# THE CREW Newsletter

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#### Welcome to the Crew Guild

The Crew is built on a dedication to serve, support, and nurture the interests and creativity of individuals with disabilities. It aims to enrich the lives of its participants and promote their well-being. We firmly believe that people naturally seek connection, engagement, and challenges that encourage personal growth. Our emphasis is on identifying each individual's strengths and creating opportunities for them to reach their potential, regardless of any obstacles they may encounter. Another remarkable feature of The Crew's mission is the focus on teamwork, empowering others to provide insight and ideas to focus opportunities whenever possible.

Empowering Abilities, Enriching Lives: Together we Thrive!

## The Crew Guild Sarnia Inc.

We provide support and recreation activities tailored for adults (18+) with disabilities, exploring each person's abilities, interests and imagination.

We offer a variety of support opportunities, including day support services, community workshops, community respite service (One-On-One Passport Services), and life skills courses.

What was the first toy to be advertised on television? (answer hidden in newsletter)

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### Cody's Book Review

I am going to do my first book review on the first set of books that I ever read. When I was 17 years old, my mom used to carpool to day camp with a friend of hers who also had a son with Down syndrome. At the time I was borrowing



the Harry Potter series from my cousin Lynae. So as soon as I would finish one of the books, she would hand me the next one. So I was reading book 4, and my mom's friend noticed that book at the front of the van and she asked my mom "who is reading Harry Potter?" And my mom said "Believe it or not, Cody is". So the next day when my mom went to pick up my friend for day camp, my mom's friend came out with a reusable grocery bag and said here's an early 18th birthday present for Cody and it had all the Harry Potter books in the bag that she had picked up at a garage sale. So now I had my own set of Harry Potter books. Those were my first big boy books. I later replaced them with a brand new set and gave the old ones to my cousin Meaghan's kids.

So most of you know the story of Harry Potter so I won't go into it. My mom tells me that when the books were originally written, people used to wait in line at bookstores the morning the bookstore was allowed to sell the newest book. She even knows a couple that bought two books on opening day so they both could read the book at the same time

So I liked the story very much. My favourite part in all of the books was when Harry and three others had to fight against dragons. My favourite books to read are about dragons and I have a lot of dragon related books

One part I didn't like about the book is that there's this basilisk that Harry has to fight. A basilisk is really a big snake. And I hate snakes.

But the part I hated the most in the whole set of books is whenever there were spiders involved. Because I really really hate spiders!

Visit his personal Web page: <u>bit.ly/4gO1GI1</u>

<u>Leave him a comment to support his book review!</u>

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# Sarnia Legion





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### Highlight

In November, when we met Bruce, he shared several heartfelt stories about the history of war and the significance of honoring all individuals who have served, regardless of nationality, both past and present. We still reflect on many of his insights, as they were truly inspiring and informative.

Bruce was particularly moved by one of the gifts we presented and requested that we create 50 items for a special project for the Remembrance Day Celebrations in 2025.

Janet has been working hard to help bring this special project to life. With dedication and care, we finally completed it, all while managing her craft sale and the **Christmas holidays! It was** certainly a busy time! We are aware of the incredible project being developed for 2025, but everyone will discover it when they unveil their MASTERPIECE! We are simply grateful to be a part of this special project!

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Feb 7th
Valentine Chocolate and
candy making
1-3pm \$30

Feb 12th
Valentine Card designs with
Cricut 1-4pm \$45

Feb 14th & 21st Cooking Class 1-4pm \$45

Feb 19th

DIY Framed Cricut Designs

1-4pm \$45

Feb 26th Indoor Planting. 1-4pm \$45

Check out our Workshops page for more details. thecrewguild.org



Tom's Sports Corner Interview

How has your team played so far?
Toronto is playing good. They have won five out their last ten games.
Austin Matthews and William
Nylander have been doing really good with getting goals and assists.
They have trouble playing against Ottawa.

What great things have the team done so far? They have been scoring goals and winning.

Are any bad moves the team has made lately? They have to watch when they pass the puck, to make sure the puck is not being stolen by the other team. Have there been word on any trades so far? I have not heard of anything so far. Are there any great players that you think will be leaving? The goalie Anthony Stolarz is hurt. He has missed a few games from a knee injury. But on January 28th he started to practice again. What are the chances that your team makes it to the playoffs? They will make it to the playoffs. They have done it many times and usually lose in the first round. I hope not this year. They are first in their division at the present.

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Randy's Sarnia Sting
Report

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# Community Passport Opportunities

Available evenings, weekends and limited week day opportunities Affordable and competitive rate.

Mileage included, within Sarnia Lambton limits:

- Over twenty-four years of experience in supporting individuals with diverse challenges.
- A compassionate, patient, and dedicated professional.



## Randy's Sarnia Sting Report

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Having been a Season Ticket
holder for ten years, Randy is wellknown among fellow fans. He
loves the YUP chant and
appreciates the game's lively
atmosphere. However, he feels the
Sting are struggling, with more
losses than wins. While he hasn't
closely followed recent trades, he
believes Filak is a solid player.
Randy has been keeping an eye on

Kyrou and won't miss Doucette and his fighting style. He and his wife often find themselves disagreeing with the league's trade decisions. Randy is not optimistic about the team's chances of making the playoffs this year, and he fondly reminisces about the enjoyable moments from the 2022-23 season.

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### **Testimonial**

"Smiles, laughs, a steady stream of chit chat...these are some of the clues I watch for in my non-verbal sister Nancy. And they are what I'm seeing while she's at the Crew.

The encouragement and guidance from one on one attention give her confidence to try new things. So glad she has this time just for HER! Thanks Crew!"









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Janet & Shealin's Fundraising Info

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Mr. Potato Head









## Check out Janet and Shealin's Fundraising page.

Check out the handwoven macrame keychains that our crafty queens have been whipping up! \*\*

Webpage: https://www.thecrewguild.org/fundraising

Let's keep these fabulous ladies buzzing with creativity and on the go! Thanks to the amazing CREW, all materials are covered! And guess what? The time, attention, and support to make this happen is absolutely FREE! Sales go right back into assisting with participation costs at The CREW and helps keep expenses lower for everyone.



Stay tuned for our next newsletter: February 28th