

Eastern Ontario Community Council Connections

District Developer Update

Hello Volunteers, Coaches and Athletes!

I hope that everyone had a great summer. Fall is creeping up slowly. With registration nights, coaches meetings and new fall line-ups, I'm sure everyone is gearing up for another amazing season.

I'd like to give a special welcome to Sheryl Huestis, the new Manager of Field Services. Sheryl was the District Developer in Northern Ontario for a number of years, as well as a seasoned volunteer in Special Olympics Kingston and Sault St. Marie. James Noronha has moved to the Manager of Program Services position and can still be reached at the same email address. Congrats to both!!

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you of the passing of a long time dedicated volunteer. Debbie Carriere, Community Coordinator for Special Olympics Quinte West, passed away suddenly on August 27th. She was 50 years old. On behalf of Special Olympics in Eastern Ontario, I would like the Quinte West community to know that we are here to support them in any way.

As we move forward this fall, I wish you all health, happiness and good luck. Those are the most important things after all!

Suzanne

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Suzanne's Tips of the Month

In order to simplify the process for volunteers, two new email accounts have been set up.

If you are looking for information on insurance certificates, please email: insurance@specialolympicsontario.com

If you are looking for supplies (ribbons, buttons, balloons etc.) please email: supplies@specialolympicsontario.com

As always, please send me any information that you would like highlighted in this newsletter. Thanks!

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." – Helen Keller

Suzanne's Tasks of the Month

1. Please send me any volunteer opportunities for your communities. I will put them on the Eastern Ontario Website
2. If you have any athlete, volunteer event, competition news for the Eastern Ontario Website, I would love to add it to the Eastern Website.
3. Please send me an updated Community Council Contact List and Program Directory, if there have been elections or changes this season.

Thanks!!

News Flash!

Four Corners 3on3 Basketball Competition

<http://fourcorners.specialolympicsontario.ca/>

Special Olympics Ontario is proud to offer the Four Corners Basketball Competition, a new 3-on-3 style tournament that is aimed at Youth and School athletes. There have been few competitions dedicated to these age groups, making this an exciting new opportunity!

The competitions will take place over the 2011-2012 school year in four separate areas of the province...

Sudbury: October 28-29, 2011

Ottawa: November 25-26, 2011

London: February 10-11, 2012

Oakville: March 2-3, 2012

The competitions will run on Friday (for school athletes) and Saturday for youth athletes.

Teams will be made of 5 players (3 on the court and 2 substitutes). Good Luck to all who participate!

District Highlights

Regional Coaches Meetings:

Region 7

Saturday, September 24th 9:30-12:00

Stan Tourangeau Building - Police / Fire Station
67 Meehan Street, Arnprior Ontario

Regions 12

Sunday, September 18th, 9:30 – 12:00

New Cobourg Community Center

Active Start and Fundamental Youth Program Pilot @ Orleans YMCA – Starts September 25th.

Motionball Marathon of Sport – Ottawa - October 1st

Kelly Santini Festival Breakfast – Ottawa - October 5th

Team Bushido Fundraiser – Ottawa – October 15th

Games Corners

International Summer Games: June 2011

Athens, Greece

Congrats to Region 7 Athletes on Team Canada:

Marianne Scharf (Athletics) – 1 Gold, 1 Bronze

Meagan Michie (Swimming) – 4 Gold

Christina Judd-Campbell (Rhyth. Gym) – 4 Gold, 1 Silver

National Winter Games: Feb 28 - March 3, 2012

St. Albert, Alberta

Team Ontario is comprised of 195 athletes, 58 coaches and 14 mission staff from all across the province. These

Games are also a qualifying event for the 2013 World

Winter Games to be held in South Korea. Congrats to

the athletes and coaches of the Team Ontario training

squad. Good Luck to the coaches heading to National

Coaches training on Oct 1/2. For More info:

<http://stalbert2012.ca/en/>

Provincial Spring Games: May 31 – June 3, 2012

Kingston, Ontario

The endorsement process will start next week. Good

Luck to everyone who will compete / coach / volunteer in Kingston!

Kudos to...

If any of you have had the pleasure of working with Duygu, Yunus and Akhtar, our Administrative assistants, you will know that they are all very wonderful and hard-working staff members. Their contracts are over in September and we wish them best of luck in their future endeavours!

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