve his ranking and his chances of making the development team.

"I got tons of points."

His fourth-place showing at Whistler earned him an invite to another professional event in B.C., this time sponsored by Monster Energy Drinks, where he competed in both slopestyle and big air events.

"That one was against the best pros in the world, so that one was a game-changer for me."

He missed making it to the finals in slopestyle, but advanced to the finals in big-air, although he didn't place. He also gained an education at the meet.

"I definitely got a better perspective about where I stand against the best in the world. Now I know what I need to do next season in order to surpass them (the pros), or get to that level," he said.

"I'm now able to compete against the best in the world. I'm now at that level, I'm no longer competing at the amateur level ... One of the biggest barriers I was facing was competing against pros and being an amateur."

A few years ago Stefanizzi was ranked more than 300th on the list of top snowboarders in the world. But his efforts the past few seasons have improved his international standing.

He cracked the top 100 list after last season and is now ranked 88th in the world.

Stefanizzi was not focused on rankings two years ago. But that was then.

"Now that I'm in the top 100 in the world I'm definitely a lot more concerned about where I stand."

One of the big goals this coming season is to finish consistently on the podium among the best in the world.

"Now that I'm able to compete at the highest level I want to definitely up my ranking and I definitely want to start winning the professional competitions so I can secure the sponsorships."

Stefanizzi moved from the Sault to Whistler, B.C., in 2012 to follow his dreams of becoming an elite snowboarder.

He will spend most of the summer in the city visiting family and friends before heading back to Whistler to begin training with the national team.

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AWARDS: Olympic champs front and centre at annual dinner

Rotary sports dinner to crown Broughton Trophy winner

PETER RUICCI
The Sault Star

Olympic gold-medal winners will be front and centre tonight at the annual Rotary Sports Awards Dinner.

Team Brad Jacobs, curling champions at the 2014 Olympics, and visually-impaired skier Mac Marcoux and his guide and brother, B.J. Marcoux, who won a gold and two bronze medals at this year's Paralympic Games, will square off for this city's most-prestigious sports award.

The H.P. Broughton Trophy, given annually to the Sault's sportsperson of the year, will be presented at the Marconi Club.

Voted on by past and present members of the city's sports media, the Broughton Trophy

presentation highlights the 58th annual Rotary Dinner.

Doors are scheduled to open at 6 p.m., cocktails will be served beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the dinner is slated to commence one-half hour later.

Tickets are available at the door.

In late February, Jacobs, third Ryan Fry, second E.J. Harnden, lead Ryan Harnden and fifth man Caleb Flaxey defeated Great Britain 9-3 in eight ends in the gold-medal game in Sochi, Russia.

Weeks later, Mac Marcoux (with Robin Femy of Mont Tremblant, Que., filling in as guide for B.J., who was injured) won a gold medal in the visually-impaired giant slalom, also in Sochi.

Previously at the Paralympics, Marcoux, who was declared

legally blind in 2007, secured bronze medals in both the super-G and downhill events.

Meantime, a number of additional athletic awards will also be presented tonight.

Nominees for the Walter Lowe Memorial Trophy, given to the top male high school athlete in the city, include: Justin Senecal (St. Mary's), Quinten Grimm (Superior Heights), Justin Dubreuil (White Pines), Sam Ivey (Korah), Aron Mohammadi (Notre-Dame-du-Sault) and St. Basil (Joey Bruni).

Senecal, Mohammadi, Kye Heimonen (Superior Heights), John Stobie (White Pines), Austin Kirkwood (Korah) and Aiden MacLeod (St. Basil) have been nominated for the B'nai B'rith Award.

That's given to the graduating student best combining athletic ability with academic achievement.

The Ross Winslade Trophy will be presented to the secondary school amassing the most combined points, based on performance, for girls and boys sports.

Top athletes from individual high school sports will also be recognized tonight.

Nominees for the sport of badminton include: Kirkwood, Mario Taranto (St. Basil), Dylan Turgeon (St. Mary's), Chris McShane (Superior Heights) and Don Towell (White Pines).

Dubreuil, Mitchell Mazzuca (St. Basil), Mitchell Mannarino (St. Mary's), Lars Moffat (Superior Heights) and Anthony Iacoe

(Korah) are the basketball nominees.

The group of cross-country running nominees includes: Mohammadi, Brady Doiron (St. Mary's), Carter Lobert (Superior Heights), Jerryd McLeod-Maenpaa (White Pines), Spencer Bordin (Korah) and Chris Kramer (St. Basil).

Nick Servant (Superior Heights), Brendan Acorn (White Pines) and Justin Rhude (Korah) are the curling nominees.

Mazzuca, Nick Nicoletta (Korah), Mitchell Stadnyk (St. Mary's) and Eric Thornton (Superior Heights) are the football nominees.

Hockey nominees include: Matt Keenan (Central Algoma Secondary School), Zach Quesnele (Korah), Sam Aceti (St. Basil), Jaron Rowe (St. Mary's), Mark

McLean (Superior Heights) and Braedan Turco (White Pines).

Bruni, Liam Train (Korah), Marc Zappacosta (St. Mary's) and Brady Smith (Superior Heights) have been nominated for the city's soccer award.

Track and field nominees include: Kramer, Mohammadi, Mathieu Goulet (St. Mary's), Jake Cruise (Superior Heights), John Stobie (White Pines) and Andrew Jones (Korah).

In the sport of wrestling, Max Fisher (Superior Heights), Brody Evans (White Pines) and Brett Lacasse (Korah) have been nominated.

As well, St. Mary's Knights senior football coach Marty Smith will be inducted into the Russ Ramsay High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Medal winners recognized

PETER RUICCI
The Sault Star

It seems only fitting. Sault Ste. Marie's Olympic gold-medal winners will share this year's H.P. Broughton Trophy as the city's sportsperson of the year.

The Brad Jacobs curling rink, which also includes third Ryan Fry, second E.J. Harnden, lead Ryan Harnden and fifth man Caleb Flaxey, and Paralympic skier Mac Marcoux, along with his guide and brother, B.J. Marcoux, were presented with the Broughton on Tuesday at the conclusion of the 58th Rotary Sports Awards Dinner at the Marconi Club.

The Broughton is voted upon by past and present members of the local media.

Team Jacobs, having now won the Broughton three times in four years, secured a gold medal at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Marcoux, a visually-impaired skier, won a gold and two bronze medals at this year's Paralympic Games, also staged in Sochi.

In late February, the Jacobs

rink defeated Great Britain 9-3 in eight ends in the men's curling gold-medal game.

Team Jacobs struggled early in Sochi, opening with a 1-2 record before reeling off eight consecutive victories.

The Soo Curlers Association rink won six straight to finish round-robin play with a 7-2 record. That was good for a tie for second place with Liu Rui of China.

The Jacobs rink defeated China 10-6 in the semifinals before meeting David Murdoch of Great Britain, a 6-5 semifinal winner over Sweden.

The Sault rink was flawless in the final, scoring a deuce in the first end and three more in the third for a 5-1 lead.

A steal of one in the sixth made it 6-1 and the rest of the game was basically a coronation.

After eight ends, the Brits shook hands.

"The biggest word that comes to mind right now is relief," Jacobs said moments later.

"We wanted to go out, play a textbook curling game and that's what we did. It's incredible, it's awesome."

Weeks later, Mac Marcoux



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Mac Marcoux (left), B.J. Marcoux (centre) and Robin Femy, who replaced B.J. as Mac's guide due to injury, celebrate a gold medal haul at the Paralympics.

