

COMMUNICATOR

Community Living Georgina

*Providing supports and services to people with diverse abilities
living in the Town of Georgina .*



Partner Agency of
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Summer/Fall 2021

GOOD FOOD COLLECTIVE



Good for you.
Good for the environment.
Good for your pocket

There is a saying “Teamwork Makes the Dream Work” and such is the case for a new initiative, the “Good Food Collective”. With Community Living’s new location at The Link, it presented a great opportunity to partner with other local organizations. Routes Connecting Communities, Georgina Community Food Pantry and Community Living Georgina initiated a collaboration to support residents of Georgina to take leadership roles in the planning, preparation and provision of meals, while at the same time ensuring that people have access to food and nutrition. The project will provide individuals supported at Community Living an opportunity to work in a community kitchen where they can learn new skills, provide nutritious meals, and engage with volunteers and other residents. The project has three components:

- A collective catering venture which currently offers \$5.00 meals every other week. The meals are unique in that they offer an

ethnically-based menu, are locally sourced, and packaging is biodegradable

- A community lunch “pay what you can” model, where community members can have a nutritious meal in a more social setting at the Link.
- Skills training through the form of workshops.

We have currently been offering our catered meals since July, serving a surprising 50-70 people twice a month. Given pandemic restrictions, we were excited at our numbers. We look forward to coming months when we can start to expand to our other initiatives and to grow our catering venture. If you would like to try one of our meals please contact:

(905) 722-8947 x5534 or by email at
pburgess@communitylivinggeorgina.com.

FABULOUS AT “50”



Celebrating a milestone 50th birthday, Chrissy enjoys all of the attention brought to her on her special day. She was delighted by all the cards, gifts, decorations, and drop by, socially distanced visits.

THEY SHOOT...

Darcie and Paul cheer on the Toronto Maple Leafs. Paul is an avid sports fan, and while the pandemic may have limited his opportunities to visit live games, he made sure to follow all of the action from home.



**THEY
SCORE!!!**

NO PLACE LIKE



Ben, David and Paul show off their crafting talents with their interpretation of St Patrick's Day gnomes.



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Gnomes are believed to represent good luck. They are thought to be magical creatures with powers that can protect your home. It is also thought that they have the ability and motivation to reward people with happiness .

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REAPING THE BENEFITS

Community Living Georgina “reaped” the benefits of a space at the community garden at the Link. A big thank you to staff member Darlene Browne who took the time to care for and grow some beautiful vegetables. The fresh produce was given to several of our



residential locations where it was incorporated into meals. Sylvia (pictured above) creates a pasta sauce for her house to enjoy.

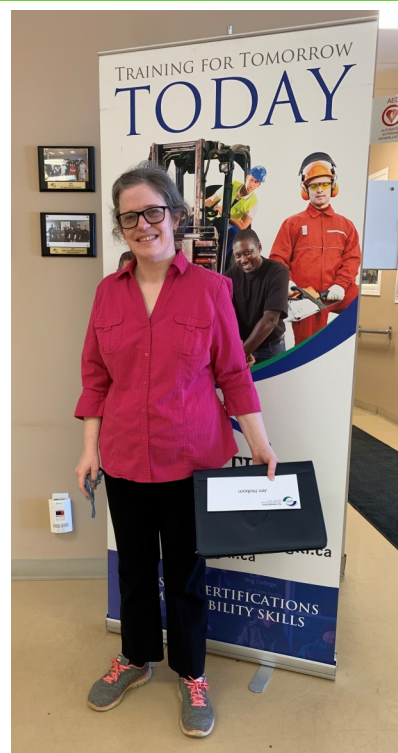
EAT WELL. LIVE WELL. BE WELL.

A FOND FAREWELL

Congratulations to Jennifer for being selected as the recipient of the Len Westcott Memorial Award. Jennifer completed the SET Online Administration Program provided by the local Georgina Trades Training Inc. The bursary she received was established to assist individuals to overcome barriers in order to achieve success in goals they may have. Jennifer utilized the bus provided by the program and frequently used public transportation to access her place of employment. In September, Jennifer made the move to Nova Scotia to be closer to her family. For many years Jennifer was an exceptional volunteer. Community Living Georgina was grateful for her weekly commitment to our community bingo and various other fundraising events. She was also very involved with the Kinettes and her local church. We will definitely miss her and wish her the very best in her future endeavours.

**"Those who bring sunshine to
the lives of others cannot keep
it from themselves."**

- James Matthew Barrie



THANK YOU

Community Living Georgina would like to extend our sincerest thanks to all of the families and community members who continued to support us throughout the pandemic. While we may not have seen each other face to face, it was endearing to know that we continued to be in your thoughts. Madison, a volunteer with the DANCE Program generously dropped off a donation to assist individuals supported. Thank you!!

Your thoughtfulness is truly appreciated!



TOO CUTE TO "SPOOK"



Karen and Tammy, along with their housemates got into the spirit of Halloween this year. They each decorated their own pumpkins and had a few laughs sporting various wigs and costumes. It appears to me that everyone had a "howling good time".

FRESH AND AFFORDABLE



UPCOMING MENU

December 8, 2021 - Greek Moussaka

December 22, 2021 - Latin Turkey with Apple & Chorizo

All meals have a vegetarian option.

Meals are \$5.00 each for Takeout Only (Pick up the Link in Sutton)

To pre-order please call Patti (905) 722-8947 x5534 or

Email: pburgess@communitylivinggeorgina.com