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**DOUBLE DOWN DIVERS**  
**Grand Opening" on June 1st from 11am-2pm at 10 Queen St East, Including hamburgers and hot dogs and free gifts and prizes including open water E-learning, Advanced E-learning and Discover Scuba experiences.**

## Going to New Depths: The Fascinating World of Scuba Diving

By Linda Belcourt, Editor

May 19, 2024 - Scuba diving offers a unique and exhilarating way to explore the underwater world, a realm that is as mysterious as it is beautiful. Whether you are gliding through vibrant coral reefs, exploring sunken shipwrecks, or swimming alongside diverse marine life, scuba diving provides a gateway to experiences that are often beyond the reach of those on the surface. This article delves into the essentials of scuba diving, and to highlight a new business on the main street of Elmvale.

Let Double Down Divers located in Elmvale, open up a world of adventure and discovery beneath the waves. Combine physical activity with the exploration of stunning underwater landscapes, with like minded adventurous people. Whether you are a seasoned diver or a beginner eager to take the plunge, the underwater world offers endless opportunities for awe and inspiration.

Bill Martin has a passion for diving that is evident the moment you meet him. He has impressive training credentials and just wants gather people to enjoy the hobby. He has been in the business for many years and just opened a store front on the main street of Elmvale. The inventory is amazing with an array of underwater gear. Bill has every thing you need to experience diving whether it is a rental or purchase. We are fortunate to have hands-on shopping so close to home. There are not many dive shops available.

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3. Experience Wonders of the under world.

### Double Down Divers has some great experiences planned that include:

1. Weekly dives departing from Penetanguishene with dives to Georgian Bay including Christian Island, Hope Island, and Beckwith Island and internationally famous Tomermory. Explore the many ship wrecks like the Maple Down, Michigan and Marquette. To explore these underwater treasures is an experience not to be forgotten. The resounding echos of lives lost to our perilous waters is a visual experience that lasts.

2. Destination Travels with fellow adventurers

### Dive Roatan – March 29 – April 5, 2025

This editor of the paper has travelled to Roatan and it is the most amazing experience swimming with huge schools of colourful fish, turtles amongst a live coral reef.

### FIJI – November 16-24, 2025

Known as the soft coral capital of the world. Fiji is known for its friendly & hospitable people, great beaches and awesome diving.

We have an abundance of choices for diving in our area. The favorite in our area is the Fathom Five National Marine Park. "In the traditional territory of

the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, this park has sparkling blue water, rugged shoreline scenery and the famous Flowerpot Island rock formations. World renowned scuba diving on 24 shipwrecks, in the heart of the Great Lakes. Fathom Five offers some of the best freshwater diving opportunities in the world. Clear, clean water, submerged geological formations (cliffs, caves, overhangs) and more than 20 historical shipwrecks offer a variety of underwater experiences. Everyone, from the novice snorkeller to the most advanced diving enthusiast, can find lots to explore and enjoy within the park." Source: <https://parks.canada.ca/amnc-nmca/on/fathomfive>

### The Basics of Scuba Diving

Scuba diving, an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, allows divers to breathe underwater using a tank of compressed air. The essential equipment includes a mask, fins, regulator, buoyancy control device (BCD), and wetsuit or drysuit depending on the water temperature. A fundamental part of scuba diving is proper training and certification, typically obtained through recognized organizations such as PADI (Professional Association of Diving Instructors) or NAUI (National Association of Underwater Instructors). These courses cover vital skills, safety procedures, and environmental conservation practices.

I dare the adventurous to experience diving firsthand. You will be hooked.

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Dear Editor

Over this past long weekend the Federal Liberals, in conjunction with the Mayor of Brampton, made, yet, another announcement on "car thefts" and amending the Criminal Code. Some may be of the thought that this will deter "car theft," violent crime," "home invasions," etc. What we all need to understand is that the laws are already there and this is merely an attempt to play with Canadian's fears to garner votes. To be clear this has nothing to do with the enforcement community, it is to show that there is already "Theft" included in section 322, of the Criminal Code; those involved in the crime of "theft" using any form of telecommunications during that theft, there is section 326 "Theft of telecommunication service;" section 334 - "Punishment for theft"; and section 333.1 - "Motor vehicle theft."

**"Motor vehicle theft**

333.1 (1) Everyone who commits theft is, if the property stolen is a motor vehicle, guilty of an offence and liable

(a) on proceedings by way of indictment, to imprisonment for a term of not more than 10 years, and to a minimum punishment of imprisonment for a term of six months in the case of a third or subsequent offence under this subsection; or

(b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term of not more than two years less a day.

**Subsequent offences**

(2) For the purpose of determining whether a convicted person has committed a third or subsequent offence, an offence for which the person was previously convicted is considered to be an earlier

offence whether it was prosecuted by indictment or by way of summary conviction proceedings. 2010, c. 14, s. 3; 2019, c. 25, s. 121."

The sad part is, this was implemented in 2019 and yet you can still steal 3 vehicles and only serve 6 months each, or 1½ years for all 3. Where's the deterrent?

And when it comes to the youth, that are performing these car thefts, if they are members of gangs and/or are being coerced into lives of crime, there is section 423 - "Intimidation."

Canadians don't need more sections in the Criminal Code, other pieces of legislation or more photo-ops. What we do need is real jobs for people so they won't

be driven to theft just to survive or quick money.

Our economy isn't working, because government keeps over-taxing, so they can spend, spend, spend, with no end in sight. The spending of government, isn't doing anything for Canadians or jobs. That said, the debt this government is creating isn't doing anything for any of our kids (19-24), either, especially those involved in car theft, other than driving the "car theft" underground economy.

No more platitudes and no more increases in taxes. We need politicians who will look at this through the eyes of someone who has actually read the Criminal Code to see everything is already there - USE IT!

By Elizabeth Marshall



Photo above, left to right: Mayor Jennifer Coughlin, Hale Mahon, representing Doug Downey - MPP Barrie-Springwater-Oro Medonte, Councillor Matt Garwood, Councillor Brad Thompson, Briana Dean, Manager Recreation, Parks & Facilities

**Township of Springwater Officially Opens Homer Barrett Park**

Submitted by Township of Springwater

Elmvale, ON / May 17, 2024 - On Friday morning, members of the Springwater Council, community partners and the public gathered to officially cut the ribbon for the revitalized Homer Barrett Park. This occasion celebrates the culmination of support from the \$200,000 Community Building Fund grant it received in 2021 from the Government of Ontario as part of a program delivered by Ontario Trillium Foundation.

"This new inclusive park allows for all residents of Elmvale to come together and have a safe place to play," said Doug Downey, MPP for Barrie - Springwater - Oro-Medonte. "It's important to have accessible and safe outdoor spaces where children can explore, and families can relax together. I look forward to enjoying this park in the near future."

The grant facilitated the complete replacement of the playground in Elmvale, including the addition of junior and senior play structures, ground play components, a swing set, and upgraded inclusive features. An accessible walking path has been installed, connecting Shaw Street and Richie Crescent, to the play area, ensuring that individuals of all abilities can enjoy the park's amenities.

"Homer Barrett Park has long been a gathering

place for individuals of all ages," said Mayor Jennifer Coughlin, Township of Springwater. "The Township is committed to enhancing and upgrading public spaces for the benefit of all community members. We thank the Government of Ontario and the Ontario Trillium Foundation in making this project a reality." Homer Barrett Park is located at 43 Centennial Avenue in Elmvale.

"Non-profit organizations across Ontario deliver programming that makes a difference," said Neil Lumsden, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport. "That's why funding that my ministry is providing through the OTF is so important. Our government wants to ensure that these programs and spaces remain the heart of communities across our province."

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Ontario government with a mission to build healthy and vibrant communities across the province. Last year, OTF invested more than \$110M into 1,044 community projects and multi-sector partnerships. Projects aim to enhance economic well-being, foster more active lifestyles, support child and youth development, provide spaces for people to come together and connect, and create a more sustainable environment. Visit [otf.ca](http://otf.ca) to learn more.

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**EDITORIAL** by Linda Belcourt, Editor

What an amazing Victoria Day weekend. It has been many years that we have been graced with sunshine and heat on May 24 weekend. I hope you will enjoy this edition. It was suggested that I place a photo of my beautiful dog in this issue so people know I am very approachable.

**CORRECTION:** The Food bank update article in the last edition contained an error. Debbie Craddock's last name was not correct and it indicated that she wrote the article and she just submitted it. North Simcoe Springwater News regrets this error and all errors that occur in this newspaper. A wise teacher once taught me that when people see your mistakes then it shows that the world is not perfect and no one is perfect. I do hate it when I make errors. I think she was just trying to make me feel better and it did work. This editor is fully responsible for the content of this paper and it is a huge job that I take on with pride.



**Springwater Sports Heritage Announces Its 2024 Inductees**

At its recent meeting the Springwater Sports Heritage Board endorsed five Athletes, six Builders and four Teams to be honoured in its Hall of Fame.

“We are delighted to announce that once again we will be inducting an exceptional group of Athletes, Builders and Teams into the Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame”, said Induction Committee Chairperson, Barb Maw.

“It’s exciting to know they will be joining the outstanding Hall of Fame Alumni that have preceded them over our first decade.”

Springwater Sports Heritage will host its fifth Hall of Fame Banquet of Champions on September 27, 2024 at the Snow Valley Ski Resort to formally install the 2024 Inductees.

The honoured 2024 Inductees will join with over 200 Hall of Fame Alumni, Officials and Sports Enthusiasts at Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame 10th Anniversary and fifth biennial Induction Banquet of Champions. A special evening of sporting commemorative and comradeship plans are well underway.

More information and general public ticket sales will be announced soon.

Visit [www.springwatersportsheritage.ca](http://www.springwatersportsheritage.ca) for additional information and updates.

**2024 INDUCTEES SPRINGWATER SPORTS HERITAGE HALL OF FAME**

**ATHLETES**

- Pat Crowe, Harness Racing
- Glenn Downey, Multi Sport (Posthumously)
- Trevor Knight, Multi Sport
- Robert Storey, Curling
- Lou Turner, Multi Sport (Posthumously)

**BUILDERS**

- Vern Beacock
- Barb Brinkman
- George Conn
- Shirley Furlong
- Paul Marley
- Dan McGinnis

**TEAMS**

- Elmvale Juvenile Hockey Team 1974/75
- Minesing Midget Fastball Team 1978
- Minesing Midget Fastball Team 1979
- Minesing Juvenile Fastball Team 1980

**Pete Moss & Nick Howel Wild About Turtles at Wye Marsh**

*Submitted by Heather Keery, Wye Marsh*

“Enhancing wildlife habitats is a top priority at Wye Marsh,” says Friends of Wye Marsh Executive Director, Kim Hacker. “With every turtle species in Ontario listed as endangered, threatened, or a species of special concern, we need to do everything we can to make sure they have a place to thrive,” she says.

As a result, the not-for-profit organization will be celebrating the restoration of a popular turtle nesting site at Wye Marsh this Saturday, May 18th.

Morning Visitors to Wye Marsh will have the chance to join in a variety of “Turtle Nursery Shenanigans” at 11 am as a special “Mystery” guest takes part in the opening ceremonies, which will be followed by storytelling, snacks, and the chance to make a unique souvenir leather medallion.

Open-air concerts will be performed by acclaimed children’s musician Pete Moss, the Bay Sound Children’s Choir & Little Treble Makers, as well as award-winning rock artist Nick Howell starting at 11:30 am.

At 2:30 pm, the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre will be hosting a “birthday party” for Sonic the Snapping Turtle, and sharing “Turtle Crossing Safety Tips” with guests.

All activities included with the price of admission, and musician profiles can be found at: <https://www.wyemarsh.com/turtle-nesting-site-party>.

This “NatureHood” project was completed with the generous support of Nature Canada and TD Friends of the Environment, and will benefit Snapping Turtles, Painted Turtles and other species of concern at Wye Marsh.

The Friends of Wye Marsh is a not-for-profit charitable organization taking care of 3,000 acres of provincially significant wetlands and federal forests in the Heart of Georgian Bay. Located at the mouth of the Wye River, near Midland, this National Wildlife Area and internationally recognized Important Birding Area is home to a vast array of species, including Trumpeter Swans.

The Wildlife Centre and trails are open 362 days a year, weather depending. For more information please [www.wyemarsh.com](http://www.wyemarsh.com) for more information or call 705-526-7809.



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## Public Works Palooza is this Weekend!

Join us on **May 25, 2024** from **11am to 2pm** for Midland's second annual Public Works Palooza!

Attend for free, celebrate Public Works Week and grab a bite at the Community BBQ, cash donations and non-perishable food items will be accepted in support of the Georgian Bay Food Network.



[midland.ca/palooza](https://midland.ca/palooza)

## Plan your Summer with us!

- May**
  - Public Works Palooza - May 25, 2024.
- June**
  - Kids Fishing Derby - June 1, 2024
  - Ontario's Best Butter Tart Festival - June 8, 2024
- July**
  - Canada Day Festival - July 1, 2024
  - Music in the Park (every Sunday) - first day July 7, 2024
- August**
  - Georgian Bay Tugboat Festival - August 16 - 17, 2024
  - Music in the Park (every Sunday) - final day August 25, 2024
- September**
  - Midland Mural Festival - September 28, 2024

Find more information about Town events on our website.  
[midland.ca/events](https://midland.ca/events)

## Butter Tart Volunteer

We have the sweetest volunteers! Volunteer at Ontario's Best Butter Tart Festival in Midland on June 8, 2024.

You will receive:

- Festival T-Shirt
- Refillable Water Bottle
- Lunch Voucher for June 8.



## Flag Ceremonies at Town Hall

Community members are invited to attend scheduled flag ceremonies at Town Hall. Find times on our Community Calendar. Upcoming Flag Ceremonies

- May 27: Flag Raising for Yes In My Back Yard Week
- June 7: Flag Raising for Pride Month
- June 21: Flag Raising for Indigenous Peoples Day

[midland.ca/calendar](https://midland.ca/calendar)

## Win a Prize: Youth Colouring Contest!

Youth age 4 - 14, living or going to school in Midland are needed to help add a splash of colour to Town equipment!

