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Living up to our Vision and Mission

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"DREAM OF A LIFE TIME"

This summer I realized a dream of a life time when I went for a six hour supercar driving experience. During the six hour tour, I was able to ride in a Ferrari 458, a McLaren 570S, a Nissan GTR, a BMW i8 and my very favourite the Lamborghini LP610! The tour drove from Stoney Creek, through Vineland to Niagara Falls, where we stopped and had lunch at the top of the Marriott Hotel. We then returned to Stoney Creek. At every stop light, we caught the attention of many onlookers who took pictures of us. The cars were very fast and they got up to the legal speed limit quite quickly. What a wonderful day!!







Submitted by Paul Pilipow

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Goal...

On top of my dream, I also had a goal of driving a vehicle of any kind. I achieved that goal this summer when I drove a go-cart at the Cameron Speedway in Mount Hope. I started off slowly, but have gained confidence and speed as I have now raced there on several occasions. I would like to thank the staff at the Cameron Speedway for their support and guidance. Great fun!



Submitted by Paul Pilipow

Jay's Game

Brother's enjoying the Blue Jay Game on May 25th. Ron and John watched the Jay's play the San Diego Padres, who beat them 19-4. They had a great day and none the less, plan on going to more Jay games, hopefully with better result for the Jays.



Submitted by Phil Ogden

Family Ties

John and Ron have decided to spend more time together. They are getting together once a week for lunch and as always enjoy each other's company.



Submitted by Phil Ogden

Canadian Warplane Museum

This spring I visited the Canadian Warplane Museum where I went into a flight simulator and saw some of the amazing planes that flew during the war. There were some fantastic stories of heroism from our brave troops that I enjoyed. I was also able to sit in some of the cockpits. It was a great time to go as it was the 75thAnniversary of the D-Day invasion.



Submitted by Phil Ogden

Off to the Rodeo!

May 11th I was off to the Rodeo in London where I enjoyed the bull riding competition. This event was something I had been looking forward to for quite some time and dressed up in a cowboy hat, boots and bandana. More Rodeos to come this summer!!



Submitted by Paul VanDyk

Memories of the Farm

Mark has been going to Norfolk Tractor to look at the tractors lately. Being from Saskatchewan, Mark loves the farm equipment and being around them. He gave Norfolk Tractor a copy of this picture to thank them for letting him hang out.



A Day in T.O

This summer, John and Paul invited Trevor to go to Toronto with them. They went to the Ontario Science Center and watched the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Moon landing at the Imax theatre. They enjoyed four hours at the Science Center, had a great lunch and then headed to Ripley's Aquarium in downtown Toronto. The Aquarium was fantastic and everyone had a great day.



Submitted by Phil Ogden

Trip to the Falls

I went for a day trip to Niagara Falls and went to Ripley's Believe It or Not, two mini-putt golf courses, the wax museum, the Guinness Book of World Records and a 4D movie experience. After all that, my trip would not be complete without a visit to the Casino where I took in a Queen Tribute Musical called "We Will Rock You".



Submitted by Paul Pilipow

Sailing



In July, Paul, Aaron and Trevor went sailing on Lake Erie for a 2 hour tour. This was the first sailing adventure for all of them. They took the Rouge Tiger out on the lake in some great winds. They were able to steer the boat and got up to 8 knots and the guys had a wonderful time.

Hat Donation

This summer I cleaned out my room and noticed that I had a few more hats and sunglasses than I needed. So I decided to donate them to Uptown Rays on Colborne St. in Simcoe. I donated 33 pairs of sunglasses and 66 hats to Ray (pictured below). Ray was very touched by my donation and thanked me for my generosity.

Ray and I have built a great relationship together over the past year.



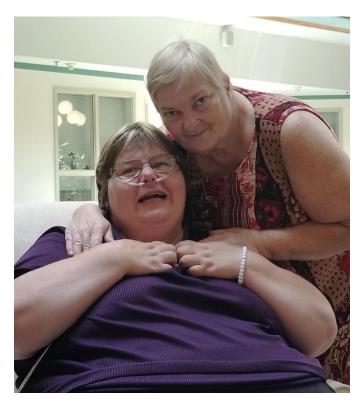
Submitted by Paul VanDyk

Thank you to Phil Ogden for his work through Passport supports and helping achieve our Mission "To provide quality support to people with disabilities to live ordinary and extraordinary lives, in the communities of Norfolk and Haldimand".

Forever Friends

We never imagined that this friendship would last throughout so many years. It has been since we were 6 years old. We firmly believe in the poem:

"Make new friends but keep the old...
one is silver and the other gold."



Submitted by Cindy and Sherry



And so it is... By Kevin Rockefeller



In this issue, we will be getting to know support staff Leah Hewitt.

Q: How long have you been with the Agency? A: I have been with the agency for 12 yrs. I do love working for the agency. I enjoy organizing, planning and seeing people live the best lives that they can.

Q: Your brother Jay was one of my original staff. I know that you work for REACH too. Do you like it?

A: Yes, I do.

Q: What would you like to see happen in our agency? I know that I would like to see more new vehicles.

A: I would like to see a sponsorship of some sort or funding so the agency can afford new vehicles, and things they need to help the people we support.

Q: What made you decide to work with people with special needs?

A: I grew up with my twin sister who has Downs Syndrome and it made me realize that's what I wanted to do.

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: Music is one of my hobbies. I play guitar, piano, saxophone, clarinet, and drums. I have

played in shows for the Simcoe Little Theatre. I also love to spend time with my animals and enjoy taking them to Norview and Cedarwood.

