

Capreol earns Five Bloom Rating

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Kevin Moorhouse accepts the Five Bloom Rating from Chris Ziemiński, a judge with Communities in Bloom.

Capreol has taken home the highest rating available at the Community In Blooms Award Symposium, capturing a Five Bloom Rating. It also received a provincial Criteria Award for Heritage Preservation.

With the Five Bloom Rating, Capreol is now eligible to compete at the national level if it so chooses.

“This is an incredible accomplishment,” Cody Cacciotti said in a release. “The volunteers in Capreol work incredibly hard it’s great to see their efforts recognized not only with the Five Bloom score, but also with a provincial award for Heritage Preservation.”

Cacciotti is operations manager at the Northern Ontario Railroad Museum and Heritage Centre and Capreol’s Community in Blooms Committee member.

In July and August, trained volunteer judges travelled to participating communities to evaluate the overall contributions of municipal council and departments, industry, businesses and the private sector – including volunteer efforts.

The judges examined tidiness, environmental action, heritage conservation, urban forestry and trails, landscape and floral displays.

“Capreol has clearly made improvements over the previous year’s entry, and with the continued work in the combined areas it will bring forth spectacular results,” judges Chris Ziemiński and Everett Nieuwkoop said in a joint statement. “Our most notable view of Capreol was its interest in its past and the incredible energy of volunteers that wish to help keep that interest alive.”

The judges also commended the City of Greater Sudbury for investing infrastructure dollars towards the town’s riverfront restoration through the Community Improvement Plan program.

The committee thanked Capreol Home Hardware, Val Caron Home Building Centre and the City of Greater Sudbury for sponsoring the committee this year.

For more, go to www.comunitiesinbloom.ca.

“Within the actual context of climate changes and environmental concerns, communities involved in the program can be proud of their efforts which provide real and meaningful environmental solutions and benefit all of society,” organizers said in a release. Communities in Bloom is a Canadian non-profit organization committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement and the challenge of a provincial and national program, with focus on the enhancement of green spaces.

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