How to enter:

- Use the link below to go to our website, read the guidelines.
- Download the colouring page options.
- Print, colour and drop it off or mail it.
- Due by June 28, 2024 by 4:00 p.m.

[midland.ca/art](https://midland.ca/art)



## Join a Town Committee

Make a difference in our community - see our website for more.

- Midland Seniors Advisory Committee
- Council's Task Force on Affordable Housing Committee
- Midland Penetanguishene Transit Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee

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## Upcoming Council Meetings



Regular Council meetings take place virtually and in person (hybrid) and can be viewed on RogersTV (cable 53) or on RogersTV live stream.

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How can we help? [705-526-4275 ext 2255](tel:705-526-4275) [service@midland.ca](mailto:service@midland.ca) [www.midland.ca](http://www.midland.ca) [575 Dominion Avenue](https://www.midland.ca)  
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## Celebrate Public Works Week at Midland's Second Annual Public Works Palooza

### Submitted by Town of Midland

(May 15, 2024, Midland ON) The Town is hosting its second annual Public Works Palooza, inviting kids of all ages to help celebrate National Public Works Week at a free family-friendly event on Saturday May 25, 2024. The 'wheel-y' successful inaugural event in 2023 saw over 500 youth and their families attend.

Join the Town, OPP, Midland Fire, County of Simcoe Paramedics, NT Power, Drive Wise, and other community organizations to celebrate and learn about the vital work that our public works and emergency services teams provide to our community!

- Step inside and check out the view from the driver's seat of some heavy equipment and emergency vehicles.
- Enjoy the free Community BBQ with Enbridge. Cash donations will be accepted in support of the Georgian Bay Food Network.
- Grab your Palooza Passport when you get there and complete the event survey to be entered into the prize draw.
- The day is set to be filled with interactive and engaging fun for all ages with games, prizes, snacks and more!
- All information can be found at [midland.ca/palooza](https://midland.ca/palooza).

### Town of Midland Public Works Palooza

Date: Saturday, May 25, 2024

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre Parking Lot, 527 Len Self Boulevard, Midland



# Public Works Palooza

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### Council Meeting Schedule

June 5 5:30 PM	June 26 5:30 PM	July 17 5:30 PM	August 7 5:30 PM
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 Township of Tiny  
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Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers and are open to the public. The 2024 Meeting of Council Schedule is subject to change. For complete details, visit the Community Calendar.

### Fire and Emergency Services

Burning in the Township of Tiny is **by Permit only.**

Permit holders are reminded that slow, smouldering fire sometimes can lead to nuisance complaints and may result in an order to extinguish.

 Leaf burning is prohibited.






[www.tiny.ca/fire](http://www.tiny.ca/fire)

### 2024 Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament



**Registration is open!**

-  Date: June 14, 2024
-  Time: 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
-  Where: Midland Golf and Country Club

For more information, or to register online, visit: [www.tiny.ca/golf](http://www.tiny.ca/golf). Sponsorship opportunities are available.

Contact the Recreation Department for details at 705-526-4204 or [recreation@tiny.ca](mailto:recreation@tiny.ca)!

### Beaches in Tiny

Residents and visitors are reminded that personal items/private property cannot be left unattended or overnight on municipally owned property. Items left unattended or stored on municipal property will be removed by the township at the owner's expense.

Waterfront structures such as boat lifts on the lakebed are regulated under Provincial law and are not permitted in front of any municipally owned properties.

### Boating Speed Limits

The speed limit within 300m of shore is 10km/hr in the Township of Tiny between Conc. 1 and Conc. 16. This speed limit is enforced by the OPP.

### Summer Soccer Registration

Summer soccer registration is open! Register online at [www.tiny.ca/playportal](http://www.tiny.ca/playportal).

The season starts Wednesday, July 17, 2024!

### Citizen of the Year Awards

The Township of Tiny is calling for nominations for the 2024 Citizen of the Year Awards. The nomination period closes at noon on August 30, 2024. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit [www.tiny.ca/volunteer](http://www.tiny.ca/volunteer).

### 2024 Property Taxes

 **Installment Due Dates**

- June 28
- September 27

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[www.tiny.ca/taxes](http://www.tiny.ca/taxes)

### Spring/Summer Activities and Programs in Tiny!



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**Senior Symposium**

June 4  
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**Pollinator Week**

June 17-23  
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See what's abuzz in Tiny!



**Movies in the Park**

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**Community BBQ**


July 13  
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**Public Consultation for Tee Pee Park Playground Accessibility Features**

 Thursday, June 6, 2024

 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

 Township of Tiny Council Chambers, 130 Balm Beach Road West

 Please contact Meaghan Eisbrenner at [meisbrenner@tiny.ca](mailto:meisbrenner@tiny.ca) to register for virtual participation.

## Businesses Wanted for New Georgian, Barrie Chamber of Commerce Project



Photo above: Georgian College and the Barrie Chamber of Commerce are looking for small- to medium-sized businesses to join their new initiative, COLABORATORY. From left: Paul Markle, Executive Director of the Barrie Chamber of Commerce, Joanne Foxton, Manager, #ChangeTheNow at Georgian, and Nicole Norris, Director, Social Innovation at Georgian.

**Submitted by Georgian College**

May 16, 2025 - Local businesses and Georgian College students will collaborate in a brand-new initiative to prepare employers for a future-focused workforce and provide students with valuable work-integrated learning experiences.

Georgian is partnering with the Barrie Chamber of Commerce for this initiative that is free to businesses. It is one of nine recently announced work-integrated learning projects funded by the Business + Higher Education Roundtable (BHER), with support from the Government of Canada.

Georgian and the chamber are looking for several small- to medium-sized businesses to take part in COLABORATORY. As Georgian is the only designated changemaker college in Canada, committed to helping students develop progressive skills to address the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, COLABORATORY also offers a Changemaker Workplace designation.

“COLABORATORY is a unique opportunity for employers to be connected with their future workforce, helping them to attract talent that’s looking for shared social and environmental values,” said Nicole Norris, Director, Social Innovation at Georgian College. “We’re thrilled to partner with the Barrie Chamber of Commerce and their members to help introduce them to student changemakers who will be their future employees.”

Working with Georgian’s Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship department, participating businesses will learn about emerging technology and social trends to help them stay innovative and relevant while learning how to support the expectations of a social- and environmental-conscious future workforce. Participating students, who are working to complete the Changemaker micro-certificate, will have the opportunity to network with companies that care about the same values and skills they do.

“BHER’s funding of COLABORATORY is an

incredible opportunity. By connecting students with local employers, we not only enhance their educational development but also significantly benefit our local business community,” said Paul Markle, Executive Director of the Barrie Chamber of Commerce. “This collaboration demonstrates the Barrie Chamber’s deep commitment to strengthening the bond between businesses and educational institutions in Barrie, ultimately cultivating a skilled workforce that will both support and remain in the area.”

This partnership is another example of Georgian’s commitment to work-integrated learning. One hundred per cent of the college’s programs emphasize practical, hands-on learning such as this initiative, or others ranging from co-op terms to internships to field placements.

There is no deadline for businesses to get involved with COLABORATORY. For more information, please contact Joanne Foxton, Manager, #ChangeTheNow at Georgian College, at Joanne.Foxton@GeorgianCollege.ca, or Tricia Barrett-Butler, Administrative/Communications Coordinator with the Barrie Chamber of Commerce, at tricia@barriechamber.com.

**NOTICE**

**Wyevale Community Cemetery**

The Wyevale Community Cemetery Board has submitted by-laws to the Registrar of the Funeral, Burial, and Cremation Services Act, 2002.

Any interested parties may contact  
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Cemetery Administrator,  
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wyevalecommunitycemetery@  
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**Public Notice**

**Notice of Passing of By-law Extending Interim Control By-law 23-044**

Date: April 25, 2024

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Tiny passed By-law 24-027 on the 8th day of April, 2024 pursuant to Section 38(2) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 as amended.

This By-law applies to all properties within the Limited Service Residential (LSR), Shoreline Residential (SR), Greenlands (GL) and Open Space One (OS1) Zones in the Township of Tiny and within 30 metres of the Georgian Bay 178-metre contour.

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE BY-LAW**

**THE PURPOSE** of the By-law is to amend Interim Control By-law 23-044, as amended, to extend the period of time during which it will be in effect. Section 5 of By-law 23-044, as amended, is further amended to specify that By-law 23-044 shall remain in effect for a period of two (2) years from the date of its enactment. By-law 23-044 was passed May 29, 2023 to provide the Township with the opportunity to undertake a study to review its land use planning policies pertaining to retaining walls, fences, landscaping and structures in proximity to the 178 metre contour elevation of the Georgian Bay Shoreline; and to ensure that any retaining walls, fences, landscaping and structures are appropriately sited and regulated once the study has been completed.

**THE EFFECT** of By-law 24-027 is that By-law 23-044, as amended, is in effect until May 29, 2025 in order to allow for the completion of the associated study.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the extension of an interim control by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

A notice of appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal, accompanied by payment by certified cheque or money order, made payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance, must be filed with the Clerk of the Township of Tiny by **no later than May 28, 2024**.

If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal, a copy of an appeal form is available from the Ontario Land Tribunals website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca/> or by calling toll free 1-866-448-2248.

For more information about this matter contact Maryann Hunt, MCIP RPP, Director of Planning and Development by email at [mhunt@tiny.ca](mailto:mhunt@tiny.ca) or by telephone at 705-526-4204.

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### Water Treatment and Servicing Master Plan Municipal Class Environmental Assessment – Notice of Public Information Centre No. 2

**Date:** May 14, 2024

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Township of Tiny is undertaking a Master Plan Class Environmental Assessment (Master Plan) to identify the preferred solutions for the supply of municipal drinking water to existing and future residents. The assessment is considering solutions to increase the resiliency of the township's 16 municipal drinking water systems and to accommodate the anticipated growth.

The Master Plan follows the requirements of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (as amended in 2023).

#### Public Information Centre No. 2

Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2 will be held in-person and virtually to provide an opportunity for the public to review and provide input on the water infrastructure alternative solutions. There will be a presentation followed by a question-and-answer period.

**Date:** Tuesday, June 4, 2024

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Location:** Township of Tiny Council Chambers, 130 Balm Beach Road West

Virtual attendees can join the meeting by accessing the Zoom link that will be available on the project webpage at [www.tiny.ca/WaterMasterPlan](http://www.tiny.ca/WaterMasterPlan). The presentation will be recorded and posted on the project webpage following the PIC.

Comments will be accepted until June 21, 2024, by email at [jcovey@tathameng.com](mailto:jcovey@tathameng.com). Comments can also be submitted during the PIC or by using the online comment form on the project webpage. Following PIC No. 2, comments will be reviewed, the alternatives for the future direction of the water systems will be evaluated based on the information received, and the preferred solution(s) will be selected.

Residents and interested parties can subscribe to the Township of Tiny's notification system online at [www.tinyconnect.ca](http://www.tinyconnect.ca) to obtain updates and notices via email, text, voice message, or TTY/TDD.

For more information about the Master Plan or the PIC, visit Tiny's website at [www.tiny.ca/WaterMasterPlan](http://www.tiny.ca/WaterMasterPlan).

If you have any questions or concerns, and/or would like to be added to the study's direct mailing list, please contact the study representative:

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Tatham Engineering Limited  
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Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 5A6  
E: [jcovey@tathameng.com](mailto:jcovey@tathameng.com)  
T: 705-444-2565 ext. 2018

Comments and information received during this Class EA are collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. All comments will be part of the public record.

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- 31 "\_\_\_ you heard?"
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- 34 Adjective for Alexander
- 36 Citrus fruit
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- 44 Agree, in a way
- 45 Oft-stubbed digit
- 46 Take to the throne
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## Wyevale News

Submitted by Karen Moreau

May 19, 2024 - **Bible Study:** No Bible Study over the summer. Put on hold until the Fall.

**Church Board Meeting:** Sunday, May 19th following Church Service.

**Play Group:** Thursday morning play group from 9:15 am until 11:15 am. Drop-in Program for parents and little ones. Contact Pat Smith for further details, 705-543-9043.

**Youth Group (New Date):** Friday, May 31st Contact Pat Smith for more details, 705-543-9043.

**Spring Market:** We are holding a Spring Market Saturday, June 1st with vendors, a bake table and take out Ham & Scalloped Potatoes. (\$12.) There are still spaces available for vendors. Contact Pat at 705-543-9043. We will need baked items for the Church Bake Sale table.

**Meditation Workshop:** Wednesday June 5th at 7:00pm at Wyevale United Church. The class will consist of many ways of breathing, calming both mind and body. Alternative ways of coping with stress – healthy & unhealthy. All are welcome. Please bring water. For further information, contact Kimberly at 249-535-1939.

The famous Ice Cream is back at the Jug City. It is a great treat. Served up from 12:00 till closing at 9: p.m. Minor Baseball is starting up now, so a report of the scheduling call go in the next edition. It is also a busy time this time of year for gardening. So good luck with all your endeavors.

**Are you interested in playing Soccer:** Looking for players in Wyevale. Contact the Huronia Soccer Club. 80 Bradford St, Unit ww07, Barrie ON or call 705-739-6729.

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**Grow Potatoes in Containers**

Would you like to grow potatoes in containers this summer? We will supply the container and seed potatoes and you supply the soil and water, and Mother Nature provides the sunshine! Send us pics and progress reports so we can post them on our social media pages. This program is open to children, parents and families!

The cost is \$3.00.

Registration begins May 14, 2024 – May 24, 2024 for members of Penetanguishene and valid Tiny card holders.

After May 27th registration is open to reciprocal borrowing agreement members as well. Get your supplies while they last!

**Scrabble Fun**

Drop in for Scrabble on Thursday May 23, 2024 from 2:00-3:00 pm and play scrabble with a friend!

**Visit to Awenda Park**

Join Tim Tully, Chief Park Naturalist for a guided tour of the park on Friday, May 24th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Register in person at the library with your library card. The programming fee is \$5.00. Remember to bring your own lunch! Registration begins April 12-April 19th for residents of Penetanguishene and valid Tiny residents. For members holding a reciprocal borrowing agreement membership, registration will begin after April 22. Penetanguishene and valid Tiny card holders may continue to register during this time.

**Games and Za**

This program is intended for teens and tweens! Come to library and play and game and enjoy pizza and pop!

