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Speeches from Bruce County Public Speaking Champions were **AMAZING!**

Walkerton, Ontario: Chelby Morris and Jessie Henry accepted Bruce County's invitation to present their award winning speeches at County Council today. Welcomed by Warden Paul Eagleson, he shared the pride that he feels in the students who won this contest. Warden Eagleson commented, "The County's involvement in the Public Speaking Championship allows for the excellent work of the students to be showcased. They have discovered ways to share amazing messages and are great ambassadors for Bruce County," he adds.

Chelby Morris - winner of the Junior category advocates for the rights of young women across the world, who have their childhoods and educations affected by the global problems related to "Child Marriages". Representing Port Elgin Saugeen Central School, Chelby left those present at County Council appreciating the benefits of empowering girls and young women through the benefits of education.

The Intermediate winner, Jessie Henry from Hilcrest Central School asked those present, "What is more powerful than most acts of nature?" She then explains, "It weighs nothing, they are used by adults and children and you don't need a license to use them..." The remainder of her speech explains the benefits and damages linked to the "Power of Words".

Following the speeches, Chelby and Jessie met with Warden Eagleson and were given certificates of achievement and an award for their accomplishments from County Council.

To listen to the speeches presented today, visit Bruce County's website www.brucecounty.on.ca and find the speech video's linked to the "News" section under the tab "What's News".

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