



NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2024



"A COMMUNITY WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS"

**It was once again a very busy Fall season!!
In this issue you will find many highlights of all the adventures
that were captured with some great photos.**

Enjoy!!

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

**"Sometimes you will never know the value
of a moment, until it becomes a memory."**

Dr. Seuss



BRAIN TEASER

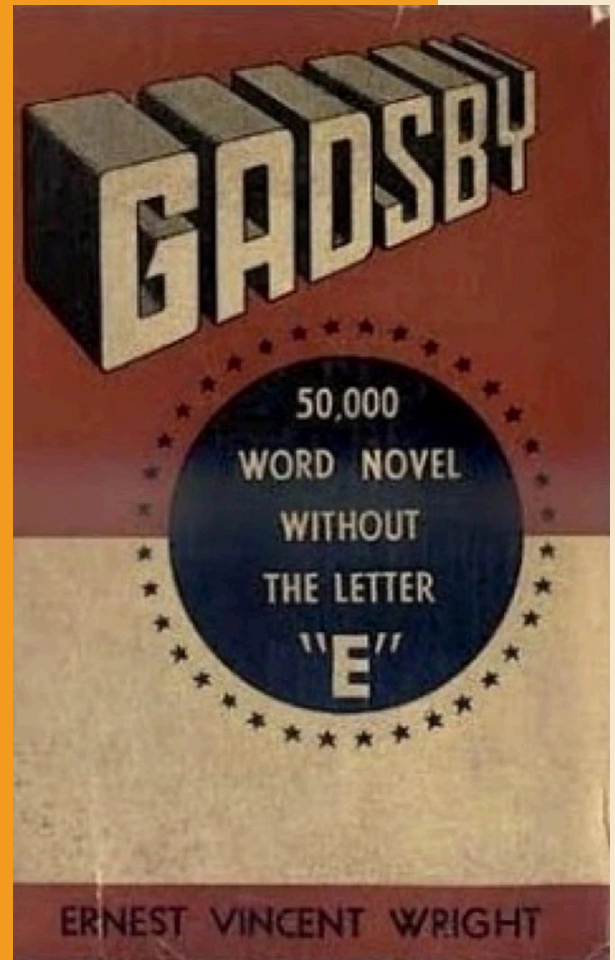


When you stop to look, you can always see me. But if you try to touch me, you can never feel me. Although you walk towards me, I remain the same distance from you. What am I?

DID YOUKNOW?

The 1939 novel *Gadsby* is the longest book ever published that doesn't contain the letter 'e.'

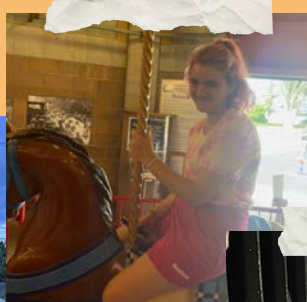
Back in 1939, American author Ernest Vincent Wright published *Gadsby*, a 50,000-word novel that doesn't use the letter 'e' once. What's more, it's not the only novel that ditched the letter. Author Georges Perec also wrote the French-language book *La Disparition* without the letter 'e' in 1969. That's even more astounding when you consider that 'e' is the most commonly used letter in the English (and French!) language.



Summer

2024

Fun



Friendships



Memories

Sherkston Shores

2024



There's nothing like
having Summer hang
around into Fall!!



Anne, Dennis and
Shawn sure didn't
mind!!



Thank You



Port Colborne City Council presented funding for the Grant Committee Second Allocation for 2024. Allocated funds went to: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara, **Community Living Port Colborne Wainfleet**, Habitat for Humanity, Reach Out Centre, Port Colborne and District Conservation Club, Port Colborne Operatic Society, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56, and The Wave (Port Colborne Girls Minor Hockey).

Congratulations to these organizations and thank you for all you do for our community!

Community Living Port Colborne ~ Wainfleet extends a Sincere Thank You to the City of Port Colborne and will be allocating these funds to our Children and Youth Programs



Love is in the Air!
Beautiful Flowers given to
Debbie from Kevin!
Debbie's smile
says it all!!