Join us on Tuesday, May 28th from 4:00-5:00 pm if you are between the ages of 12-18. This program is free.

Register in person with your library card. Registration begins from May 6 – May 13 for residents of Penetanguishene and valid Tiny members. Thereafter, all remaining members can register after May 14th.

**Do it like Da Vinci!**

Join a Scientists in School instructor and follow in Da Vinci's steps on June 7th, 2024, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Paint to explore solubility, absorption and surface tension. Become an inventor by building a catapult. Discover the joy of combining science and art!

This program is open to ages 5-12. Register with your library card. Programming fee is \$2.00.

**Spanish Classes** – Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced

Starting Monday, May 27th until July 5th, 2024 we will be offering Spanish Classes. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

**New @PPL: Graduation Dresses**

Are you graduating this year? Do you have a special occasion to attend? Formal dresses donated by members of the community are displayed in the library and might just be something you have been looking for! Some shoes are also available. Come to the library and have a look and try them on. A small donation (min. \$20.00) per purchase is requested which will in turn be donated to a youth charity. Make your graduation this year affordable through the generosity of our community!

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**DIY Fishing Game Craft**

Starting Friday May 31 drop-in to either the Midhurst or Elmvale branches to make a fun DIY felt magnetic fishing craft. No registration required. While supplies last.

**Get Ready for Kindergarten**

Register your child for our Get Ready for Kindergarten program (one parent/caregiver must attend but multiple parents and guardians are welcome!). This weekly program in June takes place on Mondays at Elmvale Branch, 1:30pm-3pm. The topics covered each week are as follows: Monday June 3: Basic First Steps for Parents/child(ren), Monday June 10: Recognizing/Spelling/Writing their name, Monday June 17: Numbers, Monday June 24: Packing Lunches and Backpacks. Registration is required for the weeks you would like to attend. Please note that some sessions require you to bring specific items which are listed in the registration information.

**TD Summer Reading Program Registration**

We are so excited for a summer filled with reading, prizes and FUN! On Monday June 3 go to our website or the Readsquared app and sign up! Not sure how to sign up online? We've got a "how to guide" on our YouTube channel that explains it all! Just search, "Springwater Library" and you'll find us. Cost: FREE. Registration required.

**Final Storytime in June**

Taking a break for the summer, our final Storytime program dates are: Tuesday June 4, 10:30am at Elmvale Branch and Wednesday June 5, 10:30am at Midhurst Branch. In September, weekly Storytime will return at the library.

**Take and Make PA Day Craft**

On the PA day Friday June 7 the library will have a free take and make rainbow weaving fish craft available while supplies last.

**English Language Learners Club**

Come and join us weekly for a conversation group that will be working on English language basics. All are welcome! Meet new people, increase your fluency and vocabulary. Mondays 1pm at Elmvale Branch.

**Senior Tech Help**

Free one-on-one appointments are available for tech help with Armando Wednesdays at Midhurst Branch 10:30am-12noon. Tech Help with Carrie at Elmvale Branch normally takes place bi-weekly on Thursdays but in the month of June it will take place on Tuesday June 4 and Thursday June 20 with appointments from 3pm-5pm. Registration is required at both Midhurst



**Tiny**  
 A TINY SENIOR MOMENT

By Jennifer Gray, Township of Tiny, Senior Column Writer

May 17, 2024 - We all know seniors are living longer than ever before. In the year 1950, average life expectancy was 68 yrs. This year, according to the UN Population Trends, we're living to an average of 83 yrs. We're also becoming more familiar with the term centenarian.

Longer lives are one of society's remarkable collective achievements. They reflect significant advances in social and economic development as well as in health. Additional years provide the chance to pursue new activities such as further education, a new career or a long-neglected passion. Older people also contribute in many ways to their families and communities. However, it's recognized that opportunities and contributions depend heavily on health. Supportive physical and social environments also play a significant role.

Healthy aging is a global focus. The World Health Organization (WHO) invited countries around the world to attain the designation of 'Age Friendly Community' through adoption of eight key globally recognized domains:

- Outdoor spaces and buildings
- Transportation
- Housing
- Social Participation
- Respect and Social Inclusion
- Civic Participation and Employment
- Communication and Information
- Health and Social Services

In 2016 the Township of Tiny recognized opportunities to address the needs of their aging community. A Senior Advisory Committee was formed and subsequently commissioned a Local Aging Plan. The resulting recommendations have been implemented within the community on an ongoing basis. The collective effort and hard work have paid off. Last year, Tiny applied for and achieved designation as an Age-Friendly Community by the WHO and is included in the prestigious Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

Key achievements through the Local Aging Plan and the Senior Advisory Committee include improved seniors' transportation as well as plans to build new administrative offices with additional spaces for public gatherings. In addition, the North Simcoe Directory of Senior Services was developed; a collaborative project with neighbouring municipalities aimed at providing a centralized listing of services and agencies for seniors. The Township holds various events such as the Senior Speaker Series in the fall and Seniors Month in June. The Senior Symposium, held this year on June 4, will recognize an outstanding senior with the Heart of Tiny Award, which is part of the annual Citizen of the Year awards. The Township also continues to promote senior-friendly activities including pickleball, shuffleboard and Coffee and Connect technology drop-in classes.

The establishment of partnerships with local Senior Centres and the creation of volunteer opportunities for seniors further emphasize the Township's dedication to building a community where older adults are valued and can enjoy good health, happiness and fulfillment.

To learn more about Senior Services in the Township of Tiny, visit [www.tiny.ca/seniors](http://www.tiny.ca/seniors). Information can also be obtained by phone at our administrative offices: (705) 526-4204.

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Photo: (L to R) Wendat Executive Director; Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Boston Pizza Owner; Andy Staffen and Verna Porter Administrative Assistant from Wendat

**Boston Pizza Midland Supports Wendat Community Programs**

*Submitted by Andrea Abbott-Kokosin*  
May 9, 2024 - Midland - Over the past 17 years, BP Midland has proudly sponsored Wendat Community Programs through their annual Charity Golf Tournament.

Once again, BP Midland has generously partnered with Wendat through their 2024 Valentine's day fundraiser. Recently Andy Staffen of Boston Pizza Midland donated \$682.00 to Wendat from their Valentine's Day Heart Shaped Pizza Campaign. This brings the total raised to \$524,083.00.

"We can't thank Andy Staffen of Boston Pizza enough" says Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Executive Director of Wendat. "It warms my heart to realize the huge amount of support Wendat has received from Boston Pizza Midland".

Wendat Community Programs was founded in 1987 and provides high quality care and support to adults with mental illness and age-related care needs in the North Simcoe-Muskoka area.

**Jill Dunlop, MPP Works Hard for North Simcoe**

*Submitted by office of Jill Dunlop, MPP*  
May 15, 2024 - As we welcome the nicer weather and as the legislature prepares to break for the summer, I am proud to continue to work hard for Simcoe North and share the following updates from Queen's Park.

This past month, the province is making significant strides in safeguarding the rights and well-being of workers with the introduction of the fifth Working for Workers Act. This groundbreaking legislation, if passed, will mark another milestone in Canada's efforts to ensure fair and transparent employment practices.

These proposed changes aim to modernize employment standards protections, adapting them to the changing landscape of work and workplaces which includes ways to enhance fairness and transparency in hiring and employment practices, benefiting employees across the province.

In addition to these significant advancements in labor rights, our government is also prioritizing accessible healthcare by expanding the scope of services provided by midwives. For the first time since 2010, midwives will be able to prescribe and administer a broader range of medications, improving patient access to essential treatments to include routine vaccinations, treatments for nausea, vomiting, and acid reflux, as well as services related to labor management, birth control, and pain management during labor in hospital settings. By empowering midwives to offer these services, Ontario is making it easier and more convenient for patients to access quality care when they need it most.

Lastly, our government is creating guardrails to safeguard your personal data and privacy in today's increasingly digital world. This introduced legislation is a top priority and, if passed, will establish a foundation to provide the right tools to quickly respond to cyber attacks and emerging threats like the ones hitting our hospitals, and keep people safe from data and AI-related harms such as unauthorized use of personal data. Being online has become vital to everyday life and we are committed to strengthening cyber security and keeping sensitive data protected so you can confidently and securely participate in today's digital age.

As we welcome the warmer days and longer evenings, I extend my warmest wishes to the entire community for a joyful and safe start to summer.

Hosted by myself and MP Adam Chambers, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to a free community BBQ on June 22nd from 1pm to 3pm at the Coldwater Curling Club.

Here's to a summer filled with happiness, adventure, and prosperity for all!

**MP Shipley Introduces Bill to Take the Tax Off Lifesaving AEDs**



*Submitted by the office of Doug Shipley, Member of Parliament Barrie – Springwater – Oro-Medonte*

May 7, 2024 - Ottawa, ON - Doug Shipley, Member of Parliament for Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte, introduced Private Member's Bill, C-389 (The Improving Accessibility to Automated External Defibrillators Act). Bill C-389 seeks to eliminate the application of the GST/HST from the sale of AEDs, as well as kits containing AEDs, and parts and services for AEDs. This will increase the accessibility and affordability of these lifesaving devices. "We know that making defibrillators easily accessible in public buildings such as hockey arenas and airports has the potential to save thousands of lives," said MP Shipley. "In my community alone, 51 lives have been saved in the past twenty years thanks to the County of Simcoe Paramedics Services' public access defibrillators program."

According to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada, as many as 45,000 Canadians experience a sudden cardiac arrest each year - and 80% occur outside of a hospital setting. With each passing minute of cardiac arrest, the probability of survival declines by up to 10%. Defibrillation improves survival rates significantly if delivered in the first few minutes. AEDs combined with CPR increases survival rates to 50% or more.

"We should be doing everything we can to get these lifesaving devices in as many places as possible," said MP Shipley. "This legislation will be a game changer for individuals living in rural communities who may wish to purchase an AED for their home, farm, or cottage, who currently do not have access to an AED."

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## Elmvale Foodbank Update

Submitted by Debbie Craddock

May 19, 2024 - Tim Hortons stores raised nearly \$18.8 million this year through the sales of Smile Cookies, supporting more than 600 charities and community groups across Canada and in the U.S. ...

The Trude family, of the Elmvalle Tim Horton's, selected The Elmvalle & District Food Bank to be the recipient of the Smile Cookie Campaign this year. Many hours were spent by volunteers from several organizations decorating cookies. (No cookies were damaged during these efforts!) Much appreciation to the Trude's, their friendly staff and all of the volunteers who once again worked so well together to see a successful outcome to this fundraiser. The food bank is very pleased to receive \$9,740.85 from Tim Horton's.

In support of the food bank Peter and Don Whitfield held a raffle for a maple syrup themed photograph and a turned wooden bowl. Many thanks to both gentleman and to all of the folks who purchased tickets. Winner of the picture was Marc Armstrong, Deanlea Beach and winner of the bowl was Scott Laurie, Wasaga Beach.

The staff of Springwater Library arrived at the food bank prior to Mother's Day with wonderful gift bags for distribution to the moms that the food bank supports. Thank you to Steelers Restaurant and Pub, Elements Salon and Spa, Urban Chiropractic, Knotty Knitters and everyone who contributed to this project.

Our records indicate that, when comparing February 2023 vs February 2024, the number of people, as well as the number of families, had more than doubled during the month of February.

People currently facing food insecurity in our local communities is at an all time high so your support is important and needed. Your support is definitely making an impactful difference to neighbours and friends.

If you wish to donate, the food bank is open each Wednesday 4-6 pm and Thursday 10am-noon. Drop bins are located at Springwater Library branches, Elmvalle Guardian and Elmvalle Foodland. Monetary donations can be made during open hours or online through the website. For regular updates on what's happening at the food bank you can follow along on Facebook.

## Elmvale Celebrates the Grand Opening of SwoopFiber's New Storefront

By Simran Hotwani

Elmvale, May 25, 2024 — SwoopFiber is excited to announce the grand opening of its new storefront at 18 William St, Elmvalle, ON. The event, set to take place on May 25th from 11 am to 4 pm, promises a day filled with live demonstrations, exclusive in-store offers, fun games, and exciting prizes.

The new SwoopFiber storefront is designed to provide an immersive experience, showcasing the cutting-edge technology that SwoopFiber brings to Elmvalle.

Attendees will have the opportunity to witness firsthand the speed and reliability of SwoopFiber's 100% fiber internet service through live demonstrations, a highlight of the day.

Exclusive in-store offers available during the grand opening provide an excellent opportunity for Elmvalle residents to take advantage of SwoopFiber's high-speed internet service at unbeatable prices. The celebration will be further enhanced by a variety of fun games and the chance to win fantastic prizes, including TVs, streaming devices, SwoopFiber merchandise, service discounts, and gift cards. The interactive games are designed to engage guests of all ages, making it a family-friendly event.

SwoopFiber is proud to be local. Built on community

values, SwoopFiber hires locally, supports local initiatives, and genuinely cares about our Elmvalle community. The new storefront aims to be more than just an internet service provider; it is a one-stop Swoop shop where customers can pay bills, update account information, explore plans and services, and get all their SwoopFiber questions answered. The friendly SwoopFiber team will be present to meet and greet attendees, putting faces to the names that Elmvalle residents have come to trust.

SwoopFiber invites everyone in Elmvalle to join the grand opening celebration. For more details, visit the SwoopFiber website at [www.swoopfiber.com/locations/](http://www.swoopfiber.com/locations/). Follow SwoopFiber on social media @swoopfiber to stay updated on the latest news and highlights from the event.

The grand opening of the new SwoopFiber storefront is not just a celebration of growth but also a testament to the strong bond between SwoopFiber and the Elmvalle community. As SwoopFiber embarks on this new chapter, it remains dedicated to providing top-notch internet services and being an integral part of Elmvalle's vibrant future.

The Elmvalle community looks forward to a day of celebration, connection, and a glimpse into the future of high-speed internet with SwoopFiber on May 25.



### North Simcoe Springwater News Found in Surrey, B.C.

Photo to left: In May, Elmvalle residents Linda and Rudy Plug visited their son and his family, former residents, Lona and Joel Plug, and their 6 month old daughter Malaika, in Surrey, BC. Pictured here in the City Centre branch of the Surrey Libraries, we can see that the North Simcoe Springwater's News went on the trip with them.

