



CELEBRATING CONNECTIONS & COMMUNITY

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Community Living Belleville and Area Newsletter

In Full Bloom Gala—May 24th, 2025

The most elegant evening of the year!

More than 130 people gathered at the 2nd Annual *In Full Bloom Gala* on May 24, 2025. The evening started with dinner and mingling and ended with dancing and laughing. Everyone looked wonderful and even though the night had to come to an end, some incredible memories that will last a lifetime were captured by Mark Limin.

Thank you to everyone who made the Gala possible!



Community Living Month



**Celebrating
Community
Living Month in
May by raising
the banner at
the Belleville
Bridge!**

United Way—Day of Caring

**Thank you to McDougall
Insurance for helping us with our
landscaping and gardens!**



United Way
Hastings & Prince Edward

The 41st Annual Mayors' Challenge Golf Tournament was a great success!

On June 17, 2025, 116 golfers participated in the Annual Mayors' Challenge Golf Tournament at Trillium Wood Golf Club. With the support of the Municipal Mayors/ Warden, Sponsors, Donors, Volunteers and Golfers, we raised \$32, 013!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to those who generously supported CLBA. Your support helps us work toward our vision: *a community where everyone belongs and all people are valued and respected as participating and contributing members.*



The winner of this years Mayors' Challenge Golf Tournament was Quinte West. Congratulations to Mayor Jim Harrison and his team!

June 26, 2025—Annual General Meeting



Cheryl celebrating her retirement after 43 years. Cheryl's unwavering commitment to providing quality support transformed countless lives. Thank you, Cheryl, for your compassion and inspiring leadership. Your legacy of excellence continues to inspire so many!



Celebrating Success at the Special Olympics

Adam travelled to Brantford, Ontario to participate in the Special Olympics Provincial Summer Games. He came away with a gold medal in the 3000m and 1500m races as well as a silver medal in the running long jump. This is the sixth time he's travelled with his team on a provincial and national level!



In July, Nicole competed in the Special Olympics Provincial Summer Games in Track and Field. She came home with 3 gold medals and 2 silver medals. Nicole was able to purchase prescription sunglasses which helped her a lot while running. Nicole is waiting to see if she qualifies for Nationals next summer.

We are so proud of you, Adam and Nicole!

HELLO

SUMMER

Summer is all about enjoying the sunshine, spending time outdoors & creating memories with friends and family.



Kelli, Sherri, Sara, David, Amber, Genny & Megan in Port Hope. They enjoyed a picnic in the park before they went to the Capitol Theatre to see the classical play, Steel Magnolias. The theatre staff are so kind and wonderful, and they even donated to our United Way campaign.



Doug, Ed, Richard and Irma rented a cottage near Barry's Bay. They enjoyed their time together!



Child and Family Services—Summer Update:



On June 24th, Tristan celebrated a big milestone — he graduated Grade 8! In September 2025, he will be begin a new chapter at high school.



Matthew toured the National Air Force Museum where he greatly enjoyed seeing all of the planes on display.

Tanis and Corey enjoyed a fun-filled weekend at a cottage in Brighton. They had a blast biking and sightseeing at Presqu'île Provincial Park, attended a concert, and ended each day by the fire with smiles all around.



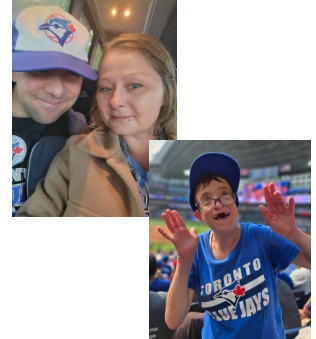
Submitted by: Sherry Diamond and Darci Smith

Summer is the Name and Baseball is the Game!



Quinte Challenger Baseball

An adaptive sports league that empowers athletes with disabilities to: develop new skills, build confidence, and have fun.



Multiple trips were made to Toronto this summer to support the Blue Jays!

It may be a bias opinion, but we think CLBA fans are the best ones.



