

## 2017 Community Achievement Awards (CAA)

Congratulations to all the 2017 nominees and winners! Your commitment to your community is truly inspiring and a living example of our co-operative values in action. What wonderful brand ambassadors you are. Introduced in 2012, the Community Achievement Award recognizes Co-operators advisors who demonstrate unparalleled community involvement.



### 2017 Nominees & Winners

<b>ATLANTIC</b>	Danny Carey – <b>2017 CAA winner</b> Sylvie Leger Lori Noble
<b>QUEBEC</b>	Marie-Claude Delisle – <b>2017 CAA winner</b>
<b>NEWOR</b>	Frances Lemke – <b>2017 CAA winner</b> David Proulx Jeff Viotto Jason Willock Franco Filia
<b>COR</b>	Adam Funnell – <b>2017 CAA winner</b> Tony Traversa Lola Macanowicz Senthooran Punithavel Ray Johnson Bill Bachra
<b>WEST</b>	Michael Crawford – <b>2017 CAA winner</b> Karmelle Solvason Lara Knoblauch Christine Swift Solvi Stockholm Ryan Griffith Gilles Choquet

**In brief, here's a snapshot of the community involvement of 2017's winners:**

#### **Danny Carey, Bridgewater, NS (Atlantic)**

Danny's charitable contributions of time and money, span over 56 charities and organizations. In addition to his many board commitments including Harbour House and the Bridgewater Elementary Home and School Committee, Danny and team annually support the Southshore Regional Hospital telethon, Operation Smile, Habitat for Humanity, the local food bank and the David Atkinson Memorial Foundation.

#### **Marie-Claude Delisle, St. Eustache, QC (Quebec)**

Whether it's for a blood drive, or to help seniors organize a party, Marie-Claude and her team pitch in to help make their community a better place. They work with C.A.S.O., a community organization focusing on speech therapy for children with learning disabilities and are actively involved in a

Christmas basket drive. Last year, Marie-Claude and team, along with the entire Co-op team, joined forces to collect 302 jars of peanut butter for the basket drive. "It makes me realize how privileged we are and how giving a smile or a little bit of time rewards us with so many smiles in return," says Marie-Claude.

**Frances Lemke, Pembroke, ON (North East West Ontario Region)**

As a supporter (board member and donor) of the Pembroke Regional Hospital, her entire team pedals with the Big Bike for Heart and Stroke and the annual Zombie Run. Her team was also involved with their local anti-bullying initiative and raising money for Columbus House residential and day programs which support young parents.

**Adam Funnell, Ingersoll, ON (Central Ontario Region)**

As a member of the Ingersoll Rotary Club, Adam earned the honourable Paul Harris Fellow distinction from Rotary. He has supported the local Habitat for Humanity and as co-founder and Vice-President of Playwright Playgrounds Adam helped to fundraise to replace five playgrounds and incorporate wheelchair accessible equipment. Adam was also named Ingersoll's Citizen of the Year in 2014.

**Michael Crawford, High River, AB (Western)**

From children to seniors, the community efforts of Mike and his team range from donating their time supporting a number of worthy community events and initiatives, to helping raise funds for a variety of needs in the High River community. Mike was also recognized in 2017 by the House of Commons with the distinguished **Canada 150** honour. In Mike's own words, "Never turn down a request to help and support an endeavour that will benefit a charitable, non-charitable, client, business or supporter."

The winner from each region was formally announced and recognized at their sales congress in Jan/Feb 2018 and will receive \$500 to designate to a charity/non-profit of their choice.

**Kudos to all nominees and winners!**