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SHCA – Award Nomination
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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the staff and clients of Gee Bee Construction, I am submitting this letter to nominate Gee Bee Construction and Owner, President and CEO Alan Batters for the Community Relations Award with the Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association for 2019.

Attached is a summary of why Gee Bee Construction and Alan are deserving of this award, as well as supporting documents, letters and references from community sponsorship and donation recipients.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Regards,



Bev Lowenberg, CPA, CMA
Controller – Gee Bee Construction

**Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association
Community Relations Award**

Nomination of Gee Bee Construction Co Ltd.

Project Summary:

When you combine Gee Bee Construction and community support the result is nothing short of wow. This is evidenced by the attached letters from some of the many recipients of Gee Bee donations and sponsorships, as well as the extensive list of organizations that have received support.

Gee Bee Construction takes great pride in the support given to all communities they are involved in – from the main office in Kipling, Sask as well as the projects that span the province. From golf tournaments to rodeos to high school graduations....from uniforms to donations to construction services - Gee Bee Construction helps where its needed. Gee Bee Constructions understands the need for corporate responsibility to build mutually beneficial relationships in the communities they serve.

The culture at Gee Bee Construction is one that encourages staff and family to lend a hand and volunteer in their communities – some local examples include board members for Kipling Food Bank, Kipling KidCare, and Windthorst Housing Authority. Also, both locally and throughout the province the staff and families are members of local volunteer fire departments, members of church boards, organizations, and volunteers for community activities. Also they perform various roles in youth sports including coaching, team management, driving, kitchen and canteen workers, ticket sellers, fundraising, and many more.

Gee Bee Construction makes every effort to support local projects, business and economy. We hire local residents in the communities we are working in, we purchase supplies and tools locally, and support community sponsored events.

Believing in and supporting community efforts for all ages and activities is fundamental to supporting a healthy, happy and vibrant lifestyle. The staff and customers of Gee Bee Construction can take pride and comfort in knowing they are associated with a company that cares about people, cares about the community, and cares about the relationships.

Gee Bee provided support for the following organizations in 2018 – 2019

Kingswood Golf Course

Birch Narrows Dene Nation – Spring Carnival

Fundraiser for Humboldt Bronco Mark Cross

The Great Canadian Bacon Festival

Town of Kipling – July 1st Fireworks

Kipling Parks and Rec

Estevan AAA Midget Southeast Twins Ball Team

Regina Rebels AAA female hockey team

Neo Natal Unit

Team Ede Curling Team

Enbridge United Way Campaign

Midget AA Southeast Gold Wings female hockey team

Kipling Kid Care

Bandit Football

Glenavon Fire Department

Kipling Entrepreneur Group

Kipling Youth Group

Kipling Curling Rink

Glenavon Curling Club

Storm Softball

Kipling Fire Department

Kipling Ambulance

Kennedy & District Volunteer Fire Department

Wawota Wildlife Federation

Royal Canadian Legion Broadview

John Mansuy Memorial Fund

Nipawin Vanity Cup

Whitewood Swimming Pool

Rob Fargo

Rocanville Senior Tigers Annual Memorial Golf Classic

Child Find

Moosomin Ice Badgers

Stars

Prairie Valley School Division, Transportation

Kipling School

Respect...Responsibility...Learning...Achievement

Principal: Mr. David Bircher Vice-Principal: Mr. Garth Shoemaker

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October 25th, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great distinct pleasure that I write this letter of nomination for Alan Batters and Gee Bee Construction in hope they may be awarded the Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association (SHCA) Community Relations field of excellence honour.

This letter is intended to highlight specific areas concerning Gee Bee Construction's immeasurable impact in respect to their extensive involvement in the Kipling community, and at the Kipling School where I am Vice Principal.

Alan Batters is truly a people person. He is genuinely respectful, caring and has a heart for young people. He is a man of honour, conviction and integrity. He applies these characteristics to all facets of leadership regarding his company. Gee Bee Construction, as a result, has touched the lives of the many students who attend and staff who work in Kipling School. Gee Bee has always proven to myself and others that no job is too small. When a student is hurt due to jump pits not having enough sand, later that morning they are filled to safe levels. The parking lot needs gravel for repair, and Gee Bee graciously donates their time, expertise and product.

The support Gee Bee brings to our school and community is immeasurable. Gee Bee is the type of company who is sensitive to the unique needs of our multicultural student body and caring enough to do whatever is necessary to help. Without the transportation support from Gee Bee Construction, our school would not be able to offer our junior and senior boy's basketball programs. School uniforms or awards that cannot be afforded are generously provided by Gee Bee Construction. If there is a need in our school that cannot be met, GEE BEE CONSTRUCTION anonymously provides.

GEE BEE Construction is extremely community orientated and dedicated to the well being of each of our students and this was apparent in the removal of our old elementary school and construction of our school track. Gee Bee Construction gave thousands of dollars "in kind" so we could enjoy a wonderful track. Our schools' track and field now boasts over eighty student participants annually. Gee Bee Construction is a very impressive community orientated company that is willing to do whatever it takes to help students succeed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Garth Shoemaker'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Mr. Garth Shoemaker

Vice - Principal



October 26, 2019

To Whom it may concern

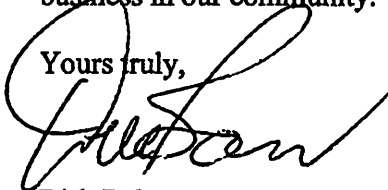
Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Community Relations Award – Gee Bee Construction

Kipling Minor Ball would like to take this opportunity to recognize Mr. Alan Batters and all the Gee Bee Construction staff for the support of our organization over the years. This company has helped with the purchase of equipment and jerseys in the past. In the last year our organization has undertaken a major initiative to upgrade our four ball diamonds. We have replaced the fencing, repaired dugouts, built winter storage, repaired the batting cages and have started fixing all the infields. The infields require a huge amount of manpower and costs as we are properly sloping the ground, adding or fixing the weeping tile and topping each with red shale. Gee Bee Construction donated all the manpower and bought all the supplies to complete one diamond. In the spring of 2020 plans are in place to do the other three diamonds. Gee Bee has committed to assisting also with these diamonds. The amount of their donation will exceed \$100,000.

