

Nomination period now open for 2018 Citizen of the Year

For immediate release (Dec. 14, 2018) – Nominations are now being accepted for the 2018 Citizen of the Year Award.

“The Citizen of the Year truly exemplifies the spirit that is Orillia; often working full-time in their vocation and also very involved in significant causes within our community that improve the lives of many,” said Mayor Steve Clarke. “I’d encourage anyone who has an individual in mind to submit their name for the 2018 Citizen of the Year.”

A panel of local residents, with the assistance of the City of Orillia, is accepting nominations for the 2018 Citizen of the Year. The deadline for nominations is Monday, Jan. 14 at 12 p.m. Nominations can be emailed to mayor@orillia.ca or delivered to the Office of Mayor Steve Clarke: 50 Andrew St. S., Suite 300, Orillia, ON, L3V 7T5. Submissions must include the full name of and contact information for the nominator and a detailed explanation of why the nominee deserves to be named Citizen of the Year.

Nominees must be residents of the City of Orillia, Chippewas of Rama First Nation, or the townships of Oro- Medonte, Ramara or Severn, who have contributed to the betterment of Orillia. Emphasis should be placed on the nominees' volunteerism and accomplishments during 2018.

The 2018 Citizen of the Year panel includes former winners Anderson Charters, Steve Clarke (non-voting member), Gill Tillmann, Gini Stringer and Bruce Waite, as well as Orillia Matters editor and reporter Dave Dawson and Nathan Taylor, and Dr. Linda Rodenburg of Lakehead University's Office of Community Engagement and Lifelong Learning.

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