



Jack Tassone

where each student (from the University of Ottawa) is paired up with an adult with a disability. It is about making a friendship with people who might not have one. We have 21 "Matches" again this year. Students hold bake sales, sell cookbooks to raise funds to hold the activities for the club. A Halloween meet and greet was held at the end of October. At the Christmas party everyone sang carols and there was a visit from Santa.



Nora Villarreal, Daniel Wong, Kaitlin O'Reilly

Christmas stocking crafts were created for the club by MBNA Canada



Bill and Dan Moloughney



Krista Davis and Louise Martel



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ESPRIT NEWSLETTER

OCAPDD Celebrates 50 Years of Caring

by [Name]

OCAPDD's 50th anniversary was celebrated on November 14th to 15th at the Ottawa Community Centre. The event was a wonderful celebration of our history and the valuable and service we provide to the community. The anniversary dinner was held at the Hampton Inn Centre.

OCAPDD hosted the event and was a success due to his rapport with the community.

OCAPDD was produced by Ottawa Mayor Jean Charest who enjoys herself as the Mayor has progressed. She has family in the Ottawa area and she is here as a resident. He is an author, and is

his acting on the 80's sitcom "Growing Pains."



Alan Thicke

"I wouldn't have missed this event tonight," Mr. Thicke said. "I have been hearing about what wonderful things you do for years now." Mr. Thicke is very involved in many charities, and founded the Ottawa chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Association. He knows the dedication and hard work it takes to be involved in non profit organizations and

One of the guests of honour was Toddy Kehoe, a founding member of OCAPDD (known then as Ottawa District Association for Retarded Children) and a founder of the first school for the developmentally delayed.



Mark Pantelimon

Community and Social Services Minister Madeleine Meilleur was on hand to congratulate OCAPDD for its accomplishments and encouraged the continued strive for excellence.

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Thank You, Merchants

Best Buddies

Please

Your Membership is included in this

our recent 50th Anniversary Gala by the volunteer committee. The Ward, Frank Arcchi, Richard Che and Jocelyne Parent Lewis are to be g such an enjoyable event. With over 300 people in attendance, includt event was a resounding success! Certainly everyone present were enterta Alan Thicke and singer-impressionist Martin Dubè.

's Transformation Initiative has continued. During the public consultatic the Ministry met with over 500 people and received 550 written subm this input has just been released. It is our understanding that the proces nsformation report is continuing within the Ministry. It has been repor will trigger legislative changes, however these are not anticipated until a ection. This report is available for viewing on the Ministry's website.

ts Program is likely the most significant change that has or will com on process, as the Ministry begins to provide 'individualized funding province. In Ottawa, we understand that 44 families received Passp d they are now in the process of researching service alternatives from o ty.

embarking on a comprehensive expansion plan over the next several mor ion of 16 additional residential placements. The project will include major Campbell and Charette buildings, and the purchase of 6 condominium the city. The 'Conservatory Program' will be modeled upon our successfu d will be home to 12 individuals in the near future.

g provincial budget will be significant as Ontario gears up for an electio ntly there is much activity being directed towards lobbying the Govt to right: Wayne Walker, Leanne nding for the Developmental Services sector. There will be additional oppert bert Fretts, Bob Riddell and Glen Opie rmation as the Standing Committee on Economic and Finance Affairs to right: Geraldine McGarrity, Rhonda n Skerritt

s across the province in the New Year. I would encourage you to attempt t h Skerritt
 vent, and offer my assistance should you be confirmed for presentation. /
 bbying the Government continues to be writing letters to your provincial
 rage you to take this action, and can provide you with background materi,
 note, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a safe and joyous hoi
 ward to further communication with you in the New Year.

ays! Joyeuses Fêtes!
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Recycle your Christmas Gift Bags

Don't know what to do with all those Christmas gift bags? Why not send them to OCAPDD, we will gladly take them off your hands.

Contact Nicole Houle at 613-569-8993, extension 0 or by email at nhoule@ocapdd.on.ca.

walking Club is about giving people the chance to become more of their personal health and wellness. We hope this will create t where they can discover healthy choices and an appreciatio ole that fitness can play in their lives. We believe that relationship of environment will also be positive and rewarding.



Community Support Services co YMCA to develop a partnership support the CSS Walking C Ennis, the YMCA Regional I Kanata and the Merivale locatio enough to provide us the u Merivale facility including the tr cardio room. We are pleased t the cost to individuals will be minimum.

The CSS Walking Club started 7th. Eight people have joined s shirts have been provided participant to solidify their mer the club. All participants cor warm-up, walking, resistance t cool-down. Everyone did rema working at their own pace, a themselves thoroughly.

You, Merci, Gracias

vor Clost and Daniel Patton from MBNA.
 d 600 T-Shirts and 4 Christmas Hampers.
 ers painted the barn at Silver Spring Farm bedroom and living room at Oakdean.

ers have baked for both the Aktion Club & ers cut and assembled Christmas crafts es.

providing 95% of the volunteers for the ie St. Laurent Shopping Centre gift wrap



Back left to right = Graeme Fox, Mike Knott. Middle left to right = Michèl, Dona Norton, Justine Nadeau

al Golf Tournament will be held on June 18th at the Hautes Plaines Golf C
 ng your clubs and come enjoy a fabulous day, great prizes and excellent f

Gift for someone?

them the ultimate day!

