

# DONATION



Kevin Symes, Executive Director of the Canadian Deafblind Association-NB Inc. accepting a donation of \$6,500.00 from Michael Daniels, Director of the New Brunswick Children's Foundation.

## Basket Winner

Congratulations to Jason Richardson on winning the "Get-Away" Basket drawn in September.

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# Signs of Sharing



New Brunswick/Nouveau Brunswick

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# CAMP 2015



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## Message from the Executive Director, Kevin Symes

Well, it is newsletter time again!! I would just like to say, “Wow! Was that a great camp in September or what!!!?” I would like to take this time to personally thank the office staff, Intervention staff, volunteers and others who

put so much work into making this a great camp every year. Also, I would like to thank you, the consumers, for attending. Without you there would be no reason to try every year to make this experience better and better. I would like to point out to the parents, that this camp is for you as well. I would very much enjoy it if we had more parents attend our camp. There is lots to do for everyone to enjoy.

As many of you now know, we have moved to a big, bright new office in uptown Fredericton. I would like to invite all of the families, who have not dropped in, to please do so. The Snoezelen room is larger and we have a kitchen now, as well. These spaces are for the Intervenors and consumers to utilize. The Snoezelen room, for example, could be used for teaching sign language, teaching daily living skills or just for enjoyment, such as using the Wii or relaxing in the vibrating chair. The kitchen is for your use as well, if Intervenors need a space to teach life skills, such as grocery shopping, healthy eating, budgeting and of course, cooking skills. Jennifer and Jody have a plan and a budget to improve the Snoezelen room, with a larger space, it allows us to add more to the room. Shari has put a lot of thought and detail into the new kitchen space to make it accessible for everyone to enjoy. You may book time in these areas by contacting Jody.

I would like the office in Fredericton to be more than a place where the office staff go each day to work. I would like to see the Intervenors, consumers and families dropping in and using the space as much as possible. CDBA-NB is not the four office staff, CDBA-NB is all of us, the Intervenors, consumers, families, volunteers, Board of Directors and staff. It is only through open, friendly communication can we make CDBA-NB better. I, as well as the other office staff, are here for you. In order for us to help with or address an issue, we need to know about it first. The office staff should be your “go to people,” for problems, issues, suggestions or ideas. We have an open door policy and look forward to your feedback.

In closing, I would just add that we are coming to the end of another year and the winter snows will soon be upon us and I am looking forward to a positive year working with all of you. This way, we can not only create a great environment for all the staff but the consumers and their families as well. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me anytime.



## Message from the Editor, Shari Ross

Welcome to the 37th edition of ‘Signs of Sharing’. I hope you enjoy it.

CDBA-NB Inc. is growing in leaps and bounds. Our new office space has enable us to provide better services in a location easily accessible. We hope you stop in to visit.

This summer was extremely busy....a bowl-a-thon in conjunction with Deafblind awareness month, several fundraisers, workshops and the Annual General Meeting, day trip to the Moncton Zoo and the Boardwalk, I got married :) and camp.

Please continue to send in pictures, articles, etc. for next issue by April 30th.

## Snoezelen Room

Monica Grasse, *Writer, Fredericton Community Foundation*

Do you remember the joy of jumping into a pit of balls at the shopping mall or amusement park? Or maybe the happiness you found after letting your kids jump in because it meant a break from hectic shopping for both of you. Whatever the case, many of us have a few memories surrounding the fun of ball pits; but, do you remember questioning the sanitation of such fun? We’re not here to make you examine the cleanliness of your choices or your parenting, but to introduce you to an organization who did notice the need to clean their equipment. The Snoezelen Room, located in Canadian Deafblind Association New Brunswick’s (CDBA-NB) Fredericton office, is a multi-sensory room for clients with either full or partial vision and/or hearing impairments. Flashing lights, loud noises, a ceiling swing, and a Wii compose the safe environment where clients can come to work on their motor and coordination skills. The room is also equipped to relax clients; massage chairs, sensory toys, a movie screen, and soft cushions allow visitors to calm down, tap into their emotions and better understand themselves. The ball pit, which a grant from the Fredericton Community Foundation helped fund in the past, serves as a means for both of the Snoezelen Room’s purposes. With different colored balls, foam walls, and music playing around them, clients can unwind after their day or take some time for much needed fun. Whatever the reason, Snoezelen Room visitors are welcomed to find what they need in the room. As CDBA-NB’s Executive Director Kevin Symes says, “They [clients] are having so much fun! Don’t tell them they’re learning at the same time. We don’t want to ruin it, but they are.”

