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CDSBEO Awards 2005 Certificates of Appreciation to Students and Staff

Kemptonville – The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario has awarded Certificates of Appreciation to a number of deserving teams and individuals in honour of their outstanding achievements at the regional, provincial and national level. The following recipients were awarded their certificates at the June 21st Board Meeting in Kemptonville:

Cody Clark

Ten-year-old *Cody Clark* of Holy Cross School in Kemptonville was awarded the Governor General's 'Caring Canadian' Award in April of 2005 for developing 'Comfort Kits' for sick children and seniors in hospital. Cody's annual 'Poor Boy's Supper and Auction' helps raise funds for comfort kits consisting of small toys, crayons and colouring books for children. Cody's dream is to distribute the kits to children's hospitals across Canada. Cody was also recognized by CIBC this year, as he was presented with the 2004 'Young Miracle Maker' Award for his contributions to the well-being of children in the community. The Grade 5 Holy Cross student was honoured as Ontario Citizen of the Year in 2002.

Notre Dame CHS Girls Curling Team

Notre Dame CHS in Carleton Place captured the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations' (OFSSA) Girls' Curling Championship on April 7, 2005, in Timmins. The team became only the second rink from Eastern Ontario to ever win the provincial girls' high school curling championship during its 31-year history. It was Notre Dame's first OFSSA victory in the 10-year life of the school.

The team, consisting of Grade 11 students *Celeste Butler-Rohland*, *Megan Regimbald*, *Alexandra Howard* and *Heather Quackenbush* along with Grade 9 student *Nicole Butler-Rohland*, qualified for the OFSSA provincials by placing second at the Eastern Ontario Secondary School Athletic Association (EOSSAA) championships in Brockville in March. The team was coached by Notre Dame teacher *Trent Abbott* and Carleton Place curler *Larry Regimbald*.

Cameron Scantland

Cameron Scantland, a Grade 9 student from Notre Dame CHS in Carleton Place, earned his second trip to the Canada-Wide Science Fair after winning a series of awards at the Rideau-St. Lawrence Science Fair in Brockville in April of 2005. Cameron won second place for 'Best of Fair' at the regional Brockville competition for his project, 'Actuating Hydro Electric Station'. The project was a continuation and refinement of his previous entry. His mechanism re-circulates water between reservoir buckets, and this motion activates a generator to produce electricity. Cameron's work earned him a trip to the May 2005 Canada-Wide Science Fair in Vancouver.

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David McGahey

For the past 5 years, *David McGahey*, Principal of St. Gregory School in Carleton Place, has been an avid supporter of the Guatemala Stove Project – a Canadian humanitarian organization based in Perth, Ontario. As a member of their Steering Committee, David has helped raise funds and awareness in their work manufacturing over 3,000 masonry cook stoves for needy residents of Guatemalan communities who lack the basic human and material resources to build safe, smoke-free cooking stoves. During his year off teaching in 2004, David traveled to Guatemala to build stoves and meet first-hand with project partners.

In May of this year, David was part of a group invited to New York City to attend the United Nations' *'Fourth Forum on Indigenous Issues'*, in support of funding for poor families of the Highlands of Guatemala. David's focus in the Guatemala Stove Project has been encouraging the participation of youth to transform the world, by helping improve the lives and health of thousands of people in Guatemala.

Cornwall Area 'Youth Bowling Council' Bantam Boys Team

Brandon Choquette, a Grade 5 student at St. John Bosco School in Cornwall, has been bowling for 6 years and a team captain for 5 years. Brandon belongs to a Youth Bowling Council program called *'Four Steps To Stardom'*. This year Brandon's team traveled to Hawkesbury to represent the Cornwall area where they won a gold medal. Then it was off to London to participate in the Provincial Competition where Brandon's team won a silver medal.

Cornwall Area 'Youth Bowling Council' Bantam Girls Team

The Youth Bowling Council Bantam Girls' Team representing the Cornwall area made it all the way to the YBC National Championship this year. The team of *Samantha Ray* (St. John Bosco, Cornwall), *Katrina McRae* (St. Andrew's, St. Andrews West), *Sarah Lalonde* (Rothwell-Osnabruck Elementary), *Paige Lapensee* (Sacred Heart, Cornwall) and *Chelsea Periard* (Immaculate Conception, Cornwall) placed first at Regional YBC competitions in Hawkesbury and gold at the Youth Provincial Bowling Competition in London. On May 26, the girls went to Vancouver to compete in the National Bowling Championship, where the team played 21 games and captured the bronze medal.

Cathy Cavanagh

As a Grade 11 & 12 teacher at St. Mary Catholic High School in Brockville, *Cathy Cavanagh* was one of this year's winners of the 2005 Best Practice Awards sponsored by the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association. The annual awards presentation honours excellence in professional writing by OECTA members as part of their professional practice as teachers and educators. Cathy was recognized for her article reflecting on practice, entitled *'The Power of Yes'*.

Robert Bell and the School Liturgy Committee

Robert Bell and the School Liturgy Committee of St. Mary CHS in Brockville were also named as winners at this year's Best Practice Awards, sponsored by OECTA. Robert, a Grade 9 and 10 teacher at St. Mary CHS, and the School Liturgy Committee were recognized for excellence in writing the Liturgy of the Word entitled, *'Bringing Students Closer to Their Faith'*.

The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario congratulates this year's recipients of the Certificates of Appreciation and thanks them for their outstanding work and accomplishments at the regional, provincial and national level.

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