Photos Shared by Tia Bagnulo

RECIPE CORNER

Stuffed Spaghetti Squash



- 2 small spaghetti squash, cut in half and seeds removed (about 3 lb. each)
- 3 Tbsp. olive oil
- 2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tsp. black pepper
- 1 lb. ground turkey
- 1 (1-oz.) packet taco seasoning
- 1 (15-oz.) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 c. frozen corn
- 1 c. salsa, plus more for serving
- 2 c. shredded Mexican blend cheese (about 8 oz.)
- 1 c. fresh cilantro, chopped
- Plain Greek yogurt or sour cream, for serving
- 1 ripe avocado, diced, for serving
- Hot sauce, for serving

Preheat the oven to 400°F.

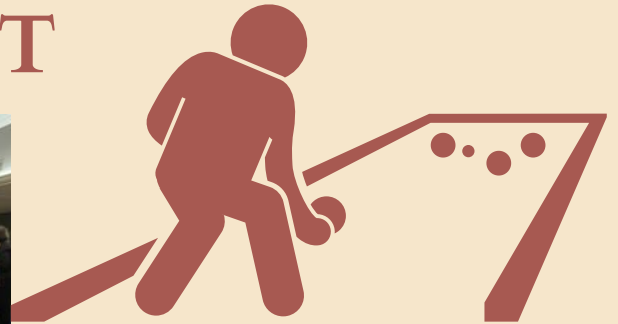
On a baking sheet, place the spaghetti squash cut-side up. Drizzle with 2 tablespoons of the oil and sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of the salt and pepper. Flip the spaghetti squash cut-side down and bake until fork-tender, 45 minutes to 1 hour.

Meanwhile, in a large skillet, heat the remaining 1 tablespoon oil over medium heat. Add the turkey and cook, crumbling with a wooden spoon, until the turkey is lightly browned, 3 to 5 minutes. Add the taco seasoning and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of water and cook until thickened slightly, 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in the beans, corn, salsa, 1 cup of the cheese, and three-quarters of the cilantro. Let the squash cool slightly before carefully flipping over, cut-side up. Use a fork to loosen the flesh and form spaghetti-like strands. Divide the turkey mixture among the spaghetti squash halves and mix it gently with the squash strands. Sprinkle the halves with the remaining cup of cheese. Return the squash to the oven and bake until the cheese is melted and bubbly, 10 to 15 minutes.

Serve the squash topped with yogurt, avocado, hot sauce, salsa, and the remaining cilantro. **Tip:** Microwaving spaghetti squash makes it easier to cut. Prick the squash all over with a fork and microwave (one at a time) for 6 minutes. Carefully remove from the microwave. When cool enough to handle, cut the squash in half lengthwise, scoop out the seeds with a spoon, and proceed with the recipe.



BOCCE BANQUET



WORD SCRAMBLE

1. APEPL

2. PNPKUMI

3. WBE

4. ECWRRCSOA

5. VIGANKNGHTIS

6. EFAL

7. UOSRMOMHS

8. WLO

9. TOBLFAOL

10. YAH

11. LKBTAEN

12. OFNEBIR

13. GHACNING

14. TSHNUTCE

15. MCUHIKNP

16. LAGFLIN

17. DIFOREOW

18. LLNNEAF

FALL FUN AT

THE WAINFLEET FAIR



Donna and Chad at the Wainfleet fall fair.

It was a wonderful afternoon, they witnessed a sheep being herd and children parading their goats around to be judged.

They also got a kick out of the mooing cows and the roosters crowing. Pictured are Donna touching the newly herd sheep, and Chad holding a tiny baby chick in his hand.



MUSIC BY MENDELT



Mendelt held a mini concert at Fielden, it was very nice!
We have some Beautiful voices at the Fielden building!

ABBA

MUSIC

IN THE PARK



DANCE



ABBA REVISITED
AT AMICI'S

Party



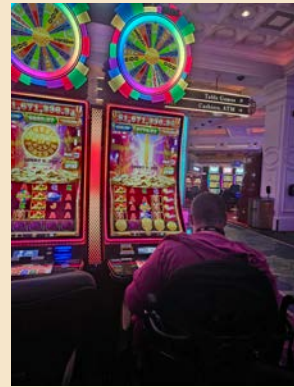
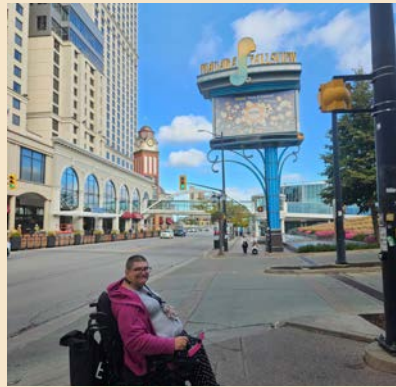
Cathy, Stephen and Tyler had an awesome time!!

