

October 7, 2010.

Dear friends and neighbours,

As my colleagues in the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department circle the table for yet another one of those gorgeous shrimp, I want to apologize for not being there to express my gratitude in person to all of the wonderful Anmore volunteers. For the first time in twelve years, I will have to miss jockeying for the best position at the shrimp tray so I can take my lovely wife to the Okanagan Wine Festival for her birthday. While I can't be here in person, I am here in spirit. Please enjoy an extra shrimp for me.

On a more serious note, while the Village sets aside one day a year to honour our priceless volunteers, you should give yourselves a pat on the back each and everyday. It is your selfless giving and caring for your neighbours and our community that makes Anmore very special. The Village of Anmore is merely a Metro Vancouver bedroom community, albeit a very beautiful one, without your involvements. It is you, volunteers committed to making our community a better place to live, who make this beautiful place our home. Thank you very, very much.

*Respectfully,
Councillor Mario Piamonte*