

On behalf of my family & myself I would like to thank you for honouring Ivor in this very special way. I know he would be incredibly humbled & probably horrified that you chose to do this saying that he only did what anyone else would have (& has) done.

Ivor had a habit of stepping forward when others were stepping back & saying 'I can do this' like when Trevor's cub pack was going to close for lack of leaders & when Kristy's soccer team needed a coach.

When we learned about Oakwil through Pauline Fallis after the amalgamation with St. Paul's United Church & were told that board members from AUC were required Ivor's response was typically 'I can do that'. Although he had no prior experience with public housing or board management he also stepped forward when Pauline moved, then passed away, eventually taking on the position of chair.

With the assistance of York Region especially through first Christine & later through Maninder & other board members Ivor learned a lot about how the system works. He attended workshops & seminars – and I have all the paper work which he brought home to prove it - & devoted many hours to learning more.

He got to know some of the residents – especially Anna & Bernie who were on the board & attended various social events before Covid shut everything down.

I know he appreciated all the help he got from each & every board member & was really pleased with the commitment of everyone on the board. Although he was dedicated to Oakwil he knew it was time to step down & planned on doing that at this year's annual meeting. I know he would have wanted to stay in touch with what was happening at the complex.

Thanks again for this special recognition.