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## PRHA recognizes outstanding volunteers

**Swan River-** The Parkland Regional Health Authority (PRHA) held its Fifth Volunteer Service Awards in conjunction with its 2007/2008 Annual General Meeting on October 30, 2008. The information meeting attracted nearly 90 people at the Swan Valley Regional Secondary School in Swan River. PRHA Board Chairperson Lynda Mann says it was nice to see a good turnout at the meeting, and she was thrilled with the response to the awards themselves.

“The Board reviewed the nominations and contributions of a number of worthy individuals and groups. As you can appreciate, finalizing the list of award recipients was a very difficult task. Although many nominations were given extensive consideration, we were able to come to a consensus on this year’s awards,” Mann stated.

The Board presented awards to the following recipients:

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| • Ms. Jean Roos                    | Ste. Rose      | (East District)    |
| • Ms. Sharon Zilkey                | Grandview      | (West District)    |
| • Dr. Jim Compton                  | Dauphin        | (Central District) |
| • Mrs. Jessie Jacobson             | Swan River     | (North District)   |
| • Mr. Jason Lounsbury              | Dauphin        | (Youth Award)      |
| • Lorne Robak Band                 | Gilbert Plains | (Group Award)      |
| <i>(Mountain Valley Oldtimers)</i> |                |                    |

Recipients received a plaque honouring their efforts and achievements.

The PRHA will make a \$100 donation, in the recipient’s name, to a charity of their choice. Charities that were named include the Ste. Rose Health Care Auxiliary, the Western Manitoba Cancer Care Facility in Brandon, the Dauphin General Hospital Foundation, the Swan River Valley Hospital Auxiliary, the Heart and Stroke Foundation and the Lions Club Journey for Sight.

“The Board thanks all of the people who took time to nominate individuals and organizations this year. We especially thank all of the nominees for their invaluable contributions that they perform every day for the betterment of health within our communities. We urge all Parkland residents to submit a nomination for next year, even if it means re-submitting a nomination that wasn’t successful this time around,” Mann added.

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