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On October 12, 2007, the provincial government established Family Day on the third Monday in February, to be first observed on February 18, 2008. Its creation raised Ontario's number of statutory holidays to nine per year.

Governments in the remaining jurisdictions without February holidays have come under some pressure to MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 harmonize. Ontario's enactment of Family



Day has meant the Canadian financial sector, including the Toronto Stock Exchange, largely shuts down on this date. In 2008, federal NDP leader Jack Layton proposed that it be made a federal holiday. Not being a federal holiday, federally regulated workplaces (such as the post office) work on Family Day regardless of the day's status in the respective provinces.

#### **Heritage Day**

Nationally, the third Monday in February has sometimes been celebrated as Heritage Day. This is not an official national holiday nor is it observed by the federal government. However, it is observed by some in celebration of the country's collective history, architecture, and cultural heritage.

Heritage Day was created in 1973 by the Heritage Canada Foundation in order to preserve and promote Canada's historical, natural, and architectural heritage. Each year, Heritage Canada chooses a different theme for the Heritage Day celebrations. These celebrations can also be week-long, beginning with the third Monday of February, in which case it is known as Heritage Week. Several attempts have been made since 1973 to try and make Heritage Day a statutory holiday, but to no avail. The federal government does, however, celebrate **National Flag Day** annually on February 15, but it is not a holiday.

## **Town Reminds Dog Owners To License** Their Pets Before March 15 Deadline

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to remind all residents that the deadline for dog licensing is March 15, 2024. All dog owners, whether residing in the community full-time or seasonally, are required to license their pets by this date. To purchase a dog licence, please complete the Dog Licence Application Form and return the completed form to By-law Enforcement by email or in person at Town Hall. www.thebluemountains.ca

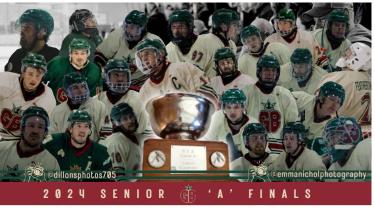
Residents who complete the online application can pick up their tags at Town Hall. Dog tags are used in the event that a licensed dog is found at large. Licensing fees also support initiatives such as feeding and sheltering stray dogs, providing emergency medical care for sick or injured stray dogs and immunization control and enforcement.

In addition to the licensing reminder, the municipality would like to inform residents about the leash regulations in place when utilizing Town parks and trails. With the exception of the designated dog parks at Moreau Park and Heritage Park, all dogs must be leashed when not on their owner's property. Violations of this by-law may result in a \$300 fine plus associated costs. Furthermore, failing to pick up dog excrement in public areas carries a \$75 fine plus costs.

"There has been an increase in incidents regarding unleashed dogs in the Town," explains Debbie Young, Interim Manager of By-law and Licensing. "We want all residents and their pets to be able to enjoy our parks and trails safely. In response, there will be an increased presence of by-law enforcement patrolling our recreational areas."

By-Law Enforcement, Town of The Blue Mountains

(519) 599-3131 ext. 249



## **Senior A Playoffs Update Georgian Bay Applekings**

We would like to start off by thanking you for an amazing show of support through the highs and the lows of the 2023-24 regular season. Your support has helped us grow on and off the ice and the guys on the team love to play in front of the home crowd! Thank you!

We would also like to provide an update on where we stand in the Senior A Playoffs. We are currently sitting in 1st place in the round robin after a two win weekend last week. We are looking ahead to this weekend with two more games against Lucknow and Milverton as we strive to clinch a spot in the Senior A Championship.

Feb 17, 7:30 pm Georgian Bay Applekings @ Lucknow Feb 18, 2:00pm Georgian Bay Applekings @ Milverton

Just a reminder that for the finals, the season tickets are no longer valid. We have new ticket prices for the playoffs: Adults \$10, Children (11-17) \$5, Seniors (60+) \$5 and Children (10 & Under) Free.

We look forward to seeing you all out to support us in the final home games of the season and thank you again for all of your support this season!

We are also looking forward to 2024-25 and the improvements we will make on and off the ice to create a better product for the fans!

Mackenzie Fleming, Co-President

Georgian Bay Applekings Senior Hockey Club 705.606.5012

## **Reduced Load Restrictions in Effect** March 1st

oad Restrictions

Please be advised that half-load restrictions come into effect on March 1, 2024 for a variety of roads within the Town of The Blue Mountains, pursuant to By-Law No. 2010-54. Where Axle Weight Restrictions signs are in place, the By-Law is in full force and effect.

