



NORA POWNALL

1925 - 2015

Nora Pownall was described as “an outstanding Etobicoke citizen” at the time of her induction into the Hall of Fame in 1994. Pownall’s interest in education, youth, social issues, and politics led her to take on a variety of leadership roles in numerous organizations and her contributions spanned decades. The Etobicoke Youth Board, Etobicoke Social Planning Council, Women’s Habitat, and Ontario Board of Parole were some of the grateful organizations which benefited

from Pownall’s ideas and commitment. Additionally, Pownall served on the board of the Etobicoke Social Development Council as Treasurer and Vice-President.

She had a particular interest in education in Etobicoke and served as a trustee for the Lakeshore Board of Education and later as the Chair of the former Etobicoke Board of Education. She also served as an Etobicoke Controller and as a Metro Toronto Councillor.

Nora Pownall somehow found the time away from all her other community obligations to knit original creations. These were given to local fairs and the proceeds of sales were donated to her church.

The Etobicoke Hall of Fame committee responsible for nominations and inductions stated: “To everything she does, Nora brings warmth, commitment and a sense of humour that have won her the admiration of those around her.”

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