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## Springwater Council Says It's Time To 'Drive the Bus' on Boundary Talks

By: Wayne Doyle, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter, Source: BarrieToday.com

May 17, 2024 - It wasn't the most idyllic route to take, but in the end all seven members of Springwater Township council voted to "drive the bus."

The ride Wednesday night started out rough when Coun. Brad Thompson threw cold water on a recommendation from the township's director of planning and development to issue a request for proposal (RFP) to "seek input from qualified professions, including, but not limited to, demographers, economists, engineers and planners, to provide a locally focused growth management model to determine opportunities for expansion beyond established 'settlement area' boundaries."

The recommendation came out of a report that was requested by council at its May 1 meeting.

At that meeting, Springwater council voted against participating in any meeting with a provincial land facilitator regarding the City of Barrie's boundary expansion proposal until it received a staff report that gave them the information they thought they needed to make an informed decision.

"It's time for us to stop wasting taxpayer money, stop spending time on these things and get in the room with a provincial land facilitator and work out something that's reasonable and beneficial to all parties," Thompson said.

Sensing fireworks on the horizon, Springwater Mayor Jennifer Coughlin tried a conciliatory approach.

"I'm still going to try, for myself anyway, to separate what's being asked here from the negotiations with the City of Barrie," she said. "I think the request, growth and economic viability within the township, is something I think is simply a responsibility of us."

Coughlin said now that the Midhurst Secondary Plan, which was the township's focus for many years,

has come to fruition, what's next?

She didn't wait for anyone else to respond.

"While I agree that there are opportunities that are continually brought forward to us, I find us to be almost reactionary to those," the mayor said. "I think that it is absolutely the responsibility of this municipality to come up with and design and lead.

"Drive the bus, not get run over by it."

As for the negotiations with Barrie, she acknowledged they are moving ahead, but she doesn't want the RFP and the negotiations with Barrie to be tied together.

"I don't think that us going out and defining our future is in reaction to what's happening from Barrie and the province," Coughlin said. "Regardless of whether that was happening or not, this is the responsible path forward."

The mayor asked Deputy Mayor George Cabral if the special meeting he was proposing was specific to negotiations with the City of Barrie.

"That would be specific to what our position is going to be and hopefully at that meeting we will be able to come to some consensus," Cabral answered. "I don't see us bartering with the City of Barrie, to be quite honest with you, and I'm looking at Coun. Thompson.

"I see us reaching out to the province and showing the province that Springwater Township is not only capable but willing to address every need the province pushes our way," the deputy mayor added.

For 90 minutes, council debated — sometimes hotly — the merits of the recommendation to issue an RFP, which staff estimated would cost between \$100,000 and \$150,000, based on a similar one being done in New Tecumseth.

"Going forth with such a study, what we would be looking at is, we have our settlement area boundaries, but are there areas within the boundaries, and maybe

just outside the boundaries, that could be developed sooner, in a more responsible and sequential manner," Doug Herron, Springwater's director of planning and development, told council.

"I think the underlying tone of the entire report is this is a good thing. It allows us to sit down and look at our own future and devise policies for growth for our own future," he added.

Herron said the study would help the township devise its own internal structure and how it would build the township organization itself to meet that growth so it's ready for it and not simply try to respond to it all the time.

"That's the benefit," he said.

Herron included the recommendation in the report 'Potential Future Options and Areas for Growth and Economic Viability within the Township'.

His direction from council was to:

- Identify potential areas for increased residential and industrial development beyond current settlement area boundaries
- Explore potential locations for 'special economic zones' where collaboration with neighbouring municipalities may be realized
- Evaluate current municipal cross-border servicing agreements across Ontario
- Consider collaboration with the County of Simcoe regarding a regional water and wastewater infrastructure model that would support further development of employment land.

At the end of the night, council voted unanimously to issue the RFP.

The special meeting of council has been scheduled for Thursday, May 23 beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the township's administration centre on Nursery Road.

## Let Your Inner Wolf Loose, Lafontaine's Festival du loup Turns 20!

Submitted by Joelle Roy



May 8, 2024 - The tiny festival that grew big, strong, and proud! Twenty years of fantastic festivities is worth celebrating! Twenty years of howling with joy about our die-hard Francophone culture! On Saturday, July 20th, La Meute culturelle invites you to Lafontaine to help blow out the Festival du loup's 20 candles.

The festival will take place in both Lafontaine Park and the Robert Robitaille Pavilion. To kick off the day, parade marshal Pierre-Paul Maurice will lead the traditional Tractor Parade. Toe-tapping music awaits you on the Main Stage sponsored by La Clé & CSC MonAvenir: the band Bon Débarras, equipped with fiddle, banjo, guitar, percussion, vocals, and unwavering drive, will make you drop everything to

swing into the party! They will also facilitate a dance workshop for any little wolves wanting to learn how to move to their unique brand of music.

Opening the show, Le Collectif du loup offers a performance where you can sing along, dance, and celebrate in style. The group includes Huronia's cream of the crop of talented musicians: Kelly and Louis Lefave, Michel Payment, Joëlle Roy, Shawn Pitre, and Taylor Forget. Practice singing along with them by visiting La Meute's website to refresh your memory or learn the heritage songs the Collective will be playing medley-style (festivalduloup.ca).

For the children, the La Clé & CSC MonAvenir Kids' Zone gets a makeover thanks to the masterful Céline Roi-Reynolds who awaits with fun and imaginative games, complete with the irresistible inflatables. Under the big tent, a theatre play Amandine et Rosalie is sure to entertain wolf cubs, starting at 11 am. You no doubt know them from the small screen — they are TFO super stars!

Over the years that we have been perfecting our signature pastry, the Festival finally is officially launching WOLF TAILS in honour of the 20th anniversary! Chef Phil Robitaille has finalized his pastry recipe and will be serving up several flavours. Whether craving cinnamon or apple pie, both adult wolves and their cubs will be licking their chops!

The popular wolf auction is already taking shape under the expert eye of Annique Maheu (encan@festivalduloup.ca). The painted wolves will be posted on line by July 1st. Also, Ginette Pelletier is seeing to a full array of booths with home-crafted wares, hand-made by local artisans (kiosques@festivalduloup.ca).

Throughout the day, games, food, stories, music under the tent, painted wolf auction, artisan booths and the "Pierrette & Guy Madore Bar" will be set up inside the Pavilion, to keep you cool all day long. Barkeep Lucie Charlebois will take good care of all of us!

The Métis supper returns this year to accompany live music samplings from the stage. The dinner-show will commemorate the instigators of this great adventure celebrating twenty years of challenges and successes.

The Festival du loup's 20th anniversary is the must-attend event of the summer. Lafontaine Park is the place to be on July 20th for a celebration not to be missed.

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## Penetanguishene Council and Committee of the Whole Highlights: May 8, 2024

May 10, 2024 - Submitted by Sarah Marshall, Communications & Technology Coordinator, Town of Penetanguishene

### Special Council

Council convened in Closed Session in accordance with the Town of Penetanguishene Procedural By-law 2023-50. Coming out of closed session, Council:

- Directed staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Newmarket for the provision of Automated Speed Enforcement services within the Town of Penetanguishene.
- Approved the final ratification of the negotiated Collective Agreement with Inside Union 2380.08 CUPE.

### Council

- Council had 1 resident participate in the Open Forum, where they had 2 minutes to speak about any municipal item.
- Mayor Rawson proclaimed the month of May 2024 as museum month in the Town of Penetanguishene.
- Mayor Rawson proclaimed May 19-25, 2024 as Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) week here in Penetanguishene.
- Council held a public meeting regarding a Zoning By-law Amendment for 1321 Sandy Bay Road. No comments from the public were made.
- Council held a public meeting regarding a Zoning By-law Amendment on the removal of the Holding (H) Symbol for 167 McArthur Drive. No comments from the public were made.
- Council received a presentation from Stefan Krzeczunowicz and Courtney King, Hemson Consulting regarding the 10 Year Development Charge Background Study project progress.
- Council approved the minutes from the April 10, 2024 Special Council Meeting and Council Meeting.
- Council approved that staff report back with recommendations on the Public Meeting regarding a Zoning By-law Amendment application for the 1321 Sandy Bay Road.
- Council approved the Zoning By-law Amendment Z.A. 5/2024 to remove the Holding (H) Symbol for

167 McArthur Drive.

- Council authorized the Director of Planning and Community Development to submit comments on behalf of the Town of Penetanguishene, through the Environmental Registry of Ontario relating to the proposed Bill 185: Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Faster Act and the proposed Provincial Planning Statement, 2024.
  - Council approved the additional funding of \$32,766.74 to complete the remaining work required for the Ojibwa Landing Risk Assessment project.
  - Council approved the Midland Hauled Waste Receiving Extension Request as outlined in the report.
  - Council received a memo from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding AMO 2024 Conference Delegations.
  - Council approved the Committee of the Whole Report from April 10, 2024.
  - Council passed 3 By-laws:
    - 2024-13 Penetang Junior "C" Kings Camera Agreement
    - 2024-13 SCH A Kings Camera Agreement
    - 2024-19 ZA 5 2024 to Amend By-law 2022-17
    - 2024-20 Appointment for Harbour Master (Steve Decourcy)
- ### Committee of the Whole
- Committee of the Whole (Committee) facilitates the decision-making process of Council. The Committee is comprised of all members of Council who fully participate in debate and forward recommendations to Council for final decision. Items that are discussed in Committee of the Whole are to be ratified at Council's next meeting.
- Committee received a presentation from Nicole Jackson, Museum Curator regarding the Museum's 2023 Annual Activity Report.
  - Committee received a delegation from John Albert of Innovative Planning Solutions regarding the 1255 Fuller Avenue Subdivision Proposal.

### TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- Committee received Drinking Water Quality Management System Internal Audit report for information.
- Committee received the Midland Penetanguishene Transit Committee Meeting Minutes from December 12, 2023 for information.
- Committee received the Sanitary and Storm Sewer System 2023 Annual Reports for information.
- Committee received the Proposed 5 Year Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Plan for information.
- Committee approved the Strategic Asset Management Policy as outlined.
- Committee approved the awarding of Geotechnical Engineering Services and Quality Assurance Testing for a Three (3) Year Term as outlined.
- Committee approved the Disposal of Surplus Assets plan as outlined in the report.

### RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Committee received the 76th Winterama Post Event Report for information.
  - Committee received the Museum and Heritage Committee Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2024 for information.
  - Committee received the Penetanguishene Public Library Board Meeting Minutes from March 25, 2024 for information.
  - Committee approved the Museum's 2023 Activities Report as outlined.
  - Committee approved the creation of a Winterama Committee as outlined.
  - Committee approved the 51 Dunlop Ad Hoc Committee & Terms of Reference as outlined in the report.
- Committee Upcoming Meetings and other community events are listed on our website. Read this article on our website.  
Town of Penetanguishene

## Springwater Burning Through Cash To Build New Fire Hall

By: Wayne Doyle, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter, Source: BarrieToday.com

May 16, 2024 - When the contract to build a new fire hall in Springwater Township was first awarded last May, the cost was \$7,784,489.

Six months later, it went up \$1,628,950 when the original contract was terminated and the second-lowest bidder, Pegah Construction, was awarded the contract for \$9,413,439.

Last night, Springwater council approved another \$1,750,000 for the new fire hall, bringing the final cost, as of now, to \$11,616,006.

That's \$3,831,517 — almost 50 per cent — more than the original contract for the project, located at 1132 Snow Valley Rd., at Highway 26.

Some members of council were not happy with the news.

"I do have concerns in general about our RFP (request-for-proposal) process and the fact that on the first one, we awarded an RFP that couldn't actually do the job without a significant amount of extra funding so we pulled back," said Coun. Danielle Alexander.

"We awarded a second one that also wasn't accurate so now we've substantially, \$1.7 million is a big number in terms of the overall budget of this project," she added. "We're not talking about a one per cent increase — we're talking a big increase."

Alexander said she is also concerned about 'scope

creep' — referring to how a project's requirements tend to increase over a project's life-cycle.

"To have this amount of scope creep without even having shovels in the ground concerns me," the councillor said.

Other members of council voiced similar concerns. Coun. Phil Fisher said it was a "pretty serious issue," but stopped short of blaming anyone. Instead, he took the disappointing news in stride, deciding to look at the situation as a cautionary note for future endeavours.

"I think this serves as a warning to us," he said. "We need to really think as we embark on the next project, how are we going to manage this. I see this a problem not on any individual, but it's a problem that just can't be repeated on a large scale."

Mayor Jennifer Coughlin agreed.

"I think it's been 10 years now since I've been sitting here and I think it was under \$3 million the first time it was brought to us," she said. "Two point two, then 5.7 and then 7.9 — it just keeps going up and up and up."

"We need to get those shovels in the ground and get this built. It's not going to get cheaper tomorrow," Coughlin added.

According to Jeff Schmidt, the township's chief administrative officer, Springwater has been working with Pegah since last November to move the project forward.

During those discussions, it was brought to the township's attention that there was other work required that was not in the original scope of work for the project.

The required works that were excluded:

- Supply and installation of a culvert along the entrance to the property
- Construction of the apparatus bay driveway connection to Snow Valley Road
- Supply of all granular material
- Change in hydro connection (from pole mounted to a pad-mounted transformer).

Township staff have estimated that the additional costs would be just over \$1 million.

The big-ticket items include construction of the apparatus bay driveway (\$317,000); supply of granular material, which was originally to be supplied from township pits, but was found to be unsuitable for the project (\$380,000); and the change in the hydro connection (\$280,000).

Additionally, Schmidt said, there was no contingency fund allocated in the contract.

Contingency fees are typically between 10 and 15 per cent of a project's total cost. The township is suggesting a contingency fee of about seven per cent, or almost \$680,000 for this project.

The contingency will cover costs for approved additional work. The contractor has recommended that the following extra work be included in the project:

Building layout changes, which include an additional 34 square metres to the building footprint and changes to the mezzanine layout

Additional site and exterior work including additional sidewalks, line painting, snow storage area, garbage enclosure, three additional parking spots and concrete aprons.

The extra work is estimated at \$435,712.

The recommended work, in addition to the required work, totals about \$1.5 million.

