

## **St. Peter's College Student Shawna Breker wins Humboldt Youth Volunteer of the Year**

Shawna Breker, a first-year university student at St. Peter's College, was presented the Youth Volunteer of the Year Award. This prestigious recognizes the importance of volunteering and involvement from youth in Humboldt and surrounding area. The award was presented at the Humboldt and District Chamber of Commerce Annual Mark of Excellence Awards held February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Humboldt Uniplex.

When asked why she volunteers, Shawna said, "I like getting involved. I'm from a small community and if you don't get involved, the community will fall apart plus, I love meeting new people, getting new experiences and I care about people."

Shawna's volunteering and involvement in the area is substantial. She is currently enrolled in Art & Science at St. Peter's College (SPC) and is co-president of the SPC Student Government. She a member of the SPC Drama Club, SPC Chorus and is an active participant in many other college activities.

Shawna also volunteered for the Walk for Diabetes in Humboldt, Hogfest in Engelfeld and participated in a food drive for the Food Bank. She has been a Teen Volunteer at the Quill Plains Regional Lodge in Watson and has helped raise money for Prairie Women on Snowmobiles.

As an active participant in the church community, she is a member of the Engelfeld Youth Ministries. She is a member of the Youth Group and teaches Children's Liturgy. For over 7 years, Shawna was an altar server in her church.

Shawna's love of music and performing keeps her active with singing and playing guitar in church and other events. She has participated in the musical production "The King and I" and other drama productions and skits.

"Shawna's community involvement and commitment represents the values necessary for today's youth to be successful in society," said Rob Harasymchuk, SPC President. Harasymchuk added, "Shawna is one the many outstanding students who see St. Peter's College as their first choice for education."

St. Peter's College alumnus, The Honourable Rod A.A. Zimmer said, "Shawna's volunteering is a valuable contribution not only to the community, but also to the country. It is inspiring to see a young person so involved in the community and committed to various causes." Senator Zimmer added, "Shawna, and volunteers like her, are helping to build this country."