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Community Living Renfrew County South Part of the Community



Community Living Shares In The Spirit of the Season

Community Living Renfrew County South had the pleasure of participating in the Santa Claus Parades in both Arnprior and Renfrew. Everyone had fun planning for the parades, decorating the float,

riding up on the float (trying to stay warm!!!) or walking alongside it, waving, singing Christmas carols and handing out candy canes along the way. Community Living Renfrew County South really enjoyed being a part of the parade in both towns and joining in the spirit of the season. A huge thank you to everyone who helped and participated - we could not have done it without you!



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Renfrew Newcomers' Night

Lucy McCordick-Boisvenue and Jennifer Creeden showcased a booth with information about Community Living Renfrew County South at the Renfrew Newcomers' Night held by the Town of Renfrew on December 8, 2010 at the Renfrew Legion.

It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with people from other organizations and businesses in the community, to meet new and existing community members and most importantly share significant information about our Association with others.

Thank you to the Renfrew and Area Chamber of Commerce for hosting such a great event.



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2011 Important Dates to Remember MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Events

May is Community Living Month

Big Bike for Heart & Stroke - May 2

Annual Spaghetti Dinner - May 4

M. Sullivan & Son Golf Tournament - May 27

Hurds Lake Camp - June 20 - 26

Annual General Meeting - June 21, The Grove Auditorium, Arnprior

Boxes Of Joy For Boys and Girls *by Sandra Senack*

Representing the Self-Advocates of Community Living Renfrew County South are: Staff Advisor – Sandra Senack, Self-Advocate - Geraldine Prince, Self-Advocate – Mary Ellen McNulty, and representing the Salvation Army, Jane Forrest.

Once again during the Christmas Season, the Self-Advocate Group at Community Living Renfrew County South participated in the Salvation Army's Boxes of Joy for Boys and Girls.

This year a record number of Boxes of Joy were filled for the Salvation Army to distribute to local children.

The Self-Advocates would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to making Boxes of Joy for Boys and Girls a success.



Ice Fishing 2011 *by Dwane Votour*



It is another new season for Ice Fishing.

We are dedicating our shack with a plaque in memory of Larry Rawn. The plaque was made by staff member Sharon Dellaire. It says "The LARRY RAWN ICE SHACK".

Pictured are Alex Duggan, Travis Tachynsky and Sam Murray who were the first ones out this year. For Alex Duggan it was his first time out ever to the Community Living Renfrew County South fish shack.

Love Was In The Air *by Beth Van Dusen, John Kingston, Debbie Albert, Edith Black (197 Arthur St.)*

A lot of fun was had by all that attended the Valentine's Day Drop-In on February 12. When you walked in the room you could see that most were dressed in red and pink to celebrate the occasion.

Our creative side was sparked while we had the opportunity to make homemade Valentine's. The party really got rockin' when the Karaoke started up! The pizza and homemade heart-shaped cookies were a real hit.

We are looking forward to the next Arnprior Drop-In.

Thanks Gloria Tunn for a great time.



Chinese New Year Carnival *by Nicole Brown*

What a blast we had at our Chinese New Year Carnival. I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who participated and for the hard work in organizing such an event.

The food, the portraits, the social activities, the sledging, the skating and the entertainment for the afternoon could not have been successful without the dedication of our support team at Community Access Supports. Many thanks to all.





Book the Day !
Friday, May 27, 2011

For the 11th Annual M. Sullivan & Son Golf Tournament

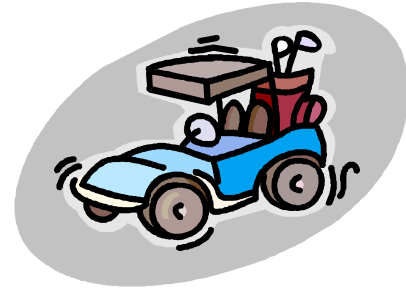
Your day will include green fees at the Madawaska Golf Course, complete with cart, a bucket of balls, BBQ lunch, buffet dinner and several events and challenges throughout the day

All proceeds to Community Living Renfrew County South's Transition Program for Children and Youth

If you are interested in putting a team together, sponsoring a hole or donating a prize, please call

Tina MacLaren 613-623-4955
Ann Blimkie 613-432-6763

Get a team together and have a fun day of golfing!!



Ministry of Community and Social Service Information

As of January 1, 2011 all organizations previously funded under the *Developmental Services Act* to provide services and supports to adults with developmental disabilities will now be funded under the new legislation of the *Services and Supports to Promote the Social Inclusion of Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act, 2008*.

Community Living Renfrew County South is required to comply with this new legislation. The first part involved providing training to all our employees and Board Members on Ontario Regulation 299/10 – Quality Assurance Measures. This was completed in December 2010 and January 2011.

Quality Assurance Measures has been developed and is being implemented to ensure that organizations are responsibly providing quality services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities. Some of the areas addressed in the Quality Assurance Measures include: promoting individual's rights, social inclusion and independence, respecting confidentiality and privacy, ensuring individuals reside in and participate in programs that take place in safe and secure settings and providing individuals with information and support with health issues, medical services, medication, nutrition, fitness and finances.

One of the most significant areas addressed in this Regulation is abuse prevention and reporting to ensure the protection and safety of the individuals supported.

Over the next year Community Living Renfrew County South will continue to work with the Ministry of Community and Social Services to comply with this new legislation and implement the Quality Assurance Measures requirements. If you have any questions or would like further information please feel free to contact Jennifer Creeden at 613-432-6763 ext. 106. Thank you.

March Break Program 2011

Community Living Renfrew County South is excited to be providing their first recreational March Break Program for Youth in both Renfrew and Arnprior. We are able to offer these programs to individuals and their families due to the success and generosity of the M. Sullivan & Son Golf Tournament held in Arnprior every May and the

Laurel Rafuse Memorial Golf Tournament held in Renfrew every September. The individuals participating in the March Break Program, their families and Community Living Renfrew County South are truly appreciative of the community support for both of these programs which allows these valuable opportunities to be provided.

MAY IS COMMUNITY LIVING MONTH

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THIS MONTH THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR CLRCS EVENTS

BIG BIKE FOR HEART & STROKE IN ARNPRIOR on May 2nd

Ride, Sponsor or Cheer

Contact Sandy at 1-613-623-4955 for more info

6th ANNUAL FAMILY & FRIENDS SPAGHETTI DINNER on May 4th

Renfrew Canadian Legion

Music, Meet and Greet: 4:30 to 5:30pm

Dinner is Served: 5:30 to 7:30pm

Contact Alana, Gloria or Nicole at the Renfrew Office for tickets: \$10

THANK YOU!!!!!!



On Monday May 2, Community Living Renfrew County South will be participating in the Big Bike for Heart and Stroke. Last year there were 29 participants who were part of the ride and we raised over \$2000.00 for the cause. This year we hope to exceed that amount.

If you are interested in riding with us please call Sandy at the Arnprior Community Access Supports at 613-623-4955.



MISSION STATEMENT

“working with others to improve the quality of life for people with developmental disabilities”



The Goal of Community Living Renfrew County South is: That all persons live in a state of dignity, share in all elements of living in the community and have the opportunity to participate effectively. This goal envisions a community where all people are welcomed and supported without discrimination.



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Congratulations to the winners of the Staff draws

Lori Murdock - Valentines Draw
Jim Riopelle - Staff Christmas Dance 50/50 Draw

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