**Democracy**

“A form of government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised directly by them or by their elected agents under a free electoral system”

**In other words, democracy is power to the people, by the people, the people, for the people.**

The survival of a democracy depends upon the *honesty, integrity, and accountability* of its citizens, and those who are elected to represent them. As well, there must be a fervent desire amongst the people to *establish, maintain, and protect* that democracy.