



Volunteer of the Year: Ken Kreider

Each year, the YMCA selects an individual who has gone above and beyond in giving of themselves to make the YMCA, and thus the community, a better place. This year, Kenneth L. Kreider, CEO of B. R. Kreider & Son, Inc., was recognized as the YMCA's Volunteer of the Year.

Ken joined the YMCA Board in 2003, and quickly became an indispensable part of the Y family. Specifically, YMCA's Camp Shand became of special interest to Ken, and he has served on the Camp Committee, and now interim board, for 5 years. Ken often donates the use of machinery, stone, and employee time to make sure camp projects are completed on time and with little expense. Chris Smith, Camp Shand Executive Director, remarked, "Among the qualities I have come to admire most in Ken are his giving spirit, practical approach to problems, his critical thinking, and his sense of humor. Ken is truly an amazing gift to both camp and the YMCA."

Ken also chairs the YMCA's city building committee, which has involved hours upon hours of time and dedication. Under his leadership, this committee has selected and designed a beautiful, new city home, and his insight and expertise in this area have been invaluable.

In his free time, Ken enjoys hunting, fishing, golfing, and most of all, visiting his four young grandchildren, of whom he is very proud.