



The May Court Club of Oakville
MEMBERSHIP FORM
2011-2012

OFFICIAL SPONSOR



Mercedes-Benz
Oakville

PLACEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

FUNDRAISING PLACEMENTS:

THE NEARLY NEW SHOP: (Shop open Sept to June) Your choice as a shop volunteer requires a weekly or bi-weekly commitment of one morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m, or one afternoon from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Other options are available when negotiated with the Shop Director. The positions include cashier, payouts, take ins and markdowns of consignment items. Your commitment is essential. **There is also a 'spare' list for those unable to commit to a regular placement and would like to help out from time to time.**

Members whose service placement is the Nearly New Shop are expected to work at the Shop one Saturday shift a year as assigned or provide a suitable substitute. All other members are encouraged to sign up for a Saturday shifts (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

FUNDRAISING FASHION SHOW/CUVEE/GALAS: Volunteering to help with Fashion Show, Cuvee or Gala Events. These fundraising events can involve working on the steering committee, carrying out such responsibilities such as ticket sales, event planning, publicity, sponsorship, planning/executing a raffle, silent auction acquisitions, program planning and printing. Other volunteers are usually needed closer to the event, and on the day of the event. **Some planning positions may be able to be done on your own time, thus not requiring a regular daytime commitment.**

SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

May Court has it's own Scholarship Fund. A highly successful annual event has resulted in direct financial support of almost \$250,000 to further the education of area high school students who not only have a demonstrated need but who themselves have been active and committed to making a difference in their community. Involvement in this fundraiser can include working on the steering committee, carrying out responsibilities such as ticket sales, event planning, publicity, sponsorship, planning/executing a raffle, silent auction acquisitions, program planning and printing.

SERVICE PLACEMENTS:

PUPPETS: (meet Tues a.m. to practice or perform) Volunteering for this group requires a weekly commitment Tuesday morning. We hold performances 3 times a month as well as puppet rehearsals for practice of puppet manipulation and becoming familiar with the script. Performances are held at schools in Halton free of charge, and usually involve a three hours commitment. Both rehearsals and performances are held on Tuesday mornings. Transporting the stage and puppets is a shared responsibility. Members must inform the chairman of vacations and replace themselves in necessary.

LUNCHBOX PROGRAM: The Association of May Court Clubs of Canada invited all May Court Clubs to develop a project in their community that addressed the specific issue of nutritional needs of children. The Oakville May Court Club has been delivering non-perishable lunches to needy elementary schools in Oakville and Burlington since 1989. Contact is made with local schools to determine the need for non perishable snack foods and drinks. Currently we serve 42 of the 68 elementary schools in Halton. Committee members are responsible for keeping in touch with their schools for the purchase and delivery to the schools and restocking as necessary, throughout the year.

WELLSPRING: This is a centre for cancer support services. This placement involves a three hour shift (usually 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. or 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.) once weekly or every two weeks. The positions available include front desk volunteer, peer support or driving clients. The facility determines positions for each volunteer, and arranges the training that is required.

HOME SUITE HOPE: Home Suite Hope is an innovative homelessness initiative that provides shared living accommodation for people who are in dire straits. We offer dignified options for survival, made affordable through the efforts of volunteers like us and public support. May Court volunteers can be used at Home Suite Hope in the following ways:

TUTORING AND MENTORING, which may involve helping clients read manuals, or with English skills for classes, and applications etc **DRIVING** - for example to appointments

OUTREACH DATABASE- where you would assist in developing a database to connect people in need with the surplus goods and services, Government forms **GENERAL HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE** – for example mentoring clients in gardening, or teaching special skills such as computer skills. **MOVERS** – facilitating the moving of donated goods around the community.

Hours of volunteering would be flexible, scheduling would be at mutual convenience, and training would be provided.

S.E.N.A.C.A This is a program that supports individuals and families in their care giving roles within the community. SENACA is a seniors day-care program which operates in two locations in Halton, one in south Oakville, and one north (Palermo) The goals of the program are: to provide a day program for frail and disabled individuals, to maximize each individual's level of functioning, focusing on nurturing activities, personal achievement, companionship and wellness and support for caregiver.

SENACA welcomes any May Courters who wish to volunteer their time. Volunteers could help with programs, reading, social events, crafts and other supportive activities. Training would be provided.