Half-load restrictions may be extended beyond May 31, 2024, depending on weather and road conditions. A detailed map has been produced to highlight the impacted roads. The roads highlighted in red are subject to half-load restrictions when Axle Weight Restrictions signs are in place.

View Map of Locations - www.thebluemountains.ca

The Town does not provide Axle Weight Restriction exemption permits for construction-related activities. To learn more about seasonal road maintenance, please visit the Spring, Summer & Fall Maintenance web page.

For more information, please contact: Operations Department (519) 599-3131 ext. 276



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## Enjoy walking year round at the Beaver Valley Community Centre

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Come whatever time you wish between 9-11am.

Walking with poles (with rubber feet) and walkers is allowed.

#### **FREE SEWING CLASSES**

are being offered beginning Tuesday, February 13, for 10 weeks. Located at First Baptist Church, Thornbury.

Please use the Alice Street entrance.

Maryann @ 519 599 2680 or Pat @ 519 538 0020.

#### **BID EUCHRE**

Wednesday & Thursday 12:50-3:30pm; \$2.00 per day Small Hall, Beaver Valley Community Centre Lessons Available - Bev 705-507-0563 or Dorothy 519-599-5044

#### **DROP-IN BRIDGE**

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### **Council Public Meetings**

The Town of The Blue Mountains will be holding Public Meetings on March 12, 2024, to provide information to the public and to allow the public the opportunity to review and comment on the following items:

- 2024 Draft Budget
- 2024 Proposed Development Charge Rates and Policies
- 2024 Proposed Amendments to the Fees and Charges By-law, Solid Waste Management Fees By-law, and Water Charges and Sewer Charges By-law.
- Consideration of Town Properties to be Surplus to the Town's Needs

#### How do I submit my comments?

**Written Comments** – You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk. Written comments received by 9:00 a.m. Friday, March 8, 2024, will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting for the benefit of everyone in attendance and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Comments can be faxed to 519-599-7723, or emailed to townclerk@ thebluemountains.ca. Any submitted comments become part of the public record, including names and addresses.

**Verbal Comments** – This Public Meeting is a hybrid meeting, allowing the public to attend the meeting in person or virtually. Those that wish to make verbal comments virtually are required to pre-register with the Town Clerk, no later than five business days in advance of the Public Meeting, by Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

Anyone wishing to provide their verbal comments in person at the Public Meeting, can attend the Town Hall, Council Chamber.

#### **Meeting Live Stream & Video Recording**

Please note that the Public Meetings will be live-streamed on the Town website and posted as a video following the public meeting. Registration is not required to view the meeting on the Town's website <a href="https://www.thebluemountains.ca">www.thebluemountains.ca</a>



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Email: <u>Makeover@marshstreetcentre.com</u> for more information

Tax Receipts for donations





Soybeans growing in a row shaded by rye

## Grey County Farmers Invited To Apply For Experimental Acres Funding Program

Grey County is collaborating with Grey Agricultural Services to provide up to \$3,000 to farmers to test new practices that aim to improve soil health and increase carbon capture on farms. The program, known as Experimental Acres, is seeking six farms to participate.

Applications are due by **February 23, 2024** and can fall into one of three categories.

**The first category** is Living Roots and Green Cover projects which extend the time soil is covered or has living roots in it (up to \$1,000 available per farm).

**The second category** is Innovation for projects that implement new farm practices (up to \$2,000 available per farm).

**The final category** is Integrating Animals on the Farm for projects that incorporate livestock into farm systems (up to \$3,000 available per farm).

Grey County Experimental Acres projects are funded by Grey County as part of Going Green in Grey, the climate action plan. The program aligns with Action 3: Capacity Building in Sustainable Agricultural Best Practices. It aims to support farmers in implementing new practices which can build soil health and potentially capture carbon.

Experimental Acres is designed to minimize the financial risk associated with trying new practices while preparing farmers for larger funding opportunities in the future. In addition to financial support, the pilot offers soil testing and networking with others in the farming community.

The Experimental Acres pilot was developed as a part of Guelph-Wellington Our Food Future, a project funded by Infrastructure Canada. The County of Wellington facilitated the program in Wellington and Dufferin Counties in 2022, and Grey County joined in 2023.