Laugh and Be Happy

1. What runs around a yard without actually moving? A fence.
2. How does NASA organize a party? They planet.
3. Where do you learn to make banana splits? At sundae school.
4. Where do sheep go to get their hair cut? The baa-baa shop.
5. What is the difference between a teacher and a train?
One says, "Spit out your gum," and the other says, "Choo choo choo!"
6. What is the tallest building in the entire world?
The library, because it has so many stories!
7. Did you hear about the fire in the shoe factory? 10,000 soles were lost. The police said some heels started it.
8. Do you want to hear a construction joke? Sorry, I'm still working on it.
9. Where should you go in a room if you're feeling cold? The corners, —they're usually 90 degrees.
10. What do you call malware on a Kindle? A bookworm.
11. What did the tie say to the hat? You go on ahead. I'll hang around.
12. What do you call a dog that's been run over by a steamroller? Spot!
13. How does Lady Gaga like her steak? (sing) Raw-raw-raw-ra-ah-aww
14. What's orange and sounds like a parrot? A carrot!
15. What do you call a Frenchman wearing sandals? Phillippe Phillope.
16. What do Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh have in common?
Same middle name.




Stephen



Stephen, from Fielden, took a mini vacation to Niagara Falls with his Passport worker Katie. They had dinner and stayed overnight in a hotel, and then went for breakfast next morning and tried their luck at the slots!

Stephen didn't win any money but he had a great time! He was very proud of himself, as this was his very first time staying overnight away from home!

We are proud of you too Stephen!! 

Stephen would like to thank Bobbie and Katie Brown for making this goal possible. Now he can't wait for his next vacation!

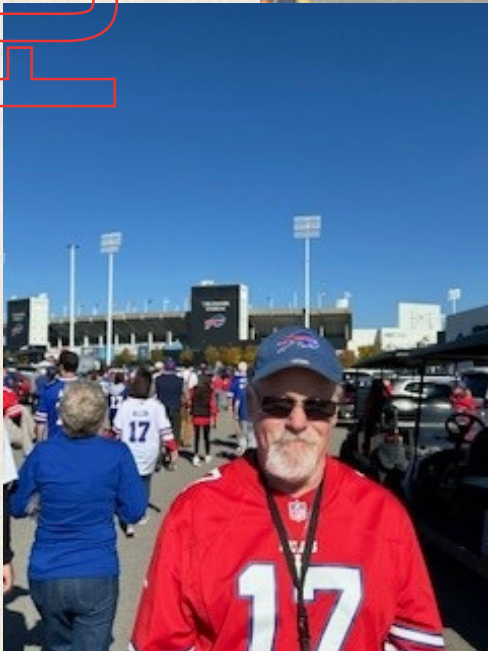
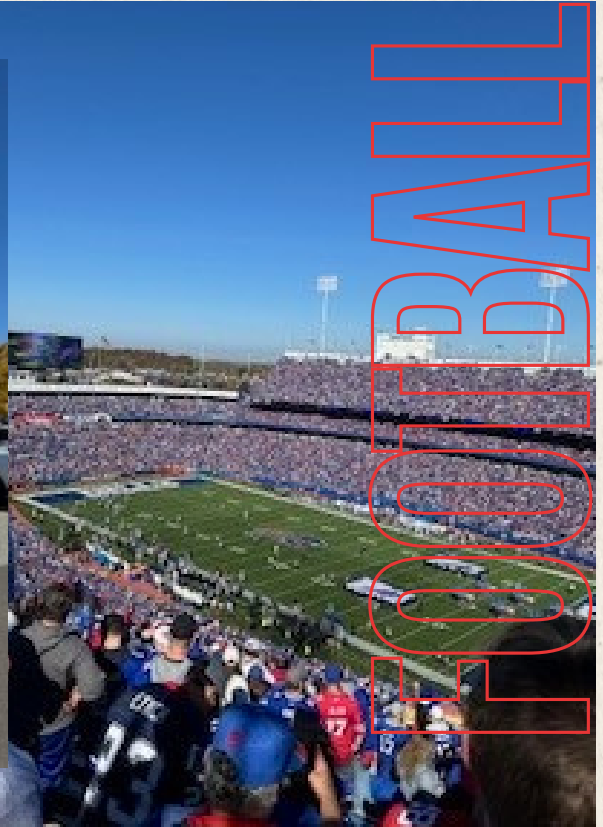
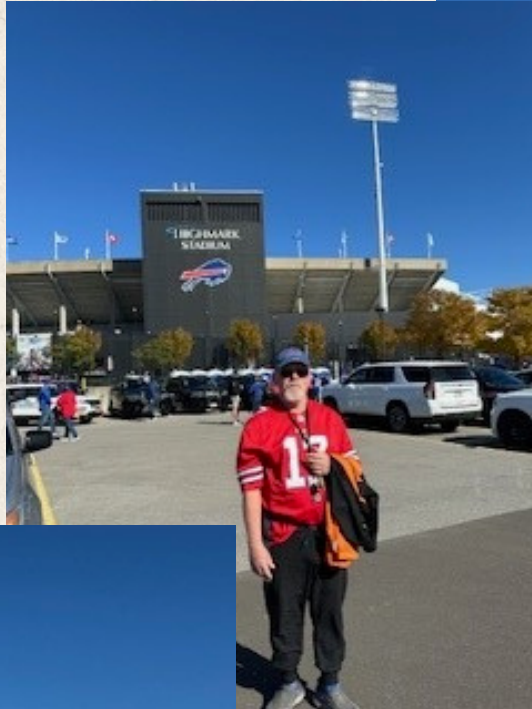


