

A.S.P. Quarterly Newsletter – Autumn 2018

Verve iPhone Project raises \$10,000 for Alzheimer's: The Verve iPhone Project, created by a Verve Senior Living Summer Student was a huge success—raising \$10,000 for Alzheimer Society Peel. Managers across Canada who had a company iPhone were asked to turn them into head office for an upgrade to the new iPhone 7. Once this was complete, the phones were inspected to ensure they were in good shape and working order and were then offered back to the managers for a \$100 donation. Representatives from the Verve Head Office, including Chief Operating Officer David Bird, stopped by the ASP Head Office in Port Credit for a cheque presentation and also toured the Sam McCallion Day Program.

Memorial wind chime in memory of Teresa Gavin: On July 28, 2018 the Alzheimer Society Peel family lost a beloved colleague and friend: Chief Financial Officer Teresa Gavin. On August 3, many staff attended a Celebration of Life in remembrance. Teresa will be profoundly missed by everyone whose lives she touched. She always had the highest regard for all ASP staff, as well as a smile and an ear to lend. In Teresa's memory, a wind chime has been installed in the gardens of our Nora's House Respite Care home.

Become a donor and support programs and services in your community: Alzheimer Society Peel is the leader in dementia care in the Region of Peel. We strive to help every person affected by dementia. Your donation will help support the programs and services at the Alzheimer Society Peel.

Education sessions available for community: The Public Education Coordinators of Alzheimer Society Peel are enthusiastic about bringing education into your next meeting. Highly professional staff deliver interactive sessions on Alzheimer's disease and brain health as a team builder and an opportunity to get individuals thinking in a new way. The free "Dementia Experience" interactive session allows participants to step into the shoes of someone with dementia to experience the challenges that are faced when attempting to carry out every day simple tasks. Participants will wear gear that stimulates deficits and will perform a series of activities followed by a discussion about dementia. For more information contact d.farrell@alzheimerpeel.com

Raising Voices brings people together in song: Raising Voices is an intergenerational choir that includes individuals with Alzheimer's and related dementia, their caregivers, youth volunteers from Cawthra Park Secondary School and Mississauga Festival Choir volunteer mentors. It is offered free to all participants. The choir is conducted by Bob Anderson, a renowned music educator and choral conductor and managed by Ruth Watkiss, the Music Therapist of Alzheimer Society Peel. The program comprises eight weekly 75 minute sessions for two terms per year. The Fall session starts October 9 and runs every Tuesday until December 4. For more information contact r.watkiss@alzheimerpeel.com

Photo descriptions:

1. One of our Meadowvale members taught our staff Eugenia how to knit.
2. An "Outback" Theme Day at our Sam McCallion Day Centre.
3. A "Disney" Theme Day at our Evelyn's Place Day Program.
4. Post-BMO Volunteer Day: a delicious vegetable garden and blooming flowers for our members on our Sam McCallion patio.
5. Our Meadowvale Day Program with their first annual Backyard BBQ Fundraiser raising money for new furniture.
6. Our Brampton and Evelyn's Place location at their Coffee Break fundraiser (raised over \$650!).
7. Our Brunel Day Program hosting their Coffee Break fundraiser that raised over \$1,000.
8. The local RONA hosted a fundraiser for the month of September which had two "cake and coffee" Saturdays.
9. Verve Senior Living (National office) presenting the \$10,000 funds raised from their iPhone project.
10. Volunteers from Rogers Media and our own Sandie at our Great Memories Golf Classic.
- 11./12. Golfers enjoying the beautiful weather and superb course at Eagle Ridge during our Great Memories Golf Classic fundraiser.