



## NEWS RELEASE



### 2009 COMMUNITIES OF THE YEAR

Pat Neuman, President of Welcome Wagon Ltd. congratulates the Winners of the 2009 Regional Awards for Communities of the Year. Awards were presented at the Spring Conferences across Canada.

**BASIS OF THIS AWARD:** To be eligible a community must have Welcome Wagon's three basic programs in place; these being: visits to families who move, expectant or new parents, and couples planning a wedding. There must be excellent participation by the business community, a high ratio of families visited and good civic involvement with Welcome Wagon. The basket contents must have appropriate civic material, including approved gifts from all businesses and professionally printed invitation cards. Local visibility should be high and enhanced by excellent local publicity.

#### WESTERN CANADA

Under 8,000 Population  
**BLACK DIAMOND-  
TURNER VALLEY,  
ALBERTA**

Also Nominated  
Stonewall, Manitoba

15,000 - 35,000 Population  
**DUNCAN,  
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Also Nominated  
Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

35,000 - 60,000 Population  
**GRANDE PRAIRIE,  
ALBERTA**

Also Nominated  
Vernon, British Columbia

60,000 - 100,000 Population  
**MAPLE RIDGE,  
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

100,000 - 350,000 Population  
**SASKATOON,  
SASKATCHEWAN**

Over 350,000 Population  
**WINNIPEG,  
MANITOBA**

#### ONTARIO

Under 8,000 Population  
**EXETER,  
ONTARIO**

8,000 - 15,000 Population  
**WALKERTON,  
ONTARIO**

15,000 - 35,000 Population  
**ORANGEVILLE,  
ONTARIO**

35,000 - 60,000 Population  
**AURORA,  
ONTARIO**

100,000 - 350,000 Population  
**CAMBRIDGE,  
ONTARIO**

#### QUEBEC & ATLANTIC CANADA

10,000 - 25,000 Population  
**NEW GLASGOW,  
NOVA SCOTIA**