# The Monty J. Audenart

# "INSPIRING OTHERS ABOVE AND BEYOND" AWARD

## **History**

This award was established in the Fall of 2014 to honour Monty Audenart for his enormous contribution to Rotary and Humanity and for inspiring others to follow his example.

Four members of the Rotary Club of Red Deer East, Neil Swensrude, Garnet Ward, Hans, and Lolita Wiesner, met and were the driving force behind the award.

Originally, the Award was to recognize Rotarians in Red Deer.

Prior to Monty's passing on January 21, 2015, Monty expressed his desire to have the Award eligibility expanded to District 5360 Rotarians.

Following Monty's passing, the District became aware of the Award and asked if Red Deer East would consider expanding the award to a District-wide award. Coupled with the District's request and Monty's wish, the Club and District formed this partnership.

#### **Evolution**

In 2022, the Red Deer East and District 5360 included Rotaractors in the eligibility criteria.

#### **Process**

Calls are put out each Rotary Year for nominations for the Award, generally March/April, using the application of the District Cubrunner site.

In April, following submissions, the MJA Award committee meets to review all applications and select one recipient, whose name is not revealed until the presentation.

### **Committee members**

District Awards Chair, District Governor, District Governor-elect District Governor-nominee Rotary Club of Red Deer East

### **Presentation of the Award**

\*Awards Chair speaks to the essence of the Award

\*Red Deer East Representative describes the attributes of the recipient to describing their activities and Inspirational influence on others.

\*The District Governor then announces the Recipient by Name and Club and presents the Award obelisk.

\*The Rotary Club of Red Deer East presents the recipient with a cheque for \$1,000.00 to support those charities or projects they deem worthy. They are not required to provide evidence of the donation.

The Individual award is acquired each year by Red Deer East, engraved locally and taken to the District Conference for presentation. The District is invoiced by RDE for the Award and engraving.

Red Deer East provided a Global obelisk, which is engraved each year with the recipient's name, and custody is maintained by the District office.

## Rotary Club of Red Deer East

Monty Banner Flag Stand and Pole \$1,000.00 Cheque Facsimile Cheque

## District 5360

Global Obelisk with Current Recipient Name

Author - Neil Swensrude