

### **DICK WINTER**

Dick received a liver transplant in 1990 after being told that he would not live much longer without one. The transplant was a success, and this second chance of life inspired Dick to become more active in many areas. With his efforts focussed on achieving and maintaining a healthy lifestyle, Dick decided to take up swimming seriously, training under the watchful eye of Master Swim Coach Steve Merker.

Dick won a bonze medal for swimming at the World Transplant Games in Vancouver in 1993. With even more determination and training he followed that performance with an incredible 4 gold medals and 1 silver medal at the World Transplant Games held in Manchester, England in 1995. Dick was all set to continue his dominance at the

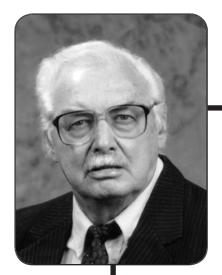
1997 championships in Australia, however at the last moment he was unable to attend. However, he did compete in Budapest, Hungary in the 1999 World Transplant Games where he won a bronze medal.

In addition to swimming, Dick is also a member of Team Transplant - a Dragon Boat racing team. All the members of Team Transplant have received a transplanted organ or were an organ donor. The team is focused on staying healthy and increasing awareness of organ donation.

Dick worked for 46 years as an optician and has recently retired. He stays active by volunteering at a variety of agencies, including Brampton's William Osler Hospital. He lectures at many events on Organ Donor Awareness, and visits shut-ins at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, where he fixes their eyeglasses. Dick also writes a national newsletter for the Canadian National Transplant Association (CTA) and is the Treasurer for the CTA.

Dick's motto is "Seize the Day", and make every moment count. His wish is that everyone would take the time to sign a donor consent card and discuss their wishes with family members. The second chance of life, that Dick is currently enjoying, would then be there for others on the waiting lists.





# **ELWOOD MCKENNA**

Elwood McKenna has had a long and distinguished coaching career. He began by serving in many capacities with the Brampton Minor Soccer Association from 1970 - 1979, including coach, manager and director. In 1972 he also began coaching and managing hockey for the Brampton Minor Hockey Association. Elwood served as a Director of the Brampton Minor Hockey Association from 1975 - 1979 and again from 1981 - 2000, during which time he was a convenor, equipment manager and sponsorship director.

Elwood exemplifies the ideal coach. His coaching philosophy emphasizes hockey skills, sportsmanship and playing for the fun of hockey, as well as building confidence in his players.

Elwood has also taken a keen interest in helping others and has shown his players how they too can help others. Year in and year out his teams consistently raise the most money for the Easter Seals Campaign.

In 1988 he was awarded the Celebration 88 Award as a coach who exemplifies the ideals of the Olympic Spirit. In 1989 he was also awarded the "Heart of Gold Award" by Air Canada for his outstanding contributions to the community. In 1992 he won the Ken Long Award, presented annually by the BMHA. In 1993 Elwood was awarded the George L. Kitchen Award at Maple Leaf Gardens for outstanding contribution of personal effort and service for promotion and success of the "Timmy Tyke Hockey Tournament." Elwood was further recognized in 1999 when he was awarded the Ontario Minor Hockey Association's Bell Mobility Volunteer of the Year.

The City of Brampton has twice awarded Elwood's contributions. In 1987 he was selected as a recipient of a Long Term Service Award. In 1999 Elwood received a Long Term Service Award in recognition of his 25 years of volunteer service.

Elwood McKenna has coached countless players throughout the past twenty-nine years and has left them with a positive lasting impression of the years they spent together. Elwood is an outstanding contributor and an extraordinary role model to the youth of our community.





# FRANCES MCCRODDEN

When Frances (Fran) McCrodden enrolled her children in judo at the Tora Martial Arts Club in Brampton in 1972, she started her many years of dedication and service to the club and to the sport. She began volunteering by organizing transportation to tournaments for program participants and fundraising for the club. This evolved to a variety of positions within both the club and the judo community. In 1980 Fran was elected as the first female director of the Tora Martial Arts Club. Fran was the tournament director for the Tora Invitational Tournament from 1979 - 2000 and has been credited with the tournament's overwhelming success. In 1985 the City of Brampton recognized Fran's efforts with an outstanding service to the community award.

Fran has provided endless support to Judo Ontario, including hosting training camps with special visiting dignitaries from all around the world. She attended referee seminars, arranged and attended "fight offs" and acted as a "Joseki" at club tournaments. In 1993 she was the co-ordinator for the Sports Injury Clinic for Judo Ontario. Fran's duties also included the Pan American Games held in Hamilton in 1992, where she was the volunteer staff leader for registration, accreditation and accommodation. 1993 also saw her extensively involved in the World Championship Tournament as Organizing Committee leader for Registration and Photo I.D.