The ball pit’s success is exciting for CDBA-NB, but presented them with a new problem; it needed to be cleaned. It is unfortunate how expensive such a necessity is; therefore, the Fredericton Community Foundation received application to help fund a Ball Washer. The FCF is more than happy to provide this needed resource to the Snoezelen Room to help keep their equipment clean and fun. Now, the CDBA-NB is able to continue providing clients with an anticipated service. They have also recently moved to a new location, which provides a bigger space for the Snoezelen Room and other resources.

Simple cleanliness is an important aspect of any organization; and, when evidence of an organization’s community outreach and success is as evident as CDBA-NB’s, it is hard for the FCF not to do all we can to provide funding for innovative projects.

The next time you jump into a ball pit, you may want to take a moment to consider its cleanliness, and remember the great works such a simple pleasure can bring through sensory education in the Snoezelen Room.



Bob Scott, Board Chair (left) and Tim Fox, Executive Director (right) of the Fredericton Community Foundation presenting Kevin Symes, Executive Director, CDBA-NB with a donation for a ball washer for the Snoezelen room.



Jody using the new ball washer. Thank you Fredericton Community Foundation.

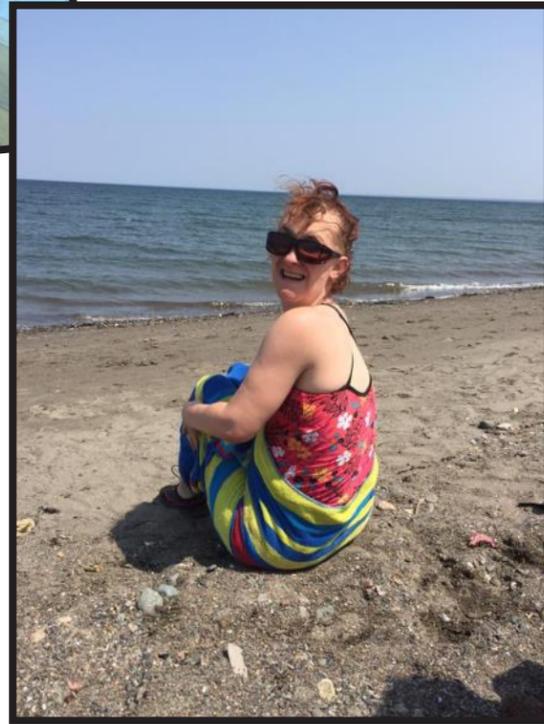
# In and Around NB

Eden being adorable.



Corey and Jason take a selfie.

Jedd visiting a pottery studio.



Denise enjoying the beach.



Yabba Dabba Doo — Eddy checking the “Flintstone” car. He hopes to build one too.



Mike visiting the goats at Country Pumpkin.

# LORNA THOMPSON MEMORIAL SNOEZELLEN ROOM

Hi everyone,

I want to say how much I enjoy working with you all in the Snoezelen Room, each and every one of you put a smile in my face every day.

To catch you up on what we have been doing in the Snoezelen room lately, I thought I would put something in the newsletter to do that. We recently received money to purchase more equipment to spice up the Snoezelen room, so Jenn and I are currently working on that. Once we have all the new things in the room, we are planning to having an open house towards the end of January. Our hope is that more outside agencies will also come and take advantage of the room.

Also, early in the new year, there will be another themed room event. It is going to be an “Outer Space” theme. In the near future, I will let you all know when the exact dates are so you can book your time.

Can’t wait for another exciting year with you all in the Snoezelen Room. Jenn and I both hope you enjoy the new look.

Thanks,

Jody Brewer

Snoezelen Room Coordinator



“Believe you can and you’re halfway there.”– Theodore Roosevelt

The Snoezelen Room is open for CDDBA-NB Inc. consumers and other agencies.

For more information or to book a session please contact Jody at the CDDBA-NB Inc. office.



This spring, CDBA-NB will be having a massive yard sale.

If you are cleaning after Christmas, or over the winter, please save your unwanted items to donate to the yard sale.

If you don't have space to store your items until the yard sale, let us know and we will try to find a location to store them.

Thank you.

## MESSAGE FROM SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGER, JENNIFER JEWETT

The time really snuck up on me since Shari first told me she would need newsletter items from me! So, let's get to it! As this is my first newsletter entry, I would like to thank everyone for their warm welcome and the memories I have been able to make in my short time since joining CDBA-NB! I have enjoyed all of the activities in which I have had the privilege of participating! I was able to attend the Moncton Zoo trip, Camp and I have participated in Clubhouse on a couple of occasions. As you will see later in the newsletter, apple picking was almost too much for me to handle! And I am so excited for next year's camp!

