



INSPIRING POSSIBILITIES



Take a book, leave a book

The CLD Little Free Libraries (LFL) can be found at 64 Alder Street and 341 Hansen Blvd in Orangeville.

The newspaper boxes were donated to us by the Orangeville Banner last year. The Options participants and staff Ryan Clarke spent the winter cleaning, repairing and painting them.

We reached out for sponsors so that we could register them with www.littlefreelibrary.org a world wide registry which allows people to locate LFL in the neighbourhoods where they live or might be visiting.

We offer sincere thanks to First Optical and Jennifer Horne for sponsoring these LFL boxes.

The premise is the books are free to borrow; you



take a book and leave a book. The library's therefore should provide a rotation of books for people to enjoy. *Take a stroll to check them out, with all these rainy days, what's better than curling up with a good book!*

SAVE THE DATES

Sat. December 2/17 9am - 1pm
CLD Annual Christmas Craft Sale
065371 Cty. Rd. 3

Over 20 vendors to shop with, lunch menu in the café

Sat. February 24/18 9am - 6pm
2nd Annual Curling Funspiel
Orangeville Curling Club
Fundraising for our transportation needs



BOTTLE DRIVE

In support of our 2018 Curling Bonspiel

Bring us your empties again!!

September 5 – 8

January 2 – 8, 2018

Please help us by sorting your bottles into the labelled boxes provided ie: clear glass, coloured glass, plastic bottles, cans counted, matching beer bottles and place them in the shed in the parking lot on the west side of the building.

Monies collected will be used to fund our February 2018 Curling Bonspiel.

Check out our redesigned website
www.communitylivingdufferin.ca

When you wish upon a star

Dreams do come true, just ask Sara and Barb!

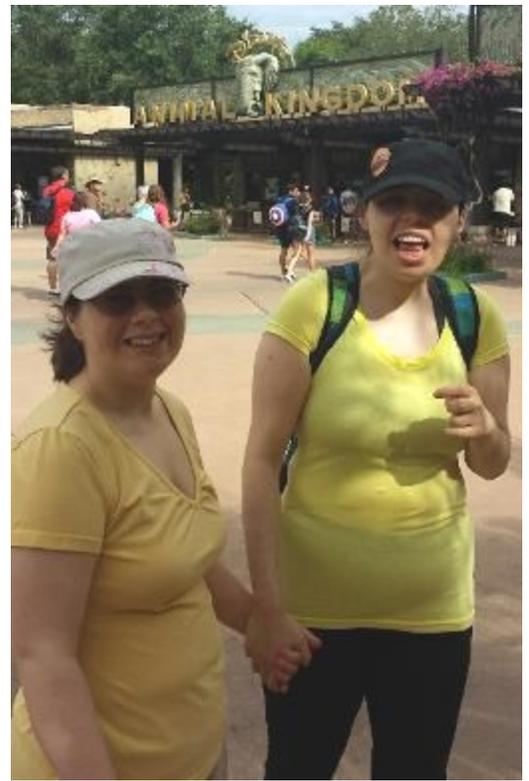
In June they went to Disney World. After a long drive through beautiful US of A, they finally arrived in the Sunshine State and their life-long wish was about to come true!

The smiles on these lovely ladies faces as they walked through the front gates of Magic Kingdom was proof that it just might be the happiest place on Earth.

