

# Brentwood Residents Awarded Alberta Centennial Medals

The Alberta Centennial Medal pays tribute to Albertans whose achievements have benefited their fellow citizens, community and province and was awarded to approximately 8,000 outstanding Albertans by the time our 2005 Centennial celebrations drew to a close. Several recipients reside here in Brentwood and were honoured for their volunteer efforts at medal presentations hosted by MLA Harry Chase and MLA Len Webber.

Our neighbourhood recipients were as follows:

**Janet Beattie**, long retired from the teaching profession, was honoured for embodying the spirit of education and lifelong learning. For the past 15 years the "Angel of English" has tutored students and supported parents and teachers any way she can.

**Doris Hugh** has volunteered countless hours through her church and various community organizations, including many years with the Bethany Care Seniors' facility. Doris continues to work with the Calgary Public Library where she was named Volunteer of the Year in 2003.

**Lee Hunt's** name has most recently been associated with the Brentwood mural projects, but she has also volunteered for the Multiple Sclerosis Society and done considerable advocacy work on behalf of residential hospices. In addition, Lee serves on a city-wide scholarship selection committee and canvasses yearly for the Heart and Stroke Fund and the Diabetes Association.

**Polly Lee Knowlton Cockett**, also associated with the Brentwood mural projects, volunteers for the Prairie Amphitheatre and Centennial Natureground project at Dr E.W. Coffin Elementary School and is a steward for the City of Calgary Natural Areas Adopt-A-Park program. She writes a regular environmental column for the *Brentwood Bugle*, coaches soccer, judges science fairs and annually climbs the Calgary Tower in support of the Alberta Wilderness Association.

**Cheri Macaulay** has volunteered for many community-based organizations over the years including Block Parents, the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank, Kids Help Phone and our own community association. Most of her volunteer projects have had a creative element in common, the most recent being the Brentwood mural projects.

**Sheila Murphy** has contributed countless volunteer hours to the Air and Army Cadets of Calgary over the last 18 years and was the first female coordinator on the National Cadets Board. Cubs and Scouts Canada has



also benefited from her volunteerism and her successful fund-raising efforts for Handibus and Labrecque Pare, a training centre for senior care workers, has made a huge impact on the two organizations.

**Heather Webber** has coached numerous community and club volleyball and swim teams. She is the Past President of Sistership Cancer Survivor Dragonboat Association, a Spokesperson and Director for the CIBC Run for the Cure and a volunteer subject for medical research in the treatment of breast cancer.

The Alberta Centennial Medal features Alberta's coat of arms. The colours of the medal's ribbon symbolize Alberta's spirit and strengths. Blue and gold, Alberta's provincial colours, are most prominent in the ribbon and all the colours in the ribbon are taken from Alberta's official emblems and heraldry. The medal is included in the Canadian Order of Precedence of orders, decorations and medals and may be mounted and worn with other official honours.

Congratulations to all of our neighbourhood recipients of the Alberta Centennial Medal and to the countless other volunteers in Brentwood who make our community a better place to live, work and play.