January 30, 2007 and save \$10 per person.
 our website: www.ocapdd.on.ca)

draising goal is to have 32 foursomes participate. We can achieve our go
 The success of our golf tournament is due to all of the participants and spnly **\$15 each!**

like to be a sponsor at our golf tournament, donate a prize for the silent
 participate, please contact the 2007 Golf committee at 613-569-8993 ex

ournament would not be possible without the help of dedicated people. Sp
 ittee members:

- rkell
- e Clost
- Parent Lewis
- Ms. Sylvie Moore
- Ms. Debbie Blasutti
- Ms. Pegi Newlands

Involved with Your Association

Exercise your

at the Annual Meeting, voting
 ve the opportunity
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 right/privilege to
 ues such as By-

50 years old, has
 mbers. and serves
 800 clients in

The Board of Directors along with the Executive Director invite you to join as a member of our Association. Membership involvement goes a long way towards enriching OCAPDD. For instance, by joining you will have the opportunity to network with other members who share your interests. You will also receive our bi-annual Esprit Newsletter and the right to vote on issues at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) in September 2007.

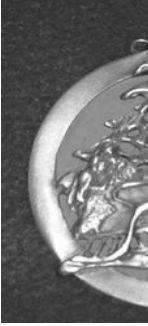
For more information specific initiatives involved with, our Web www.ocapdd.on.ca



These ornaments have been crafted in part from the original copper, which covered the roofs of Canada's Parliament Buildings from 1918 to 1996.

These mementos of Canada's proud heritage were made with the participation of people with developmental disabilities.

Proceeds from the sale of these special products directly benefit the developmentally disabled.



CAPDD/United Way Campaign
Parent Lewis

to take this opportunity to thank all programs who participated in the Campaign. All of your help and support made the OCAPDD/United Way successful event again this year.

programs worked very hard to organize different activities. Head office days, soup days, bake sale, etc... Thank you to all who participated making goodies. Loeb participated by hosting a dance. ARC Industries Alain St-Jean from CTC had his hair cut for \$200. National Archives late Sue Fairley, a client from Arc Industries donated 750 pennies. D... donated chocolate bars for the HR goodies basket.

atastic committed teams with great imagination, fund raising ideas and

Thank-you for your superb efforts in making the 2006 United Way Campaign

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Annual General Meeting
 Wednesday
 September 13
 7 pm

ave an enlightening speech about OCAPDD's involvement with OASIS. Seni
 n and Diane Desrochers presented Executive Director Dave Ferguson and Bo
 t with a United Way Achievement Award.

ous meal, Mr. Thicke introduced the "main attraction". Martin Dubé, i
 iner extraordinaire, wowed the audience with a performance whi
 of Louis Armstrong, U2, and Cher amongst others. The crowd was up
 g with a disco medley and gave a standing ovation for an operatic in
 rotti.



and Jennifer Wojcik

Need help with those Christmas gifts?

We have 2 locations to serve you better

As in previous years, OCAPDD is wrapping gifts at a community booth at the Carlingwood Mall and the City Centre Shopping Center. More than 300 volunteers will be available to wrap gifts to raise funds for the Association.

Our 2006 gift wrap campaign started on Thursday, November 30th and will be ongoing until 5pm on Christmas Eve.

We raised over \$15,500 last year and this year we are aiming for \$16,000.

and let us give you a hand with those Christmas gifts!

Caring

Monday, October 5, 2006, at the Carlingwood Way/Centraide Centre. It was their sixth Day of Caring.

Since starting the Day of Caring back in 2000, OCAPDD has recruited over 300 volunteers who have given up hours of their time in 21 programs.

OCAPDD was the recipient of 10 matches and 86 gifts who provided us with 21 hours of time. Hats off to our sponsors; Bell Canada; Home Depot; Gervais; and Citizen; Revenue



From left to right: Jennifer Tam, Nancy Rainey, Carolyn Leclair, Jane Bachynski, Marie-Claire Deveault, Cheryl Godard.

Criteria:
• To stand for election, you must be 18 years of age or over and a member of OCAPDD for at least thirty (30) days.
• The election is held on the 1st of August, 2007. [August 1st to 31st - last day to purchase gifts to qualify]

The 12 members of the Board of Directors are comprised of:
• At least three who represent families/parents with a disabled child or relative.
• Two from the francophone community.
• And the remainder from the public, private and non-profit sectors with every effort to ensure visible minority representation.

If you would like to serve on the Board, please contact them at extension 225.



From the Board

We have launched into a new Board year since the AGM in September with a number of changes to the agency's plate. But first, speaking of the AGM, this year's affair was a little too orderly. As an ever ending process the By-Laws were updated and the new terms of business were quietly passed into history.

Loss of two excellent members from the Board (actually, all the Board members as President I'm lucky to have this crew). Eileen Cope, the Chair of our Nominations and past Nominations Chair had to depart for family reasons, and Rosa Trevino had to depart due to the Accountability Act of "our new Commission" and helped contribute different perspectives to Board discussions.

Next two, I would like to advise our membership that we are looking for two new members, Board or client experience. Charlotte Roy, Chair of our Nominations and past concern that we need to reach some of our new generation of members. If you want to learn more, give the agency a call and speak to Dave or any of us on a committee member.

Since then we had the GALA. And what an enjoyable evening! Together the 75th they have a tough act to follow. I for one may or may not be so lucky you will so get your tickets early. A huge debt of thanks must be given to the event and lucky cousin (for us) to Alan Thicke. All members of the committee give a big thumbs up for their success. The members were Bill Cowie, Doug Ward, Fran and Jocelyne Parent Lewis.

In the coming months the management team have put forward a new business plan that has been accepted by them. This plan will bring in new clients and revenue. In his part will no doubt provide further detail. And through the leadership of Tania Dinning we are about to commence a strategic planning process to ensure we are on the best road to the future.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank you for the season and hope that we all have a successful new year.