

## NOMINEE BIO'S

### **MARK BEGG**

Mark Begg is General Manager at Delaney Bus Lines in Avonmore, Ontario. He is a certified professional driving instructor and is the President of the Ontario School Bus Association. He completed his Bachelor of Arts degree at Carleton University, obtained his certificate in Pupil Transportation Management from the University of Guelph, and completed the Accredited Passenger Transportation Operator program from the College of Southern Maryland. Mark has been with the Delaney team since August of 2001.

### **MILENA CARDINAL**

Milena Cardinal is a lawyer with the Law Society of Upper Canada. She holds a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) from Queen's University as well as a Civil Law Degree (LL.L.) from the University of Sherbrooke. Ms. Cardinal is passionate about the law in all respects, from its study to its practice. Perfectly bilingual, talented writer, very well organized and recognized for her efficiency, she is particularly good at explaining difficult concepts to make them understood. She is known for the care she provides to her clients and her constant preoccupation with surpassing their expectations.

### **SHAWN FILION**

Shawn Filion is a Certified Financial Planner professional in good standing with the Financial Planners Standards Council as well as holding an MBA from the Université du Quebec. He is part of the Desjardins Wealth Management team where he guides his clients towards their financial objectives. He accompanies his clients in many fields related to financial planning as well as managing their investments. He has served on the board of directors of a few community organisations in Cornwall and Ottawa ranging from museums, health centres and community services centres. He is currently the Treasurer of the Cornwall Chamber of Commerce and has been on the board since 2013. He also serves on the Cornwall Community Hospital Board of Directors and Chair of the Finance and Audit committee. Shawn grew up in Cornwall, left for post-secondary education in Ottawa and returned to the Cornwall area 10 years later with his wife, Andréa and two kids. They are happy to call S.D. & G. their home.

### **TODD LIHOU**

Todd Lihou was born in Cornwall and has lived his entire life in the Seaway City. He comes from a small business background, as first his grandfather, and then father operated Cornwall Window and Floor Cleaning/Rainstream Eavestroughing for more than 60 years. Lihou's father retired a few short years ago, bringing an end to the business. Lihou spent nearly 20 years as a journalist in Cornwall, covering an entire gamut of issues in this city, from politics to education and business. He brings a plethora of contacts through his time as a journalist and enjoys a breadth of respect in and around Cornwall. Today he is the Centretown Coordinator, a position that places him at the nexus of small business networking in Cornwall. He reports to both Cornwall BIAs and the Heart of the City, and maintains strong links to City Hall and its administrative arm. He looks forward to the opportunity to sit on the Cornwall Chamber of Commerce Board.

## **JENNI MACDONALD**

Jenni MacDonald has been a Mortgage Broker with Dominion Lending Centres for almost 7 years and also has many years of experience in the banking world. She is also the Chairperson for the Women Entrepreneurs of Cornwall and Area and a member of the local Chamber of Commerce. In addition, Jenni and her husband are active landlords and have built a portfolio of investment rental properties as their retirement "nest egg". She works with over 40 lenders including banks, credit unions, and private lenders. Jenni helps clients understand the basic facts of how to build a strong credit score to help relieve some of the stress associated with the process of applying for credit. She also works one-on-one to find the best mortgage rates, terms and team of professionals to meet her clients' needs. And best of all, her services are free!!

## **MEAGAN MACDONALD**

Meagan has been in the insurance industry for nearly eight years; she has progressed through many roles and she is now an Account Executive. Meagan is focused on keeping informed on industry developments, remaining engaged in team initiatives and establishing herself as a partner with current and potential commercial and personal lines clients to become their trusted insurance broker and advisor. Meagan is currently the Chair of the Chamber Young Professionals, and is completing her first second year term as the 1st Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce. She enjoys volunteering, networking, and spending time with her friends and family. Meagan is grateful to be living in Cornwall, and is enthusiastic about promoting and contributing to the overall growth of the Cornwall Community. Meagan would be honoured and humbled if she could serve another term for the Cornwall Chamber of Commerce.

## **RORY MACLENNAN**

Rory is a lifelong resident of the Cornwall area residing in the South East portion of South Stormont. A Graduate of St. Lawrence High School, he studied Business Administration at St. Lawrence College & Turf Management at the University of Guelph. Knowledgeable of the many changes affecting Cornwall and its Economy over the past 40 years is directly attributed to working within the family business, Summerheights Golf Links founded in 1962 by his father Dwayne MacLennan. During this period Cornwall has gone from Industrial Mill Town to its present day transitioning into a hub of Distribution Centers for Eastern Canada. Rory continues to operate the golf course along with his wife Kathy, daughter Katie & Son in Law Nathan Andrews. Having experienced the various fiscal challenges over the years affecting business in Cornwall along with its residents Rory brings with him a genuine hometown interest in the future of Cornwall and calling Cornwall Home.