FOOTBALL



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BIG GAME DAY

OCTOBER 20, 2024

Bob had a "field goal" to see the Buffalo Bills through the Passport Program. He had an amazing day with blue skies and a 34-10 win over the Tennessee Titans.

It was a great day for Bob!!



● LIVE

Shared by Bobbie

Welcome To

THE TEAM



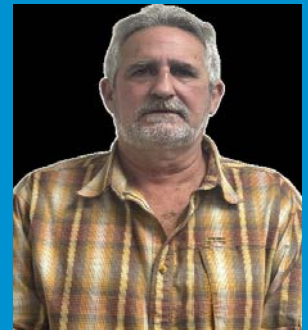
Janette James
SP SPRUCESIDE



Matthew Gravelle
SP 487 NORTHLAND



Amanda Dunn
SP APOLLO



Robert Scott
SP SPRUCESIDE



Victoria Jarrett
SP APOLLO



Jordan Holton
SP OAK HALL



Ta' Shaun Duncan
SP SPRUCE SIDE



Madalyn Keller
SP CEDAR BRAE

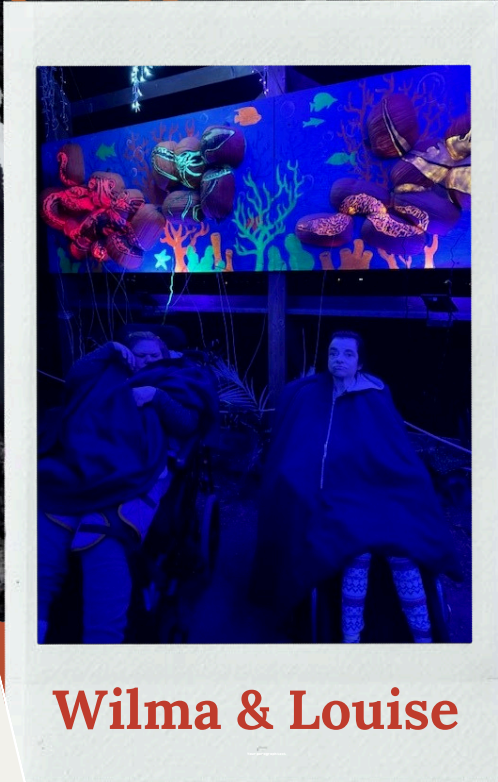


Amy Mallette
SP OAK HALL



Angela Holdbrook
SP OAK HALL

PUMPKINS AFTER DARK

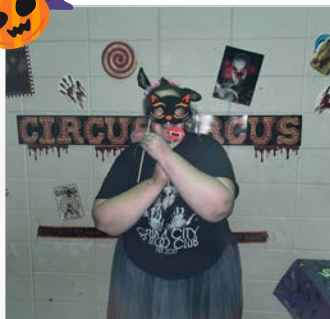


Wilma & Louise



HAPPY HALLOWEEN Dance

2024



Candice



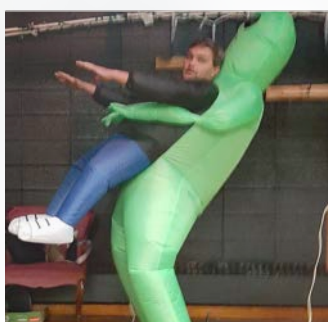
Sheila



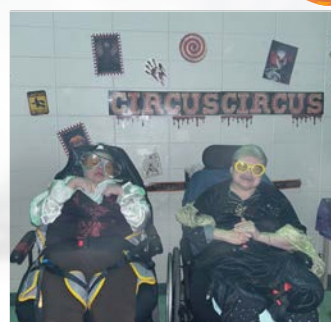
Lynn



Braely & Steven



Alien & Tyler



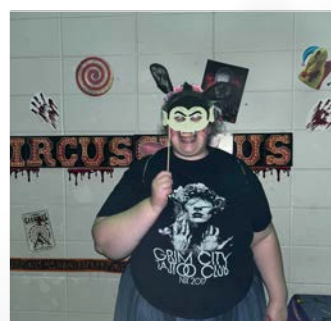
Wilma & Sandra



Sheila



Steven



Candice





The Port Colborne Jr. B Sailors!!!



Halloween



November 7th was a special night at the Niagara Ice Dogs Game. They had a pass the bucket collection all in support of Special Olympics. Ron Favero had the honour of doing the puck drop as a representative of SO.



Ron is an established member of the Port Colborne Bocce Club, and decorated Special Olympic athlete. Over the past 40 years Ron has represented the City of Port Colborne at 2 Provincial Games, 2 National Games, and 1 World Games bringing home medals in his events.