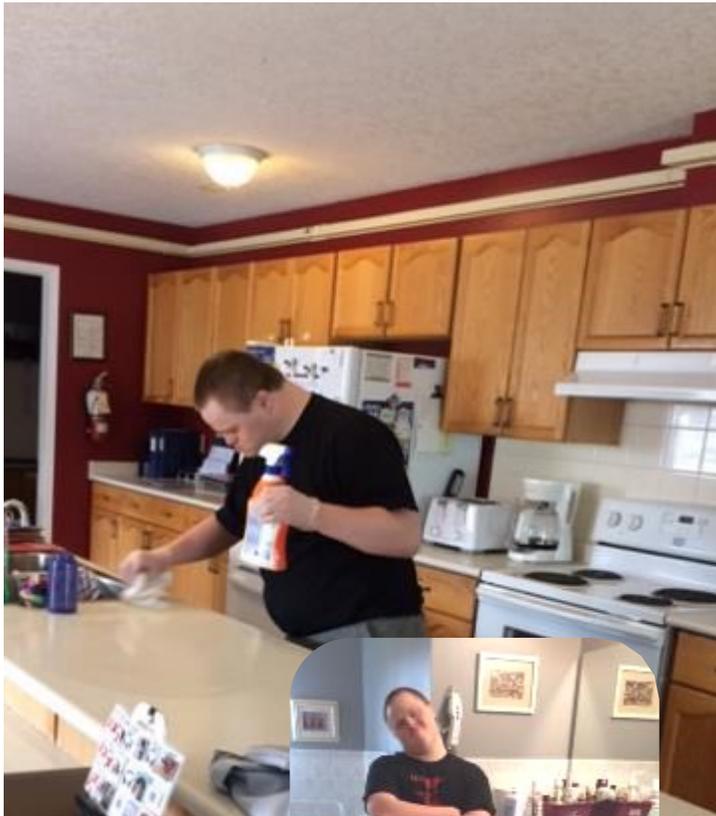


From singing along to It's a Small World, driving a race car, going on safari at Disney Animal Kingdom and giving Mickey Mouse the biggest squeeze ever, it was a fantastic and memorable adventure for all involved.

"Anything your heart desires will come to you."



Employment Spotlight ~ Kirk Bailey



Kirk has been working with Employment Services cleaning the office and various group homes for a year. He has worked hard and built his skills and knowledge to be able to independently do his job.

Kirk is such a joy to work with, always displaying a positive outlook on his work. He works hard to complete his tasks but always finds time to allow for laughs and fun. It is important to enjoy what we do, and Kirk sure knows how to do that!

Kirk shows up to work with a smile on his face and leaves with a smile on his face. He is such an inspiration in the work field and we all appreciate his dedication week to week and his positive attitude. Kirk further shows his dedication with his work in QPAC and Options program.

In addition, to his enthusiasm to work Kirk continues to strive on learning through attending our LEAF program. Again, with his positive outlook and work experience he is a great asset for his peers to learn from.

Kirk has many hobbies outside of work which include his love for bowling, movies, theatre and music. We are very proud of Kirk and look forward to his future. Keep up the great work!

County of Dufferin's Special Needs Resourcing Program

June 2017 Update

The County of Dufferin is responsible for planning, managing, and allocating funding to Special Needs Resourcing (SNR) supports and services. The Special Needs Resourcing program in Dufferin, called the Preschool Resource Program, is operated by Community Living Dufferin through its Children's Services Division.

In 2016-2017, a review was undertaken to assess the current SNR program. Upon completion of the review it was found that, overall, the services and supports being provided by the Preschool Resource Program (PRP) are valued, and are having an impact, both for educators, and parents/ children with special needs. For the most part, licensed child care centres and parents are satisfied with the services being provided, although there is a stated need for services for school age children and children under the age of two. With the new Provincial guidelines for SNR funding, it is apparent that the SNR program currently being offered in Dufferin needs to be altered to ensure it is in compliance with the scope and mandate of the funding. Some of the recommended changes to the program include:

- Increasing the ages served by the SNR program to children with special needs between the ages of 0 and 12
- Removing the current eligibility criteria for the program, which deems a child eligible for the program only with an identified developmental concern in two or more areas
- Employing a broader definition of inclusion, such as the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association's (OMSSA) definition: "*Children, who due to emotional, familial, physical, behavioural, developmental, cognitive, communicative or emotional factors, are at risk of not maximizing their potential. Special needs encompasses children who require support and assistance with daily living, whether formally diagnosed or not, and whether a diagnosis is short or long term in nature.*"
- Adding capacity building for educators to support inclusion in their programs/classrooms as a focus of the program, whether or not there is a child with special needs in the program
- Discontinuing the provision of services that are beyond the mandated scope of the program

Based on the extent of change recommended in the review, the County of Dufferin will be issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to select an agency to provide this "new" SNR program. The agency will need to develop a new service delivery model to address/meet the expanded deliverables and outcomes, and will also need to identify a new name for the program.

Community Living Dufferin is excited about the new directions for this program and will be submitting a proposal for consideration. We have held the SNR program since 1954 and throughout our history have made many shifts in service delivery. From secluded church basement programs and segregated classrooms in the 60's and 70's, to full inclusion in the 90's to present date we are ready and able to take on this new challenge.



GIFTCARD FUNDRAISER

CLD offers gift cards from a long list of retailers, see enclosed order form, & place your order for Christmas delivery.

You get the full value of the cards you buy, while helping us to fundraise.

CLD will receive a donation valued between 2 - 10% on the purchase of gift cards from FundScrip.

Cash or cheque only, payment due with order.



Swimming lessons



This happy group of swimmers were recently presented with their Swim certificates for successfully passing their lessons with long time volunteer and swim coach Elsie Horsburgh. CONGRATULATIONS.

Rural Roots Catering taking their food on the road

Rural Roots Catering have embarked on a new venture. You may have enjoyed their Taco Mac n Cheese offering at the recent Dufferin Mac n Cheese festival through their **Localista food truck**.

