

# ONTARIO CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

## SPIRIT AWARD HALL OF FAME

### 2017 SPIRIT AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Co-operative Sustainability (Organization) – Libro Credit Union

Co-operative Identity (Individual) – Simone Swail

Co-operative Identity (Individual) – Michelle Christman

### 2015 SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Co-operative Engagement (Organization) - TeamWerks Co-operative

Co-operative Development (Individual) – Peggy Baillie

Advocacy & Government Relations (Individual) – Ian Shewan

Co-operative Education (Organization) – Gay Lea Foods

### 2013 SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Co-operative Engagement (Organization) – The Ottawa Co-op Network

Co-operative Development (Individual) – Hannah Renglich

Advocacy & Government Relations (Individual) - Harvey Cooper

Co-operative Education (Organization) - Libro Credit Union

### 2012 SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENTS

Spirit of IYC (Individual) - Florence Carbray

Spirit of IYC (Small Organization) - Ys Owl MacLure Co-operative Centre

Spirit of IYC (Large Organization, Provincial Impact) - The Co-operators

Spirit of IYC (Large Organization, Local Impact) - Sudbury Credit Union

### 1999 - 2011 CO-OPERATIVE INNOVATOR AWARD

*This award recognizes and honours those who have contributed to a community through co-operative or credit union initiatives.*

#### 1999

Betty Ann Baker, Niagara Peninsula Community Resources & Niagara Food Innovations, Welland

#### 2000

Phyllis Winnington-Ingram, Winnington-Ingram & Associates, Bracebridge

#### 2001

Vineland Growers' Co-operative, Jordan Station

Aurele St. Jean, Temagami Food Co-operative, Temagami

**2002**

Susan O'Neill, Sudbury Regional Credit Union, Copper Cliff

**2003**

Jim Judge, Farm Fresh Poultry Co-operative, Harriston

**2004**

Options for Homes, Toronto

Ed Hale, Ontario Sustainable Energy Association, Toronto

**2005**

The Renewable Energy Co-operative North Inc., Temagami

**2006**

Robert Fairbairn, Espanola and District Credit Union

**2007**

The team of Robert P. Sicard, Glen Perschbacher and Bob Peden, UPI Energy LP

**2008**

Carolyn Lemon, Common Ground Co-op

**2009**

Diane Kocet, The Toronto Electrical Utilities Credit Union

**2010**

PenFinancial Credit Union

**2011**

West End Food Co-op

**1999 - 2011 NEW CO-OPERATIVE OF DISTINCTION AWARD**

*This award recognizes and honours a new co-op, less than five years in business or still in the formative stages, which has made significant social or economic contributions to the community.*

**2005**

Upper Canada Woods Co-operative Inc, Havelock

**2006**

Positive Power Co-operative, Hamilton

**2007**

Quinte Organic Farmers Co-op, Picton

**2008**

River Village Co-op Market, Teeswater

**2009**

Ottawa Valley Food Co-op

**2010**

BIAS FREE Co-operative

**2011**

AGRIS Solar Co-operative

**1999 - 2011 DISTINGUISHED CO-OPERATOR AWARD**

*This award recognizes and honours those who have contributed significantly to the success of co-operatives and/or credit unions across Ontario.*

**1999**

Harry Joosten, St. Willibrord Credit Union, London

**2000**

Blake Halliday, Kingston Credit Union, Kingston

**2001**

Bill Chamberlain, North Wellington Co-operative Services, Harriston

**2002**

Nancy Auer, Toronto and District Parent Co-operative Preschools Corporation, Toronto

**2003**

Jack Morneau, Credit Union Central of Ontario, Mississauga

**2004**

Alexandra Wilson, Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada, Ottawa

**2005**

Bert Perriman, Waterloo Oxford Co-operative, Ayr

**2006**

Ontario Natural Food Co-op, Etobicoke

Raymond Savage, la cooperative Regionale de Nipissing Sudbury, Verner

**2007**

Charles (Chuck) Desmarais, AGRIS Co-operative

**2008**

Gillian Eyre, Shoreline Co-operative Preschool

Claude Gauthier, GROWMARK, Inc.

**2009**

Stuart Steckle, Gay Lea Foods Co-operative

**2010**

Clare Hayes, Sunderland Co-op

Barbara Czarnecki, Windmill Line Co-op

**2011**

Ontario Credit Union Charitable Foundation

Michel Chénier

**1999 - 2011 CO-OPERATIVE YOUTH LEADER AWARD**

*This award recognizes young people (30 years of age or younger) who have made significant contributions to co-operatives and/or credit unions.*