I want to mention that Jody and I have been working on the Snoezelen Room, and we are hoping to amplify the awesomeness that it already exudes. We want to incorporate more teaching tools into the room, as well as some fun items to reinforce what the idea behind Snoezelen. I encourage everyone to check out the Snoezelen Room – I am very fortunate to be able to spend some of my time in there helping Intervenors and consumers.

Fortunately, I have been able to meet with most of the members of CDBA-NB, and by members I mean, families; consumers, Intervenors and others directly involved with the agency. It has been a pleasure making the rounds and having a chance to chat with everyone. I believe the relationships I have made will help us move forward with positive corresponding goals. If I have yet to meet you, I am working on it and hope to be able to see everyone by the end of the year! I also would like to remind families, consumers and Intervenors, that if there is anything I can do to assist you, I will do my best to do so. So please take advantage of the open door policy. Many of the Intervenors have reached out to me, even if just for a chat, and I must say, having their trust is an important aspect of my position. I encourage the same from families and consumers, as it is important that you know myself, and the other office staff are here if you need something. I believe that engagement from all of us involved in CDBA-NB is the key to our success.

It is always a highlight of my day when I receive updates from Intervenors on our consumers! I love how so many of our Intervenors are able to take what could be a negative situation and turn it into a learning situation for everyone. We have wonderful people working with our consumers, and we appreciate the work you do every day. Keep the updates coming my way!

As I conclude, I would like to say that I look forward to building stronger relationships with all involved in CDBA-NB Inc. and I hope for many positives as we near a new year and hopefully a short winter! Thank you all again for the warm welcome, and know that I am available if you have any concerns, or just want to have a chat!

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Sheena & Paulette



Steve & Kevin



Jenn & Sheena



Jamie & Clayton



Corey & Jason



# Trip to the Moncton Zoo and 'Board Walk'

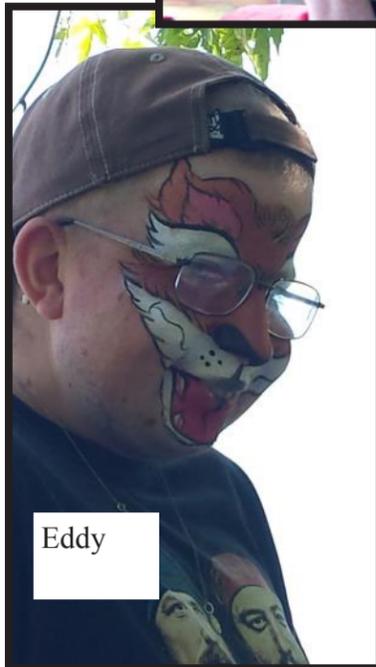
Consumers, Intervenors and office staff spent a morning at the zoo visiting many types of animals, enjoyed a picnic lunch and spent the afternoon going on go-carts; bumper boats and so much more! [Continued on page 25.]



Jody, Jenn, Shari & Kevin



Jason & Corey



Eddy



Kevin



Austin



Lyndon & Livia



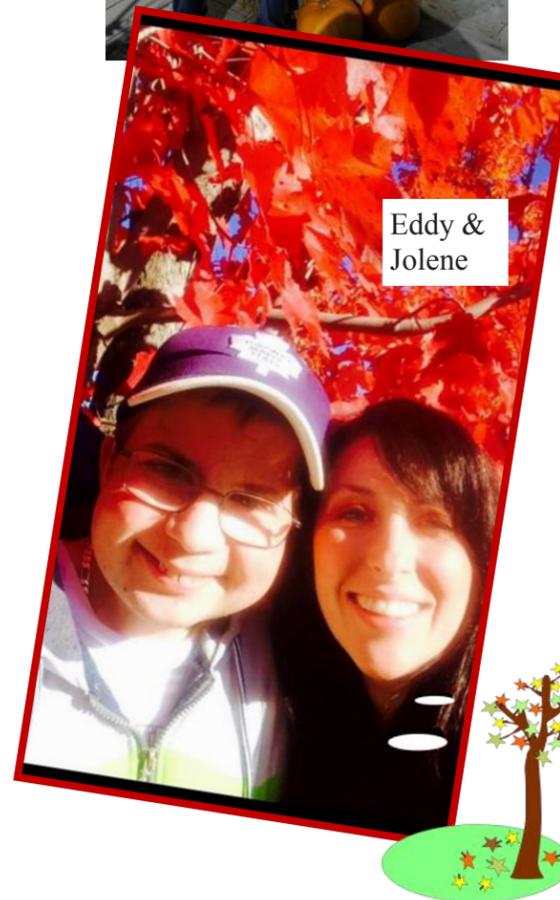
Michelle



Eddy & Jolene



Matthew



Eddy & Jolene



Lyndon



Sheena



Eddy



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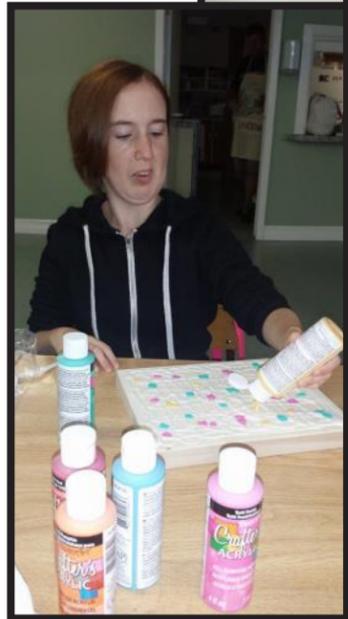
Jamie



