

JANE LECOURS VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNER

Volunteers throughout society are important and need to be recognized. CCI in particular would not exist without the many professionals and condo owners volunteering their time for the betterment of the condo industry. More importantly, the condo industry would not exist without the dedicated volunteers serving on their condo corporation boards. Bravo to all of you.

2022 WINNER OF CCI MD JANE LECOURS VOLUNTEER AWARD

This year's winner (and inaugural winner) was announced at our AGM in September by Past President Maureen Hancharyk. The winner was Louisa Ryz from WCC 517 at 500 Taché, who was nominated by no less than three individuals, Gabe Forest, Angelo Macchia, and Yvette Saurette. Although Louisa was not able to attend the AGM for personal reasons, we did catch her at home to present the award.

Comments on the nomination forms included

- She is an amazing person. Since our condo opened 16 years ago, she has been tireless in her dedication as board secretary.
- Anything regarding the declarations, bylaws, or any issue, she's a fountain of information.
- She is discreet, compassionate, and helpful to all the residents.
- The trades rely on her to access, help them access the building and the areas of their work.
- In any emergency, she is the first person to be called.
- She embodies the true meaning of volunteerism and never wants, nor seeks any acknowledgement nor any reward.

In response to receiving the award, Louisa was very grateful and sent us the following email expressing her appreciation.

"THANK YOU to all of you for awarding me the very first "Jane Lecours " Volunteer Award. It was a very humbling experience when Aesia came to deliver it for me at 500 Tache. CCI has enriched my life with knowledge and with friends. Volunteering and awards are a two-way street. CCI has given me a great deal in return. I think 500 Tache was the first to send our submission into "Why I Love My Condo".

The three major condo courses offered and taken at Canada Inns were fantastic tools for me to understand and appreciate condo living and condo life. Attending many lunch and learn seminars and being able to ask questions of experts in their field, was and is invaluable.



Award presented to Louisa Ryz (right) by Aesia Desrosiers (left)



WHO WAS JANE?

Prior to her passing in February 2021, Jane Lecours was a leader in Manitoba's condominium industry for over 25 years. Jane was a proud, committed and well respected member of CCI. Jane participated on the Board of Directors of CCI, Manitoba Chapter for many years and served as the President of the Board of Directors from 2011-2013. She also served as the Manitoba Chapter National Representative from 2011-2020. Over the years, Jane also served on a number of CCI committees, both provincially and nationally. Throughout her career in property management, Jane's knowledge, experience and expertise was legendary. Jane was also the consummate volunteer, going above and beyond and giving many hours of her time promoting the condominium community. Jane's devotion both personally and professionally led to many lifelong friends which she valued immensely.



Jane Lecours Volunteer Award 2022

500 Tache held a lovely Condo Strength seminar here at 500 Tache which was hugely successful. Many attended and the information shared and learned was very significant.

Our 500 Tache team presented various success stories through Condo Strength on landscaping, detailed plan for change of management, and providing for succession. We also presented some of our success stories to other condos at various times, sharing the valuable things we had learned.

A sincere and heartfelt thanks – I am truly honoured,
From Louisa

2022 JANE LECOURS AWARD RUNNERS UP

We had nominations for several volunteers and all of them were exceptional candidates. While not all can be award winners, all need to be recognized for their volunteerism. In no particular order, the other nominees were

- Marian Mair - WCC 510, nominated by Beth Dyck
- Olga Pchajek - WCC 285, nominated by Sharon Wickman
- Val Cortvriendt - WCC 616, nominated by Heather Kay-Rimmer and Leona Kettles

JANE LECOURS VOLUNTEER AWARD PROGRAM

Do you know someone that deserves recognition for their outstanding contribution to the condominium community? Does their dedication, commitment and perseverance as a volunteer deserve recognition? If so, you can nominate them to be a recipient of the CCI Manitoba Chapter, Jane Lecours Volunteer Award.

This award was developed to honour Jane's memory and in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the condominium community.

To request an application to nominate your volunteer for the award, please send an email to us at ccimanitoba@cci.ca

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands — one for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

— Audrey Hepburn

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

— Gandhi

"Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another."

— Erma Bombeck



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