Ron says 'meeting new people' is the best part about being a Special Olympian and his favourite Special Olympic memory was lighting the Torch at the LETR International Torch Run this past September.

A Lovely dinner was held at Club Castropignano here in Port Colborne to Honour our staff and their many years of service with CLPCW. Thank you to all the recipients for your ongoing dedication to the organization and to the people we support!!



2024
SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS
NOVEMBER 13, 2024

40 YEARS

CATHY VERBEEK

35 YEARS

SHANNON AIRHARDT
LEANNE RODGERS
BOBBIE BROUGHTON

30 YEARS

CHRIS BROAD
TAMMY IVANKOVICH

25 YEARS

LINDA MOORE

20 YEARS

CHERYL CLEAVE

15 YEARS

CHRIS JUDGE

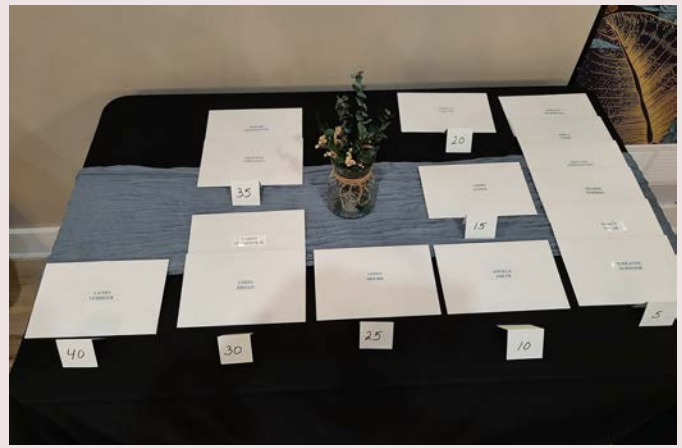
10 YEARS

CLAIRE BANKERT
ANGELA SMITH

5 YEARS

ROSEANNE SCHWOOB
MARCY TOVAR
MAXINE BARBER
GERI LYNN GORZALCZYNSKI
ANITA VONK
JORDYN TUMMILLO










In Loving Memory of



Kristine Mary Midena

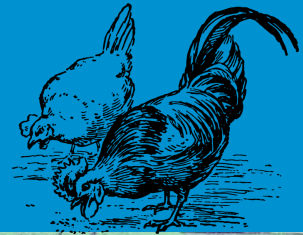
July 22, 1966 - November 14, 2024

It is with profound sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Kristine. Kristine loved life and spending time with her family and friends. She enjoyed playing bocce, cards and bowling. She was involved with Special Olympics for many years and was a huge fan of the Toronto Maple Leafs. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her, especially her dear friends Brian, John, Ronnie and Jody. A very special thank you to Dr. Manser, nurse Mira, St. Elizabeth PSW staff Paula, and Donna, and the staff at 26 Apollo Drive.



