



THANKS TO TONY XAVIER, OWNER OF CHEGA RESTAURANT AND HIS STAFF:

TONIGHT'S MENU

- Assorted Mini Pizzas
- Chicken Satays with Spicy Peanut Sauce
- Smoked Salmon on Toasted Brioche with Dill Aioli
- Shaved Roast Beef Mini Sandwiches with Horseradish Cream
- Sweet Potato Fries with Chipotle Mayo
- Oven-dried Herbed Tomato Arancini Balls
- Mushroom & Goat Cheese Bundles
- Mixed Raw Vegetables with Dip

TONIGHT'S BEVERAGES

- Welcome Drink
- Blue Hawaiians

BEER PRODUCTS

- Compliments of Molson's

WINES

- Sauvignon Blanc, Oracle from South Africa (White)
- Farnese Montepulciano from Italy (Red)

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

- Compri Catering: dinner for 4
- Encore Catering: dinner for 4
- Starbucks gift package
- Miller Tavern, dinner for 6
- Wine Baskets
- Cognac Basket
- Old Miller, dinner for 6

LEISURE AND GETAWAYS

- White Oaks Inn: 1 night stay
- North York Novatel: 2 night weekend stay

BEAUTY, WELLNESS AND FASHION

- Beauty Package
- Fashion Accessories
- Mississauga Fitness Institute: 3 month gold membership PLUS 1 personal training session
- Lds. Fossil Wallet
- Juicy Couture sunglasses
- mini purse package
- Hugo Boss cufflinks

SPORTS AND RECREATION

- 2 tickets to the Raptors game: Friday March 6, 2009. Raptors vs Miami Heat \$186.00/each Section 110M; Row 26 Seats 11 and 12
- Toronto Marlie's & Grand Rapids Griffins game: Sunday Feb. 8, 2009 : 4 tickets
- Mad River Golf Club: 2 green fees
- Credit Valley Golf Course: 4 green fees, 2 carts
- Oslerbrook Golf Course: 4 green fees, 2 carts
- Osler Ski Club: 2 lift tickets
- 2 ski knapsacks
- Ski bag
- Roller double ski bag
- Down hill ski bag
- Hugo Boss MP3 Player

STYLE AT HOME

- Cuisinart Cordless wine opener
- Cuisinart Wine Chiller
- Cuisinart Immersion Blender
- Cuisinart Cordless Kettle
- Single Brew Coffee Maker

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Monday, February 2nd, 2009
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A portion of tonight's proceeds will be donated to the Brain Injury Society of Toronto





ABOUT THE BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA (BIAC) At the founding meeting in July 2003 in Montreal, Quebec, members from brain injury associations from coast to coast, representing survivors, their families, and professionals identified the need to create the Brain Injury Association of Canada.

The Association's mandate is to improve the quality of life for all Canadians affected by acquired brain injury and promote its prevention. BIAC is dedicated to initiatives that facilitate post-trauma research, education and advocacy in partnership with national, provincial/territorial and regional associations and other stakeholders.

<http://biac-aclc.ca/en/>

ABOUT THE BRAIN INJURY SOCIETY OF TORONTO (BIST)

BIST supports acquired brain injury survivors and their family members. Their members are children, parents, teens, spouses, and grandparents. Membership is open to anyone in the community with an interest in the challenges that come with living with the effects of brain injury. Professionals and service providers are also welcome as members of BIST.

BIST is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors representing community stakeholders including survivors, service providers, educators and professionals.

The mission of the Brain Injury Society of Toronto is to enhance the quality of life for persons who are living in the City of Toronto with the effects of acquired brain injury, through education, awareness, support and advocacy.

<http://www.bist.ca/home.cfm>



HAWAIIAN OYSTER ODYSSEYS - ACROSS CANADA 2009

- Halifax, NS - April 2, 2009
- Charlottetown, PEI - May 22, 2009
- Saskatoon, SK - April 18, 2009
- Vancouver, BC - June 15, 2009
- Ottawa, ON - April 21, 2009
- Montreal, PQ - July 10, 2009
- Edmonton, AB - May 14, 2009
- Fredericton, NB - October 2009
- St. John's, NF - May 20, 2009
- Winnipeg, MB - Fall 2009 (TBD)

For more information, visit: www.hawaiianoysterodysseys.ca

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

- 6:00 PM** — Hors D'oeuvres and cocktails
- 7:00 PM** — Welcome and introduction of Master of Ceremonies, **AMANDA LANG**, Host of Business News Network, by brain injury survivor **GARY OTSU**
- 7:05 PM** — Greetings from:
HON. CAROLYN BENNETT, MP, Canada's first Minister of Public Health
HON. DAVID CAPLAN, MPP, Ontario's Minister of Health & Long Term Care
HON. KATHLEEN WYNNE, MPP, Ontario's Minister of Education
- 7:10 PM** — Introduction of sponsors by **HOWARD BROWN**, Fundraising Chair Brain Injury Association of Canada; remarks from **DON FORGERON** Insurance Bureau of Canada VP (Ontario)
- 7:15 PM** — Introduction of hospital partners and remarks from:
DR. ANGELA COLANTONIO, OT Reg (ON), Saunderson Family Chair in Acquired Brain Injury Research, Toronto Rehab Institute, and Associate Professor, University of Toronto
DR. BILL REICHMAN, President, Baycrest and Professor, University of Toronto
- 7:20 PM** — **MEGAN PATTERSON**, brain injury survivor and Past President of the Brain Injury Society of Toronto introduces survivor stories by:
MIKE COYLE and **MICHAEL CLOUTHIER**.
- 7:30PM** — Thank You by **MADELEINE WELTON**, brain injury survivor and Director, Brain Injury Association of Canada
- 8:30PM** — Draw for a chance to win 2 Air Canada tickets to Honolulu, Hawaii (Winner enters national draw with other provincial HOO winners)
- 9:00PM** — Silent Auction Closes

