

2020 PRWIN Award of Merit Recipients

Intro:

Good morning! We are the Pine River Watershed Initiative Network. We are a Not-for-profit environmental charity. Every year at the Ripley Fall Fair, we present our Environmental Awards of Merit, but due to COVID we are presenting them online. These annual awards recognize local landowners, volunteers and local businesses for helping us in our mission of “clean water and a healthy ecosystem within the Pine River watershed”. The following recipients gave their time, their land or place of work, and support to complete restoration projects or programming we coordinated this past year.

PRWIN Community Member Tyson & Angela Devitt

Tyson & Angela Devitt are landowners in Huron Township. They have been generous to take on our in ground projects and to support our mandate. This year, PRWIN installed two new water and sediment control basins also known as "berms" to control runoff on 80 acres of farmland. Also, they have contributed in-kind hours to the project. We appreciate Tyson’s continued support and efforts to allow us to deliver our programming to the community. Thank you for your leadership!

PRWIN Community Member Tryntje Eisen

PRWIN is honoured to have Tryntje Eisen as a recipient of our Award of Merit. She is a member of the Ripley Horticultural Society and leads the Ripley Youth Horticultural Club. Tryntje has created many volunteer partnerships with our community and her creativity allowed her to develop outreach programs for our youth. She expanded our “McLarty Centre” into pursuing many rewarding activities for children. We would like to recognize her great leadership skills and her kindness.

PRWIN Community Member Michelle Liddle

Michelle Liddle is another member who quietly helps anchor our group. Michelle is a resident of Huron Township, with her husband and three children and is the owner of Ripley Variety. She is multi-talented and has great work ethic, to provide a variety store in our village. Also, she wears many community hats as she volunteers and offers to help out with community activities, sports and events. She can always be counted on to help us host our tree planting events and in ground projects, by providing meals to our many volunteers and board of directors. We appreciate Michelle's continued support and efforts to make our program successful in our community. Thank you for your support!

Community Programs and Organizations

We would like to thank our many community organizations and groups who have supported our efforts with our mission. These stakeholders in our community, showcase the importance of working together to uphold our programming and in ground projects.