

Vita Members Times

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Do YOU have any stories or art work you would like to share in the newsletter? We would love to hear from you.

Contact us at:
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First Anniversary Article

This is our congratulations article. Members of the newsletter committee thank you for all your help. You guys are really really awesome!

You helped us by writing and your skills. You gave us your ideas to put into articles. In your words, your artwork, updates from the Rights Group and members voted for the news letter name Vita Member Times.

We thought we would take some time now to tell you what the newsletter has meant to us the Vita Member Times Newsletter committee Nancy Lalli, Bunmi Asaolu, Sayyeda Jaffer.

The last year has been good. We have all been working hard. Nancy has been working hard on the word searches. The whole committee works together. Bunmi is responsible for checking e-mails, Sayedda gathers information! We choose which artwork to put in the newsletter. We get lots to choose from! We needed to learn how to work hard as a team. We needed to learn how to do meetings and make decisions together. We never miss meetings we are there every Thursday.

We hope we have done a good job for the newsletter. Maybe it helped you learn to read a bit, maybe it helped you to see because we made the words BIG, maybe you had fun doing the word searches, maybe hearing from our Executive Director and the Rights Group made you happy..

Our goal for the future is to help make people happy, smile, not be shy and that you learn something new! We hope you do your best to give us stories for the future.

-The Newsletter Committee

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Right's Group Update



We got our Rights Group website up and running
 Two new elected positions were added: Rights Group Secretary and Rights Group Media Expert
 We attended and presented a booth at the Toronto Catholic District School Board resource fair
 We attended the R-Word conference presented by Dave Hingsburger

ATTENTION!

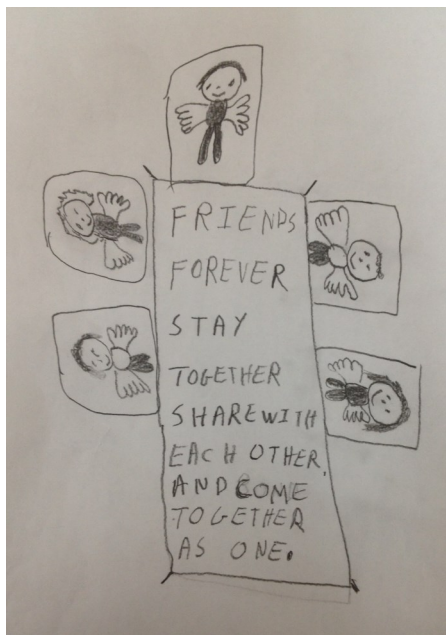
We are looking for 1 member to be a self advocate for a new project called “Advocates Against Abuse”. AAA is a project where members learn to teach other members in abuse prevention. Vita is going to bring the project here and we need someone to help us put it in place.

This person will not be one of the teachers— but will help run the project!

If you are interested, contact, Desmond Bailey at 416 749-8681 before December 20th.



We All Come Together



We all come together each and everyday at a little agency named Vita Community Living, making a life worth sharing.

We all have our problems. And we're there for each other. Some move on, and some before others. Some moving farther, and some farther than others.

We all come together. We get stronger everyday. We spend everyday with our friends, making new ones along the way.

We all come together we're learning from one another, we stand up tall raising cheer, and fighting all our fears. The future for us gets brighter every year.

We all come together banding together as one, saying "one for all and all for one", in a little agency called Vita Community Living together as one.

