



November 24, 2019

To our members, gala guests and friends of BCA,

On behalf of myself and the board of directors, THANK YOU for making this event a truly memorable one. There were a lot of tributes and honours during this magical evening. Deputy Mayor Dudas presenting our good friend and supporter Michael O'Byrne with the official plaque for Michael O'Byrne Day which was September 21st, 2019. Michael has supported us as our emcee for many years and he and my good friend John Rogers were rockin' the live auction. What a pair! They got a lot of people going and earned some serious coin for BCA.

To ML our executive director and her amazing volunteers who work tirelessly for months in making sure our event comes off smoothly. As I mentioned in my opening remarks, "without volunteers, small non-profits would just not exist"! And let me tell you, we have the best!

To the OCEC and their fabulous staff, Greg Fedor our DJ and photographer, Moshi from Pink's Cleaners for videography, Michael O'Byrne and John Rogers for their outstanding performance in bringing what I feel may be the best BCA gala yet! We will share pictures when they are available.

To our suppliers and sponsors, our third-party events throughout the year, your dedication and patronage mean so much to us.

Mark your calendars for next year; **November 20, 2020!** We are looking forward to planning next year's gala and hope you will all want to be part of it once again. Our 2020 theme: Silver Bells!

For sponsorships, corporate tables and general information please direct all questions to BCAO's Executive Director, Marie-Louise Doyle ed.bca@bcaott.ca or give her a call at 613-736-5921.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads 'Diane Hayes'.

Diane Hayes
President of the Board
BCA Ottawa