Matthew

# Fredericton Club House

Club House is a group of Fredericton area consumer who get together once a week for cooking, games, crafts, etc.



The office staff were invited to club house to help make apple crumble/crisp with the apples picked the previous week and to play games.



# Craft Corner

## HOW TO BUILD AND USE YOUR POTATO BOX

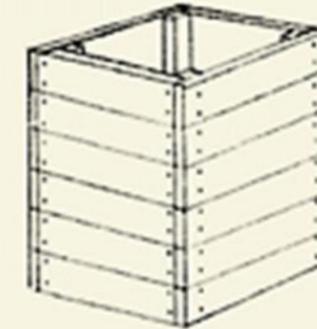
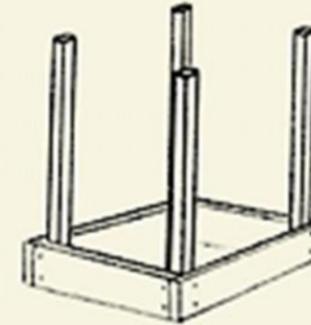
### Materials:

Six 2-inch by 6-inch boards eight feet long

One 2-inch by 2-inch board 12 feet long

2 1/2-inch wood screws (96 of them)

(You can use pine, cedar or redwood, which will resist rot longer.)



1. Cut the 2-by-2 into four lengths of 33 inches.

2. Cut the 2-by-6 boards into 12 lengths of 21 inches, and 12 lengths of 24 inches.

3. Pre-drill the screw holes in the 2-by-6 boards and attach the bottom row on the 2-by-2s.

4. Place over prepared soil and fill with soft soil or mulch, planting potatoes four inches deep.

5. When the vines are about 12 inches above the soil, add another board and fill with dirt, being careful not to cover more than one-third of the plant. Repeat this until the second board and "rob" box is completed.

6. To harvest your potatoes, remove the screws from the bottom board and carefully reach in for the potatoes. Replace the soil and boards. Next time you need potatoes, remove the second board and "rob" spuds from that level.

Source: Irish Eyes – Garden City Seeds

This year, I grew potatoes in a tower that took only 2 square feet of garden space. I harvested 10 pounds of potatoes which grew in slightly more than 3 cubic feet of soil, approx 3 lbs / cubic foot. To make it simple, I only removed and added panels from one side, this side I had facing the direction the sun comes from, the remaining sides were left fully attached. The tower was only 16" square where the potatoes grew, my husband made his own plan but it is similar to the attached one. The cost was low. I used chicken litter (not composted) and a layer of soil, then I filled subsequent layers with soil from my planters, some leaves/ straw, etc. It was near the house as it needed to be watered. No problem with bugs either.

Carol  
NBCHG Garden Director



# Recipe Corner

## PUMPKIN PIE

Recipe from AllRecipes.com  
<http://allrecipes.com/recipe/23439/perfect-pumpkin-pie/>

### Ingredients

- 1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin
- 1 (14 ounce) can EAGLE BRAND® Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 (9 inch) unbaked pie crust

### Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Whisk pumpkin, sweetened condensed milk, eggs, spices and salt in medium bowl until smooth. Pour into crust. Bake 15 minutes.
2. Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees F and continue baking 35 to 40 minutes or until knife inserted 1 inch from crust comes out clean. Cool. Garnish as desired. Store leftovers covered in refrigerator.



## APPLE CRISP



### Ingredients

- 4 medium apples, sliced (4 cups)
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup Gold Medal™ all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup quick-cooking oats
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 3/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

### Directions

- Heat oven to 375°F. Grease bottom and sides of 8-inch square pan with shortening.
- Spread apples in pan. In medium bowl, stir remaining ingredients except cream until well mixed; sprinkle over apples.
- Bake about 30 minutes or until topping is golden brown and apples are tender when pierced with a fork.

