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# North Simcoe Springwater News Presents Springwater All-Candidates Meeting

By Kari Belcourt North Simcoe Springwater News  
Democracy is a cornerstone of our society. At its heart is the principle that the power to shape our communities belongs to the people — whether exercised directly or through the elected officials who represent them.

With the 2026 municipal election approaching, residents of Springwater deserve an opportunity to hear directly from the candidates seeking their support, ask questions about the issues that matter to them and make informed decisions about the future of their community.

That is why the North Simcoe Springwater News is hosting the Springwater All-Candidates Meeting on September 24, 2026, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Snow Valley Ski Resort.

Municipal government has a direct impact on residents' everyday lives. From roads, snow removal and infrastructure to fire protection, parks and recreation, planning, zoning, waste services and other local programs, decisions made at the municipal level affect the community in very practical ways.

Municipalities are primarily funded through property taxes, user fees and other revenues, while operating within the authority granted to them by provincial legislation.

These are not abstract issues. They affect the roads we drive on, the services our families rely on, how our communities grow and, ultimately, what residents pay for those services.

Residents deserve the opportunity to ask questions and hear the answers for themselves.

A Meeting Focused on Residents

The All-Candidates Meeting is being produced by the North Simcoe Springwater News in accordance with the journalistic standards and requirements the newspaper is expected to uphold. The goal is to provide residents with a fair, respectful and non-partisan opportunity to hear from those seeking elected office.

The meeting will be moderated by Johnathan Inacio, selected for his ability to bring an independent perspective, strong communication skills and a diverse professional background to the evening.

Inacio is not a resident of Springwater and has no involvement in the township's current political landscape, allowing him to approach the discussion without a personal or political stake in the outcome. His educational background includes English and teaching, complemented by professional training in utilities, giving him experience in both communication and practical, hands-on environments.

Today, Inacio works as a project coordinator with a provincial organization that has no involvement or relationship with the Township of Springwater.

His professional experience requires organization, communication, accountability and the ability to work with people from a variety of backgrounds — qualities that will be particularly valuable in keeping a meeting of candidates and residents focused and productive.

His background in English and teaching also brings an important strength to the role: the ability to listen carefully, understand what is being asked and ensure questions are clearly presented. Combined with his project coordination experience, Inacio is well positioned to keep the evening moving, ensure candidates have a fair opportunity to respond and maintain a respectful and orderly discussion.

Most importantly, his lack of personal involvement in Springwater politics allows him to enter the room as a neutral moderator rather than a participant in the political conversation.

The goal is simple: to have an experienced and independent individual at the centre of the discussion who can keep the focus where it belongs — on the candidates, the questions being asked and the issues that matter to Springwater residents.

Your Questions Matter

Questions submitted by confirmed Springwater residents will be reviewed and asked first.

Residents are encouraged to submit their questions as early as possible. Questions must be reviewed and provided to candidates in advance of the meeting, making early submissions particularly important.

If there are not enough submitted questions to fill the evening, the meeting will move to questions from those attending in person.

For questions submitted during the meeting, residents should be prepared to provide their name and proof of Springwater residency. Attendees will receive a ticket, with tickets selected at random for those given the opportunity to ask a question.

Residents are encouraged to come prepared, know what they want to ask and make the most of the opportunity if their ticket is selected.

A Respectful Conversation

The purpose of the evening is to encourage meaningful discussion about the community — not personal attacks or political theatrics.

Candidates and attendees will be expected to follow reasonable standards of conduct throughout the meeting. Defamatory or disrespectful statements, unsupported allegations, personal attacks and other conduct that fails to meet basic standards of decorum will not be permitted.

Questions that do not meet those standards may be disqualified, and individuals who refuse to follow the

rules may be asked to leave.

This is an opportunity for residents to learn more about the people seeking to represent them, hear different perspectives and have a constructive conversation about the place we call home.

There is no need for schoolyard antics. There is plenty to discuss when it comes to the future of Springwater.

For residents unable to attend in person, the meeting will also be live streamed, allowing the broader community to follow the discussion.

The North Simcoe Springwater News looks forward to welcoming residents, candidates and members of the community on September 24.

Your community. Your questions. Your future.

We hope you will join us, participate respectfully and do your part in shaping the future of Springwater.



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## Letter from the Editor

Well, I'm going to write this letter as I see the bottom of the mountain in sight.

Unfortunately, it seems this is the hardest peak yet.

The longer the hike down, the more time you have to think to yourself. The more your legs begin to ache. The more you miss the simple comforts of home — the places and people you love.

You can picture them. You can long for them from the mountain. But there is nothing in sight except the rugged rock you must now grab onto. It cuts your fingers, but it keeps you steady as you look toward the horizon and the long fall to the bottom — now that you've found yourself here.

It is a reminder that the fight down is always worth it if it gets you home.

Many will drive to the cliff just to see the view, but the climb teaches you so much.

Resilience isn't something you're born with. It is something that is built. It takes time, energy and courage to continue showing up for the race.

October 26 is the finish line, but this monologue stops on September 24.

I want you to attend. Hear from the people asking for your vote. Listen to what they have to say and form your own opinions.

The most powerful thing I can give to the people is the autonomy to decide for themselves. I feel decisions are made for people often enough. This is your chance to get involved, meet your neighbours, gather information and have a voice in the future of our beautiful home.

This Township and this area have a deep history, culture, foundation and sense of community. It is not in my hands to determine how you shape your future. It is in yours.

The responsibility is yours. I am simply giving you the opportunity to share what you care about and connect with the Township we call home.

I love this place. I always have, and I always will.

There is just something in the water here that calls this place home. Whatever that feeling is, whatever that call may be, I want to preserve it for all of us.

But that call isn't mine.

It is formed by what is grown here.

It is shaped by the people who live here, the history we carry, the land beneath our feet and the community we build together.

So, as I make my way down this mountain, I hope you'll join me at the bottom.

The view belongs to all of us.

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*Questions may be submitted in advance to:*

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We look forward to bringing candidates and residents together for an informative evening ahead of the municipal election.

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The Township is seeking applications from residents interested in serving on **Township of Springwater Committees of Council and Boards for the 2026-2030 Term of Council.**

Community members play an important role in supporting Council by providing recommendations, professional knowledge, lived experience, and community perspectives on a wide range of Township initiatives, services, and strategic priorities. Committees and Boards help inform local decision-making and contribute to the continued growth and well-being of the community.

Serving on a Committee or Board is an excellent opportunity to become more involved in Springwater, share your voice, contribute your skills and experience, and help shape the future of our community. Whether you have previous volunteer experience or are interested in serving for the first time, the Township encourages residents from all backgrounds to apply.

2026-2030 Committees and Boards Available Appointments

Help shape your community by serving on a Township of Springwater Committee or Board for the 2026-2030 Term of Council. The following positions are available for community members to apply for.

| Committee of Council/Board/Ad Hoc                           | Vacancy(s) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
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| Cultural & Heritage Advisory Committee                      | 6          |
| Committee of Adjustment                                     | 5          |
| Elmvale District High School Donation Fund Ad Hoc Committee | 2          |
| Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee                      | 1          |
| Livestock Evaluator                                         | 1          |
| Professional Health Services Complex Ad Hoc Committee       | 2          |
| Property Standards Committee                                | 5          |
| Springwater Public Library Board                            | 5-7        |

To view past agendas and minutes from the various Committees of Council and Local Boards visit the Township’s **CivicWeb Portal.**

Who Can Apply?

The Township encourages interested residents from all backgrounds to apply. Specific eligibility requirements, qualifications, and meeting commitments may vary depending on the Committee or Board. Please review the information for each Committee or Board before submitting your application. Committee and Board mandates, Terms of Reference, meeting schedules, eligibility requirements, and the online application form are available on the Township’s website.

How to Apply

Applications for the 2026-2030 Term of Council for Committees and Boards can be submitted online by visiting **www.springwater.ca/committees** to access the **online application form**. Alternative formats are available upon request by emailing **clerks@springwater.ca** or by attending the Township of Springwater, Administration Centre, located at 2231 Nursery Road in Minesing, during regular business hours, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The deadline to apply is **Wednesday, September 30, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.** Applications will be considered by Council following the 2026 Municipal Election and will take effect for the 2026-2030 Term of Council.

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Elmvale Fall Fair Ambassador Program Carries on a Long-Standing Community Tradition



By Kari Belcourt  
North Simcoe  
Springwater News

ELMVALE — For generations, the Elmvale Fall Fair Ambassador Program has provided local youth with an opportunity to step forward, build confidence and proudly represent the community they call home.

A long-standing tradition of the Elmvale Fall Fair, the Ambassador Program has served as a stepping stone to new opportunities for many young people throughout the years. Participants gain experience in public speaking, meet people from across the community and surrounding area, and take on the responsibility of representing the Flos Agricultural Society at events throughout the year.

The tradition continues in 2026 as the 167th Elmvale Fall Fair returns Thanksgiving weekend.

The current Elmvale Ambassadors are 2025–2026 Senior Ambassador Eliza Graham and 2025–2026 Junior Ambassador Max Stones.

With a new Ambassador year approaching, organizers are inviting local youth to take part in the Senior and Junior Ambassador competitions.

“This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in public speaking, meeting new people, representing their community and trying new things,” organizers say.

Senior Ambassador Program

The Senior Ambassador competition is open to anyone 15 years of age or older.

This year’s competition will take place on Sunday, October 4, at Bounce Back Physio in Elmvale. The event will bring contestants together with committee members, Fair Board members, previous Ambassadors and the judging panel for an afternoon of fellowship and light refreshments.

Each contestant will participate in an interview with the judges before introducing themselves to the audience, answering an impromptu question and delivering a three-to five-minute speech on a topic of their choice.

The Ambassador and runners-up will be announced at the conclusion of the event.

The successful Senior Ambassador will then have the opportunity to take part in the excitement surrounding Fair weekend, including riding in both the Friday and Saturday parades, bringing greetings, handing out ribbons, welcoming fairgoers and enjoying the Fair while representing the Flos Agricultural Society.

The Ambassador’s responsibilities continue beyond Fair weekend, with appearances throughout the year. These may include the O.A.A.S. District 5 Meeting in October, the Elmvale Santa Claus Parade in December, the three-day Provincial O.A.A.S. Convention in February, the O.A.A.S. District 5 Ambassador Program in June and the CNE Ambassador of the Fairs Competition in August.

Participants in the program receive a cash prize. To compete in the CNE Ambassador of the Fairs Competition, participants must be 18 years old by the beginning of August.

