Club Members Recognize Others for Practicing Service-Above-Self

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Club members always have the opportunity to honour people of their choice, whether they are Rotarians or others, for their contributions by using their accumulated Paul Harris Fellow recognition points to present a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Certificate to the individual.

During the 2019 Installation Dinner held on June 22nd, two members of the club each honoured an individual that they so deemed worthy of such recognition.

Club member Al Strachan, a PHF+ 3 Foundation supporter, presented his granddaughter Sunny Richelle Parr with a Paul Harris Fellow to honour her for how well she and her partner Dan are raising her brother's two sons. Sunny has Guardianship of the two boys. Colton just turned five and Jace will soon be seven. Sunny and Dan work full-time, Sunny as a contract interior/exterior house painter and Dan as a Journeyman carpenter. The boys have structure in their lives and have attended play-school for the past couple of years. Jace will start Grade One and Colton will start Kindergarten in September. The boys refer to Sunny as "Auntie". Sunny has no children of her own, but she practices "Service Above Self" in raising her two nephews.



Club member Barb Penner, herself a Major Donor, presented Shelley DeCoste with a Paul Harris Fellow certificate and pin to recognize her selfless and passionate desire, as an inclusive leader, to continually impact the lives of others as she practices "service above self" in her daily life.



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