(with Robin Femy of Mont Tremblant, Que., filling in as guide for B.J.), who was suffering from a back injury) won a gold medal in the visually-impaired giant slalom.

Declared legally blind in 2007, Marcoux registered a combined time of 2:29.62 to finish the giant slalom 2.04 seconds ahead of Jakub Krako of Slovakia.

Moments later, Marcoux

described the experience as "a dream come true. It's so surreal. When I stood on the podium and heard the national anthem, I think I was the proudest Canadian out there."

Previously at the Paralympics, Marcoux, who, at 16 was the youngest member of the Canadian Paralympic team, secured bronze medals in both the super-G and downhill events.

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Top high school male athletes joined Mac Macroux and team Jacobs at the Marconi Club Monday evening for the 58th Rotary Sports Awards Dinner, the H.P Broughton Trophy is given to Sault Ste Marie's Sports of the Year. This year's H.P Broughton trophy was shared by and Paralympic skier Mac Marcoux, along with his guide and brother, B.J. Marcoux and Team Jacobs, includes Brad Jacobs, third Ryan Fry, second E.J. Harnden, lead Ryan Harnden and fifth man Caleb Flaxey.

Taking the top male high school athlete for the 2013 – 2014 and the Walter Lowe award was St. Basil Saint Joey Bruni. Bruni played for the Saints senior basketball, football, soccer and track and field teams this year. Other nominees also included: Justin Senecal (St. Mary's), Quinten Grimm (Superior Heights), Justin Dubreuil (White Pines), Sam Ivey (Korah) and Aron Mohammadi (Notre-Dame-du-Sault).

White Pines senior John Stobie brought home the B'nai B'rith Award for the graduating student that combined his athletic ability and academic achievement. The other five athletes that were nominated for the B'nai B'rith Award were Senecal, Mohammadi, Kye Heimonen (Superior Heights), Austin Kirkwood (Korah) and Aiden MacLeod (St. Basil).

St. Mary Knight Dylan Turgeon won badminton honours with Kirkwood, Mario Taranto (St. Basil), Chris McShane (Superior Heights) and Don Towell (White Pines) were also nominated.

Sault Ste Marie's top basketball award went to co-nominee's Saints Mitch Mazzuca and Colts Anthony sharing the 2014 honours. Dubreuil, Mitchell Mannarino (St. Mary's) and Lars Moffat (Superior Heights) were also included in the 2014 nominees.

Six runners were in the running for the cross country award with Brady Doiron (St. Mary's), Carter Lobert (Superior Heights), Jerryd McLeod-Maenpaa (White Pines), Spencer Bordin (Korah) and Chris Kramer (St. Basil) were all nominated with Mohammadi hearing his name called the top cross-country runner.

For the second time of the the 58th Rotary Sports Awards Dinner, White Pines Brendan Acorn and Superior Heights Nick Servant would share the top honour in male curling. Korah's Justin Rhude was also nominated.

Nominees for football was Mazzuca, Nick Nicoletta (Korah Colts), Mitchell Stadnyk (St. Mary's) and Superior Heights Eric Thornton. Senior Mitch Mazzuca took home the 2014 football award.

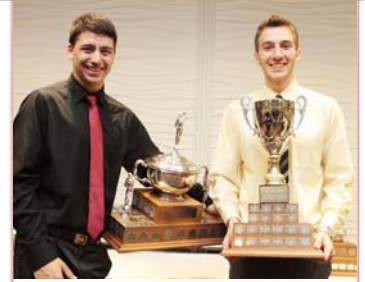
Matt Keenan (Central Algoma Secondary School), Zach Quesnele (Korah), Sam Aceti (St. Basil), Mark McLean (Superior Heights) and Braedan Turco (White Pines) were up for the 2014 high school hockey award. 2013 – 2014 league leading scorer Jaren Rowe won the hockey award.

Bruni was at it again when he heard his name called in soccer. Bruni played for the NOSSA champions the St. Basil Saints. Liam Train (Korah), Marc Zappacosta (St. Mary's) and Brady Smith (Superior Heights) were also nominated.

Track and field star, Chris Kramer took the top track and field award with Stobie, Mohammadi, Mathieu Goulet (St. Mary's), Jake Cruise (Superior Heights) and Andrew Jones (Korah) were also in the group of athlete nominated.

A Colt, Steelhawk and a Wolverine were the nominees for the city's wrestling award with Max Fisher (Superior Heights), Brody Evans (White Pines) and Brett Lacasse included in the wrestling category. Korah's Lacasse brought home the 2014 wrestling award.

The Ross Winslade Trophy is handed out to the top school that accumulated the most points based on performance for girls and boys. The Superior Heights Steelhawks won the 2014 award at the 58th Rotary Sports Awards. Long time senior football head coach Marty Smith of the St. Mary's Knights earned an induction into the Russ Ramsay High School Hall of Fame.





Percy Bedford Award winner announced

Thursday, June 12, 2014 *by:* Brad Coccimiglio

The 41st Annual Associated Canadian Travellers/Tenaris female athletes awards night on Wednesday night saw the prestigious Percy Bedford Award handed out to Sault Ste. Marie's top female athlete at the high school level handed out.

A four-sport athlete, Hilary Prouse of Korah took home the honour in a nanquet at the Marconi Club on Wednesday.

Prouse competed in volleyball, soccer, badminton and track and field this year at Korah and was a standout in all four sports.

Prouse is in the process of completing grade 12 at the west end school this month.

Also nominated for the Percy Bedford award were Keirsten Olar of White Pines, Vanessa Rota of St. Mary's, Sarah Hammond of St. Basil, Peri Brosemer of Superior Heights and Sandryn Breckenridge of Notre-Dame-du-Sault.

Prouse also took home the individual sport awards in volleyball and shared the badminton award with teammate Danielle Ciotti.

Other nominees in volleyball were Kaitlin Gibbs (St. Mary's), Sophie Beaulieu (Notre-Dame-du-Sault), Chrystal Coneybeare (White Pines) and Jocelyn Gignac (Superior Heights).

The other badminton nominees were Ashley Chindamo (St. Basil) and teammates Kiara Hamilton and Aleeya Zack Coneybeare (Superior Heights).

Kara Neveau of St. Mary's earned the cross-country award. Also nominated were Breckenridge Lydia Heimonen (Superior Heights), Sabrina Marsh (Korah), Jenni Richardson (St. Basil) and Morgan Errington (White Pines).

Olar won the basketball award. Other basketball nominees included Tianna Palumbo of Korah, Monica Bruni of St. Basil, Jesse Bjornaa of Superior Heights and Stacie Cain of St. Mary's.

Jasmine Teske of White Pines won the wrestling award. Also nominated for wrestling were Rebekah Trudell of Superior Heights and Paula Brzezinski of Korah.

The curling award went to Katie Rutledge of Superior Heights.

Also nominated in curling were Laura Masters (Korah) and Brooke Boissoneau (White Pines).

For the third straight year, Hammond took the track and field honours.

Also nominated in track and field were Beaulieu, Heimonen, Neveau, Chrystal Coneybeare and Cameron Mihell (Korah).

Rota took the soccer award.

Prouse, Michaela Duguay (White Pines), Maggie Kirk (Superior Heights) and Alicia Mlynarczyk (St. Basil) were also nominated for the soccer award.

Two other awards were handed out on Wednesday. Errington was the recipient of the Tenaris Scholarship, along with a \$1,000 bursary. The scholarship is awarded to a graduating student that was nominated in one of the athletic categories and has the highest average in university maths and sciences.