Junior Ambassador Program

The Junior Ambassador competition is open to students

An Experience I Will Never Forget

Our chaperones were also a huge part of making the weekend special. All of the chaperones were former CNE ambassadors, so they had personal experience with the competition and were able to give us some of the best advice. They were always there to encourage us, answer our questions, and help us feel prepared.

We also had the opportunity to take part in the Warrior Day Parade, which was such an interesting experience. It was amazing to see all of the different groups and organizations come together and be part of such a special event.

Of course, one of the biggest highlights was competing in the CNE Ambassador of the Fairs competition. We each had the opportunity to go on stage and present a speech and elevator pitch. Everyone did such an amazing job, and it was clear that the judges had a very difficult decision to make. Watching 57 ambassadors work their way through the competition and seeing everyone’s confidence grow was something I will always remember.

The Top 7 finalists were Kimberly, representing Miss Six Nations; Jared, representing the Kingston Agricultural Society; Wes, representing the Coldwater Agricultural Society; Julian, representing the Listowel Agricultural Society; Samantha, representing the Brooklin Agricultural Society; Sarah, representing the Parkhill Agricultural Society; and Olivia Avery, representing the Lindsay Agricultural Society.

Congratulations to Olivia Avery, representing the Lindsay Agricultural Society, on being named this year’s CNE Ambassador of the Fairs! She did an amazing job and was very deserving of the title. I would also like to congratulate Jared from the Kingston Agricultural



By Eliza Graham  
2025-2026 Flos  
Agricultural Society  
Ambassador

Being the Flos Agricultural Society ambassador will be an experience remembered for the rest of my life. I am so grateful for the opportunity to represent the Elmvale Fall Fair and Flos Agricultural Society at the Canadian National Exhibition.

This year, 57 ambassadors competed

from agricultural societies and communities across Ontario. One of my favourite parts of the weekend was meeting so many of them. I was especially excited to reconnect with some of the ambassadors I had previously met at the OAAS convention in the winter. It was so nice to see familiar faces again and continue the friendships we had started.

We had a very busy weekend filled with different activities and learning opportunities. One highlight was an etiquette seminar led by former CNE Ambassador Charlene Carroll. We learned about proper posture, how to answer impromptu questions, how to prepare ourselves before going on stage, and ways to manage nerves and the challenges that come with public speaking. It was a really helpful experience, especially knowing that we would be competing on stage the following day.





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in Grades 7 and 8.

The Junior competition will also be held on Sunday, October 4, at Bounce Back Physio in Elmvale, following the same fellowship format as the Senior competition.

Participants will be judged on personality, communication skills, their personal introduction before the audience, creativity through a flag or banner, community involvement and a two-minute speech based on this year’s theme, “Ontario Wonders.”

The Junior Ambassador will join the Senior Fair Ambassador at select events throughout the year, representing the Flos Agricultural Society and the Elmvale community.

Each participant receives a cash prize.

For both competitions, the deadline to enter is Friday, September 25, 2026.

For more information, contact Corrie Wimmer at 705-795-1203, Matt Garwood at 705-717-1707 or Tanya King at 705-309-7018.

The Ambassador Program continues to be made possible through the support of local sponsors, including Bounce Back Physio, Brampton Brick, Elm Flower Shoppe, Hardship Acres, Lalonde’s Plumbing, Paul Bouzis – Raymond James Ltd., Enterprise Mechanical, Century Masonry, Georgian Bay Painters and Pharmasave.

For the young people who participate, the program offers more than a title. It is an opportunity to develop confidence, experience new challenges, meet people and become an active representative of the community.

And for Elmvale, it is another generation carrying forward a tradition that has been part of the Fall Fair for many years.

Society on receiving the Congeniality Award, which was so well deserved. Jared was always kind, welcoming, and encouraging to everyone throughout the weekend.

Another part of the weekend that I really enjoyed was all of the meals. The CNE provided us with delicious catering throughout the weekend, and there was always so much great food to enjoy. It was such a nice way to come together and spend time with the other ambassadors after a busy day.

This experience meant a lot to me because I learned so much and grew more confident in myself. I improved my public speaking and communication skills, but I also learned the importance of meeting new people, trying new things, and stepping outside of my comfort zone.

I encourage anyone considering becoming an Ambassador to apply. It is an amazing opportunity that can broaden your horizons, help you meet new people, and give you experiences that you may not get anywhere else. You learn so much about yourself while also building skills that you can take with you into the future.

I want to say a huge thank you to the Flos Agricultural Society for allowing me to be their ambassador and for supporting me every step of the way. I am also incredibly thankful to the CNE for providing us with accommodations, delicious meals, activities, and such an amazing weekend.

I am proud to have represented the Elmvale Fall Fair and Flos Agricultural Society. I will always be grateful for the memories, friendships, and lessons I gained from this experience. Being an Ambassador was about so much more than a competition; it was about meeting people, learning new things, challenging myself, and making memories that I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

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# Rainforest Falls VBC at Elmvale Presbyterian Church

During the week of Aug 10-14 Elmvale Presbyterian Church became part of the rainforest, complete with misting rain falling on the kids at times. It was a week of children having fun, singing songs, doing experiments, playing games and most importantly learning about the nature of God. The sounds of laughter, discussions and talking about God filled the church. Many thanks to Carolyn Hill for leading us through this week's opening and closing activities along with some help from Dr. Flit Flutterby.

We had some fabulous adult station leaders and a wonderful group of youth crew leaders to take the kids from station to station. Thank you to everyone who donated their time and energy. We ended the week on Sunday with a special VBC service followed by a BBQ. Thank you to Tom Birch for his generous donation of fresh picked corn. It was delicious.

The Mission Project this year was supporting Hope Story which is a Canadian Mission that helps children around the world. Our donations will be going to the Amani School in Tanzania. The children were encouraged to do extra chores around the house and to



make a donation to Hope Story. When counted they had donated \$440. to the Amani School. Well done campers. More will be added as this as it has also become

a mission for the church.

It was a wonderful week watching and listening to the children grow in their faith.



an eclectic mix of musical traditions, including African choral music, jazz, big band, Caribbean steel pan and swing. The series wrapped up with a performance by local favourites Huronia Hot Strings.

For Brookside Artistic Director John French, the summer demonstrated the importance of bringing great music to the community.

“Our goal is always to bring exceptional music to Midland that people might otherwise have to travel to Toronto or beyond to hear, while keeping it accessible to everyone,” said French. “This summer showed once again what a wonderful audience we have here.”

The success of the season was made possible through the support of many people and organizations. Brookside gratefully acknowledges the Government of Canada through Canadian Heritage and the Canada Arts Presentation Fund, the Ontario Arts Council, the Huronia Community Foundation and the Town of Midland for their support.

The Association also thanks its sponsors and community partners, including Midland Toyota, Classical 102.9 FM, Adam Chambers, MP, Templeton Windows & Doors and The Co-operators.

And behind every concert are the many individual donors and volunteers who help make Brookside's work possible. Their support is particularly important

in allowing the Association to keep performances affordable and to offer free concerts to the wider community.

“None of this happens without our supporters,” French said. “We are enormously grateful to everyone who believes in the importance of live music and helps us bring these artists to Midland.”

With another successful summer now behind it, Brookside Music Association continues to build on its vision of making exceptional music accessible to the community.

From an internationally acclaimed young pianist like Kevin Chen to free evenings of music beside Little Lake, this summer offered something for everyone — and once again showed that world-class music has a very welcome home in Midland.



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# Walk This Way for CLH

Penetanguishene, ON - On Sunday, August 23, 2026, the community gathered at Rotary Champlain Wendat Park for the CLH Foundation's 5th Annual Walk This Way for CLH. The friendly, fun, all-ages, and all-access event successfully raised over \$30,000 to support individuals with developmental disabilities.

The successful turnout brought together local residents to celebrate community, raise vital funds, and build awareness for CLH Developmental Support Services (CLH DSS). CLH DSS has proudly served people with developmental disabilities for 65 years. This year's \$30,000 achievement adds to the more than \$130,000 raised during the event's first five years, further proving the deep, lasting generosity of the local community.



The event was presented for the fifth year in a row by Meridian, led by Penetanguishene branch manager Dorothy Blanks, “We are proud to be a part of the incredible five-year success of Walk This Way, and look forward to the 2027 event. We are so pleased to support inclusion in our community which is an underpinning of our work at Meridian, and support opportunities for members of the CLH community to connect, engage and thrive.”

The \$30,000 raised directly fuels the foundation's Means to Thrive commitment, ensuring that every member of the CLH-supported community benefits from stable housing, healthy food, medical care, and strong social connections.

CLH Foundation extends its most sincere gratitude to all the participants, donors, volunteers, and corporate sponsors who walked, strolled, or rolled to make this milestone anniversary a resounding success.

## Wendat Community Programs raises \$2,140 Through Value Village FUNDrive

Did you know that Value Village has a FUNDrive program? Their goal is to help local nonprofits such as schools, sports teams, community groups, and other charitable organizations in Canada generate revenue to support their missions. Basically, charities collect gently used clothing, books and household items and Value Village buys the items and pays the organization.

From July 1 to August 25, 2026, Wendat Community Programs collected items and on August 26 the items were delivered to Value Village in Orillia. Over 9,000 pounds of items were collected, and this resulted in \$2,141 for Wendat Community Programs.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Access Storage for their donation of two storage units and to Two Men and a Truck for the truck and staff to take the items to Value

Village. We also thank everyone in the community who donated items to make this possible.

This initiative was led by Executive Assistant Amy Vassair and Summer Student Mitchell Ingram who worked tirelessly for two months on this fundraiser. Many staff and Board members at Wendat helped by picking up and delivering items to the storage unit. They also loaded all the items from the storage units into the trucks and then unloaded at Value Village. “Their willingness to go above and beyond their regular duties to make this fundraiser a success is much appreciated.” Said Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Executive Director. “All funds will be used to support adults with mental health or age-related challenges in North Simcoe and Muskoka.”



Wendat staff and Board, pictured left to right: (Back) Michell Ingram, Thomas Dumais, John Mulloy. (Front) Linda Murray, Casey MacKinlay, Zina Thomson, Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Sean Akow and Amy Vassair.



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Labour Day got here faster than we expected or wanted. I hope you were able to enjoy all the wonderful things the summer months offered – sunshine, ice cream cones, time with loved ones, and backyard barbecues. Summer is a great time of year as it is equal parts relaxing and busy. I hope when you were relaxing it was in your favourite spot, and when you were busy it was with your favourite people.

