BIAD News Central

July & August 2025 edition

Summer is in full swing, we hope you are enjoying the weather as much as we are. As with any heat, please remember to stay hydrated and in the shade as much as you can. Us here at the newsroom crew usually spend time inside trying to keep our creative juices flowing to keep each edition fresh, new and exciting.

We enjoy being creative, and seeing how each edition unfolds as we input new things into each edition. If you have anything to add, don't hesitate and to send us your ideas and what you would like to see as the editions unfold.

Upcoming Events
July 25 Carnival Day

BIAD Closures

July 1 Canada Day August 4 Civic Holiday







Canadian Dental Care Plan Info

Are you Eligible?

The care plan is available to all Canadians who fit the following criteria:

- 1. You don't already have access to dental insurance
- 2. Your family income is under \$90,000 a year
- 3. You filed your 2024 tax return
- 4. You are a Canadian resident.

What is Covered?

- Preventive: Exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants.
- Restorative: Fillings, crowns (with preauthorization).
- Endodontic: Root canal treatments.
- Periodontal: Gum disease treatments.
- Prosthodontic: Dentures and repairs.
- Oral Surgery: Extractions and related procedures.
- Anesthesia: Sedation and pain control (some require preauthorization)

Application / Renewal

- You can apply through your My Service Canada Account, by phone or in-person at a Service Canada.
- Ensure you have the following info handy:
 - Social Insurance Number
 - Date of Birth
 - Full name and proof of address
 - Tax return info

More Info

For more info, visit you My Service Canada Account or contact a service Canada.

Upcoming Events:

BIAD PAINT NIGHT





Date

Wed July 9th 4:30pm - 7pm

Location

850 King Street West, Unit 24 Oshawa, ON, L1J 2L5

REGISTER NOW

Upcoming Events:

THE BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF DURHAM REGION



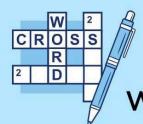
STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

Upcoming Events:

STRONGER TOGETHER

A COMMUNITY FOR BRAIN INJURY

Hosted by BIAD, BIAPR & CHIRS



Thursday, July 31st 11:00 AM – 2:30 PM Woodview Community Center

151 Cadillac Ave., Oshawa



This collaborative event is a chance for our communities to come together, meet new people, and enjoy a fun-filled day.



Agenda

11:00–12:00 Table Games, Crosswords & Mingle 12:00–1:00 Lunch 1:00–2:30 Games & Music





We can't wait to see you there!









Spring Walk

The days spring walk was a breath of fresh air- literally! Everyone had fun, and braved their allergies taking in the new blooms at the Oshawa Botanical Garden. It may have been cloudy, but the new colors sure brightened up everyone's day. Hope everyone else enjoys the nicer warmer weather and take the time to enjoy whatever the summer has to offer you!





Program Sneak Peak



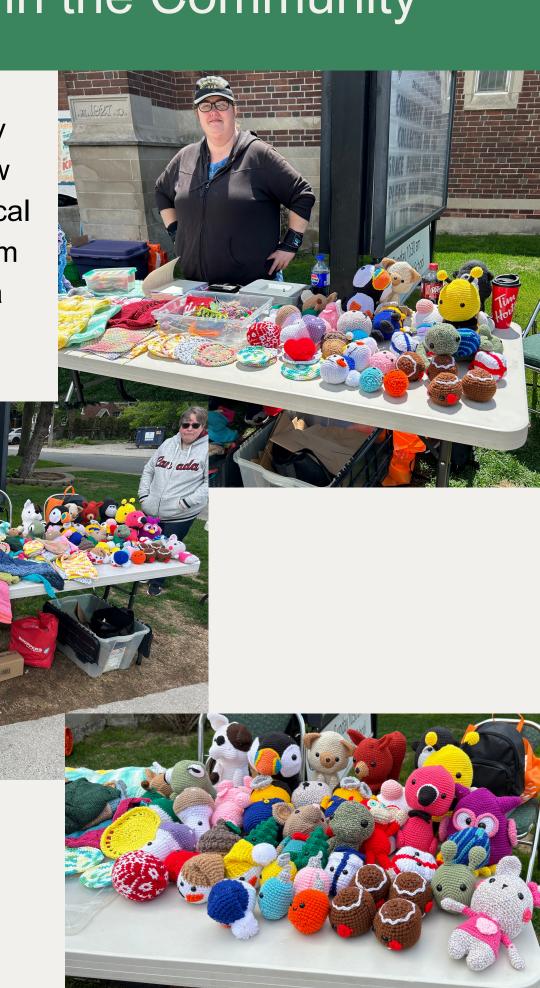
Here's a peek at one of our past programs! The gardening group met once a week to learn about gardening!