Beaulieu, Taylor Bellini of St. Basil, Amanda Wright of St. Mary's, Cailyn Richards of Superior Heights, Cassidy Lowen of White Pines and Emily Groulx of Korah each received the Harvey Morrison Award. It's presented to students combining leadership and outstanding contributions in female athletics.

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PERCY BEDFORD AWARD: Shines during 4 years at Karat



CELEBRATION

A.C.T. Tennis Female and Male winners are (back row, left to right) Sarah Harrison (Track and Field), Jannine Jenke (Swimming), Hilary Probst (Percy Bedford Award, Volleyball and Softball), Kara Lawson (juniour country running), Katie Bullidge (Swimming). (Top row, left to right) Kinsin Blar (Basketball), Janelle Cicchi (Gymnastics), Wrenna Riba (Soccer), Morgan Emington (Tennis Award).

Rotary Science Fair

WELCOME TO THE 14th ANNUAL ROTARY SCIENCE FAIR!

This year's Regional Science Fair will be held on **April 3rd through to April 5th** at the George Leach Center, **hosted by Algoma University**. The fair is open to students from Grade 7 – 12. New Youth Challenges are: Discovery, Environment, Energy, Information, Health, Innovation, and Resources.

Senior students who plan to register for the 2014-2015 academic year at Algoma University have a chance to win a \$500 Algoma University Bursary. Students can participate in activities the day of the fair and have the chance to win a variety of gift cards and other prizes. There are cash awards and prizes for the top project in each category as well as special awards. The top two projects will attend the Canada Wide Science Fair, for more chances to win cash and scholarships. All entrants have the opportunity of winning this all-expense-paid trip of a lifetime. Don't pass up this opportunity if you have the love of science. Go to the Youth Science Foundation website www.yssf.ca for more information of the CWSF.

The deadline for registration for students is March 29th 2014, please register on-line ASAP at: <http://www.sfiab.ca/algomarotarysciencefair>

New: Ingestion projects may not be allowed at the Canada-Wide Science Fair in 2014 -- i.e. certain projects involving people eating/ drinking/ tasting ANYTHING will not be allowed at the CWSF this year. This year's Canada Wide Fair will be held in Windsor, Ontario on May 10 - 17 2014.

Please be aware that there are strict **rules** in regards to liquids and live matter. There are to be **NO liquids/chemicals and NO live plants or animals and NO glass**. Pictures only are encouraged; marks are not deducted due to pictures versus the real thing. Liquids and live matter will be taken away and returned at the end of the Fair. Having a journal of experimental process to record thoughts and observations is highly recommended.

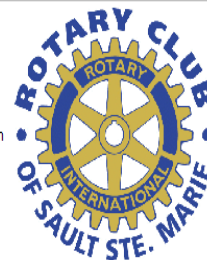
Set up of Exhibits takes place on Thursday, April 3rd between 3:30 and 7:00 p.m. Judging occurs on Friday, April 4th beginning at 9:00 am – 3:30 pm and all students must be present for judging. The fair is open to the public on Friday, April 4th from 4 pm – 8 pm and on Saturday, April 5th from 10:00 to 11 a.m.

Participants are asked to attend the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, April 5th at 11:00 a.m. Once the awards are over, students are asked to take their projects home. Best of Luck!!

If you have any questions please contact this year's co-chairs:

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Country hurts on treadmill: student study

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Country music hurt Alex Schuran's endurance on the treadmill.



Alex Schuran learned a few things on the run.

To keep moving longer, the St. Basil Secondary student suggests exercising to rock or hip hop.

Country music, he adds, doesn't mean just losing the girl and the dog, but the will to keep pounding the pavement.

Schuran, 16, teamed up with Isaiah Pedatella for an entry to the 27th annual Algoma Rotary Regional Science Fair.

The pair wanted to determine how music can impact athletic performance. Schuran and Pedatella recruited two friends for a series of endurance tests on a treadmill at Sault Ste. Marie Family YMCA.

The scenario – how long three of the students could run at a fast jogging pace with no music and country, hip hop or rock.

The setlist for this scientific experiment included AC/DC's Thunderstruck, Miley Cyrus' 23 and contemporary country chart toppers.

Sorry to put a tear in your Gatorade country fans. Schuran and his crew found listening to no music proved a better running scenario than lending an ear to the likes of Brantley Gilbert, Jerrod Niemann and Randy Houser.

"No music is better than country music because country music is usually slower paced and it can hurt your performance," said Schuran. "But faster music like rock and hip hop can actually benefit your performance."

One test subject nearly doubled his time on the treadmill listening to hip hop instead of no music. Schuran logged about 60 minutes running time unplugged, but lasted just 45 to 50 minutes with country stars keeping him company.

He and Pedatella had hypothesized that any type of music would give a boost to running endurance. Not so, according to their study.

"It kind of surprised me," he said of their findings.

"It was kind of surprising that country hurt your performance."

This is the first year Schuran has participated in the city event. He was encouraged by the teacher of his Grade 11 biology class, that he takes at St. Mary's College, to participate.

Science is "near the top" of Schuran's favourite classes. He's considering a career studying genetics.

"I like understanding how different parts of the body work," said Schuran.

His project suggests the right music can impact the brain's cerebellum and amygdala, key areas to help one's focus and motivation.

Schuran and Pedatella placed second in the intermediate age category.

Other entries from elementary and secondary students considered the effectiveness of disinfectants, the amount of gas produced by beverages and the effect of different liquids on teeth colour and enamel.

Science fair winners:

1. Rotary Club of Sault Ste. Marie Award of Excellence:

First Entry to Canada-Wide Science Fair

First Place - Best of Fair.



Woo Hoo! Rotary Science Fair winners! (8 photos)

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SAULT STE. MARIE ROTARY SCIENCE FAIR

The Rotary Science Fair format matches the style used at the Canada-wide Science Fair.

Projects are divided into three categories – Junior (Grades 7 and 8), Intermediate (Grades 9 and 10), and Senior (Grades 11 and 12) – but they are not judged in separate subject areas such as biology, engineering, etc.

First-place, second-place, and third-place winners were chosen from the Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors, and then some of these winners competed head-to-head for Best-of-Show.

26th Annual Rotary Science Fair Awards - 2013

Top Awards ("Best of Fair")

1. Rotary Club of Sault Ste. Marie Award of Excellence:

First Entry to Canada-Wide Science Fair

First Place - Best of Fair:

"Pawfect Solution" by Jordan Winter (Anna McCrea)

Jordan is shown above.

Jordan's project solved a real-world problem for her wildlife biologist mom: how to capture animal tracks in the snow.

Jordan already has plans afoot (pun intended) for next year's project, but first she has to make a stop at

Canada-Wide Science Fair in Lethbridge Alberta in May.

2. Nuclear Waste Management Organization Award:

Second Entry to Canada-Wide Science Fair

Second Place - Best of Fair:

"The Effect of Light Intensity on the Concentration of Lycopene in Tomato Juice" by Matéa David-Steel (Korah Collegiate)

3. Benjamin Cohen Family Memorial Trophy: \$70 Cash Award

Third Place - Best of Fair:

"Hot or Cold?" by Joshua Rouleau & Tyler Barban (Grand View)

First-place, second-place, and third-place winners in Best of Fair will all travel to the Canada-wide national competition being held May 11-18 in Lethbridge AB.

Alternate award-winning projects may go if the primary winners cannot attend.

