



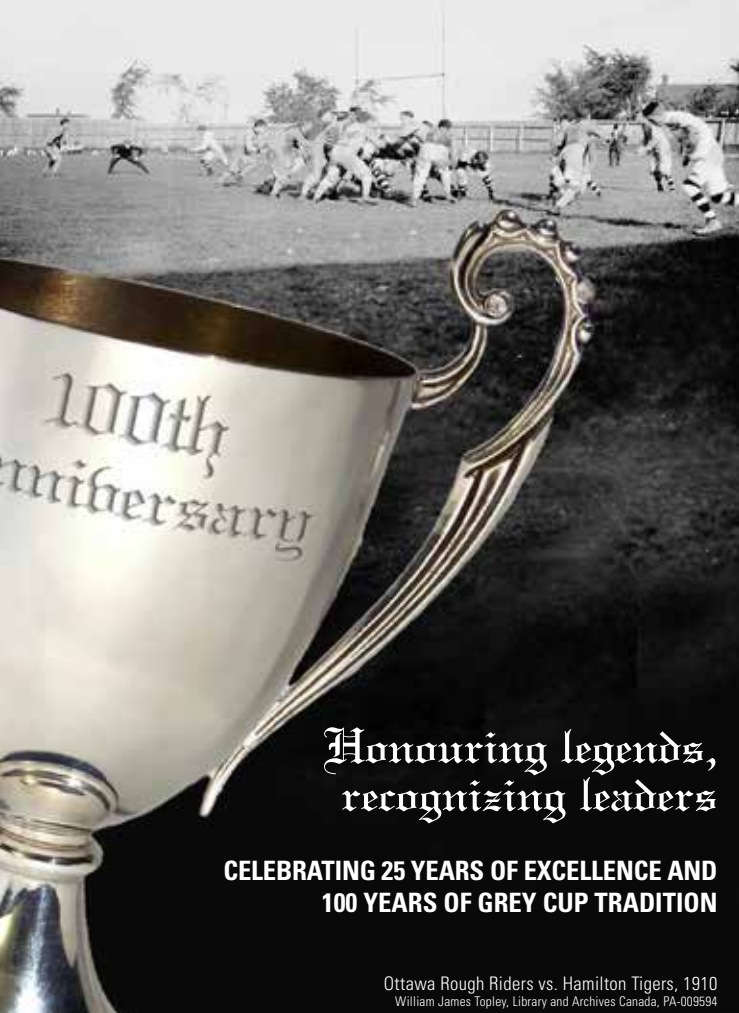
Hamilton

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL

# Sport Volunteer Appreciation Banquet

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2011

HAMILTON CONVENTION CENTRE, CHEDOKE ROOM



Honouring legends,  
recognizing leaders

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE AND  
100 YEARS OF GREY CUP TRADITION

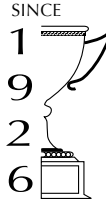
Ottawa Rough Riders vs. Hamilton Tigers, 1910  
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MAYOR BOB BRATINA  
CITY OF HAMILTON

## **GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR OF HAMILTON**

*Welcome to the 25th Annual  
Sport Volunteer Appreciation Banquet!*

As we celebrate our 25th Annual Sports Volunteer Appreciation Banquet we reach an important milestone and pause to recognize the efforts of those in our community who give so generously of their time and knowledge to sustain our long history of participation in amateur sport. Important as milestones are, it is worth reminding ourselves that what really matters is what we do in between them and where we go from here.

Tonight the City of Hamilton looks back and honours the many volunteer coaches, officials and administrators who have contributed so much to amateur sport over the past year. We also recognize the proud 100-year history of the Grey Cup and salute the CFL legends in attendance tonight. And, we extend a warm welcome to today's CFL stars, tomorrow's Hall of Famers.

Looking forward there is much to anticipate. Hamilton's new stadium, host to Pan Am Games events and home to the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, will be a new beginning in our long tradition of love of sport at all levels.

I would like to add my best wishes for our City's continued sporting success and my sincere thanks to all the volunteers.

