Hampton Township resident has volunteering in his genes

"Overnight success only takes 20 years," says elder law attorney and community volunteer Hal English of Hampton Township. Apparently, volunteering is in Hal's genes. His mother was a teacher for 30 years and continues to volunteer at church and go on mission trips. His father was a nursery and florist shop owner, drove a school bus, started the local boys and girls club and is now in his 42nd year of volunteering at his local fire department and church.

Hal has been recognized by the Hampton Township Council for his efforts in improving the Hampton War Veteran's Memorial by adding of Korean and Vietnam War veterans' names to the display. He has also organized the township's Memorial Day program the past six years, and continues to serve as president and treasurer of the Hampton Community Association.

This past spring, he organized the Hampton Earth Day Clean-Up along with the Hampton Rotary Club, through which he has served as a past president for two terms.

In addition to his other commitments, Hal participates in many activities that provide assistance to seniors. He has been a volunteer attorney at North Hills Community Outreach for 20 years, and was a founding board member and volunteer for seven years with North Hills Senior Services. He



also volunteers for the "KDKA You and the Law" program and has presented several educational seminars to groups such as UPMC Senior Communities, Kane Regional Center, St. Barnabas Charities Ross Township Senior Advisory Group, VA Medical Center Adult Daycare Center, Masonic Village, Gateway Hospice and Arden Courts. In 1999, Hal established the "Just Hello" program, which provides older adults with free telephone wellness service.

In addition to working with many organizations, Hal recently retired from the Marine Corp Reserves after 30 years of service at the rank of lieutenant colonel.

If all of that weren't enough, he volunteers as the assistant coach for the his son's inline varsity hockey team and has coached many seasons in the Shaler and Hampton soccer clubs, Amateur Penguins Squirt and Pee Wee Ice Hockey leagues.

Hal is private attorney with 25 years experience and two local offices: one on Babcock Boulevard and another on Mt. Royal and Duncan. He is the recipient of the 2007 Hampton Township Citizen of the Year award and the 2009 Northern Allegheny Chamber of Commerce Business Man of the Year award.

He has been married for 25 years to his wife Sue Killinger English. Their younger son, Jayson, is in ninth grade at Hampton High School and their older son, Garrett, is a freshman at Syracuse University.

Hal was recently asked by State Senator Randy Vulakovich to run for State Representative for the 30th District covering Hampton, Shaler, Fox Chapel, O'Hara and Ross Townships. You will see Hal's name on the November 6 General Election ballot as a Republication; he is running against Democratic candidate David Tusick. *PSN*

Many thanks to Hal English for his dedicated support over the years of Pittsburgh Senior News and the Allegheny County Senior Resource Guide.



On a fishing trip to the Outer Banks last year, Hal caught a 44-inch Red Drum.



After surgery from a recent ice hockey injury, Hal recovers in the ER.