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Media Alert

Heroic efforts earn London students top school safety award from CAA

THORNHILL, Ont. – CAA South Central Ontario will present its school safety patroller of the year award Fri., July 20.

This year's recipients come from Sir George Etienne Cartier Public School in London, Ontario.

Shpend Bytyqi and Devdutt Kamath have been chosen for their outstanding leadership and quick thinking for saving the life of a Grade 1 student while on duty. There are 22,000 students who participate in the School Safety Patrol program in South Central Ontario.

"The heroic acts of these courageous boys should help all to reflect on how precious every life truly is," said teacher and CAA school safety patrol supervisor Susan Masciotra.

Superintendent Rob Brown and Sergeant Jeff Arbing from the London Police Service will award the two Grade 6 students the Patricia A. Curran Award.

What: CAA SCO school safety patroller of the year award and VIP demonstration

Where: Camp Samac, Oshawa, Ontario

When: Fri., July 20
11 am – 1pm
(awards to be presented after 12noon)
(VIP demonstration 11am-11:45am)

Media are invited for lunch, when the award ceremony will take place. For media who cannot attend in person the two award recipients, London Police and CAA traffic safety specialists will be available for interviews over the phone. Pictures of the patrollers receiving the award can also be made available for print media. Please call Media Relations specialist Edyta Zdancewicz at (416) 209-4930 for details.

Directions: Highway 401 to Simcoe Road. North on Simcoe to Conlin Rd./5th Concession. Turn right (east) to Camp Samac entrance on 5th Concession.