Examples of past projects have included cover cropping, silvopasture, rotational grazing systems, tarping to avoid tillage, intercropping, livestock bedding trials, vertical farming, no-till establishment of crops, companion planting and more.

"Farmers know their businesses best. Whether the practice is newto-you or has never been done before, we'd like to hear your ideas. Please consider submitting an application," said Emily McKague, Project Coordinator for Grey Agricultural Services.

Farmers interested in applying can do so at: <a href="https://www.greyagservices.ca/experimental-acres">https://www.greyagservices.ca/experimental-acres</a> by Friday, February 23.

Grey County also invites local farmers to complete a short survey about their farm operations. The survey aims to better understand current practices and identify how we can continue to support adoption of best practices to minimize greenhouse gas emissions and maximize carbon capture. Grey County farmers can complete the survey at: <a href="https://www.grey.ca/government/climate-action">https://www.grey.ca/government/climate-action</a> for a chance to win a \$20 Tim Horton's gift card.

For more information about the Experimental Acres program, contact Emily McKague, Grey Agricultural Services at info@greyagservices.ca or Megan Myles, Grey County Outreach and Engagement Coordinator, at megan.myles@grey.ca or 519-370-7060.



#### THE BLUE MOUNTAINS 2023 ANNUAL WATER REPORT

In accordance with Ontario Regulation 170/03, please be advised that the Annual Water Report prepared for the Blue Mountains Drinking Water System is available for viewing at Town Hall or by visiting www.thebluemountains.ca





## **Grey County Year End Highlights 2023**

At Grey County, we're committed to the efficient delivery of services that make Grey a great place to live and work. We operate a full service upper-tier municipal organization that includes a variety of services for residents and businesses with an approximate 2023 budget of \$225 million. Grey County serves over 100,000 full-time residents and thousands more seasonal residents and visitors.

#### **Clerk / Council Services**

The Clerks Department works closely with Grey County Council, maintaining an open and transparent political process and acting as a bridge between council and the public.

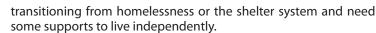
- County Council completed their first year in the four year council term, with half of County Councillors new for the 2023 year.
- Council supported the recommendations of the Shko Naaniibwida

   Standing Strong Together document developed by the M'Wikwedong Indigenous Friendship Centre, which provides guidance on how Grey County can further recognize and support First Nations culture.
- Council committed \$1 million over five years in support of a new Mental Health Wellness and Recovery Centre in Owen Sound.
- Clerks transitioned to a new agenda management platform, making it easier to find and watch council and other meeting items that are important to you.
- Planning work was undertaken to lay the groundwork for a new Corporate Strategic Plan, coming in early 2024.

#### **Community Services**

Community Services help our community through housing and homelessness prevention, early learning, child care, and Ontario Works.

- Maintained 997 units of rent-geared-to-income housing and supported 500+ units of non-profit housing.
- Overseeing the licensing of childcare centres and home-based childcare and provided resources to support early learning.
- Completed renovations on a new supportive housing building in Owen Sound. The building is now open and provides twelve independent living units for residents of Grey County who are



- Celebrated one full year of providing emergency shelter through the Short Term Shelter Program with over 13,000 nights of shelter provided.
- Supported a new overnight warming shelter in downtown Owen Sound through Safe 'N Sound.
- Continued to grow the successful Supportive Outreach Service program, bringing outreach through paramedic and social services to vulnerable Grey County residents.
- The Early Learning Hub Resource Centre celebrated its 1st anniversary. The Hub offers a lending library, professional learning opportunities and tools to support the ongoing learning and development of educators within our community.

#### **CAO and Corporate Services**

These departments are hard at work keeping things at the County running smoothly and efficiently.

- Grey Transit Route partnered with Georgian College to provide free regional transportation for students during the winter semester.
- A new rain garden was planted at the Grey County Administration Building, helping to support bees and other pollinators and involve the community in climate action.
- Climate Change staff partnered with The Sustainability Project to run the second annual Youth Climate Action Conference. This conference brings local youth and partners together to learn about climate change and develop actionable community projects.
- The Grey County Joint Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee launched a new Municipal Accessible Spaces Map, which provides details on accessible features in municipally owned facilities throughout Grey County.

#### **Economic Development, Tourism and Culture**

A new Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture master plan was finalized. Called the Grey't Reset, the plan examines the resources and priority needs of our community and helps the department focus on activities that will bring the most value to municipalities in the county.

