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In This Issue

Community Living Peterborough pays special tribute to the Awards of Excellence Nominees.

Winners will be announced at the Agency's Annual Celebration & 58th AGM on Tuesday, June 21st, 2011.

Celebrating...

**Leadership
is Infectious!**

*Building Inclusive
Communities...
One Leader
at a Time!*

A tribute to our leaders in Excellence!

- Jack Gillan, C.E.O., Community Living Peterborough

This month Community Living Peterborough is once again hosting our Annual Celebration and Annual General Meeting. It is our 58th and over the years, the agency has grown in both size and achievement.

In this newsletter, we are showcasing our Awards of Excellence nominees. Over the past 53 years, our agency alone has contributed close to 500,000 hours to improve the lives of people. I have read that quality in social services should lead to improvements in the lives of those who use the services and also in the lives of those providing the services. Community Living Peterborough has proven its dedication to excellence by being accredited in October 2010 by the leading international accrediting body, The Council on Quality and Leadership. It was also chosen as a finalist, for the second year in a row, by the Canadian Donner Foundation for excellence in social services.

Why aim for excellence? As service providers we work with vulnerable people – we cannot afford to settle for just 'good enough'. Although often devalued, high-quality supports can make a significant, positive difference to people's lives – we should make the most of that. Nothing succeeds like success – excellent practice breeds excellent practice. Service work involves many challenges – achieving excellence is the ultimate challenge for us. Excellence matters! People experiencing a good quality of life matters!

That said, I ask you to read through this newsletter, and note the many accomplishments our members felt should be recognized in people and businesses throughout the community, some of those who have contributed to the success of the agency in its mission.

The winners will be announced at our 58th Annual General Meeting & Celebration, June 21st, Evinrude Centre 4:30-8:00 p.m. RSVP Caryl Amyotte at 705-743-2412, Ext. 550.

Remember, if you do not achieve the top 3 places in the selections, you, nevertheless, are our "unsung heroes" for this year. You should deem it an honour to know that you were amongst the nominees for these prestigious awards. You reign up there with the top members of our community and with the staff being recognized for their many-many years of experience they have gained with the agency through their caring, loyalty, and contribution to the growth of people and to the agency itself. YOU are our Leaders in Excellence!

Respectfully Yours,

COMMUNITY LIVING
Peterborough

Building Inclusive Communities

Our 2011 Awards of Excellence Nominees...

Community Living Peterborough is proud to share with you, our amazing nominees for our 2011 Awards of Excellence. You are all winners in championing the full inclusion of people living with intellectual disabilities in community. Thank you for your stewardship, loyalty and contribution to the growth of people and to the agency itself. The winners will be announced at our 58th Annual General Meeting and Celebration, Tuesday June 21st, 4:30-8:00pm. RSVP 705-743-2412 X 550 We hope to see you there!

"The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual." Vince Lombardi

**I.LOIS HARTE-MAXWELL
OPENING DOORS AWARD** This award recognizes the contributions of a person supported through Community Living Peterborough, who exemplifies the same determination, passion and compassion for the promotion, advocacy and rights of people with disabilities as Lois does.

Kristin Laine

Recognized for: Her work with Community Living Peterborough's Young Women's Leadership Group, Funded by Status of Women Canada; Empowering women living with an intellectual disability; Educating the community in understanding their role in building inclusive communities.

**Peter Bascan,
President of People First
Peterborough Chapter**

Recognized for: Making Peterborough more inclusive; Dedication to raising public awareness & building capacities for people living with intellectual disabilities.

Shane Marshall

Recognized for: His work with People First and their Peer Education program; Being an excellent Ambassador for Community Living Peterborough and The Kawartha Komets.

**Community Living Peterborough's
Young Women's Leadership Group,
funded by Status of Women Canada**

Recognized for: Building on their leadership skills and providing community education; Undertaking a new initiative and raising public awareness.

Laura Challice

Recognized for: Taking a significant leadership role as a self advocate over the last year; Demonstrating commitment and dedication to further the role and rights of people living with a disability; Developing her skills to lead groups, present to community leaders and organizations, mentor others to acquire self confidence and self esteem to believe in oneself; Participating in various committees.

Colleen Hickey

Recognized for: Her work with Community Living Peterborough's Young Women's Leadership Group; Taking her shy, quiet

demeanor to public platforms to speak up for the rights of Young Women living with intellectual disabilities.

Stephanie Paul

Recognized for: Her work on the Boards of People First Peterborough Chapter, Community Living Peterborough and People First Ontario

Lynda Nairn

Recognized for: Her work on Community Living Peterborough's Rights Committee since its inception in 2002; Assisting the Agency with new hire interviews; For her work with People First Peterborough Chapter and the Peer Educators Team.

**2. YOUTH LEADER AWARD OF
EXCELLENCE** This award recognizes an

outstanding youth (up to the age of 21) supported through CLP who has made a difference in educating community about the gifts, and abilities of people; acting as a positive role model to others through their active participation in community life; and is actively involved in providing a positive culture for inclusion within the school system.