Council's approval of \$1.75 million provides the township with some flexibility in the budget to consider any other recommended changes by the contractor and not have to seek additional funding.

According to Schmidt, the construction company has applied for a building permit and is ready to begin construction in June.



## Springwater Council Meeting Highlights- May 15

Submitted by By Township of Springwater

### Heritage Park Sign Refurbishment

Council has approved the refurbishment of a sign at Heritage Park at an estimated cost of \$6,381. The sign will include a commemorative plaque honouring George Allen, a long-time community volunteer. The project will be included in the 2025 budget and will be installed before the park's 25th anniversary.

### Scarlett Line Improvements

On April 23, Scarlett Line was restricted to local traffic between Whetham Road and McDonald Road due to deteriorating road conditions. As a result, Council has approved the rehabilitation of 2.2 km of Scarlett Line from Whetham Road North to Flos Road 10 East. The work will include the pulverization of the existing surface, the addition of new granular to restore the shape of the road surface and a double surface treatment. It is anticipated the work will be completed later this summer or in the early fall and is expected to cost approximately \$225,000, which has been re-allocated from the 2024 Capital Budget.

### Fire Station - Status Update

Council has approved an additional \$1,750,000 for the Fire Station located at 1132 Snow Valley Road. The additional funding will be used for:

- The supply and installation of a culvert along the entrance to the property;
- Construction of the apparatus bay driveway connection to Snow Valley Road;
- Supply of all granular material;
- Changes in the hydro connection; and,
- A contingency provision of approximately 7% of the total project costs.

The additional funding will be drawn from development charges and debt.

### Potential Future Options for Growth and Economic Viability

Council has directed staff to issue an RFP for a

consultant to determine opportunities for settlement area expansions within the Township. Additionally, a new Committee of Council will be created with a mandate to work with the consultant, as well as further explore four key items:

- Identify potential areas for increased residential and industrial development beyond current Settlement Area boundaries.
- Explore potential locations for 'special economic zones' where collaboration with neighbouring municipalities may be realized.
- Evaluate current municipal cross-border servicing agreements across Ontario.
- Consider collaboration with the County of Simcoe regarding a Regional water and wastewater infrastructure model that would support further development of employment lands.

Further, Council has directed that a Special Meeting of Council be held to consider, review and formulate strategies and responses regarding the City of Barrie Boundary Adjustment Proposal and potential Provincial Facilitator and future development of Springwater Township. The Special Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 23 at 4:30 pm. Portions of the meeting will be held in closed session, however members of the public are welcome to attend the open portions of the meeting or view the live stream online at [www.springwater.ca/live](http://www.springwater.ca/live).

### Cell Phone Use During Council Meetings

Following a Notice of Motion by Councillor Alexander, Council has voted in support of amending the Procedural By-law to ban cell phones for all members of Council at the Council table during all special, regular and closed session meetings.

This summary is not a full representation of the meeting. Meetings are available for viewing on the Township's YouTube channel.



## Tour of Elmvale Day-Out Program's Facility

By Pat Leonard

May 18, 2024: After a brief meeting at Heritage Park, 13 members of the Centre Flos W.I. toured the Simcoe County Day Out Program facility, here in Elmvale. What a welcoming atmosphere! Peter Verduin provided an interesting presentation about the Simcoe County services that he oversees – including the 3 long-term care facilities and 2 Day Out programs. This local program, which currently operates 4 days per week, provides the participants with a wide array of activities, a healthy noon meal & snacks, customized exercise program and a chance to interact with others with similar interests. The on-site staff are qualified in nursing care, senior activity programming and together with volunteers are genuinely engaged in the health & well-being of those who attend. This flexible program for seniors & their families is truly a gem, right in our own backyard.

Plans have been finalized to host our monthly Coffee Parties at Heritage Park – June 27th, July 25th, & August 29th. We are looking forward to seeing a good turnout!



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### Bearbells by Leslie Noonan



May 16, 2024 - Happy Victoria Day!!! And a happy day for those of us that love the outdoors, whether that is hiking, kayaking, or camping, as it is the unofficial start to summer outdoor activities. Get out and enjoy that lovely May weather.

While I love the amazing Simcoe County Forests, let's be honest, they are all the same. Straight rows of pine and a lot of monotony. Or so I thought. I had also erroneously thought that there were no new trails within an hour of home that I had not already explored. Well, color me bad, because I heard whispers of a very local forest that I had never been to that boasted old forests, a fast-flowing river, and unique artwork on the trail. So here I am, parked off Rosemount Road near Waubaushene at the Sturgeon River Trail, a short 2.4 km in and out trail that offers many additional trails to increase your distance. If you are heading south, you can park at the first parking area, but as there were several vehicles here, I continued to the second parking area which is much smaller, but I had it all to myself.

This is when the magic occurs. The trail is easy to follow, and my footfalls are softened by soft green moss underfoot. There is no sign of those straight rows of pines, and instead I am in a forest of beech, maple and basswood, as well as abundant undergrowth of blue forget-me-nots and soft purple long-spur violets. The area is almost tremulous with the amount of birdsong, from warblers, thrushes and woodpeckers. Make sure to take the first right in the path, as this will lead you out to the bluff overlooking



the sturgeon river. I was initially startled by the stump carved with a woman's face and covered in stylized butterflies, but quickly became intrigued by the remarkable and beautiful artwork placed along the trail. I was inspired by the far-sighted oracle, the hard-nosed quibbler and the flightless whinger, all birds not found in nature. The clever word plays, and beautiful displays centered on indigenous and environmental themes and were obviously created with love and passion.

Once past this beautiful section of trail, you come out onto the bluff. I stayed to the right until taking a quick left onto a smaller forest trail. It is here that you can really hear the gurgling of the fast-flowing water. Continue down some steep but easily



navigable trails until you come to the bottom of the bluff and touch the cold water of the Sturgeon River. The light bounces like crystals off the small rapids, as the water tumbles over and around the rocks and deadfalls. I loved that some enterprising soul hung two camp chairs from a tree just waiting for someone to take a seat and soak in that sound of nature. Soul soothing indeed. I took a much-needed moment of silence, and after trailing my hands in that cold clear water, I headed back up the bluff using a very steep trail. I continued along the bluff edge until re-connecting to my original trail and heading back out. A remarkable trail suitable for all users, though parents and pet owners should be vigilant on the top of the bluff. Enjoy this amazing trail.

### EDHS Day - Elmvale Deserves Help from Students

By George Allen

May 8, 2024 - Students from Elmvale District High School have been coming to Heritage Park in Elmvale to help with spring clean-up for over two decades now. George Allen has been the organizer of the activities for the day and has the help of Ruth who has made sure that the kitchen would pass Health Unit inspection. George's helpers became fewer over the years, but a new crew came to the fore, the Elmvale Lioness Lions Club. In the last two years the Lioness have funded and helped with the BBQ lunch for the workers as well as providing supervision and willing hands for the gardening.

The student work force this year included Ethan Palmer, Nolan Krause, William Veenstra, Grayson Alexander, Mason Cornwall and Josh Jardine. Some groomed and removed weeds from the trail, some sanded and applied Varathane to the 16 picnic tables



Photo above: Lioness gardeners, Lion Heather O'Niell and Lion Sharon Kupers

in the pavilion, and one weeded the flower bed. The work was done efficiently, and the results were pleasing. The rain came about 12; the bulk of the work had been completed about 11:55.

The BBQ was full of patties, sausages and wieners; enough said.

Reg Cowan has been a faithful worker at the park for many years, and the community is grateful for his contributions to EDHS Day. This park is a magnet for those interested in walking, biking, or family activities. It is a arboretum of nature's most colourful displays. Thank you to all who help keep it looking it's best.



Photo above: William Veenstra and Reg Cowan trimming the overgrowth.



Photo above: Best EDHS crew enjoying some food provided by The Elmvale Lioness Loins. Photo below: Sanding crew fixing picnic tables.



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### Jo Knows Nutrition by Joanne Nijhuis



#### SUCCULENT SHRIMP TACOS WITH CHUNKY AVOCADO SALSA – A FRESH TAKE ON TRADITIONAL TACOS

May 21, 2024 - Get ready to elevate your taco game with this dish inspired by coastal California cuisine. Not only is this recipe a feast for the senses,

but it also packs a nutritional punch whether served as a main at lunch or dinner or as an appetizer at your next backyard, beach or dock party.



#### Ingredients:

- 1 lb (454 g) shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1 tablespoon (15 ml) olive or coconut oil
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) smoked paprika or chili powder
- 2 cloves garlic minced or ¼ teaspoon (1.25 ml) garlic powder
- 2 ripe avocados, peeled, pitted and diced
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded and diced
- ¼ cup (63 ml) red onion, thinly sliced
- ¼ cup (63 ml) fresh cilantro, chopped
- Juice of 1-2 limes
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 8 small wheat or corn tortillas
- Optional toppings: shredded lettuce, sour cream, hot sauce

#### Instructions:

1. In a bowl, combine the shrimp with the olive or coconut oil, smoked paprika or chili powder, and fresh garlic or garlic powder.
2. To make the avocado salsa, gently mix in a bowl the avocado, red pepper, red onion, cilantro and lime juice. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
3. Cook the shrimp in a skillet over medium-high

heat or on the BBQ for 2-3 minutes per side or until pink and opaque.

4. To assemble the tacos, place a few shrimp on each tortilla and top with a generous spoonful of the avocado salsa.

5. If desired, serve the tacos with shredded lettuce, sour cream and hot sauce.

Enjoy!  
*Joanne Nijhuis MSc, RD is a consulting, media and culinary dietitian in Simcoe Grey Bruce on a mission to entertain and educate through her love of food. In addition to recipe development and writing for several publications, Joanne offers cooking demos/classes and individual counselling – in person and online via Zoom Health. For more information, email Joanne at jo.knows.nutrition@outlook.com*

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#### Did You Know?

Shrimp are an excellent source of protein and relatively low in calories. Rich in heart healthy omega-3 fatty acids, shrimp also contain the micronutrients selenium, vitamin B12 and iodine. Avocados are rich in fibre and are good for digestive health. Packed with healthy fats and antioxidants, avocados are also a good source of essential vitamins and minerals, including vitamin E, vitamin K and folate.

### Elmvale Lions Club 75th Anniversary

The Elmvale Lions Club has been extremely busy lately in our community. Some of our recent endeavours include:

- Helping Elmvale Minor Hockey Corn Hole Tournament by selling food at their event
- Sponsor a team for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Bowling Event
- Collected socks and underwear (new not used) to donate to local Sharewear Project
- Donated money to local family in need
- Donated money to local student to assist them play sports
- Donated to local Library Reading Program
- Assisted in Phelpston community Easter Egg Hunt
- Helped decorate Smile Cookies
- Inspected and packed donated eye glasses
- Donated to Heart & Stroke
- Donated to Hospice Huronia Fundraiser
- Donated towards Collingwood Marine Hospital MRI machine

#### Coming Events...

#### 75th Anniversary of Serving our Community

We are celebrating our 75th Anniversary on June 8th between 11-3pm at our Lions Club Hall. Everyone is welcome and we will have Hotdogs and Refreshments, Kids Activities, Games and Prizes. Our location is Flos Rd 7 W, Elmvale.

#### Annual Lions Club Memorial Golf Tournament

We will have our annual golf tournament at Orr Lake Golf Club on July 6th, with a 1pm Shotgun Start. This year the money raised is going to help purchase a new MRI machine at Georgian Bay General Hospital. The cost is \$500 for a team of 4 and includes 18 Holes of Golf, Cart and Dinner. You can register by <https://orrlakegolfclub.com/product/elmvale-lions-registration/>.

Our Truck Draw Tickets are selling really well and we are well over half sold. When you are buying your mom flowers for Mothers Day why not include a ticket with them...just that extra thought that counts and you know the money is going to great cause! To purchase a truck draw ticket <https://www.elmvalelions.ca/truck-draw-2024/>

Enjoy your weekend and Thank You for helping us Serve our Community



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## ANTEN MILLS by Dennis Gannon

May 19, 2024 - There were lots of happy people this past weekend. With the almost perfect weather, gardens were being planted and swimming pools filled and opened all for the upcoming season. With luck we may enjoy a fun filled season of warmth and sunshine with just the right amount of rain.

Speaking of gardens, the call went out for some community members to come and help cleanup the anniversary gardens at the community centre two weeks ago. Seven people showed up and in less than two hours, the winter debris was all cleaned up and now the gardens look great. The camaraderie was lively and even though a few people had little gardening experience, everyone worked to make the job quick and thorough. There was a consensus that if the gardening was done on a regular basis then it would not take as long and it would enhance the beauty of them. It was determined that the second Saturday of the month at 9AM we would gather and weed and trim back as needed. The gardens do need some thinning as they have grown well in only several years and the next garden party will be on June 8 at 9AM. No experience is needed, only some work gloves, a few gardening tools and a willingness to join in.

There are two other events on the Saturdays in June that you should note on your calendar. On June 1 there will be a community coffee break from 9 to noon under the pavilion. Have you recently moved into the community? Have you seen some of the events posted and wonder about them? Are you interested in learning more about this fabulous community? Is there an activity that you think can be started but not sure how it can happen? Then this coffee break is for you. Members of the Anten Mills Community Association will be attending as well as Ward 3 Councillor Brad Thompson. A schedule of the upcoming events will be shared and a corn hole game will be waiting for you to join in on. It is understood that there will be new basketball nets installed on the multipurpose pad in the near future as well as pickleball lines. Brad is an avid pickleball player so he can share some tips with you and he can enlighten you on what is happening on council. Plan to be there.

Then on June 15 there will be a community wide garage sale. Karis has already posted details on the Anten Mills Community Bulletin Facebook page and it's easy to sign up. A map will be created

indicating the households that are involved in the sale which is a tremendous benefit for those looking for a bargain. Check the facebook page and sign up if you are interested.

We are fortunate to have a few other community friends step up and organize a few other events. Tonight, May 23 at 5:30, Meghan will start the pickup ball for kids ages 9 to 12. She has booked several dates and depending on success can book more. This is a great opportunity for kids to learn more about ball so get them to the community park for some fun.