- Four regional job fairs were hosted across Grey County, bringing together local employers with diverse job seekers with different skills.
- Grey County, Grey Highlands, and The Blue Mountains began collaboration on a sustainable tourism strategy for the growing Beaver Valley Corridor, balancing economic and environmental needs with visitor opportunities.



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- Grey County teamed up with Bruce County, the city of Owen Sound, and Hydrogen Optimized to create a coalition to establish the area as a leader in clean hydrogen technology, production, and use.
- Grey Roots Museum & Archives launched Saukiing Anishnaabekiing presents Our Stories, showing Grey County's history through Anishnaabe creation stories.
- Grey County was named one of the Smart21 communities of 2023 by the global Intelligent Community Forum. The forum recognizes communities that embrace technology to improve prosperity and inclusiveness.
- Grey Roots launched an interactive online map of significant Black history sites in Grey County, featuring archival and modern photos, detailed historical information, and links to further resources.

#### **Long-Term Care**

Grey County long-term care provides home, care, and community for 319 long-term care residents across three facilities.

- Grey County Long-Term Care was presented with an award of excellence by the Economic Development Council of Ontario for their Local Workforce Development Initiative. The initiative brings together local education and community partners to help guide job seekers towards a fulfilling career in healthcare and long-term care.
- The Rockwood Terrace site was prepared for redevelopment work, including servicing the site with infrastructure and creating new roadways. Construction will take place in 2024-2026, with the new facility expanding the number of available beds and designed around the community who will call the space home.

#### **Paramedic Services**

Paramedic Services received more than 30,000 calls in 2023 and continued to deliver community paramedicine services.

- Grey County Community care providers continued to offer Supportive Outreach Services, bringing care to our community's most vulnerable individuals through bi-weekly clinics that support those suffering from mental health and substance use issues.
- Paramedic Services completed a comprehensive deployment services review, which forecasted population growth, demographic trends and the evolution of demand in the County.

#### **Planning**

- The Housing Action Plan was created to help address housing affordability challenges by focusing on creating deeply affordable housing as well as market-rate and "missing-middle" housing.
- Grey County and member municipalities came together to host a Housing Forum with elected officials to discuss current challenges with housing and plan how to best support more affordable housing options.
- The department pivoted to adjust to the new changes that were enacted with Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, including allowing additional residential units.
- Grey County embarked on a one-year pilot project with the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders to allow some off-road motorcycles on the rail trail between Rockford and Dundalk.

#### **Transportation**

Transportation Services keeps 877 kilometers of county roads and 192 bridges and structures safe, cleared, serviced, and repaired year-round. A new online platform was launched, allowing individuals and businesses to apply for oversize and overweight load permits more easily on Grey County-owned roads.

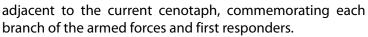
- Major work completed during the 2023 season included:
  - Overlay and shoulder replacement on Grey Road 2 between Grey Road 31 and Grey Road 19; and Grey Road 19 between Grey Road 2 and The Blue Mountains-Clearview Townline
  - Reconstruction of Grey Road 7 between Grey Road 40 and Sideroad 4, and Grey Road 13 to Sideroad 22; and Grey Road 18 between Grey Road 11 and Grey Road 29.
  - Reconstruction, shoulder paving, and storm sewer and watermain infrastructure of Grey Road 7 between Highway 26 and Muir Street in Meaford; and Grey Road 28 between 14th Street North to the Saugeen River Bridge.



**Beaver Valley Branch 281**Announces the launch of fundraising for the

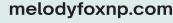
#### CENOTAPH ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

This \$35,000 projectaims to install two new monuments,



Donations by cheque, payable to St George's Clarksburg, with 'Cenotaph Enhancement Project' on the memo line, will be eligible for an official tax receipt. Donors contributing \$200 or more will be recognised on a donor plaque to be installed at the cenotaph site in Jack Acres Park.

Sketches of the proposed Cenotaph Enhancement will be on display, in the Legion display cabinet, and at the L E Shore Library during the month of February.



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Blue Mountains Community Health Centre
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NURSE PRACTITIONER

Fee for Service offering Primary Care Services and Dermatology Services which include full skin survey, cryotherapy and skin biopsies.







