

Newsletter for beginning of 2016 from Clay it Forward



Happy Year of the Monkey

Glad to be back in the studio after a great holiday season.

The Season “began” with the Lung Association’s Festival of Trees, held this year at Mill Square, although preparations began weeks even prior to that...

At Program Read, we decorated a wreath, called “Reading by northern lights” and I decorated my Artisan Clay It Forward tree with ornaments from various events throughout the year



Went to southern Ontario from November 25 to December 7 to visit family and friends in Toronto and Orillia.

Started out with a serendipitous road trip with my sister, Judy, and surprised my daughter, Cameron, at the OFSSA championships in Leamington.

It was exciting to see her end her grade 12 basketball season with the Korah Colts on such a high note.

I felt a mix of bittersweet emotions, knowing this was the last time I'd be warming bleachers in a high school gym for this girl, but focused on the great consolation in being a proud parent over the past four years for this group of young women whose skills were honed, characters developed and friendships flourished under the guidance of coaches "Corms and Hogan" – (Gary Cormier and Janice Hogan)

See Curriculum for Clay It Forward ideas for team building projects and visit the shop for appreciation gifts for coaches, teachers, trainers and mentors.

Between games, my sister and I enjoyed catching up over dinners out at an Italian and Sushi restaurant as well as a drive along Point Pelee and a tour of the Pelee Island Winery.

Despite it being late November, I was able to collect a few leaves in various sizes from the grape vines, thanks to the delayed winter, to make leaf dishes.

We enjoyed a wine tasting and have a souvenir glass to savour the memories of a fun trip!

See the curriculum and shops for project and gift ideas in al fresco ware and goblets of all sorts.

Upcoming Clay It Forward Events

PTU – Sunday, February 14, Essar Centre

Diabetes Family Skate – Monday, February 15, Essar Centre Common

Strokes – Saturday, February 20, 10-4, Station Mall