



Salad

Piping in of the Head Table

National Anthem/Royal Anthem

Colleen Crevier

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic College School

Master of Ceremonies

Ron Hewat

Grace

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Toasts

Pasta Course

Awards Presentation

Musical Performance

Colleen Crevier

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic College School

Entrée & Dessert

Performance

York Regional Police Pipes and Drums

Remarks

Eric Jolliffe, Chief of Police

Essay Presentation by Chief for a Day

Serena Saltarelli

St. Cecilia Catholic Elementary School

Awards Presentation

Conclusion



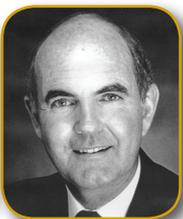
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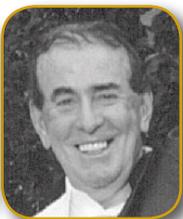
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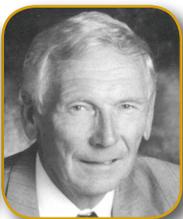
George Crothers



Moffat Dunlap



Leo McArthur



Ken Sinclair

Organizing Committee



Desiree Amato



Lina Bigioni



David Blackwell



Charles Burns



Michael Burns



Deputy Chief
Thomas Carrique



Scott Cole
Co-chair



Jackie Cousins



Deputy Chief
André Crawford



John Dunlap



Drew Gerrard



Patrons



Honorary Chief
Henry N.R. Jackman

Organizing Committee



Susan
LaRosa



Paul
Martin



Leo
McArthur



J. Philip
Parappally



Patricia
Preston



Dem
Rogers



Derek Sifton
Co-chair



Kelly
Sinclair



Scott
Smith



Eric
Tappenden



Daisy
Wai



Honouring our Members

The Police Appreciation Night organizing committee, sponsors and patrons would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the members of York Regional Police. We thank you for your dedication and commitment to keeping our communities safe.



History

Twenty-three years ago, five local businessmen approached the then-Chief with the idea of an annual fundraising event which would also showcase York Regional Police. This event is now known as Police Appreciation Night and it has raised more than \$2.3 million for police programs and equipment.



Mission

The mission of the Police Appreciation Night organizing committee is to support the mandate of York Regional Police by organizing and conducting an event to encourage public support of police and raise money to fund police programs and equipment.

Greetings from the Co-chairs and Chief of Police



On behalf of the members of the organizing committee and all members of York Regional Police, welcome to the 23rd Annual Police Appreciation Night.

This year we are celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Community Safety Village of York Region and the delivery of important safety messages to more than 400,000 children across York Region in that decade.

The Safety Village is a true example of what can be achieved through community partnerships and many of those partners are here tonight, continuing their generous sponsorship of this event as they have for the last 23 years.

Of course, the main reason we are gathered together tonight is to celebrate the superior investigative skills of our Officers of the Year, along with the talents and dedication of our civilian members, whose deep commitment to community is award worthy. These members have truly lived our motto of Deeds Speak and are making a difference in our community each and every day.

We offer our sincere thanks to all attendees here tonight for your ongoing confidence and support of York Regional Police.

Enjoy the evening.

Deeds Speak



Scott Cole,
Co-chair

Chief
Eric Jolliffe

Derek Sifton,
Co-chair



Community Safety Village



York Regional Police is proud to mark the 10th anniversary of the Community Safety Village. Since opening its doors, more than 400,000 children have benefitted from our safety programs and the village plays host to a dozen events each year, including the Youth Empowerment Summits, Seniors' Safety Days, Halloween in the Village, Holidays in the Village and five weeks of summer camp.

What's truly amazing is every penny of the \$4.5 million needed to create this magical space was donated by our incredible community partners. Without the ongoing support of our corporate sponsors, community organizations, local businesses, our friends at the Region of York and the hundreds of residents who continue to support us, we would not be celebrating this wonderful milestone.

The Community Safety Village, and its outstanding staff, has truly made a difference in our community.



