

May 26, 2020

To the "Name Consideration" Committee,

I am writing this letter in support of honouring Peter Fogarty with a "Name Consideration" with the city of Saskatoon for a street/park/area named after him to show recognition for his generosity, passion and dedication to the community of Saskatoon.


I have known Peter for over 35 years. I had the pleasure of meeting Peter at a young age while working at Williams Catering. Peter was the Chef at the time and I owe him my sincere gratitude for teaching me and many others the value of hard work and the principals of excellent customer service.

It was several years later that we had the opportunity to meet up again while I was planning and organizing events at the Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo. In 1999 I approached the Saskatoon Chef Association, led by Peter Fogarty, to explore the possibility of having the chef's involvement with a fairly new fundraising event called Zoogala. Peter's eagerness radiated and he saw an opportunity for the Chef Association to partner with the Saskatoon Zoo Foundation. His leadership in convincing several chefs to get involved with the event serving exquisite cuisine along with his passion and determination to assist in making this event like no other, truly is the reason Zoogala has become the signature event it is today. This event proudly celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> year in 2017 and continues to thrive in our community. The Forestry Farm has also benefited as he relished the idea of presenting his mastery in ice sculptures. Over the years he generously donated his time and materials and showcased his outstanding artistic Ice Carvings at the Enchanted Forest and at Zoogala.

I also had the privilege in watching Peter's ability to create excitement while I was volunteering in the early planning years of Saskatoon Winter Shines and he once again impressed me with his desire to enhance a community event with his Ice Sculptures, bringing winter fun to many families to enjoy. He also created Frosted Gardens and brought in many champion ice carvers across Canada to build an "Ice Festival" for the citizens of Saskatoon while all proceeds from this event were donated to community charity groups. His devotion and generosity is legendary when it comes to providing pure family fun entertainment.

These are just a few events that I have been associated with Peter. There are many other events throughout Saskatoon and area that have been enhanced because of Peter Fogarty's efforts. He truly is a generous, caring and an enthusiast for our city. His warm, genuine nature and dedication to Saskatoon deserves to be recognized with having his name titled on a city street or area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna Seidel".

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