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: I am a vegetarian and I eat a lot of fruits and vegetables.

Q: What made you decide to be a vegetarian? A: I visited an animal rescue place in California called the Gentle Barn. I have heard lots of horror stories about cruelty to animals and the Gentle Barn rescues animals from slaughter houses and back yard butchers. I decided right there and then.

Q: Do you have any goals or dreams? A: Yes, I would love to open up a sanctuary for rescued animals. Pets and farm animals

Q: What are you proud of?

A: I am proud of my niece and nephew.

Thanks Leah for your time, I feel that I have gotten to know you better!

Puzzle Time

Sudoku - Medium Answer on page 9

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CL Access Picnic

What a beautiful day for a picnic! It was a little windy but we couldn't have asked for nicer weather to get together for some great food, fun and conversation. A big thank you to Paul Bootsma for bringing the Bickle Fire Truck for us to sit in and have pictures taken. Some of us even had a ride home on it! I would also like to thank Unilever for their generous donation of popsicles for everyone to enjoy.

Submitted by Shelly Marinic













Ram Rodeo

We would like to thank everyone who helped us out with transportation to the Ram Rodeo that we were so excited to be able to attend. We had a terrific time and will be joining everyone again in September to attend the Rodeo in Binbrook.



Submitted by Keith and Linda Metcalf



Climbing the Family Tree



I have always been fascinated with my family history and just recently had the opportunity to meet one of my distant family members.

My mother's aunt Margaret was married to a local farmer named Joe Kelly. You may know that he was the brother of local hockey legend Leonard "Red" Kelly.

Through Olga Schweitzer, a lifelong friend of the Kelly's, I was able to go to his home and brought my mother with me to meet him and talk about old times.

He showed us old pictures of his family and pictures of his daughter Colleen who just recently passed away. Colleen loved horses.

We enjoyed each other's company and we shared some laughs and have made plans to get together again for coffee.

Submitted by Kevin Rockefeller

Eye on Business

CL Access is pleased to share with our readers and fellow supporters a little bit about our wonderful partnership with **Gary & Heather and the Koncir family**.



Koncir Automotive has supported our agency through the purchase and services of the agency's vehicles and various sponsorships. We are honored to showcase them through our webpage called EYE on Business.

Koncir Automotive was established in September 1993 by Gary and Heather Koncir and has been proudly serving Norfolk County for over 25 years. This family owned and operated business strives to supply Simcoe and surrounding areas with the highest quality previously owed vehicles, alongside the best automotive service in the area.

Upon opening its doors, Gary and Heather had a hard road ahead of them as young entrepreneurs. Starting a business with the odds of failure at 8:10 was a looming thought, but the couple persevered. Opening day came, Gary and Heather were proud to start serving Norfolk County with their fully equipped two-bay Automotive shop located at 64 Queensway West. By spring of 1994 the business had already outgrown this location, and moved Koncir Automotive to 447 Queensway West. After a successful six years in business at this six-bay shop, Gary and Heather decided to make their biggest change with their budding company in the year 2000. The couple purchased a lot located at 425 Queensway West and built their own nine-bay shop (where they still proudly serve today).

Today **Koncir Automotive** has a highly qualified team of 12 employees, backed by family in management, which has been an integral part of the business's success. An additional alignment bay, wash bay, and an inventory of over 45 used cars have been added since opening in 1993. This everexpanding business prides itself on being family owned and operated.

Gary and Heather also enjoy giving back to their community through Koncir Automotive sponsorships and support of several local "notfor-profit" organizations and community events. They have ongoing sponsorships with Simcoe Minor Hockey, Simcoe and District Soccer, Simcoe Minor Baseball, Simcoe Lawn Bowling, Cystic Fibrosis, Children's Aid "Little Dreams Big Dreams", Community Living Access, Camp Trillium, South West Ontario Youth for Christ, and many more.

After serving Norfolk County for over 25 years **Gary, Heather and Family** are still determined to provide exceptional quality of service for a long time to come. Here's to another 25 years!

CL Access would like to acknowledge Gary & Heather Koncir for their 2019 Lottery Calendar SILVER Sponsorship

Through their support and our other sponsors our 2019 Lottery Calendar Sold out...
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FOOD CRAWL Save the Date!

The Food Crawl is creeping up on us.



This year's date is set for **Thursday, October 24**th, **2019**. We know most of last year's participants are coming back and bringing more friends, so the buses will fill up quickly!

Last October our buses visited the Crepe House in Port Dover, we ate again at David's, the Shire, the Greens of Renton and then all the buses ended up at the Blue Elephant for one big party!!

If eating, drinking, winning prizes and having a great time with friends/family and making new friends sounds like fun to you, don't miss the bus! Call and reserve your spot(s) now.

For more information, contact Don at the office 519-426-0007 ext. 111 and check our website in the near future to order your tickets online.



Puzzle Answer

From Page 5

SUBWAY DAY



We had a great Subway Day in May and are starting to prepare for the September 27th, day coming up quickly!

If we didn't visit your business, perhaps it's because you didn't know where we deliver to. If your place of work is in Simcoe, Waterford, Port Dover, Port Rowan, Delhi, St. Williams, Courtland, Langton or anywhere in between, we will gladly deliver yummy Subway boxed lunches to you and your co-workers on Friday, September 27th.

For more information, give Shelly a call at 519-426-0007 ext. 100 and we can make sure you receive a subway package to participate! We will also have information posted to our website where you can place your orders and pay online.

Thank you to all the businesses out there that participate and to the new ones, welcome aboard!

Submitted by Shelly Marinic

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