They are also the ones who have created the beautiful floral arrangement right outside our office door!



Clients in the Community

Clients were busy bees creating new items to sell in a local craft fair, aside from the wind, it was a pretty good day



Dog Therapy: May 22, 2025

We welcomed
Sunshine Therapy
Dogs in the Day
Program!

We are so thankful for the time they volunteer to bring smiles to our faces!



Pictured here: Mimi, Gracie, and Kato



Meet The Artist: June 16th

The artists were out in full force on June 16th at the Station Art Gallery in Whitby! Fun was had by all who were attended and the Unmasking Brain Injury Event!



Brain Injury Awareness & AGM



The Mystery Key Submitted by Tammy V.

I was cleaning up the garden one day when I noticed a rod iron key covered in winding green ivy with small white flowers. I reached for the key that was nestled in a hole inside the fence.

As I reached for it, I was transformed into a beautiful fairy with silky wings, a silver diadem adorned with jewels on my head and matching bracelets that shone like diamonds. I felt where my ears were, and they had been transformed into elven-like ears. My hair was bright purple and cascaded down my back into ringlets. My dress was made of white silk gossamer that looked woven by glowworms

I looked around and I was in a forest woodland that had many tall trees that led me to an opening where a stream ran, golden fish danced, and waterfalls in rainbow colours were exquisite. I heard little giggles as I passed by a flower patch with Pansies that were pink, yellow, and purple with black markings mushrooms as far as the eye could see

As I followed the sound, I came across some flowers. In those flowers there were tiny fairies. I said hi. They replied with a giggle. I continued walking along the paths and saw deer and rabbits frolicking in the grass.

Some blue morpho butterflies led me to a hillside where there were unicorns roaming free one stopped and bowed to me inviting me for a ride on this white Pearlie unicorn with a jeweled horn that were engraved with crystals, More fairy folk arrived and joined me telling me to come back anytime to visit just use your magical key.

And I did many times.

Creative Corner





Food for the Soul



S'mores Variation

Caramel Apple Smores

- Cinnamon Graham Cracker
- Thinly sliced apples
- Caramilk or Ghirardelli Caramel Bar
- Marshmallow





Food for the Soul



Smash Burger Tacos <u>Ingredients</u>

Sauce:

- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 2 Tbsp. ketchup
- 1 Tbsp. sweet pickle relish
- 1 Tbsp. yellow mustard
- 1 tsp. hot sauce

Taco filling:

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 6 (5") flour tortillas
- 2 tsp. store-bought burger seasoning
- Kosher salt
- 6 Tbsp. neutral oil, divided
- 6 slices American cheese, divided
- 18 thin bread-and-butter pickle slices
- 1 cup shredded iceberg lettuce
- 3 Tbsp. chopped yellow onion
- White sesame seeds, for serving (Optional)





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Smash Burger Tacos Directions



For the sauce:

 In a small bowl, mix mayonnaise, ketchup, relish, mustard, and hot sauce until combined.