## Tips for travelling with a disability

*Editor's Note: This story was originally distributed in an email newsletter by The National Benefit Authority on June 25, 2015.*

The winter is here and with it, often comes travel, so people with disabilities may be looking for specialized travel tips. These tips can make trips easier and make a disability easier to deal with while away from home and help with the fact that not all countries have the same support for people with a disability as Canada does. Check out these tips for travelling with a disability.

### Planning to Travel with a Disability

Planning a trip may be half of the work (or half of the fun!), but when you're planning to travel with a disability, a bit of extra planning is needed:

Make sure the airline is aware of your needs when you book. This includes making arrangements with them to transport mobility aids such as a battery-operated wheelchair.

Make sure you know your airline's policy on travelling with service animals. In general, service animals may remain with you in the aircraft cabin as long as they have been trained by a professional service animal institution.

Make sure your doctor knows about your travel plans so he or she can make any treatment accommodations or even possibly question whether the trip is right for you.

Check with your doctor to see if it's okay for you to go through a metal detector or be hand-wanded when you go through security at the airport. You can request a physical search, in a private area if you choose, if those are not possible.

Check with your accommodations to see what services they provide for those with your type of disability. Remember, it can take them time to prepare for your needs so make sure you call at least a few days in advance.

Check on physician availability at your destination. Your insurance company or local embassy may be able to help with this.

Consider using a travel agent who specializes in travelling with a disability.

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### Travelling with a Disability While at the Airport

Once you get to the airport, here are a few disabled travelling tips to consider:

Use the Family/Special Needs security line. Screening officers at these lines are trained to offer additional assistance.

Make sure to pack all your medication in your carry-on luggage and carry extra medication in case of emergency.

Bring documentation that supports your medical condition (this could include a letter from your doctor on letterhead).

According to the Canadian Transportation Agency: "Screening officers will visually inspect your wheelchair or scooter and could perform explosive trace detection samples of the cushion. These inspections can be conducted while you remain seated if you are unable to get out of your wheelchair or scooter."

Make use of priority boarding when getting on a flight.

Allow plenty of time to board a flight or make a connecting flight.

Know your rights as a disabled traveler.

While all of this may seem like extra work, in reality, these tips for travelling with a disability can be just what you need to avoid the possible pitfalls of travel and get the most out of your vacation.



## Holiday Ideas

Wrap pringle cans and use them as cookie containers to give as gifts.



A Snowman Ornament made from a battery operated tea light! Just add some ribbon and embellishments and it's good to go!



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“Amazing weekend, with amazing people” Lisa B, Intervenor



Owen participated, to the best of his abilities, in all activities. Interacted with other consumers well.”  
Alicia, Intervenor

“Cathy Jo participated in tie dye, mini golf, magic show and the bon fire.”  
Mary, Intervenor



“Sheena took part in survivor. She volunteered to do 2 different challenges. She helped make our sign and cheered on our other team mates. Sheena had a great camp experience and really enjoyed seeing and catching up with her friends.”  
Amanda W., Intervenor

## Assertiveness Communication Workshop by Achieve Training Centre

Here are a few highlights from Shari.

### AGGRESSIVE Communicators

#### Characteristics of Aggressive Communicators:

These communicators express their needs, ideas and feeling in a clear but self-focused way. Their goal is to gain control of situations and maintain a position of power. They often dismiss the ideas of others as invalid or even stupid. This style of communication conveys a readiness to fight in order to meet their own goals. They use imposing body language, sustained eye contact and a loud tone of voice.

#### Beliefs that Support Aggressive Communicators

If I don't express myself, nothing will get done.  
Nice guys finish last!  
My anger is justified.  
I'm only being honest.  
I need to maintain control.  
I have goals to meet and I know how to accomplish them.

#### Points to Help Aggressive Communicators

1. Remember, you can reach your goals without being aggressive.
2. Let go of the fear that no one will listen to you if you aren't aggressive.
3. Remind yourself that just because others have different viewpoints than you have doesn't mean that they don't value yours.
4. Do not interrupt when others are speaking.
5. Ask questions to make sure you understand the other person before you state your interest.

### PASSIVE Communicators

#### Characteristics of Passive Communicators

They often keep quiet and apologize when they express themselves. This style communicates to others that they are submissive and will allow others to dictate what goals will be accomplished. They use small, retreating body language, avoid eye contact and often speak softly. Their goals are to avoid conflict and give control to others. These communicators find it difficult to express their needs, wants, feeling or ideas.

#### Beliefs that Support Passive Communicators

We need to be careful to not make demands of others.  
My opinion is not important, and other people obviously know more about the topic at hand.  
If others ask me to do something in a particular way, it must be valid.  
It is selfish to think of your own needs before the needs of others.  
Being accepted is very important, and I do not want to offend others and risk rejection.

