

Valerie Bidaux
Eastend, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Valerie Bidaux is a dedicated community leader and continuing care assistant with a passion for service. As a town council member, she contributes to various boards, including the Eastend Chamber of Commerce, Memorial Hall, and the Eastend Housing Authority. Valerie played a key role in bringing a US hockey team to Saskatchewan, boosting local revenue. A committed fundraiser, she has led efforts to benefit STARS Air Ambulance, the Wilkinson Memorial Observatory, and local recreation initiatives.

William Brooks
Saskatoon, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

A Ph.D. in Space and Atmospheric Physics, William Brooks is a creative workplace consultant and process coach with a respected career studying the Aurora Borealis and collaborating with the Canadian Space Agency. Passionate about STEM education, he has volunteered with schools, judged national science fairs, and founded the Canadian Space Agency's Space Resource Centre for the Prairies. A dedicated community leader, William has served on boards such as Leadership Saskatoon, Saskatoon Council on Aging, and the Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, earning numerous awards for his contributions.

Creighton (Wayne) Cameron
Moose Jaw, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Wayne Cameron is a dedicated community volunteer with a passion for service and leadership. As a board member of RuBarb Productions, he helped secure funding and promote local theatre. He has served as President of Toastmasters, judged oratorical contests, and led a backpack program for students in Costa Rica. A committed volunteer with multiple organizations, Wayne's contributions have earned him the Wakamow Rotary Club's Service Above Self Award and the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal.

Brenda Corman
Saskatoon, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Brenda Corman, a retired registered nurse and international board-certified lactation consultant, is a dedicated advocate for maternal and infant health. In June 2021, she founded Motherhood YXE, a free, inclusive, drop-in group supporting new mothers. A volunteer with Saskatchewan Breastfeeding Matters since 1992, she manages their website, digitized key resources, and advocates for perinatal support. Brenda also organizes the annual Quintessence Breastfeeding Event, promoting breastfeeding awareness. Her commitment ensures vital support remains accessible to all mothers in and around Saskatoon.

Audrey and Ron Euteneier
Regina, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipients – 2024

Audrey and Ron Euteneier are dedicated community leaders and long-time volunteers. Ron, a retired farmer and Petro Canada pipeline supervisor, served as a firefighter for over 25 years; even lending his grain truck to fight fires. Audrey, an accomplished artist and life member of the Regina Federation of Artists, has taught painting and coordinated art exhibits. Together, they have devoted 20 years to the Kronau Heritage Museum, spearheading fundraising, exhibitions, and rebranding efforts to enhance the community.

John Grant
Regina, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

John Grant is the President of Campbell & Haliburton Group of Companies and a dedicated community leader in Regina. He actively supports numerous initiatives, including the North Central Family Centre, GMS Queen City Marathon, and the Team Sask Triathlon (Brent Gibson Memorial Ice Breaker.) Known for his philanthropy, John's contributions span cultural, educational, and charitable causes. In recognition of his exceptional community service, he was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal in 2022.

Lieutenant-Colonel (Ret'd) Lyle Johnson, O.M.M., C.D.
Moose Jaw, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Lyle Johnson, a retired high school teacher from Moose Jaw, has dedicated his life to education, community service, and the arts. During his career at Peacock Collegiate, he produced and directed over 60 theatrical productions. He is the founder of Moose Jaw Crime Stoppers and has served on its board since 1985. Lyle has been an Army Cadet League of Canada volunteer since 1972 and is a retired Lieutenant-Colonel in the Canada Armed Forces with 45 years of service. Lyle also hosts *Moose Jaw This Week* and continues to mentor youth and contribute to local organizations.

Harvey Linnen
Regina, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Harvey Linnen, a communications specialist and owner of HJ Linnen Associates, has made a profound impact on Regina's arts and culture scene. As founding President of Theatre Regina, he led efforts to establish the Regina Performing Arts Centre and later saved it from closure, raising \$500,000 for upgrades. He also chaired the Save Darke Hall Coalition, helping to save that building from demolition, so that it could eventually be restored. Harvey continues to enrich his community as a patron and advisor for the Regina Art Collective, as a musician, teacher and board member with Regina Mandolin Orchestra, and as vice president of the Royal United Services Institute.

Sandi Lougheed
Beechy, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Sandi Lougheed, a retired teacher from Beechy, has dedicated her life to community service. A longtime leader with Royal Purple, a charity which works to raise awareness and to prevent brain injuries, she has served as National President and currently chairs the Saskatchewan Royal Purple Charity Partnership Committee. She also played a key role in coordinating the Al Howie Tomorrow Run across Canada in 1990. Through her leadership and volunteerism, Sandi continues to make a lasting impact on her community and beyond.

Oswald Lutz
Lanigan, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Oswald Lutz, a retired teacher, vice-principal, and former Lanigan Town Councillor, has dedicated decades to community service. A 54-year member of the Lions Club, he continues to serve into his late 80s. His leadership spans roles with the Lanigan Senior Pirates, Scouts Canada, St. Mary's Parish, and the Lanigan Sports Association. He also volunteers at Central Parkland Lodge and the Lanigan Food Bank. His contributions earned him Lanigan's Citizen of the Year and the Melvin Jones Award.

Dr. Bruce Neill
Indian Head, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Dr. Bruce Neill, a retired Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada researcher is a dedicated community leader in Indian Head. He chaired the Indian Head Grand Theatre, is Drum Sergeant with the RCMP Pipe Band, and supported Scouts, Air Cadets, and minor sports. A champion of environmental conservation, he founded the Save the Shelterbelt Centre committee and promotes nature-based learning. His leadership spans horticulture, outdoor education, and community sustainability initiatives.

Laura Poppy
Indian Head, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Laura Poppy, a retired Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada researcher, is a passionate community volunteer in Indian Head. She has led initiatives in Scouts Canada, Indian Head Communities in Bloom, and is a board member with Nature Saskatchewan. As Treasurer of the Community Garden and a civilian Drum Corporal with the RCMP Pipe Band, she brings leadership and dedication to numerous local organizations. Her contributions earned her the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal in 2022 and the King Charles III Coronation Medal in 2025.

Rob Rongve
North Battleford, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Rob Rongve has been a leading figure in the Battlefords community, chairing the \$10 million campaign to build the Recreation & Cultural Centre and co-chairing the 2018 Saskatchewan Winter Games. He has served on numerous boards, including the Battlefords Chamber of Commerce, United Way, and Dekker Centre. Rob also chaired the Battlefords Immigration Resource Centre and fundraising campaigns for the Battlefords Trade & Education Centre, Canadian Mental Health Association and was the Founding Chair of the Battlefords and District Community Foundation. Rob has been honoured with multiple awards, including Queen Elizabeth II Diamond and Platinum Jubilee Medals.

Jayne C. M. Whyte
Regina, SK
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Recipient – 2024

Jayne Whyte, a dedicated mental health advocate and author, has spent 50 years with Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) advancing mental health and human rights awareness. She authored *Pivot Points: A Fragmented History of Mental Health in Saskatchewan*. She has contributed to CMHA TRANSiTiON magazine and Saskatchewan seniors' projects. Jayne shares her lived experience with mental illness to advance consumer advocacy, education, and mental health policy development in Canada.