Alfred R. Askin Shields (for best school team participation and excellence in each division):

1. Senior School (Grades 11-12): Korah Collegiate

2. Intermediate School (Grades 9-10): Korah Collegiate

3. Junior School (Grades 7-8): Anna McCrea

Awards for best in each age category

1st Place Junior



http://www.noba.ca/2014/winners/essay_winner.aspx

When Emily Soares decided to enter the Northern Ontario Business Awards 2014 Union Gas Essay Scholarship competition, she admits she did not know a whole lot about energy production and the increasing move toward green energy.

But after her father told her about the essay competition she went to her school's library and immediately grabbed every book she could find on the topic.

That commitment to research a subject that was new to her helped Soares win the competition and the \$3,000 scholarship that comes with that victory.

Soares, a recent graduate from Sault Ste. Marie's St. Mary's College, plans to start the nursing program at the University of Western Ontario in September.

Once she gets her nursing degree, the ambitious 18-year-old hopes to apply for medical school.

"I'm really excited," she said about her looming future as a post-secondary student and her first experience living away from home.

In her essay, Soares outlined the history of energy production. The ancient Greeks, she said, first harnessed the sun's energy in the 4th century.

While they were far removed from today's photovoltaic cells, Greek soldiers would use mirrors to blind their enemies with bright streams of sunlight.

Greek homes were also designed to take advantage of the sunlight, with windows that faced south to best take advantage of the day's heat.

The Egyptians, she wrote, were early adopters of wind energy with their sailboats. That technology proved to be one of the most important advancements for early civilizations.

She also wrote about how the Dutch built windmills to use wind energy to grind grain and pump water.

"No other country has as many windmills as Holland," she wrote. Her essay also covered the industrial revolution, and humanity's growing dependence on hydrocarbons.

"The demand for energy has continued to increase over the years, making it an incredible priority to determine methods of not only conserving energy, but also managing the production," she wrote.

Soares said in recent years, the public has become more conscientious of energy usage and the move to increase green energy production.

But more needs to be done to move away from fossil fuels, she said.

"A lot of teenagers don't care as much as we should," Soares said. "Once you make a change for the better it will catch on. It's just a chain effect."

Soares said cities and individuals are taking practical approaches to reduce their carbon footprint.

In Toronto, for example, the city implemented its Home Energy Loan Program in 2013.

The financing tool loans residents the funds needed to upgrade their insulation and replace old furnaces with more cost-effective alternatives.

After the resident completes the home improvements they repay the city through instalments on their property tax bill.

Payments to the city are made over a 15-year period, and the homeowner benefits from new energy efficiency savings.

Despite the damage that has already been done to the environment, and the growing amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, Soares said in her essay she is confident the planet can regain its natural equilibrium.

"Our generation is able to innovate new techniques and procedures to create energy in a cleaner and safer manner," she wrote. "We are the future of clean energy, and it is our responsibility to aid in the saving of our planet."

Union Gas has sponsored its Northern Ontario Business Awards essay competition since 1989. Winners have come from across Northern Ontario, from Wawa, to Sudbury and Kapuskasing.





Olivia, Abbey and Audrey parler très bien

Monday, May 19, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



NEWS RELEASE

ALGOMA DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Algoma students showcase their language skills at Toronto Event

Three Saultites represent ADSB at the Canadian Parents for French public speaking contest

On Saturday May 10, 2014 three Algoma District School Board (ADSB) students showcased their French oral presentation skills at the York University's Glendon Campus.

Olivia Nero, Abbey Pierman, and Audrey Vair were among 289 students from 24 public and separate school boards and seven private schools from across Ontario.

The Canadian Parents for French website estimates that at the classroom level, over 20,000 students across Ontario took part in French Second-Language public speaking preliminaries in order to qualify for the Provincial event.

To earn their spot, locally, ADSB students had to elect to compete in their classrooms and then had to also win at the school level for their grade category (4-6, 7-8).

Olivia Nero represented Greenwood Public School and Audrey Vair represented Rosedale Public School in the Grade 4-6 category.

Abbey Pierman, also of Rosedale, competed in the Grade 7-8 category.

The "Concours et Festival d'art oratoire" according to their website "is an annual French public-speaking event for students from grades 4 through 12 studying French as a Second Language in Ontario schools. It is organized by the Ontario Modern Language Teachers' Association and Canadian Parents for French (Ontario)."

In the morning, the Algoma students participated in the grades four through eight non-competitive festival event.

Topics of the three to four minute oral presentations varied and included



Congratulations Poetry Contest Winners!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR ARTS COUNCIL/BON SOO POETRY CONTEST! KEEP WRITING!

We would like to congratulate our poetry contest winners! Listed below are the names and brief bios of our first, second, and third place winners. Be sure to read their winning poetry submissions on pages 13 and 14 of this magazine. Also, be sure to read the poems submitted by our 12 and under budding poets: Helaina Lampe and Genevieve Margaret Gartshore-Case on page 15.

1st PLACE: Alex Chornyj

Alex Chornyj is a reiki master teacher and as such his writing reflects the energy and light that surrounds his spirit. He has been published in The Canadian Federation Of Poetry, Articulations, Touch Magazine in England, Decario Magazine in England, Alive and Fit Magazine, Health and Wellness Magazine, Border Crossing Journal, Fashion For Collapse Magazine, Speak Project, Awaken Consciousness Magazine, Earthborne Magazine, Gloom Cupboard Magazine, The Not Magazine, The Tower Journal, White Mountain Publications, Artists for a better world.org and 150cludes Magazine in Montreal as well as a host of others. He has been writing for approximately thirty-five years and his inspiration is derived through his spirit guides.

2nd PLACE: John Gabriel

John Gabriel is a retired Social Worker who enjoys writing poetry in his spare time. He had belonged to a Writer's Group in Southern Ontario for a year. Originally from Stephenville, Newfoundland. His most recent poem was inspired by listening to the young Olympians sharing their stories on television.

3rd PLACE: Jaana Schuler

3rd place Jaana Schuler, is currently a grade 8 student at Tarentorus Public School. Her academic strengths are reading and writing. Her hobbies include reading, writing, and dance. She also enjoys reading fiction books and writing short stories.



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If you have any questions or would like a tutorial, please call Rob at the Arts Council at 706-946-9756 or email him at ssmarts@shaw.ca. Thanks for sharing your events with our community!

Arts Council of Sault Ste. Marie & District - 705-945-9756 - www.ssmarts.org

LIBRARY NEWS



Congratulations to Connor Henderson - Gold Medal Winner and Denver Black - Silver Medal Winner. Both young men participated in the Algoma Regional Chess Championship and are the recipients from the Algoma Region. The competition allows chess enthusiasts from grades 1 through 12 to participate.

Connor and Denver's final match, here in Sault Ste. Marie, was held at the Centennial Public Library while attending the weekly meeting of the Chess Club. Connor went on to compete in Toronto at the Provincial Level. Congratulations to both young men on their achievements.

Tuesday Evening Chess Club Participants at the Sault Ste. Marie Centennial Library.

Pictured from left to right is Oren Flinn, Denver Black, Connor Henderson, Terry Rowlinson, Sean Burns, Peter Gray.



Thank-you to Terry Rowlinson for organizing and facilitating at the SSMPL Chess CLUB!

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The Sault Ste. Marie Public Library Chess Club will resume in early September.

SSMART Innovation Awards

SSMART INNOVATION AWARDS 14

"We receive feedback, each year, on how impressive the innovation and talent is within this community. We welcome area businesses, entrepreneurs, educators, and students to put forth nominations to help us recognize and showcase innovation achievements in the Algoma district."