Fran was the Regional Secretary and Treasurer for the Central West Judo Region from 1990 until 1996. She was voted in as a councillor to Judo Ontario in 1996. Fran was the manager of the Ontario Judo team, the Ontario Winter Games Judo team, the Canada Winter Games Judo team and the Commonwealth Games Judo team from 1991 until 1998, and was instrumental in ensuring smooth operations. She has traveled extensively throughout North America to provincial, national and international tournaments. In fact, Fran has volunteered at more tournaments during the past 29 years than any other member of Judo Ontario.

Today Fran is the Regional Director for the Central West Region, and she has held that position since 1996. Fran has been an integral part of promoting and managing Judo in Brampton and Ontario. Her contributions have been extensive, and she has been and continues to be an outstanding ambassador for the sport of Judo.





## LORENE HATELT

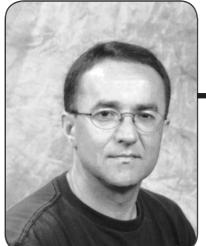
Lorene Hatelt has been a member of Triathlon Canada's national team for three years and is an incredible three time International Triathlon Union (ITU) World Champion in the Physically Challenged (PC) "les autres" classification. She is the current reigning champion for this gruelling Olympic distance triathlon, which consists of a 1.5 kilometre swim, a 40 kilometre bicycle race and a 10 kilometre run. She successfully defended her world championship title in Perth, Australia at the 2000 competition. Previous ITU World Championships were captured in 1999 in Montreal and in 1998 in Sylvania, Ohio.

In addition to her World Championship victories, Lorene captured first place at the 2000 Edmonton, Alberta ITU, where she qualified for the 2001 World Championships. Other prestigious first place finishes included the Toronto, Ontario ITU on July 8, 2000, the 1999 Madeira Beach, Florida Triathlon, the 1999 Learnington, Ontario Triathlon and the 1999 Sylvania Triathlon held in Ohio, U.S.A.

Originally from Calgary, Lorene moved to Bramalea in 1969. She played softball in the Chinguacousy Girls Minor Softball Association as a youth, moving on to the Bramalea Ladies Softball Association as an adult. Recently Lorene has become involved with the ITU Triathlon's governing body for the International Olympic Committee, heading the committee for the Physically Challenged in an effort to get the triathlon into the Parolympics. In 2000 Lorene was part of the planning committee for the Toronto Triathlon.

Lorene's goal is to achieve the highest level in the sport of triathlon, while promoting the abilities of the physically challenged.





## **STEVAN KRAJNJAN**

Stevan was born in Yugoslavia in 1958 and began playing tennis in local clubs in 1974, winning numerous singles and doubles championships throughout the next 25 years. Stevan played tennis in high school and achieved such titles as Peel Singles and Doubles Champion, as well as Peel-Halton Singles Champion. He was ranked as high as third in Ontario in Class "A" Singles tennis competition. He also won a Peel Singles title in Badminton.

For Stevan, the journey to the World Transplant Games began in 1983, when he began experiencing reduced kidney function, resulting in him going on dialysis until 1987. In 1988 his father Laza donated a kidney and Stevan resumed playing tennis six months after his transplant. Stevan returned to dialysis in 1995 until July 1997, when he received the second kidney transplant, this time donated by his sister Gordana.

In 1990 Stevan joined the Canadian Transplant team and since that time has represented Canada on the world stage in a variety of racquet events. In 1990 at the United States Transplant Games held in Indianapolis, Indiana, he won 3 gold medals in tennis, and 1 silver medal in each of table tennis and badminton. In 1991 at the World Transplant Games in Budapest, Hungary, he won 2 bronze medals in tennis. At the 1992 United States Transplant Games in Los Angeles, California, Stevan won 3 gold medals in tennis, table tennis and badminton. At the World Transplant Games in Vancouver, British Columbia in 1993, Stevan won the gold medal for singles tennis, the first-ever tennis gold medal for Canada. At the World Transplant Games in Manchester, England in 1995, he won a gold medal in doubles tennis and a silver medal in singles tennis.

Stevan continues to raise awareness about organ donation. Through his competition and successes as a transplant athlete, Stevan hopes to encourage more people to become involved in organ donation.

Stevan attended McMaster University where he played varsity tennis. He received his teaching degree from the University of Toronto. Stevan is currently teaching at Robert H. Lagerquist Senior Public School in Brampton. He is currently ranked fourth in Ontario in Singles tennis for his age category.

