

S.O.A.R. CITIZEN

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FUNDRAISING EFFORTS



The S.O.A.R. team has been very dedicated in their efforts to raise funds for the programs. All the hard work has paid off. Participants have had a great time and have made great contributions.

WALKATHON:

A true reflection of our Developmental Service Department's Commitment. A total of 47 individuals participated in the Walkathon. We battled gray skies which threatened rain. We battled cool winds and trivia mongrels on the way. But alas, at the finish line we were greeted with pizza, pop, prizes and all sorts of goodies. My personal

favorite was all the cheers and praise for a job well done. Despite all the fun we actually got down to business and earned a combined total of \$2000.00

BAKE SALE:

A wonder of hidden talents. Staff learned how to bake from S.O.A.R. participants. Baking marathons took place at our local community center.

Sugar cookies by the dozen were being baked, decorated and packaged carefully. For those who can't eat flour or egg products, great tasting non bake Oat Chocolate Cookies were made. The participants excitement and baking

expedition began to be mimicked by staff. Pies, cookies, cakes, tarts, and bread, the list continues. We had tables full of treats. We also received a donated batch of short bread from a parent (these were among the first to go!).

After the initial sampling, then taste tasting, and finally gorging on broken cookies we had some left for the bake sale. The participants agreed some baked goods should be kept and shared with our neighboring Nursing home for Christmas. True Davidson Acres 5th floor residents enjoyed cookies with good company. At the end of the day we sold \$350.00
By: Toni

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December Events at S.O.A.R.

December was a busy month for everyone, and at S.O.A.R., we were just as busy. Last month we baked over 300 cookies, for our bake sale and for the local Seniors Residence. Some of S.O.A.R.S participants have volunteer

positions there. We had our first annual Christmas party on Dec 20. It was a great success and even Santa showed up. We also held our family open house and were able to meet many new people. In December we welcomed Jodi

Ball, who is taking over Eileen Macdonald's position while she is on maternity leave. We also said good-bye to Rob Morgan and welcome to Jason Hines.
By: Nancy

What we have done so far.....

We have had a very busy fall, Robert is going to tell everyone what we have done so far.....

We went to a factory, the TTC bus garage, Woodbine Beach swimming pool, Humane Society, True David-Acres, son the recycling plant, Can-ada's Wonderland, City Hall, the Fire Station, The Police Station, The Redpath Sugar Museum. We also had a Halloween Party



Scary Halloween Party

We had a Halloween Potluck. I loved the different food. I brought chicken wings and we gave it a new name: "Bat Wings". People had



many different costumes: I was the Star Wars Princess. We also had a haunted house. I was scared of the hands and the legs under the table. In the haunted house, there were spiders and pumpkins. We got to touch bowls with stuff inside that were supposed

to be body parts. It was a very scary house, but it was lots of fun. It was decorated nicely. Everybody won prizes, ate lots of food, and drank many soft drinks. Some people were dancing, while other did not dance. Overall, I had a great time.
By: Vivian

It was a nice time to bake the cookies and take them to the nursing home for the seniors to say Happy Holidays and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The seniors did like the cookies and they sent a letter to say "Thank-you S.O.A.R."
By: Alejandra



Titanic

By: Daniel

Once upon a time there was a boat called the Titanic which had about nine hundred passengers on board. It had an accident off the coast of Halifax. Later they interviewed one of the passengers that survived the wreckage. The boat sank to the ocean floor. The makers of the movie Titanic have become one of the top movie sellers around. It won an academy award. I recommend the movie.

Cats

By Shaun

My Aunt has a cat it's name is Baby, the last time I saw it, it was only a kitten. Now it's chubby and

it's over weight. It misses me like crazy and it can't wait for me to come back out to Woodstock. I should be getting a picture of it soon.

What has S.O.A.R. done for me? "I learn some things for myself" - Vivian

World Views

The World Trade Centre

By: Jason

I want to talk about what happened at the World Trade Centre. Two bad planes crashed into it. Its gone now and everyone is going to miss it. It makes me feel not good. About 4000 people died and many fire men and



fire trucks were lost in the attack. The fire men are still hosing down the world trade centre. Rob from Soar said that it made him feel sad about what happened.

OPINION

By Matthew

My opinion is that Osama Bin Laden should be arrested and thrown in jail for the rest of his life and so should all the other terrorists involved.

Santa's Story

On my way home from a party at the South Pole, I just happened to be passing by the Toronto area. I was in a hurry to get back home to the North Pole because Mrs. Claus was cooking a delicious dinner for Frosty the Snowman's birthday, when I happened to overhear there was a Holiday Party going on at S.O.A.R. So I decided to ask Rudolph if it would be OK to stop by to see what was going on. Boy, was I amazed to see all the participants, staff, family and friends having a great time. I thought, maybe I should call Mrs. Claus to tell her I would be home a little late. So there I was, lots and lots of presents in tow, and only one thing on my mind. "Ho Ho Ho...Merry

Christmas" I said as I burst through the door. Everybody seemed amazed that I just happened to pop by a few days ahead of schedule. But a funny thing happened to me as the party carried on...everyone kept on insisting that I looked like someone named "Jay". Never the less, I dropped off a few presents and took a picture or two. As I left S.O.A.R. and wished everyone a "Happy New Year" I decided since everybody has been so good this year I think I'll come back again next year. I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours Truly,
Santa Claus , A.k.a. "Jay"

