

PDD NORTHWEST ALBERTA COMMUNITY BOARD VISION AND MISSION


OUR VISION...

People with developmental disabilities as leaders and partners in a world without barriers.

OUR MISSION...


To provide funding and enhance supports to create inclusive communities for adults with developmental disabilities.

PDD NORTHWEST ALBERTA COMMUNITY BOARD VALUE STATEMENTS

 **THE PERSON FIRST:** First and foremost, all persons have value.

 **UNIQUENESS:** Each person is unique and their contribution to society is valued.

 **ACCESSIBILITY:** Each person has the right to options, possibilities and supports.

 **PERSONAL GROWTH AND INDEPENDENCE:** Options, possibilities and supports will not limit personal growth and independence.

 **DIALOGUE:** Dialogue is an integral part of the decision making process.

 **PARTNERING:** Partnership is essential to building communities.



PDD NORTHWEST ALBERTA COMMUNITY BOARD
6th Annual Spring Celebration & Awards Night



6th ANNUAL SPRING CELEBRATION & AWARDS NIGHT Event Program

FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2004

GRANDE PRAIRIE INN, GRANDE PRAIRIE, ALBERTA

6th ANNUAL SPRING CELEBRATION & AWARDS NIGHT

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

YOUR EMCEES FOR THE EVENING ARE
MS. CASSIDY QUICK
MR. FRANK WARD

6:25 pm GRACE

Mr. Laurie Kennedy

6:30 pm BUFFET DINNER

OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME

Mr. Paul Renfree, PDD Northwest Alberta Community Board Chair

GREETINGS FROM THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Mr. Mel Knight, MLA, Grande Prairie-Smoky

GREETINGS FROM THE PDD ALBERTA PROVINCIAL BOARD

Ms. Donna Vickery, PDD Alberta Provincial Board Member

GREETINGS FROM THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE

Mr. Wayne Ayling, City of Grande Prairie Mayor

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL AWARDS

- **Person of the Year Awards**
- **Employer of the Year Awards**
- **Community Contribution Awards**

CLOSING REMARKS

Mr. Al Bromling, PDD Northwest Alberta Community Board Vice-Chair

KARAOKE HOUR & DANCE TO FOLLOW UNTIL MIDNIGHT
HOSTED BY THE NORTHWEST REGION ADVISORY COMMITTEE



INTRODUCING OUR 2004 AWARD WINNERS...

PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

Lucas Batty **Peace River**

Lucas is a caring, considerate person who encourages others to stand up for themselves as well as stand up for himself to others who have challenged his abilities.

Ann Bettenson **Grimshaw**

Ann's efforts to overcome her challenges have resulted in her becoming a confident person who is able to accomplish whatever goals she sets for herself.

Richard Coulombe **Falher**

Only two years ago, Richard dreamed of owning his own home. This dream has come true, as he now lives in his own apartment, with his own key.

Bradley Gorman **Grande Prairie**

Over the past year, Bradley has gotten a feeling of independence as a result of the skills he has developed in his volunteer placement.

David & Maggie Greaves **Peace River**

David and Maggie have taken on a leadership role in their community for their ability to make good decisions and their welcoming nature.

Brian Keller **Slave Lake**

Brian has made many contributions to his community, but his number one love is people and he makes instant friends wherever he goes.

Michael Loyie **Slave Lake**

Michael is an all around great guy who gives 110% in everything he does. He takes great pride in his participation in Special Olympics bowling.

Paulette McGinnis **Grande Prairie**

Paulette has taken a leadership role in the self-advocacy movement in the region and is now teaching others how to become their own self-advocates.

Coby Siegers **Grimshaw**

Coby has gone from being fully dependent on those around her to becoming an independent and active member of her community.

EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR AWARD

A&W Restaurant **Peace River**

A&W encourages and trains all of their staff with advancement in mind and gives equal opportunity to all of their employees who are willing to learn and succeed.

Extra Foods **High Level**

Extra Foods gives all of their employees the opportunity to prove themselves while respecting their dignity and abilities.

Petland **Grande Prairie**

Petland's leadership in including people with developmental disabilities has set an example in their community.

Flowers 'N Things **Richards Lumber** **High Prairie**

Bev & Ken Matthews are the first employers in their community to independently hire people with developmental disabilities.

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION AWARD

Grande Prairie Council for Lifelong Learning

The GP Council for Lifelong Learning provides a number of learning opportunities for people with developmental disabilities. They also ensure that their facilities are accessible and user-friendly for people with disabilities. The programs that they offer encourage people to commit to lifelong learning and continued personal development.