

Anna Oehring

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Anna Oehring of Walkerton was nominated by her daughter-in-law Kim Oehring and the rest of her extended family.

Anna volunteers at the Second Hand Rose Shop, local blood donor clinics and for the Walkerton hospital auxiliary. She also lends her time to Habitat for Humanity, Sacred Heart Church, the Catholic Women's League and the Walkerton Agricultural Society, helping with the Little Royal Fair for over 30 years.

In addition, Anna is a long-time member of the South Line Women's Institute and the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary, and is active with the Children's Aid Society, Canadian Cancer Society and Home and Community Support Services.

Kim said Anna has been volunteering almost her entire life.



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"Anna is a very caring and sharing person and a strong supporter of Walkerton. She is always willing to help you with a project, big or small," wrote Kim.

Anna, who isn't aware of who nominated her, said she's thrilled to be one of the finalists.

"It's quite an honour to be the only lady with four guys," she said. "They're a good group and I'm honoured to be part of them."

He was co-chair of Walkerton's homecoming in 2006, and helped to plan Cargill's homecoming in 2004. Dales was also the Watershed bar chair, a member of the CDCF committee.



Brian Dales

On the nomination form, the nominator wrote: "Brian is a person who lives out the ideas of a successful community. His total dedication and self-giving is a manifestation of all the great reasons why rural living and especially life in Brockton are so wonderful."

The nominator also called Dales a leader and a team player, who continually puts others before himself.

"It's an honour to be included with the other nominees," said Dales. "I enjoy volunteering for groups and events to improve our community's image and way of life."