

Character CORNER

Welcome to summer!

As we start to wind down and plan our summer vacations, we in North Perth have a lot to celebrate and be proud of as several members of the Community of Character council have been hard at work promoting character in other communities. Branching out and educating others has been top priority for Stephanie Gratton, Debbie Miller, Tami Chauvin and Brandon Lehmann, who attended the annual Community Living Ontario Conference in Toronto this past month.

Hunstville and North Bay were also on the map for Stephanie Gratton's travels this month. She attended the Inclusive Communities Committee meeting, and found many communities to take interest in the work and progress we are making here in North Perth. Several calls of interest have been made since Stephanie's presentation. Inclusiveness and equality were recently introduced as new curriculum mandates by the Ministry of Education. These two qualities tie very well into our goals and promoting character within communities across

Ontario.

Integrity, is the focus attribute for the month of June: consistency of actions, values, methods, measures, principles, expectations and outcome. Focus on demonstrating strong personal ethics through your behaviours. Refuse to be influenced by others to do something you do not want to do or that you know is wrong.

Last month the council had a fundraising food booth at the Home & Lifestyles Show and we are happy to report that a total of \$511.68 was raised. Thank you to those that came out to support the event.

The LDSS Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in support of Challenge Day 2010 was also a great success. The spaghetti dinner raised close to \$900. Thanks to Michele Deniet, as Diana Sweets donated all the food. We hope that all Grade 10 students will have the opportunity to experience this very influential and inspiring day in the fall.

For more information or questions 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...

What does integrity mean to you?



Angela Neill

Integrity is being able to look back at the end of the day and not have any regrets about how I have treated people or what I have done. It's consistently making choices that stay true to all of my values rather than doing what is easier or what others would do.



Eily Martin

Integrity mean knowing and doing what is right.



Kelly Fraser

Integrity is having the courage to do the right thing.



Lainie Dietz

Integrity is what we do, what we say and doing what we say we do.

Character Attributes

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

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