We are excited to announce a partnership with them whereby they will provide lunches up here on our site on County Road 3, open to the public, with the profits donated to Community Living Dufferin.

Stay tuned to both CLD's and Localista's social media pages for information on lunch events being held.

<https://www.facebook.com/localistafoodtruck/>



In addition to providing us with this generous donation they are also working with our Employment Plus program to provide training to people we support who are interested in acquiring employment in the food industry.

We are grateful for and excited by this opportunity and look forward to hosting Localista and the community on our property in the near future where we can all enjoy their delicious food.

Employment Spotlight ~ David Boers



David has been working with Employment Services since February 2016 when he participated in the L.E.A.F program. David attended and completed the 12 week program just in time for a job interview at McDonalds. Through what we saw of David in L.E.A.F it was not hard to determine that he would do well at McDonalds. David has an excellent work Ethic. He is never late and works hard from the time he starts work to the very end. David has been working for McDonalds for almost 8 months now. Recently Employment Services went in to make sure that David was happy in his job and that McDonalds was happy with his performance. Julienne, one of his managers said "We wish all of our employees worked as hard as David!" His other manager Erika said "David is a great self starter! He works excellent on his own!"



Before David started working at McDonalds he took some initiative and successfully completed his Safe Food Handling Course. This year David has also obtained his CPR/First Aid Course through the partnership of Employment Services and Link to Life Seminars.

Other than David's work success, he also swims, practices Martial Arts and is a part of the options BBQ and book clubs.

We in Employment Services are very proud of David. His effort and enthusiasm is truly inspirational.

Employment Services would like to congratulate one of our employers "Lots O Fun" for their nomination for the Business excellence awards in the category of the emerging business award by the Board of Trade.

Elieza Mantilla the owner of Lots O Fun has hired two people this year from employment services and has been a great employer!



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IN MEMORY OF OUR FRIENDS



In Memory of Kelley Cleary

On July 7th 2017 Kelley passed away at her home surrounded by her family and support staff.

Kelley had an exceptional spice for life. She will be remembered for her love of music particularly Christmas, and her eagerness to try any new opportunity offered to her. It was easy for Kelley to develop friendships and she valued her time with them. Kelley left behind many memories and will be remembered by her support staff and particularly her extended family.

In Memory Of Cathy Best

On April 28th 2017 Cathy passed away at her home surrounded by her family and support staff.

Cathy will be remembered for her love of sports, music, crafts and exceptional sense of humor.

She has left behind many memories for her room mates, staff whom supported her and most importantly her brother Ed and sister in law Kim.

In Memory of Kenneth Payne

On June 1st, 2017 Kenneth passed away in his home with his sister and his staff by his side.

Kenneth was 86 years old. He will be remembered fondly for his kind heart, his witty sense of humor and as a man who always knew what he wanted.

Kenneth loved sweets, especially chocolate.

All who knew him, supported him, lived with him, befriended him, will always be glad they had a chance to know him.



Retirement celebration



The staff in QPAC recently presented Liz Rennie with a Click Connect photograph to congratulate her on her retirement from CLD.

FAMILY HOME PROVIDERS

What is The Family Home Program (FHP)?

The Family Home Program exists to partner people who would like to share their lives and homes with an individual who has a developmental disability. Providing a supportive and caring environment, Family Home Providers live with one or two individuals with developmental disabilities.

Who Are the Home Sharers?

Individuals with developmental disabilities, the majority of whom are over 18 years of age and receive Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) benefits.

Individuals who have additional physical, behavioural and/or medical needs may also live in Family Home Programs. Every individual has their own unique qualities.

What is a Home Provider?

Families providing support come in all different shapes and sizes!

They can be single people, couples, families with children and families with a variety of different lifestyles. They are committed to building a long-term relationship and stable home environment for a person with a developmental disability.

Respite Supports

The Respite Provider brings temporary relief to the full-time Home Provider or the natural family by sharing their home with the Home Sharer for approximately one weekend a month or another negotiated time.

We do need your help

If you are interested in supporting someone in your home or if you know someone who might be interested, please contact me. I would love to meet with you to talk about your current situation, and to answer any questions you may have.

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P4P Planning Networks link
can be found on our website at
www.communitylivingdufferin.ca

``Empowering families with
FREE planning resources
to help your loved one
with a disability live their best life.``
www.planningnetwork.ca



CLD promotes equal opportunity and respect for people who have developmental disabilities by listening to them and supporting their choices to achieve the lives they want.

Donations

You can help CLD support our life enriching programs through your donation.

Donation Amount: \$ _____ General _____ Transportation fund _____

Programs: (Circle) Creative Partners on Stage Click Connect Photography Life skills/Leisure
Respite Christmas Giving

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Please make cheques payable to **COMMUNITY LIVING DUFFERIN**

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