Filling:

- Divide beef into 6 portions about 2 1/2 ounces each, or a medium sized ball. Top each tortilla with a portion of beef. Using a fork, flatten beef on top of tortilla into an even layer, leaving a 1/2" border around the edge of the tortilla. Sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon burger seasoning; Season with a pinch of salt.
- In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat 2 tablespoons oil and swirl pan to coat. Arrange 2 tacos beef side down and press into skillet to flatten with a sturdy spatula or burger press. Cook, undisturbed, until beef is browned and cooked through, about 2 to 3 minutes. Flip tacos, top each with a slice of cheese, and cook until cheese is slightly melted, about 1 minute more. Transfer to a baking sheet. Repeat with remaining 4 burger tacos.
- Top each taco with burger sauce, pickles, lettuce, onion, and sesame seeds. Enjoy!

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Creative Ice Cream Flavour Day Canada Day	I Forgot Day	Eat Beans Day	A National Country Music Day	5 National Apple Turnover Day
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	National Fried Chicken Day	National Strawberry Sundae Day	National Blueberry Day	National Sugar Cookie Day	Teddy Bear Picnic Day	World Kebab Day	Pecan Pie Day
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Oxymoron Day	Macaroni and Cheese Day	Tapioca Pudding Day	World Snake Day	Peach Ice Cream Day	World Listening Day	Stick out your tongue day
-	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	lce Cream Soda Day	Be a Someone Day	Rat catcher's day	National Sprinkle Day	National Drive Thru Day	Threading the Needle Day	National day of the Cowboy
	Take ²⁷	28	29	30	31		
	Your Pants for a walk Day	National Waterpark Day	Lasagna Day	National Cheesecake Day	National Avocado Day	July 2025 Silly Holidays	

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	August 2	Raspberry Cream Pie Day	Campfire Day			
3 Friendship Day	4 National Water balloon Day Civic Holiday	5 Work Like a Dog Day	Wiggle Your toes Day	7 National Lighthouse Day	National Kool-Aid Day	Middle Child's Day
National S'mores Day	Summer Olympic Closing Ceremony	Morld Elephant Day	13 National Filet Mignon Day	National Creamsicle Day	15 Relaxation Day	Roller Coaster Day
17 Neighbour Night	18 Serendipity Day	National Potato Day	20 National Radio Day	Seniors Citizens Day	National Toothfairy Day	North American Grilled Veggies Day
National Waffle Day National Eat Outside Day	25 National Bana Split Day	26 National Toilet paper Day	Just Because Day	Stuffed Green Bell Peppers Day	More Herbs less Salt Day	30 Toasted Marshmallow Day

Fun Facts, Jokes and Riddles

Maladaptive daydreaming is a condition where individuals engage in extensive, novel-like fantasies that can significantly disrupt their daily activities.

The "funny bone" sensation occurs when the ulnar nerve, which is particularly exposed and one of the least protected by surrounding bone and muscle at the elbow, is struck.

"Busy Life Syndrome" informally describes the modern issue of feeling overwhelmed, forgetful, and unfocused due to a fastpaced, information-loaded lifestyle.

A hacker just called and said "I have all your passwords" I got out a pen and paper and asked "thank goodness what are they?"

Some nouns really tick me off. yes nouns....people, places and things

To start a zoo, you need at least 2 pandas, a grizzly and 1 polar. its the bear minimum

What are the strongest days?

How do you know if its raining cats and dogs?

New/Old Vocabulary

Megillah - a lengthy and tediously complicated situation or matter





Maligner - (v) to feign sickness in order to avoid work

Limerence- (n) the state of being infatuated or obsessed with another person



Quotes and Riddle Answers

Peer run groups are the best.....you learn from someone who is on the same playing field as you!

-BIAD participant

It is always good to face difficulties head on. Downside is
I'm exhausted but its getting better!
-BIAD participant



Riddle Answers:

- 1. The rest are weekdays
- 2. You Step in a Poodle

Any Questions or Concerns?

Get in touch!

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