

**“GIVE THEM A REASON TO STAY”  
Contest winner’s profiles**



**Angelle Marier, Thornloe**

Angelle Marier: Angelle is a 25 year old mother of one. Her reason for applying for the “Give Them A Reason To Stay” contest is simple, she has been working for Ames Contracting for the past five months and enjoys the work she does there. While employed for this company, she has noticed a demand for heavy equipment operators and realizes that having such qualifications could open many opportunities in her field of work. Angelle believes that obtaining certification in the transportation and construction fields would be of great help to her for job security as well as for financial stability for her and her child. Angelle has no intentions of leaving the area. Her objective is to find a challenging work environment where her skills and abilities will be well utilized and appreciated. In her spare time she enjoys cross country skiing, snowmobiling, gardening, fishing and doing auto mechanical repair work.

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**Greg Elder, Swastika**

Greg Elder: Greg is 25 years old. When he read about the “Give Them A Reason To Stay” contest it was obvious to him that he was an excellent candidate for this incentive project. He claims to be a hard working individual with a positive attitude and strong work ethics. Greg believes that the north is unlike any other place, it is pristine, unpolluted, calm and relaxing. He has been working in the road construction industry for five years and it has become clear to him that the trades are suffering from a declining enrolment rate of youth. He believes that this training will further develop the skills he has gained in that sector to the level that industry requires. Greg wants to stay in the Kirkland Lake area which he qualifies as a desirable place to raise a family where he finds everything he is looking for, excellent winters for snowmobling and beautiful summers to fish.