



Kalamalka Rotary: Service Above Self Award

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Sharon MacKenzie - Founder of the i2i Intergenerational Society is pictured with Kalamalka Rotarians, Jim Elderton and David Jones as David presents Sharon with the Club's "Service Above Self Award". Sharon (BA, MEd-UBC, Canada) is an educator of twenty-six years, Kindergarten to University, and has been dedicated to creating intergenerational learning opportunities within community. She has successfully connected government mandated curriculum, youth, and elders at all levels of involvement.



From the once a year visit between children and elders, to the regular monthly 'craft and connect' format, Sharon has now moved for the last seven years into development and implementation of a highly acclaimed and unique full immersion model, The Meadows School Project©. A makeshift classroom exists right in the seniors' facility, interlocking the lives and learning of elders, youth, and staff. Sharon has taken a leave from her teaching position to assist others in bringing youth and elders together, while fulfilling mandated government and facility expectations for learning and wellness. If you are interested in this work and would like to know more about it and/or support it financially, contact Sharon via this link to the website www.intergenerational.ca Congratulations once again Sharon!