Written by: Joel Kollins



Vita Member Artwork Collage

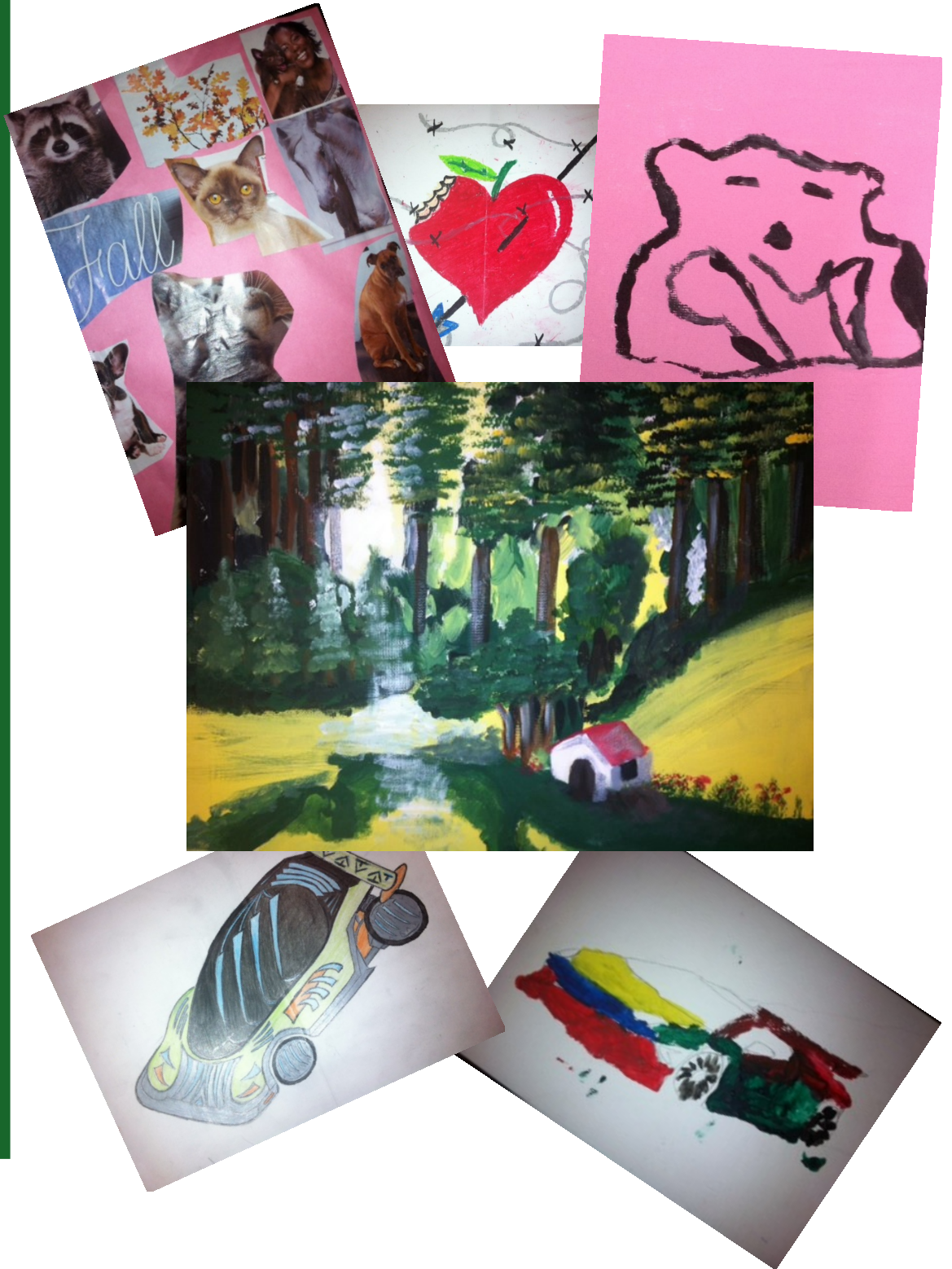
Artwork by:

Nancy Lalli

James Franksy

Adele Jamieson

Christopher Samarco





The Best Gift of the Season



There's snow on the ground, the air is crisp, it must be time for the holidays. I enjoy seeing the holiday decorations going up all over the city and, of course, in the homes and workplaces supported by Vita. Holidays and traditions are an important part of who we are. At Vita we want to ensure that everyone's faith and everyone's traditions are respected. We want to honor and welcome diversity. Giving respect is as important as getting respect – that is the heart of the season isn't it?

So I'd like to wish the best of the season to you. I hope you celebrate your holiday, your way.

Sincerely,

Your Executive Director, Kim

VITA Member's Holiday Party

WHERE: **NEW!** MERIDIAN BANQUET HALL: 2301 Keele Street, North York ON, M6M 3Z9

WHEN: Thursday December 12, 2013

TIME: 6:00PM to 11:00PM

COST : \$10.00 per person (tickets are being **NOT** sold at the door)

Come out for a night of Dinner, Dancing, Games and FUN!! Brought to you by the Social Planning Committee.

Winter Holiday Word Search

B H K D P L R L S P Y V S H U
N R E A G J D A D A Y N X S B
S E I P H X M K K Z O O E R R
D N W A Y T U G C W L R E J L
X Z B Y S Y C L M P R N R B Q
E M B I E I F A L D I A T Q C
S G R H W A N E S C S M K W I
A H T O L E R C S V C E F D W
C E N O K V Y S C V Y N T L Q
G S L H A N U K K A H T A G O
U R R D P W Z S E L D N A C M
C Z K I A Q J E E V S N E V W
Y Q I Z W R G U D H Q U S B E
X K C Y M K D Y X A S T R K T
E Z W J U Z Q X R G N O D M Y

Hanukkah

New Years

Tree

Snowman

Ornament

Christmas

Snow

Dradle

Candles