Sara Nov

Recognized for: Being a great leader in building an inclusive school experience; Her work with the People First Peterborough Chapter Conference.

Colleen Hickey

Recognized for: Her involvement with Community Living Peterborough's Young Women's Leadership Group wherein she has developed confidence, self-esteem and personal growth far exceeding our very expectations of her; Volunteering to lead numerous presentations to community organizations and Boards; Her enthusiasm and positive demeanor that is infectious to others.

Mitchell McColl

Recognized for: His work in promoting Easter Seals as this year's Ambassador.

**3. COMMUNITY PARTNER AWARD
OF EXCELLENCE** This award is

presented to a community partner who believes and demonstrates the values and principles of Community Living Peterborough. They acknowledge the importance of

collaborations and partnerships in order to build stronger, vibrant communities AND promote the social value of all people within the greater community.

**Julia Montgomery,
The Size That Matters Clothing Store**

Recognized for: Generously Sponsoring the People First Peterborough Chapter Conferences; Believing in the rights and principles of Community Living Peterborough; For providing an inclusive, safe and welcoming work environment.

Champion Gymnastics

Recognized for: Providing a fully inclusive recreational opportunity for children; Providing the support needed for children to participate in their programs

Tina Johnston, Fandango

Recognized for: Taking a lead role in organizing and hosting Community Living Peterborough's Spring Spectacular .

Wellness Centre

Recognized for: Championing full inclusion for all children, youth and adults.

Peterborough Housing Corporation

Recognized for: Their ongoing commitment to assist Community Living Peterborough to secure affordable housing.

**David & Carol Fisher and
The Kawartha Komets**

Recognized for: Making it possible for people of all ages to play hockey and become involved in their community.

**Ellen Bentzen,
Principal Gwzowski College, Trent**

Recognized for: Championing the Blueboxing program at Trent; Being a great supporter of CLP volunteers; Being eager to promote the Blueboxing team; Actively working to encourage students, colleagues and departments to learn about Blueboxing volunteers and to partner with them in their environmental endeavours.

**Helena Plamondon,
CNIB Deaf/Blind**

Recognized for: Her fierce advocacy and strong partnership with Community Living Peterborough to support people to receive services and funding to live their desired life.

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**Cheryl McQueen,
Peterborough Square**

Recognized for: Being community Focused; Always ready to support, promote and provide assistance to Community Living Peterborough and People First.

St. Joseph's at Fleming

Recognized for: A long standing history of welcoming people to volunteer their time to help others, and include them as part of the 'team'.

**Dr. Cindy Loukras,
Pediatrician**

Recognized for: Providing exemplary service to all children; Taking an active role in learning about the supports services of children's organizations including Community Living Peterborough; Her extraordinary volunteer service and involvement in this community i.e Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Committee, Children's Planning Table for Children and Youth, and the Sub Committee for the Children's Intervention Working Group.

4. COMMUNITY CONNECTOR AWARD OF EXCELLENCE This award is presented to an employee of Community Living Peterborough who displays a strong understanding of the importance of people supported having valued citizenship roles. They have assisted people to live, work and recreate within their community.

A.J. McNaught

Recognized for: Her many, many years of building community capacity and connections for people living with intellectual disabilities.

Krista Brailey

Recognized for: For coordinating the Young Women's Leadership Group funded by the Status of Women Canada, The Ambassadors Program; Helping people increase their capacity and abilities, gain confidence, build self esteem, and make connections.

Kim Pogue

Recognized for: Utilizing her own social capital to assist people in securing and maintaining employment, volunteer positions, and supporting them to further their interests in recreational, leisure and social activities; Her strong belief in Outcomes based supports and commitment to making a difference in the lives of the people living with an intellectual disability.

Sean Quinlan

Recognized for: His excellent support and initiative on behalf of youth; His ability to recognize and build upon small but significant successes for people.

Julie Schuster

Recognized for: Doing an outstanding job of supporting people; Going above and beyond to incorporate people with intellectual disabilities into social roles within the community.

Lorna Brown

Recognized for: Building community capacity and connections for people living with intellectual disabilities.

Pat Whittaker

Recognized for: Going above and beyond her duties to ensure people are safe and reaching great levels of independence.

Shawna Belcourt

Recognized for: Providing a young women who passed away this past February, with opportunities for her to experience the typical life of a rambunctious teenager. This girl was a vibrant young women, and she was excited to be able to participate in musical concerts, attend school when she was well enough to do so, establish friendships and go to Wonderland! She would not have known the community, or have had friends, if it had not been for the connections made possible by Shawna. As difficult as it was to let her go, her funeral service was filled with people whose lives she had touched. This spoke to the wealth of this young women's very short life and the impact of Shawna's support.

5. MEDIA AWARD OF EXCELLENCE This award recognizes the importance that the media plays in highlighting Community Living Peterborough and the roles it performs within the Peterborough community. This honour is awarded to a person or organization that messages the values and principles of Community Living Peterborough and has assisted to dispel the myths about disabilities and promote the leadership of people in community.

**Marcus Ferguson,
TVCogeco**

Recognized for: Producing an excellent video of the Agency's journey through the Accreditation process; Producing Community Living Peterborough's feature segment on TV Cogeco's 'Focus'.