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#### Notice of Public Meeting: Considering Town Properties to be Surplus to the Town's Needs

Date of this Notice: January 12, 2024

March 12, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. Hybrid Format: In-Person AND Virtual/Online Town Hall, Council Chambers 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON NOH 2P0

#### What is being proposed?

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to receive comments from the public regarding the potential declaration of the following properties to be surplus to the needs of the Town and to provide the Town the ability to consider disposing of or selling any of the properties. Each property will be reviewed separately.

Maps of the properties can be reviewed on the Town website: https://pub-bluemountains.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx? DocumentId=19059

Please note that the properties listed will not be declared surplus, disposed of, or sold at this Public Meeting.

Property Locations:

- Cedar Street Road Allowance between 95 and 101 Bay Street East (Thornbury)
- Leming Street Road Allowance between 103 and 107 Leming Street (Thornbury)
- 3. Clark Street property south of 150 Clark Street (Clarksburg)
- 4. CON 8 W PT LOT 9 south of 495927 Grey Road 2 (Ravenna)
- 5. Cameron Street property between 214 and 216 Cameron Street (Thornbury)
- 6. Margaret Drive Road Allowance south of 135 Margaret Drive (Craigleith)
- 7. 424200001711105 property southeast of the Arthur Street Parking Lot (Thornbury)
- 8. Bruce Street/Alice Street West Laneway behind 74, 78 and 80 Bruce and 9 Alice Streets (Thornbury)
- Corner of Huron Street and Elma Street east of 46 Huron Street West (Thornbury)
- 10. Grey Road 19 property between 796397 Grey Road 19 and 108 and 112 Pioneer Lane (Craigleith)
- 11. Plan 1119 Block 25 between 104 and 110 Salzburg Place (Craigleith)

#### When will a decision be made?

It is important to note that a decision on this topic has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at this Public Meeting. After reviewing the comments from the public, Staff will bring its recommendations to a future Committee of the Whole Meeting.

How can I make my views known about this proposal? Any person or agency may provide comments on this matter in writing or verbally at the Public Meeting.

Comments at the Public Meeting assist the Town and Council in their decision-making process, so be sure to have your say!

#### How do I submit my comments?

Written Comments – You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk. Written comments received by **Friday March 8, 2024** will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting for the benefit of everyone in attendance and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Comments can be faxed to 519-599-7723, or emailed townclerk@thebluemountains.ca.

Any submitted comments become part of the **public record**, including names and addresses.

Verbal Comments – This Public Meeting is a hybrid meeting, allowing the public to attend the meeting in person or virtually. Those that wish to make verbal comments virtually are required to pre-register with the Town Clerk, no later than five business days in advance of the Public Meeting, by **4:30 p.m.** on Tuesday March **5, 2024.** 

Anyone wishing to provide their verbal comments in person at the Public Meeting, can attend the Town Hall, Council Chamber. Those providing their comments in person, are required to follow the Public Health Guidelines of the Town, as recommended by the Grey Bruce Health Unit.

#### Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing to the Town Clerk if you would like to be notified of a decision on this proposal to: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON Fax: 519-599-7723 townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member! Shawn Everitt, Chief Administrative Officer 519-599-3131 ext. 234 or cao@thebluemountains.ca

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario's Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), all information provided for, or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record, including resident deputations. This information may be posted on the Town's website. and/or made available to the public upon request.

This document can be made available in other accessible formats as soon as practicable and upon request.



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#### Town of The Blue Mountains Public Appointment to The Blue Mountains Police Services Board

The Town of The Blue Mountains is seeking applications, in the form of letters of interest, from members of the public for appointment to The Blue Mountains Police Services Board. The Board appointment will be in place for the 2022-2026 term of Council:

The Blue Mountains Police Services Board:

- 5-member Board, 3 Board members have been appointed (2 Members of Council, 1 Public Appointment. The 1 Provincial Appointee seat is currently vacant)
- 1 additional member of the public being sought.

The Blue Mountains Police Services Board is currently a 3 Member Board. Starting April 1, 2024, the Community Safety and Policing Act will be in place across Ontario. This means a change for The Blue Mountains Police Services Board as it will increase Board Membership from 3 Members to 5 Members, one being an additional Council Appointment and one being an additional Public Member Appointment. The Town of The Blue Mountains Council appointed Councillor Gail Ardiel as the additional Council Appointment on October 30, 2023.

Applicants are encouraged to include background information and any special qualifications or interest related to The Blue Mountains Police Services Board.