**1999**

Tina Van Loon, St. Willibrord Credit Union, London

**2000**

Amanda Yetman, Frank G. McLoughlin Housing Co-operative, Brampton

**2001**

Cheryl Rae, University of Guelph

**2002**

Beth-Ann Hern, North Wellington Co-operative Services, Harriston

**2003**

Krista Wydeven, Ontario Co-operative Association, Guelph

**2004**

Sarah Groot, Strathroy

**2005**

Rikki-Kay Middleton, Waterloo

**2006**

Krista Duynisveld, Ilderton

**2007**

Sonja Carrière, Russell

**2008**

André Brisebois, Ottawa

**2009**

Tanya Gracie

**2011**

Céline Carrière

## **1999 - 2011 CO-OPERATIVE YOUTH MENTOR AWARD**

*This award recognizes the commitment and achievements of individuals or organizations in mentoring youth and supporting their successes as young co-operative leaders.*

**2000**

GROWMARK, Inc., Mississauga

**2002**

Guido Chezzi, Northern Credit Union, Coniston

**2003**

Jackie O'Hearn, Frank G. McLoughlin Co-operative Homes, Brampton

**2005**

St. Willibrord Credit Union, London

**2006**

Craig Steven, Toronto

**2007**

Ruth Blackburn (posthumously), Superior Credit Union, Thunder Bay

**2008**

Gay Lea Foods Co-operative, Mississauga

**2009**

Carlene Frimer, United Communities Credit Union

**2010**

Scott Piatkowski, Beechwood Co-operative Homes

**2011**

Gary Seveny, former CEO, Alterna Savings

## **1999 - 2011 CO-OPERATIVE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AWARD**

*This award recognizes organizations within the co-operative sector which have demonstrated socially responsible business practices, and leadership in the implementation and promotion of sustainable social, economic, and/or environmental principles.*

**2008**

Guelph Campus Co-operative

**2009**

La Siembra Co-op

**2010**

Caisse populaire des Voyageurs, Inc.

**2011**

Science '44 Student Housing Co-operative

## **OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO ONTARIO CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION**

*This award recognizes and honours those who have contributed to the success of On Co-op and its membership.*

**1999**

Cathy Chamberlain, GROWMARK, Inc., Mississauga

**2000**

Brian Ashford, Gay Lea Foods Co-operative Ltd., Toronto

**2001**

Jim Hoyt, GROWMARK, Inc., Mississauga

**2002**

Cathy Lang, C. Lang Consulting, Toronto

**2003**

Russ Christianson, Rhythm Communications, Campbellford

**2004**

Peter Cameron, Ontario Worker Co-op Federation, Guelph

**2005**

Frank Lowery, The Co-operators Group Ltd., Guelph

**2006**

Sheena Lucas, Credit Union Central of Ontario, Mississauga

**2007**

Larry Sadler, Ontario Natural Food Co-op, Mississauga

**2008**

The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Dundas

**2009**

Professor Jack Quarter, The Social Economy Centre of OISE/UT

**2011**

JJ McMurtry and Brenda Gainer, Program Directors, Co-op Management Certificate Program

## **2009 - 2011 SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD**

*These awards recognize the co-operative history, leadership or achievements of organizations or individuals in areas beyond the scope of other Spirit Award categories.*

**2009**

The late Bernie Daly, Ontario Region Manager, GROWMARK, Inc., for a lifetime of co-operative achievement

CAIC, the Canadian Alternative Investment Co-operative, for innovative financial assistance practices.

**2010**

John Ellis, Food Family Credit Union, for a lifetime of co-operative achievement

**2011**

the late Penny Bethke, Campus Co-operative Residence  
Dennis Deters, The Co-operators

**1999 - 2007 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

*This award recognizes those who have made significant contributions to the Ontario co-operative and/or credit union movement and fostered co-operation among co-operatives. In 2008, this award was combined with the Distinguished Co-operator award category.*

**1999**

Andrew Hebb, The Co-operators Group Ltd., Guelph,  
Charles Diemer, Woodslee Credit Union Limited, Woodslee  
Jean Stevenson, Organization for Parent Participation in Childcare and Education, Ontario, Alliston

**2000**

John S. Black, Huron Bay Co-operative Inc., Markdale  
Don Ahrens, Gay Lea Foods Co-operative Inc., Chesley  
Dr. Jack Craig, York University, King City

**2001**

John Strybosch, St. Willibrord Credit Union, London  
Larry Gordon, Metro Credit Union Ltd., Toronto  
Co-operative Housing Federation of Toronto, Toronto

**2002**

James Barr, The CUMIS Group, Burlington  
Brian Iler, Iler Campbell Barristers and Solicitors, Toronto  
Mark Goldblatt, Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada, Ottawa

**2003**

Stanley Vanden Bosch, Agri-West Corporation, Kemptville

**2004**

Donald Altman, Metro Credit Union, Toronto  
William Demerling, Waterloo Oxford Co-op, Elmira

**2005**

Lloyd Crawford, Perth County Co-operative Inc., Stratford  
Carol Brown, Organization for Parent Participant in Childcare and Education, Ontario, Toronto

**2006**

John Tregunna, North Wellington Co-operative Services, Mount Forest  
Denis Bourdeau, la coopérative Agricole d'Embrun, Embrun

**2007**

Leonard Mortson, Simcoe District Co-operative Services, Barrie