September brings the end of summer and the start of the new school year, which can be exciting and stressful for our students. Students of all ages are looking forward to the school year, learning who their new teacher is, figuring out where their classes are, meeting new friends, and seeing old ones, but they may be a bit worried about changes to their routines and classwork. With the preoccupation of getting into the swing of the school year and all the extra traffic September brings to our roads, let's all remember to pay special attention to school zones, crosswalks, and

the flashing lights on school buses.

As we all enjoy the remaining warm days ahead, let's get out into the community and make the best of this time. Get out on the water, enjoy a night under the stars, or have family and friends over for a potluck dinner or BBQ, and create a few more memorable moments. I encourage you to stop in at one of the many farm stands to pick-up some fresh corn, and maybe some tomatoes and zucchini for that last minute get together. We are fortunate to live within a robust farming community, so let's show our support by buying local.

I hope you have a safe and happy start to the school year and enjoy the remaining warm sunny days in our beautiful region. As always, if you have questions or concerns with any federal matters, please contact my office at 705-728-2596 or email Doug.Shipley@parl.gc.ca.

# ORR LAKE CURRENTS: SEPTEMBER!

**Orr Lake Ratepayers Association**  
September kicked off with lightning bolts and high winds at Orr Lake, downing trees, overturning boats, and loosening docks from their moorings. Our FB chats were full of lost and found wind-blown items, suggestions for professional tree guys, and a lot of community support and caring. The storm's damage was freaky enough to

get us on the CTV news! The Township of Springwater stepped up to ask Simcoe County to waive the fees at the dump. This should help a little with the cost of disposing debris and might reduce the amount of burning needed at the lake. Several properties had extensive damage. If you have a trailer and don't mind a drive to the dump, please come help out your neighbours with the clean up!

The beginning of September also saw the return of a blue-green algae bloom at the west end of Orr Lake. The waves and rain cleared it out but we all must stay on the lookout. Anyone using the lake should watch out for yellow-green scum on the surface of the water or suspension of particles in the water. If you see something suspicious, report it, do not swim and, especially, keep pets and children out of the affected water. Some blue-green algae blooms are toxic. Because BGA is alive and thriving in Orr Lake, it's a good idea to rinse off after swimming or tubing or skiing. Of course, we also must talk about why the bacteria is blooming and what you can do on your property to help reduce the conditions that produce BGA blooms. Blame warming temperatures and storm runoff and then check your detergents and cleaning agents for phosphates and next time choose a phosphate-free product. Never release grey water from dishwashers and washing machines onto the ground or into the lake.

In better news, the OLRA has been busy distributing the "Handy Guide to Navigating Orr Lake" and canvassing for memberships. We worked hard all August but were unable to meet everyone on watershed properties. Please accept our apologies if we visited and didn't find you home. If you would like a copy of the handbook and would like to become a member of the OLRA, please email us at [orrlakeratepayers@gmail.com](mailto:orrlakeratepayers@gmail.com) and we will get back to you.

OLRA is organizing the Annual General Meeting for Saturday, September 26th, in its traditional location – the Orr Lake Golf Club. There will be a meet and greet at 12:30 and the official business will start at 1pm. We will present the financial report, a summary of the past year's activities, and elect a Board of Directors. We have compiled a list of issues raised during the membership drive for discussion at the AGM and will open the floor



to member ideas for the priorities for the OLRA in the upcoming year. If you have not joined yet, you can get a membership at the AGM. We are looking into the option of making the meeting hybrid so that those not at Orr Lake that day can join in. Watch the Orr Lake Ratepayers Association Facebook Group for more information. The documents for the meeting will be available ahead of the AGM. If you would like a digital copy, please email us at [orrlakeratepayers@gmail.com](mailto:orrlakeratepayers@gmail.com)

This year we are asking members to vote for their favourite Orr Lake bird, tree and flower. There is a request for nominations of species on our FB page, Orr Lake Ratepayers Association. Results will be announced at the AGM. Please help us choose which beauties of the natural world should be featured as expression of our love for the lake.

Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive of our initiatives at Orr Lake. We have a great community here! We hope to see you at the AGM and hear your ideas for ways to protect the health of the lake for all generations. "Lake First, Community Always"!

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# Senior Tiny Times

Hospice Huronia: A Place Where Compassion Lives  
Kim Maticiw, Township of Tiny Senior Advisory Committee

For more than 30 years, Hospice Huronia has been walking alongside individuals and families facing a life-limiting illness. Since opening its doors in 1993, the organization has become an essential part of the North Simcoe community, serving residents of Midland, Penetanguishene, Tay, Tiny, Beausoleil First Nation, and surrounding areas with compassionate care and unwavering support.

Many people think of hospice only as a place for the final days of life, but Hospice Huronia wants the community to know that its support begins much earlier. As a self-referral hospice, individuals and families are encouraged to reach out as soon as a life-limiting illness is diagnosed. Whether someone needs emotional support, practical guidance, respite, or simply someone to listen, Hospice Huronia offers services throughout the journey, not just at the end.

At the heart of the organization is Tomkins House, the six-bed residential hospice that opened in 2020. Designed to feel like a home rather than a hospital, every detail reflects comfort, dignity, and peace. Bright gathering spaces invite families to spend time together, while beautifully maintained gardens offer moments of quiet reflection.

The ribbons sway gently in the breeze, almost as

though they are dancing to music only the heart can hear. Nearby sits the Wind Phone, a quiet place where visitors can speak to someone they have loved and lost. It is a peaceful corner of Hospice Huronia, where grief is met with understanding and every memory is honoured.

Each patient is welcomed with small but meaningful touches. Every bed is covered with a handcrafted quilt donated by local quilters, a reminder that the community itself embraces those who enter its doors.

Behind every service is a dedicated team of 15 full-time staff and more than 100 active volunteers. Trained volunteers visit people in their homes, offering companionship and respite for caregivers through visits of up to three hours. Others lend their talents in the gardens, kitchen, administrative offices, fundraising events, and bereavement programs. Their generosity helps create the warm, welcoming atmosphere for which Hospice Huronia is known.

Support does not end when a loved one dies. Hospice Huronia's bereavement programs continue to walk beside families as they navigate loss. Each summer and winter, memorial gatherings bring the community together to remember those who have passed. Ribbon ceremonies, bubbles released into the sky, sea glass reflections, acoustic music, and a shared barbecue provide opportunities to celebrate lives well lived while finding comfort in the company of others who understand.

Everything Hospice Huronia provides is offered free

of charge, made possible through provincial funding and the remarkable generosity of donors, community partners, and volunteers. Their shared commitment ensures that compassionate end-of-life care is available to everyone who needs it, regardless of financial circumstances.

Hospice Huronia is much more than a building. It is a place where families find comfort, where volunteers give generously of their time, where difficult conversations are met with kindness, and where every life is honoured with dignity.

If you or someone you love is living with a life-limiting illness, don't wait to reach out. The support of Hospice Huronia is available long before the final chapter, helping individuals and families face the journey together with compassion, comfort, and hope.

For more information about services, volunteering, or bereavement programs, contact Hospice Huronia at 705-549-1034 or email: [info@hospicehuronia.ca](mailto:info@hospicehuronia.ca).

The information in this article is provided as a public service by the Township of Tiny Senior Advisory Committee. We invite and welcome your feedback and suggestions on how we can make Senior Tiny Times a valuable information resource for our Seniors.

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# Severn Sound Environmental Association



SSEA Looks to Support Farmers with Stewardship Projects  
The Severn Sound Environmental Association (SSEA) has funding to support farmers in the Severn Sound watershed through the Agriculture & Nature Initiative.

The SSEA will support farmers in creating or enhancing natural features like pollinator habitat, streamside buffers, shelterbelts, tree and shrub plantings, and native grassland. Farmers may be eligible for up to 100% funding to cover project costs, and the SSEA provides site-specific guidance and assistance



After stream restoration, 2003.

with projects from start to finish. This program aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, sequester carbon, and increase ecosystem goods and services.

This project has funding support from the Resilient Agricultural Landscape Program (RALP) – Marginal Lands Initiative administered by Conservation Ontario in partnership with local organizations to assist farmers undertaking larger environmental projects by offering the support and resources needed to implement meaningful changes. This initiative aims to improve marginal areas of farmland, fostering environmental benefits while bolstering productivity.

Farmers in the Severn Sound watershed area and encouraged to reach out for more

information or to discuss potential project ideas. SSEA staff will conduct a site visit and assist with planning, the application process, and project implementation.

For more information, visit our website or contact us directly:

Aleisha Cassidy  
Agriculture and Nature Specialist  
Severn Sound Environmental Association 705-534-7283 | [Acassidy@severnsound.ca](mailto:Acassidy@severnsound.ca)

This project is funded in part by the Governments of Canada and Ontario under the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP), a five-year, federal-provincial-territorial initiative.



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Municipal Act, 2001  
Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules

## SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

**Take Notice** that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on October 29, 2026, at the Township of Tiny Municipal Office, 130 Balm Beach Rd. W., Tiny, Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Township of Tiny Municipal Office, 130 Balm Beach Rd. W., Tiny.

### Description of Lands:

1. Roll No. 43 68 000 010 00600 0000; TINY; PINs 58422-0075 (LT) & 58422-0125 (LT); FIRSTLY: PT N1/2 LT 10 CON 15 TINY AS IN RO1043085; TINY; SECONDLY: PT RDAL BTN CON 15 & 16 TINY BEING PT 10 51R37491 (CLOSED BY BYLAW SC855017); TOWNSHIP OF TINY; File No. 24-04 According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Minimum tender amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_**

2. Roll No. 43 68 000 004 52600 0000; TINY; PIN 58393-0055 (LT); PT LT 23 CON 5 TINY LYING N OF LT 17, PL981 EXCEPT AS IN RO1101585; TINY; File No. 24-07  
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Minimum tender amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_**

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

**Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, availability of road access or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.**

Pursuant to the Prohibition on the Purchase of Residential Property by Non-Canadians Act, S.C. 2022, c. 10, s. 235 (the "Act"), effective January 1, 2023, it is prohibited for a non-Canadian to purchase, directly or indirectly, any residential property, as those terms are defined in the legislation. Contraventions of the Act are punishable by a fine, and offending purchasers may be ordered to sell the residential property.

The municipality assumes no responsibility whatsoever for ensuring bidders/tenderers comply with the Act, and makes no representations regarding same. Prospective bidders/tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and are advised to seek legal advice before participating in this sale.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

TAKE NOTICE: Where a refund is claimed by a qualifying first-time Homebuyer under the Land Transfer Tax Act, the Municipality requires the purchaser to retain legal counsel to complete the transfer.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the website of the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit:  
[www.OntarioTaxSales.ca](http://www.OntarioTaxSales.ca)  
or if no internet access available, contact:

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## SUBMISSIONS

Tiny's Stefan Vidovic Competing for 2026 Youth Athlete of the Year

At just eight years old, Tiny-area athlete Stefan Vidovic is already making his mark across five different sports.