Information regarding the Board is available on our Town's website

at:www.thebluemountains.ca/town-hall/council-committees/committees-council/police-services-board

**NOTE:** Applicants shall be qualified electors within the Town of The Blue Mountains. The successful applicant will be required to complete a background check.

All Applications should be submitted no later than **Wednesday February 28, 2024 1:00 pm** to:

Town of The Blue Mountains Attention: Town Clerk 32 Mill Street Thornbury, Ontario NOH 2P0 townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

For any general inquiries please contact: Clerk's Office 519-599-3131 ext. 306 townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

Personal information provided by the applicant is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and will be used for the purpose of candidate selection. The Town of The Blue Mountains is an equal opportunity organization. Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code.





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# Save the Date! Volunteer Fair and Awards Ceremony

The Town of The Blue Mountains' annual volunteer fair and recognition awards ceremony returns on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at the Beaver Valley Community Centre in Thornbury!

The Town's annual Volunteer Recognition Awards event aims to celebrate and honour outstanding residents, community groups and organizations who work to enhance the quality of life in The Blue Mountains.

#### VOLUNTEER FAIR - 4:00 - 7:00PM

The volunteer fair is a free event featuring groups and organizations from the community with a focus on highlighting the important services they provide to residents. The volunteer fair is also a great way to learn about local volunteer opportunities and how you can help give back!

To learn more about the fair or to register as a vendor, please visit www.thebluemountains.ca/volunteerawards

## VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS CEREMONY – 5:00PM

The Volunteer Awards Ceremony was started to celebrate and honour outstanding residents and organizations that have helped shape and build the local community.

Awards will be presented for the following seven categories:

- 1. Arts & Culture Award
- 2. Blue Mountains Community Builder (Youth under 26)
- 3. Blue Mountains Community Builder (Adult 26+)
- 4. Good Neighbour Award
- 5. Heritage Award
- 6. Outstanding Community Group Award
- 7. Sports and Recreation Award
- 8. Sustainability Award

If you are thinking of someone or know of a local community group or organization you would like to nominate, please complete the online nomination form by visiting the Volunteer Recognition Awards webpage on the Town website. Award nominations will be accepted until Wednesday, March 6, 2024.





## 24 Chances to Win!

First Prize: **\$250** gift certificate Second Prize: \$100 gift certificate (at local restaurants)

Beginning March through August 2024 four tickets per month will be drawn. Winning tickets go back into the drum! Increase your odds even more with a discounted five-pack.

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Ted's Range Road Diner Towa Restaurant

Winifred's English Pub

#### Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100

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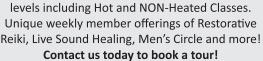
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Simply e-transfer to join.bmra@gmail.com (Please include your email information in the e-transfer message field)

BMRA serves in an advocacy role with Town Council on behalf of ratepayers to ensure & enhance our community's quality of life.

#### BE ENGAGED \* INFORMED \* SUPPORTIVE

Please mention BMRA to your friends and neighbours who may not have already joined. Thank you for your support!

\*(payment can also be made by cheque)

Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Box 198, Thornbury, Ontario, N0H 2P0

Calling all Mon-Profits ...

#### SPRING GRANTS ARE OPEN!



## Apply Today

- · Kelly Graham Grants for Women and Girls
- Spring Community Grants





## **Grants For Community Projects and Programs Within Grey & Bruce Counties**

Contact Grants & Donor Relations Coordinator Jennifer Isber-Legge at 519-371-7203 to ensure your project is eligible for funding before filling out an application form or email jen.legge@cfgb.ca

Applicants are required to read the criteria before filling out an application form. Criteria may vary from year to year.

Has your organization applied for a grant in the past? - when you reach the granting portal, please sign in with your password. If you have forgotten the password, please set a new one. If you need to add a new contact for your organization, please email or call the Grants and Donor Relations Coordinator 519-371-7203 jen.legge@cfgb.ca \*Please do not attempt to create a new profile for your organization\*

Has your organization never applied to this portal before? when you reach the granting portal, follow the easy-to-understand instructions to set up an account.

