

Resident receives volunteer of the year award

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Dolores Castro is one of those people who always has time for those who need her. She's so busy, it was tough to track her down to tell her she's the latest recipient of the Sam McCallion Award for volunteer of the year, given annually by the Lions Club of Streetsville and *The Booster*.

Longtime Lions Alex Watson and Roger Smith marvelled at the calibre of this year's nominees.

"I've been doing this for seven years and each year the nominees get better," said Smith.

Watson said it was a pleasure to read so many good things about Mississauga citizens.

Their sentiments were shared by Gerry Timbers, managing editor *The*

Mississauga News and *The Booster*.

"It always amazes me these people have the same responsibilities as the rest of us, and yet they manage to do so much for so many people," he said.

Any one of the 15 people nominated would have been excellent choices, but giving the nod to Castro was unanimous.

Castro, 71, retired in 2006, but her calendar shows a schedule more

packed than many CEOs. Monday to Friday she volunteers with the Red Cross, nursing homes, Credit Valley Hospital, Heart House Hospice, Kingston Penitentiary and local churches.

Castro doesn't think she's doing anything special. "I believe I should use my time to help others," she said. "It's not my way of living to do nothing."

Castro will receive the Sam

McCallion Award on April 26 at a banquet hosted by the Lions Club of Streetsville at Vic Johnston Community Centre. That just happens to be her wedding anniversary.



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