



June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers - 2010

The Award

In the tradition of honouring hospice volunteers and in memory of the late June Callwood, the Hospice Association of Ontario is pleased to announce the 16th Annual June Callwood Award Ceremony on Sunday, April 18, 2010.

In 1994, the Hospice Association of Ontario (HAO) established this annual award to honour hospice volunteers. The award was named for the late June Callwood, volunteer, founder of Casey House Hospice, community activist, author and recipient of the Order of Canada. June was the first recipient of this award in 1995 and since then, more than 375 inductees have received this award.

Volunteers are special people - a view strongly held by Ms. Callwood and expressed by her on many occasions, during interviews on TV and radio, through her warm message of support at HAO's annual conferences and through her writing. Her book, *Twelve Weeks in Spring*, captured the spirit of hospice and emphasized the importance of the many and varied contributions of a team of volunteers.

In 2010, the Hospice Association membership has grown to include 98 hospice members and 72 allied associate members. In recognition of the outstanding contributions made by the volunteers in our member organizations, HAO is delighted to invite all hospice and allied associate members to nominate a volunteer to receive this exceptional award.

The Process

Each HAO hospice and allied associate member is invited to nominate one volunteer from within their organization who exemplifies the spirit of hospice volunteerism. Each nominee - strictly by virtue of the organization's nomination - will be inducted into the June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers at HAO's special Award Ceremony on April 18, 2010. Each inductee will be recognized and honoured for their outstanding contribution and will receive a medal and a certificate.

Please note: A \$60 fee to accompany your nomination form is required to help defray costs of the event **if your nominee is attending the Ceremony on April 18th**. If your nominee will not be attending the Ceremony, a fee of \$15 will apply. If your nominee is unable to attend, HAO will forward the nominee's medal and certificate to your organization so that the nominee can be recognized in a manner that you determine.

Each volunteer selected by his/her organization must meet the criteria outlined below. This is a Circle of the most distinguished volunteers in the province of Ontario. It's up to each member organization to carefully choose the very best!

Criteria:

- Inductees must be volunteers of a Hospice Association of Ontario hospice or allied associate member in good standing
- Inductees must not be previous recipients of the June Callwood Award
- All members and allied associate members, whether or not their volunteers have previously received the June Callwood Award, can select one volunteer for the Circle.

Each outstanding volunteer must demonstrate the following:

- Give of themselves - time, skills, resources, etc.
- Excel as a volunteer.

The volunteer selected should be an individual who consistently extends him/herself beyond the usual requirements of his/her volunteer role.

For the 2010 June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers, we ask that organizations choosing inductees please complete the following steps:

- **Briefly (100 words or less) describe why you have chosen your volunteer.** This will be used as an introduction and/or a commemorative program entry
- **Submit a photo** of your nominee (high resolution tif file electronically to info@hpcconference.on.ca)
- **Have the nomination endorsed** by two senior staff/board members
- Nomination **must be received by Friday March 5, 2010. Late submissions will not be accepted.**

Please send the completed information forms and fee by March 5, 2010 electronically to mreyes@hospice.on.ca, by fax to 416-304-1479 or by mail to:

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