#### Deadline for Spring Applications is April 15th.

Community Grant applications may be submitted by charities registered with CRA or by non-profit organizations with a qualified donee or sponsor. The sponsoring body or qualified donee agrees to accept the grant on behalf of the non-profit and be jointly accountable with the applicant for the use of the grant with signed legal documentation. The Blue Mountain Legacy Fund is a qualified donee. For support of your project call 519-599-3345. www.cfgb.ca



#### Family Day at Blue Mountain!

Family Day at Blue is jam packed with fun for the whole family. Enjoy live music, extended activity hours, and early morning fresh tracks!Everything from headlining music acts to family friendly activities to keep the energy levels high.

#### Friday, February 16th

Sunrise Ski - Silver Bullet - 7am DJ KAOS – Liquid IV DJ Booth – 6-9pm

#### Saturday, February 17th

Groove Dancing – Events Plaza – 5:15pm – 6pm South Paw Brown - Liquid IV DJ Booth - 4-7pm

#### Sunday, February 18th

Hydee - Liquid IV DJ Booth - 4-7pm

#### Monday, February 19th

Groove Dancing – Events Plaza – 2:15 – 3pm DJ ZHO – Liquid IV DJ Booth – 3-6pm

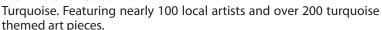
www.bluemountainvillage.ca

#### **Celebrating the Colour Turquoise! February 3-28**

Every year, the Arts & Culture Council for The Gallery at L.E. Shore hosts an open invitation, salon styled show centered around a colour theme.

Local artists are invited to submit artwork of that colour theme, and our Gallery is hung, floor to ceiling and everywhere in between, with art!

This year, artwork will be centered around the vibrant colour of









#### **!! RECRUITING TBM PARENTS !!**

COME and JOIN US for a **CLIMATE ACTION** FOCUS GROUP

Provide your ADVICE and THOUGHTS in a 2-hour focus group

February 28, 2024 - RAVENNA (6:30-8:30PM)

## CLIMATE ACTION NOW NETWORK (CANN) is developing a

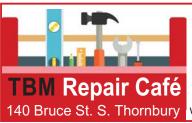
#### **FAMILIES FOR CLIMATE ACTION**

program to enable TBM families to increase their climate action and reduce their carbon footprint. We would appreciate your input to build the program.

10 people maximum, limited to 1 parent per household Note that these are focus groups. The full program for up to 40 TBM families is expected to be rolled out in the coming months.

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#### Saturday, February 24th 9am-Noon

Bring broken items for free repair and enjoy a snack.

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#### Explore Township history all year long at the Museum

Come see the Museum's latest exhibit on the community of Banks. Throughout the year there will be featured exhibits on the communities that make up The Blue Mountains - Camperdown & Sandhill, Clarksburg, Craigleith, Duncan & Egypt, Gibraltar, Heathcote, Hurlburts Bay & Lora Bay, Kirkville, Kolapore, Loree, MacMurchy Settlement & Second Line, McKeans Mills, Millcreek & Union, Ravenna, Redwing, Rockhaven & Little Germany, Sixth Line, Slabtown & Tenth Line, Thornbury, and Victoria Corners.

Thornbury Sparks, Embers, Guides & Pathfinders



Saturday, February 24, 2024 • 2 to 4 pm

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church 165 Russell St E, Thornbury

TICKETS: \$4.00

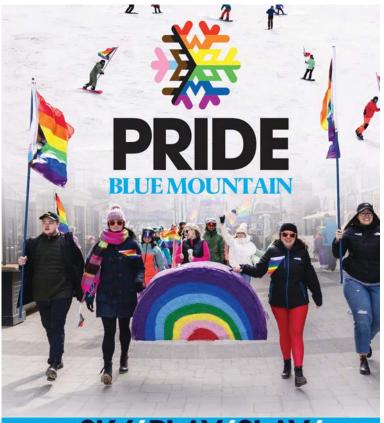
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# LUNCH BUNCH 4th Tuesday

Tuesday, February 27th at 12:00

Come for lunch and bring a friend St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 165 Russell St. E., Thornbury



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## **New Exhibits at Craigleith Heritage Depot**

Craigleith Heritage Depot has opened three new exhibits on skiing in the Craigleith and surrounding areas. Included are displays on the evolution of skiing and snowboarding equipment, the history of local ski clubs, and the running of the Craigleith Ski Train, as well as information on the history, culture, and nature of The Blue Mountains. The Museum is located on Lakeshore Road East at the junction of Grey Road 19 and Highway 26 and is open Thursdays and Fridays from 12:00 to 5:00; Saturdays 10:00 to 4:00; Sundays 12:00 to 4:00.

