



# ALS Windsor Newsletter

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Mark Your  
Calendars  
Dates:

### Steak Bar-B-Q

Saturday, February 23rd  
Steak Dinner with DJ and  
Dancing

### Spin-a-Thon

Saturday, March 1st  
in Chatham

### Bingo:

Classic Bingo IV  
(Ottawa & Walker Rds.)  
Jan 24 – 10am, 12&2pm  
Feb 3 – 10pm, 12am

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## STEAK Bar-B-Q

Make sure that you get your tickets for the Steak Bar-B-Q that is Saturday February 23rd. Tickets are \$25, and includes a steak dinner, desert and dancing. Hope to see you there. Door prizes would be appreciated and can be dropped at the office. So mark that date on the calendar and get your tickets.



### Sport Lovers Raffle

We now have our prizes for the raffle that will be drawn at the Bar-B-Q. First prize is valued at \$900 and includes dinner for 6 at the Greektown Casino's Alley Grille, 6 tickets to the March 14<sup>th</sup> Pistons vs San Antonio Spurs game with Limo service to and from Greektown Casino. It also includes accommodations for 2 at the Athenium Hotel in Detroit. Second prize is a one year membership at the Hydeaway Golf Course (valued at \$450.00) Tickets are available at the office now and are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. They would be great in a card at Valentine's Day. Order some to sell!



## Spin-a-thon 2008

Ryan Van Praet is hard at work on the 2008 Spin-a-Thon. It will take place March 1, 2008 in Chatham. If you are, or you know a cyclist – let them know that we are having this event. The funds raised from this event will be going to Dr. Strong to support research. For more information please contact Ryan at: [swimbikerunryan@yahoo.ca](mailto:swimbikerunryan@yahoo.ca)

There will be no support meeting in January.



### Communication Equipment

Just a reminder to those who have received communication devices through the John McGivney Centre – after the \$25.00 trial lease is paid – ALS Windsor pays for the yearly lease. If you receive the invoice –which can happen-call or email (Sharon).

### Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be held Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at the office. Start thinking about how you could play a dynamic role in this organization. It's time for some new faces and your help would be greatly appreciated.



### Power Wheelchairs

We have a few loaner power chairs that we can provide to help conserve energy and at the same time will allow someone to get used to driving a power chair. Since ALS is progressive it is anticipated, and there often comes a time that specialized equipment such as tilt seating or alternative devices to drive the wheelchair are needed. The Central Equipment Pool program must be accessed for this specialized equipment. Applying to retrofit a power chair and waiting for the approval, delivery and installation of the additional equipment can waste precious time. For this reason we do not usually provide funding for a power chair unless it comes out of the CEP to start. This not only saves time, but helps to ensure any changing needs are met quickly. The CEP program is funded by the Ontario government and is currently administered by Shoppers Home Health Care.



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