- Tom Vair, Executive Director, SSMIC



Each year, the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre (SSMIC) hosts an annual SSMART Innovation Awards, building awareness of the bright leaders within the science and technology sectors, and showcasing talent from the Algoma region.

The SSMART Innovation Awards feature eight awards categories, including: Innovation Company of the Year, Innovation Leader of the Year, Innovation Project of the Year, Innovation Researcher of the Year, Innovation Educator of the Year, Innovation in Web and Social Media Award, Innovation Student/Graduate of the Year, and Innovation Youth of the Year.

Nominations are now open! Self-nominations are accepted. Fill out a nomination form by clicking on the award links below.

The industry leaders, entrepreneurs and post-secondary students of the science and technology sectors are creating future economic opportunities for the province of Ontario and its northern communities. Members of the community are invited to join us and show their support by attending the luncheon and awards ceremony.

Innovation Youth of the Year - Daniel Lance

This year's Innovation Youth of the Year award recipient was a Grade 12 student at the time of nomination, and is a past SSMART Innovation Award winner in the Youth category. His overall grade point average at graduation was 95.5%.

A young entrepreneur, Daniel started his own video production company filming a number of community and private events, and theatrical productions. His company has seen considerable growth since inception, and his summers are spent filming weddings for local clients.

As a volunteer, this young man has lent his time and skillset to filming local theatre production, "Les Miserable," various school events, interviews for Sault United, and ongoing extracurricular activities at St. Mary's College.

This award acknowledges an individual up to grade 12, who has made a substantial contribution to the science or technology sector through education, volunteering or sheer passion for the industry. Contributions may be through outstanding academic achievement; leadership in the area of science or technology, community involvement, leadership, entrepreneurship and volunteerism.

Past winners include: C.J. Bennett, Tamara Tadashore and Hannah Craig, Chris Rugo, Madeline Trottier, Emmanuelle Chareaneuf

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Young Artists' Competition

The Sault Symphony Association presented its 11th Young Artists' Competition on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at St. Luke's Cathedral at 160 Brock Street. Invited to participate were the best of the senior-level students in the area who are aged 21 and under to enter and showcase their talents to their peers, their family and friends, and, of course, the adjudicators. The competition was open to the public, with admission at the door by silver donation.



Back Row, from left: **Louise Stephens** (Adjudicator - Sault Ste. Marie) and **Marie Ng-Au** (Adjudicator - Sudbury)

Middle Row, from left: **Rebecca McCauley** (Voice), **Carrie Berkompas** (Voice), **Melanie Case** (Voice,) and **Maggie Andersen** (Voice)

Front Row, from left: **Nicholas Ross** (Adjudicator - Sudbury), **Victoria Jones** (Violin), **Claryssa Webb** (Violin), **Hannah Nicoletta** (Violin and Piano), **Benjamin Gulder** (Violin), and **Matthew Wilkinson** (Violin)

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SAULT STE. MARIE MUSIC FESTIVAL (FORMERLY THE KIWANIS MUSIC FESTIVAL)

This year the Sault Ste. Marie Music Festival (formerly the Kiwanis Music Festival) celebrates its 77th year. Since 2005 the festival has been coordinated by the Algoma Conservatory of Music. Each year there are hundreds of participants in 6 divisions: Piano, Strings, Woodwinds, Brass, Voice and Guitar. Guest adjudicators from across Canada work with the students. Students are awarded a certificate of participation after each of their performances along with comments from the adjudicator. While marks are not given, students compete for a large number of scholarships. The senior winners from each division also compete for the top prize of the Festival at the Shield Competition. If they meet the repertoire criteria senior students are also eligible to be recommended to the Ontario Music Festival and from there to the National Finals. Please see the application form for the registration deadline and review the rules and regulations. For additional information please talk to your teacher or contact the Conservatory at 705-253-4373 or algomaconservatory@algomau.ca Information about the provincial finals of the Ontario Music Festival is at www.omfa.info

Music Festival

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Gabrielle takes top award

Wednesday, May 07, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



NEWS RELEASE

ALGOMA CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

2014 Shield Awarded to Gabrielle Turgeon

The 2014 Sault Ste. Marie Music Festival (formerly Kiwanis) concluded on May 4 with the Shield Competition at St. Luke’s Cathedral.

The top one or two students in each division are chosen by the guest adjudicators to participate in the Shield Competition where they compete for the festival’s top prize and a \$500 scholarship.

Participants this year were: Liam Crosswell (piano); Hannah Nicoletta (piano); Gabrielle Turgeon (violin); Meghan Gauthier (flute); Alex Izquierdo (guitar); Carmine Coccimiglio (guitar); Adriane Mallinger

(voice) and Victoria Stortini-Snyder (voice). Vocalist Maggie Andersen was also selected, however, was out of town and unable to compete.

The Shield adjudicator was noted pianist Charlene Biggs, head of music at Cambrian College in Sudbury.

She holds a Doctorate from the Eastman School of Music.

Following the performances she commented on each performance and then awarded the Shield to violinist Gabrielle Turgeon.

Gabrielle just turned 13 years of age and is a student of Guy Traficante at the Algoma Conservatory of Music.

'I just want to play my best'

BY KIM KELLY
The Sault Star

Gabrielle Turgeon is making music that's getting noticed on both sides of the border.

The young violinist qualified to compete in the finals of Florida Federation of Music Clubs' festival for seven years.

When she finally reached the podiums with the best of the best in 2014, Turgeon earned top honors in junior concerto and violin duet. A violin solo earned an honorable mention.

Young, at Sault Ste. Marie a late that year, Turgeon began studying with Guy Taffin at the Algoma Conservatory of Music. She advanced to the finals of Sault Ste. Marie Music Festival and won the shield, the event's top honour, in early May.

She competed against seven other young musicians, none older than her.

"It was pretty surprising," said Turgeon of her top finish. "There was so much talent really talented competitors. I was pleasantly surprised."

At 13, Turgeon takes her place alongside Victoria James, Leah Dunlop and Kelly Bédard among of the youngest winners of the nearly 40-year-old award.

This year, she travels to Huntington, N.C., to compete at the 40th Music Festival Association's provincial finals. Turgeon is up Wednesday.

The Grade 7 student at Saint Joseph's will perform Felix Kaeiser's *Violin Concerto* and Allegro and Nigun from Ernest Bloch's *Bach Suite*. The latter piece was learned in winter, about four weeks instead of a usual three months.

"For many years, more practice time for an organization or a typically encourages many hours of playing time daily. She's a good singer now" with friends was the practical competition here.

"I don't expect to win," said Turgeon. "I just want to play my best. That's what I want to accomplish. Playing my best, the best I ever played."

Hershey, Edward and Arno, perform internationally as Duo Turgeon. Their third album of



PHOTO BY KIM KELLY

Gabrielle Turgeon, winner of this year's Sault Ste. Marie Music Festival Shield, competes at a provincial event on Wednesday.

musical instrument helped give Gabrielle her legs.

"I heard so much praise in the house that I just kept going and used it," she said. "I think they were more worried about letting me choose."

Finally she hesitated. Gabrielle, age three when she started, said her mother she was "in a little nervousness."

She remembers seeing the instrument featured in Miles Forman's 1984 film, *Amadeus*, and

deciding "that's kind of cool."

Other parts of her day, such as sports and academics, take effort.

"Playing violin takes kind of naturally to me," she said. "With music I can just play."

While she shows a different instrumental language's commitment to music was followed.

