

2019 *Awards Program*

SASKATCHEWAN ASSOCIATION OF

**RECREATION
PROFESSIONALS**



**GREY DOVE
DESIGN HOUSE**

Saskatchewan
LOTTERIES



AWARDS DINNER

- 5:30pm* **Cocktails**
- 5:45 - 7pm* **Cocktail Style Reception**
- 7pm* **Awards Program**
MC Mike Powell
- 8:30pm* **50th Program**
- 11pm* **Farewell**

BUILDER AWARD

Awarded to any Member who:

- Has acted as a remarkable Mentor to students or new or old recreation practitioners in the industry;
- Is a valuable volunteer for S.A.R.P.;
- Over the years has contributed in an outstanding manner in advocating for new Members to join the Association;
- Whenever possible, throws out a plug for the Association in their work and play;
- Helps spread the word of what our Association is up to;
- Is always on the lookout to recruit new Members to grow the Association;
- Promotes the Association to friends and colleagues;
- Is a proud Member, dedicated to bettering the Profession and the Association;
- Volunteers to sit on Task Forces or Ad-Hoc Committees for the Association.

DINNER MENU

Cocktail-Style Reception

Features hors d'oeuvres and other small bites offered in lieu of a sit-down meal.

One-or two-bite portions and are a combination of hot and cold options.

There will be an additional cocktail-style reception food service from 8-9:30pm

Cash Bar

MURRAY HIDLEBAUGH

Award presented to ***Murray Hidlebaugh*** on behalf of the founding (17 Professional Charter Members) listed as follows:

- *John Austin*
- *Neil Balkwill*
- *Edwin Brandt*
- *W.R. (Butch) Green*
- *Allan Heron*
- *Murray Hidlebaugh*
- *Lawrence Jacques*
- *Allison Koester*
- *Marvin Kolke*
- *Bill Knibbs*
- *Rene Marleau*
- *Murray Richardson*
- *J.W. (Jack) Staples*
- *Boris Titus*
- *Glenn Tuck*
- *N.J. (Tim) Twardochleb*
- *J.M. (Jack) Young*



HONORARY LIFE MEMBER AWARD

Awarded to a Member who:

- Is, or has been, a member of S.A.R.P. for a minimum of 10 years;
- Has provided valuable services and outstanding contributions toward the aims and objectives of the Association;
- Has contributed toward the promotion and furtherance of recreation in Saskatchewan or Canada.

AWARD OF MERIT

Awarded to a Member who:

- Has been in the recreation field for a minimum of 5 years;
- Is being recognized for their entire body of work;
- Has made a contribution of an unusual or extraordinary nature at the municipal, regional, provincial or national level over a number of years that has enhanced the leisure service field or the profession;
- Has made contributions that leave a lasting impact for future professionals.

KEITH COMSTOCK

Keith Comstock has been a member of S.A.R.P. (formerly *Saskatchewan Recreation Society* [SRS]) since 1979 when he joined as a student member. Keith became a professional member in 1983, and has continued his membership and support of the organization since. Keith took a turn as President in 1989, and received the Recognition Award in 1988 for the redesign of Update (newsletter), and again in 1991 for his involvement in the Therapeutic Recreation Coordinating Committee. Keith has volunteered on committee's and task groups off and on over the years and recently was back on the JAF Committee to contribute, and as quoted by Keith, volunteer on the committee "just for fun".



Keith joined Saskatchewan's public service in 1979 - he was one of the first 13 people hired to staff the two new provincial correctional centres that were built in Saskatoon and Prince Albert.

DR. REBECCA GENOE

Dr. Rebecca Genoe is currently an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies at the University of Regina (UofR). She has been employed at the UofR since 2009.



She is a member of S.A.R.P., CTRA, CALS, and the CAG. She has served as the Prairie Director for CTRA since 2017, was a member of the CTRA Provincial Chapters Committee from 2015-2017, Chaired the RTRA from 2015-2018, was a board member of the CALS from 2014-2017 and serving as RTRA Secretary from 2012 - 2015. She has also served on conference planning committees including TR Innovations, and served on provincial committees with SPRA (Research Committee 2010 - present) and SaskPolytech TR Program Advisory Committee (2103 - present).

OUTSTANDING RECREATION PROFESSIONAL AWARD

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EMPLOYER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Awarded to a Members' Employer:

- Who has contributed financially, philosophically, or through time considerations to the continual upgrading and development of their employees in the recreation field;
- Who has encouraged their employee or employees to attend seminars, conferences, or engaged in work of the Association through time considerations and/or financial assistance;
- Who has initiated innovative strategies to further the development of their employees.

LINDA OSTRYZNIUK

Linda Ostryzniuk has been working in the Therapeutic Recreation field for over 25 years. She is currently the Recreation Therapist/Adult Day Program/Volunteer Coordinator at William Booth Special Care Home/Grace Hospice, in Regina.

