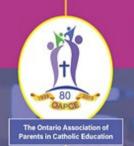
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MAY 2022



OAPCE Conference and AGM

Reclaiming and Re-Engaging Parents as Partners

May 28, 2022 Bishop P.F. Reding Catholic Secondary School

Carousel of Connections Guest Speakers Throughout The Day Including:

- Greg Frankson from Voice Share: The Role of Language in Stereotyping and Prejudice
- Dr. Neil Orlowsky AGPI Abraham Global Peace Initiative Dare To Be Youth Charity

Grandmother's Voice Reclaiming Our Voice, Urban Indigenous Resurgence Paul Davis, Social Media Safety Teresa Hartnett, Diocese of Hamilton Paronts as Partners

John Del Grande, Catholic Education Advocate Becoming a Candidate for Catholic Trustee

Go to oapce.org to register, free for all parents!

In partnership with Halton Catholic District School Board RALTON -

Join us in our first in person Conference in two years on Saturday May 28, 2022!

9:00 10:00 10:30-12:00 12:00-1:00pm 1:00-3:00	Check in for Delegates Conference Begins Welcome/Prayer Liturgy Carousel of Connections Presentations Break/Lunch Carousel of Connections Presentations		
		3:00	OAPCE Annual General Meeting

Vendor Mall available free to all delegates including: SEVERAL FREE BOOKS FOR ALL DELEGATES!

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION CLOSES MONDAY MAY 23, 2022!



Greg Frankson: The Role of Language in Stereotyping and Prejudice

https://www.voiceshareinc.com/

Greg Frankson, OCT, B.Ed. is a Toronto-based poet, author, educator and community activist. As Founder & CEO of Voice Share, he helps clients become Inspired Communicators[™] through customized coaching and mentorship programs and delivers creative services at public events as a performance artist, emcee, poet-inresidence, professional speaker and organizer/producer.

He has worked in the public, private and third sectors as a diversity, anti-discrimination and antiracism facilitator and consultant, as well as a sales and corporate training professional, for over two decades.

Greg has been facilitating and speaking at mental health, diversity and antidiscrimination events across Canada since the late 1990s. He has participated in gatherings in North America and internationally penning poetic reflections on the current state of global mental health systems. "For Greg, words are art. For me, Greg's words are consensus-builders. In my field, where diverse stakeholders come together to seek consensus with non-traditional allies, there is much need to build trust and understanding before building mutual respect, opinions, and plans ... Through the feedback loop he establishes between the participants, hosts, and himself, his interpretations of what he has observed always seem so accurate and resonate widely across diverse audiences." Heather Lackner, Implementation Science Practitioner, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)



Abraham Global Peace Initiative - Dr. Neil Orlowsky "The Power of One Human Rights"

https://agpiworld.com/

The Power of One is the first exhibit in our Museum for Human Rights collection. Thought provoking, it is meant to inspire and empower all people to take action to make the world a better place.

The exhibit features notable figures like Martin Luther King Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, Anne Frank, Helen Keller, Mother Teresa and Malala Yousafzai - among others - who have each contributed to making the world a better place.

The exhibit forces its audience to ask: What would you do if you were in the same situation? What choices would you make? Would you risk your life to save others? Would you speak out? How can you help change the world for the better today?

The Abraham Global Peace Initiative's mission and mandate is to assist, encourage and promote, whether on its own or in conjunction with others, the advancement of human knowledge and understanding through the study of and research into international human rights, fundamental freedoms, democracy, global peace and civil society in Canada, Israel and around the world.

Our Sacred Virtues: In keeping with Abrahamic tradition, we adhere to the following guiding principles: Love thy neighbour; pursue justice; repair the world; do not oppress the stranger; do not stand idly by.



Dare to be Youth Charity



DARE TO BE YOUTH CHARITY: "Youth should be Thriving, not just Striving" <u>https://www.dtby.ca/</u>

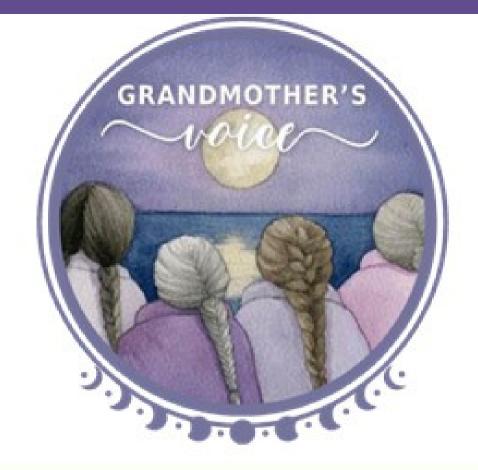
Dare to be Youth Charity (DTBY) is a movement dedicated to empowering high school students and young adults (14-24) in the Halton/Hamilton region and beyond. They believe in the power of community as a key component of thriving and wellness and we aim to connect youth, facilitate opportunities for dialogue, and help them build the skills to truly thrive.