"I don't think I've ever heard them come from a concert and see, 'Oh, that was perfect,'" said Turgeon. "They're always saying 'Oh, we need to work on this

This wasn't supposed to be a good one. I think that's a very good musician to have."

Turgeon is also a member of Algoma Conservatory of Music's concert series and Soo Theatre Arts Ensemble. She has performed at the Algoma District School Board's staging of *Oliver* in April.

"We have a lot going on here," said Turgeon of the multiple events the Twin Saults "is good."

Turgeon attends University of Indiana's remote long summer string academy starting June 20. Staying in town, a close friend from Florida where she previously lived, will attend.

Her previous teacher, Carol Cole at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and Taffin both studied with violin pedagogue Ivan Galamian.

By Kim Kelly
The Sault Star



Red Sparrow flies high at local competition

Wednesday, June 05, 2013 *by: SooToday.com Staff*

NEWS RELEASE

SOOTHFEST

Red Sparrow Theatre Company is awarded the Steve Ballantine Outstanding Production Award at the 22nd annual SOOTHFEST Festival

Soothfest is Sault Ste. Marie's one act play festival inviting youth 25 and under to showcase their work within an educational environment promoting the process of creating theatre.

On May 29 and 30 four companies and three individuals took to the stage at The Studio Theatre including Red Sparrow Theatre Company, Stage 1, Korah Theatre and To Be Determined Theatre Company (Guelph) collectively presenting six plays across two nights.

This year a new event, the Monologue Challenge welcomed 3 participants presenting four monologues.

Plays were adjudicated by Richard Howard who proved to be very inspirational for the creative teams from the various companies.

Participants were further inspired during a workshop in the Alexander Technique taught by the incomparable Patricia Wynter.

The Steve Ballantine Award is named in memory of Soothfest's founder.

The award has been sponsored across several years by an anonymous donor and includes a special bursary to assist the winning group to enter the festival the following year.

This year, this award went to Red Sparrow Theatre Company and their production of David Ives' comedy, Sure Thing.

The company collected four awards in addition to the Steve Ballantine Award:

- Outstanding Acting Ensemble
- Outstanding Actor in a Lead Role (Female): Allysha Daynard
- Outstanding Actor in a Leading Role (Male): Joe Tassone
- Outstanding Director: Danial O'Brien

Natalia Pochtaruk, whose show garnered directing and production awards last year was this year's Adjudicator's Assistant.

Her Peer Recognition award went to Red Sparrow's Danial O'Brien.

The following is a list of the outstanding moments of the 2013 festival (award winners and nominations) as decided by adjudicator, Richard Howard.

Adjudicator Awards:

1. Inner Ensemble Award:

Wendy Mattice, Alexie Nystrom, Brad Jones & Gavin Orchard-di Corpro (Crushed - Stage 1)

Nomination:

Colin McLean & Winston Sullivan (Echo - Korah Theatre)

2. Use of Original Canadian Script

(Spare Change - to be determined Theatre Company)

3. Visual Award:

A Time of Green (Korah Theatre)





Former Governor General helps out a local graffiti artist

Wednesday, April 30, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



NEWS RELEASE

MICHAËLLE JEAN FOUNDATION

The Michaëlle Jean Foundation is delighted to announce the first recipients of its new Young Arts Entrepreneur program funding, as Canada prepares to celebrate National Youth Arts Week.

With the generous support of CIBC and BMO, and the collaboration of the Canadian Youth Business Foundation, the program provides start-up capital as well as business and arts mentors to underserved youth seeking to launch an arts-based business over a two-year period.

More than 60 aspiring young business and community leaders from across Canada applied. Cameron Dutchak is among [eight youth selected by an expert jury](#).

Based in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, the young artist has been active within the arts for the past decade doing large-scale graffiti works and commissioned designs on various mediums.

As his business continues to grow, Cameron aims to increase awareness regarding social enterprises and community art while engaging youth in new forms of urban expression.

Cameron’s business project is based upon re-conceptualizing the idea of what graffiti/ street art can mean within a community.

By mentoring at risk and marginalized youth, Cameron's business (CTD Designs) will offer open workshops in various forms of 'street art' as well as create an on-going youth mentored arts program culminating in a public mural.

In addition to receiving start-up capital of \$7,500, Cameron will be mentored in business plan development, marketing and other business skills, and receive ongoing mentoring in arts techniques from seasoned professionals.

The Canadian Youth Business Foundation, which helped to design the program, will also be assisting him with additional tools and resources.

The aim of Young Arts Entrepreneur is to provide participants with the tools, experience and connections in the financial world they need to “graduate” to other ongoing opportunities to build their businesses.

“We are delighted by the caliber and diversity of our young arts entrepreneurs whose innovative spirit and determination have the potential to inspire underserved youth all over the country. Their business projects span such a rich variety of artistic disciplines, providing our recipients with a unique opportunity to make a mark in Canada’s creative industries, which bring billions of dollars to our country every year”, said the Rt. Hon. Michaëlle Jean and Monsieur Jean-Daniel Lafond, Co-Founders and Co-Chairs of the Michaëlle Jean Foundation.

'She's an inspiration to all' (6 photos)

Thursday, May 01, 2014 by: Donna Hopper



A dozen people left White Pines Collegiate and Vocational School yesterday with a lot less hair thanks to the school's Cuts for Cancer event organized annually by teacher Michael Maione.

Among those participants was Grade 12 student Kelsey Hroch (pictured) who was also presented with an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year award for her dedication to the Algoma Residential Community Hospice (ARCH).

For the past four years, Hroch has been selling handmade keychains, bookmarks, and zipper pulls to raise essential funds for ARCH.

As a result, she's donated more than \$30,000 to the hospice and hopes to reach her \$40,000 goal by the end of June.

She was inspired to begin fundraising after losing her father to cancer when she was just 11 years old.

"After my dad's death, there was so many changes in my life and I wanted to keep the memory of him alive," she said during her address. "I chose ARCH because of the home-like environment that they provide for terminally ill patients. Seeing the amazing work that they do, I know it would have been a more pleasant and personable place for my family to be during our difficult time."

"To have such a young lady show such perseverance and dedication for an amazing cause is inspiring," Lee Skinner, fund development coordinator for ARCH, told SooToday.com. "She's an inspiration to all, not just to those in the school, but the community as well."

Hroch told us she feels honoured and excited to have been presented with the Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year award, and is confident she'll reach her end goal.

"Being here for four years and having my fundraising adventure, I'm sad it's coming to an end, but I'm looking forward to moving on," she said.

While Hroch doesn't have any immediate plans to start a new fundraising venture once the current one is complete, she said that it has become an integral part of her life and will likely continue her charitable efforts in the future.

For more information about ARCH, please click [here](#)

To learn more about the Canadian Cancer Society, click [here](#)

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MEDAL OF MERIT

First presented in 1972, the Medal of Merit is an award given to a person or a group of people from Sault Ste. Marie in recognition of outstanding achievement or contribution to the community.

Nominations

Nominations are accepted by the City Clerk in November of each year on behalf of a person who:

- Individually, or as a member of a group or team, achieved provincial or national championship status in an athletic or other competitive endeavour;
- Individually, or as a member of a group or team, achieved a standard of excellence in a cultural or academic field
- Over a period of years has made an outstanding contribution to the community;
- Is a youth (under 18 years of age) or member of a youth group or team with achievements in the identified areas (1)(2) or (3) above.

A committee comprised of the Mayor acting as chair, and four other persons representing Business or Professional, the Judiciary, Labour, and a Citizen at Large chooses Medal of Merit recipients. Recipients are traditionally announced on New Year's Eve.