A Huge Thank You!!

to



On November 29th, Rob McCulligh from Pinty's Delicious Foods Inc., Port Colborne, presented a generous donation of a \$250 Sobeys Gift Card to Bobbie Broughton. The Gift Card was used to purchase turkeys for the 3rd Annual Christmas Dinner Dance held Thursday December 19th. Thank you as well to Sobeys for their kind donation of a \$50 Gift Card to use towards the dinner.



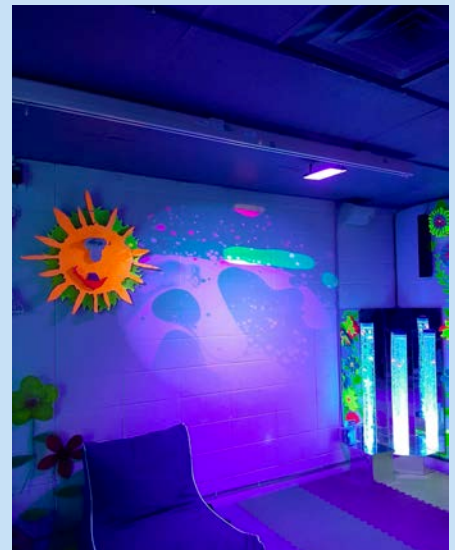
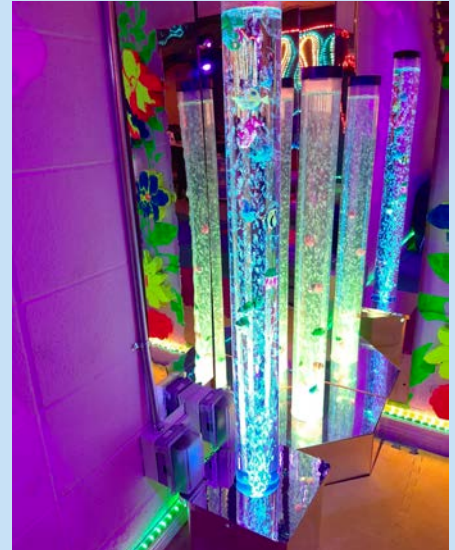
COMMUNITY LIVING
Port Colborne - Wainfleet

November 29, 2024

Grand Re-Opening & Ribbon Cutting

*Thank you to MPP Jeff Burch, Mayor Bill Steele and
the Ontario Trillium Foundation for joining us
as we celebrated the
Grand Re-Opening of the newly remodeled
Sensory Room and Rita Smith Entertainment Centre.
It was an Exciting Day!!*

SENSORY ROOM



**NOW
OPEN**



WELCOME
TO THE
**Rita Smith
Entertainment
Centre**

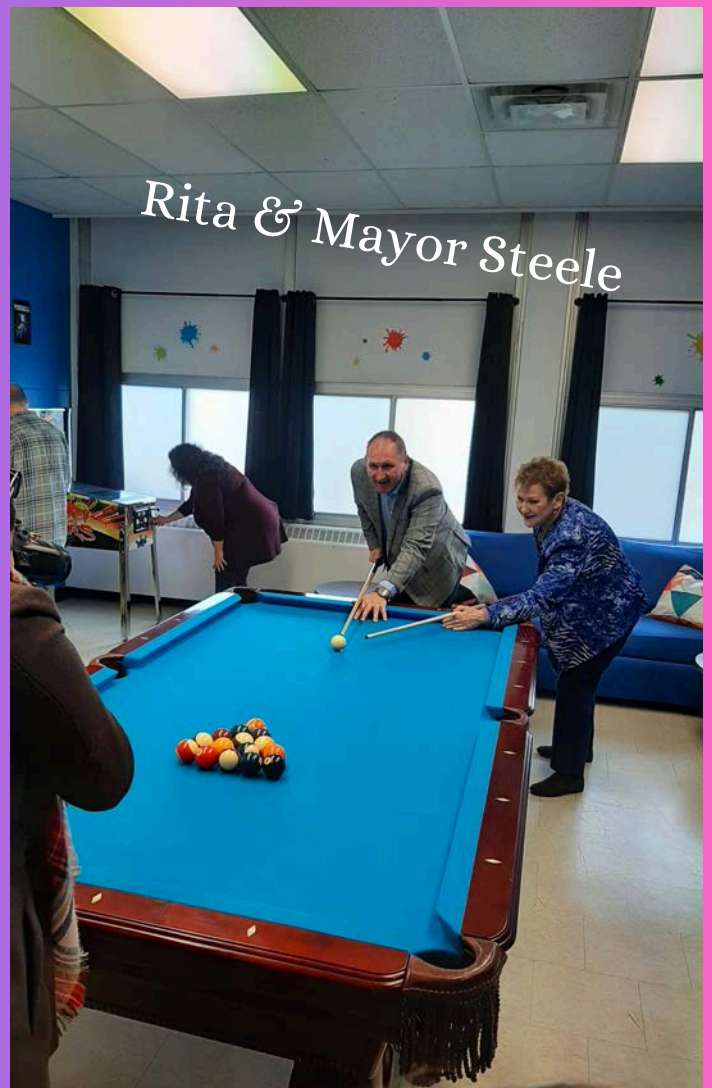
Play, relax, and enjoy the fun!



