



POOR BOY LUNCHEON – Paul Bunnett Jones and Michelle Stewart hand out door prizes at the 12th annual Poor Boy Luncheon held last Friday at the Leamington Marina Pavilion to raise money for a dialysis unit at Leamington District Memorial Hospital. The unit will provide dialysis treatment for county patients who must now travel to Windsor three times per week. Providing the service for the county will significantly improve the quality of life for patients and their families. The cost for the project is high and the Hospital Foundation has committed to raise \$650,000 to pay their share. Donations may be made to LDMH Foundation, 194 Talbot Street West, Leamington, ON N8H 1N9. Tax receipts will be issued.

How to raise a money-smart child

Dean Doster, Edward Jones Investment representative in Lakeshore, is hosting an educational broadcast titled, "How to Raise a Money-Smart Child" from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19 at 25 Amy Croft Drive, Suite 9B.

The broadcast is designed as a collaboration between Edward Jones and the Money Savvy Generation, an organization devoted to children's financial literacy. The centerpiece of the program is the Money Savvy Piggy Bank with four chambers, one each for saving, investing, donating and spending.

Doster said the broadcast is

a great way to provide parents and grandparents the tools to teach children the basics of handling money, an essential lifetime skill that will become more important as they get older.

"As business leaders, we share the collective responsibility to help our youth avoid the pitfalls that financial illiteracy brings," said Doster. "We want to help parents and grandparents teach children the skills of basic personal finance so they are empowered to take control of their financial lives."

This program is free, but space is limited. To make a reservation, call 519-979-5555.

Small Business 101

Replacing old computers

Replacing old technology with newer models can help give your small business an edge over your competition, but when you upgrade your company's computers, you are left with the problem of disposing of the old ones. For security, legal, and environmental reasons, old computers must be disposed of properly. There are several options for doing so:

Donate them: There are a variety of organizations that will refurbish your firm's old computers and laptops and send them to local schools and non-profits in need. It's a great thing to do for your community and you may be able to write off the donation at tax time. When you make arrangements with one of these organizations, be sure to wipe the old hard drive clean to protect the privacy

of your information.

Recycle with an independent company: If your computers are too out-of-date or have been damaged so that they aren't suitable for charitable donation, finding a local company that recycles computers is a great choice. Monitors, CPUs and keyboards can all be recycled so that the glass and metal can find new life in other applications. All computers contain mercury, lead and other toxic materials that cannot safely go into landfills, so finding an independent recycler who can take care of the hazardous waste elements is a responsible choice.

Recycle with a manufacturer: Most computer manufacturers know that their customers need help in disposing of old equipment and many have implemented

computer recycling programs to help consumers and business owners safely dispose of unwanted units. Some programs will even give you credit against the purchase price of your new system when you trade in one of your business' old computers.

Most technology retailers will be familiar with the different manufacturers' recycling programs and should also be able to help you locate a local donation program or independent recycler. Sites such as www.earth911.org will also help you find a facility in your area.

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