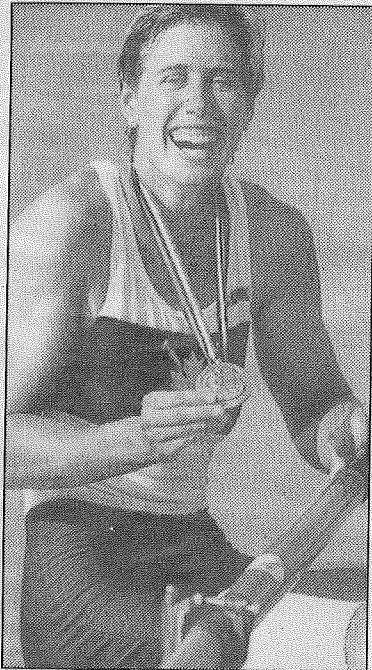


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Laumann



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**Silken Laumann with her Olympic
bronze medal.**

Gutsy sculler Laumann to be honored by City

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Silken Laumann will receive the highest award the City of Mississauga can bestow upon one of its citizens.

At a city council meeting Wednesday, councillors unanimously voted to present the Civic Award of Merit to Laumann, who won a bronze medal in the 2000 m. single sculls at the Olympic Games in Barcelona.

Mayor Hazel McCallion said the award was not being presented because of the medal performance, but because of the incredible tenacity Laumann showed in recovering from a severe leg injury in May. "She showed determination and stamina and all those wonderful qualities in her performance in Barcelona," McCallion said in announcing the award.

It was only in June that council adopted a new policy which provides for three levels of recognition of citizens, including the Award of Merit which is "reserved for those individuals whose service is considered exceptional." Laumann is the first to be chosen for the honor.

All of Mississauga's athletes who participated in the Olympics, and brought home several medals including three golds, will receive the Civic Award of Recognition for having a significant impact in an international sports competition.

The athletes are to be honored at a civic reception. No date has yet been set.