#### Points to Help Passive Communicators

1. Remember, your feelings and ideas are worthy of being heard.
2. Know that people who think differently than you do want to hear your thoughts.
3. Ask questions of others to build rapport and demonstrate interest.
4. Give yourself the freedom to make mistakes.
5. Speak up.

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Jenn turned 30 in August.

Shari and Wayne got married in August.



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## Assertiveness Test

Using the scale below, indicate how the following statements reflect your actions and feelings when communication in a work context and then again in personal life...are your results the same or different?

5=very often; 4=often; 3=sometimes; 2=occasionally; 1- seldom; 0=rarely

Answers	Questions
	1. I am able to recognize and express my point of view clearly.
	2. I like to control the conversation.
	3. I shy away from difficult conversations.
	4. I mentally prepare and plan for the difficult conversations I will have.
	5. I sometimes make unreasonable demands on others.
	6. I have difficulty saying no even when I really don't want to say yes.
	7. I am able to offer critiques without being cruel.
	8. I sometimes say something abruptly before thinking.
	9. I will stay quiet, rather than risk offending someone.
	10. I am very conscious of others' opinions but will give mine, too.
	11. I notice and will take advantage of people's weaknesses.
	12. I have difficulty making requests of others.
	13. I am able to control my inner frustrations and speak appropriately.
	14. I engage with people when I want to – timing doesn't matter.
	15. I stay away from topics that are controversial.
	16. When necessary, I can tactfully handle and approach people who are rude and abrasive.
	17. I won't back down when I know I'm right, even if the matter is trivial.
	18. I sometimes feel that people take advantage of me.
	19. I want other points of view to be heard, but I also expect my view to be respected.
	20. I will push people around if I can get away with it.
	21. I prefer to keep my opinions to myself.

## Train Trip – An experience that will not be forgotten

By Lisa Bennett, Intervenor

It must be noted that this is a real change for Richard and his mom. First time apart from each other in over 20 years and they both did awesome with the change. What a great growth opportunity. Richard caught the train in Moncton and went to Truro, NS for the night, stayed at the Holiday Inn and then headed back home by train the next day. Richard loved the train and the taxi rides. Lot of smiles and praises of thank you for the opportunity. Richard didn't like the hotel, however, thought it smelled to much like a hospital. Lol Richard got to try different restaurants, which he informed me that some where good but he liked Queens Buffett better. Richard also got to go to Value Village in Moncton which he thought was so cool that Moncton had one too. (He usually goes to the one in Saint John)

As his Intervenor, I have been so pleased to be part of this experience with Richard. Last year, Richard asked CDBA-NB Inc., if they could make this trip possible for him. CDBA-NB was pleased to be able to help make his wish come true for him and his world of possibilities has opened up.

### Scoring

Write the number you wrote for each question on the corresponding blank below. Then total the columns. The highest score is your most common form of communicating.

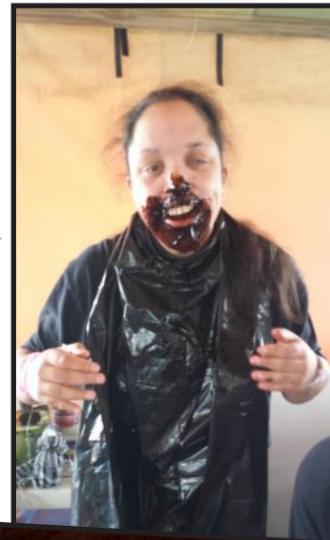
ASSERTIVE	AGGRESSIVE	PASSIVE
1.	2.	3.
4.	5.	6.
7.	8.	9.
10.	11.	12.
13.	14.	15.
16.	17.	18.
19.	20.	21.
Total	Total	Total



"On Friday night, Lyndon did the "test your senses" activity. Saturday he tried the bouncy slide, did the 'basketball head' game during survivor and also played mini golf, did face painting and tattoos. He also did 3 different crafts. Saturday night he assisted in the magic show and enjoyed the camp fire. He was in a good mood all weekend. He obviously very much enjoys camp. I enjoyed working with Lyndon. He is very kind and friendly. Thank you for having me!!" Christina, Intervenor



"Jamie enjoyed Survivor and was on the 'Fun Team', which placed 4<sup>th</sup>. He participated in egg carry, worm eating, puzzle challenge and did several crafts. He enjoyed the magic show. Jamie did very well meeting new people, saying hello and shaking hands. Great weekend!" Clayton, Intervenor



"Michelle really enjoyed playing and watching survivor. Very good fun! She enjoyed bouncing and climbing up the ladder and going down the slide in the bouncy castle. She chatted with other Intervenor who she hasn't seen since last year. Cheered and encouraged the rest of her team during survivor. Took part in watching the magic show. Participated by checking out that his forks were real and not tampered with." Katie Jo, Intervenor



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## In and Around NB



Eddy doing a magic trick he learned at camp.



