



55 PROUD YEARS | *caring since 1967*  
**CHRISTMAS** sharing



CELEBRATING 55 YEARS OF SHARING AND CARING AT CHRISTMAS

2021 A YEAR IN REVIEW

Looking back on 2021 our Program had many challenges to overcome. First of all there was the uncertainty of the pandemic, then there were safety precautions that were necessary for our volunteers and those applying for assistance. We have learned that we had to do business differently and be creative and flexible. An example of this was offering on line applications which allowed families and individuals the flexibility of applying remotely. None of this would have been possible without the unfailing generosity of this incredible Community.



As a result of your ongoing support we assisted families and individuals to have a Christmas Hamper or Dinner despite the pandemic. Last year with your help either financially or by sponsoring a family, over 1,311 individuals and families in need representing 3,205 adults and children were able to enjoy a Christmas Dinner. This was truly an amazing accomplishment.

In addition, and in co-operation with the Community Cares Holiday Meal Program approximately 200 individuals had meals delivered for Christmas Day. This was possible because of our wonderful volunteers and the local businesses who are a vital part of the Community Cares Holiday Meal Program. Quite frankly we could not have done this without your kindness!

**Your continued financial help will make all the difference!**

NANCY ROBERTS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



Pictured here is longtime Volunteer Joan Elsasser receiving her award.

Congratulations to Joan Elsasser the second recipient of the Nancy Roberts Volunteer of the Year Award. For over 10 years Joan has volunteered for the Christmas Sharing Program; her dedication and commitment to the Program is commendable.

Prior to volunteering Joan was the Program Coordinator for several years, bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience along with her. Joan is always at the ready to help in any way she can. Thank you so much Joan, we treasure your enthusiasm and dedication in assisting people in need.

**Congratulations Joan, well done!**



HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

DR. HAL WILSON BURSARY  
WINNER



For the past 5 years the Christmas Sharing Program has been pleased to honour individuals, groups and businesses who have made exceptional efforts to help support our Program. Past winners of this Award are Bruce Mackay, Centennial Secondary School, Duvanco Homes, and Linda & Carl Matchim.

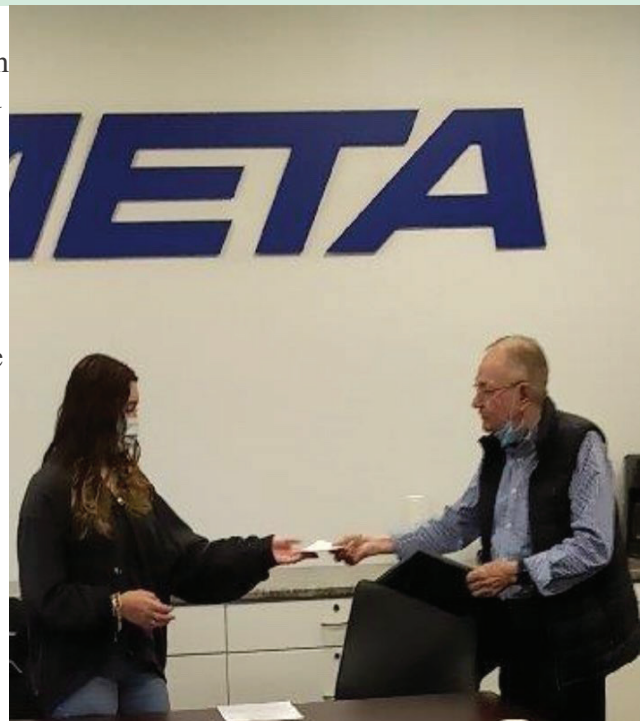


The 2021 winner of the Humanitarian Award is the Kinette Club of Belleville. For over 25 years the Kinette Club have been enormous supporters of our Program. Annually the Kinette Club makes a significant financial contribution to Christmas Sharing. As a result of their ongoing support and generosity it is estimated that the Kinette Club has assisted upwards of 1000 families during that time period.

*Thank you Kinettes, you are awesome!*



Pictured here is Linda Wagner of the Kinettes being presented with the Award by Ann Garvin, Chair of Christmas Sharing.



Pictured is Brooklyn King receiving her award from Dr. Hal Wilson.

Brooklynn King is a Grade 12 Student who attends Eastside Secondary School. Brooklynn was an important part of Eastside Secondary’s efforts to provide Christmas Sharing baskets through the school.

Brooklynn organized a homeroom challenge to encourage food donations and motivated classes to participate. She also helped to organize and distribute the food for the baskets. In addition, Brooklynn helped shop for the contents of the food baskets and assisted in delivering the baskets to Families that the school had sponsored.

Brooklynn is an exceptional young lady who willingly gives her time to help others.



**Congratulations Brooklynn!**