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Summer 2018 Newsletter

LDAK Board of Directors 2018-2019

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We acknowledge the contributions of all of our Board members over the past year and look forward to a great year ahead.

Please note, we are always looking for new volunteers who can help us with our efforts.

Currently, we would especially welcome individuals with fundraising and finance experience.

Please contact LDAK for further information. ldak@ldakingston.com

Many Thanks to Our Volunteers!

A sincere thank-you to our dedicated Board of Directors, and the many volunteers who contributed their time and efforts in making our current year a successful one.



Summer Hours

From June 1st to August 31st inclusive, the office will be open only by appointment.



If you wish to contact the office, please email: ldak@ldakingston.com

PLEASE POST UNTIL September 20th, 2018

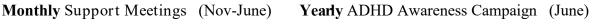
GROUPS AND MEETINGS

KINGSTON'S ADHD PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Our group supports parents who have children with ADHD in the Kingston and surrounding area.

We are a not-for-profit parent to parent support group.

OUR MISSION: "To better the lives of children and Families living with ADHD"



adhdpsgkingstonon@gmail.com 613-389-3894 www.adhdsupportgroup.ca 255 Kingscourt Ave.



The Reading Clinic

The Reading Clinic will once again be offering Summer Reading, Writing and Math programs

July 3 - August 3, 2018

Sessions consist of 55 minute 1:1 remediation

at the 559 Bagot St. location.

For more information, please visit our website

www.thereadingclinic.ca or call 613-547-5179

LDAK Now Accepts Donations Online

LDA Kingston has chosen **CanadaHelps** to process our online donations. **CanadaHelps** is fast, secure and an economical way for the LDAK accept donations online.

Just visit **www.ldakingston.com** and click the "**Donate**" button on the home page. Tax receipts are sent electronically, to the email you entered, following completion of the online donation process.



SUMMER CAMPS

Kingston Steam Works Summer Camp For Curious & Creative Minds

Come join the enthusiastic and caring counsellors at Kingston Steam Works Summer Camp and spend your summer playing fun games outdoors, exploring exciting science experiments and creating arts & crafts. Camp runs from July to August and accepts campers between ages 6-12.

For information and registration please visit: www.kingstonsteamworks.ca Kingston STEAMworks Summer Camp Woolen Mill 4 Cataraqui Street #109 Kingston, ON K7K 1Z7



Boys and Girls Club of Kingston & Area Summer Camps

- ⇒ Camps for children and youth ages 4 -17 years
- ⇒ For complete details and information please visit www.bgckingston.ca

Downtown Location: 613-542-3306 West End Location: 613-507-3306



Little Cataraqui Creek Conservation Area Summer Camp

- ⇒ Camps have a focus on learning about nature and the outdoors.
- ⇒ Instructors teach campers in age appropriate groups (ratio 1:10) ranging from 6 to 10 years old with a maximum of 30 campers per week
- ⇒ Campers experience the great outdoors through fun-inspired theme weeks filled with adventure, knowledge, fun, and games!

Nature Explorers Camp is \$205.00 per week Shortened Weeks: \$164.00 (4 day camp)

Information and registration:

http://crca.ca/education/summer-camps/ 613-546-4228



Stories in the Park

Enjoy stories and music with library staff in the sunshine and fresh air, June through August. More details at KFPL.ca/programs-and-events



SUMMER CAMPS

Dream Catcher Farm

Summer Camp

- Full day programs
- Regular and extreme camp options
- Two riding lessons daily
- Horsemanship and theory sessions

Weekly sessions from July 3 to August 27....

Information: 613-353-9004

ride@dreamcatcherfarm.ca www.dreamcatcherfarm.ca



Lakeshore School Summer Camp For ages 3-8

Themed Weeks:

June 25-29 **Around the World**

July 3-6 Space Week

July 9-13 Creative Campers

July 16-20 **Dinosaur Week**

July 23-27 **Superhero Week**

July 30-Aug 3 Mad Scientists

August 7-10 Creepy Crawlies

August 13-17 Magic and Spells Week

Contact Information: 613-767-2776

\$200.00 per week

info@lakeshoreschool.ca







The Quintilian Way

The Quintilian Way Summer Camp Dates 2018

A recreational program for children and youth whose challenges may include but are not limited to: Communication Disorders, Learning Disabilities, Anxiety Disorders, ASD, ADD/ADHD, and NLD.