Stefan competes in soccer, hockey, basketball, baseball and tennis, frequently playing alongside and against athletes two or three years older than him. For Stefan, sports are more than just an after-school activity — they are a passion.

When he isn't at an organized practice or game, Stefan can often be found outside working on his skills on his own.

His young athletic career has already produced some memorable moments. In baseball, Stefan helped his team win a championship by turning a double play, while on the soccer field he scored a game-tying goal in extra time.

His father and soccer coach, Aleks Vidovic, nominated Stefan for the 2026 Youth Athlete of the Year competition after watching his dedication and development across all five sports.

"He puts an incredible amount of dedication into everything he does," Vidovic said.

Stefan is now in the running for the 2026 Youth Athlete of the Year title, with public voting currently underway. Community members can cast one free vote each day to support the local athlete.

For more information or to vote for Stefan, visit the Athlete of the Year website and search for Stefan Vidovic.



North Simcoe Springwater News  
Having been born and raised in Orillia, Springwater was the perfect place to begin a family and build a career. It reminded me of home and soon became home, nestled among the trees.

Whenever opportunities allowed, I slipped in the occasional performance on stage or wrote stories. Writing was harder than I imagined, but I persisted, creating stories in a variety of genres. Once I completed my first script, I dove into playwriting.

For many years, my writing was supported by The South Simcoe Theatre (Four Play), as well as by The Barrie Theatre Lab and the Simcoe County Theatre Festival (Theatre by the Bay).

Since then, I have written scripts ranging from ten-minute plays and one-act productions to, most recently, a full-length play.

Inspired by the temperance movement of the 1800s, I wrote Son of a Temperance, a comedy that highlights the perceived evils of drinking alcohol. At the time, more than 5,000 temperance lodges were established across Canada, many of them in Simcoe County. Resources provided by The Simcoe County Archives sparked my imagination and helped bring the story to life.

In 1867, a temperance hall was built in Cookstown. Today, that historic building is home to The South Simcoe Theatre.

To celebrate the theatre's 60th anniversary, Son of a Temperance will receive its national premiere there from September 18 to 20, 2026. It is a lively, distinctly Canadian production.

We'd love to see you there. Bring your funny bone— and click the link below for tickets.

Lori McIntyre  
Playwright



Submitted by Jamie Robillard

The Penetang Kings have served notice that they should be a force to be reckoned with this season in the Provincial Junior Hockey League's Carruthers Division. The Kings played six exhibition games beginning on August 22 winning all six and capturing the Alliston Hornets Pre-Season Tournament in the process.

In their first exhibition game in Wasaga Beach on Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup> the Kings got past the Georgina Ice by a 6-5 score with Lucas Sibley scoring two goals and being named the CompuSOLVE Technologies Player of the game.

Penetang then travelled to Alliston to open the Hornets Tournament on Thursday August 27<sup>th</sup> and faced the Ice again this time coming out on top by a 5-2 score. Alex Sajan scored twice for Penetang while Brody Coe, Brendan Williams and Ryder Thomas added one goal each. Owen Moreau was in net for the Kings.

On Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup> the Kings ran roughshod over the Innisfil Spartans, winning 9-0 with Williams leading the way scoring a hat-trick. Josh Hutton, Ty Hutton, Camryn Hutchinson, Wyndam Brownlee, Owen Clennett and Sajan scored single markers.

Later in the day the Kings offence was again in high gear as they downed the Uxbridge Bruins by a score of 8-1. Ty Hutton counted two Kings goals with Brownlee, Josh Hutton, Coe, Williams, Sajan and Blake Weicker each finding the back of the net once.

On Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> the Kings met the Georgina Ice for the third time in exhibition play in the tournament's semi-finals and this time came out with a decisive victory by a 7-1 score. Alex Sajan powered the attack with four goals and one assist. Hutchinson, Josh Hutton and Ty Hutton, with one goal each rounded out the Kings scoring.

Advancing to the finals on Sunday afternoon the Kings met the host Alliston Hornets and handed the Hornets a 5-1 defeat. Sajan again led the scoring with two markers. Max Geere, Cole Rumbolt and Brownlee had single tallies.



# Penetang Kings Win 6 Straight Exhibition Games and Capture the Alliston Tournament



CompuSOLVE player of the game honours for the Kings over the course of the tournament were: Brendan Williams in the August 27<sup>th</sup> game, Josh Hutton vs Innisfil, Borden Coe against Uxbridge, Alex Sajan in the semi-final win and goaltender Landon Simec in the Championship game.

The Kings now look forward to the start of their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary regular season on Friday September 11 at 8:00 pm at the Penetanguishene Memorial Community Centre when they play host to the Muskoka Bears.

The home opener will see the Kings unveil their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary uniforms and will be preceded by an official opening face-off.

On Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup> the Kings will host Alumni Day as they turn their attention to generations of former King's players who helped build the history behind the purple and gold.

Two back-to-back Alumni games will get underway at 3:30 pm. Admission to the Alumni games is \$5.00 with all proceeds going to the Dylan Gervais Youth Athletics Fund. Then at 8:00 pm the Kings will play host the Huntsville Otters in the Castle.

Penetang will also play one other home game in September on Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> against the Stayner Siskins. The Kings travel to Alliston on Friday September 18<sup>th</sup>.



SPRINGWATER — The Springwater Sports Heritage Induction Ceremony returns Friday, September 25, celebrating the athletes, builders and teams whose dedication, achievements and contributions have helped shape the sporting history of Springwater.

Held every two years, the Induction Ceremony is the official occasion when selected nominees are formally welcomed as Honoured Members of the Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame.

The evening celebrates sporting excellence, perseverance and the lasting impact individuals and teams have had both on the field and within the community.

Preserving Springwater's Sporting Heritage  
Springwater Sports Heritage was established as a non-profit organization governed by a Board to document, preserve and celebrate the rich sporting accomplishments and activities of the Township of Springwater.

# Springwater Sports Heritage to Honour 2026 Inductees

A key part of that mandate is the creation and ongoing development of an internet-based archive dedicated to Springwater's sports heritage. The digital collection is being built to preserve documents, photographs, memorabilia, recordings, statistics, video and other materials connected to the community's sporting history.

The online archive is intended to provide accessible resources for sports fans, researchers and media while ensuring that Springwater's sporting history can be preserved and shared for future generations. The collection will continue to grow as additional historical material is gathered.

Springwater Sports Heritage also recognizes exceptional sporting contributions and achievements through its Hall of Fame. Every two years, the organization ceremoniously inducts two Athletes, two Builders and one Team into the Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame.

The organization also intends to establish at least one physical location where visitors can view the recognition and awards presented to Springwater's inductees.

An Evening of Recognition  
The September 25 ceremony will begin with a 5 p.m. reception, giving inductees, family members, supporters and guests an opportunity to gather, reconnect and share memories before the formal proceedings.

A 6:30 p.m. dinner will follow at the Barrie Country Club's Trillium Room, providing an opportunity for inductees and their families to celebrate their accomplishments surrounded by friends and members of the community.

The official induction ceremony begins at 8 p.m., featuring the presentation of awards and highlights

from the careers and contributions of each inductee. The honourees will formally become members of the Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame.

The 2026 ceremony will be emceed by Dan Clement.

For those unable to attend in person, the ceremony will also be livestreamed in its entirety, allowing friends, family and community members to participate from wherever they are. The livestream link is expected to be made available online 24 hours before the event. The full ceremony will also be archived for future viewing.

Limited Tickets Available

Following ticket distribution to inductees, guests, sponsors and officials, a limited number of tickets have been released to the general public as of September 8.

Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis, with capacity limited.

Those wishing to attend can request tickets by emailing [info@springwatersportsheritage.ca](mailto:info@springwatersportsheritage.ca).

The September 25 event offers the community an opportunity not only to celebrate the 2026 inductees, but also to recognize the broader sporting history of Springwater and the importance of preserving the stories, accomplishments and contributions of those who helped build it.

2026 Induction Ceremony

When: Friday, September 25, 2026

Where: Barrie Country Club, Trillium Room

5 p.m.: Reception

6:30 p.m.: Dinner

8 p.m.: Ceremony and livestream

Emcee: Dan Clement

Dress: Business casual

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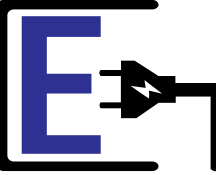
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Bearbells By Leslie Noonan



*September 5, 2026*  
My kayak and I were finally on better terms, and I was not so worried that the vessel would dump me in the water at the slightest movement. I felt ready to tackle a larger river, and so I headed to Edenvale and the Nottawasaga River. The boat launch was suspect,

being a slick downward descent into a muddy riverbank. I was initially impressed with myself for getting my one leg in the kayak without incident, and even more impressed to find myself sitting in the boat, though missing a flip flop that had got sucked off in the mud. A few moments of splashing and not so deft handling of the oars and I managed to grab a hold of the shoe gently floating away down the river. Definitely time to buy some water shoes.

I turned the kayak around and headed upstream. The river was an olive green, with high banks covered in reeds and grasses. Almost immediately the river passes under the highway 26 overpass. Each drip of water off the paddle would echo in the cavernous space. Under the overhang swallows had built mud nest, and they swooped and glided overhead. The sun was bright as I paddled out of the shadows, and the drone of cars followed me along the river. Fields lay on both sides, and cows churned up the banks as they slowly moved down for a drink. A small sand colored shore bird raced a head of me on the mudflats near the shore, looking suspiciously like the endangered piping plover, but sadly I was unable to snap a photo.

Trees replaced the fields, and the banks became steeper. The effects of the spring floods were evident, with overhanging limbs at least ten feet above the water level dangling with dead reeds and grasses. The air under these large maples was cool and still, a relief from the hot sun. The noise from the highway had faded away, leaving only the drone of cicadas. Large trees lay partially submerged in the water, and I was surprised that the local turtles weren't sunbathing. Dragonflies of iridescent blue chased each other over my kayak, alighting briefly before zooming away, sunlight reflecting off their wings. A gently bump nudged my kayak, making me suspect that I was over a downed branch, but the muddy water made it impossible to see more than a few inches. Another bump had visions of giant river creatures waiting to tip me into the murk. There are indeed river monsters in the Nottawasaga river, which is home to the huge river sturgeon, a protected species. I quickly paddled further upriver, convinced that I was about to be dinner.