On June 25 to celebrate the end of school and the start of the summer holidays, the CRA is pleased to support Casey and her volunteers as they bring an Ice Cream Social for all our village elementary students under the pavilion. The fun starts at 5:15 and ends at 6. This is a fantastic way for the kids to say so long for the summer and see you in the fall. In order to offset some of the cost of holding this event there is a "loonie" charge per child. In order that sufficient supplies are available there is a signup page on the facebook page for parents to complete. Signup is needed by June 20 so find the post now and get your children on the list.

If you have driven down Wilson lately you may have noticed some activity going on at the two new subdivisions. At the last council meeting approval was given to remove the hold designation on the Estates of Anten Mills. What this means is that building permits can now be issued for the first 41 homes in the development. The balance of the subdivision, another 35 homes are subject to a two year monitoring of septic / effluent. If you have walked along the North Simcoe Rail Trail in the area of the development you would have noticed that there were some drainage and runoff issues. Hopefully those concerns have been addressed.

The other smaller development has seen road work begun with entrances on both Wilson and Luella. No new activity has been brought to council for this project.

While it has been quiet for the past several weeks there was some early season activity with Cyndy bear. There hasn't been any recent posts about Yogi's adventures but Cyndy has been seen with a couple of cubs in the area of Binnie, Pinehurst, Hendri and Nursery Roads. It's great that we live in an area where wildlife is seen but it is important that we respect that



they are wild and we need not to encourage them in our backyard and give them the space they require

The administrators of the Facebook page have been doing a great job of protecting the group from unnecessary posts and permitting posts that follow the rules. For those who check the posts regularly and submit posts for approval, please check out the rules. They were updated earlier this year and contain more description of permitted posts than in the past. The administrators are all volunteers and they have the final say on what is posted and we thank them for their commitment.

At a recent council meeting a motion by Councillor Thompson was approved whereby \$1000 has been allocated for the repairs to the community billboard sign along Wilson. In the near future the sign will be taken out of service hopefully for not too long of time for the necessary repairs. The CRA thanks you for your understanding and a reminder that if you wish to post something on the board, the contact is antenmillssign@gmail.com.

That's all for this week, hope to see you on June 1 at the coffee break and until then, THANKS for READING, BE WELL and STAY SAFE.



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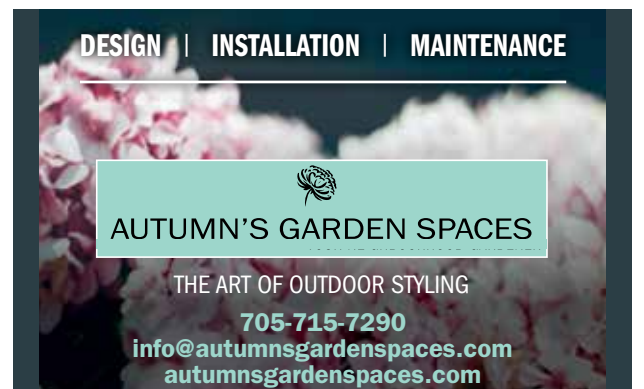
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Rosie's Devotions by Rosemary Hagedorn



Down in the Dumps

April 21, 2024 - Sometimes, when situations arise over which I have no control, and I feel particularly overwhelmed, retreating to the comfort of my bed is a wonderful escape with the hope of falling asleep to escape the pain, suffering and reality.

When I get depressed, I do not want to face the problems that I have internalized for whatever reason. I long for something to heal me from the deep hole into which I have sunk and from which I sometimes find impossible to escape.

It is at moments like these that I need a sense of purpose. I need my inner being, my life, and my heart to be filled with something to replace the emptiness that has infected me and affected me negatively.

Jesus knows what you and I are going through. He has been there. Jesus suffered so much that His sweat was mixed with blood dripping down His face as He anticipated being nailed to the cross.

Luke 22:43-44 - Then an angel from heaven appeared and strengthened him, for he was in such agony of spirit that he broke into a sweat of blood, with great drops falling to the ground as he prayed more and more earnestly. (TLB)

Romans 8:28 - And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. (NASB)

Are you feeling down in the dumps? Do you feel that life is too hard to bear? There is help. Jesus can fill this void in our lives.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, You baptized Your Son with a purpose: to share Your love for all of mankind and to reconcile sinners to You. Fill our emptiness with Your love. We thank You for equipping doctors and psychologists with wisdom and discernment in order to help the depressed, oppressed and mentally challenged. Grant them empathy and love as they minister Your healing and serve Your troubled children today. Amen

12th Annual Walk of Hope and Life Promotion

By Suzan Wilson, SCSAC Member

May 16, 2024 - The Simcoe County Suicide Awareness Council (SCSAC) would like to invite you to our 12th annual Walk of Hope and Life Promotion taking place on Saturday, May 25, 2024. This walk is taking place to remember those who have been loved and lost to suicide, foster a culture of hope and help save lives, and to support community engagement while raising awareness of suicide.

Registration begins at 3:30 pm. There will be an opening ceremony, guest speakers, music, rock painting, flower planting, a smudge, reflection, and the walk itself which will happen between 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Let's walk together.

There is no fee to register or attend. Everyone is welcome. However we acknowledge that this is our main fundraiser supporting the council's initiatives so please consider seeking pledges, sharing this information on your social channels, or bringing and/or making a donation online [hopeequalslife.ca/donate/](http://hopeequalslife.ca/donate/)

These walks bring individuals together in person, sometimes for the first time, and can help start conversations around suicide, help those coping with grief, and walking for hope and life promotion. Our poster invitation and pledge sheet, which includes more specific details and QR codes, are available on the recently launched new website: [hopeequalslife.ca](http://hopeequalslife.ca). Please consider subscribing to our newsletter and blog. All funds raised will go directly to the Simcoe County Suicide Awareness Council to support and promote awareness through our initiatives, programs, and community events like this one. We hope to have you join us for this event. Contact [suzanbunner@hotmail.com](mailto:suzanbunner@hotmail.com) for more information.

Penetang Development Charges Update Tries To Untangle Province's Homebuilding Bills

By: Derek Howard, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter, Source: [MidlandToday.ca](http://MidlandToday.ca)

May 10, 2024 - In the pretzel of the current development charges landscape, Penetanguishene council and residents were treated to the untangled explanation of how it all makes sense.

An update on a 10-year development charge background study was provided to Penetanguishene council by Stefan Krzeczunowicz, associate partner with Hemson Consulting Ltd.

"Development charges are charges that are imposed on development to pay for growth-related capital costs - it's capital costs only, not operating expenditures - and only to the extent that they are related to expanding or installing new infrastructure and facilities to meet the servicing needs of new development in Penetanguishene," Krzeczunowicz explained.

He added: "The principle here is that growth should pay for itself so that the burden of paying for new infrastructure and new facilities is not borne by your existing taxpayers."

As Penetanguishene's current development charge bylaw is due to expire in September, the study aimed to address the town's history of development charges, current and projected calculations, the breakdown of the amounts, and how those charges compare to other municipalities.

However, throwing a wrench into the works was recent legislation by the province through Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act in 2022, which introduced mandatory exemptions related to certain housing, and more recently the proposed Bill 185.

"A few weeks ago the government released a new Bill 185: Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, which reversed some of the Bill 23 changes and made some other changes as well," said Krzeczunowicz. "The development charge exemption for affordable housing, which was introduced by Bill 23 but never brought into force, is now proposed to become effective on June 1 of this year."

Forecasted development growth levels, according to Krzeczunowicz, are "around about 80 new housing units a year, and about 55 new jobs in the town per year over that (10-year) period, which is equivalent to about 2,000 square metres of new non-residential building space"

A chart showed council a summary breakdown of growth-related capital programs as divided by services. Krzeczunowicz noted that the gross costs of all projects over the approximate 10-year period amounted to roughly \$182 million. "A significant component of those costs, about \$166 million, is going to benefit your existing residents and cannot be included in the charge calculations."

Following the numbers was a pie chart which showed a 43-percent slice allotted to parks and recreation, as per calculated draft residential charges.

"The maximum charge you could impose on a single or semi-detached unit is about \$25,500; about \$20,500 for a townhouse; and almost \$17,000 for an apartment," said Krzeczunowicz. "Currently the town imposes a charge of just over \$22,000 for a single detached unit. The newly calculated charge is about \$3,500 or 16 per cent higher. You can see

that most of the increases can be found in the parks and recreation service and to a lesser extent the stormwater service."

When asked to elaborate on the parks and recreation slice, Krzeczunowicz replied: "If you look at the gross cost of the parks and recreation capital program, you'll see it's about \$47.5 million. About \$45 million of that relates to a proposed multi-use recreation centre.

"It's assumed right now that that MMRC facility would replace the current PMCC and possibly the curling club that exist right now," Krzeczunowicz added. "Only the addition portion, the expansion portion of that facility has been included in the development charge. Nevertheless, that still represents a significant cost: \$7.8 million."

Krzeczunowicz also revealed comparison charts for residential and non-residential rates, per single and semi detached units. Penetanguishene's current and calculated charges ranked at the bottom of both lists, with Tiny Township in last place and Midland also comparable to Penetanguishene.

"Most of the really high charges in Simcoe County can be found in the faster-growing southern portions of the county and in parts of Barrie; but even in the context of the northern municipalities Penetanguishene charges are quite low," said Krzeczunowicz. "Note also that Midland's charge needs to be updated by the end of the year too. If your experience is anything to go by, Midland's charge will probably increase."

"The non-residential charge we've calculated is \$143 per square metre (roughly 20 per cent or \$24 increase) of new building floor space, and it's almost all related to the water, sewer, stormwater and roads services," said Krzeczunowicz.

In conclusion, Krzeczunowicz said that the consultants would prepare a development charge background study and draft bylaw for release in mid-June, followed by a public meeting. Their hope, he stated, was to have the bylaw passed by mid-August before the September deadline.

During the following committee of the whole meeting, Coun. Bonita Desroches pulled an item out of the council information package regarding a mid-April announcement of the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund as part of this year's budget.

"It's pretty exciting," Desroches stated. "There will be funding coming through the province for repairs or new facilities that are required in communities. The information will be released in the summer of 2024, so I'm anxiously awaiting to see the details about that."

The 10-year development charge background study progress update from Hemson Consulting Ltd. can be located on the agenda page of the Town of Penetanguishene website.

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**OPP REPORT**

**OPP LAY CHARGES IN TWO-YEAR FRAUD INVESTIGATION THAT RESULTED IN OVER \$489,000 IN LOSSES**

10-May-2024 (ORILLIA, ON) - The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has charged two individuals following a two-year fraud investigation related to pool installations across the County of Simcoe.

Between February 1, 2022, and November 27, 2023, the OPP received numerous reports of fraud in several detachment areas involving a pool and landscape company. Clients experienced numerous delays and misdirected communications. The clients' backyards would either be left in disarray with improper installation or, in most cases, the work never started.

Investigations revealed that the accused used the company to defraud more than 16 different clients, amounting to over \$489,000 in losses.

Matthew TAYLER, 46-year-old from Barrie, has been arrested and charged with:

- Fraud over \$5000 - 14 counts
- Obtaining by false pretences over \$5000 - 14 counts
- Mischief over \$5000 - 3 counts

Jaime GALIPEAU, 47-year-old from Barrie, has been arrested and charged with:

- Fraud over \$5000 - 14 counts
- Obtaining by false pretences over \$5000

Both the accused have been released on an Undertaking and will appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Midland on June 20, 2024.

The OPP Central Region Fraud Unit, Huronia West Crime Unit, and Southern Georgian Bay Crime Unit are continuing this investigation.

**OPP Investigators Seeking Assistance In Solving Mischief to Hydro One Equipment in Georgian Bay Township**

10-May-2024(GEORGIAN BAY TOWNSHIP, ON)- Investigators from the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment are seeking assistance from the public after looking into a mischief complaint from May 9, 2024 of firearms being discharged resulting in an estimated \$50,000. worth of damage to Hydro One power lines and transmission towers on the trail on the north side of White's Fall Road, Georgian Bay Township .

**WEAPONS AND DRUGS SEIZED AFTER SEARCH WARRANT EXECUTION IN RELATION TO AGGRAVATED ASSAULT INVESTIGATION**

**Charges Upgraded to Second Degree Murder**

(WASAGA BEACH, ON) - The Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has upgraded the charges against an accused from aggravated assault to second degree murder in the Town of Wasaga Beach.

On February 25, 2024, members of the Huronia West Detachment responded to a report of an unconscious individual in critical condition on Homewood Ave.

On March 6, 2024, a search warrant was executed on the accused's residence. The accused was arrested with ten charges including aggravated assault, and items were seized including weapons and cocaine.

On May 6, 2024, the victim succumbed to their injuries and was pronounced deceased.

After further investigation, on May 8, 2024, David ZAMIDA, 46-year-old of Wasaga Beach, was charged under the Criminal Code (CC) with the following offences:

- Second Degree Murder, section 235(1)
- Possession of Firearm or Ammunition Contrary to Prohibited Order - Six Counts, section 117.01(1)
- Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm - Four Counts, section 91(1)
- Careless Storage of a Firearm, Weapon, Prohibited Device or Ammunition, section 86(1)
- Possession of a Prohibited Device or Ammunition - Three Counts, section 92(2)
- Assault - Two Counts, section 266
- Fail to Comply Undertaking, section 145(4)

The accused was held for a bail court appearance at the Ontario Court of Justice in Barrie on May 9, 2024.

The Huronia West Crime Unit is continuing this investigation under the direction of the OPP Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB).

**LOCKDOWN AT LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOL AFTER REPORTS OF A FIREARM.**

(ORILLIA, ON) - On May 8, 2024 at about 1:36 p.m. officers of the Orillia detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a weapons call at Orillia Secondary School. Information was that a student may have had a firearm at the school.

At 1:38 p.m. officers began arriving on scene and entered the school. The school was placed into lockdown and surrounding schools placed in a hold and secure. Officers then began working with school staff taking steps to ensure the safety of everyone at the school. The investigation led police to a young person who had used a social media application to share a photo of what appeared to be a firearm. The young person was brought into police custody a short time later and the lockdown/hold and secure was lifted. It was determined the object in the photo was not a real firearm, rather a smaller detailed replica of a firearm.

A 14 year-old young person from Orillia has been charged with:

- Mischief

The accused was released from custody and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orillia, to answer to the charges at a later date in June 2024.

