

WLHCA Update November 6, 2018

By Peggy Stewart, President WLHCA

My update this time is overdue, but I have been reluctant to share the latest and somewhat sad change to our executive. Celina Clark, Communication Director, for WLHCA and her husband Rick Clark have moved to a community close to Belleville. While it is hard not to share their excitement in their new home, their contribution to WLHCA will be greatly missed. Both have been tireless workers for WLHCA, strong advocates for the environment, always doing more than asked and providing strong leadership in the issues affecting the environment.

Rick was Director of the Environment, then President for many years. He organized and ran the Wollaston Young Stewards' Environmental Camp providing many opportunities for children in Coe Hill or with parents or grandparents on Wollaston Lake to learn valuable lessons about the Environment.

Celina has made valuable contributions to WLHCA for over ten years. She began as secretary but soon became invaluable as the Communication Director publishing the newsletter, Northern Reflection, and operating the website and Facebook page. While her contributions were sometimes behind the scenes, they made a big difference to the work of WLHCA. She played a very active role in the Young Steward's Environmental Camp and was always there to assist Rick and really enjoyed interacting with the campers. Always an environmentalist, she helped set up the OWL registry so wildlife sightings on Wollaston Lake could be recorded. Many of the pictures of wildlife in the Northern Reflections were contributed by Celina. One of her terrific contributions was playing a strong role in designing and publishing the Welcome Kit, a Blue Box with a booklet containing a collection of a valuable contact information often needed when you are a new cottager on Wollaston Lake. We will formally thank her for her contributions to WLHCA at the next Annual Meeting. She and Rick will be missed by their many friends and colleagues.

WLHCA will not only miss Celina's upbeat, get things done approach, we will miss those amazing skills that she demonstrated managing the website and the publishing of newsletter. We have been fortunate in that she volunteered to put out the fall newsletter for us and operated the website and Facebook page under the executive direction even through the upheaval of moving. She has agreed to continue to manage the website for us for the present. We have begun a search of our members to find a new Communication Director and hope that everyone will help. The role could be possibly be split into two roles, one, the Newsletter and the other the Website and Facebook Page. Please contact me if you know of anyone who would be willing to become the Director of Communication or step into either or both of the roles or be willing to learn about publishing or website management. We would welcome anyone who would like to try their hand at this to contact me at wlhca.news@gmail.com.