

**kids' club**  
Pumpkin Carving Contest  
11 am - 2 pm  
1-3 years old (parental supervision required)  
Prizes provided by the kids' club  
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**Saturday, October 30**  
Kids' Club Halloween Craft  
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## The Donnelly Legacy

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Tyler Parr as Will Donnelly—one of the only Donnellys to survive and flee—is performing at the Haunted Hayride at Fanshawe Pioneer Village until Saturday. The Donnelly Massacre depicts the tragedy of the Lucan family.

## Business

### The Top Shop makes children its top priority

As part of its 25th anniversary celebrations, the staff and owners of The Top Shop Inc. have made a special donation of \$25,000 to Children's Hospital at London Health Sciences Centre. Following many years of support for Children's Hospital, the staff and owners of The Top Shop Inc. dedicated 2010 as a special year to make this increased donation.

"The truth of the matter is basically this: after raising three healthy children, and being blessed with 3 healthy grand children, I can begin to comprehend what parents of sick children must go through, therefore I try and do whatever possible for them," said David Dean, owner of The Top Shop Inc.

Together, with the impressive support of his staff of 50, and led by a committee dedicated to raising the new record amount, Dean and his company presented a cheque for \$25,000 during a company-wide celebration at the head office, 502 First Street, London.

Funds were raised in a wide variety of ways for this donation. From chocolate bar and gum sales in the lunch room to donations from suppliers, everyone at The Top Shop Inc. has helped out in a small or big way. Together, they reached their goal two months ahead of schedule.

Two staff members, Sharon Garrod and Emily Coates, rode their bikes together to Samia in June, gathering pledges of \$1,000 as part of their contribution. Neither woman had undertaken such a lengthy ride previously but found it inspiring and satisfying.

Another staff member, Richard Lane, a flatwork employee and a former professional chef, auctioned off a gourmet dinner for 8 at the company, raising more than \$1,500. He added a second gourmet dinner to a company silent auction table.

"The majority of our staff are young people and they are all very caring people and generous," says Linda Coates,



Richard Davis photo

The entire staff (50) of The Top Shop Inc. made a donation of \$25,000 to Jill Osborne of Children's Hospital. The photo was taken in the quarry at The Top Shop Inc, 502 First Street, London. The donation is to recognize the company's 25th anniversary.

sales manager and fund raising here has been coming up with money as we celebrate our 25th committee member. "Everyone new ideas this year to raise more anniversary."

### Maple View Terrace hosts grand opening

**Evelyn Symons**  
Special to the Londoner

Maple View Terrace for retirement living, (formerly Central Park Lodge) on Horton Street held its grand opening on Sunday, October 24. The official opening was not just to open its doors to the community but also to thank the residents for their patience throughout all the changes. They are glad it's over with and are very pleased with the results, including the new spa.

Kathy Le Gresley the regional director of operations for Revera, the company that owns and operates Maple View Terrace, could not say enough about how cooperative the residents have been. To help with the unfamiliarity and changes, weekly meetings were held to keep everyone updated. Dennis Boschetto, Revera's vice-president of operations for Ontario echoed Le Gresley's thoughts adding how very proud he is of the transformation.

Miss Clara Tupper a retired schoolteacher and a 15-year resident, performed the ribbon cutting along side Mayor Anne Marie DeCicco-Best, Mr. Steve Dittich and his wife Frances were the official greeters. The Dittich's have lived there for three months and find it "fantastic." That seemed to be the sentiment among all the residence as they celebrated their new Maple View Terrace.



Photos by Evelyn Symons Special to Londoner  
Mayor Anne Marie DeCicco-Best talks with Clara Tupper, a retired schoolteacher and resident of Maple View Terrace.



Valletta McLaren, 95, is happy the renovations are over.