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Early Achievement Awards

} Early Achievement Awards are presented to CAs who have demonstrated exceptional achievement within the first ten years of qualification as a CA, or during their time as a CA student. Individuals are eligible for this award up to one year past their tenth anniversary of membership. Recipients demonstrate excellence in professional, civic, charitable, community or other service and/or excellence, innovation or remarkable accomplishment in their career or the field of accounting in general.



Partner
Wilde & Company
Chartered Accountants

Kyle Bodnarchuk CA

Kyle is the youngest partner at Wilde & Company and has acquired a strong professional reputation—he is known for his expertise, dependability, integrity and generosity. Kyle successfully balances a significant growing client base and his expanding family—Kyle's wife Ashley, who is also a CA, is expecting their third child this summer.

Kyle also shares his talent as a volunteer for a wide variety of organizations. He earned the respect of the business community through chairing an appeal committee for a very controversial Land Use Bylaw, which successfully passed last fall. Kyle was also

instrumental in getting a small business incubator off the ground as a key member of the Vegreville Economic Development Board. He continues to serve his community as Vegreville Chamber of Commerce President, including leading the Christmas Gala which raises over \$20,000 annually for local charities and the Chamber. As a volunteer coach of the Vegreville Vortex Football Club for four years, Kyle mentored local youth. Kyle's spirit of volunteerism contributed to Wilde & Company earning the 2013 Community Spirit Award.

And last, but not least, Kyle is the top goal scorer on the Wildemen Hockey Team!



Managing Partner
Wilde & Company
Chartered Accountants

Curtis Palichuk FCA

To be honoured as an FCA means that Curtis has no doubt contributed significantly to his community and his profession. His exceptional leadership has been demonstrated through his work as a managing partner of Wilde & Company, where Curtis has helped create and maintain a culture of respect, accountability, and generosity and where over 30 professionals have flourished in their careers.

These leadership skills are also evident in his many volunteer roles. Within the profession, Curtis is in his second term as an elected member of ICAA Council, and is currently vice president. He has previously served as secretary treasurer and a member of the Audit Committee. This year, Curtis accepted the challenging role of co-chair of the Alberta Accountants Unification Agency. This requires a special skill set including strong communication, collaboration and professionalism. In the Vegreville and District community, Curtis

has served in many leadership positions including: president of Vegreville Chamber of Commerce; secretary treasurer of the Ed Stelmach Community Foundation, manager of the Midget Wrangler Hockey club and chair of Vegreville Economic Development Board.

In addition to these prominent contributions, what really distinguishes Curtis is his modest, behind-the-scenes volunteerism. From delivering Santa Anonymous gifts and Christmas Bureau hampers to setting up for the Rotary Lobsterfest and working at casinos and Oilers 50/50 activities for various children's charities, Curtis is the first in line to help. Through his humble contributions, Curtis inspires his Wilde & Company team to follow suit and make a difference in our community. Curtis's kind spirit, professional excellence, and fun-loving nature make him a leader very worthy of an FCA designation.