



# Youville Centre *News*



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## Ooh 'n Ahh Fashion Show Does It Again!

The 2009 Ooh 'n Ahh Fashion Show and Auction, presented by **Shepherd's** and held at the Youville Centre October 22nd, was a smashing success and one of Youville's fundraising highlights of the year.

Almost 300 guests were treated to beautiful fashions from **Shepherd's**, and delicious food from **David Smith** at **Creative Kosher Catering** to make the evening even more enjoyable.

Proceeds from this event and additional donations from Scotiabank and the Ottawa Dragon Boat Foundation will total \$47,000, in support of Youville Centre's mental health counselling, one of the many services provided to our young mothers to help them work through the obstacles they confront as young parents.

Of course the Ooh 'n Ahh Fashion Show would not be the success it is without the support of dedicated participants, volunteers and staff.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to **Marlene Shepherd** who gives of her time and talent each year to make the fashion show such a great success. Marlene has helped to raise close to \$200,000 for the Youville Centre and this year was presented with a United Way Community Builder Award by Michael O'Byrne from CTV in recognition of her years of contribution. Marlene also received an honourable mention as a top Volunteer Fundraiser for her work with the Youville Centre at the recent Philanthropy Awards held at the Chateau Laurier. Congratulations Marlene! We are so grateful for your ongoing support.

We also wish to thank **Davidson's Jewelers**, for the generous contribution to our raffle of a diamond and sapphire bracelet

worth \$7000 which was won by a lucky recipient; **Veronique Dhieux**, our patron, for a very generous donation; **Leanne Cusack** who did a wonderful job as the Fashion Show MC; **Mulligan's Florists** for their beautiful flower arrangements; **Kent Browne** for his incredible auctioneering talents; **La Siembra Co-op** for the wonderful Cocoa Camino Chocolate; and last but not least, the fashion show organizing committee members **Marlene Shepherd and her staff, Julie Dorian, Susan Ritchie** and **Rakesh Sondhi**.

Thank you everyone for making this fundraiser a great success! We couldn't have done it without you!





## Alumnae News



### Students Take Advantage of Summer School

Kudos go to our summer school students, teachers and support staff for another successful July. Despite a slightly lower enrolment than previous years, 37 credits were awarded to Visual Arts, Physical Education and Coop students.

Our thanks are extended to the **OCSB's Adult and Continuing Education Department**, teachers **Sarah Hawn** and **Eva Moons**, members of our Student Support Department and one Childcare staff member on loan for one month!



Summer School students

## Alumnae Dates to Remember

### Come and Meet

November 26, 2009  
4:00-6:00 p.m.

### Come and Play

April 8, 2010  
4:00-6:00 p.m.

### Grad/Alumnae Picnic

June 2010  
4:00-6:00 p.m.

Check out our website for details at [www.students.youvillecentre.org](http://www.students.youvillecentre.org)

### Alumnae Scholarship - Demand Exceeds Expectations

We have experienced such success making post-secondary bursaries available to alumnae that, for the first time, those who wish to receive a bursary will have to apply. Watch for details i.e. application form, dead-line date, qualifications, in the next newsletter or on the alumnae website [www.students.youvillecentre.org](http://www.students.youvillecentre.org) in the new year.

### Did You Know...?

Like other high schools in Ottawa, Youville is part of **Algonquin College's Dual Credit/Triple Play Program** which allows secondary school students to earn a college credit while completing their Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Students who participate are enrolled in a college course and attend class once a week for fifteen weeks. Upon successfully completing course requirements, students earn a college credit and a high school credit.

Thanks to our Coop teacher, **Wendy Ronberg**, for overseeing this fabulous program.



Summer School art project

### Can you donate...?

- re-usable bags from grocery stores, pharmacies, department stores (for our moms to use on Food Bank Days)
- egg cartons, plastic milk bags and small plastic bags used to hold veggies in the produce section of supermarkets for use in our childcare

#### LOST AND FOUND

Camera Equipment was left at Youville Centre. Please contact Jenny at 613-231-5150 x.104

# We Couldn't Have Done it Without *You*

*The generous support of the community makes many of our programs and services at Youville possible. We would like to thank the following people and organizations for their generous support:*

**St. Vincent De Paul** for a donation to Youville. We are pleased to share an ongoing relationship with St. Vincent's as any donations received by Youville which we are unable to use are forwarded to St. Vincent de Paul.

**Bon Appetit Ottawa** for their generous contribution of **\$3,000** to Youville as a result of their fundraising gala held last spring.

**CWL of St. Phillips Parish** in Richmond for their generous contribution of our wish list items.

**Talbots Bayshore** and **Rideau** locations for their generous donation of clothing.

The **Nuclear Waste Management Organization** for granting Youville Centre close to **\$3,000** to support and enhance our recycle program and to build an organic garden for our moms' use.

**Ed Riley** and the **Kingston Oxygen Home Health Care Centre** for the generous donation of a wheelchair in memory of **Alice Sarginson**. This wheelchair will enhance accessibility at Youville.

**St. Bartholomew Anglican Parish** for enabling our Centre for a second year to employ a front-line outreach worker to provide short-term counselling and support services directly to our students.



## *Upcoming Events*

### **Evening of Christmas Music**

Please note, due to unforeseen circumstances, the annual Evening of Christmas Music held at Canadian Martyrs Church will not be held this year.



Watch for more information about Youville's newest signature event "YouRide", a pledge-based bike trek happening on

*May 16, 2010*

### **Did You Know That...?**

A full-colour version of this newsletter is available via e-mail?

To receive an electronic copy please e-mail [communications@youvillecentre.org](mailto:communications@youvillecentre.org).



Enjoying the Grad/Alumnae Picnic this past June.

## Youville's Judith Sarginson Honoured

On Tuesday November 10, 2009 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in front of family, friends and other community members **Judith Sarginson**, Executive Director of Youville Centre received The Marian Dewar Defender of the Public Good Award.

This award was inaugurated in 2005 by the Social Planning Council of Ottawa to celebrate the work of people in our community who have made an outstanding contribution to the public good. It is also an opportunity to

celebrate and bring awareness to the public good itself.

Judi lives social justice daily and leads by example. Congrats Judi, we are so proud of you!



Defenders of the Public Good

## Youville Centre News

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## More Fashion Show Pics...



Leanne Cusack as MC



Marlene Shepherd was presented with a United Way Community Builder Award by Michael O'Byrne



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We also accept donations online at [www.youvillecentre.org](http://www.youvillecentre.org)