Head Table Guests

Derek Sifton, Co-chair

Scott Cole, Co-chair

Eric Jolliffe, Chief of Police

Susan Jolliffe

Thomas Carrique, Deputy Chief of Police

Julie Carrique

André Crawford, Deputy Chief of Police

Janet Crawford

The Honourable Henry N.R. Jackman

Ron Hewat, Master of Ceremonies

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Wayne Emmerson, Chairman and CEO, Regional Municipality of York

Debra Emmerson

Bernice Carnegie

Mayor Frank Scarpitti, Chair of the York Regional Police Services Board

Nancy Scarpitti

Fulvia Cantarutti, District Vice President for GTA North, Scotiabank

Eiji Doi, District Vice President for GTA East, Scotiabank

York Regional Police Services Board

Mayor Frank Scarpitti, Chair

Barbara Bartlett, Vice-chair

Wayne Emmerson, Chairman and CEO, Regional Municipality of York

Sam Herzog

John Molyneaux

Mayor Virginia Hackson

Bang-Gu Jiang

York Regional Police Senior Officers' Association

Superintendent Graham Beverly, President

York Regional Police Association

Todd Sepkowski, President

York Regional Police Retirees' Association

Don Clark, President



Chief for a Day



Serena Saltarelli

When Serena Saltarelli isn't working for York Regional Police, she enjoys playing ringette and running. Her favourite subject is social studies, especially Canadian Government, which she finds engaging. Serena isn't sure what she wants to do when she grows up, but as her favourite pastime is reading (she owns 164 novels), it makes sense that she's considering something to do with writing. And one day she hopes to visit Ireland as her dad has family there. She likes to say she's a "sliver Irish."

York Regional Police was proud to announce Grade 5 student Serena Saltarelli from St. Cecilia Catholic Elementary School in Vaughan as the winner of the 2015 annual Chief-for-a-Day Contest.

Serena delivered her winning essay before a panel of judges on March 9, 2015. This year the contest was open to Grade 5 students from the York Catholic District School Board. Students were asked to discuss the importance of the Community Safety Village in teaching young people valuable safety lessons. Serena's essay focused on the importance of learning how to use 9-1-1 properly and educating kids about Internet safety.

Serena's swearing-in ceremony took place on April 27, 2015 and she wore her specially-made Chief of Police uniform. Assuming command of more than 2,100 officers and civilian members of York Regional Police, she toured a variety of police units including Emergency Response and Canine Units and the Communications Bureau. Serena also spent time at the Community Safety Village, where she presented her essay to a local Grade 3 class, before watching Air2 land at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area.

The Chief-for-a-Day Contest is sponsored by the York Regional Police Appreciation Night committee and the Richmond Hill and Markham Chinese Business Association.



Alicia Lauzon has a passion for inclusion. Her commitment to diversity, equity and human rights shines through her work, highlighting her day-to-day activities and motivating her as she devotes her spare time to assisting new immigrants to Canada and doing her part to drive positive social change.

Alicia is the York Regional Police Internal Diversity Specialist. She's responsible for the alignment of systems and policies in supporting human rights and diversity while creating an inclusive organizational culture.

Alicia, guided by an initiative led by Chief Jolliffe, was instrumental in the formation of the first Internal Support Networks at YRP, groups where like-minded individuals with similar experiences come together for supportive networking. The first YRP ISNs include LGBTQ, Afro-Caribbean Canadian, Women in Leadership and Experienced Hires.

Alicia recently led the Taking It Local collaboration between YRP and the Ontario Human Rights Commission, delivering human rights training to multiple stakeholders including local service partners.

A 2009 nominee for the York Regional Police Association Civilian of the Year award, Alicia continues to distinguish herself as a community ambassador for York Regional Police.



Alicia Lauzon

Alicia Lauzon is the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Specialist at York Regional Police. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Employment Relations from the University of Toronto and is currently working on her Master of Arts in Equity Studies from Athabasca University. She has volunteered as Chair for the Women's Centre of York Region and is a TRIEC Connector Advisory Committee Member, a national award-winning networking program aimed at helping skilled immigrants.



Civilian Recognition Award



Carrie Rutledge

Carrie started her career at York Regional Police more than seven years ago and is currently working as an Administrative Assistant in Investigative Services. She was not new to policing, having grown up in a policing family. Carrie joined the York Regional Police Auxiliary Unit prior to her full-time position in Community Services. Preceding York Regional Police, Carrie held a position at Markham Stouffville Hospital Foundation and has always had a passion for volunteering and fundraising. Carrie recently celebrated her first wedding anniversary with her husband, Kyle.