Up ahead willows hung low over the water, and a small metal boat sat in its shade. A rope ran from a limb to the boat, holding it tight in the current. As I paddled closer, I could see two older gentlemen, on the portly side, filling most of the space in the small boat. Great grey beards and rotund bellies signified a happy retirement, as did the fishing poles dangling in the water. I asked if they had caught anything, and they laughed, "when a day is this beautiful, who cares if we catch anything!". I agreed and wished them well as I continued on my way. One of the men shouted out to me "we would offer you a sandwich, but we already ate them.". I laughed and thanked them for the thought and held up my banana that I had been saving for a peckish moment. With a cheerful wave I paddled on. The river became narrower, and the deadfalls in the river more frequent, often leaving only a small area wide enough for me to paddle through. The water ran fast in these areas, rushing through a sluice between branches. I had to put work into getting up and through these areas and it wasn't long before I decided to turn around and ride the current back to Edenvale.

The power of the river was much more evident and my little kayak picked up surprising speed, which I was enjoying until I came to the deadfalls. It took what little experience I had to avoid being caught up in those tangled branches and I am not sure if the look



on my face was one of maniacal glee or just terror. I sailed through the small sluices feeling like a white-water kayaker, though in truth the sluices were tiny and did not involve anything close to white water. The gentlemen were gone and I had the river to myself, and I enjoyed my banana as the current moved me along. I did have to paddle though, as my ample bottom caused the kayak to turn backwards if I didn't. While the upstream trip had taken close to two hours, in just thirty minutes I was back in Edenvale. Now I just had to land my kayak and get onto the shore without falling on the slippery mud. I tossed my flip flops onto the shore, and gingerly stepped into mud up to mid-calf. Slipping and sliding up the boat launch as I tried to drag that kayak behind me. Here were the gentlemen, also struggling to find traction for their truck as they tried to pull their boat out. Perhaps it was the thought of embarrassing myself in front of these fellows, but with some grunting I managed to haul my kayak up and onto the shore with only a few slips. A quick wave and I was soon back on the road, kayak firmly in place.



ANTEN MILLS By Dennis Gannon

September 11, 2001. Do you remember where you were and what you were doing that day? Tomorrow, Friday, September 11 marks the 25 anniversary when the world as we knew it back then changed. 25 years ago, terrorists took hostages and flew airplanes into the World Trade Centre in New York City killing many innocent people. I remember where I was and what I was doing that morning. There had been an issue with one of our overhead doors at the old Minesing fire hall and I was waiting for the door company to come and fix it. It was a beautiful fall morning and while I was listening to the radio I heard that an airplane had crashed into a building in New York. My initial thought was it must be a small aircraft and wondered why? As the morning progressed more information was being provided and the magnitude of the event was more than expected. What followed changed the world as we knew it forever. There were a few local firefighters I knew who made their way down to New York to help out. Many lives were lost from that event and to this day firefighters are passing away from the effects of the tragedy. Tomorrow please take the time to reflect on what happened, September 11, 2001 and remember those who lost their lives from the events that day and since. Also remember those who still to this day are dying because of what occurred that day.

This Sunday, September 13 is Firefighters' National Memorial Day in Canada. On the second Sunday in September, Canada remembers those firefighters from across the country who have lost their life in the line of duty. We are fortunate that we are served by a local and dedicated group of volunteer firefighters here in our community and extremely fortunate that there has never been a line of duty death. When you see a firefighter, thank them for great work and if you happen to see flags lowered to half mast this weekend you will know why.

At the movie night under the pavilion those who attended were delighted to get to interact with the firefighters who came and provided some public education, let the kids handle a fire hose and check out the trucks. Reports are that this was one of the best attended movie nights and a huge thanks goes out to the Chapman family for hosting and the Springwater firefighters who came and made it an enjoyable experience.

Hopefully you have Saturday, September 26 marked on your calendar and will be attending the annual Anten Mills Craft and Food Fair. The event starts at 10AM and runs until 1PM at the Anten Mills Community Centre, 3985 Horseshoe Valley Rd W in Anten Mills. Kicking off the morning is the Pancake Breakfast. For 2 tonnies, you get 2 pancakes and 2 sausages with the proceeds going to the Elmvale and District Food Bank while supplies last. For lunch, starting at noon, you can sample the chili creations from our local chili artist with your \$5 donation which lets you vote for the one you think is the best. Of course for bragging rights there are awards for the top 3. Throughout the morning you can shop at the more than a dozen vendors who are offering a wide variety of products



none of which are commercially made. There will be baking, home preserves, knitting and quilting along with wood works. The Springwater Library will be there so you can get information on their programs and of course the Anten Mills Community Recreation Association will be on site to answer any questions about the community and the programs and events held. The CRA will also have the latest Anten Mills clothing line on display with a brand new logo for you to order from. It will be one that you will want to wear. So plan on attending and supporting our local artisans and you might walk away with one of the great door prizes that the vendors are giving away. Check out more details on either the Anten Mills Community Bulletin Facebook page or the Anten Mills Artisans Craft Fair facebook page on how to become a vendor or get in on the chili contest.

At this time of the year our local food bank is starting to get low on their shelves. Again this year the Springwater firefighters are doing their part on a Springwater wide food drive. The event is going to be on September 23 during the evening hours. More information will be posted in the future.

A reminder that both Knotty Knitters which is on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 to 3:30 and Thursday night Euchre from eight 7 to 9 both returned this week and everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Finally the CRA will be having a meeting on Tuesday, September 15 at 7PM at the community centre. With a number of events coming up plans need to be finalized and all are welcome to attend.

That's all for this week. THANKS for READING, BE WELL, STAY SAFE and SAY HELLO to YOUR NEIGHBOUR.

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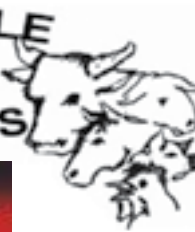
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## Ward 4 Community Update from Councillor Anita Moore

**A New Chapter for the Grenfel Community Centre**  
The Grenfel Community Centre has long been an important gathering place for residents, and it is wonderful to see continued investment in this valued community facility.

Built in 1953, the hall has hosted generations of birthday parties, wedding celebrations, family reunions, euchre games, community meetings and local organizations. In fall 2024, the hall reopened following an extensive renovation of approximately \$125,000. Funded primarily through developer contributions.

Those improvements included a renovated kitchen, new windows, electrical upgrades, new lighting and interior finishes, along with a newly paved driveway. The work transformed the building into a bright, welcoming and functional space while retaining the comfortable, small-community character that makes the Grenfel hall so special.

Most recently, the property has also become home to the Springwater United Soccer Academy. On many evenings throughout the week, approximately 100 to 150 players, families and residents can be seen gathering at the fields. It is wonderful to see so much activity return to this property—the Grenfel Community Centre has once again become a true hub of community life.

Attention has now turned to the covered outdoor rink and pavilion.



At the February 4, 2026 Council meeting, I brought forward a motion directing staff to investigate the rehabilitation of the Grenfel outdoor rink, including replacement of the aging rink boards and fencing and preparation of detailed project costs. I was pleased to see Council support moving this important project forward.

On June 17, Council awarded the project to Athletica Sports Systems for \$168,000 plus HST—\$170,956.80 including recoverable HST. Funding is being provided through the Mick’s Subdivision contribution held in the Township’s Land Acquisition Reserve. No taxpayer dollars were required.

As residents may have already noticed, the old boards and chain-link fencing have now been removed. The project includes the installation of an entirely new dasher-board system and new protective netting.

Once completed, the rink surface will also be painted with lines for four pickleball courts. This will expand the pavilion’s usefulness beyond the winter skating season and create additional recreational opportunities for residents of different ages and abilities.

Our dedicated winter rink volunteers, who work hard

each season to keep the ice surface in fantastic condition, are also looking forward to these improvements. Did you know that the Grenfel Community Centre is the only Township facility with its own outdoor Zamboni? With the help of our volunteers, it is used throughout the winter to maintain the wonderful ice surface enjoyed by residents.

The approximately 50-acre Grenfel Community Park property includes the community hall, covered outdoor rink, two baseball diamonds, a playground, soccer fields and ample parking. Together, these facilities offer tremendous opportunities for community activities, recreation and special events.

We are eagerly anticipating the installation of the new boards and netting and look forward to seeing the completed pavilion. This investment will help ensure that the Grenfel Community Centre remains a safe, welcoming and well-used community space for many years to come.

Councillor Anita Moore  
Ward 4, Township of Springwater

## Jo Knows Nutrition by Joanne Nijhuis



By September, the garden is showing off – and tomatoes are often leading the pack. Months of long, hot summer days have produced a bumper crop of affordable produce. Think juicy tomatoes, crisp vegetables and fragrant herbs, making this one of the best times of year to shop locally and eat seasonally. This Mexican gazpacho puts a twist on the classic

cold soup and is just perfect for this time of year. Packed with vibrant colour, nutrients and flavour, it is an easy dish that captures the very best of the last days of summer.

### Did You Know?

Tomatoes are one of the best sources of heart healthy lycopene, an antioxidant that gives them their bright red colour. A staple in many parts of the world, tomatoes are

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an excellent source of Vitamins C, A, K, B6 and folate and also, a great source of fibre for digestive health.

### INGREDIENTS (6 Servings)

#### Soup

- 6 cups (1500 ml) ripe tomatoes, roughly chopped
- 1½ cups (375 ml) cucumber, roughly chopped
- 1 cup (250 ml) red bell pepper, chopped
- 1 cup (250 ml) red onion, chopped
- 1 small jalapeño, seeded
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- ¼ cup (60 mL) fresh lime juice
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) extra-virgin olive oil
- ½ cup (125 ml) fresh cilantro leaves
- ½ tsp (2.5 mL) ground cumin
- ½ tsp (2.5 mL) salt
- ¼ tsp (1 mL) freshly ground black pepper
- ½ cup (125 mL) cold water, plus more if needed

#### Garnish

- ½ cup (125 ml) finely diced cucumber
- ½ cup (125 ml) diced tomato
- ¼ cup (60 ml) fresh cilantro, chopped
- Lime wedges

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place the tomatoes, cucumber, bell pepper, onion, jalapeño and garlic in a blender or food processor.
2. Add the lime juice, olive oil, cilantro, cumin, salt, pepper and cold water.

3. Blend to the desired texture.

4. Taste and adjust the lime juice, salt and jalapeño to your liking.

5. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours.

