BEST IN MOUNT PEARL AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Mount Pearl, NL – Last night, the City of Mount Pearl held the inaugural Best in Mount Pearl Awards ceremony at the Reid Centre, recognizing all the amazing contributions from volunteers in the community.

“Mount Pearl is home to some of the best walking trails, facilities, recreation programs and City services in the Province. But above all, Mount Pearl is known for our community spirit, and one thing is for sure – that spirit is because of the residents who take such pride in their community,” said Mayor Dave Aker. “For every hour, minute and second they all have spent over the last week, month, year and decade, this is event is about them, and it’s our way to say thank you.”

The winners of the 2019 Best in Mount Pearl Awards are:

**Impact in Music, Arts, and Culture** – Mount Pearl Show Choir

**Community Group of the Year** – Mount Pearl Frosty Festival

**Citizen of the Year** – Robert Hayes

**Lifetime Achievement** – Bernice Miller, Agnes Murphy, and Barbara Predham

“This year, our inaugural year of the Best in Mount Pearl Awards, we couldn’t choose just one recipient for the Lifetime Achievement Award,” continued Mayor Aker. “So, tonight, we proudly presented this award to all three nominees, all of whom have made such a lasting impact on our City.”

All details can be found online at [https://www.mountpearl.ca/residents/awards/best-in-mountpearl/](https://www.mountpearl.ca/residents/awards/best-in-mountpearl/).

**About the Best in Mount Pearl Awards**

Combining both the Citizen of the Year and the Pearl Awards, as well as introducing new award categories, the Best in Mount Pearl Awards ceremony is an opportunity to showcase residents, groups or businesses who “lead the pack”, take risks to innovate, establish new partnerships, question established ways of doing things and pioneer new approaches. The awards recognize ideas and people that rise above challenges with vision, creativity and teamwork.

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