Described as unselfish and caring, with a demonstrated ability to get the job done, Carrie Rutledge is a key player on the Special Investigations and Support Unit team as its administrative assistant.

Carrie truly excels in her organizational abilities and puts them to good use supporting the many fundraising events York Regional Police hosts for a variety of causes.

With Carrie's assistance, York Regional Police hosted its first Candlelight Vigil in 2014, in conjunction with the National Peace Officers' Memorial Run honouring fallen officers. Carrie coordinated the purchase of the luminaries to line the 20-kilometre torch run route and the sale of T-shirts to support memorial associations. More than \$2,000 was raised for the survivors of those killed in the line of duty.

Carrie also managed the United Way payroll deduction for members of Special Investigations for the 2014 United Way campaign and has assisted at Volunteer Appreciation dinners, Police Appreciation Night and Suri's Smile fundraisers.

Carrie clearly exemplifies the shared values of York Regional Police and is the deserving winner of Civilian of the Year.

Rob Plunkett Outstanding Service to the Community Award



As a new, young officer with York Regional Police in 1990, Staff Sergeant Julie Provis began supporting Special Olympics Ontario at the urging of mentor and colleague, Detective Constable Rob Plunkett.

She served as a member of the organizing committee for the Cops and Lobsters fundraiser, in partnership with Red Lobster restaurants, for more than 20 years. When that partnership ended in 2012, Staff Sergeant Provis was determined the successful program would not end with it.

She persuaded Lone Star restaurants to host a similar event, now called Cops and Cowboys, and introduced the fundraiser to dozens of police services across Ontario with restaurants in their jurisdictions.

By 2014, Staff Sergeant Provis had 16 police services and 15 restaurants participating in the event that raised a whopping \$30,000. For 2015, 20 restaurants and more than 20 police services from Windsor to Ottawa were on board.

Staff Sergeant Provis' ongoing dedication to serving her community and continuing support of Special Olympics makes her a fitting recipient of the award named in Rob's honour.



Staff Sergeant Julie Provis

Staff Sergeant Julie Provis began her policing career in 1990 and has worked in various areas of the organization including Uniform Patrol, Child Abuse, Recruiting, Community Services and Professional Development. Julie is also an alumni member of the York Regional Police Critical Incident Stress Management Team. She is a proud mother to her beautiful daughter Rachel, who is 13 years of age.



Trademark Investigation

Detective Sergeant Don Cardwell

Detective
Dean Anderson

Detective
William Newton

Detective
William Rinna

Detective
Tracey Turner

Detective Constable
Jeffrey Chabrzynski

Detective Constable
Sebastian Cultrera

Detective Constable
Steve Galonomos

Detective Constable
Ryan Gay

Detective Constable
Jessica Hay

Detective Constable
Richard Kearns

Detective Constable
Daniel Moore

Detective Constable
Dalton O'Neill

Detective Constable
Varien Paron

Detective Constable
Daniel St. Amand

Detective Constable
Gregory Whyte

Crime Analyst
Dave Tomlin

In early 2014, officers in the Criminal Investigations Bureaus (CIB) in York Region's south end identified a disturbing pattern of residential break and enters and the incidents were increasing.

Similar methods of operation were being used and investigators suspected the crimes were being committed by the same organized group, which was using a number of sophisticated techniques to commit dozens of break and enters in Markham, Richmond Hill and Vaughan.

Officers from #2, #4 and #5 Districts CIBs established an internal investigative team and began working together under the name Project Trademark.

Investigators got a break in June. The suspects rented a vehicle that was previously used in a break and enter in Peel Region and officers decided it was time to make their move. They boxed in the car at Woodbine Avenue and Major Mackenzie Drive and arrested three suspects on scene. While the driver managed to make good his escape, he was arrested a week later in Regina, Saskatchewan.

All four men face numerous charges including Break and Enter and Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000 and more than \$68,000 in stolen property was recovered, along with two handguns.

This crew is believed to be responsible for more than 25 break and enters in York Region and are suspected of committing more than 100 in Toronto, Durham and Peel.



A suspect well known to police, nicknamed Tuggy, was the established leader of a sophisticated group of high-level drug and weapons dealers operating across the Greater Toronto Area in 2013.

