Nellie Giffin Award

The Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation was established in 1990 in memory of the 14 women killed at École Polytechnique on December 6, 1989. The memory of those who lost their lives is kept alive through the scholarships, networking and promotional opportunities provided by the Foundation.

Along with the other annual scholarships managed by CEMF, the annual recipient of the Nellie Giffin Engineering Award will be a leader in her community, a dedicated volunteer and an active participant in extra-curricular activities. She will be selected based on her strength as an ambassador for engineering.

Matthew is the owner/operator of Frontier Field Engineering providing engineering design services for prime/backup power diesel generators in remote locations. Together, with sponsorship from Frontier Field Engineering, a $5,000 scholarship supporting Canadian women in engineering has been created. The Nellie Giffin Engineering Award will be provided to a self-identifying female studying engineering full-time in an accredited engineering undergraduate program with a focus on electrical engineering or computer sciences engineering.

“My grandmother was a significant influence in my life” says Matthew Killawee. “She was a strong woman who helped me start my career in electrical engineering. She taught me that hard work and perseverance can lead to great success.”

“We are very pleased to partner with Matthew Killawee, owner of Frontier Field Engineering, and recognize Nellie Giffin’s role in Matthew’s education” said CEMF President Julie Lassonde, of the announcement. “Mrs. Giffin supported Matthew on his journey to becoming a professional engineer proving that there is more than one way to be a woman of influence!”

If you can support this scholarship, a specific personal donation can be made securely online on our website www.cemf.ca/english/support-the-foundation.

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