



## **2018 – Canada Day Celebration – Senior, Citizen and Youth Citizen**

### **Senior of the Year – Dianne Campbell**

Dianne and David have been married for 46 Years and have 4 Children and 7 Grandchildren. Dianne loves music, singing and dancing especially with her grandchildren. Dianne has an unwavering spirit to help others as demonstrated by providing respite for Evan Payne 's parents one weekend a month for many years as Evan suffered from disabilities and this helped his parents revitalize and recharge their spirit. Family is important to Dianne and she always made time to visit her aging family members Gerry at the trailer park, Homer at the old rink and Aunt Eva to help provide care and companionship. Uncle Howard benefited greatly from Dianne's help arranging care and weekly visits from her as his health deteriorated.

Dianne always made time to drive her children to whatever sport or event they were involved in. According to her daughter Megan, "Mom was the best and biggest cheerleader at all our events".

Dianne teaches and is leader of the "Tai Chi for seniors" and an exercise program designed for seniors at the Seniors Centre in Eganville. The participants in this program love her teaching technique and gentle teaching skills. Dianne not only leads the program but takes a genuine interest in the participants and if they are unable to attend or are housebound she keeps in touch with phone calls visits and lunch dates.

Dianne is a very active member of the CWL at St Michael's Parish in Douglas and works tirelessly at their many functions. Dianne also assists with various aspects of parish works. The LOVE reading program at St Michael's School has also benefited from Dianne's community spirit and caring. Dianne is the kind of volunteer that gives of her time, energy and self freely and never looks for thanks but we are very proud to acknowledge this very special lady today.

## **Citizen of the Year – Anna McIntyre**

Anna has the unique and enviable ability to be in several places at once or so it seems. She is a loving wife, mother, friend and still finds the time and energy to be involved with numerous community groups and lending a helping hand at community events when called upon. She is a major influence and driving force in the Renfrew County 4-H, leading countless clubs for the past 16 years. Currently Anna is serving on the 4H Board of Directors. She previously sat on the Cobden Fair Board of Directors and is currently a member of the Renfrew Fair Board of Directors. Anna's love of horses both heavy and mini's is evident by her participation at many local events and horse pulls. Maybe this love of horses was inherited from her Dad, Jack Nolan.

Anna supports her local church and can be found front and centre at events held at the DACA centre. Anna finds and makes time to help at her children's school, Admaston Public School. Anna also works full-time as a 911 dispatcher for the Renfrew County Emergency Services. We thank you for being a very community minded and giving person.

Anna could be a precocious child also as these antidotes from mom Bonnie illustrates

- At around the age of 4 years old Anna attended a horse sale with her dad, Jack. She and her dad had been talking about getting a pony and she fell in love with a little paint pony. Dad told her they would try to get it but Anna was in a hurry and excited when bidding began and proclaimed loudly "Daddy you said you would buy me this pony so keep your hand up so we get it". Needless to say "Smartie" did not come cheap to the Nolan farm.
- At age 8 – 9 at the Royal Agriculture Winter Fair in Toronto, Anna was chosen to answer some questions at the Farm Education Centre and her family was so proud. One question asked was "How many eggs does a chicken lay each day" and Anna promptly hit the buzzer and Said "12". Beep wrong answer. When questioned after she told her family " Well I gather 12 eggs a day at home" and we said "Of course you do Anna but from 12 hens."
- Anna was chosen as Valedictorian at the graduating ceremonies from the Police Foundations at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Peterborough. Her parents were very proud of her accomplishment of being on the honour role. Her speech delivery was fantastic until she undertook to tell the parents how the students had to stick to their budget and if you didn't you would never develop your social skills properly. Anna added " It wasn't cheap attending the "Pigs Ear" the local pub where the students gathered regularly. Cheers, Anna

## Youth Citizen - Rachel Enright

Rachel is the oldest of 5 children to parents, J.T. and Shawna Enright. Her younger siblings are John, Isabell, Meredith and Daniel.

Rachel graduated from Grade 12 at Opeongo High School and in the fall will be attending Laurentian University in Sudbury for a five year Concurrent Education Program. A family member overheard Rachel say that one of the highlights of going away to school was finally having the opportunity of having a bedroom all to herself.

Rachel is very fashionable and loves shopping ESPECIALLY for shoes. She loves spending time with her family, working on the farm and is very creative as a talented singer and actress.

Rachel was very active numerous activities and programs while attending Opeongo High School.

To name a few –

- -Helped behind the scenes with The Tempest
- Anti-Bulling awareness and mental health initiatives - Back Me Up Student Leader
- Organized Mindfulness Day of OHS – an opportunity for students to attend a series of workshops led by professionals in order to learn more about mental health
- Took part in the Amplify Leadership Conference as a member of the Amplify Youth Group at OHS.
- Member of OSAID (Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving)
- Works at Summer Vacation Bible Camp (Noah's Ark) every August for the last 5 years
- Extends a helping hand at St. Michael's Church and the CWL functions

Rachel really does give us hope for the future with her genuine caring and community minded spirit. She is an incredibly organized young woman and always puts other people's needs before her own. She is a fantastic role model for young people especially her younger cousins who look up to her for guidance and example.

Thank you Rachel for being a wonderful young woman with a hard-working, thoughtful and reliable personal ethic and sharing your love of life with everyone you meet.