



Newsletter 2007 Campaign

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OUR THIRD YEAR

This year *Packsac Smiles* supported 86 children in our community with packsacs filled with back to school clothing and school supplies.

Children attended schools in North Bay, Callander and surrounding area. A total of 27 schools from the Catholic and Public school boards were invited to participate in choosing children for our program.

15 packs in 2005

46 packs in 2006

86 packs in 2007

Each packsac contains the following:

1 lunch bag

1 book

1 pair pants

2 tops

socks/underwear

1 pair running shoes

School supplies

***In addition, this year a healthy snack and dental care products were included.*

Packsac Smiles is a local Not For Profit Organization.

Our goal is to provide children in need with the essentials for school to help increase self esteem and create a positive attitude towards returning to school. The children are identified through our local schools by principals and teachers. We do our best to ensure that ALL eligible children in a family are sponsored.

A back to school program supporting children in your community.



Many ways to help

- Donate funds
- Sponsor a child for \$130
- Volunteer your time
- Shop for a child
- Have a fun day at your office to raise funds

Contact **Darlene Tripp** at 492-4747 for more information.

A very sincere thank you to our volunteers

This year our organization welcomed **90 volunteers** from the community to fulfill our mandate. Thank you to everyone who came out to shop for the children, organize or deliver packsacs and complete quality checks. The additional help that so many of you offered was appreciated. It is the large number of volunteers that make our program so successful.

Thank you to our 2007 Contributors Sept 1 2006 to Sept 1 2007

Comsatec Inc.	Wal-Mart Canada	George/Lynn Stockfish
Mrs. J.R. Nabb	St. Joseph's ladies group	Dr. Brian Barry
Fit for Life	Tweedsmuir Public School	Debby Lovegrove
Friends of Callander Library	St. Alphonse Catholic Church	J.S. Redpath Ltd.
Catholic School Board	Century 21	Quilts by the Bay
Wrightway Youth Sports	Callander Bay Dental Staff	Royal Can Legion-Ferris
North Bay Youth Soccer	Marcel/Geraldine LaFramboise	Suzanne Wishak
Jenn Mendyk	Gordon/Deborah Vaillancourt	Erin Fitzgerald
Cory Langlois	Joanne/Jon Naismith	Madeline/Derek Thompson
Tascha Gagnon	Pat Lefebvre and Friends	Marie Wiltsey
Wayne Penno	Eleanor Rennick	Knox United Church-ladies group
Dan Rancourt	Shoppers Drug Mart Social Club	Empire Living Fitness group
Rob Squirrel	Gateway Minor Sports/Charities	Judy Hoover
Wilkinson Pharmacy Consulting	Jennifer McElroy	Girl Guides of Canada
Mark Gauthier	Callander Legion Fitness	Creative Learning
Clement's Callander IDA	Sunset Park School	Val Jackson
Carol/Larry Hoffman	Barbara Biederman-Bukowski	Celine Evans
Phil's Lakeshore Pharmasave	TD Canada Trust	Altern Savings
All Shelter Sales	Joan Hartnell	Wishing Wellness
CrimeStoppers	Staples	Manson Team



****Very special thank you to our ANONYMOUS donor this year****

Moments to remember

The child who did not give up when our delivery program ran later than usual—she knew we would show up.

The mountain of 86 packsacs piled high.

The volunteers who volunteered to complete more than one task and offered to help in so many ways.

The many generous people from our community who dropped off supplies to include in children's packsacs.

1342 rolls of pennies, counted, rolled and donated



Board Members/Positions

Chairperson	<i>Darlene Tripp</i>	Chairperson	<i>Sandra Rozicki</i>
Secretary	<i>Pat Williams</i>	Treasurer	<i>Nancy Birtch</i>
School Liaison	<i>Tarian Shortt</i>	Data Manager	<i>Gloria Barbeta</i>
Volunteer Coordinator	<i>Linda Wilkinson</i>	Publicity	<i>Christine Page</i>
Delivery/Inventory	<i>Kelli Couroux and Kathy Kroeker</i>		

Thanks for the smiles!

MCTV News, Bay Today, CTV News & Moose Radio: Thank you for supporting our organization by getting our message out to the community.

Mindoka Technology Corporation: Thank you for a great location to hold our monthly board meetings.

Nipissing District Catholic and Near North District School Boards: Thank you for your support of our program through your teachers, secretaries and principals .

Callander Foodland: Thank you so much for providing healthy snacks and juice for the packsacs for two consecutive years.

C & C Properties: Thank you for providing space during the summer months to hold our inventory and to utilize for all of our activities. It was desperately needed and appreciated.

TD Canada Trust: Many thanks to the numerous volunteers , fundraising and overall support of the organization by the three local branches.

Callander Bay and Lakeshore Dental: The donations of toothpaste , brushes and dental floss were appreciated.

Creative Learning: Big hugs to Creative Learning for all of their help in providing books to our children this year.

Pennies for Packsacs: Many thanks to the staff and children at Sunset Park Public School for their overwhelming support for the program

*A special thank you from some
of our children.*



Impacting self esteem and encouraging a positive
attitude to return to school.

Our 2008 Campaign

Soon we will be contacting schools and local businesses to support our 2008 campaign.

Watch for us!

We need volunteers

We utilize a large number of volunteers each year. There are a variety of tasks that you can participate in.

You can shop, check or deliver paksacs for children.

Please call **Linda at 492-4747** if you are interested in participating.

Volunteering for our organization is very rewarding. The smile on a child's face is a smile to remember.

Call us today to find out how you can help a child in your community by donating your time.
