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COMMUNITY



Wearing of the red: A group of Red Hat Society members were out at Burnaby South secondary school recently, including (in front) Burnaby school trustee Diana Mumford, selling hanging baskets. Money raised goes towards the school's parent advisory council fundraising efforts. Baskets will be on sale again tomorrow, May 11, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. outside the school. Larry Wright / Burnaby NOW

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Winner:

Lt.-Gov. Iona Campagnolo and Premier Gordon Campbell present local resident Harry Hardy with a community achievement award.

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Unique efforts awarded

"Renaissance man" Harry Hardy recently received a B.C. Community Achievement Award at a ceremony at Government House.

The Burnaby resident was among a group of nearly 50 British Columbians recognized with the award by Lt.-Gov. Iona Campagnolo and Premier Gordon Campbell to recognize the recipients' spirit, dedication, imagination and contribution to their communities.

Keith Mitchell, chair of the British Columbia Achievement Foundation, introduced Hardy to the audience of fellow recipients, distinguished guests - including MLAs and mayors - family and friends by reading this citation:

"Harry Hardy's range of accomplishments portray him as a renaissance man. He was an RCAF hero in the Second World War and continued on a path of courage, creativity and determination in every project he has tackled. Harry has been deeply involved in



Tetra, an organization that builds assistive devices for the disabled. He has developed and built more than 175 devices, which have increased independence and self-sufficiency for disabled people throughout the world. The mayor of Burnaby describes Harry by saying 'Mr. Hardy has quietly made a real difference in the world each and every day of his life.'

Each recipient received a medallion and pin designed by well-known B.C. artist Robert Davidson.

The community achievement awards are an initiative of the British Columbia Achievement Foundation, which was established and endowed by the province in 2003 to celebrate excellence in B.C.

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