**OPP Arrest Penetanguishene Resident in Connection to LCBO Thefts**

(MIDLAND,ON) - Officers from the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment responded at 4:06 p.m. April 29, 2024, to a report of shoplifting at the Jones Road Midland LCBO store resulting in the loss of a quantity of liquor. Video surveillance was obtained and reviewed by the attending officer.

On May 6, 2024 at 3:27 p.m. store staff of the LCBO Jones Road, Midland location contacted police to report another theft and were also able to provide video surveillance of the suspect and through investigation, the suspect person was identified.

On May 7, 2024 officers responded at approximately 2:00 p.m. to an assault complaint at a Rue Richelieu, Penetanguishene residence. Upon identifying the accused in the assault investigation, it was learned that the accused was also responsible for the previously investigated thefts from the LCBO.

Charged in connection to these three incidents is Briana River CRANE 26 years of Penetanguishene with the following offences contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada.

- Theft Under \$5000- SHOPLIFTING (two

- counts)
- Possession Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000 - in Canada
- Assault

The accused was released from custody to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice at a future date in June, 2024.



**HURONIA WEST OPP ARREST FOUR INDIVIDUALS IN LIMOUSINE CARJACKING INVESTIGATION**

08-May-2024 (SPRINGWATER TOWNSHIP, ON) - Members of the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have arrested four individuals in relation to a robbery of a limousine in Springwater Township.

On May 4, 2024, at approximately 2:30 a.m., the Huronia West Detachment received a report of a carjacking from the victim, the driver of the limousine. While the vehicle was on route to the destination, the victim was assaulted before the four clients stole the vehicle, leaving the victim on George Johnston Road.

The victim suffered minor injuries and was transported to the hospital by EMS.

At 4:49 a.m., the vehicle was located on Sunnidale Concession 6 in Clearview Township and the suspects were arrested without incident.

As a result of the investigation, James JAO, 21-year-old from Milton, and three youths were arrested and charged with:

- Assault with a weapon
- Robbery with violence
- Theft of motor vehicle
- Administer noxious substance
- Possession property obtained by crime over \$5000
- Possession of weapon for dangerous purpose

The identities of the youths will be withheld under the provision of the Youth Criminal Justice Act (YCJA).

The three youths were released on an undertaking and the fourth accused was held for a bail hearing. The four accused are scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Collingwood at a later date.

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The Board of Directors meets from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on the first Wednesday of every month. Each Board member is also asked to join one board committee. Typically the time commitment is 2 - 4 hours per month.

Anyone with an interest or passion for community mental health services or community support services for seniors' are welcome to apply.

Wendat's Board should be representative of the populations and communities we serve. Therefore, we are seeking people with lived experience or caregivers/family members of people with lived experience using community mental health or community support services. We also seek FNIMUI and Francophone community members. To round out the skill set of our Board members, we are seeking someone with a legal background.

There is one vacancy to fill immediately for a one year term and there will be vacancies on the Board in September 2024 for a two year term.

There is an application process which includes completing an application package and an interview with current Board members. For more information, please contact Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Executive Director at 705-526-1305 ext 223 or andrea@wendatprograms.com

**AUCTION NOTICES**



**Upcoming Auctions**

- Auction for Norma Gilmour & the Late John Gilmour - Puslinch (May 26 - 30)
- Vintage & Present Assortment Sale - Elora (May 26 - 30)
- The James Elwood Hogg Estate - Guelph (June 2 - 6)
- The Big Bloom Multi Consignor Auction - Guelph (June 2 - 6)
- Young Moving Sale - Port Elgin (June 9 - 13)
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## Community Events

### MONDAY

#### Bid Euchre

**Elmvale Community Hall** 1 pm - 4 pm  
Every Monday.  
Call Anne for details 705-322-1232

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**Hustle and Muscle**, 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
**Bid Euchre**, 1 - 3:30 pm  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
Call Vickie for fees 705 526 5074 or gssseniors2016@rogers.com

### TUESDAY

#### Elmvale Legion

**Tuesdays at 1 pm**  
Table Shuffleboard, Cost \$1

#### Palace Tavern Elmvale BINGO

**Every Tuesday night**  
Midland Rotary proceeds 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Barrie Rotary proceeds 8 pm to 9:30 pm

#### Bay Shore Seniors Club

**Billiards/Pool** 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
**Crafts** - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
**Bid-Euchre** - 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road S., Woodland Beach

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**Line Dancing, Progressive Beginners**  
9:30 - 11:00 am  
**Line Dancing, Easy Intermediate**, 11:30 - 1:00 pm  
**Seniors in Motion Fitness**, 2:00 - 3:00 pm  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
Call Vickie for fees 705 526 5074 or gssseniors2016@rogers.com

#### Springwater Senior's Golf League 2024

**May 7- Sept. 24 - Tues. 8:00 a.m. tee off**  
Springwater Golf Course  
1481 Golf Course Road, Minesing,  
Mixed seniors' league - scramble format  
Contact intalatour@hotmail.com to join

### WEDNESDAY

#### E.D.G.E. Elmvale District Garden Enthusiasts

Meetings held **4th Wed. of each month from March to Nov. at 7:00 pm**  
Elmvale Legion, 7 John Street Elmvale  
Guests always welcome, no charge bring a friend.

#### Bay Shore Seniors Club

**Bridge** - 12:30 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Indoor Pickleball** 4:00-5:30 and 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
**Lifestyles** - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.  
**Access Art** - 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road S., Woodland Beach

#### Barrie Region Aquarium Society

meets on the 2nd Wed each month from Sept-June at East Bayfield Community Centre, Barrie  
80 Livingstone Rd E.  
Everyone Welcome! For more info, email president@1brass.com

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**Chair/Floor Yoga**, 9:30 - 10:30 am  
**Zumba Gold**, 11:30 - 12:30 pm  
**Games Afternoon**, 12:30 - 3:30 pm  
**2nd Camera Club**, 2:00 - 3:30 pm  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
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### THURSDAY

#### Probus Club of Simcoe North

**Meetings monthly 2nd Thurs. 10 a.m.**  
For women & men in retirement or semi-retirement.  
Penetang Legion, 2 Poyntz St. For more information email klarkins@csolve.net or call Joyce (705)526-3424

#### Bay Shore Seniors Club

**Choir** - 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
**Book Club** (4th Thurs of the Month) 1-3pm  
**Darts** - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road, S., Woodland Beach

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**1st Movie and Lunch**, 12 noon - 3:30 pm  
**2nd & 4th Tiny Stitchers**, 9:00 - 3:00 pm  
**3rd Book Club**, 1:30 - 3:30 pm  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
Call Vickie for fees 705 526 5074 or gssseniors2016@rogers.com

#### Let's Do Lunch \$5:

**Elmvale Presbyterian Church**  
**2nd Thursday of the month.** Eat in: 12-1pm. \$5  
For take-out & town delivery \$6 call 322-1411 between 9 & noon on the Monday previous.  
Pick-up Thursday 11:15 - 11:45 at East side of the church.

#### Coffee Party

**Last Thursday of the month 9:30 - 11 a.m.**  
Elmvale Presbyterian Church  
All Welcome, Cost: \$3

#### Wasaga Beach Parkinson's Support Group

**1st Thursday of each month, 12:30-2pm**  
Wasaga Beach new Public Library 544 River Rd., Wasaga Beach. All Parkinson's patients & caregivers welcome. For more information contact Phil Bender 905-703-6248 bender.philip@gmail.com

#### Connecting Together - Fellowship with Others

**Thursdays 2-3:30 pm call 705-526-6077**  
St. Pauls United Church Atrium, 308 King St Midland

### FRIDAY

#### Bay Shore Seniors Club

**Gentle Fitness Program - Free VON Exercise** 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

**Wood Carving** - 10:00 - 3:00 p.m. (drop in anytime)

**Shuffleboard** 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Indoor Pickleball** - 4:00-5:30 and 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road, S., Woodland Beach

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**Bingo & Lunch**  
**3rd Friday, , 12 noon - 3:30 pm**  
**TGIF social, 4:00 - 6:00 pm**  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
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### SATURDAY

#### Elmvale Legion

**Saturday at 5 pm**  
Meat Darts- \$ 10.00 for 3 games  
3 prizes per game and a meat draw prize after \$1.00 a ticket (\$25.00 value)

### SUNDAY

#### Good Vibes

**First Sunday 2-5 from 2 to 5 p.m.**  
An open-mic music event. For winter months, relocated to Hackney Horse Bed & Breakfast, 3276 Penetanguishene Rd. near Craighurst. \$5 donation, tea, coffee & baking at a small extra cost.

#### Bay Shore Seniors Club

**Indoor Pickleball** - 4:00-5:30 and 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road, S., Woodland Beach

### MONDAY to FRIDAY

#### Low Impact Gentle Fitness Program

VON SMART Program  
**Adults 55+ FREE**  
**Mon. 9am @ Springwater Room (arena)**  
**Wed. 9am @ Elmvale Community Hall**  
**Fri. 11am @ Elmvale Community hall**  
**Also available - pole walking at Heritage Park on Wednesdays 9:15am**  
**Times and locations all subject to change.**  
Bring good support (running) shoes and water  
Call 705-355-2200 to register or walk ins

#### Midland Bridge Club

**427 William St, Midland**  
**Mon. 12:45pm:** Duplicate Bridge, **Tues 6:45pm:** Social Bridge, **Wed., 12:45pm** Duplicate Bridge, **Thur. 12:45pm** Duplicate Bridge, **Fri. 12pm:** Bid Euchre. Contact Vern 705-730-9998. Possible lesson if desired. midlandbridge@gmail.com

#### Ganaraka Hiking Club-Wasaga Beach

**Wed hikes 09:15-09:30am** at various locations, year round. Also a casual hike, same time. Winter can be snowshoes. Weekly, hikes **Sunday 1:30pm** from a park near Foodland, WB. Weekly, Monday morning bike tours from various locations. Seasonal. Please contact Lorraine for info. 416-606-5081. Or lorvanvlymen@gmail.com

#### Georgian Bay Coin & Stamp Club

**3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30pm - 8:30pm**  
Prime Time Club, 1724 Mosley St., Wasaga Beach  
**1st Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm - 8:30pm**  
(North Simcoe Chapter) Penetanguishene Memorial Arena, Brian Orser Lounge, 2nd floor. 61 Maria St.  
For more info.: www.geobaycoinstampclub.ca

#### Open Gym Drop-In

**Mondays:** - 5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Drop-in basketball - All ages are welcome.  
**Tuesday:** 5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Drop-in pickleball - All ages are welcome.  
Drop-in programs will be no charge for July and August.  
The Township is pleased to offer sessions at Elmvale District High School (25 Lawson Avenue)

#### Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors

**Billiards/Pool**, 9:00 - 11 am  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
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### ALL DAYS

#### Indoor Pickleball

**Sun 2:00 p.m.; Wed 4:30 p.m. and Fri 4:00 p.m.**  
Bayshore Srs Club, 2000 Tiny Beaches Road S, Woodland Beach

## One Time Events

#### Café Convo

**May 24, 2024 at 7pm**  
Coffee and conversation on investing  
Midhurst United Church, 91 Doran Rd

#### Book & Yard Free dessert & Coffee/Tea

**May 25th -10am to 2pm**  
free will offerings gratefully accepted  
St. Paul's Anglican Church  
5 Noraline Drive, Midhurst

#### Barrie Concert Band with "Beatles" theme

**May 26, 2024 at 5 pm Concert 7 p.m**  
BBQ \$10.  
Wasaga Beach United Church,  
380 Zoo Park Road, Wasaga Beach

#### Elmvale Seniors Drop In

**May 27, 2024 at 10am-Noon**  
Fun games and refreshments.  
Call Lynn 705-322-3309

#### GGG (G Bay Gals Give) Spring Giving Event

**May 27th from 5:30 PM to 7 PM.**  
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Contact gbaygalsgive@gmail.com

#### The Wonder of It All

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midlandculturalcentre.com

#### St. Louis Spring Bazaar, Plant & Bake Sale

**June 1 from, 9am -12:30 pm**  
Line 4 N. at Mt. St. Louis Rd.

#### Elmvale Lions 75th Anniversary

**June 8, 2024 from 11 am - 3 pm**  
Family Fun Day. Kids activities, games and prizes.  
Hotdogs and drinks. Open to public.  
Lions Hall - Flos Rd 7 W, Elmvale

#### Buttertart Luncheon

**Sat. June 8th, 2024, 11am-2pm**  
St. Margaret's Church, 589 Hugel Ave. Midland  
Lunch of sandwiches, desserts and a drink for \$10  
Luncheon, bake sale, craft sale and buttertarts

#### Church Dinner

**Mon. June 10, 2024 from 5-9pm**  
Chicken in Mushroom Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans & Carrots, Salad, Dessert, Coffee or Tea, Cash Bar  
Wasaga Beach United Church, Lockhart Hall  
380 Zoo Park Road, Wasaga Beach  
Contact Mo or Tom Parkes at 705-429-7779

#### Bid Euchre Tournament

**Saturday June 15, 2024 1 p.m.**  
\$10 per person  
Wasaga Beach United Church, 380 Zoo Park Road,  
Tea, coffee and cookies. Call Mildred 705-321-9991 or Jim 705-429-9979.

#### Be Pozzy!

**June 15th at 1pm**  
See this unforgettable puppet show that will leave you beaming from ear to ear!  
midlandculturalcentre.com

#### FALSET

**July 6th at 7:30pm**  
FALSET returns to their hometown with an electrifying show, with special guests Pyramid Theorem and Opeongo. midlandculturalcentre.com

## Elmvale Women's Afternoon Curling Wraps up the 2023-2024 Season!

*Submitted by Sue Henry*

ECC has two afternoon women's leagues that play on Tuesday and Thursday. There is a lot of variety of play in the season as curlers play three schedules, on three different teams. New curlers, experienced or not, are always welcome in these friendly, recreational leagues!