Officers in guns and gang units of several police services had been working for months to build a solid case against Tuggy and his group, including members of the York Regional Police Guns and Gangs Enforcement Unit.

As the gangs' operations crossed municipal borders, investigators worked closely with the Provincial Weapons Enforcement Unit and entered into a joint-forces operation aimed at dismantling this group.

In March 2013, investigators began an intense 60-day period gathering further intelligence about the gangs' activities and movements.

On March 26, 2014, more than a year after the investigation began, 16 pre-dawn raids were executed in York, Durham, Peel, Toronto and Hamilton.

Fifteen gang members were arrested and face numerous charges including Possession of Cocaine for the Purpose of Trafficking, Weapons Trafficking, Possession of Prohibited Firearms and Conspiracy to Commit an Indictable Offence.

Officers seized five handguns, four rifles and three shotguns along with 13.6 kilos of cocaine, 8.5 pounds of opium, 341 grams of marihuana and more than \$87,000 in cash.

Detective Sergeant Duncan MacIntyre

Detective
Douglas Cole

Detective
David Ecklund

Detective
James Wright

Detective Constable
Kelly Firanski

Detective Constable
Arden Guler

Detective Constable
Daniel Hammond

Detective Constable
John Nechay

Detective Constable
Kevin Selwood

Crime Analyst
Susan Dunlop



Community Thanks

Chief Jolliffe,

I am writing to commend the work of Constables Michael Partridge, David Strome, Gregg Dawe, David Pozzobon, Kevin Cook, Thomas Kim and Communicators Lori Magoffin and Erin Quigley. These members led the successful search for my son, who went missing yesterday.

From the woman who answered my 9-1-1 call and took down the details and description to the officers who arrived on scene, everyone was both empathetic and professional. I felt reassured that everything possible was being done to locate him. Knowing there was a team that had clear procedures to follow helped tremendously in easing my emotional stress.

Sincerely,

A grateful parent

Dear Chief,

I want to thank all the York Regional Police members who made it possible for my son to participate in the Youth Opportunities March Break Camp at the Community Safety Village.

It was an extremely positive experience for my son. I hope in the future, it will encourage him to participate in a positive manner in his community and at school. I will do all I can to keep my son on the right path.

The members of York Regional Police give so much of themselves and I am so thankful.

With appreciation and affection,

A grateful mother



Dear Chief,

Last night Detective Robert Milligan contacted me to check on the health and safety of my daughter, who was involved in a medical call. As a newcomer to Canada, the sense of having a police service working beside you, rather than against you, is extremely refreshing.

York Regional Police has reassured me that my choice to immigrate to this beautiful country was the right one. Thanks to Detective Milligan and all members of your police service.

Sincerely,

A proud new Canadian

Dear Chief Jolliffe,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank members of York Regional Police, namely Constables Peter Nyagai and Chris Larone of the Canine Unit. The unit came to see our class and spend time with the students, explaining their everyday duties and how they serve their community.

This has proven to be a great connection for our students. The Canine Unit has come to our school for the past two years and it has continued to be a rewarding experience for all involved. We hope to maintain this relationship between our school and York Regional Police in the future.

Sincerely,

An appreciative school teacher



Performer

Colleen Crevier

Colleen is a Grade 12 student at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic College School in Keswick. Colleen won the York Region Celebration of the Arts competition in 2012, placed third in Georgina Idol and second at the Orillia Fall Fair. Colleen plans to make music her career and has applied to enter the Bachelor of Arts Music Education and Performance Program commencing this fall.



Pipe Band

The York Regional Police Pipe and Drum Band has represented the police service globally for the past 25 years. Proudly sporting the Sir John A. MacDonald tartan in memory of Canada's first prime minister, the band fields both a parade and concert band, as well as a Grade Four competition band under the Pipers and Pipe Band Society of Ontario. Members of the York Regional Pipe and Drum Band support various cultural events, parades, fundraisers and official police functions each year.



Ceremonial Unit

The York Regional Police Ceremonial Unit is comprised of select officers who represent York Regional Police and the greater policing community at more than 50 ceremonial events each year across Canada and the United States. Historically, the carrying of Colours or Standards acted as a rallying point for troops and to mark the location of regimental commanders on the battlefield.