

# Character CORNER

It's hard to believe the summer is more than half over and all the children will be back to school before we know it. We are so proud to declare that this September 23, 2010 marks our 5th Annual "Together We're Better" Celebration, and we are even prouder that people in North Perth recognize the importance of character in our community. It is still growing strong and as we continue to promote and develop character in our community, we have more interest from citizens, local businesses and organizations that want to become part of this work.

We have big plans for this coming Character Week which runs Monday September 20 through to September 24, 2010. This year, we are adding a workshop for Level 1 Businesses and Organizations of Character, with the generous support from the Stratford and Perth Community Foundation grant. Also during Character Week the Early Years Centre will be hosting a "Developing Character in

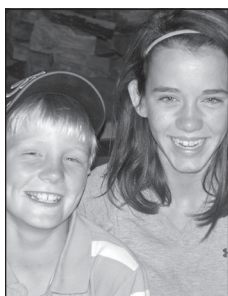
Your Home" parenting workshop and "Meet the Farties", a local children's author who writes books with character messages hidden inside. The Self Advocates of North Perth are organizing an afternoon of "Clean Up the Trail". Our character celebration organizers this year have invited a few local citizens who demonstrate character to share their inspiring stories. More details to follow early September.

We'd also like to announce that we now have an official website, with great thanks to the talented Tami Chauvin, who represents the Chamber of Commerce on our Character Council. Please check it out at [www.communityofcharacter.ca](http://www.communityofcharacter.ca). This is just another way to share stories, information and resources.

If anyone has ideas or information to help us promote character, please contact one of the Co-Chairs of the Character Council; Katherine Hagerman 519-291-5316 or Stephanie Gratton 519-291-1350

## From the streets...

### How does inclusion make North Perth a better place?



Cooper & Regan  
Miller

It's okay to be who you  
want to be.



Nicole  
Johnston

North Perth is a place  
where everyone feels  
welcome.



Stacey  
Bross

I feel respected.



Janny  
Elg

There is a place for  
everyone in North Perth.

### Character Attributes

- Respect • Empathy • Courage • Compassion
- Responsibility • Perseverance
- Optimism • Honesty • Fairness
- Integrity • Inclusiveness



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