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Wednesday, April 13, 2016
6:00-8:30 PM

LEADERS OF TOMORROW GALA

Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre -Ballroom
320 Scenic Drive South, Lethbridge

RECOGNIZE YOUTH THAT HAVE MADE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THEIR COMMUNITY THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM!

OUR LEADERS OF TOMORROW!



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Leaders of Tomorrow

Youth Volunteer Awards

Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre

Wednesday April 13, 2016

2016 Leaders of Tomorrow Gala Program

5:30pm	Registration
6:00pm	Welcome & Introduction
	Dinner & Entertainment
	Master of Ceremonies – Dory Rossiter
	Guest Speaker – Katherine Topolniski, Creative Director at Volunteer Alberta
	Volunteer Recognition Awards
	Volunteer Excellence Awards
8:30pm	Closing Remarks

Leaders of Tomorrow Committee

Chairperson: Leslie Vaala

Members: Shelley Ducheminsky, Courtnay Sopko, Elaine Jacklynn, Dee Goyal, Jacquelyn Walker, Chris Burton.

Volunteer Lethbridge

Staff: Diana Sim (Executive Director), Courtnay Sopko (Volunteer Coordinator), Shelley Ducheminsky (Administrative Assistant), Chelsea Sherbut (Development Coordinator), Tiffany Herrell (UVolunteer Coordinator)

L of T Volunteers: Michaela Klein (SCiP), Alice Takacs, Victoria Cao, Dominika Krygier, Zachary Wigand, Connie Lys

Board of Directors: Chris Roedler (President), Cheri Pokarney (Vice President), Tyler Gschaid (Secretary), Stacy Chief Body (Treasurer), Beverly Thompson, Joyce D'Andrea, Gail Horner, Chris Burton, Allison Atwood, Diana Sim

Mission and History

Mission: The Leaders of Tomorrow program acknowledges youth who have made outstanding contributions to our community through volunteering. Volunteer Lethbridge recognizes and celebrates the dedication, conduct, and good work of the exceptional youth volunteers whose example is an inspiration to their peers.

History: The Leaders of Tomorrow program began in 1997 and has grown over the years. Since its launch the program has recognized 1,784 young people including 113 nominees being recognized at the 2016 Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Volunteer Awards Evening.

Recognition Awards

Ages 5-11

★ Emily Acheson	★ Hannah Ellerman	★ Lesley Oiko
★ Mackenzie Arndt	★ Elizabeth Forchuk	★ Taylor Payne
★ Lacey Blake	★ Kayla Galenzoski	★ Jordan Peck
★ Hannah Blake	★ Emylee Geneau	★ Jocelyn Rouse
★ Annika Boersma	★ Ethan Hamilton	★ Matana Schaaf
★ Kaarina Boersma	★ Ashley Hayhurst	★ Kierra Schmidt
★ Shilo Boersma	★ Grace Henke	★ James Shea
★ Solomon Boersma	★ Kiara Horak	★ Austin Smith
★ Mackenzie Cahoon	★ Kyle MacKinnon	★ Emma Van Staaten
★ Braydee Dahl		★ Bethany von Burg
★ Jack Davis		★ Jessica Watt
★ Nadia Davis		★ Abel Whiskey Jack
★ Wyatt Desserre		★ Evan Weekes

Ages 12-15

★ Trinity Alles	★ Nicolas Parra	★ Kimberly Tetrault
★ Fayth Destynea	★ Amaya Perry	★ Emma Uytterhagen
★ Chernoff	★ Sye Perry	
★ Maliya Dansereau	★ Joshua Pietras	★ Johnathan Williams
★ Jayden Dekock	★ Megan Ritchie	
★ Chloe Kawade	★ Christian Tetrault	
★ Ailene McMahon		

Recognition Awards



Ages 16-18

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| ★ Kai Bailey | ★ Ronja Kothe | ★ Joshua Pietras |
| ★ Brennah Bauman | ★ Clara Kuk | ★ George Roth |
| ★ Genna Bouchier | ★ Emma McLeod | ★ Derek Sentes |
| ★ Michael deGorter | ★ Jhanvi Mehta | ★ Stacy Vaden |
| ★ Kinzie Fraser | ★ Kara Morphet | Dool |
| ★ Alyssa Gabris | ★ Liam Murray | ★ Jenna van der |
| ★ Marina Galatonov | ★ Garrett Myles | Poll |
| ★ Madison Gerbrandt | ★ Natasha Patel | ★ Melissa Walper |
| | ★ Ryan Perry | ★ Lauren Wesley |

