

December 18, 2019

Dear Cold Lake and District FCSS Advisory Committee,

Kindly consider this nomination of Mrs. Kaye Lewis for the 2019 FCSS Volunteer Achievement Award.

Mrs. Lewis began volunteering with FCSS in early 2018. Since then, she has become a trusted and highly engaged member of our FCSS volunteer team. Mrs. Lewis's approach to volunteering is to tackle challenges and task with a, "can do" attitude infused with boundless energy and positivity.

The Cold Lake and District FCSS programs and affiliated programs that Mrs. Lewis supports as a volunteer includes; Emergency Social Services, Community Response to Elder Abuse Team, Cold Lake Bully Free, Feast to Friendship, Seniors' Advocacy, Age Friendly Cold Lake and Stockings for Seniors.

As a skilled cook, Mrs. Lewis generously shares her time and talents to prepare a monthly luncheon for isolated seniors with the Feast to Friendship program. Recently, Kaye, has shared her culinary skills with three hundred middle school students. Under Kaye's tutelage, the students made 1,500 cookies to be distributed to seniors in conjunction with the Stockings for Seniors project. Cooking with three hundred pre-teens and teens, is surely a sign of Kaye's commitment to sharing her experience as well as to FCSS programming.

Kaye's concern for our community's vulnerable sees her volunteering her time with FCSS's Emergency Social Service, Cold Lake Bully Free Committee, and the Community Response to Elder Abuse Team. Volunteering with these programs and services, speaks to Kaye's concern for the wellbeing of the displaced, maltreated and exploited members of our community.

As a volunteer with the Seniors' Advocacy Committee and now the Cold Lake Age Friendly Society, Kaye is a shining example of the invaluable contributions that mature citizens continue to make to our community. Kaye's interest in the well-being of her peers and the development of preventative social programs and services for older adults demonstrates her foresight. We will all benefit from the programs and services for seniors that Kaye is helping to create in Cold Lake and District.

Kaye's influence on FCSS programming goes beyond her participation in programs and services. To the staff, she is our "Newfie Nan", for whom we have much affection. We are constantly delighted by her down-to-earth humour and humility. Her beautiful cadenced voice brings cheer to the office. Kaye's delicious baked goods satiate our hunger and warms our hearts.

Thank you for considering the nomination of Mrs. Kaye Lewis for the 2019 Cold Lake and District FCSS Volunteer Achievement Award.

Sincerely,

Leanne Draper
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