6. Serve chilled with a garnish of cucumber, tomato, and fresh cilantro.

### ENJOY!

Per Serving: |Calories: 125 kcal | Carbohydrates: 15 g | Protein: 3 g | Fat: 7 g |Fibre: 4 g | Sodium: 220 mg |

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## Building a Life for All Seasons written by Annie Warner Donnelly



Hello Everyone. With children returning to school, we should be hearing our national anthem sung more and more. “O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free! From

far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.”

The children sing, with glowing hearts that they see Canada rise, the True North strong and free. In this song, they ask God to keep their land glorious and free. In the next breath they sing that they will stand on guard for Canada. How can our children help Canada stay strong and free? How can they stand on guard for Canada?

We can teach them these Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

1. Fundamental Freedoms: The freedom of religion, thought, expression, peaceful assembly, and association.

2. Democratic Rights: Every Canadian citizen has the right to vote in elections and run for public office.

3. Mobility Rights: The right to enter, stay in, or leave Canada, and to move and work in any province or territory.

4. Legal Rights: Protection regarding life, liberty,

and personal security, including the right to a fair trial and presumption of innocence.

5. Equality Rights: The right to equal treatment and protection under the law without discrimination based on race, religion, age, sex, or disability. (<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/how-rights-protected/guide-canadian-charter-rights-freedoms.html>)

The next step is to teach them how these rights and freedoms apply to their lives at home, at church, in their school while they are in class and on the playground. When each person feels protected and lives free from discrimination based on race, religion, age, sex, or disability, a country provides a glorious environment where, indeed, freedom thrives. At the heart of such freedom, abides a Divine love.

Let’s remember these words from O Canada’s fourth verse: “Help us to find, O God in Thee, a lasting rich reward, as waiting for the better day, we ever stand on guard.” Amen.

## Community Update from Ward 1 Councillor Matt Garwood

Hello Springwater residents. I’m pleased to share updates on recent council decisions, community events, and improvements that are shaping our community. My goal with these columns is to inform, not to offer opinions, so you can stay connected with what’s happening in Springwater.

### Elmvale Arena LED Video Board:

Council received a proposal from Kent Fay to donate and fund an LED video board at Elmvale Arena. The Township will provide the required site infrastructure and building upgrades. A formal agreement will set out responsibilities for operation, maintenance, safety, content, sponsorships, and future costs. Thank you, Kent!

### Draft Fence and Pool Enclosure By-law:

Council reviewed an updated draft Fence and Pool Enclosure By-law. The draft will return to the September 16 Council meeting for approval. It would set standards

for fence height, placement, materials, and maintenance, with an effective date of January 1, 2027.

### Queen Street East/Shaw Street Seasonal Traffic Calming Pilot:

In response to concerns about speeding, aggressive driving, and pedestrian safety, Council directed staff to assess traffic conditions on Queen Street East and Shaw Street in Elmvale. Staff will collect data and report back next year with options and costs for a possible seasonal traffic-calming pilot.

### Orr Lake Storm Resolution:

Council requested that the County of Simcoe waive landfill disposal fees for storm-related trees and brush from Orr Lake properties affected by the September 1–2 storm. This would help residents manage and dispose of storm debris if the County approves the request.

### Arena Project Updates:

Dehumidification Project: The project approved in the 2026 Budget is about 70% complete, with visible improvements already evident in the facility.

New Electric Ice Resurfacer: The Township’s new electric ice resurfacer has arrived. It will eliminate carbon monoxide emissions in the Arena, improve public and staff health and safety, reduce the facility’s environmental footprint, and provide a more efficient, lower-cost energy source for ice resurfacing.

New Paint and Signage: Fresh paint and new signage have been added throughout the Arena, giving the space a refreshed and welcoming look. A big thank you to the Elmvale Arena staff for their hard work, dedication, and continued efforts to enhance this important community space for residents and visitors.



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**The Minesing  
Swamp corduroy  
road, a lost cannon  
and a lost anchor**

The last 800 metres of the portage trail proceeding from the Historic Fort Willow to the Willow Landing was an arduous trek through the mire and muck of the Minesing Swamp thick with cedars and tamarack barely a few feet wide. To delineate the narrow trail, trees on either side would have been blazed.

After a days long march from Kingston, the British military arrived in February 1814 during the War of 1812. There was no way they could utilize the portage path through the swamp considering the goals they were asked to achieve. The trail had to be widened, straightened and the ground reinforced to allow heavy ox cart loads and wagons to travel the distance repeatedly from the Willow Creek Depot (now named the Historic Fort Willow) to the Willow Landing on the Willow Creek.

Approximately 8 to 10 feet wide, a corduroy road was built by felling trees and laying the logs side by side, over the swamp so that wagons, horses, and people could pass without sinking. In a place like Minesing Swamp, that would have meant creating a rough timber causeway over the wet ground rather than trying to build a raised dirt road.

Teams of soldiers and labourers cleared the Minesing Swamp forest of approximately 5,000 trees in a wide swath extending from the eastern escarpment to the Willow Creek. At least two layers of cedar and tamarack logs were laid down in the morass. A third layer would have been used in exceptionally wet areas or during later maintenance. The former zig zagging trail was straightened in usual British Military style and a supply depot was erected at the Willow Landing to house important things like gunpowder prior to shipment along the waterways.

Looking out from nearly 400 feet of defensive entrenchments dug along the top of the escarpment at Fort Willow, a soldier would have seen all the way to Willow Landing. The land either side of the corduroy road was a wide open area of tree stumps and debris. No American forces would have dared an approach given the wide open land visible from such strategic height.

Evidence of the corduroy road still exists. A check of satellite imagery from Google Maps shows the definite outline of the former corduroy road because the logs are still in the ground and vegetation grows differently over them. In October 2023, four adventurers decided to walk the path of the old corduroy road. Some amount of slugging it out through the dense swamp vegetation and numerous water holes later, they came upon an unusual landscape feature. An area presented itself like a bowling alley devoid of tall vegetation while lined on both sides with trees. The



corridor pointed in the right direction. They tested the ground at various spots and found logs about 6-8" down.

The corduroy road ended at today's Black Creek which once was the eastern loop of the Willow Creek. Severe storms over 200 years had changed the route of the Willow Creek. As for any evidence of structures at the former Willow Landing, none was found either on the overland trip or a later canoe trip.

Rumours exist of significant things lost in the Minesing Swamp along the corduroy road. They are of a cannon weighing around 2,700 pounds and a huge ship anchor weighing about 4,000 pounds, both destined for naval use on the Upper Great Lakes.

In July 1967, military personnel from Base Borden used metal locators in an attempt to find the two objects. They did not locate them.

That same year in August, Captain Bob Dallison of CFB Borden interviewed an old man named Chas. McNiven who investigated the area circa 1904-1910. Dallison made the following notes; " Cannon: He said he saw it several times. The bore was 5". The length is about 6'. It was resting on something - possibly a large wooden roller. The butt end was sinking into the ground, as a result the muzzle was tilted up. He saw the cannon several times."

A local man reported to me that one of his ancestors used to play in the swamp with friends circa 1925 sitting

on the protruding part of the cannon.

As for the anchor, Dallison recorded; "Anchor: He saw the anchor twice. He said the same as the one at Holland Landing. The first time he saw it, it was 5' above ground. Two years later it was only 3'." Considering the speed in which it sank, it is easy to understand why the anchor disappeared completely from sight.

Captain Dallison attempted to draw a map of the location of both objects. Unfortunately, the map is fanciful at best and cannot be used to find the objects.

Perhaps one future day, a concerted effort will be made to locate the lost anchor and the cannon. It could be done employing a large group of metal detectorists walking the swamp or employing sensitive electromagnetic imaging equipment, most likely from the air.

Should the objects be located, they will make an excellent addition to the landscape at the Historic Fort Willow.

Dieter Mueller



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# Conflict of Interest Proceeding Raises Questions as Springwater Heads Toward Election

Kari Belcourt North Simcoe Springwater News

A legal proceeding under Ontario's Municipal Conflict of Interest Act involving Springwater Mayor Jennifer Coughlin was mentioned during the September 2 meeting of Springwater Township Council, raising questions about what it could mean as residents prepare to vote.

Councillor Phil Fisher asked for clarification after Council received correspondence advising that Coughlin had been served with a proceeding under the Act.

According to CAO Ainsworth, if an elected official is ultimately found to have contravened the legislation, possible consequences can include losing their seat, potentially resulting in a by-election.

The correspondence provided to Council contained limited information about the allegations or who initiated the proceeding.

Public information now circulating indicates the proceeding concerns Coughlin's participation in the July 8 Council meeting. Allegations include a claim that she failed to declare a conflict and participated in discussion of a matter in which she was required to refrain from participating.

However, there is disagreement over that characterization noting she stated a conflict at the beginning of the meeting. Public comments supporting Coughlin have pointed to the July 8 meeting recording and stated that she did declare a conflict. Public information also identifies the person initiating the proceeding as a candidate in the current election.

The News has not independently verified the complete court filing or all documents circulating publicly. The allegations remain unproven.

Fisher says he had little information

Fisher said he raised the issue because residents had begun assuming he had inside knowledge.

"I have like zero knowledge," Fisher told the News.

"It was an email that was sent from the clerk to all of us, and it was very vague."

He said his purpose was to understand the potential implications and noted that consequences under the Act can include removal from office or being prohibited from running for office.

Fisher said his own research indicated the proceeding had been accepted by the courts.

"It is a very real thing," he said.

His comments reflect his understanding of the process and are not a finding that the allegations have been proven.

Councillor Matt Garwood took a different approach, defending Coughlin while warning against formal complaints or legal processes being used as political tools.

"When a candidate puts their name forward for office, I believe they do so with the best of intentions, to serve their community, regardless of their policies or political positions," Garwood said.

"These processes should never be weaponized to intimidate, silence, or undermine someone, particularly during an election," he added.

Garwood said political attacks and the use of formal processes should not discourage people from stepping forward to serve.

"Political games, personal attacks, and weaponizing formal processes do nothing to encourage good people to step forward," he said. "Quite frankly, our community is tired of it."

He ultimately expressed his support for Coughlin.

"Our role as elected officials is to listen to the advice provided by qualified experts, consider the information before us, and make decisions in the best interests of our community," Garwood said. "That is what Mayor Coughlin did, and that is why I fully stand by her."

Councillors urge caution

Councillors Danielle Alexander, Anita Moore and

George Cabral all urged caution in interpreting the proceeding.

Alexander said she had no additional information and did not believe it was appropriate to characterize legitimate legal or accountability processes as "lawfare" without evidence.