Photo above: 2nd Schedule Thursday winners: Diane Kenney, Sue Henry, June Price, Cathy Borchuk

**Winners:**

2nd Schedule Tuesday winners: Mary Lynn Vander Wielen, Frances Stevenson, Dianne Cox, Cathy Borchuk

2nd Schedule Thursday winners: Diane Kenney, Sue Henry, June Price, Cathy Borchuk

3rd Schedule Tuesday winners: Trish Campbell, Diane Kenney, Carol McMann

3rd Schedule Thursday winners: Trish Campbell, Barb Fralick, Sue Hammond



Photo above: 2nd Schedule Tuesday winners: Mary Lynn Vander Wielen, Frances Stevenson, Dianne Cox, Cathy Borchuk



Photo above: 3rd Schedule Thursday winners: Trish Campbell, Barb Fralick, Sue Hammond

## Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors in Balm Beach



Photo above: Members of Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors in Balm Beach enjoyed an evening of pizza and trivial pursuits at The Place. Prizes were awarded and everyone enjoyed having their memories challenged. Submitted by Helmut Paddags May 11, 2024

## Township of Tay Renews Generous Support for GBGH with \$37,500 Gift



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### HRNCIR, George

It is with profound sadness that the family of GEORGE HRNCIR of Barrie, announce his peaceful passing on Wednesday, May 8, 2024.

George was a 30+ year employee of General Tire, Barrie.

He will be lovingly remembered by his daughter, Blanche (Bill Commu, and the late George Johnston); his three grandsons: Graham (Emma), Mitchell (Lauren), and Cameron (Darcy); and three great-grandchildren. He was brother to Zbynek, uncle to Lea and Zbynek Jr. (Brno, Czech Rep), and a special friend to Roger and Anita.

George was predeceased by his loving wife Hanna, and his parents Jan and Olga Hrnecir.

He was born in Czechoslovakia and in 1968 he selflessly and bravely left everything behind in order to begin a new life for himself and his young family in Canada.

George was an extremely hard worker, meticulous, jack of all trades, the king of his castle, loved his family pets and was very proud of his cactus garden. A very private person, he could be very serious but loved to have fun with his family and refused to grow up.

A private service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Donations may be made to the Salvation Army, Barrie, ON or Mill Creek Care Center.

Special thank you to the staff at the Waterford Retirement Residence & at Mill Creek Care Center: your care and support of George will always be remembered.

Messages of condolence may be forwarded to the family through [adamsfuneralhome.ca](http://adamsfuneralhome.ca).



### REIMER, Wayne William November 20th, 1958 – May 5th, 2024

Wayne passed away suddenly on Sunday, May 05th, 2024. He was happiest when he made people laugh and smile and always made people feel better

when they were having a rough day. He was kind, thoughtful and caring. He always showed up and made every sacrifice to protect and care for the ones he loved. If Wayne loved you, you were probably the recipient of his baked bread, scones, butter tarts and ginger cookies. He was a carpenter/tradesman by trade and shared his talents generously. He spent years as a volunteer firefighter in Tiny Township, coached his kid's baseball, women's hockey, and ball hockey teams. He loved being on Georgian Bay with family and friends and he loved to fish while Claudette kept him company reading her book. He found joy in bird feeding/watching, gardening and throwing the ball for his beloved dog Gigi. He is predeceased by his mother Martha, his father Jake and his sister Patty. Bonded for life and deeply loved he will be dearly missed by his sister Karen and her partner Rob. His Mother-In-Law Lorraine loved him as a son and his other in-laws Donna and Chris, Glenn and Barb, Pierre and Lise, Monique and Tom, Janet and John, Lena and Norm, and Jo-Anne and Vince were his family by choice for 46 years. Their children (the cousins) all have wonderful Uncle Wayne stories. He was the best husband and best friend to his wife of 43 years Claudette (née Belcourt). Her favorite memory of her "lovey" was watching the sun go down on Beckweth Island while sitting on the front of their boat. His children Scott, Karlie (and her fiancé Melissa Nesbitt) and Laura were his world, and he was always there for them. They will always have his stories and words of wisdom to guide them. Becoming a "Papi" to Cali and Sophie was his biggest joy and they always knew Papi loved them with his little kiss on their foreheads every time he said goodbye to them. A Celebration of Life for Wayne will follow in the near future with date to be confirmed. Arrangements entrusted to Penetanguishene Funeral Home, 155 Main Street. Please visit the funeral home's website to leave a message or condolences on Wayne book of memorial.



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**BEATTY, Robert "Bob" Jack**  
It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of Robert Jack "Bob" Beatty. At the age of 92, Bob passed away peacefully at Port Perry Hospital on May 9th, 2024. Bob is predeceased by his beloved wife of 68 years, Carol Eleanor Beatty.

Loving, supportive father of the late Robert Roy "Bobby" Beatty, James Bernard Beatty, Linda Charmaine Raeburn (Chris). Proud Papa of Melissa Hargreaves, Amanda Hargreaves (Kaine Nelson), Christina Beatty/Carvalho (Danny) and the late Patrick Beatty. Adoring Great Grandfather/Papa of Mikayla/Sky Beatty Hargreaves and Ciara Hargreaves.

Son and only child of Elva and Roy Beatty, Bob was born in North Bay Ontario where he was raised until 11 years old and then moved to Toronto. Fond recollections of his school days and companions at Drewry P.S., Earl Haig Secondary and the subsequent Newtonbrook gang were forever prominent and these friendships were fostered throughout his life. Bob and Carol were married in 1954 in Willowdale and later moved north to the Barrie area where they resided, worked and raised their family. Bob and Carol spent their weekends and summers at Rose Lake - Utterson, Ontario, a unique cottage community where many fond memories and traditions were made and continue with the Rose Lake family – such as the annual Thanksgiving dinner and hike.

Bob was actively involved in hockey throughout his life dating back to playing pond hockey as a boy, then the Newtonbrook days, followed by teams and leagues throughout Simcoe County. He also travelled to numerous tournaments all over Ontario as well as Lake Placid and successfully organized a tournament for 40 years – where Bob would remarkably coordinate 50+ teams over a double rink. Bob also loved golf and cherished his time as a caddy at the Canadian Open. Music was also a huge part of his life and Bob has passed on his passion for Big Bands and other genres of music to all that knew him.

The Beatty family would like to sincerely thank the medical team and entire staff at Lakeridge Health - Port Perry Hospital for their exceptional, compassionate care along with his dedicated PSW team over the last year. Further, we extend enormous gratitude to Community Care Durham, and in particular Jay, for the engaging conversation and valued companionship provided to Robert this past year.

Funeral Service was held at the Stephenson Memorial Cemetery in Port Sydney Thursday May 16th at 1 pm. Reception followed at the Huntsville Royal Canadian Legion. To honour Bob's passing or as expression of sympathy, donations in his memory to the Terry Fox Foundation would be greatly appreciated. With his tremendous admiration of a true hero and devotion to the cause, Bob never missed a Terry Fox Run since its inception in 1981...be it walk, run, wheel or ride, with family by his side. Donations to the Terry Fox Foundation may be made through the following link <https://terryfox.org/ways-to-give/?form=TRIBUTE> Messages of condolence may be left at [www.billingsleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.billingsleyfuneralhome.com)



**NEWTON, Norma Helen**  
Passed away peacefully at Woods Park Long Term Care on Saturday, May 11, 2024. Norma Newton (nee Shackleton) of Barrie in her 83rd year. Beloved wife of Ken Newton. Dear mother of Larry, Jennifer, Dallas, Michelle, and step mother of

Sandy and Selyn. Loving grandmother of 7. Sister of Beverley and Betty and aunt of Derek and Robert. Sister-in-law of Russell, Marcel, Edmond, Rene, and Charlene. Daughter of the late Norman and Livina Shackleton.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations in Norma's memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

*Expressions of sympathy may be sent to [www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com](http://www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com)*



**GILLESPIE, Edward George Henry**

Edward (Ed) Gillespie passed away peacefully May 8th in his 82nd year at Hillcrest Village Care Centre, Midland with his beloved Donna of 61 years by his side. Ed and Donna's relationship was a true love story from beginning to end with Ed's final words to her being, "I will love you forever and ever".

Ed was a devoted father of Laurie, John and Doug Gillespie, Vanessa Lewis and Charlene (Colin) Roswell. Dear grandfather of Scott (predeceased), Jason (Hannah) Gillespie and Laura Campbell. And great grandfather to Austin, Emma, Coleson, Colton, Brandon, Myah and Dawson.

Ed was the eldest child of the late Jack and Elva Gillespie. Ed was an amazing big brother to Harry (Connie) Gillespie, Edna (Bill) Taylor (predeceased), Linda (Harold) Black, Johnny Gillespie (predeceased), Les (Marie) Gillespie, Debbie (Tim) Kennedy and Lisa (Greg) Graham.

Ed was a much loved uncle to all his nieces and nephews. His heart was as big as the sun and it shone through with everyone that was fortunate to know him.

A celebration of life with be held at the Gillespie family farm at 1263 Flos Road 5 West of Springwater on Sunday June 9/24 from 3:00 to 7:00pm with special memories and stories shared at 4:30pm

Donations can be made to the Orange Shirt Society (OSS) or Hillcrest Village, Midland.



**LACEBY, Judith Ann Bernice**

Peacefully passed away on March 29, 2024 at the Sara Vista Long Term Care Home. She leaves her husband Donald Laceby, her son Jason Farrell and step son Chris Laceby. Her sisters Sandra Marsh and her family, Beverly Pelletier and her

family. Her 2 granddaughters Jessica and Kristina Laceby.

She will be sadly missed for her sense of humour and singing by her many friends and family.

There will be a celebration of life at Sara Vista Long Term Care Home on June 8 from 2 till 4.

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE**



**Celebration of Life  
Norman Allan Gogo  
Sat. May 25, 2024  
at 1:30 pm**

Lakeview Cemetary  
655 King St. Midland ON  
Reception to follow at Midland Legion for Family and Friends

**INTERMENT**

**Cheryl Anne Jorgensen**

passed away last December, and her interment ceremony is being held

**May 24, 2024 at 11:00am.**

Location is St. Patrick's Catholic Church,  
1600 Flos Rd. 4 West, Phelpston

**IN MEMORY**

**In Loving Memory of  
Daniel "Gummy" Rowat  
1956- 2022**

Those we love don't go away.  
They walk beside us every day.  
Unseen, unheard but always near.  
So loved, so missed, so very dear.  
**Love Always Mom, Diane, David, Joni,  
Josh, Jesse, Gregory and family...**

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Seniors Community

# OUTREACH

## Helping Seniors Age Well at Home

Information, Services, Programs and Events for Seniors

### Special Events



**ASKENNONIA'S ANNUAL BBQ**

Live Music By **MARLON GIBBONS**

**THURSDAY JUNE 6 NOON**

**LITTLE LAKE PARK PICNIC PAVILION**

**HOT DOG, HAMBURGER, WATER, ICE CREAM.**

**MEMBERS \$10 GUEST \$15**

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**ASKENNONIA 2ND BUS TRIP**

**BLUE JAYS VS PHILADELPHIA**

**WED SEPT 4 2024 3:07 PM**

**BUS LEAVES AT 11:30 AM**

**Members \$135 Guest \$155**

Tickets in the 100 level row.

Join Askennonia Senior Centre for their annual BBQ or to see the Blue Jays. For more details or to book tickets, contact Askennonia at (705) 526-7609.

### Municipal Notices



**Township of Tiny Senior Symposium**  
**Tuesday June 4th - 10am to 2pm**  
 The event includes lunch & opportunities to socialize. Admission is free, but registration is required. Visit [www.tiny.ca](http://www.tiny.ca) to register.

### SENIORS INFORMATION DAY

"A day to support our senior community members in aging with dignity and independence"

- 📅 Thursday, June 6th 2024
- 🕒 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 📍 Penetanguishene Memorial Community Centre
- 🆓 Free Entry & Lunch. No registration required.

Entertainment by Dylan Lock

Information Vendors - Formal Speakers - Door Prizes



### Food Services & Programs

#### North Simcoe Good Food Box

The more people that buy; the better value you get

North Simcoe Good Food Box is a non-profit fresh fruit and vegetable distribution system that you can access each month. Email: [northsimcoegoodfoodbox@gmail.com](mailto:northsimcoegoodfoodbox@gmail.com)



Each Good Food Box could include:

Asparagus, Tomatoes, Strawberries, Lettuce, Broccoli, Potatoes, Apples, Squash, Cucumber, Celery, Pears, Nectarines, Grapefruit, Grapes or Pineapple (all seasonally chosen).

Included is a newsletter with nutritional information, healthy recipes, community information and the next order pick-up information.

**You must pre-order by the 7th of each month.**  
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Email: [northsimcoegoodfoodbox@gmail.com](mailto:northsimcoegoodfoodbox@gmail.com)

### Classes



**COUNTRY MOVERS NEW**

**LINE DANCING FOR ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS WITH BOOTS BY THE BAY**

A six-week, no experience necessary program for older adults. Mondays - May 27th to July 8th - 1pm to 2pm \$30 plus HST. At the Penetanguishene Community Centre. For information call (705) 549-7453 or visit [www.penetanguishene.ca](http://www.penetanguishene.ca)



**GENTLE CHAIR YOGA**

**EVERY TUESDAY FROM 3:30PM TO 4:30PM**

Unwind in a gentle chair yoga session led by a certified Trauma Sensitive Yoga teacher. Improve strength, balance, and stress relief with personalized adjustments and props. **All skill levels welcome!**

Join Chigamik and unwind and revitalize in a soothing slow flow yoga session guided by a Trauma Sensitive Yoga instructor.

To learn more and to register visit: [www.chigamik.ca](http://www.chigamik.ca)

**Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors!**

Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors is hosting a Sock Hop on May 25th at 7pm. <https://www.georgianshoreswingingseniors.ca/>

### Community REACH

#### TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Available Monday to Saturday



➔ Keeping seniors healthy by connecting them to medical care, food and social events.

➔ Making sure our seniors stay a part of the North Simcoe community.

#### Midland Accessible Transportation

In conjunction with the Town of Midland Transit Service, offers rides for Midland residents unable to use public transit due to physical, cognitive, visual, or sensory disability.

#### Transportation Linking Communities (TLC)

Providing rides for any resident of Midland, Penetanguishene, Tiny and Tay that is 18+, without access to transportation for healthcare, shopping and social activities within North Simcoe and out-of-town medical appointments.

850 Hartman Dr #104, Midland, ON L4R 0B6 [www.communityreach.ca](http://www.communityreach.ca)

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