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The Terry James "Honour the Volunteer" golf tournament was first held in September of 2007. The first 4 years of the tournament were a GREAT success. With close to 100 golfers, famous Canadian Jockey, Sandy Hawley as our emcee, and a tremendous level of sponsorship from local and national businesses and volunteers the tournament has now become an important established event each year in Durham.

Last year at the 2010 tournament, held at Glen Cedars Golf Club, we awarded Youth Scholarships to six amazing Durham award winners:

Kaitlyn Pitek – Sports Promotion Award. Kaitlyn receives this award for her sports leadership in her community. She has been a long-standing volunteer on many of her school teams, a peer helper in Phys-Ed class and was recently recognized for Faces of the Future Award in the Durham Region.

Lauren Gavaris – Performing/Visual Arts Award. Lauren has been a member of Levendia, a Greek dance group for four years. She has done over 120 hours of volunteering in her community and also is a teacher for younger dance students.

Kevin Collins – Community/Social Service Award. Kevin has logged 160 hours of volunteering in his community this year including running the Special Olympics tournament, assisting with the Terry Fox Run and volunteering at the Charles H. Best Diabetes Centre.

Mary Stephidis – Education Award. Mary is a peettutor at her school and a member of the student council. She has acted as a student coach of the girls lacrosse team and founded a girls self esteem group.

Kasey Aukstakalnis – Environment Awareness Award. Kasey helped establish the Environment Club at her school and led a number of school environmental projects including helping her school achieve Gold Standing with Ontario EcoSchools Program.

Sigogni Sivarajah – Health Awareness Award. Sigogni has been a long-standing volunteer for the Rouge Valley Health System in the Rehab Department and at the Providence Health Centre for the past 3 years

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Terry's Story

Ask anyone who ever spent even a minute with Terry James. His enthusiasm and love of life were as obvious as the ever-present smile on his face. Terry could and would strike up a conversation with anyone and before you knew it, you started to feel better about your day.

Terry was a volunteer extraordinaire. His volunteerism started very early in his life and was developed further during his many years working with Scarborough Recreation and Parks. Although working with Recreation and Parks was his job, for Terry it was more than that. He searched for and found the opportunity to make a difference for those who came to his pool or his recreation centre.

Terry was a dedicated volunteer with Civitan, an organization focused on making our communities a better place to live. Through Civitan Terry was a leader of Special Olympics swim meets, fund raising efforts for the Best Diabetes Centre and other important community-focused initiatives. Prior to Terry passing away he was the Director of the Durham Senior's Games which attracted hundreds of seniors across the Durham communities.

In 2001, Terry was asked by the then Mayor of Pickering, Wayne Arthurs, to spearhead the International Year of the Volunteer recognition program. Terry dove into this with a passion as he did with everything he took on. As a result of his leadership over 1,000 volunteers were recognized across Pickering. Who better to lay the groundwork for this recognition than one of Pickering's greatest volunteers – Terry James.

The Terry James "Honour the Volunteer" Golf Tournament was designed to capture all of the things that were important to Terry. Family, friends, camaraderie, golf and volunteering. Through the funds raised at this tournament we will provide Terry James Volunteer Awards to elementary and high school students across Durham.

Terry passed away after a valiant battle with multiple myeloma, a particularly tough cancer, in November of 2006. Although he is not longer with us in body, his spirit lives on in his family members and friends and his legacy as a volunteer leader will never diminish. Through the Terry James "Honour the Volunteer" Annual Golf Tournament we will continue to promote the powers of volunteerism in our communities. In our youth across Durham Terry's spirit will grow and develop making this continually a better place to live and raise our families.

Presenting the

2011

Terry James Youth Volunteer Awards



Terry James

**In recognition of youth
between the ages of 6
and 18 in the Durham
Region who have
demonstrated excellence
in volunteerism**

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Terry James Volunteer Youth Awards

You are invited to nominate a youth volunteer who has contributed to the community over the past year. We would like to thank them for their hard work, caring and dedication. Award recipients will be recognized at the **Awards Ceremony on Friday, September 16, 2011** at the Terry James Golf Tournament Dinner.

Criteria

1. Must be nominated by a Youth Group Leader, i.e. teacher, coach, registered charity, community organization.
2. Individual youth must be 6-18 years of age.
3. Nominee has volunteered consistently throughout the past year and has worked on behalf of others, the community or the environment (examples: peer tutoring or counseling, volunteering in community programs/school, raising awareness about an issue, coordination an event, etc.).
4. Nominees are a positive role model for their peers.

Award Amount

Each Award will be \$500.00

Award Categories

There are six Volunteer Award categories.
They are:

- Sport Promotion Award
- Performing/Visual Arts Award
- Community/Social Service Award
- Education Award
- Environment Awareness Award
- Health Awareness Award



Lending a Hand

How to Apply

**Application Deadline is
July 31, 2011**

Please complete the application form accompanying this brochure **OR** provide the following information by letter or email. You can also go onto our website at www.em-space.com/terryjames

1. Nominee's Name and Age
2. Nominee's Address
3. Nominee's Phone Number
4. Detailed overview of the volunteer project or activity the nominee was involved with including project location, duration, number of people involved, and other specifics about the project
5. Describe in detail the impact and benefits of the project or activity on the target audience (i.e. school, community, etc.) as well as the impact the nominee has had on the project
6. Provide the names and contact information of three references who can speak knowledgeably about the nominee and the project
7. Include supporting documentation where possible (i.e., media clippings, photos, reports, publications, videos). Limit of 5 pieces
8. Name of Nominating Person
9. Contact numbers of Nominating Person (day/evening phone number)
10. Relationship to Nominee (youth group leader, coach, teacher)

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