

ADAMS, Brian April 20th, 1994 MN

B&E investigator Peel's Police Officer of the Year

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Peel B.org - ADAMS, Brian
more than 12 years and currently works in the Criminal Investigation Bureau of 11 Division.

The first sign that Brian Adams is a good guy is that he doesn't mind when people kid him about his namesake, Canada's most famous rock star.

"It's a bit of an ice breaker, I doesn't bother me," Adams says.

The second clue is when he agrees to drive for an hour on his day off just to satisfy the deadline demands of your local newspaper.

"I had to come this way anyway, it's not a problem," he said yesterday.

But the fact that Adams is a class act is no surprise to his colleagues at work, who have named him Peel Regional Police Officer of the Year for 1993.

"I can't think of a better recipient for the award," said Inspector Tom Hughes. "He is an excellent officer."

Adams, 33, has been with the force for

Specializing in investigating brake and enters at homes, Adams has used his skills to solve several crimes, including a recent incident in which he managed to recover \$40,000 worth of stolen goods.

"Solving break and enters is difficult work, especially when it comes to recovering the goods," said Hughes. "It takes plenty of perseverance which Brian certainly has."

Adams, naturally, is reluctant to take credit for a job well done, saying police work is a team effort and his fellow officers have as much to do with his success as does his own ability.

Still, he said he takes pride in doing a good job, especially when break and enters are a growing concern in the community.

"It's something the department takes seriously," Adams added. "We spend a lot of time at it."

Hughes agrees, and said with officers like Adams on the force, Peel Regional Police is up to the task of fighting crime.

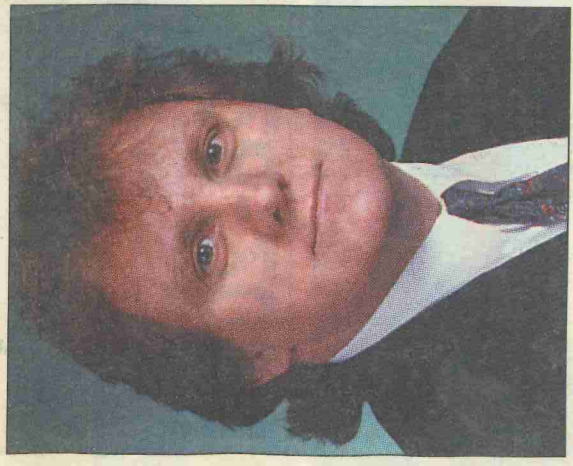
"And besides," Hughes added, "Adams is a good guy."

Adams will be honored Sunday at the Citizen of the Year Awards luncheon at the Stage West Hotel.

Other Mississaugans to be honored include Citizen of the Year David Au-Yeung, Local Heroes Annie Liem, Teuna DeMan, Maureen Cleary, Dorothy McGuigan and Audrey Pritchard, and Firefighters of the Year Phil Dorval and Tom Corrigan.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$20. They are available by calling 273-8192.

The Local Heroes and Firefighters of the Year are profiled on page 3 of today's paper.



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