Jayden



Rita & Mayor Steele

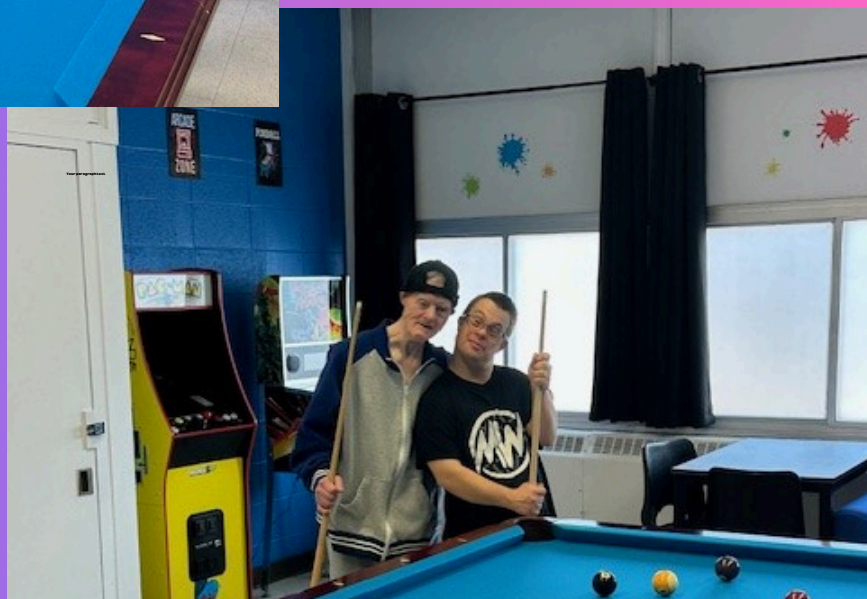


WITHOUT BORDERS



NON

STOP



FUN

SWEET RETRO SPECT

POPCORN FUNDRAISER



Another successful fundraiser in support of CLPCW
Children's Programs. An incredible 494 bags of
popcorn were sold for a total of approx.

\$850 raised.

Thank you for your support!!



ANSWER TO THE MINUTE MYSTERY

THE HORIZON



ANSWER TO THE WORD SEARCH

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| 1. APEPL | APPLE |
| 2. PNPKUMI | PUMPKIN |
| 3. WBE | WEB |
| 4. ECWRRRCSOA | SCARECROW |
| 5. VIGANKNGHTIS | THANKSGIVING |
| 6. EFAL | LEAF |
| 7. UOSRMOMHS | MUSHROOMS |
| 8. WLO | OWL |
| 9. TOBLFAOL | FOOTBALL |
| 10. YAH | HAY |
| 11. LKBTAEN | BLANKET |
| 12. OFNEBIR | BONFIRE |
| 13. GHACNING | CHANGING |
| 14. TSHNUTCE | CHESTNUT |
| 15. MCUHIKNP | CHIPMUNK |
| 16. LAGFLIN | FALLING |
| 17. DIFOREOW | FIREWOOD |
| 18. LLNNEAF | FLANNEL |



Huge thanks to CLPCW's Parade Committee, the Bowers family and all who helped in making this year's float for the PC Santa Claus Parade. It was a huge success! We had so much fun AND... we won in the Community Group Category!!!