About the Medal

The sterling silver medal, circular in design, has the City coat of arms embossed on the face. The band encircling the coat of arms is inscribed "Medal of Merit, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario". The ribbon with clasp is attached to the medal with a silver bar.

The three colours depicted in the ribbon, gold, blue and grey, are intended to project the image of the City of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario as a flourishing and prosperous city. The gold band is symbolic of the Civic Centre, which is a landmark on the seaway, and the centre of local government in the area. The blue band represents the water or seaway upon the banks of which Sault Ste. Marie is situated and is the reason for its existence. The grey band represents industry, and in particular steel, which is our foundation and strength.

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SAULT STE. MARIE MEDAL OF MERIT NOMINATION FORM

Nominations for the Medal of Merit are accepted by the City Clerk, Civic Centre, 99 Foster Drive, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, P6A 5X6 or by email to cityclerk@cityssm.on.ca until December 1 in each year.

Nominations MUST include

- a covering letter describing the accomplishments of the nominee in detail;
- letters of support from other individuals or organizations; and
- other supporting documentation

Name of Nominee: _____

Address of Nominee: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Category of nomination:

Individually or as a member of a group or team has achieved a provincial or national championship status in an athletic or other competitive endeavour

Details: _____

Individually or as a member of a group has achieved a standard of excellence in a cultural or academic field

Details: _____

Over a period of years has made an outstanding contribution to the community

Details: _____

Is a youth or is a member of a youth group or team with achievement in an area identified above.

Nominated by: _____ Address _____

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Community Driven Awards Night

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This year, Passport to Unity held its first annual Opening Night Celebrations for the multicultural festival in Sault Ste. Marie. The event kicked off with an inspirational speech from Leo Johnson, followed by the distribution of four community driven awards and ended with a Flamenco performance by Maria Osende. Great Lakes Honda partnered with Passport to unity to acknowledge individuals in the community that continually get involved and make a difference. The awards were broken into four main categories and among many nominees, the following

recipients were presented with a "Community-Driven" award;

- 1) Volunteer Category: Dorothy McKay
- 2) Post-Secondary Category- Caitlyn Nelson
- 3) Leadership Category- Teddy Syrette
- 4) High School Category- Jackson Reed

Great Lakes Honda would like to acknowledge all the nominees that participated.. you truly make a significant difference in our community!



Community Driven
Award Winner
High School Category
JACKSON REED



Know a young person who deserves an award?

Friday, April 18, 2014 by: SooToday.com Staff



The United Way of Sault Ste. Marie and district Youth Spirit Award nomination criteria and format

All volunteers and nominees in the running for the Youth Spirit Award contribute significantly to the many organizations and programs in our community that rely on our support in order to continue being successful helping those in need.

Your involvement is essential to developing valuable personal skills, as well as helping you become a more active part of the community you live in.

The Youth Spirit Award will be presented at the 2014 Ontario Volunteer Youth Challenge Awards at the end of May 2014.

Nomination criteria

The individual or group of nominees must be between the ages of 14 and 18 years of age, currently attending secondary school in the Algoma District, demonstrating outstanding community involvement with more than one organization

The nominator can be a principal, teacher, staff, a member of a student body, or the leader of a community group

The activity or the event should be entirely student initiated and non-curriculum related, while adult mentorship and supervision is permitted

Nomination template

1. Name of nominee:
2. Name of nominator:
3. List of organizations, events or activities helped (include volunteer hours):
4. Narrative statement of why this individual or group should receive this award:

To nominate for the Youth Spirit Award, please submit a one-page document as per guidelines above, and fax or mail it to:

United Way of Sault Ste. Marie and district
Attention: The Youth Spirit Award Selection Committee
7A Oxford Street, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6B 1R7
Fax: 705-759-5899 Email:
uwssm@ssmunityway.ca

If you have any questions please contact Maureen Dodd, Resource Development Manager, 705-256-7476 X216 or Email: uwssm@ssmunityway.ca

The Youth Spirit Award is presented to an individual youth or a youth group that demonstrates excellent support to the community through participation, leadership, and service to the others within the community.

Deadline for submission to the Youth Spirit Award must be received by end of business Monday May 12, 2014

www.ssmunityway.ca



The United Way **Youth Spirit Award** is presented to an individual youth or a youth group that demonstrates excellent support to the community through participation, leadership, and service to the others within the community. Presented to **Winston Sullivan** by Kaitlyn Irwin of the United Way, right and Mrs. Williams, left.

The Youth Spirit Award is presented to the youth individual or group that has demonstrated excellent support to the community through participation, leadership, and service to the others within the community.

All youth volunteers and nominees in the running for the Youth Spirit Award contribute significantly to the many organizations and programs in our community that rely on our support in order to continue being successful helping those in need. Your involvement is essential to developing valuable personal skills, as well as helping you become a more active part of the community you live in.

Nomination criteria

- The individual or group of nominees must be between the ages of 14 and 18 years of age, currently attending secondary school in Sault Ste. Marie and the Algoma District, demonstrating outstanding community involvement with more than one organization
- The nominator can be a principal, teacher, staff, a member of a student body, or the leader of a community group
- The activity or the event should be entirely student initiated and non-curriculum related, while adult mentorship and supervision is permitted

John R. Rhodes Scholarship

Algoma University

Awarded to a student entering their first year of university who demonstrates academic achievement and community leadership while involved in political, social or academic activities.

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Scholarship Summary

Quantity	1
Application Required	Yes
Grade Range	Other Criteria
Value	\$3,000
Renewable?	Yes
Deadline	June 30, 2015

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John R. Rhodes Scholarship Dinner

The John R. Rhodes Scholarship was established in 1979 through generous donations from friends and family of the late John Rhodes.

This prestigious scholarship, valued at \$3,000 is offered annually to a student entering their first year of university studies from secondary school who has demonstrated academic achievement and community leadership while involved in political, social, or academic activities.

This scholarship is renewable for up to three additional years providing the recipient maintains a minimum average of 80% each academic year on 30 credits taken in two consecutive terms.

Algoma University proudly hosts the annual John R. Rhodes Scholarship Dinner. This event serves to honour the memory of John R. Rhodes by raising funds to offer this prestigious scholarship to meritorious students at Algoma University. Each year, up to four students may carry this scholarship, requiring a total financial commitment of \$12,000 per year.

Each year, the John Rhodes Scholarship Dinner Planning Committee selects a honorary speaker who embodies the integrity, leadership, vision and commitment to community services that was the hallmark of John R. Rhodes.

Algoma University is committed to providing scholarships and bursaries to Algoma University students now, and into the future. The University currently manages a number of endowed funds that provide scholarships and bursaries to Algoma U students. These funds are held in perpetuity, and the interest earned by these funds is used to provide financial awards to students.

New endowed funds are created with donations of \$20,000 or more, sometimes pledged over a period of three to five years.

This year, Algoma University honours Donna Hilsinger at the **2014 John R. Rhodes Scholarship Dinner** on Friday, November 14.

Previous John R. Rhodes Scholarship Dinner Honourees include:

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At Essar Steel Algoma we have a direct interest in advancing and preserving the quality of life in the community in which we live, work and raise our families. This includes believing in opportunity and promoting the development of our youth. For this reason, we have created scholarship opportunities with preference for children of Essar Steel Algoma's past and present employees. See below for more information on each of the scholarships we offer.