Summer Campers are nurtured, respected and challenged to develop social and recreational skills in a physically and emotionally safe environment with 5:1 camper to staff ratio.

We promote self-confidence, independence, decision-making and cooperation through a fun, non-competitive and inclusive program.

July 9-13 Celebration Week

Every day is a different celebration: Happy Birthday, Halloween,

St. Patrick's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas

July 16-20 Game Week

Every day is a new game theme. Join us for life sized board games, make your own card games, real life video games and try your luck

on a game show

July 23-27 Challenge Week

Join us for a week of challenges: each day has a different challenge theme:

Construction, Food, Inventions, Science, Survival

July 30-Aug 3 Myths and Legends Week

Join us for a week of Norse, Greek, Roman, Egyptian and Chinese

Mythology Adventures

Aug 6 -10 NO Camp

Aug 13-17 Blockbuster Week

Each day we will remake a different movie: ET, Alice in Wonderland,

Aladdin, Harry Potter, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

Fees: \$175.00/week Before and after care is also available

For more information: quintilianway@gmail.com

www.quintilianway.com





President's Message

Learning Disabilities Association of Kingston Annual General Meeting May 16, 2018 at 6:00 pm

2017-2018 President's Message

At Learning Disabilities Association of Kingston (LDAK), spring is the time to pause and reflect on the previous year and imagine the future. 2017-2018 was a year of successful partnerships, development of new workshops and new ideas. These new directions have been built on the solid foundation of LDAK's tireless community service to persons with learning disabilities (LDs) and their families in Kingston.

We are a small organization that relies on volunteers for its work and donations to fund its activities. So, I would like to start this message by thanking people who made it all possible: our bingo volunteers Deborah Brown, Carol Keith, Olivia Middleton, and Eleanor Porteous, workshop instructors Linda Alford and Nadia Arghash, our Resource Centre Coordinator Lana Greenwood, Queen's students and volunteers Melissa Franks, Megan Hill, Maxine Vinneau, Christina Verdirame from the School of Nursing, Julianne Hoekstra, Monisha Ambwan, Lauren Baker from the Pro Bono Law Student Society, and commerce students Sarah Bennett, Nicholas Ocon, Chloe Hampson, and Julia Perfetto from Queen's Non Profit Board Leadership Program (QNPBLP), and board members Pat Dudley, Gail Eaton-Smith, Helen Simson and Lauren Baker. We appreciate your time, enthusiasm, commitment, and hard work to deliver results for LDAK! We also like to acknowledge our donors who provided financial support for our activities including individual donors as well as the Community Spirit Bingo Centre, Oil Thigh Designs through the QNPBLP team, and grants from the Ontario Ministry of Education.

Partnerships

This year it was very rewarding to work with community groups and Queen's students on different LDAK activities. In September 2017 we joined forces with Community Living and hosted a Kitchen Table Conversation Workshop on Building Inclusive Communities that was facilitated by One Step. This created an opportunity to meet representatives of other community organizations and discuss common priorities. We participated in the events organized by United Parents of Bayridge, and connected with Literacy Kingston and the Trenton Military Family Resource Centre.

We worked closely with Limestone District School Board (LDSB), both as a community organization representative on the Special Education Advisory Committee and in the organization of 2018 Parent Symposium: Promoting Youth Wellness. LDAK received financial support from the Ontario Ministry of Education Parents Reaching Out Grant Program for this event. Despite the stormy weather on the day of the event, the Symposium attracted over 160 parents. Our thanks go to Scot Gillam from the LDSB and Parents Involvement Committee for their leadership in the organization of the Symposium.

