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Woolwich Township to Celebrate Accomplished NHL and Canadian Team Alumni with Banner Raising Ceremony

Woolwich, ON – On September 22nd, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., the Woolwich community is invited to attend a heartfelt ceremony to honour nine of its most distinguished members by raising an NHL Alumni Banner at the Woolwich Memorial Centre (Dan Snyder Arena). The event will celebrate the remarkable achievements and contributions of retired players whose journeys from our hometown to National and International recognition serve as an inspiration to all.

NHL Alumni Honourees:

- Larry Huras
- Ric Seiling
- Rod Seiling
- Darryl Sittler
- Dan Snyder
- Cam Stewart
- Mark Vines
- Dennis Wideman
- Jamie Wright

We will also recognize our current NHL members, Garrett Rank and Morgan MacPhee, and upon their retirement, will raise a banner commemorating their career accomplishments.

The greatness doesn't stop there. Woolwich Township has a rich history filled with community members who have reached international heights in their careers. We will raise two banners recognizing our Team Canada members and Olympic and Paralympic Team members.

Team Canada Members:

- 1972: Rod Seiling
- 1976: Darryl Sittler
- 1977: Ric Seiling
- 1996: Jamie Wright
- 2002: Jamie Wright
- 2002: Larry Huras
- 2004: Jeff Snyder
- 2004: Jim McLeod
- 2007: Jamie Wright
- 2008: Mark Noot
- 2008: Jeff Snyder
- 2013: Garrett Rank

Olympic and Paralympic Team Members:

- 1956: Butch Martin
- 1960: Butch Martin
- 1964: Rod Seiling
- 2006: Jim McLeod
- 2006: Mark Noot
- 2006: Jeff Snyder
- 2009: Mark Noot
- 2009: Jeff Snyder
- 2010: Jeff Snyder

Honourees, who have made significant contributions both on and off the ice, expressed profound gratitude for this honour. These Alumni Banners symbolize not only personal success but also the strong support and encouragement from the Woolwich community. Community leaders, family, and friends gathered to celebrate this great milestone.

"We are proud to celebrate the achievements of our local hockey heroes. These banners not only recognize the dedication and commitment that our honourees have given to their remarkable careers, they are also a visual reminder to aspiring youth that with hard work and dedication, dreams do really come true!" - Mayor Sandy Shantz

"These banners serve as inspiration for our youth, showing them what can be possible, no matter where you start." - Tina Weltz, from the Woolwich Memorial Centre Enhancement Committee

"We are incredibly proud of the honourees. These Alumni Banners are a fitting tribute to their hard work and the positive impact they've had on the community. This recognition aims to inspire young individuals to pursue their passions with dedication and integrity, just as these individuals have." - Rob Waters, from the Woolwich Memorial Centre Enhancement Committee

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