SCHOLARSHIP OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM (for high school students pursuing college or university)

Scholarship of Excellence Brochure

- **The Essar Steel Scholarship of Distinction** is a university tuition scholarship valued at \$5000. The scholarship is awarded to up to two students each year and is renewable for the term of their degree, subject to minimum performance requirements
- **The Essar Steel Scholarship of Merit** is a college tuition scholarship valued at \$3000. The scholarship is awarded to up to two students each year and is renewable for the term of their diploma, subject to minimum performance requirements.

The 2014 Scholarship of Excellence application form is available here. Completed applications must be submitted to your high school Guidance Department on or before March 31st, 2014. Please note that the application deadline for the Scholarship of Excellence has been postponed to Thursday April, 17th, 2014.

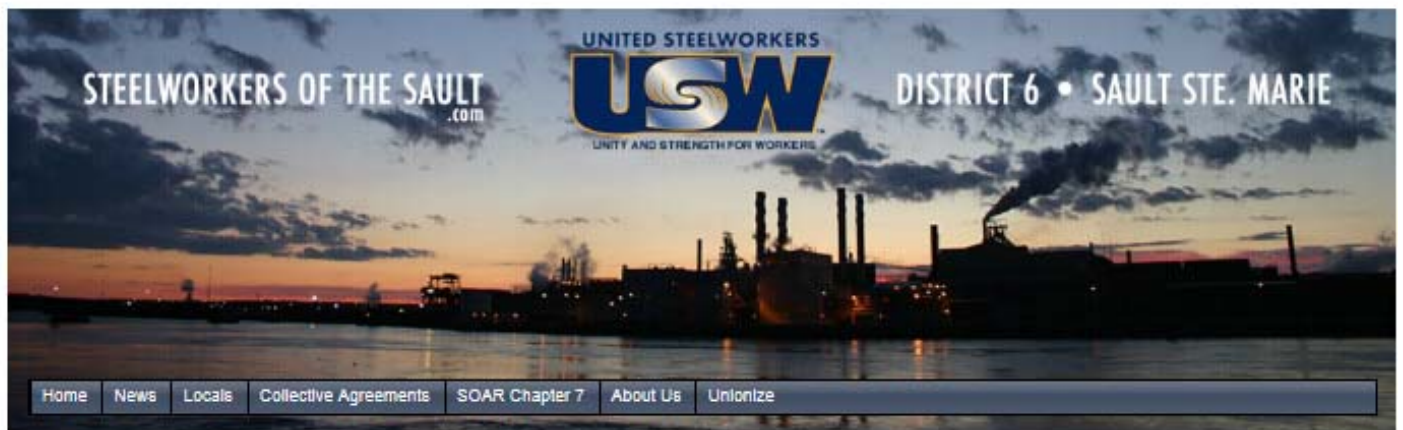
INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS (for students already enrolled in college or university)

These scholarships are administered by the school administration. Please contact the school directly.

- **Northern Ontario School of Medicine:** Essar Steel Algoma Bursary, endowed for the benefit of a full time student from the geographical region of Sault Ste. Marie. The recipient must be a resident of a northern, rural or remote community for a minimum of 10 years and demonstrate financial need.
- **Sault College: Essar Steel Algoma Award of Excellence** is awarded to 2nd or 3rd year full-time students of Sault College enrolled in a technical trades, engineering technology, or computer studies. Recipients are selected by the Scholarship, Bursary, and Awards Committee. First consideration is given to a

child, grandchild, or ward of a current employee or retiree. Second consideration is given to a graduate of a secondary school in the Algoma district.

- **Algoma University: The Essar Steel Algoma Student Assistance Award** is given annually to an Algoma University student enrolled in full-time studies in business, computer science or chemistry, who is in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need. First consideration for this award is given to a child, grandchild or legal ward of a current employee or retiree of Essar Steel Algoma Inc. Second consideration is given to a student who is a graduate of a secondary school in the Algoma region of Ontario. Recipients of this award will have demonstrated an open and respectful attitude, maturity, entrepreneurial ability, accountability and a willingness to participate in community life.



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2014 OFL Labour Post-Secondary Scholarships

Union & District News

Posted May 14, 2014

The OFL is pleased to call for applications for its annual OFL's Labour Post-Secondary Scholarships.

The OFL will award two scholarships worth \$2,000 each to a member or the child of a member of a local union affiliated to the OFL. The scholarships are awarded in honour of distinguished trade union activists selected by OFL Affiliates.

Eligible scholarship recipients must be entering, in September 2014, the first year of a full-time course of study (leading to a diploma or certificate) at a public Ontario community college or the first year of an undergraduate program (leading to a degree) at a publicly-funded Ontario university.

Scholarships are only available to candidates who have no prior post-secondary studies. The criteria for selection of the scholarship winners are the following:

1. A brief resume outlining non-academic interests and activities, such as community or political involvement as well as goals for the future.
2. Evidence of understanding of the role and significance of the Canadian labour movement.

In order to satisfy point (2) above, applicants will be required to submit an essay of not more than 1,000 words. This year's topic is:

"Our generation is widely expected to be the first in years to face a lower standard of living than our parents. Young people are also experiencing high levels of unemployment and underemployment. In this context, what advice would you give to the labour movement for engaging youth and young workers?"

The deadline for receipt of applications is June 16, 2014. An application form can be found on-line at

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**ALGOMA UNIVERSITY
CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE SCHOLARSHIP II
2014-2015 APPLICATION**

An annual grant provides one scholarship of \$2,000, renewable for up to three additional years, to a dependent of a municipal employee enrolling in 30 credits over two consecutive terms (fall/winter) of studies at Algoma U. The candidate must have completed his or her qualifying requirements in the academic year prior to commencing studies at Algoma U, and must present an average of at least 80% on the 6 best U or M courses presented for admission. For renewal, candidates must maintain a minimum average of 80% each academic year on 30 credits taken in two consecutive terms (fall/winter) of study. Candidates must be enrolled in 30 credits over two consecutive terms (fall/winter) of study in the current year they are receiving the award. *This scholarship is non-cumulative with the Algoma U Awards of Excellence, Edward & Frank McGrath Award, Carl J. Sanders Scholarship, Peggy & Willmont MacDonnell Scholarship, City of Sault Ste. Marie Admission Scholarships, Algoma U Achievement Scholarships, and the John R. Rhodes Scholarship.*

Personal Information:

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2014

(Please Print)

First Name	
Last Name	
Student Number	
Mailing Address	
City, Province, Postal Code	
Phone	
Email	
Social Insurance Number	

Declaration of Eligibility:

I am a dependent of an employee of the City of Sault Ste. Marie as follows:

Parent's Name: _____ Department: _____

Required Documentation:

Completed Applications Forms are to be submitted to the address below. The following documentation must be included with your application:

- Official transcript of your most recent academic record.
- A letter from the parent(s) employer confirming employment status within the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

Please submit the completed application form, along with the required documentation prior to **June 30, 2014** to:

**Algoma University
Scholarship & Awards Office, NW 307B
1520 Queen Street East
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 2G4
(705) 949-2301 ext. 4710**

Student Declaration:

I hereby declare that the information I have submitted in this application form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Completion of this signed application permits the Scholarship and Awards Office or designate to access transcript information and allows members of the awards selection committees to view transcripts when required. I also understand that 1) all information provided in this application is subject to verification by Algoma University, 2) the first use of any scholarship and/or bursary awarded to me shall be to pay tuition and/or residence fees to the University. Further more, should I be granted an award, I agree to the release of my name, city of residence, faculty/program and photograph for publicity purposes. Students chosen to receive scholarships and/or bursaries will be expected to participate in donor appreciation events.

Student Signature _____ Date _____