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Gordon S. Shipp Memorial Award

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Frank Paznar chosen Citizen of the Year

When the 1989 Citizen of the Year files his income tax returns, his charitable donations receipts don't even come close to reflecting his real contributions to his community.

There are no receipts for the thousands of hours Frank Paznar has donated to dozens of charities, and no indication of the hundreds of thousands of dollars he has raised for charitable organizations.

But recognition is not what Paznar, a Mississauga resident for 22 years, is expecting in return for his commitment. "If there's a need, and one has the skills, you do what you can to help. It's a great feeling to be involved."

Married for 24 years to wife Maria, and the father of three children, Andrejka, Mark and Nadija, Paznar downplays his contributions and was surprised to hear he'd been nominated for the honor.

"I was certainly surprised. I'm sure there are a lot of other people out there who are very involved. It's a humbling experience."

Paznar was selected by a four-person selection committee from among a slate of volunteers nominated by individuals in the community. He will be honored at a dinner May 17, when he will become the 10th Mississauga resident to receive the Gordon S. Shipp Memorial Award.

Past recipients of the award include Margaret Leslie, Ted

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FRANK PAZNAR

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Citizen Paznar gets his reward

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Glista, David Doncaster, Cheryl Easton, Lyle Doering, Ruth Kitchen, Velma Kennedy, Mary Cline and Harold Shipp.

Among his many commitments, Paznar includes chairing the 1988 Mayor's Gala, a black-tie affair for 550 guests that raised \$114,000 for the Living Arts Centre.

Other local involvements include working with the Mississauga Clean

City Campaign and the Business Development Advisory Board. As a member of *The Mississauga News'* Christmas Bureau Fund, he helps to provide Christmas gifts and traditional dinners for thousands of local residents every year.

And as a committee member, he helped plan the festivities for the official opening of the Mississauga Civic Centre and the visit by the Duke and Duchess of York, Andrew and Sarah.

On a broader front, Paznar chaired the Papal Mass committee during the visit by Pope John Paul II in 1985, and was vice-chairman of the 1987 Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled. He also played a key role in organizing Toronto's Daffodil Day Parade for more than 15 years.

To order tickets for the Citizen of the Year dinner, to be held Wednesday, May 17, at the Board of Trade Club, call Judy Hughes at 273-8192. Tickets are \$50 each.