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## She's No. 1

Dorothy Reid received her award last Saturday as the single parent of the year. The award is presented by the Mississauga chapter of Parents Without Partners. Reid has eight children, four of her own and four from other families. She is currently fighting cancer.

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# She's Canada's top parent

Dorothy Reid, a 48-year-old Mississauga mother, has been named Canada's single parent of the year by the national Parents Without Partners (PWP) group.

Despite a divorce and the death of a loved one in the past four years, Mrs. Reid went back to work to support herself and four children, and took four other children into her home. Reid, who has cancer, expects to spend the rest of her life in the Mississauga Hospital.

"Cancer has always been secondary to raising and taking care of her children," said Catherine Done, president of the Mississauga Valley chapter of Parents Without Partners. "She's been a total giver. Always has a

word of advice for those with problems."

Reid said she was "surprised" she won at the national level and attributed the event to

"good endorsements. They tell people who you are and what you have done."

The Mississauga chapter will send two of her oldest

children to Sault Ste. Marie in May to collect the award at the Canadian Conference. An international winner will be selected by the 185,000

North American members of Parents Without Partners during the International competition in Dallas, Texas, this summer.



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