

Seasons Greetings



Greetings all,

As I sit here this day, writing my Christmas Greeting to all our clients, volunteers and supporters, the snow is gently falling and looking rather pretty outside.

It always gives me pleasure this time of the year to bring each of you greetings and to personally thank you for your continued support of our agency. Whether you are a client, volunteer, staff member or financial supporter, you each play an integral part in our success.

My appreciation is extended to all our agency volunteers for countless hours you donate to our agency, and without your dedication, we would not be able to provide the vital programming we do, your volunteer hours provide immeasurable value to our agency and most importantly to our clients and for that I say thank you.

In closing, I send you joy, love and God's many blessings during this Christmas season with health and happiness in 2024.

Sincerely, Dennis Harrington, Executive Director



THE FALL FEST FASHION GALA

Thanks to our wonderful sponsors, volunteers, and fashion vendors, our very first Fall Fest Fashion Gala was a success!

The event showcased fashion, fun and fostered a sense of UNITY among fashion vendors within our community.

Special guest models included local community leaders like Lisa McGee - Mayor, Town of Arnprior, Mark MacKenzie - Mayor, Township of McNab/Braeside, Cory Nicholas - Deputy Fire Chief of the Arnprior Fire Dept, Leah Levesque - President and CEO of Arnprior Regional Health, and Gina Pilon of Pilon Family Funeral Home, brought a new dimension to the fashion show. It was heartwarming to witness their different sides and the possibility of hidden talents!

A big shout-out goes to the Arnprior Fire Dept's Ryan Lapierre, Bob Smith, and Stephen Styles for their assistance with keeping a watchful eye over the Silent Auction table and delivering the huge charcuterie boards by Sandee's Country Kitchen!

Special thanks to Mike Perreault of Jesse's DJ Service, whose music selections set the perfect tone for the show, and Judith Waddell who did an amazing job as the Master of Ceremonies.



We'd like to express our gratitude to the generous sponsors who made this event possible:

Jennifer Charlebois-Robillard Insurance and Financial Services Inc., RONA M. Sullivan & Son Limited, Zen Interior Design, McPhersons Plumbing & Heating, Arnprior Optical, Mel's Flowers and Decorating, Needham's Market Garden, Centre Town Coin Laundry & Dry Cleaning

Furthermore, we extend our appreciation to the businesses that contributed to the Silent Auction:

LaSalon Rouge, Vintage Value Decor, Urban Angus Steak & Wine, Under My Roof, Racked, Valley Girls + Clothing Co., Jade & Laney, Braeside Home Furnishings, HearCanada, Star-Set Jewellers, Paul's Properties, O'Brien Theatre, The Pines Rides, ChrisTina Studio, KOTi 28, Sox-Plus, Antrim Truck Stop

Angel Tree

The Trees are up, and we invite you to support our Angel Tree Campaign! In the last year alone, we provided emergency housing, urgent home maintenance, medical devices, dental care, medical transportation, groceries, and much needed support throughout the year.

Donations can be made in person at our office or by E-transfer to angeltree@cssagency.ca. Alternatively, a secure one time or monthly donation option is available through CanadaHelps.org via our website @ www.cssagency.ca. If you have any questions, contact us at 613-623-7981.

Angel Tree Partners include: The Public Library, Rona, Home Hardware, Hart, TD Bank, Royal Bank, CIBC, Scotia Bank, Northern Credit Union, The Arnprior & District Family Health Team and the Township of McNab/Braeside



Looking for a gift idea? Our Foot Care Clinics are held each Thursday within our agency.

To purchase a gift card, call 613-621-0012

Soft Soles  Advanced Diabetic Foot Care



In-town Seniors Transportation

\$5 each way
(\$6.00 from the Village of Braeside)



Important announcement



Ontario 

Effective December 6th, the new temporary address for ServiceOntario is: 275 Ida Street North, Ontario, K7S 3M7 (Old Grove location)

**Open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

HOLIDAY HOURS:

CLOSED DEC. 22nd AT NOON

CLOSED DEC. 25th AND 26th

OPEN DEC. 27th

CLOSED AT NOON ON DEC. 29th TO JAN.1st.

OPEN - TUES JAN 2ND (REGULAR HOURS)

A VOLUNTEERS STORY



In the winter of 1983, a young woman who wishes to remain anonymous, quietly settled in the charming town of Arnprior. From day one, she received a warm welcome and support from our town and never looked back. It wasn't long before she met her Canadian spouse. Together for 30 years, they raised five wonderful children and eight amazing grandchildren.

