



PRESS RELEASE

Five Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB paramedics were recently awarded the Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal.

Paramedics **Andre Therrien Jr.**, **Chris Gillis**, **Adam McDonald**, and **Linda Lebeau** were presented with the service awards by Lt.-Gen. Richard Rohmer during the Sept. 29 Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs Annual General Meeting at Blue Mountain. Paramedic **Maureen Sagadore** is also receiving her medal but was unable to attend.

The service medal is awarded to eligible members of the pre-hospital emergency medical service, with more than 20 years of exemplary service characterized by good conduct, industry and efficiency.

Additionally, Superintendent **Mario Danis** has been awarded his 2nd bar indicating a total of 40 years of meritorious duty. This brings the number of current or former Manitoulin-Sudbury Paramedics receiving this award to 24.

At the October 27th DSB Board Meeting, Board Chair Les Gamble offered the Boards sincerest thanks for all the outstanding work of the areas paramedics. Chief of Paramedic Services Michael Maclsaac noted that, "Paramedics come to work every day with the idea that they are going to help someone and the fact that our 5 paramedics have been helping our community members for over 20 years each is outstanding." Noting that 40 years of service from Superintendent Danis is extremely rare he went on to say, "I am extremely proud of the work our paramedics perform and for this group to receive this honour is an indication that all their hard work and dedication does not go unnoticed".

The award is part of the Canadian Honours System made available through the Governor General and presented each year.



Left to Right – Adam McDonald, Chris Gillis, Linda Lebeau, Lt-Gen. Richard Rohmer, Chief Michael Maclsaac, Andre Therrien Jr., Deputy Chief Robert Smith, Commander David Wolff