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Nomination forms now available for Cambridge Sports Awards Banquet

Deadline is September 11th, 2009 for submission of nominees

Cambridge, Ontario. June 8, 2009....The City of Cambridge's annual Sports Awards Banquet will be celebrating its 36th year of honouring the accomplishments of local athletes this November. Forms are now available to nominate an athlete in both professional and amateur categories. The recipient must be participating in athletic capacity (as opposed to coaching, managing etc) and must have the City of Cambridge as their principal residence or a prior Cambridge connection; having resided in Cambridge or participated as a member of a Cambridge sports team. The awards are open to both male and female athletes who participate at any competition level.

Awards are also handed out in the categories of Sports Contributor, Sports Team of the Year, High School Team of the Year and Sports Organization of the Year. Further information and nomination forms can be obtained by contacting Jennifer Horndl at 519-740-4681 ext. 4652. Nomination forms are due September 11, 2009.

Past winners of the Amateur Athlete of the Year award include Olympic athletes such as last year's winner Leigh Hobson. The Cambridge resident was honoured for her performance at the 2008 Beijing Olympics as she turned out the best finish of any North American in the women's road cycling event. Hobson says "I was surprised and thrilled to receive Cambridge's Athlete of the Year award. I've spent many years cycling on the roads of this region in preparation for the Beijing Olympics. To be recognized by the community within which I live and train is very special - not only for myself, but for all those who have supported me on my journey! The Athlete of the Year award is one I will always treasure".

The public is asked to help play a role in recognizing the dedication, sacrifice, and accomplishments of our local athletes by submitting a nomination form for anyone they are aware of who is deserving.

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The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2008, the population reached over 125,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement. Based on the 2007 BMA Management Consulting Inc Municipal Study, the City of Cambridge is one of only four municipalities in the province that is debt free.

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