

Press Release

North Aurora Mothers Club presents annual Commitment to Community Award

The North Aurora Mothers Club (NAMC) presented its annual Commitment to Community Award at its May monthly meeting to Bob Strusz and announced that he would become the first Grand Marshal in the inaugural North Aurora Community Parade on Sunday, May 16th, at 2 pm.

“Bob has given years of service to many organizations and events in North Aurora, including Lions Club, the Baseball Association, Friday Night Spot, North Aurora Days, and his homeowners association,” said NAMC Community Relations chair Becky Barr. “These are just a few of the reasons we chose Bob to give this 2010 Commitment to Community Award.”

The Commitment to Community Award honors members of North Aurora who embody the spirit of the NAMC’s mission, to improve the social, emotional, educational and physical well being of children and families. Past recipients of the award include Mark Gaffino in 2009 and Robyn Stecklein in 2008.

This year, the NAMC has added to the award a new distinction. “We are excited to officially name Bob as the Grand Marshal of our Community Parade,” said Barr.

“I love the village, I love the town. I love working with our kids, as they are our future,” said Strusz upon accepting the award. “I’m honored to accept this. It’s a great award. And I’m excited about the parade this year.”

The first North Aurora Community Parade is hosted by the NAMC and sponsored by the Village of North Aurora, 95.9 The River FM, and several local organizations. The parade will showcase 60 local businesses, organizations, and village officials with the parade theme, “Celebrating Good Neighbors.”

The parade begins at Clocktower Plaza on the corner of Randall and Oak Streets and proceeds east to North Aurora Island Park. Following the parade, the North Aurora River District Alliance will sponsor a Duck Race and other family-friendly activities.

The parade will feature police and emergency vehicles, baseball teams, girl and boy scout troops, dance and martial arts studios, horses, clowns, a jazz band, and many area churches and businesses.

Parking will be limited along the riverfront, so shuttles will be available to the entire community. Shuttles will run from the beginning of the parade route to the end, with stops along the way. “Parade participants and viewers alike can park near the Randall/Oak intersection, go to the riverfront, and know that they will have transportation back,” says Barr.

More information about the parade is available at www.northauroramothersclub.org.