Sincerely,  
Bob Bratina



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Dear Valued Volunteers:

2011 marks the 25th anniversary of this celebration held in honour of your generous personal contribution to amateur sport in the City of Hamilton. As the General Manager of Community Services for the City, I am proud to welcome you and our renowned guests, the stars of the CFL.

Your service to the amateur sporting community also serves our community at large. The skills taught, the enthusiasm generated and the personal self-confidence fostered through participation in sport enrich our city and carry forward our long tradition of support for amateur sport.

Tonight, as we gather to recognize your contribution and to honour the legends of the CFL, I look forward to the coming year and the opportunity to work with you once again.

Congratulations to all!

Sincerely,

Joe-Anne Priel  
General Manager



Our theme for this, our 25th Annual Sports Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, is “Honouring Legends, Recognizing Leaders.”

As President of SportHamilton I am delighted to share this special evening with so many CFL greats, past and present. Among our distinguished guests are legendary players and members of the CFL Hall of Fame who are part of the exciting, 100-year history of the Grey Cup—and many have the rings to prove it. I would like to extend my personal thanks to each of them for being present to share our celebrations this evening.

Like the Grey Cup, our city has a long and rich sports history. That history is sustained by our love of sport on all levels and by a deep and enduring tradition of volunteerism. We have no greater asset to carry us into the future than the volunteers who lead by example, generously sharing their time, energy and enthusiasm to build a stronger sporting community and carry on the tradition that is so much part of the City of Hamilton.

Many thanks to each of the sports volunteers for being part of our strong sporting tradition. Their contributions are invaluable. I extend my personal thanks to each of the board members at SportHamilton and the award selection committee for their hard work in organizing and administering the award programme.

Thanks also goes to Pearson Dunn Insurance, United Trophy, Investors Group, Cable 14, Sheraton Hamilton, and SportsXpress. Without their generous support this evening would not be possible.

Helen Downey  
President, SportHamilton

***Sport for all***

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# Programme

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## GREETINGS

Al Craig, Master of Ceremonies

Diane LaPointe-Kay, Director, Recreation Division of Community Services

*This Is Our Game*, CFL Video

Mayor Bob Bratina, City of Hamilton

Introduction of CFL Legends

National Anthem

## DINNER

Caesar Salad, Penne Arrabiata

Roast Beef, Mediterranean Chicken

Roasted Potatoes, P.E.I. Mixed Vegetables

Assorted Rolls, Butter

Dessert, Coffee, Tea

## MAJOR AWARDS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

Ray Lewis Community Service Award

Dr. Gene Sutton Club Excellence Award

Presentation of Hamilton Hero Banners

100th Anniversary Grey Cup Video

### CFL LEGENDS

Less Browne, Russ Jackson, Granny Liggins

Ron Foxcroft Fair Play Award

Investors Group Ray Johnson Coach of the Year Award

### CFL LEGENDS

Peter Dalla Riva, Terry Evanshen, Garney Henley, Ang Mosca

Pearson Dunn Insurance Inc. Distinguished Sport Volunteer Awards

United Trophy Volunteer of the Year Award

*Put Your Hands Up in the Air*, Finale Video

AWARD WINNERS' GROUP PHOTO TO FOLLOW DINNER



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# Major Awards

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## **RAY LEWIS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

Presented in the adult category to an outstanding Hamilton athlete who has excelled in sport and has also made a significant contribution to the Hamilton community.

## **DR. GENE SUTTON CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD**

The Dr. Gene Sutton Club Excellence Award was established by the City of Hamilton in 2010 to recognize a model sports or recreation organization that provides quality youth programming, promotes healthy living, exemplifies respect for sport and fair play, and is a role model for youth in the Hamilton community.

The award is named after Dr. Gene Sutton who was dedicated to quality amateur sport in Hamilton. Dr. Sutton was an advocate for providing a safe, healthy, and fun environment for youth in sport and encouraged sportsmanship and fair play.

## **RON FOXCROFT FAIR PLAY AWARD**

Presented to an official who has demonstrated tremendous dedication to the principles of fair play and played a leadership role in the development of sport officials.