Youth should be thriving, not just surviving, and DTBY's vision and commitment is to work towards a world transformed by bold, authentic, young leaders.

Better mental wellbeing outcomes, mean stronger futures and resiliency skills for the young people involved, while building meaningful community development. When they grow and become better, they DO better and then go on to inspire and mentor others to do the same.

Our programs provide opportunities for exponential growth for our young people in building their skills, resilience, and mental well-being. Our young people are resilient, but they also need supports as they close one season of their life out for the next.

And DTBY is proud to be part of the solution.



Grandmother's Voice is as a body of unified Indigenous people creating a safe, secure community that advances education, knowledge, and understanding of Indigenous cultures and practices. All individuals, corporations, organizations in public, private and non-profit sectors are welcome to stand shoulder to shoulder with Indigenous Peoples. It is by sharing the knowledge of the Ancestors and their offerings that we discover a new kind of HOPE.

HOPE - How our People Educate is through our Hands Outreaching Peoples Equity. This serves not only the Original People of our Nation but assists all people and contributes to the selfdetermination of Indigenous people's path to the Good Life.

Grandmother's Voice has been proudly supported by the Halton Catholic District School Board since its beginning in 2018. It has been a developing relationship and journey healing our nation and world for the coming faces.

https://www.grandmothersvoice.com/



Don't be afraid to Parent: a Cyberview

Paul Davis has been in Information Technology for the past 27yrs, and has presented to over 430,000 students in four Provinces and four States, along with the The Ontario Provincial Police, Canada Border Services, & DND in just under six years. He has been interviewed numerous times on CBC Radio Canada, CTV News Toronto, Global News, and is a regular on Breakfast TV in Calgary – and he is also a TEDx Speaker! Accomplishments include delivering Live, In Person Presentations to: 620,000 Students in Four Provinces & Five States 57,000 Students Virtually Since September 2020

90,000 Parents Law Enforcement Presentations: Ontario Provincial Police x5 Canada Border Services (Toronto) x3 RCMP Alberta x1 Department of National Defence (Ottawa) x3 Crime Stoppers (York Region) x2 Author: Online Safety for Grade 3/4/5/6 Published May 2020 Corporate Speaker: Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto American Express, Toronto Tory's Law,

Toronto Hospital For Sick Kids, Toronto Blakes Law Firm, Toronto & Calgary Alta Gas, Calgary AMANS, Nova Scotia



Teresa Hartnett: Parents as Partners: **"Let's Rebuild Restore and Renew Together"**

Teresa Hartnett (M.R.E.) is in her 19th year as Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton. She has her Masters in Religious Education from St. Augustine's Seminary/University of Toronto, a degree in Kinesiology from McMaster University, a Bachelor of Education from Brock University, and is certified in a number of family, couselling, marriage and relationship programs. She has been the Executive Director of Birthright Pregnancy Service in Hamilton for 33 years and in 2004 implemented and now oversees Project Rachel in the Hamilton Diocese. She is passionate about helping individuals, couples and families to grow strong, healthy and happy both in how they live and in their faith! Teresa undertakes numerous speaking engagements across Ontario and Canada each year and teaches for both St. Peter's Seminary and the Halton Catholic School Board's Staff Religion courses. She is also the author of Nighttime Devotional for Teen Girls, a book designed to assist teens navigate life using their faith as a foundational tool.



"Trustee Elections 2022: Calling Engaged Catholic Parents to Join your local School Board"

John Del Grande was an elected Trustee for the Toronto Catholic District School Board for 11 years (2003-2014). John represented constituents in the Ward 7 community (west Scarborough and north-east North York) and directly represented the parents, staff and students of 24 elementary& high schools.

John had been actively involved in managing the Board's \$1 billion budget as Chair of the Budget and Audit committees; as well as increasing accountability and transparency throughout the system. He had been a champion of parental and ratepayer involvement in policy development, participatory democracy and advocated for increased rights for local school advisory councils.

He is Co-chair of his local school's parent council, has held positions as Treasurer and Communications coordinator. He was Vice-Chair of TCDSB's Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (2017/18) and was Chair between (2018-2020). He currently represents OAPCE as a community representative.

John is married with two elementary school aged children.

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