

# The Link

Leduc LINX Connect Centre

January 2012

## Board Chair Report

First I want to wish you a Very Merry Christmas! A Happy Prosperous Healthy New Year! Where has the year gone? The Board has done a lot of work, working with the Executive Director, to strengthen and bring new things to improve our loved ones lives. There have been classes for the staff, with more being planned, to strengthen the team. We are trying to keep you informed by the newsletter, so that everyone knows what is happening at LINX. We are also working on the Web site to make it more user friendly and keep it up to date.

There is a lot of work to do, and we do need volunteers to help in all kind of positions. You can help a teacher in the classroom one day or ½ day, teach on the front desk, teach computer skills, or help in your field. It can be as much or little time as you have. Please become involved. Your volunteer time also helps us with our fundraising, donors like to see us do volunteer work. Again Happy Holidays  
- Ingrid

## Executive Director Report

December has been busy with the client and staff Christmas parties, and the last of the trainings for the year. We were very lucky to have some training dollars from PDD that allowed some people to take computer classes, Professional Boundaries, Dealing with Difficult Behaviours, and a Conflict Resolution course that was offered to the entire agency. In the new year we will be having Restrictive Procedures and Abuse Protocol, and sending some staff to train to teach MANDT to the whole agency. We are also hoping to have some staff train to be CET Surveyors, and bring back some inspirational ideas to LINX.

If you want to be more in the loop with how things are going, and see some pictures from LINX, be our "friend" on Facebook. Send a friend request to Leduc LINX and stay in touch!

Can it really be that 2011 is almost over? I for one am looking forward to all the new adventures in 2012. The "Buy a Brick" campaign is already gaining momentum, and has sold some bricks already. I know I will be buying a brick before tax season so that LINX can grow, and I can get the benefit when I do my taxes. Contact us if you would like to do the same!

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for all of their support, and wish you a happy, healthy and safe Holiday Season!

- Nicole



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### Dates to remember:

December 24-27 – Office closed for Christmas

December 31-January 2 – Closed for New Years

January 11 – Fundraising Committee Meeting

January 18 – Board Meeting

January 24 – Restrictive Procedures

January 28 – Restrictive Procedures

### Board Members

Ingrid Seitinger – Chairperson

Mark Tamagi -Vice Chairperson

Bill Dolman – Treasurer

Laurie Tancowny – Member

Jennie Tomlinson – Member

Bill Carr - Member

## Day Program Report

A new year for the day program means a renewal for contracts. We will be having case conferences to correspond with everyone's birthdays this year. Now that the holidays are behind us we will be planning some special activities for the coming year. If you have any ideas or know someone who could share their knowledge or teach us a new skill, give Nicole or I a call.

Our employee of the month is **Deanna Bittner**. She is wonderful job coach, a great team player, and always has such a positive outlook. Our citizen of the month is **Lynne Biddulph**. She works for LINX at reception and No Frills, where management has identified her as "the best employee we have".

- Cindy

## Residential Program Report

I Hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday season. I would like to send a special **thank you** to all who provided respite over the holidays.

If anyone knows of someone that would be a great Respite Provider or a Support Home Provider please encourage them to come in with a resume. I am always looking for different options.

This month's Support Home Provider is **Mary Johnson**. She volunteered her time to help make our gala a success, assisted her co-providers with learning how to get on the data base, provided guidance to her co-providers with writing programs, and accommodated LINX Day program when an out of the box solution was needed for an individual.

We are looking forward to our Mandatory Training this month: Restrictive Procedures  
- Ronni

## Fundraising Report

The Fundraising Committee and Volunteers have worked very hard in the past year to raise funds. We have had several successful events. Not only for the funds that come in, but also for our exposure in the Community, showing our willingness to work to make this money.

In 15 months our lease will be up, this gives us little time to make money, and find our new home. With the launching of our Buy a Brick campaign, we hope to make money for our move. Each one of you can be involved in this.

- BUY A BRICK
- SELL SOME BRICKS

The bricks are so designed that everyone can afford one, they start at \$25.00. We have posters available; put one on a bulletin board in your store or where you can. Show it to your friends and relatives. We need to put this together one brick at a time. The cash money that comes in will be doubled by a matching grant.

We have a very hard year ahead of us, please become involved. We all have very busy lives, but if each one of us try and find some time; it will make the load a lot easier. A great big Thank You for all the volunteers that helped thru the year. Very Happy Holidays, see you in the New Year. Wishing you a Very Prosperous Healthy Happy New Year.

- Ingrid

# "Just so you know!..."

# Our amazing job sites!

Christmas is the time for family and sharing, so I wanted to share with the LINX family some of the wonderful and supportive job sites in our community. See if you can "search" them out!

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Happy Nappy Diaper Services  
Holiday Inn Express

Inland Properties  
Kennelli Springs  
KFC  
Kosmos  
Leduc Public Library  
Mike's Appliances  
Nisku Inn  
No Frills  
Pizza Hut  
Planeview Place  
Ricky's  
Salem Manor  
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