Our collaboration with Queen's was very productive. Melissa and Megan, nursing students, produced valuable materials on mental health and learning disabilities that are now posted on resource pages of our website. Maxine and Christina explored new ideas for LDAK services and reached out to parents. Based on their findings they developed a proposal for a summer reading camp for children with LDs that will be used for funding applications. Law students worked on materials on LDs for emergency responders and legal

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aspects of navigating the education system with LDs. Both legal projects will enrich the LDAK online resources. Our partnership with Queen's commerce students was particularly productive. Both legal projects will enrich the LDAK online resources. Our partnership with Queen's commerce students was particularly productive. Sarah, Nicholas, Chloe and Julia together with Oil Thigh Design raised \$11,100 for LDAK while at the same time raising awareness of LDs on Queen's campus. A big thank you goes to the commerce team as their energy and determination to achieve our fundraising goal and speak up about LDs was truly inspiring. Sarah and Nicholas will manage the QNP Board Leadership Program next year and we look forward to continuing collaboration with this group.

New Workshops

Pat led the team of instructors who taught iPad TechSmart series in the Fall. Based on feedback and instructors' observations, the decision was made to design new workshops that would cover similar content for new devices, as Chromebooks and Android tablets are also used in schools. To attract a wider audience, the team has also initiated the development of Lego Robot coding workshops for children with and without LDs. Initial workshops to build Lego robots in Bayridge Public School were a great success. We are looking forward to the Fall edition of Lego Robot workshops.

New Ideas

Many parents of children with LDs pointed out the need for a summer reading camp for their children. Maxine and Christina, nursing students, made the initial steps by embarking on a fact-finding mission and proposing a plan for a summer camp. The Board has decided to further explore this idea and identify potential funding sources to ensure cost-free camp for children with LDs. In the meantime, we would like to hear from you. Please <u>send us</u> your suggestions for services you would like LDAK to provide to support people with LDs in our community. Be sure to <u>sign up</u> for our e-mailing list and visit our website for updates, news and resources.

To help us generate new ideas and put them in practice, we need new volunteers and resources. Our small organization always welcomes volunteers and donations. One way you can support LDAK is to volunteer on Bingo sessions at the Community Spirit Bingo Centre that generates funds for our technology workshops and other outreach activities. You can also consider joining the board, be a general volunteer who supports LDAK fundraising and program activities, or volunteer your professional service (LDs related professional services but also financial services such as accounting and auditing). If you would prefer to make a donation you can do it through our website.

I look forward to another year of working with you all to make our community more inclusive of persons with LDs. Even the smallest contribution counts, so please pitch in!

Djenana Jalovcic, President

Learning Disabilities Association of Kingston

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2018 - 2019

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Secretary

Members Helen Simson at Lauren Baker

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RESOURCE CENTRE HOURS

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday

11 am—3 pm

(or by appointment)

Resource Centre Co-ordinator

Lana Greenwood (other hours by appointment)

Disclaimer

THE LEARNING DISABILITIES ASSOCIATION does not endorse or recommend any of the facilities listed or any of the methods, programmes, products or treatments offered by such facilities.

Our aim is to keep the community informed about services and facilities that are available to people with learning disabilities.

We urge consumers and service providers to review carefully any programmes and services listed in order to select those which will meet most appropriately the identified needs of the person with learning disabilities.

Membership Application

We encourage all individuals interested in learning disabilities to become a member of the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO), and by doing so automatically become a member of Kingston chapter (LDAK). Visit the LDAO website for further information and benefits of memberships, and a secure online application form.

See http://www.ldao.ca/about/membership/

If you wish to use cash or cheque, print out the online form and submit to us directly at our address (below) and we will submit your application to LDAO.

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Be sure to check out our website at www.ldakingston.com and find us on Facebook for current news!

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LDAO's New Bilingual Web Resource For Ontario Educators!

What you will find on the LD@school website:

- General articles about LDs;
- Research-based and practice-informed strategies that can be used in the classroom;
- Videos:
- Webinars:
- Success stories;
- New resources being added all the time!

For information about resources available in French, please visit:

www.TAaLecole.ca