



FRONTENAC YOUTH SERVICES

Winter Newsletter

January 2015



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Thank you to the staff, community and the Board of Directors for welcoming me in September as the new Executive Director.

The commitment to youth and their families is evident at Frontenac Youth Services. We offer a range of programs and services including residential, day treatment, community services and intensive/crisis services. We are involved in a significant number of community initiatives and will continue to build partnerships through our collaborative efforts.

Looking ahead, I am excited about reviewing our Strategic Plan with input from all stakeholders. We will continue to move forward with transformation as we implement the Children and Youth Mental Health Service Framework.

Marlene E. Pike
Executive Director

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It was a great honor to accept a generous donation of \$1,000 from the **Ladies Links Golf Association**, a golf league dedicated to friendly, non-competitive golf for women in the Greater Toronto area. Sharon Braybon (front row left), one of the representatives of the Association visited our agency to present this donation to Marlene Pike, Executive Director (front row, second from left) and other staff members.

For more information on Ladies Links Golf Association contact: 289-314-1899 or info@linkstour.org or visit their web site at: www.linkstour.org.

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Children's Mental Health Week May 3-9, 2015

We would like to invite volunteers to join us to start planning Frontenac Youth Service's Annual BBQ Event to be held Wed. May 6th, 2015

The first meeting is set for Wednesday January 21st at 2pm at the Main Office.

If you are interested, please contact the office at 905-579-1551



We must learn to accept who we are and appreciate who we become.

-Harley King

If you believe in yourself, and have dedication and pride, and never quit, you'll be a winner.

-Paul Bryant

ACCREDITATION

Frontenac is currently working towards a site review for Accreditation in April 2015 through the Canadian Centre for Accreditation. The CCA accredits a wide range of community-based organizations with a modular, tailored program that promotes excellence and quality.

CCA accredits organizations that work in child and youth mental health services, child welfare, credit counselling, community-based primary health care, family services, community mental health and addiction (in development) and community support (in development).

The Accreditation team has been working towards the deadline of February 20th for all pre-site documentation to be sent to CCA and our on-site review on April 22, 23 and 24.

*www.canadiancentreforaccreditation.ca



TOY AND FOOD DRIVE

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Toy & Food Drive this year. It was a great success! Our families really appreciated the items and it is nice to know that we were able to make a difference in their Christmas.

A BIG thanks to Karna Button, Sheila Jenkins for her organizational skills and Timm Jenkins for again providing us with nice sturdy boxes. Also, to everyone who donated items and helped us out with carrying the items into and around the office and delivering them to our clients.

This year, we received donations from:

The Durham Regional Police Food and Toy Drive

Great West Life (thanks to Linda Mahaffy)

Lakeridge Health Oshawa- PACU

Feed The Need (thanks to Curtis Woods)

Lisa deVries

“Friends of Frontenac”

Gala Night

June 12, 2015 at the Jubilee Pavilion.



All funds from such events are spent on programming for the clients at Frontenac such as camping and camping equipment, sports memberships, summer programming for summer school, residential trips and summer group activities.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Betty Yoshida at the office - 905-579-1551 ext. 223.

DAY TREATMENT

We are happy to report that we have had some wonderful successes in our Day Treatment Classrooms!

In the fall, *Dunbarton High School was named the Greenest School in Canada*. This was due to the hard work of our clients, as well as our CYW Janet, and Grove teacher, Ms. Kasper working to collect and sort the schools daily recycling. We continue to work with Dunbarton to ensure their Green efforts continue.

Also, new this year has been the implementation of our hot lunch program at Glenholme. Thanks to Linda, all of the staff and students at Glenholme have the opportunity to purchase a hot lunch on a weekly basis. This has allowed the clients in our classroom to learn valuable life skills, through a hands on approach to treatment.

We have many clients making transitions for the second semester. Whether it is within our treatment classrooms, or back to their community school, they have been very focused and working hard with their CYW's on their treatment goals. It has been exciting to watch them achieve their goals, and be able to share their successes with not only them, but their families also.

We look forward to what second semester will bring...stay tuned!!

**Melanie Procnier
Program Manager
Day Treatment**

FRONTENAC RESIDENCE

We are grateful to the Ministry of Children and Youth Services for providing us with funding for renovations. The three bathrooms have been updated, the kitchen cupboards were re-surfaced and a new countertop was installed as well as new flooring on the upper floor hallways and main level. Still to come at the end of January are new windows. This will improve the temperature control and the appearance of the house.

In the next few months we will all be busy for the preparation of our Annual Residential License Reviews in February and Agency Accreditation in April.

Thank you to all the Frontenac Youth Services staff for your support during my term as Acting Executive Director. Welcome aboard Marlene Pike, Frontenac's new Executive Director.

**Wendy Rechanicz
Program Manager
Frontenac Residence**

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

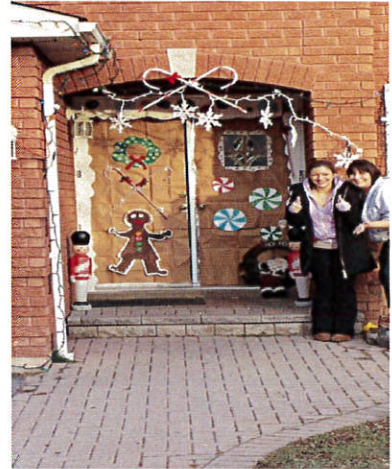
During the month of December, the staff and clients at Frontenac Youth Services got into the holiday mood by decorating doors around the office, residences and day treatment programs. Here are some of those "decorated doors".



Classroom



Classroom



Watersdown Residence



Office



Classroom



Frontenac Residence



Office



Office

MORE "DECORATED DOORS" from the Office