RECIPE By: Vanessa & Melissa

Sugar Cookies

Ingredients

- 2 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup margarine
- 2/4 flour
- 1tbs of vanilla extract
- 1 tbs of baking powder
- 1 pinch of salt
- 2 eggs
- Mix sugar & margarine mix in flour
- Add rest of ingredients
- Chill in fridge for 1 hour
- Roll out with rolling pin
- Cut out shapes with cookie cutters
- Lay out on cookie sheet
- Bake for 7-10 mins until Golden Brown
- Wait until cool then decorate with icing + sprinkles

People with Jobs

My name is Casey, and I have been working at the food bank for several months now. Shaun also volunteers at the food bank. Vanessa has begun to work as a hostess at a local restaurant. Vivian has also been working hard assisting Senior's with their singing hour at the local Senior Residence. By Casey

We have all been working hard on creating resumes, practicing interviews and job searching.

Shaun writes that what he likes best about the Food Bank is

"I stack up some food, organize some bags and I help some people".

"meeting new people, doing different jobs and helping give people their food". Vivian's favourite part is "singing, talking and helping the old wheelchair people". James has recently started a placement at the

Food Bank, he says "I stack up some food, organize some bags and I help some people".

We are very excited about the new year and the opportunities to come. We all are anxious to begin new placements, develop new skills and gain experience in our community. By: Jodi

Sports Editorial By Robert

- Raptors Review for Wednesday December 19, 2001
- Raptors win 104-103 Atlanta Hawks
- Raptors lost 69-85 Boston
- Raptors lost 89-95 Milwaukee
- Raptors win 98-96 Denver Nuggets
- Raptors lost 90-91 Phoenix Suns
- Raptors lost 95-108 San Antonio
- Raptors lost 90-104 Hornets
- Raptors lost 88-93 Washington



YMCA By Michelle

At the YMCA, we play Basketball, , Ping-Pong, badminton, skipping and volley ball. We have fun. We go there by bus and subway. It takes us about one hour to get to the YMCA. I interviewed several people to find out what they liked about going to the YMCA. My favourite sport to play at the YMCA is Volley ball.
Robert, Rob, James, and Kirkland: All like to play basketball.
Vivian: I like to play badminton.
Linda: I like to do skipping there
Nancy: I like to go every other week and play all the different sports, they have to offer.
Kerry: I like to skip at the YMCA.
Zahra and Daniel enjoy playing Hockey there
Alejandra: I like to play volley ball.
Daniel: I like to play hockey.



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Poem by Kirkland

Doughnuts, Doughnuts, everyday
I like to eat them, everyday
I eat them at breakfast, noon and lunch
Maybe one day I'll eat them for brunch
I love chocolate doughnuts the best
I eat them before all the rest
I only want the chocolate ones
I can fit one over each thumb
Yup

The End

HORESCOPES:

Scorpio: (October 23-November 21)

You come to S.O.A.R. everyday. You will be happy.

Sagittarius: (November 22—December 11)

Your birthday is coming up. You will be one year older and wiser.

Capricorn: (December 22—January 19)

You will be in the limelight this year

Aquarius : (January 20-February 18)

You will win a trip to S.O.A.R.

Pisces: (February 19—March 20)

You will be in a TV program.

Aries: (March 21—April 18)

You will become a singer.

Taurus: (April 19—May 20)

You will go to Wendy's and Tim Horton's everyday.

Gemini: (May 21– June 20)

This month will go fast because it is fun.

Cancer: (June 21– July 22)

You will be in good health this year.

Leo: (July 23– August 22)

Your hair will be thick and long and you will need a hair cut.

Virgo: (August 23—September 22)

You will type on the computer everyday .

Libra: (September 23-October 22)

You read a book and invite guests. It will be Julia Roberts.



By James

ENTERTAINMENT

Movie Review: By: Kerry

The Wedding Planner:

This movie stars Jennifer Lopez and Matthew McConaugh. In this movie Jennifer is a "Wedding Planner". She falls in love with Matthew. At first, they were suppose to marry other people, but after a lot of problems, they finally get married at the end of the movie, because they love each other. Overall this movie made me sad and it made me laugh. I really like J-LO because she is pretty. She has nice clothes and her hair is beautiful. I think that she did a great job in this movie. I give this movie two thumbs up and I recommend that everyone watches

**MUSIC REVIEW:
2GETHER AGAIN**

By: Linda

This is my favourite album right now. The music group has all five boys in it. I like it because the music is soft and slow. My favourite song from this album is "I wanna know your name". I like the way they dance to all of their songs. QT is my favourite singer, as he makes me smile when he sings. I recommend that all of you listen to this album, as it is great. I give it my two thumbs up and I hope you do too.

LAUGH TILL YOU

DROP!

By: Elissa

QUESTION: What is black and white and read all over?

QUESTION: What is black and white and has sixteen wheels?

QUESTION: Why do humming birds hum?



Answers:

1. A newspaper!!
2. A Zebra on Roller-Skates!!
3. Because they don't know the words