Linda has been an active executive member of the RTRA for the past two decades. She has served as treasurer since 2015, and as RTRA has grown, Linda has kept the association financially sustainable, bringing the finances into the 21st Century. Linda has been a member of CTRA since 2007, serving as Prairie Director from 2013-2015.

She earned her CTRS designation in 2012 and has supervised more than 10 TR fieldwork students. Linda is a sessional lecturer at the University of Regina in the TR program; she has taught TR and Aging, TR Interventions, and Mental Health and Addictions many times over the past several years, having a lasting impact on TR students.



SPRA

Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association as an employer, has been a leader in support of ongoing professional development for both staff and volunteers.

SPRA staff are also encouraged to seek out additional professional development opportunities, which included S.A.R.P. events and webinars.

All seven (7) Field Consultants are current Professional Members of S.A.R.P., and amongst SPRA staff, there are four former board members, one former S.A.R.P. Executive Director, and one former employee.

SPRA also has a volunteer time policy that supports employees who lend their voluntary time to programs that enrich the quality of life and opportunities for all citizens.



UP AND COMING RECREATION PROFESSIONAL AWARD

Awarded to a Professional or Associate Member who:

- Has been in the recreation field for less than 10 years;
- Is being recognized for their outstanding contribution in the field of recreation and leisure;
- Has made contributions that are consistent with S.A.R.P.'s Values.

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BETHANY DICK

Bethany Dick graduated with a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) Kinesiology and Exercise Science Degree from the University of Saskatchewan (UofS) in the spring of 2016 and started as a Youth Consultant with Lakeland District for Sport Culture and Recreation in February of 2017. Bethany has been a member of S.A.R.P. for over 2 years, and in this short time, has accepted the role of S.A.R.P. representative on the UofS's Senate, most likely the youngest S.A.R.P. member in this prestigious role.



Bethany has been committed to professional development and ongoing training, both as a student and a new professional, having gained experience with Active Saskatchewan (current board member), City of Saskatoon, Saskatoon Youth Soccer, MEND (Mind, Exercise, Nutrition, Do It!), Dream Brokers and more.

MATT BAHM

Matthew Bahm has been the Facility Operations Manager at the Town of Whitewood for the past six years. He plays an active role in the recreation profession in Saskatchewan and served a two-year term on the board of directors for the Southeast Connection during those years. Currently, Matt is a member of the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) Facility Advisory Committee.



Matt graduated from the University of Waterloo's Recreation and Business Program, adding a strong educational background to Whitewood's recreation services.

Recreation is deeply ingrained into who Matt is as a person and is the perfect fit for him professionally. Matt uses recreation as an outlet to unwind and enjoy life and feels fortunate to have the opportunity to help members of his community live their best lives while having a good time in the process.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Awarded to an Associate Member enrolled in full time studies who:

- Possessed a high average over the past academic year;
- Demonstrates leadership abilities among his/her peers;
- Is active in volunteer and extracurricular activities in the community;
- Demonstrates professional development in the recreation field and S.A.R.P.;
- Has not previously received this Award.

ROY ELLIS BURSARY

Awarded to a student who:

- Is in at least their second year of a leisure-related post-secondary program that includes recreation, sport and culture;
- Is a full-time student;
- Actively involved in the community and profession;
- Has never received the bursary before.

ERIN HEDLEY

Erin Hedley was raised in Yorkton, and recently graduated in May 2019 from the Therapeutic Recreation Program at Saskatchewan Polytechnic. While a student in the program Erin was a model student achieving a high academic average throughout her two years, and embracing leadership roles within not only the program, but also the community through her volunteer work. Erin was co-lead as class president, and co-chair for grad planning and fundraising; she was also the Student Representative for the Students' Association.



During her two years as a student, Erin attended numerous TR conferences/webinars, and the S.A.R.P. AGM's as well as contributed to a presentation on School-based Recreation Therapy (pre-taped video presentation) for the CTRA national conference, in Quebec City, June 2019.

KENDALL EHRMANTRAUT

Kendall Ehrmantraut graduated from the TR Program at Saskatchewan Polytechnic in May 2019. Kendall maintained a high academic standing and was on the Dean's honor list for all four academic semesters of the TR Program. She is very passionate about working in Therapeutic Recreation and providing recreation services to people with a disability or illness.



During and after her diploma, Kendall has exhibited her passion for recreation therapy and physical activity through her education/course work, employment and volunteering. Kendall has been working for the past three years with youth with a disability at the PAAL program at the U of S where she is the program and volunteer coordinator; she has also worked at numerous jobs in the area of aquatics. As a volunteer her work has ranged from assisting people with a disability, to coaching volleyball, and an event assistant with Heart & Stroke Foundation.

ANNE ROBINS SCHOLARSHIP COMING FALL 2020



Anne Robins is a strong metis woman with a passion for recreation. A true advocate for our profession, active member of our association and firm believer in making a lasting difference in the lives of those she serves.

This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to one Therapeutic Recreation student who meets the following criteria:

- High academic average
- Of Indigenous ancestry
- Actively involved in their community
- Actively involved in their profession

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