## THORNBURY AZZWORKS

## PRESENTS THE RETURN OF THE GEORGIAN SOUND BIG BAND



## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 2:00 PM Marsh Street Centre, Clarksburg

ADMISSION \$30

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Purchase tickets by email - thornburyjazz@gmail.com or at these locations

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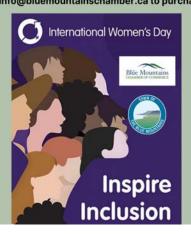
## **International Women's Day** 2024

Monday, March 4 - 5pm-7:30pm Blue Mountain Village Conference Centre - Petun Room

Celebrate IWD with The Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce and The Town of the Blue Mountains:

> **Panel discussion Breakout sessions** Night Market with local vendors Appetizers and cash bar

Tickets: \$20 (\$15 for BMCC Members), with half the proceeds from ticket sales supporting My Friend's House Women's Shelter Contact info@bluemountainschamber.ca to purchase yours





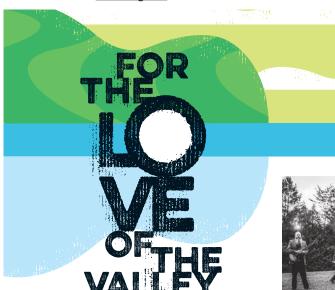


#### 2024 Non-profit Workshop

Join Community Foundation Grey Bruce at our Non-Profit Workshop! Our popular networking and information workshop is planned for Thursday, March 7, 2024.

Join us for a day of learning and sharing at Sydenham Campus in Owen Sound from 9:00 - 3:00. The cost to attend is \$25 per person and includes lunch. Call Jen, Grants and Donor Relations Coordinator for more information or Lia, Administration and Communications Coordinator to complete your registration.

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Representing each ski club across Blue Mountains and over the years. Our staff's favourite is the 25th Anniversary of the Toronto Ski Club, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year in Oct 2024. If you would like to donate items to the Museum & Archives please

call, 519-599-3681 x 6 or email Museum@TheBlueMountains.ca

#### Osler Castle

The Osler Castle fireplace mantle is now the location of the Osler Castle exhibit. View the mantle in person and compare it to the image of the mantle in the house from the Osler Castle book in the library.



#### Meet us at the L.E. Shore Library every day for 11am

To sign up, visit www.thebluemountainslibrary.ca Contact: Jen 519-599-3681 Ext.5 Email: LibraryPrograms@TheBlueMountains.ca

#### **Monday March 11**

Hula Hoop Spectacle Demo & Workshop with Collingwood **Circus Company** 

#### Tuesday March 12

Geometric Painted Pot Workshop

#### **Wednesday March 13**

Canvas Bag Stamping Workshop

#### **Thursday March 14**

Pressed Flowers & Light Bulb Workshop

#### Friday March 15 **Button Bowl DIY**



#### **Improper Passing of Snowplows in Ontario**

The Highway Traffic Act in Ontario was changed on September 15, 2023 to address the improper passing of snow plows. Under the new law, drivers must not overtake snow plows working in echelon formation on multi-lane roads or highways with a posted speed limit of 80 km/h or more. The only way passing would be permitted is if a full lane is available to complete the manoeuvre safely. In order for a lane to be considered available, no part of a snow plow, including an attachment or blade, should overlap. Not only can the passing of snow plows be extremely dangerous and unsafe, it may also cost you. It's a \$405 cash fine in Ontario.

#### DISTRICT 'E' INVITES YOU TO ENTER THE 6th ANNUAL SENIORS 55+ LITERARY COMPETITION



- · Contestants are challenged to exercise their creativity and submit a poem (max 32 lines), essay (max 1000 words), short story (max 4000 words) or memoir (max 5000 words).
- Submissions must be received by March 17, 2024 by email to DistrictEseniorsliterary@gmail.com and clearly marked SENIORS LITERARY COMPETITION
- Submission must include a cover page stating the title, author's name and entry line/word count
- Must complete and attach official registration form available at <a href="https://rcl632.ca/seniors-literary-competition/">https://rcl632.ca/seniors-literary-competition/</a>
- Open to all Ontario resident seniors aged 55+
- Must be original, written by the contestant and be unpublished
- Contestants may submit only one entry in any / each category
- Biographies that are submitted must include written consent from the subject, if living.
  - Support for submissions available L. E. Shore Library

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