



Oasis Walkathon

Saturday, October 22, 2016 - 10:00 am - 11:45am.

at Oasis Dufferin Community Centre

1219 Dufferin Street, two lights north of Bloor Street

We are going to visit Seven Holy Sites in central west Toronto in a kind of group, photo scavenger hunt. While you will have a guide to take you to the locations, each group will be presented with a riddle. You will need to take a picture of the thing at that location that answers the riddle. When the group returns to Oasis you can watch a Spoken Word Poetry Slam (or you can even perform your own spoken work poem, preferably on the subject of "Compassion"). There will be snacks, a raffle, a swag bad and we will be done before noon. The event is family friendly. We would love to see you and your friends there. See our brochure at:

http://www.oasisdufferin.org/documents/Photo_Treasure_Hunt.pdf



Oasis on Spanish Radio

This past week two of Oasis' staff were interviewed for almost an hour on Voces Latinas. While the theme of the interview was volunteering, much of the discussion was about the various programs at Oasis. The interview was held during the Wednesday morning food bank so many were able listened on the radio while working. Apparently Sofia Pazmino and Lorena Bonilla were inspiring as people called the station during the show to inquire about how to volunteer at Oasis.



Recruiting Volunteers

Lorena Bonilla has joined Oasis with the mandate to recruit, train and retain volunteers. Volunteers are the lifeblood of Oasis and we could not operate without them. They are particularly needed on Tuesday mornings to unload the trucks bringing food, to help with our Tuesday evening community dinner and to serve at our Wednesday morning food bank. Once those core needs are met, we can look for assistance with activities that have been awaiting adequate help such as putting on educational programs, drivers to pick up additional donations, and setting up a food share healthy food box program. For more information contact Lorena at: lorena.oasisd@gmail.com or 416-536-4431.



Like Oasis' Facebook Page

The Oasis Dufferin Community Centre's Facebook page is quite active with new postings and pictures at least once each week. It is a great way to see the exciting things happening here. For example:

The Widow's Mite

It is amazing to see a Bible story replay right in front of you. But earlier this week that very thing happened. A community member came up to me during our dinner and asked if he could make a donation to our work. I knew he had very little money, so I told him there was no need to do so unless he could afford to give it. He produced a ten dollar bill and insisted I take it. He told me that he had recently won a bet and wanted to share a portion of his windfall with Oasis. I was reminded about the Bible story of Jesus in the temple watching people make a show of contributing large amounts. Then a widow sheepishly gave a small coin, a mite. Jesus said that because she had given out of her poverty, her donation was the generous one.



Our Facebook page complements our Blog "What I Have Learned So Far" found at:
<http://www.oasisdufferin.org/index.php/blog/category/5>.

