



Welcome from our Chair



As we commence our third year of Engage! London, I am excited to act as Program Chair. The 2008/2009 season promises to deliver another round of high calibre speakers and participants. As a program alumni, I look forward not only to meeting new participants, but learning more about how I can be active in my own community.

As leaders in the business community we have a responsibility to give something back. Finding a way to do this in an effective and meaningful way can be a confusing and sometimes frustrating task. Under the auspices of London Community Foundation, Engage! London provides us with the tools, the connections, and the motivation to get started. Whether you are new to the program or an alumni, I hope that you will continue to stay connected with us through this quarterly newsletter. I encourage you to keep in touch and let us know how Engage! has made a difference in your life.

Sincerely,
Patrick O'Neill
VP, CIBC Wood Gundy

Patrick O'Neill

Meet our Alumni!

Engage! London Alumni, **Gord Thompson (President, Sunningdale Golf and Country Club)** is making a difference in the community! This past February, he travelled with Engage! Alumni Paul Hayman to the Dominican Republic where they built beds for an orphanage. They are now working to establish a microcredit program for the benefit of the community that is served by the orphanage. Closer to home, Gord is a member of the YMCA of Western Ontario Board of Directors, the YMCA Capital Campaign team, the Matthews Hall School Building, Property and Design Committee, and Co-chair of the Matthews Hall Capital Campaign Committee.

"My participation in Engage helped me to clarify the areas of community involvement that I want to be participating in while having regard for a proper balance with my family life."

Sponsored by:



Engage! Yourself

Limberlost Chaplaincy is currently seeking new volunteers to join its Board of Directors. This opportunity promises to be a hands-on experience! The organization provides Pastoral care, resources, and community programs to residents of Limberlost in Northwest London. For more information, please contact:

Mary Hagan
Community Chaplain
519-472-2459