Moore said accountability remains essential, but the matter should proceed through the appropriate legal process. She acknowledged that the election-year timing could raise questions, but said timing alone does not establish motive.

Cabral similarly emphasized that an allegation is not a finding.

"Making an allegation doesn't mean someone has been found to have done anything wrong," Cabral said. "Whether there was a contravention is what the legal process is there to determine."

He said the court record is the appropriate source for information about the application.

"An election doesn't suspend accountability legislation, nor does it take away someone's right to use a process that the law provides," he said.

Standing Through the Political Fire

The current proceeding does not exist in isolation.

Coughlin has faced an Integrity Commissioner finding, a contentious debate over sanctions, a 90-day suspension of the mayor's remuneration, continuing disagreements within Council and now a court proceeding that could potentially affect her political future.

The July 8 meeting at the centre of the current dispute was itself part of an earlier controversy involving an Integrity Commissioner finding concerning Coughlin's comments about developer Mario Giampietri and the Midhurst Landowners Group.

The commissioner recommended a reprimand, while Council ultimately imposed a 90-day suspension of remuneration.

That history does not determine whether the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act was followed. That question belongs to the court. But it provides important context for the political pressure Coughlin has faced.

She has continued to serve through a turbulent political period involving growth, development, taxation, Strong Mayor Powers, the proposed Barrie boundary adjustment and the direction of the Township itself.

She has faced criticism from within Council, public scrutiny and multiple complaints and investigations.

That does not place her above accountability. Nor should public office make anyone immune from legitimate questions or legal scrutiny.

But accountability and political punishment are not necessarily the same thing.

A complaint is not a finding. An allegation is not proof. A legal proceeding is not a conviction. Political disagreement is not, by itself, evidence of wrongdoing.

Whatever residents may think of Coughlin's decisions or leadership, the past several months have placed her under considerable pressure.

Standing in the middle of that kind of political fire requires resilience.

The courts will determine the legal question before them.

Springwater voters will ultimately determine the political one.

Lawfare in Springwater?

The current dispute also sits within a much longer history of political disagreement in Springwater.

The Township has long experienced divisions over growth, water protection, recreational facilities, property development and municipal servicing, including the longstanding North-South divide.

Those disagreements have at times extended into formal complaints and Integrity Commissioner investigations.

Township records show Integrity Commissioner

matters involving elected officials predate the current Council.

In September 2021, Council considered an Integrity Commissioner report regarding then-Mayor Don Allen. In June 2024, Council considered another report involving Mayor Jennifer Coughlin and Councillor Phil Fisher.

On July 8, 2026, Council considered two separate Integrity Commissioner reports involving Councillor Matt Garwood and Mayor Coughlin.

The history does not establish that the complaints are connected or that they share a common motive. It does, however, raise a broader question about why political discourse in Springwater so frequently becomes contentious.

The word "lawfare" has now entered the local political conversation, with some arguing formal complaints and legal proceedings can become political weapons, particularly during an election.

Others reject that characterization, arguing accountability mechanisms exist so concerns can be independently examined.

Both perspectives deserve consideration.

Formal accountability processes should not be dismissed simply because they occur during an election. At the same time, the existence of a legal proceeding does not make an allegation true.

The larger question may be whether Springwater's political disagreements have become increasingly institutionalized through complaints, investigations and legal challenges — or whether those processes simply demonstrate that residents and elected officials have mechanisms available when they believe rules have been breached.

That is a question worth examining.

What happens next?

The proceeding is now moving through the legal process, with further details potentially becoming available through the court record.

What is clear is that a proceeding has been initiated under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act concerning Coughlin's conduct during municipal decision-making.

Whether the alleged conduct amounts to a contravention is ultimately a matter for the court.

For Springwater voters, the proceeding adds another layer to an already closely watched municipal election — but the legal matter itself remains for the courts to determine.





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Library Board Open Houses

Are you interested in joining the Springwater Library Board? Committee applications are now open on the Township of Springwater's website, [www.springwater.ca](http://www.springwater.ca). Come and chat with our current board at an open house. All open houses will run from 6:30pm-8pm.

Thursday September 10, Minesing Branch  
Monday September 14, Midhurst Branch  
Tuesday September 15, Elmvale Branch  
Storytime at the Library

Join Kaitlyn (Elmvale and Minesing Branch) and Katie (Midhurst Branch) for weekly Storytime in the library! We will be singing songs, reading stories and having fun! At the end of each Storytime program, families can take home a free craft! Mondays 10:30am at Elmvale Branch, Tuesdays 10:30am at Minesing Branch and Wednesdays 10:30am at Midhurst Branch. No registration required for this drop-in program.

After School Open Play

Every Thursday come in for our open play session. Games, toys, LEGO and colouring are all available to use with friends and family. All ages are welcome to join in the fun! Thursdays 3:30pm at Minesing Branch. No registration required for this drop-in program.

Tech Help for Seniors

With new technology being released daily, it can be hard to keep up! Sign up for an appointment for seniors to receive one-on-one tech help. Bi-weekly Thursdays

Elmvale Branch (705) 322-1482  
Midhurst Branch (705) 737-5650  
Minesing Branch (705) 722-6440

**VISIT US TODAY!**

3pm-5pm (40 minute appointments) at Elmvale Branch. Cost: Free. Registration required.

Home Children Canada Presentation

Did you know that over 100,000 children came to Canada from Britain between 1869 and 1948? They came to work on Canadian farms which they were never prepared for, and many were treated poorly.

There were Home Children here in Springwater Township! Over 4 million Canadians today are descended from Home Children, yet their story is not often told. Lori Oschefski from the Home Children Canada organization will share their stories and legacy. Saturday September 12, 1pm at Midhurst Branch. Registration required.

Creative Adults: Mandala Painting

Join our Creative Adults program and dive into a colourful world of self-expression; no experience needed! Tuesday September 15, 2pm at Elmvale Branch. Cost \$10.00. Registration required.

Rainbow Book Club

The Rainbow Book Club meets every other month to socialize and discuss the LGBTQIA+ books of the month. This group has a large age range and generally reads adult fiction. September books options include: Dream On Ramona Riley by Ashley Herring Blake or Hijab Butch Blues by Lamya H. Tuesday September 22, 6pm at Elmvale Branch. No registration required.

Family Boo-k Box

**Penetanguishene Library**

**24 Simcoe Street 705-549-7164 [www.penetanguishene.library.on.ca](http://www.penetanguishene.library.on.ca)**

Library Crawl

This Weekend is your last chance to join in on the Library Crawl!

Join the Penetanguishene Public Library for the 2026 Library Crawl from June 1st to August 31st. Present all six library cards at the Penetanguishene Public Library circulation desk by Friday September 4th to be entered into a draw for two (2) passes to Ripley's Aquarium (\$100.00 value). Participating libraries; Clearview Public Library, Essa Public Library, Ramara Public Library, Severn Public Library, Springwater Public Library, Tay Township Public Library. Please contact libraries for hours. One card per library is required - not per branch.

We are Hiring!

The Penetanguishene Public Library is looking is currently seeking a person to fill the position of casual/ on call assistant librarian position. Check out our social media for more information.

The deadline is September 11th 2026 at 5pm.

Paint 'n Sip with the Baked Painter at the Penetanguishene Public Library

Tuesday September 15th, 2026, 4:00pm-6:00pm

Enjoy the Baked Painter's signature virgin margarita, as you paint a lighthouse picture. Members \$35, non-Members \$40. A minimum of 5 people is required to run the program.

211 @ the Penetanguishene Public Library – Thursday September 17th, 10:30am – 11:30am

Join 211 for an information session at the Penetanguishene Public Library. 211 is a three-digit dialing code (like 911) answered by Community Navigators to help people access needed

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Midland Public Library

Midland Public Library is hosting an

**All Candidates MEETING**

Where: Bourgeois Community Centre

When: Thursday, October 8, 2026

Time: 6:30 pm - Doors open  
7:00 pm - Introductory statements  
8:00 pm - Moderated question period  
9:30 pm - End of meeting

This event is open to the general public.

We look forward to having you!

Sign up and receive a Family Book Box filled with crafts and cool freebies! This month's Family Book Boxes have the theme of Halloween and include a witch wreath craft. Each box will contain two picture books (please return these books to the library as they are part of our collection), a craft to make together, surprise stack of free items that may include stickers, treats and more! This program will run bi-monthly at all three branch locations in October, December, February, April and June. Boxes can be picked up the 1st of the month (Thursday October 1). Cost: Free. Registration required.

Zoombini Club

Join the Zombini Club this October to strengthen your coding, teamwork, and pattern recognition skills! Children ages 6+ can create their own unique Zoombini friends, and participate in fun team-building activities to help their Zoombinis travel from Zoombini Isle to Zoombiniville. This club is well-suited for neurodivergent minds, but everyone is welcome to join! Saturdays October 3, 17, 24 and 31 from 10:30am-11:30am at Elmvale Branch. Cost: Free. Registration required by September 14.



| Indigenous | Plant     | Usage | Talk  | with   |
|------------|-----------|-------|-------|--------|
| Shawn      | Corbiere  | of    | Parks | Canada |
| Tuesday,   | September |       | 22,   | 3:00PM |

Join Shawn Corbiere to find out more about traditional Indigenous plan usage, celebrating Indigenous Art and Culture Week! Please register at [midlandlibrary.com](http://midlandlibrary.com).

| The Silencing Movie | Talk and Snacks |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Wednesday,          | September       |
|                     | 23,             |
|                     | 5:30PM          |

Join Midland Public Library for a Movie Talk & Snack featuring The Silencing. Enjoy an engaging discussion with consultant Shawn

Corbiere, who contributed to the production. Gain unique behind-the-scenes insight and perspectives on the film's themes while connecting with others in a relaxed, welcoming setting. Snacks will be provided. Please register at [midlandlibrary.com](http://midlandlibrary.com).

| Virtual  | Visit     | with | Bob | Joseph |
|----------|-----------|------|-----|--------|
| Tuesday, | September |      | 22, | 6:00PM |

Join us in person at Midland Public Library, or online. Hosted by Simcoe Reads champion Nahanni Born, Bob Joseph will virtually visit the Midland Public Library and Simcoe Reads participants for an author talk on his book, 21 Things You May Not Know about the Indian Act. Please register at [midlandlibrary.com](http://midlandlibrary.com). With thanks to the Heart of Georgian Bay Community Forward Fund.



