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# Darwin City Council

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## Australia Day Awards Announced

Today Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer announced the winners of the 2009 Australia Day Awards. Congratulations to all nominees and award recipients:

**'Community Event of the Year'**  
**Aged Pensioners Christmas Party**  
**N.T. Fire and Rescue Service**

**'Young Citizen of the Year'**  
**Simone Liddy**  
(Diverse leadership and mentoring roles for young Indigenous people)

**'Citizen of the Year'**  
**Karen Schneider**  
(She lost her mother aged 9 and continued to care for her seriously ill father until he passed away when she was aged 19. A Physiotherapist Karen supports many youth sports. Karen also volunteers with community groups such as Red Cross – Meals on Wheels. Diagnosed this year with breast cancer she is an inspiration)