**Dale Lowe,
The Wolf 101.5 FM**

Recognized for: Promoting the Kawartha Komets on a continuous basis during their hockey season.

**Deron Hamel,
Axiom News**

Recognized for: Frequently and accurately reporting many stories including self

advocacy; AGM; community thank you blitz, Status of Women Group; Assuring CLP is well represented in Community Living Ontario news; Being very supportive of the achievements and initiatives of Community Living Peterborough.

Lisa Corp

Recognized for: Her work with the Community Living Peterborough's 2011 Blueboxing Video.

The Wolf

Recognized for: Promoting & Supporting all fundraising efforts within Community Living Peterborough.

6. EDUCATION AWARD OF EXCELLENCE This award is given to an individual or organization that has made positive contributions toward the goal of meaningful inclusion in the school system.

**Jenny Moore,
Special Education Resource Teacher,
Prince of Wales**

Recognized for: Advocating on behalf of a student to attend high school.

**Deb Heslinga,
KPRDSB**

Recognized for: Supporting and helping to promote Spinclusion in our local KPRDSB schools.

**Joyce Wade, Community Integration
Through Cooperative Education,
Fleming College**

Recognized for: Her vision and role in the creation, development and implementation of the Fleming Community Integration Through Cooperative Education; Helping make post secondary education an option for youth/adults in Peterborough.

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Our Mission

To inspire respect and equality for people with an intellectual disability by promoting: community knowledge, organizational excellence and individual quality of life.

Our Vision

That all people live in a state of dignity, share in all elements of living in their community and have the opportunity to participate effectively.

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Nora Murdock, PCVS

Recognized for: Strong Advocacy; Promoting friendships & safety within the school community.

Alison Sadowski, Kenner

Recognized for: Her work in bringing the inspirational inclusion advocacy speaker, Norm Kunc to Peterborough.

7. MEMBER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

This award is given to a Community Living Peterborough association member who has played a key role in assisting the agency to move forward with its vision and mission. They promote leadership, contribute to building social capital for people and work towards the ongoing betterment of Community Living Peterborough. This person helps guide the direction of the organization and makes a difference in the lives of people and families supported.

Marg Nelson

Recognized for: Her work and support with Family Days; Quality Enhancement Committee, Auburn Residents Outings; Scout Leadership & Advocacy; Her commitment to making CLP an honest and reputable organization within the community.

Dave Smith

Recognized for: His leadership roles on the Board, Legacy Foundation, AGM committee, and Spring Spectacular planning committee; His generous support; His dedication to keeping the Agency focused and moving forward with its vision and mission.

JoAnn Barr

Recognized for: Her current role as a Board member; Her many years and many hours of volunteerism; Her exceptional work towards the betterment of Community Living Peterborough and the quality of life of people living with intellectual disabilities; Her work on various committees and task forces.

Craig Adams

Recognized for: His current role as Board President; His passion and commitment to building inclusive communities... one leader at a time!

Alex Webster

Recognized for: Leading the Agency through some challenging years.

8. EMPLOYER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

This award is presented to an employer who has welcomed and embraced in the life of their business, people supported through Community Living Peterborough. This employer recognizes that all people can contribute a valued role in employment and as such has demonstrated leadership and innovation in furthering the goals of Community Living Peterborough.

The Peterborough Sport & Wellness Centre

Recognized for: Believing in, and practicing, inclusion.

Joe Teichman,

Beth Israel Jewish Synagogue

Recognized for: Providing competitive and respectful employment opportunities; For sharing his social capital to help build connections and meaningful relationships for people; For his role in the 2011 Community Living Peterborough/Blueboxing Video.



Annual Celebration & 58th AGM

Tues, June 21st, 2011, Evinrude Centre, 911 Monaghan Rd., Peterborough, ON
4:30pm - 8:00pm
4:30 - Leadership Showcase
5:30 - Business Meeting
6:00 - Presentations & Awards

RSVP by June 10th, to Caryl Amyotte at 705-743-2412 ext.550



PJ Pets

Recognized for: Offering meaningful work placements to young people; Accepting everyone as one of the team.

Walmart

Recognized for: supporting a man through his employment, enabling him to be highly regarded in his role.

Kawartha Cardiology

Recognized for: Providing paid, meaningful and employment for people.

“Excellence is a talent or quality which is unusually good and so surpasses ordinary standards.”

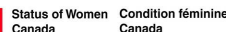
Thank you to our 2011 Awards of Excellence Nominees. YOU are our Leaders in Building Inclusive Communities!

Featuring: **Deidra Dionne**
Olympic Bronze Medalist
Freestyle Skiing - Aerials

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Community Living Peterborough invites you to consider giving to the Agency's Legacy Foundation. The Legacy Foundation has several funds to which you can donate. The funds benefit both the community, and people supported by Community Living Peterborough. Give today, and make a difference in the lives of people living with an intellectual disability. For more information go to our website: communitylivingpeterborough.ca/make_a_difference. Or call us at 705-743-2411 Thank You.