This project would have taken years for us to complete on our own but with the assistance of Gee Bee this project should be completed in the spring of 2020. The support from Mr. Batter and Gee Bee Construction is truly appreciated. They care for our community and assist not only with our organization but many in our community. Kipling is very fortunate to have Mr. Batters and Gee Bee Construction as a major business in our community.

Yours truly,



Dirk Balon
Kipling Minor Ball

November 6th, 2019

To Whom it may concern;

RE: Community Relations Award – GeeBee Construction

Kipling Minor Hockey would like to take this opportunity to recognize Alan Batters and GeeBee Construction for their years of support to this organization. Without the help of both Alan Batters and the entire staff at GeeBee Construction we would not be able to operate without their various sponsorships throughout the years. Over the years GeeBee has graciously sponsored the PeeWee team and their bus to be used for the Provincial final, helped pay for new jerseys as well as various other improvements to both Kipling Minor hockey and the local arena.

Alan has always been the first one to ask if there was anything that GeeBee Construction or himself could do to help better the organization for the kids. Mr. Batters himself knows the pride that hockey parents take in a well-run organization with him, himself having two children playing for the Kipling Royals. Alan has been a hockey dad for many years with his oldest being a Bantam player and his youngest a Novice player for the 2019/2020 season. Being able to watch the entire organization grow over the years with increasing numbers, and volunteer support.

The support from both Alan Batters and GeeBee Construction in the community of Kipling is unmeasurable, being the first ones willing to lend a hand with their caring attitude that is noticed throughout the community.

Sincerely;

Melissa Bowley

Secretary – Kipling Minor Hockey

To Whom This May Concern;

re: Alan Batters - SHCA Nomination Community Relations Award

I have had the privilege to observe and work with Alan Batters on a few different community events during my two years as an interim pastor/writer in Kipling from Oct. 2017 - October 2019.

I kept hearing of Gee Bee Construction and their CEO, Alan Batters, the moment I moved to Kipling. He wasn't what I expected and I don't mean that in any negative fashion. It was common to hear from local residents how much they appreciated Gee Bee and their many contributions to their community. People really LIKE Alan. Over the two years I have got to know Alan these inner qualities kept sticking out:

Humble
Caring
Authentic
Forward Thinking
Generosity
Self-effacing
Smart
Empathetic

He genuinely cares about his employees, the town he was born in, and giving back to so many. I have observed up close how the morale at Gee Bee Construction is as good as any I have seen over the years in the business world. I took notes. I literally took notes :)

Here is how Gee Bee/Alan made a difference in my sphere of influence:

i) He was a member of the church I was minister at. When it came to moving from Yorkton and now to Regina, Alan suggested that Gee Bee cover the move financially AND supply Gee Bee employees to assist us. Alan would not take a dime and almost seemed offended that we offered some form of payment. The church appreciated his extra-mile generosity.

ii) As a church and ministerial we brought in addictions/recovery speaker Rod Pedersen the former voice of the Roughriders. Rod did a community workshop and school assembly the following day for Jr and Sr high students. This event was very well attended. Gee Bee donated a bit over \$1200 to help cover expenses (March 31 and April 1). The follow up for me as a minister/counselor was significant. For the first half of 2019 I only did three counseling sessions in the community. Following The Pedersen Recovery/Mental Health event the counseling jumped to the mid 30's and is still going on even after I moved to Regina.

iii) Book Signing - I needed a place that was attractive and community centered for a book signing. Richie Hall a 35-year CFL player and coach hired me to write his biography. Alan supplied a beautiful venue which attracted close to 100 people. This was one of our better attended book signings on the prairies. Richie Hall still talks about the class book signing we had in Kipling and Windthorst.

iv) Curling--I am part of a competitive curling team that was going to a national bonspiel in Regina in 2018. We needed some sponsorship money for entry and accommodations. Alan/Gee Bee sponsored us and provided curling jackets that were the envy of the bonspiel. If not for this contribution my team

probably would not have ever experienced our first ever 8-ender, which happened in the playoff round. This propelled the team on to our gold medal victory, where we acknowledged our SPONSOR profusely :)

Alan is very entrepreneurial as I assume the SHCA would be aware of. But, what is easy to cheer for in his nomination for this award is - his high level of integrity, character and GENEROSITY. Alan is the real deal.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Guy Scholz

SHCA Community Relations Award

I take great pleasure in adding my name to what I'm sure is a lengthy list of people endorsing the nomination of Alan Batters, Gee Bee Construction for this prestigious award.

There is hardly a function held in the community of Kipling or surrounding area where Gee Bee Construction is not at the fore front of sponsorship, both monetarily or with the use of equipment and man power.

Whether it is helping with building a dressing room for senior hockey, rebuilding baseball diamonds or making sure minor hockey teams in provincial playoffs can travel together by bus, Alan and his company are always willing to help where needed.

I have known the Batters family all my life and I can honestly say that no one deserves a Community Relations Award more than Gee Bee Construction. The community of Kipling would be a far less attractive place to live , work and raise a family without their volunteer efforts and endorsements .

**Glen Vargo
Former Manager KW Oil Kings
Vice -Chair- Bobby Vargo
Memorial Tournament**