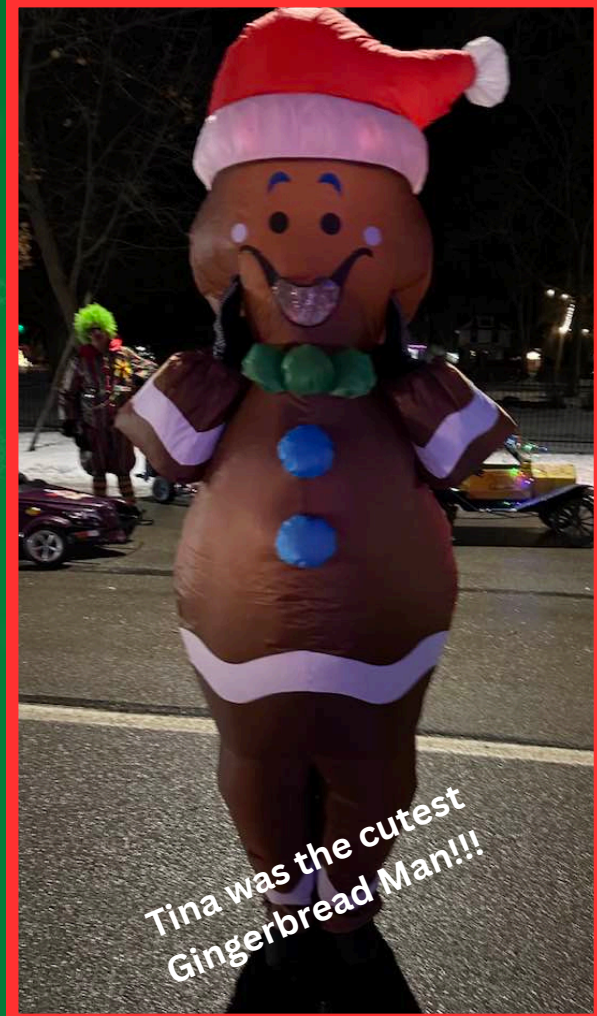


— CONGRATULATIONS —

Port Colborne Santa Claus Parade 2024



Ben and Denise enjoyed the ride!!



Tina was the cutest
Gingerbread Man!!!



Community Group/School:
Community Living Port Colborne-Wainfleet

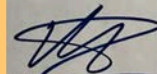



PORT COLBORNE

Presented to
**Community Living
Port Colborne Wainfleet**

To celebrate being named
2024 Lighted Parade float winner

On behalf of Members of City Council and the citizens of the City of Port Colborne, congratulations on the design, effort, and commitment to the annual Lighted Santa Claus Parade in which you were chosen by the judges as best float on the Community category. Thank you for continuing to exemplify a community where everyone belongs. Well done to all of you!


William C. Steele
Mayor
December 2024

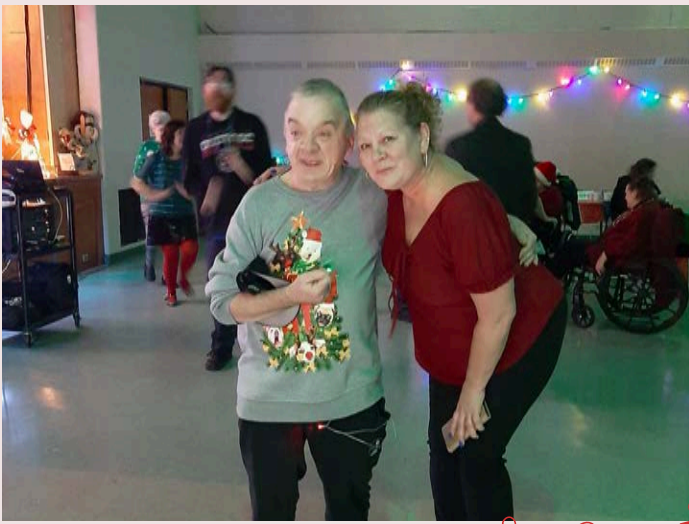


Christmas Dinner & Dance 2024



Thank you once again to the Port Colborne Jr. B Sailors for helping out!!






Thank You...

To Meridian Credit Union for their generous donation of gifts again this Christmas for our Children's Party!
The Children were overjoyed and we are very Grateful!!





**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED
TO THE FALL EDITION OF THE
CLPCW NEWS**

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO FORWARD ME
YOUR GREAT STORIES AND PHOTOS
THAT YOU WISH TO INCLUDE IN THE
NEXT ISSUE**

Please submit to
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no later than

Monday, April 28, 2025