Paulette won the blind driving race, with help from Andrea.



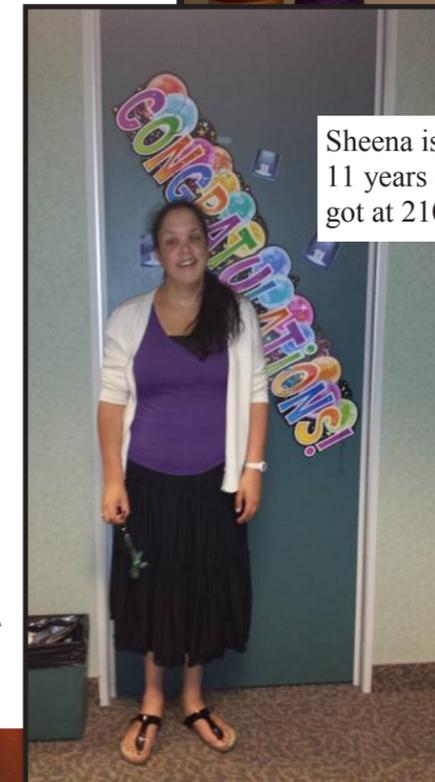
Adam having fun on the swing.



Sheena is one busy lady ...left she celebrates 11 years of working at TD bank ...above she got at 210 in Wii bowling.



Denise made brownies, yummy.



Eddy enjoying a day of fishing.

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**ASSERTIVE Communicators**

**Characteristics of Assertive Communicators**

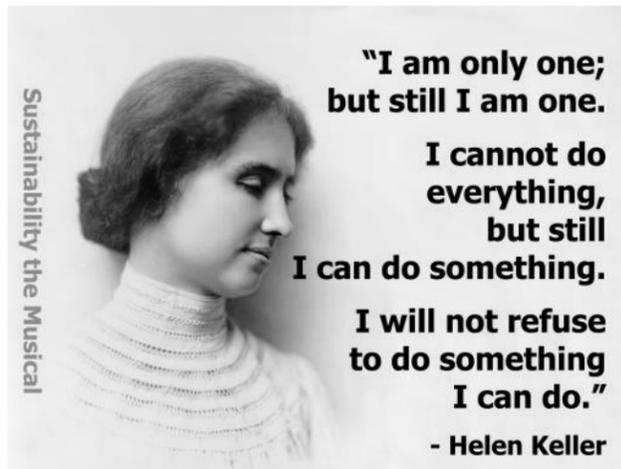
Assertive Communicators believe in their ability to express ideas and options openly and honestly without denying the rights of others. These communicators express their needs, ideas and feelings clearly and respectfully. They understand that the goal of communication is to express their ideas and to listen to those of others. They do not assume that their perspective is the only correct one. This style communicates that both parties in dialogue are important and that working towards a goal requires both parties to participate. Their body language is relaxed and casual, their eye contact is natural and inviting, and their voice is appropriate to the situation.

**Believes that Support Assertive Communicators**

I am responsible for my choices and my behavior.  
I will judge my own actions. The appraisal of others is up to my discretion to accept or refuse.  
Anyone can ask anything of me they like.  
Anyone can change his or her mind – including me.  
I can speak up when I feel compelled.  
Being straightforward is usually best.

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**May 26, 2015, the Senate made motion to “Take Notice of the Month of June as the Birth Month of Helen Keller and to Recognize it as "Deafblind Awareness Month”**



**Watch for details on activities taking place during the month of June in celebration of Deafblind Awareness month.**

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“Craig actively participated in social activities and had a smile on his face! Craig enjoyed playing mini putt. He was laughing and clapping for each person who had a good shot. This year’s camp was full of fun activities that Craig and I both enjoyed thoroughly!” Samantha, Intervenor



“Corey really enjoyed the clown costumes and he was in a great mood most of the time. Corey interacted with several people, usually leaving them laughing. Corey was in the best of spirits.” Jason, Intervenor



“Brendan had a great time connecting with old friends and making a few new ones. Brendan socialized in his group and came up with the survivor name and participated in some of the games. Brendan has a wonderful time at camp this year. His favorite was the magic show!” Cindy, Intervenor



“Mike loved the magic show. Mike loves everyone and enjoyed interacting with others. I had an awesome time and I think this is great for consumers. They all loved it. Can’t wait to come back next year.” Kim, Intervenor

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“Eddy enjoyed playing the egg game during survivor, but he chose to mostly laugh at other participants. He enjoyed the circus activities in the tent. He had some fun on the swings and being pushed by Clayton. He attended the magic show. He loved it and said it was his favorite thing about the weekend. He didn’t hesitate to help the magician and follow directions with the audience.” Jolene, Intervenor

