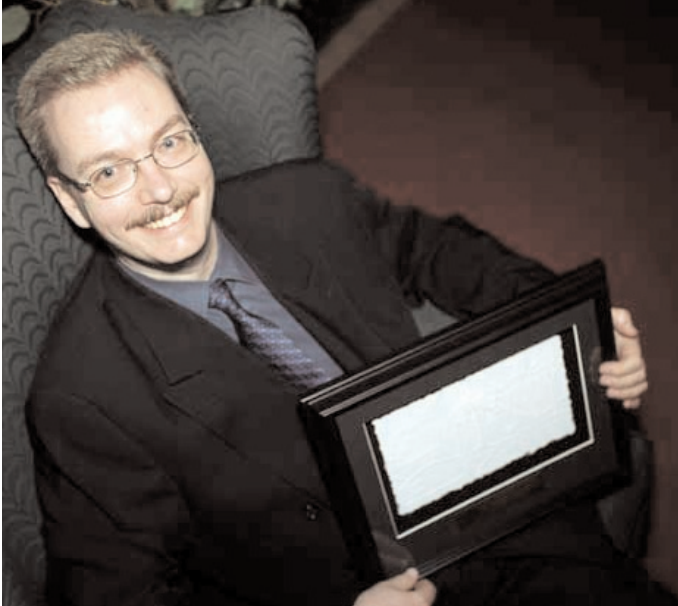




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BUSINESS LEADER OF THE YEAR

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Northern Digital Inc. (David Crouch accepting)

This local high-tech company has earned lots of recognition for its performance as a supplier of advanced measurement equipment, developing and producing products for applications as varied as spinal surgery to wind tunnel testing. In its past fiscal year, Northern Digital increased its revenue by over 50% and nearly doubled its workforce to 140. They are also in the process of doubling the size of their existing facility.

In the past year, they were again named as one of "Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies", and were identified as one of the fastest growing companies in both the Region and in the country. At the same time they also were the first high-tech donors to the One Voice One-Vision Hospital campaign, and support many local charities.