



Canada Emergency Business Account: Government extends repayment and partial loan forgiveness deadlines

On September 14, 2023, the Prime Minister announced extended deadlines for Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) loan repayments, providing an additional year for term loan repayment, and additional flexibilities for loan holders looking to benefit from partial loan forgiveness of up to 33 per cent.

The CEBA program was available from April 9, 2020, to June 30, 2021, and provided \$49 billion in interest-free, partially forgivable loans of up to \$60,000 to nearly 900,000 small businesses and not-for-profit organizations to help cover their operating costs during the pandemic.

The repayment deadline for CEBA loans to qualify for partial loan forgiveness of up to 33 per cent is being extended from December 31, 2023, to January 18, 2024, recognizing that the end of December is a busy time for many Canadian businesses. This builds on the government's previous one-year extension announced in January 2022.

For CEBA loan holders who make a refinancing application with the financial institution that provided their CEBA loan by January 18, 2024, the repayment deadline to qualify for partial loan forgiveness now includes a refinancing extension until March 28, 2024. This will allow more small businesses and not-for-profits to access relief and give them more time to hear back from their financial institutions on refinancing applications.

As of January 19, 2024, outstanding loans, including those that are captured by the refinancing extension, will convert to three-year term loans, subject to interest of five per cent per annum, with the term loan repayment date extended by an additional year from December 31, 2025, to December 31, 2026. Put simply, small businesses and not-for-profits will automatically have access to a three-year, low-interest loan of up to \$60,000 if they have not repaid or refinanced their loan. This will provide those who are unable to secure refinancing or generate enough cashflow to repay their loans by the forgiveness deadline an additional year to continue repayment at a low borrowing cost.

Repayment on or before the new deadline of January 18, 2024 (or March 28, 2024 if a refinancing application is submitted prior to January 18, 2024 at the financial institution that provided their CEBA loan), will result in loan forgiveness of \$10,000 for a \$40,000 loan and \$20,000 for a \$60,000 loan.

Here are examples of how CEBA loan holders can benefit from new repayment flexibility:

Sarah and Nick need to pay off their \$40,000 CEBA loan, but are unable to pay the full amount in time to benefit from \$10,000 in partial loan forgiveness. On January 19, 2024, their loan converts to a three-year term loan with five per cent interest per year. They will make monthly interest payments of around \$167 per month, and will only be required to pay their principal amount just before the term loan repayment deadline of December 31, 2026.

Doug applies for \$40,000 in financing from the bank that provided his CEBA loan to pay off his \$60,000 CEBA loan. He is unable to receive a response to his refinancing application by January 18, 2024. However, with the new refinancing extension, he has until March 28, 2024, to hear back from his bank and secure new financing to pay off his CEBA loan and benefit from \$20,000 in partial loan forgiveness.

Financial institutions will contact CEBA loan holders directly regarding their loans. The above changes also apply to CEBA-equivalent lending through the Regional Relief and Recovery Fund.

The Rehabilitation of the Victoria Street Water Tower is nearing completion.

BGL has completed application of the exterior coating and has removed the plastic shrouding around the scaffolding.

They are currently completing electrical installations in advance of the tower being disinfected and refilled next week.

The removal of the scaffolding surrounding the tower is almost finished.



GBHS Rebrands as Brightshores Health System



Grey Bruce Health Services has changed its name to Brightshores Health System.

"The transition to Brightshores Health System comes at a pivotal time for our organization," said Brightshores Health System President & CEO Gary Sims. "We are growing rapidly with the expansion of new services, new facilities and new initiatives. We have outgrown the GBHS name and are excited to launch into Brightshores, signifying one vision. A better, brighter future."

All Brightshores facilities and services will immediately begin adopting the new brand. This process will take time to fully complete. The transition will not affect any healthcare services at Brightshores.

The Brightshores Health System rebrand is just the start of an exciting fall season for the organization. The new Markdale Hospital has opened, a highly anticipated facility decades in the making. The Mental Health & Addictions Wellness & Recovery Centre is nearing readiness, built on a framework unique to Canada that will help individuals across the Grey Bruce Region. The Office of Research and Innovation has launched with a focus on rural healthcare innovation. We are excited to introduce the Brightshores name and will keep our communities informed and engaged as we continue to provide exceptional healthcare in our communities.



