FALL EDITION OCTOBER 2023

EVENTS FOR LIFE NEWSLETTER

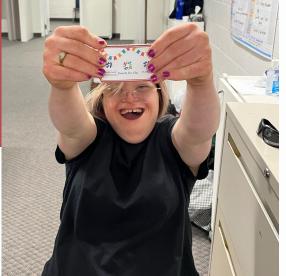




WHAT A SUMMER!

Well that was a great summer! From Fiddler on the Loose at King's Wharf in Penetanguishene, to the Elmvale Jungle Zoo, to swimming at Centennial Pool. We had a blast!

Weekly themes continued the fun and learning - Circus, Hoe Down, Movie Mania, Life's a Beach, Music Mania, Tally Ho to England we go! and Spots and Stripes. Participants completed journals in which they logged accomplishments in doing chores at EFL and home and earned EFL bucks. Weekly sessions such as culinary, work experience, ukes and iPads, Burning Beakers, yoga, dance, Kahoot, healthy life styles and sign language were fantastic. For nostalgia, there was a return to virtual programming for a couple of days.









EFL Arena Café is Back

The EFL Arena Café had a "soft opening" at the Beaver Valley Fall Fair this year. The Café was well supported by the Fair visitors. The hotdogs and fries were a big hit!



The EFL Cafe will be open for lunch starting Monday October 16th from 11 AM to 1:00 PM. Groups of participants will start their work experience at the cafe in October and it run operate until March 22nd.

NEW HOCKEY TEAM IN TOWN!!



The Georgian Bay Applekings hockey team has asked EFL to open the Café during their Saturday night hame games. We will be looking for participants to work at the Café along with some parent volunteers to assist. Home games are Saturday nights starting at 5:30 pm at the Thornbury Arena. The team has offered EFL discounted season tickets at a half price rate of \$50. Go to this website to order your tickets. http://applekingshockey.square.site/









Abbey is from Meaford and has returned home after graduating from the University of Guelph. She brings extensive leadership skills from managing the Senior Residence at the University and coaching the competitive downhill skiers at Georgian Peaks. You may have seen Abbey working at the Roost Winery or serving you ice cream at Pom Pom's. Abbey has spent time volunteering at EFL and has gotten to know the participants. Welcome to the EFL team Abbey!!



















PARENT MEETING

Wednesday October 18th

2:00-3:30 pm Blue Mountain Community Church We encourage all parents to attend.



Heart of a Hero





Under One Roof

EFL has been operating out of two facilities for over two years and the participant numbers have grown to 37 per week. Growth is great but it comes with it's challenges. EFL established a Program Expansion Committee before the Pandemic to start looking at facility options. Renovating an existing facility can be difficult and expensive and there has not been a lot of options in the Town of the Blue Mountains. Kevin Whyte, Chair of the EFL Board of Directors, did a deputation to the Town of the Blue Mountains Council in August asking for land to potentially build our own facility. The Town is very much in support of helping EFL We hope to have updates to share at our PARENT MEETING October 18th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 7 The Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Turkey Trot Race

October 9 Happy Thanksgiving -Closed

October 14 Opening game for the Georgian Bay AppleKings

October 16 EFL Arena Café opens Monday to Friday until March 22nd

October 18 Parents Meeting 2:00 - 3:30 Blue Mountain Community Church

October 31 The Warming Station at the Thornbury Library - Volunteers needed.

November 6 EFL closed

November 23 EFL Christmas Dinner and Dance for families and friends.

November 28 Giving Tuesday fundraising campaign

November 29 Meaford Knights Hockey Game raising awareness for Autism

November 30 EFL at the Meaford "Christmas by the Bay" Georgie Presents.

December 9 EFL Christmas Craft Show 9am to Noon at EFL Centre (The Farm)

December 13 EFL Christmas performance

December 14 Last Day of program















#eflgiving tuesday



9 AM TO NOON



EFL HOLIDAY CRAFT SALE

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