## **INVESTORS GROUP RAY JOHNSON COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Presented to an individual who best exemplifies the attributes that contribute to quality coaching.

## **PEARSON DUNN INSURANCE INC. MOST OUTSTANDING SPORT VOLUNTEER AWARDS**

Presented to individuals nominated for a minimum 10-year contribution to sport in the community. Nominees can only win once and are screened for potential as candidates for other awards.

## **UNITED TROPHY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Presented to an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment as an active volunteer in amateur sport over an extended period of time; may be a previous winner of a distinguished sport volunteer award.



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# Legends of the Canadian Football League

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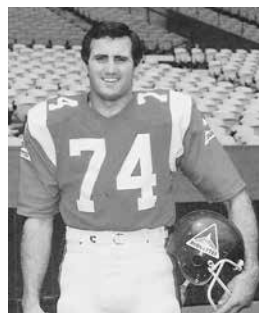
## 15 LESS BROWNE



One of the best defensive backs in the history of the CFL, Less Browne was a six-time CFL All-Star selection and was twice nominated for the Schenley Most Outstanding Defensive Player. He holds three Eastern Division and three Western Division All-Star awards. He has played in four Grey Cup games, winning three. Less still holds the records for most interceptions in a career (87), most interception return yards in a career (1,508), and ranks second for most interceptions in a season, with 14 in 1990 with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers. He currently shares the Hamilton Tiger-Cats single-game interception record with four, set in 1986. Less was inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame in 2002 and in 2008 his name was added to the Hamilton Tiger-Cats Wall of Honour.

## 74 PETER DALLA RIVA

Peter Dalla Riva grew up in Hamilton, just blocks away from Ivor Wynne Stadium. He was Montreal's leading pass receiver in 1970, '72, '75, '76, and '77. He is second in club history with 54 touchdown catches, and third in receptions, receiving yards and total touchdowns. As tight end, Peter was a three-time Eastern Division All-Star and three-time CFL All-Star. In 1973 he was the All-Star game MVP. He played in six Grey Cups, winning three. Dalla Riva played his entire 14-year career, from 1968 to 1981, with Montreal and his jersey #74 was retired on October 24, 1981. He was inducted into the CFL Hall of Fame in 1993.



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## 25 TERRY EVANSHEN

1965 Rookie of the Year, and 1967 and 1971 Schenley Award winner for Outstanding Canadian, Terry Evanshen played on the 1970 Grey Cup Championship team, Montreal Alouettes. He was inducted into the CFL Hall of Fame in 1984 and the Quebec Hall of Fame in 2003.



In 1988, a car accident left him in a coma. He awoke with all memories completely erased. The story of his slow, difficult struggle to rebuild his identity, the frustration and rage, the love and support of family, and his own indomitable courage and spirit is told in June Callwood's book, *The Man Who Lost Himself*.

## 26 GARNEY HENLEY

Football Hall of Famer Garney Henley was the CFL's most versatile player. He was an Eastern Conference and Canadian All-Star as defensive back from 1963 – 1971 inclusive. He was consistently among the interception leaders and was also used as a punt returner. In 1972 he received Eastern and Canadian All-Star honours as a wide receiver. That same year, he was the Schenley Award winner as the CFL's most outstanding player. In his 16-year career with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, Garney played in seven Grey Cup matches, winning four times. He was inducted into the CFL Hall of Fame in 1979.



This year Garney will be inducted into the Hamilton Heroes Banner Series and the Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame.

## 12 RUSS JACKSON



A native of Hamilton, Russ Jackson is the greatest Canadian quarterback to have played in the CFL. Russ spent his entire 12-year career with the Ottawa Rough Riders, leading them to three Grey Cups. He is an inductee of the Ottawa Sports Hall of Fame, Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and the CFL Hall of Fame (1973). He is the first double winner of the Schenley Outstanding Canadian and Outstanding

Player awards. He won the Most Outstanding Player award three times, and Most Outstanding Canadian Player four times.

In 1986 the CIAU (Canadian Inter-University Athletic Union) created the Russ Jackson Award presented annually by TSN to the football player who best exemplifies the attributes of academic achievement, football skill and citizenship.