“Vanessa enjoyed all the hugs and hellos, along with the bouncy house and cotton candy. Thanks It was a great pace and atmosphere to be in.” Natasha, Intervenor

“Jedd really liked meeting Lisa B. and kept looking for her at all our activities. I enjoyed my weekend very much and Jedd was a pleasure to work with.” Phyllis, Intervenor

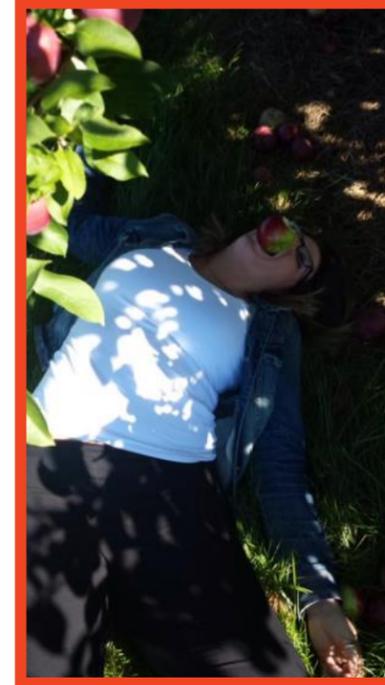


“Matthew took part in all the events at camp. He asked me to go play with him instead of me asking him. That was great progress for Matthew. Survivor was a big hit. Matthew talked, laughed and joked with others. He said hi to old friends and met new ones as well. Thanks once again for offering this opportunity for both consumers and Intervenor. I look forward to camp and all other group activities every year.” Shirley, Intervenor

# Apple picking fun!



Fredericton consumer and Intervenor go apple picking...office staff joins in on the fun :)



Too much excitement for Jenn :)



# CAMP 2015

Once again, another amazing camp! This year's camp was "circus" theme in honor of Colleen Smith who suggested the idea before she passed away earlier this year.

Thank you to all the campers for making it such a memorable camp. Thank you to all the Intervenors and staff. And thank you to those who volunteered — helping with clean up and cooking and anything else that needed to be done.

Friday evening, campers enjoyed — meet and greet time and "Test your Senses" game, as well as a corn boil and pizza. Saturday was filled with fun — from Survivor to a gigantic bouncy maze to cotton candy. Delicious meals...fun crafts and games, face painting, 'tattoos', and so much more...the evening ended with an AMAZING magic show by REMI. Many consumers, parents, Intervenors, volunteers and staff even took part in the show.



"Austin enjoyed watching people jump on the bouncy castle; participated in the tattoos, face painting and photo booth and enjoyed the magic show. I had a really great weekend with Austin." Livia, Intervenor



"Steve socialized during food and free time with others. Socialized well with everybody." Adam, Intervenor

"Kevin loved every recreation activity. He participated very well and was full of beautiful smiles. The communication and the interaction between Kevin and consumers/Intervenors was impressive. I always compare Kevin to a gentle giant. He has a beautiful soul. Kevin participated in every activity and always made sure that a picture was taken while doing his activity." Lise, Intervenor



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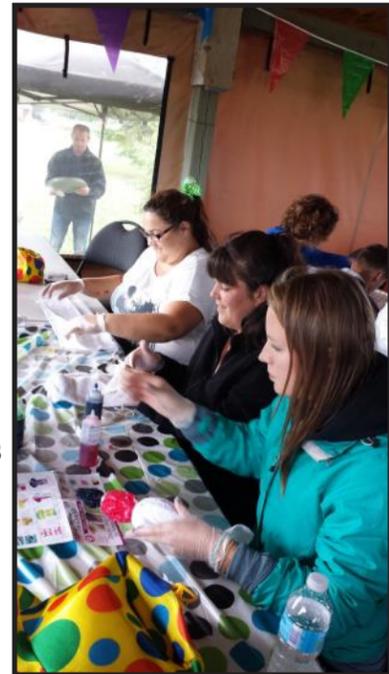
"This is the main event for Paulette — she loves camp because of the social aspect. Meeting and spending time with her friends and staff are the highlights of camp every year. Paulette and I had a very enjoyable and relaxing camp this year! Once again, WELL DONE!" Donna, Intervenor



"Denise enjoyed sitting for the magic show. She was truly amazed by the experience. Denise and I had a terrific time at camp this year. It was especially nice that she got to share a chatlet with her



friend Paulette. See you all next year!" Andrea S., Intervenor



"Cameron spent 3 hours in the bouncy castle and did not want to get out. I had a great experience and lots of fun. Bouncy castle was a hit!" Kelsie, Intervenor

