



Awards Banquet

MANITOBA COOPERATIVE
AWARDS PROGRAM

2017 Award Recipients

Cooperative Achievement | DSI Tandem Co-op Resources Ltd.

Cooperative Achievement | Stingers Credit Union



Manitoba Cooperative
Association Inc.



Award Descriptions

DISTINGUISHED COOPERATOR

To recognize and honour Manitobans who have made significant contributions to the development and success of the cooperative movement through long, varied and meritorious services in volunteer, elected or employed positions within cooperatives and credit unions. Current, former and retired employees, elected officials, volunteers, and members of cooperatives and credit unions are eligible for nomination. The nominee must have lived in Manitoba.

COOPERATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

To recognize and honour cooperative organizations in Manitoba that have made significant contributions in innovation, achievement and initiatives toward the development and success of cooperative services, cooperative members, and their communities. The achievement must have been initiated within the last 10 years, and have already demonstrated recognizable benefits to the members and organization(s) involved, as well as the surrounding community. Cooperative and credit unions are eligible for nomination but must be operating in Manitoba.

COOPERATIVE MERIT

To recognize and honour Manitobans who have made significant contributions to the development and success of a cooperative through service in volunteer, elected or employed positions within the cooperative or credit union. Current, former and retired employees, elected officials, volunteers, members, and others who have supported the cooperative or credit unions are eligible for nomination. The nominee must have lived in Manitoba.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

To recognize significant contribution by young people, aged 30 and under, in cooperative endeavors. This award may also recognize the commitment and achievements of individuals or organizations in mentoring youth and supporting their successes as young cooperative leaders. Individuals, both youth and adults, and organizations are eligible for nomination. The nominee must have lived/operated in Manitoba.



Cooperative Achievement

DSI TANDEM CO-OP RESOURCES LTD.



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DSI Tandem Co-op Resources Ltd. (Tandem) is a worker cooperative that has been providing development consulting services to housing cooperatives and non-profit housing organizations since 1986. Tandem assisted in the successful development of 18 non-profit and cooperative projects, with over 700 units, for sponsoring organizations in Winnipeg and southern Manitoba from 1986 to 1995.

Its founding members were:

- Kate Mancer
- Wendy Zink
- Harry Haid
- Karl Falk

From 1995 until 2009, Tandem was primarily a housing consultant and property manager. Its reemergence as a development consultant to non-profit housing organizations began with the Western Manitoba Seniors Non-Profit Housing Cooperative in Brandon, Manitoba. The housing co-op's first phase of 34 units has been operating for the past three years while its second phase of 63 units is now under construction. Tandem is also currently working with the Old Grace Housing Cooperative on its 60-unit multi-generational project now under construction in Wolseley.

Harry and Karl remain active in the Co-op. Nadia Falk became a member in the early 1990's. Tandem has benefited from the support of many employees and consultants. It has also been fortunate to have worked with so many dedicated "cooperators" in the development of their projects.

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STINGERS CREDIT UNION



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Stingers Credit Union is a community branch of Assiniboine Credit Union (ACU) that is operated entirely by young cooperative leaders at Tec Voc High School.

Students operate all aspects of the credit union and are trained as Member Service Representatives following ACU's training procedures. They acquire the same skills the credit union builds in its own professional staff including: the responsibilities accorded with handling cash, confidentiality, professionalism, computer skills, appropriate behaviour in a business environment, improved communication skills and development of their leadership skills. This training provides students with a sense of professional pride and heightens their self-esteem. They have developed a deep understanding of how cooperatives operate and the significance of being a part of one.

This initiative has kept students invested in learning and committed to staying in school. The partnership, including the work exposure program, offers students an opportunity to learn, participate, and work with confidence alongside credit union professionals. It promotes educational opportunities, develops a better-trained work force and strengthens our economic system. It ultimately offers young people a unique learning experience to develop personal finance, employability skills, and develop them into future cooperative leaders.



Past Recipients

DISTINGUISHED COOPERATORS

2015

Richard Lemoing

2014

Allan Morin
Ken Jenner

2012

Barry Gosnell

2011

Wayne McLeod

2010

John Sandborn

2009

Allen Merritt
Mel Willis

2007

Stan Scarr

2006

Glen Shellborn

2005

Glen Tully
Manfred Homann

2004

Walter Arndt
David Hughes
Donald Joseph
Pavelick
Maurice Therrien
Kai Winther

2003

Harold Foster
Gordon Maxwell
Sinclair
Wasyl Topolnicky
John Mathias Lee

2002

Jacob Redekop
Jocelyn Peifer

2001

Edwin Meyer
Ken Edie
Bill Halpenny

2000

Barry Durston
Wilfred Harder
Charles Swanson

1999

Lorne Robson
Charles Williams

1998

Edward Braun
Paul Hacault

1997

Harvey Fulton
Roy Kilburn
Erdman (Ed) Klassen
D. Mac MacNabb

1996

George Klassen
Jack Martin

1995

Theodore Breuer
Wes Hosler
Glenora Slimmon
William Strath

1994

David Day
Maurice Gauthier
Hugh McMullan
Harry Peters
Lorne Strandberg

1993

Les Brown
Lloyd Steen
Henry Wiebe

1992

Rudy Comeault
Andre Goussaert
Raynald Labossiere
Raymond Siemens

1991

Andrij Kachor
Ronald King
Denis Maynard

1990

Monsignor Belanger
James Deveson
Alexander Runciman
Oli Sigurdson
Donald Slimmon

COOPERATIVE MERIT

2016

Harvey Douglas
Robert Smith

2015

Ivan Sabesky

2013

Peter Vandermeulen

2012

Chris Dzisiak

2011

Marcel Daeninck

2010

David Kerr
Greg More

2009

Sandy Francis
Harold Stitt

2008

Judy Bewer
Rodney Crampton
Eric B. Irwin
Remi Tack

2007

Laurent Hacault
Marvin King
George Rideout
Emmanuel
VanDeVelde

2006

Calvin Shermerhorn

2004

John Castle
Elaine Clarke
Wayne Hacking
Eleanor Weedmark

2003

Peter Russell Jeffrey
Norma Jean McEwen
Kenneth MacBeth
Rogers
Nicholas Harry
Huminicki
Gary Cooper
Arlene Perry

COOPERATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

2016 Western Manitoba Seniors

Non-Profit Housing Inc.

2015 Pembina Consumers Co-op 2000 Limited

2013 Urban Eatin' Gardeners Worker Coop

2012 Red River Co-operative Limited

2011 Assiniboine Credit Union Limited

2006 Nor'West Co-op Community Health Centre

2005 Winnipeg Beach Art + Culture Co-op

2004 Assiniboine Credit Union Limited

2004 Birchwood Funeral Chapel

2003 Transcona Credit Union Limited

2001 Brandon Seniors for Seniors Co-op Inc.

1998 Winkler Consumers Cooperative Limited

INNOVATIVE COOPERATIVE

1997 Astra Credit Union Ltd.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

2012 Natural Cycle Courier

2010 Evan Bowness

2008 War on Music Worker Co-op

2006 Casera Credit Union

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