FEATURE STORY

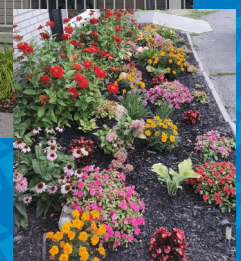
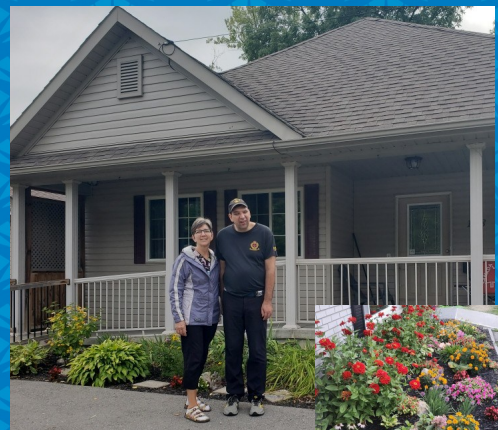
When Kevin moved to his new home, he wanted a garden just like the one he had at his parents home. Kevin and his Mom dug out a garden and planted it in the front of the house by the veranda .

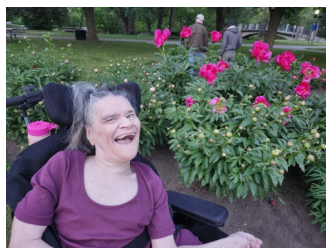
The garden planting continued and now, two other homes benefit from a beautiful garden in the front of their house.

It takes water, weeding and sunshine to make the gardens look good!

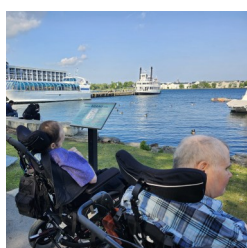
Thanks to the " watering crew" at each house and a special thanks to Mary-Susan and BMR Marmora for some flowers and mulch!

Submitted by: Nicholas de Vries





Theresa at the Oshawa Botanical Gardens.



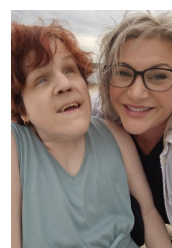
1000 Islands Boat Cruise in Kingston,



Kaleb with his dog, Jack.



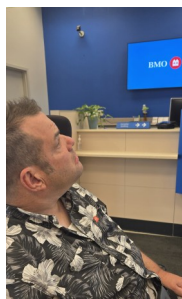
Julie & Sara at North Beach.



Jamyla at Heal with Horses... but with goats instead.



Jeremy at Brighton Speedway for Fan Appreciation Day.



Frank at the bank getting funds for his summer adventures.



Kelli, Shiane, Sara, Megan, Genny & Julie at Capitol Theatre in Port Hope to see *The Waitress* — lots of singing!



Genny volunteering at "Our Lady of Fatima".



Jami golfing in Kingston.



Megan enjoyed a private dance and movement class with Miss Kenna.



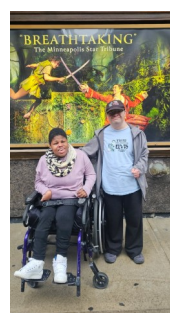
Alex, Doug, Irma & Ed at Mediaeval Times.



Andrew meeting the cast of the LOL Podcast.



Emma, Tala & Hannah took the train to Ripley's Aquarium.



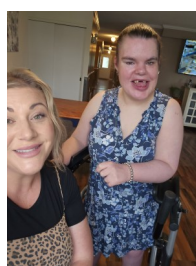
Jamyla, Jamal & Chuck enjoyed watching Musicals at the Ed Mirvish Theatre.



Megan with her dad.



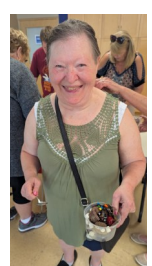
Jami at the Quinte West Fire Dept.



Megan helping at the computer with her planning & goals.



Lucy & Irma enjoying the Pop-Up Sundae Shop at CPS.



Genny & Amber enjoying their time at Base 31 in Picton.



Nicole, Charlene, Tracy & Victoria enjoying the beautiful summer weather.

Community Participation Supports

FUN FAIR

hosted by CPS

The day consisted of many different events and games such as the cake walk, fishing, balloon darts, dunk tank (BIG HIT), ring toss, basketball arcade shootout. There was also cotton candy, popcorn, hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks for sale.

Thank you to CPS for hosting the Fun Fair and to everyone who participated and volunteered their time, many of whom were retired CLBA employees!



A fun-filled day that went out with a splash!



Belleville Poutine Feast.



Wooden sign painting with Log Home Creations at CPS.



**Back by popular demand on Oct. 21st @ 6pm.
Contact CPS for more details!**



Kingston Boat Cruise.



Tending to the garden has been a big project this summer, it is a lot of work but very rewarding once the produce is ready to harvest!



Day Trip to Brockville, ON to explore the old Railway Tunnel.



Submitted by: Christine Campbell and Diana Martin