

## Women's Leadership Awards

In a ceremony on Saturday, October 27, our local MP, Maryam Monsef, presented 54 women with Leadership Awards during the **Inaugural Peterborough-Kawartha Women's Leadership Awards Gala** at the Showplace Performance Centre.

During the presentation, Monsef said "These women serve as leaders in Peterborough-Kawartha in a variety of different ways ... whether it be through volunteering, public service, professional achievements, advocacy, or being a remarkable friend or family member, it is an honour to be able to celebrate these exceptional women."

These Awards were held during Women's History Month in Canada, when all throughout October we take the opportunity to celebrate the achievements and contributions of women and girls across the country and throughout our history.

In addition to the Leadership Awards, Sister Ruth Hennessey was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award for her body of work in the community. Sister Hennessey worked as an elementary school teacher and a consultant in special education. When she retired just over 20 years ago, she started working in the refugee ministry, where she eventually became a founder and director of Casa Maria Refugee Homes in Peterborough. This organization has three safe houses which have provided temporary accommodation to over 200 refugees.

For more info on the 54 honourees, see [MMonsef.liberal.ca](http://MMonsef.liberal.ca).

Also honored in this event were Lori Richie (Family Health Team) and Carol Fisher (Special Needs Athletes) - who have contributed items to the Apsley Voice - and local real estate agent Caroline Elder. From this event, here is the bio and write-up for Ms. Elder: *A truly gifted and compassionate human being, as an award-winning real estate agent Caroline*

**Below:** Photo of Caroline Elder *works tirelessly to promote all that North Kawartha has to offer (both the region and its residents) and help her clients to fulfill their dreams. Her background was in Toronto radio promotion and sales, and her motto is "Let's launch YOUR dreams." She knows that her profession as a real estate agent can profoundly impact the lives of others. Her true motivation is the reward she receives when her clients' dreams of living in North Kawartha are realized.*



### Meet Your Needs Event

The Community Care Apsley office is hosting our annual Meet Your Needs Event, on Saturday November 10, 10 am – 2 pm at the NKCC.

The purpose of this event is to provide winter clothing and other essential items to individuals in need. We are seeking donations of the following items:

- Children's Clothing (all sizes)
- Men's Clothing (all sizes)
- Toiletries (must be unused packaging intact)
- Adult Diapers
- Cleaning Supplies
- Any other personal items for daily living

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### Breast Cancer Walk/Run for the CURE

by Alice Liberty.

On September 30<sup>th</sup>, an amazing total of \$7,202.00 was raised for this fundraiser. I would like to give a big heart-felt THANK YOU to everyone for your generosity and support. I was awarded the plaque for the determination award and being the top individual fundraising participant in Peterborough.

One day soon we will have a future without Breast Cancer.



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