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## 66 GRANVILLE LIGGINS



An All-American from Tulsa, Oklahoma, Granville “Granny” Liggins began his CFL career with Calgary in 1968. Liggins was one of the last players in the CFL who excelled at both offence and defence. Known for his quickness and speed, he was a CFL All-Star in 1971 and a Western Conference All-Star in 1972. He played in three Grey Cup games, winning in 1971.

Granny was traded to Toronto in 1973 where he was an Eastern Conference All-Star in 1975 and 1976 and a CFL All-Star in 1976. In 2004 the City of Toronto honoured him, along with four other Argos, in a poster entitled *Beyond the Game*, as part of Black History Month.

## 68 ANGELO MOSCA

Hard-hitting at offensive and defensive tackle, middle guard and end, Angelo Mosca distinguished himself as a key member of one of the toughest defensive lines in the CFL. He has appeared in the Grey Cup nine times and played for five Grey Cup-winning teams. He was an Eastern All-Star five times and a CFL All-Star twice. He was inducted into the CFL Hall of Fame in 1987.



Ang has recently, with Steve Milton, written his autobiography, *Tell Me To My Face*.



### Hamilton

The City of Hamilton, Recreation Division of Community Services, thanks each and every sport volunteer for making a difference in the lives of Hamiltonians.

We would also like to acknowledge **Mr Uniform, Pro Sport Specialists**, for supplying our CFL legends with official CFL crested jerseys.

### **CITY OF HAMILTON**

SPORT VOLUNTEER  
APPRECIATION DINNER  
EVENT MANAGERS

Greg Maychak,  
Supervisor of Sport Development

Mike Hammond,  
Sport Liaison

### **SPORHAMILTON AWARDS COMMITTEE**

Helen Downey, Diane Lourenco,  
Bill Urie, Zoran Knezevic, Bob Lively

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# Distinguished Sport Volunteer Award Nominees

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Sue Baker	HBA administrator: convenor, scheduler
Valerie Barker	Hamilton Pontiacs Ladies Fastball, manager, coach
Terry Burgess	Mount Hamilton Youth Soccer Club
John Byl	SportHamilton, Past President
Tony Carden	Lawfield Minor Hockey, HMHC
Kendra Coats	Dundas Figure Skating Club administrator, executive, Skate Canada Hallwent Council
Ian and Lynn Douglas	Chedoke hockey managers, house league and select teams
William (Bill) Fowler	Hamilton Athletic Trust Fund
Michael Fuchs	Waterdown Raiders Volleyball Club coach, Mountain Athletic Club volleyball coach, Newman Volleyball Club, coach, founder, elementary and secondary school volleyball coach
Rich Gelder	Hamilton Olympic Club, coach and administrator, CANUSA track coach, ICG track coach
Cathy Jackson	Special Olympics, swim coach, Mountain Swim Club
Johnny Kiriakopoulos	International Children's Games Hamilton, President
Bill Kyle	Hamilton Tiger-Cat Alumni Association
Fran Livingstone	91st Highlanders Athletic Association executive
Brian Maynard	Dundas Youth Soccer, Registrar, executive member, coach
Gary McKay	Waterdown Minor Baseball coach, Waterdown High School baseball coach, Millgrove Ladies Softball coach
Archie McQueen	Bennetto Community Basketball, coach
Ted Neptune	Hamilton Olympic Club
Carol Ramage	Ancaster Basketball Club, executive member, coach
Lisa Rogers	CANUSA Games, executive and board member
Jennifer Silvestri	Hamilton Ironmen Football, administrator
Rob Thompson	Hamilton Minor Hockey, Hamilton & District Sledge Hockey, president and coach
Susan Trink	Ancaster Skating Club
Mark Vuskan	Hamilton Croatia Sports Club, president
Barry Waldron	Hamilton Skating Club, executive, board member, Skate Canada Hallwent council chair, Hamilton Skating Council, Dofasco Skating Club
Alannah Weston	AA Midget Hockey Boys coach, learn-to-skate coach



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