



DECEMBER NEWSLETTER AUTISM CONNECTIONS FREDERICTON

A very Happy New Year to all of our members. 2018 promises to be a busy year with a number of new initiatives and some exciting opportunities for families to get involved with the Centre.

Our first fundraiser of the year will be on February 28th with “**Celebrating the Music of Bob Dylan**”. This event will be held at Dolans Pub and will feature performances by over a dozen local artists with all proceeds going to Autism Connections Fredericton.

A number of programming options will be offered starting in February. These include an adult drop in evening, youth night, Parents and Tots, exercise classes for moms and nutrition / cooking classes. As well, gymnastics and Tae Kwon Do classes will be offered again in the coming months. Our monthly speaker series will also begin again in the New Year so be watching for our next speaker.

We are working on developing some comprehensive programming for late spring and summer as well which will include Art classes, Summer Day Camps and our “learning to ride” bicycle program. Dates for all of these will appear soon in our monthly calendars.

Our annual Super Hero walk / run will be held in Odell Park again this year on June 2nd. (We are looking for committee volunteers to help in the planning). Mark the date!

We are beginning work on updating the resource library and developing a new local services and resource guide for families which will be available soon. And finally, our Annual General Meeting will be scheduled shortly for late February. (Date will be posted to the web site as well as face book)

As always we are looking for volunteers to help with Programming in particular but also with events and committees. Feel free to drop by anytime and chat with myself. Our new hours for the next few months will be **Monday through Friday from 9:30 until 4:00** each day. To make sure someone is here please call ahead in case we are out for meetings.

We look forward to seeing many of you over the next few months and we continue to work to build a vital Autism Resource Centre for the community.

Rick Hutchins
Executive Director
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