For twenty-seven years, they dedicated themselves to running a business before they decided to sell and retire. In 2019, they registered with Seniors at Home (SAH) to give back to their community who had been so supportive of them over the years.

Unfortunately, the universe had different plans thanks to Covid19. After contracting the virus, dashing their initial hopes of volunteering, this couple eventually became active volunteers offering companionship through our Friendly Visiting/Caller program. She's also known to share homemade scones and swapping plants with a few of clients! Between the two, this couple also volunteer their time to the Income Tax Clinic.

When asked about volunteering, this couple encourages others to consider the fulfilling path of volunteering. In her own words, "If you discover that you have some spare time in your daily life, consider volunteering. You will not regret it".

We at SAH, are inspired by their story which is a testament to the enduring power of community and helping those in need.



An Early Angel Tree Boost

An early boost for the Angel Tree initiative came from a generous \$1,500 donation by Nu-Tech Precision Metals, which was equally allocated between the Angel Tree and Blue Envelope Campaigns. Their total contribution amounted to an impressive \$3,000.00!

Left to right: Suzanne Giroux - Seniors at Home Development Coordinator and Theresa Stokman of Nu-Tech Precision Metals

CHILI FEST 2023

A huge THANK YOU to Aspira Island View who sponsored and organized the Annual Chili Fest 2023 in support of Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors at Home Program Inc. A total of \$1470.00 was raised and we are so thankful to them and the community's support! It was a tough task for local judges, Mayor, Lisa McGee, Rivermen Owner, Adrian Moyes and Jennifer Charlebois-Robillard, Business Owner of JCR Desjardins Insurance, who judged the chili on presentation, taste, and aroma.

Thanks to the support of our local community and all the restaurants in our great town who participated in this year's Chili Fest. This year's Grand Champion goes to Aspira Island View, 2nd place to Biryani House and 3rd place to Negi's Family Bistro and Pub.

Top: Presenting the cheque is the new General Manager, Martin Carriere and Lynn Russett, Retirement Counsellor from Aspira Island View to Suzanne Giroux, Development Coordinator of Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors at Home Program

Bottom: From left to right: Judges - Adrian Moyes, Jennifer Charlebois-Robillard and Lisa McGee



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

In the heart of Arnprior, excitement buzzed through the air as our Annual Christmas Craft Fair unfolded another resounding success. The community had once again come together to make this event a true celebration of creativity and camaraderie.

Volunteers tirelessly worked behind the scenes, ensuring every detail was perfect! Their hard work didn't go unnoticed, as smiles and gratitude flowed freely from attendees and vendors alike. We also thank CYS in Arnprior for sponsoring our event!

Local artisans, bakers and craft enthusiasts filled the venue with an assortment of handcrafted jewelry to unique, one-of-a-kind treasures and baked goods. This Craft Fair had it all and we look forward our next Craft Fair in November 2024!

images above (Top left to right) – Volunteers – Chantal Brown, Jennifer Major and SAH Staff Nikki Rumbelow having FUN!

Top right – Craft Fair Attendees – Jennifer Charlebois-Robillard and Family spending quality shopping time together!

Bottom left – Volunteer Beth Deveaux and SAH Staff Nancy Peck welcoming attendees

Bottom right – A festive full hall!





Leave a Lasting Legacy

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How will you be REMEMBERED?



TIMOTHY WILLIAM
"TATER" TATE
1977-2023



FRANCIS "FRANK" VALIN
1944-2023

We at Seniors At Home gratefully thank those who have donated in memory of their loved ones.



MADELEINE "MADDY"
LASCELLE
1935-2023

The Lunch Bunch

(with musical entertainment)



Every 1st Wednesday of the month

Where: Arnprior Legion

Time: 12:00pm - 2:00pm



Tickets \$12.00 - advanced purchase required from Seniors at Home office



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Dates

Jan. 3

Feb. 7

Mar. 6

Entertainment

Carolyn Keays &
Guest musician

Kevin Harrison

Karl & Linda Dregischan

For all seniors 55+, disabled, and individuals with special needs

Thank
You

A special **THANK YOU** to Sylvia Lapierre and The GAL Family Foundation who generously donated \$5,000.00 towards Seniors at Home. With inflation at a high, our clients are in need more than ever and this donation will make a huge impact in our community!

In addition, we wish to thank Shivangi Rawat for once again spearheading the Santa for Seniors Gift Box Program, in hopes of making a senior smile during a time they need it the most.

**Best wishes for a healthy
and Happy New Year!**

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