Ages 19-24

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| ★ Meagan Bennett | ★ Michaela Klein | ★ Aidan Shields |
| ★ Victoria Cao | ★ Dominika Krygier | ★ Jeremy Sloan |
| ★ David Chomistek | ★ Hannah Lee | ★ Amanda Stoperski |
| ★ Elizabeth Connors | ★ Nicole MacDonald | ★ Michaela Thompson |
| ★ Jessica Diakow | ★ Presley Maxwell | ★ Christioher Tissot van Patot |
| ★ Mariah Duval Kesler | ★ Diego Menjivar | ★ Ainsleigh Toth |
| ★ Sierra Garner | ★ Ebubu Moges | ★ Tiffany Trinh |
| ★ Jaisie Graham | ★ Wynona Nethercott | ★ Janelle Twomey |
| ★ Elexandra Greaves | ★ Harshil Patel | ★ Alyssa Waldner |
| ★ Sara Gregory | ★ Brittany Primrose | ★ Jacquelyn Walker |
| ★ Tiffany Herrell | | ★ Sara Yamamoto |

Excellence Awards

Megan Donaghy-Hughes



Megan is an avid volunteer. She volunteers with Alberta Health Services and Big Brothers Big Sisters. In addition to going to school and volunteering, Megan is also in a variety of extra-curricular activities such as horseback riding, choir, and musical theatre. Megan is inspired by her Littles' and recognizes that she has an impact on their future. She is dedicated to making changes to her community. Megan has the drive, enthusiasm, and compassion which makes her a great role model in the community and for the youth she mentors.

Abigail Lee



Abigail is a grade 11 student from Coaldale. For such a young age, Abigail has already made a lasting impact on her community. She is a full-time student, who works two part-time jobs to send herself to Tanzania, Africa to help a community become self-sustaining. Abigail volunteers with the Coaldale Youth Action Committee, the Lethbridge Soup Kitchen and the Coaldale Family Programming. Abigail has volunteered at over 15 different organizations within the community. There is no doubt that she has made a lasting impact at each of these organizations. Her vigour and determination earns her the title of Leader of Tomorrow, some even confirm that she is a leader of today.

Zachary Wigand



Zachary has volunteered with the Canadian Red Cross, Volunteer Lethbridge, and the German Canadian Club. Between these three organizations, Zachary has volunteered 915 hours of his time since 2014. Within the Canadian Red Cross, Zachary has held multiple positions and is the youngest member of the Emergency Response team in Lethbridge. At Volunteer Lethbridge, Zachary is part of D.O.E.S. Light, Project Paintbrush, Gift Wrapping and reception. Zachary is also a board member of the German Canadian Club where he seeks to help better the club and its social media presence. Zachary is dedicated, enthusiastic, passionate, and great to work with. The future holds great things for Zachary!

Cory Fischer



Cory is a volunteer at the University of Lethbridge's radio station CKXU where he has held multiple volunteer positions. Although a full-time University student, Cory finds time to teach new people at the radio station how to work all of the equipment, recruits new people to become involved in the station, and volunteers for events within and outside of CKXU. Before moving to Lethbridge, Cory was actively involved in the Medicine Hat Skateboard Association as their treasurer and he still tries to be involve with the MHSA. Cory's determination and drive help fuel him and others around him to do their best and bring quality to student run radio, festivals, and any other volunteering he can get his hands on.

Rachael Gaboury



Rachael volunteers with the Helen Schuler Nature Centre, the Lethbridge Humane Society, and Serenity Equestrian Farm. She is a very committed and passionate volunteer. She devotes a lot of her time to each of the organizations she volunteers with. Rachael is a caring and compassionate leader that demonstrates a willingness to take on any task she is given. Rachael's work ethic and positive attitude amaze everyone around her. At a young age, Rachael has already made a profound impact on her community and we are sure she will continue to do so.

Liberty Ruser



Liberty volunteers with the Canadian Blood Services. She is committed to recruiting new donors, taking care of donors, and represents Canadian Blood Services at various events in the community. Liberty uses her passion for the health profession to spread knowledge and warmth. As a full-time student, working two jobs, Liberty continues to give back to her community. With all of her hard work and dedication in both school and the community, Liberty truly exhibits the qualities of a great leader.