Community Events Ongoing

SENIOR CLUBS

- Askennonia Seniors Centre**  
Rec. Centre, 527 Len Self Blvd, Midland  
P: (705) 526-7609
- Bay Shore Seniors' Club**  
2000 Tiny Beaches Road S., Woodland Beach  
Call 705-361-1331 or info@bayshoreseniors.ca
- Georgian Shores Seniors Club**  
The Place, 300 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny  
Call 705 526 5074 or gssseniors2016@rogers.com

**MONDAY**  
**Elmvale Seniors Drop In**  
Elmvale Library Lower Level  
10 am - 12 noon  
Call Lynn for info, 705.322.3309  
**Midland Jam**  
Free Admission, Show 7:00, Doors 6:30  
**Bid Euchre**  
**Elmvale Community Hall 1 pm - 4 pm**  
Call Anne for details 705-322-1232  
**Georgian Shores Seniors Club**  
Billiards/Pool, 9:00 – 11 am  
Seniors in Motion Fitness, 10:00 – 11:00 am  
Hustle and Muscle, 11:30 – 12:30 pm  
Bid Euchre, 1 – 3:30 pm  
**Askennonia Seniors Centre**  
Table Tennis, 9am-11am  
Yoga, 9am-10am  
Line Dancing Advancing, 9:15am-10:30  
Fun Fit Circuit, 9:15am-10:15am  
Coffee Break, 10:00am-12pm  
Chair Pilates, 10:30am-11:30am  
Intro to Line Dancing- Baby Steps, 10:30am-11am  
Walking Club, 11am-12pm  
Line Dancing Basic, 11am-12pm  
Hand and Foot Card Game, 1pm-3:30pm  
Writers Workshop, 1pm-3:30pm

**Bay Shore Seniors Club**  
Bingo - Starts July 6th  
Kids Start at 1:00 pm  
Adults Start at 7:30

**TUESDAY**  
**Askennonia Seniors Centre**  
Pickleball, 9am-12pm  
Cardio Drums Alive, 9am-10am  
Quilting, 9am-12pm  
Watch Clinic, 10am-12pm  
Photography Club, 10am-12pm first  
Tuesday of every month  
Dart Club, 10am-12pm  
Zumba Toning, 10:30-11:30  
Circle of Friends, 1:30pm-2:30pm

**Bay Shore Seniors Club**  
Bay Shore Mini Putt, Members Only  
May 19 - Aug 25 8:30 - 10:00 am  
Skull Island 104 Main Street Wasaga Beach

EVENTS

**Beach**  
Weekly hikes Wednesday at 9:30 am from various locations, year round. Both levels of hikes offered, intermediate and easy. Snowshoeing in winter. Please contact Lorraine at 416-606-5081 or lorvanvlymen@gmail.com for information.

**Ganaraska Hiking, Barrie Club**  
Start: Feb. 25, 2026 10:00  
End: May. 27, 2026 10:00  
Location: Various locations  
Description: Guided forest hikes every Wednesday as detailed in the GHTA website calendar.

**THURSDAY**  
**Jam Night Elmvale Palace**  
Thursdays at 9 am-1am  
13 Queen St. W, Elmvale

Euchre - 7 pm  
Elmvale Legion

**Askennonia Seniors Centre**  
Zumba, 9am-10am  
Pickleball, 9am-12pm  
Men's Shed, 10am-12pm  
Cardio Drums Alive, 10:15am-11:15am  
Chair Pilates, 10:30am-11:30am  
Writers Circle, 1pm-3pm  
Uke and Guitar Jam, 1pm-3pm

**Bay Shore Seniors Club**

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

**Georgian Shores Seniors Club**  
Billiards/Pool, 9:00 – 11 am  
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

**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.

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

**Wasaga Beach Parkinson's Support Group**  
1st Thursday of each month 12:30-2:00 p.m.  
Wasaga Beach Public Library 544 River Rd W, Wasaga Beach

**FRIDAY**  
**Palace Tavern Elmvale BINGO**  
**Karaoke 8:30 pm** Every Friday  
13 Queen St W, Elmvale

**Bay Shore Seniors' Club**

Pool/Billiards - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Wood Carving - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Georgian Shores Seniors Club**  
Billiards/Pool, 9:00 – 11 am  
Table Tennis, 9:30-11:30 am  
3rd Bingo & Lunch: 12 noon – 3:30 pm  
TGIF social, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

**Askennonia Seniors Centre**  
Knit'n Needles, 9am-12pm  
Cardio Drums Alive, 9am-10am  
Pickleball, 9am-11:30am  
Badminton, 9:30am-11:30am  
Qi Gong, 9am-10am  
Tabata, 9am-10am  
Chair Zumba, 11:10am-12pm  
Card Making, 1pm-3pm  
Musicians Jam Circle, 1pm-3pm

**WEEKENDS**  
**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), 7 John Street Elmvale

**Midland Ganaraska Hiking Trail Club**  
Meets **Sat and Sun**, snowshoe, go camping or enjoy nature outings led by qualified hike leaders. Check the hike schedule on https://ganaraska-hiking-trail.org/?page\_id=13455. For information contact Kris 705-435-8593.

**Ganaraka Hiking Club-Wasaga Beach**  
Weekly Sunday hikes at 1:30 pm in the Wasaga Beach Prov Park from Ansley Drive. Please contact Lorraine at 416-606-5081 or lorvanvlymen@gmail.com for information.

**MONDAY to FRIDAY**

**North Simcoe Bridge and Games Club**  
Brooklea Golf and Country Club  
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 northsimcoebridge@gmail.com.

**Barrie/Kempfenfelt Probus Club**  
Social Club for retired seniors  
Monthly Meetings: 10:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.  
Third Thursday of every month  
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FREE EVENTS PAGE  
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Special Events One Time

**Elmvale Legion**  
Line Dancing is Back at the Elmvale Legion starting in June, below are the dates for dancing, all are welcome, cost is \$5.00 for each night and all starts at 7 pm.  
Tuesday, September 8th  
Tuesday, September 22nd  
Tuesday, October 13th  
September 15th - Trivia Night @ 7 pm, \$5.00 admission  
Sunday, September 20 - One Day Only - SingoBingo, 2-4 pm; \$5.00  
Friday, September 25th - Dance Featuring the Black Jacks @ 8 pm, doors open at 7:30; \$5.00 admission

**Music Marathon**  
Oct. 03, 2026 10:00- 3:00  
Midhurst United Church 91 Doran Road, Midhurst, ON  
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**Calling all Book Worms--Lesley Crewe live ZOOM presentation**  
Sep. 29, 2026 11:00-12:30  
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**Music Marathon**  
Oct. 03, 2026 10:00-4:00pm  
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- 30 Puts into service
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- 36 Intense
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**ROSS, Donna Jean**

Passed away peacefully with her family by her side at Campbell House Hospice in Collingwood on Thursday, August 20, 2026. Donna Ross (nee Madill) of Wasaga Beach in her 84th year. Beloved wife of John Ross. Dear mother of Robert Murphy of Kingston, Bradley (Jennifer) Murphy of Kingston, Scott (Brenda) Murphy of Elmvale, and the late James Murphy. Step-mother of Michael Ross and Lorna Harrison of Thunder Bay. Cherished grandmother of 9. Donna will be sadly missed by her brother, sisters, brothers-in-law, sister-in-law, nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations in Donna's memory may be made to the Cancer Society or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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# HEY DADS!

Hey Dads! Have you hosted a birthday party lately? Maybe your kids are older and those parties and games are behind you. Maybe your kids are still young and get excited about balloons. With 10 kids in our home we have a birthday almost every month. Sometimes no party, sometimes just some family over, sometimes a multiple-group-birthday party.

A few weeks ago we had a party for Arrow, our 8th child, for his 8th birthday. He had a list of friends he wanted to invite. If you've been around 8-year-old boys you're probably familiar with LEGO, Nerf guns, and water guns. Arrow's party had all of those things and more. As we got ready for the big event there were buckets being filled with water, tables being moved outside and children climbing trees and ladders to hang balloons for a game. I was not informed about this balloon hanging and popping game until the party started and my patient wife instructed me to go facilitate the balloon popping game. It was a simple game for a simple man so I got right to it.

Along with Nerf guns there are these other Nerf Vortex things that you may have seen. They are like a small foam football with a tail and fins. You throw the projectiles (like a football), the tail fins keep it straight (like an arrow), and sometimes they make a whistling sound (like a whistle). We picked a few up at the dollar store for the balloon popping game. The rules, as previously stated, were quite simple. Throw the vortex-football missile at the balloons hanging in the tree and pop as many as you can.

We had not tested this game so the results were less

than optimal. Yes, a few balloons popped but not too many. We need sharper football things! This was the moment for dad to shine. Throwing sharp objects happens to be one of my favorite things to do (and I watch Dude Perfect vids on YouTube with the kids). We needed thumbtacks! Tape them to the front of the football things with the points sticking out and let the popping proceed! Did we have any thumbtacks? No! Did we have staples? Yes! And they worked almost as good...until they fell off into the grass somewhere (We'll look for them later. Wear shoes kids.). Birthday boy Arrow brought some toothpicks out and had the genius idea to jam them into the foamy front end of the football things. Great idea! Balloons were popping. Since I was the guy standing by the balloons returning the football things to the kids I had to really keep my head in the game. For now it was an extreme sport of avoiding getting impaled by pointy projectiles. The new system wasn't completely foolproof. Tiny wood toothpicks may snap when they slam into tree trunks but by this point most of the balloons were popped and kids were wandering off to play other games and such.

It was a great birthday, dad! Maybe there's something you can toss around the yard with the kids. I don't recommend sharp, pointy objects but a regular football or baseball would suffice. Time flies, dad! Make every moment count! Even the pointy ones.

Jason Weening tries to avoid injury when his 10 kids and one patient wife throw things at him. Read more in his book, "Yes, Dear...I'm Watching Them" on Amazon.



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**West Waterfront** - Imagine a diverse landscape offering opportunities for both fun and relaxation linked by a roomy boardwalk that encourages activities in all seasons.

**Discovery Corridor** - Imagine a series of places to enjoy the natural wonders of Wasaga and learn about the region's history, connected by pedestrian bridges and pathways.

**Main End** - Imagine the energetic heart of Wasaga Beach, where hotels, entertainment, restaurants, shops, markets, and festivals will bring life to the streets and open spaces throughout the week and in all seasons.

**The Point** - Imagine ongoing environmental protection and stewardship that will enhance the setting for eco-tourism and new park facilities and programming.

**Main Street Corridor** - Imagine a mixed-use spine and neighbourhood where clusters of commercial uses extend the vibrancy of Main End into the heart of downtown.

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