

VILLAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2010

TED HOLSTEN

“The Villager of the Year award was established in 1991 to honor and recognize a resident of St. Anthony Village who has made outstanding contributions to improve the quality of life in their community.”

Ted Holsten has been active in the community for many years, mostly through his involvement in the St. Anthony Kiwanis Club. He has been in the club since 1979 and has served on the board for most of that time, serving two different terms as President, and currently serving as board Secretary.

As a member of the Kiwanis, Ted has been heavily involved in various community service activities such as community cleanup projects, liaison to Village Fest, various fund raising activities, and serving as Kiwanis advisor to The Builders Club – a youth service club in the St. Anthony Middle School.

Ted has also been active with many other community organizations, the American Cancer Society, Salem Covenant Church, and the St. Anthony Redevelopment Task Force, being just a few.

Ted grew up in Columbia Heights and graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Ted worked for Honeywell for 34 years and took early retirement in 1990. He is now a licensed real estate broker in Minnesota and Wisconsin and working in residential real estate. As a real estate developer, Ted won the Environmental Excellence award from the Builders Association of Minnesota. Ted is a member of the Builders Association of Twin Cities, National Association of Home Builders, Minneapolis Area Association of Realtors, and Minnesota Real Estate Exchangers.

Ted has been married to his wife Linda for 48 years. Together they moved to St. Anthony in 1967. They have two married children, both of whom graduated from St Anthony Village High School. Ted and Linda have five grand children.

As one nominator wrote “Though dedicated to serving the community, Ted has always remembered to prioritize family time first.” Another nominator commented “Ted Holsten is a kind of community member that any community or organization would love to have as a member. I feel that there is no greater candidate than Ted to be selected as the 2010 St. Anthony Villager of the Year!”