Shirley Mook Nominated by Kris Coleman

Shirley Mook has been a very busy citizen of the city of Marshfield for many years. She has been an active member of the Rotary club, playing piano for many of their meetings, helping deliver Meals on Wheels to the homebound, assisting in the Rotary lights fundraiser for local food pantries, and she has been instrumental in the annual Walk/Bike to School Day for school aged children. As the leader in the Family of Rotary Committee, she opened her home to many children in need at the holidays, providing gifts, great food, and good cheer. For all her many Rotary works, Shirley was recognized with their Service Above Self Award in 2009.

Shirley has been instrumental in helping found Marshfield's Historic Preservation Association to rescue historic structures, including the old City Hall and the amazing 2442



Soo Line Engine at Wildwood Park. She has made it her goal to help educate people on the importance of remembering history in our small city. Shirley has renovated her own beautiful historic home in the process, which is a contributing example of Queen Ann architecture in the Pleasant Hill Historic District.

Mook will always be remembered for her tireless work as Executive Director of the Community Development Authority, which included building the Cedar Rail Apartments for affordable elderly housing as well as renovating the Park View facility to make it feel more like home for its residents.

Shirley is not only well known for her good works throughout the city, she is also very renowned for her baking. She has kept the police and fire departments in desserts and pies to thank them for their service to our community. She has also been known to celebrate the Christmas holidays by inviting many of her neighbors for delicious pies and to see the lovely decorations throughout her home annually.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that Shirley has been a lifelong supporter of the local high school football team, attending many of their home games and cheering on Marshfield's team. She has also been the heart and soul of the Camp of Champs youth wrestling camp in northern Wisconsin, cooking the wrestler's favorite meals and desserts every summer for many years. Finally, Shirley has recently completed the construction of a new heritage museum in the Community Center for all visitors free of charge. This museum commemorates area military members who have served our country and focuses on the history of Marshfield throughout the years. It has been a long time dream of Shirley's to accomplish this goal and it is a testament to her hard work and planning for many years.

Shirley Mook has been a "mover and a shaker" throughout her life in Marshfield, and has had a definite impact, giving of herself and her many talents to make our city a better place to live.