OTHER SPECIAL GUESTS INCLUDE:

- HON. DONNA CANSFIELD, MPP**, Minister of Natural Resources
- KEVIN FLYNN, MPP**, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment
- MONTE KWINTER, MPP**, Parliament Assistant to the Minister of International Trade and Investment
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- VINCE BORG**, Senior Vice-President Communications, Barrick Gold
 - ALAN CONVERY**, Manager of Community Relations, TD Bank Financial Group
 - PETER O'BRIAN**, Chair of TV Ontario
 - BARB BUTLER**, President, Saskatchewan Brain Injury Association and Secretary, BIAC
 - BRICE SCHESCHUK**, Chief Financial Officer, Globalive Communications Corp.
 - HARRY ZARINS**, Executive Director, Brain Injury Association of Canada



**MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
MICHAËLLE JEAN, THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA**

It gives me great pleasure to extend my best wishes for success to the Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey FUNdraisers 2009, organized in support of the Brain Injury Association of Canada (BIAC).

A brain injury can have unexpected, serious, even devastating repercussions, both physical and financial, on our own lives and on the lives of those who care for us. The funds raised during the Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey FUNdraisers will allow BIAC to continue its mission to advance medical research, to educate and support caregivers, to raise public awareness, and to build partnerships across the country.

I am grateful to the staff and volunteers of the FUNdraisers and BIAC who, from coast to coast, are working together to improve the lives of those we hold dear.

I wish you all a most enjoyable evening.

MICHAËLLE JEAN, THE GOVERNOR GENERAL



**MESSAGE FROM THE RT. HON. STEPHEN HARPER, PRIME MINISTER
OF CANADA**

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2009 Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey in support of the Brain Injury Association of Canada (BIAC).

This evening is a wonderful opportunity to highlight the vital role which this volunteer-based organization has played in the community. Established in 2003, the Brain Injury Association has dedicated itself to providing a wide variety of education, support and advocacy services to the more than 50,000 Canadians who sustain a brain injury annually. I am certain that everyone in attendance –survivors, their families, medical experts, community leaders and business professionals alike– will benefit greatly from the chance to meet and network, share their stories and lend their support.

I would like to commend all those associated with the Brain Injury Association for improving the quality of life of your fellow citizens. I am sure that you will continue this valuable work for many years to come.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable evening, as well as every success in meeting your fundraising goals.

THE RT. HON. STEPHEN HARPER, P.C., M.P., PRIME MINISTER



A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the fifth annual Toronto Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey in support of the Brain Injury Association of Canada (BIAC).

Acquired brain injury affects thousands of Canadians. It is heartening to know that there are organizations, like BIAC, dedicated to helping those affected by brain injury. The association plays a pivotal role in raising awareness and promoting prevention of this condition, and in supporting survivors of brain injury and their families.

I applaud everyone in attendance for your generous support of BIAC. You are helping the association make a vital difference in the lives of Canadians living with acquired brain injury.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable evening and a highly successful fundraiser.

DALTON MCGUINTY, PREMIER



A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR OF TORONTO

It gives me great pleasure to extend greetings and a warm welcome to everyone attending the 5th annual Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey fundraiser hosted by Brain Injury Associations of Canada (BIAC) in Toronto.

BIAC was established in 2003 with a mandate to improve the quality of life for people affected by brain injuries. It supports and advocates on behalf of survivors, develops national public information resources and facilitates education and promotes prevention of this debilitating condition. The Hawaiian Oyster Odyssey promises to be an enlightening evening that will raise awareness of brain injury prevention and raise funds to help BIAC continue its support and advocacy work.

The people of Toronto have established a longstanding tradition of supporting charitable causes and recognize philanthropy as an essential part of civic participation and city-building. Your presence here this evening is an indication of your commitment and willingness to make a difference in the lives of others.

On behalf of the Toronto City Council, I thank the organizers, sponsors and volunteers for making this event possible. Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening.

Yours truly,

MAYOR DAVID MILLER



BIAC INITIATIVES

Brain injury is the leading disabler and cause of death for Canadians under 45. Your attendance and zealous consumption of oysters at Odysseys like tonight's helps the Brain Injury Association of Canada implement many important initiatives such as:

ANNUAL SURVIVOR CONFERENCE

A national conference fully funded by BIAC. It brings together survivors, families and leaders to plan programs and services for the year. This year, the 6th Annual BIAC National Conference will be held from July 10 to 12, at Villa St. Martin, Pierrefonds (just outside



DELEGATES FROM ACROSS CANADA AT THE ANNUAL BIAC CONFERENCE, IN MONTREAL

Montreal on the shores of the St. Lawrence River). Everyone is welcome. To register, please visit www.biac-aclc.ca

"WIPE OUT" DOCUMENTARY

In 2008, the Brain Injury Association of Canada collaborated with the Knowledge Network to produce an award-winning documentary film about three young Canadians who suffered traumatic brain injuries while pursuing extreme sports. BIAC continues to use the video in promotion efforts.

PARTNERSHIP WITH BIAC ASSOCIATIONS IN PROVINCES

Identifying new ways for national and provincial associations to work in partnership with the common goal of caring for the brain injured.

HELMET LEGISLATION

Advocating with government bodies for the introduction of a new legislation that would prevent the sale of helmets in Canada unless it meets the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) guidelines. Legislation would identify those products not making the grade as hazardous.

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