Household Battery Collection & Recycling

Annual household battery collection will occur from September 4-29. Residents received a battery recycling bag with orange markings in the mail. If you misplace or do not receive a bag in the mail, you may also pick a bag up from Town Hall or the Landfill, or use a small, under 1 litre, clear zip-lock bag. Place your dead household batteries inside the bag and place it out for collection on your scheduled blue box collection day between Sept. 4-29.

Household batteries can also be dropped off at the Landfill & Recycling Depot year-round during regular hours of operation. 788090, Grey County Rd 13, Clarksburg

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Mon, Oct 2, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Grey Highlands Public Library - Flesherton

In this live interactive workshop, you'll learn how to use creative thinking to develop interesting and eye-catching content for Instagram, TikTok, Facebook, and more. You'll also get tips on how to maximize engagement, reach the right audience, and measure success. We'll discuss the fundamentals of engaging content creation and provide practical strategies you can apply right away. This in-person event includes the opportunity for complimentary headshots, light refreshments and networking with business peers! The event is free, but registration is required.

Income Tax Prep for Sole Proprietors & Partnerships
Tue, Oct 3, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Online

Everything you need to know about filing taxes as a sole proprietor or partnership business! Join the Grey County Business Enterprise Centre and an expert CRA tax rep for a deep dive into all things surrounding small business tax practices.

Business Income Tax Reporting
Completing the T2125E Form for CRA

Reporting Business Income
Reporting Costs of Goods Sold

Reporting Business Expenses
Calculating Business-Use-of-Home Expenses

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Call for Applications to the The Blue Mountains Environmental Sustainability Fund

The Town of The Blue Mountains invites community organizations to apply for the Town's Environmental Sustainability Fund.

This fund has an allocation of \$5,000 that will be split between the successful applications which demonstrate a clear goal of advancing environmental sustainability within the Town.

This year's fund builds on previous successful recipients. The most recent recipient has been Georgian Bay Forever, which hired two summer students to promote waste diversion and has been leading community shoreline cleanups across the Town. Treetrust TBM received funding for community tree planting initiatives in 2021 and for a local tree nursery project in 2020, and Thornbury Community Gardens and Beaver River Watershed Initiative projects both received funding in 2019. These projects exemplify how the Town and community organizations can work alongside one another and foster social vibrancy and environmental sustainability.

Interested community organizations wishing to apply must submit their application no later than **November 20, 2023**, at 11:59 p.m. ET. To learn more about the Town's Environmental Sustainability Fund and to apply, please visit the Town's webpage.

For more information, please contact: Nicholas Cloet Sustainability Coordinator (519) 599-3131 ext. 235



Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Awards 2023 Scholarship

The Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation awards an annual \$2000 scholarship to a graduating secondary school student entering a post-secondary program in an environmental or resource management related field. The scholarship is named in honour of Malcolm Kirk, who passed away in 2012. Mr. Kirk was instrumental in acquiring a substantial portion of the lands that Grey Sauble Conservation Authority owns and manages today.

This year, the recipient of the Malcolm Kirk Environmental Scholarship was Alexander Adair, a student from Owen Sound District Secondary School who is now pursuing a degree in Wildlife Biology and Conservation at the University of Guelph. Alexander has extensive volunteer and work experience that will support him during his post-secondary endeavors, including participating in numerous wildlife conservation programs, assisting a veterinary clinic in Owen Sound, and volunteering at many local organizations. His ambitions for the next four years include participating in field courses, networking with new people, and continuing to volunteer. In addition to his passion for wildlife conservation, he also has an interest in medicine and aspires to reach his "ultimate goal" of becoming a wildlife veterinarian.

Each year through an application process, students can apply for this valuable scholarship, which is awarded to a graduating student in the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority watershed who plans to enroll in a post-secondary environmental program. The deadline for applications for next year's scholarship is May 31, 2024.

Don Sankey, Chair; Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation

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Senior Hockey Returns

The Georgian Bay Applekings is going to be playing out of the new Ontario Elite Hockey League (OHL), which is a compilation of the 10 teams from the WAAA Senior AA Hockey League.

Home games are on Saturdays at 5:30pm at the Beaver Valley Arena. There will be 11 regular season home games, plus a minimum of 2 playoff home games PLUS an alumni game versus players from the old River Rats Senior Hockey team from the early - mid 2000's, September 30th. Season Tickets are currently on sale for \$100 / \$50 (Adults/Children). Single Game entries will be \$10/\$5 for children.

<https://applekingshockey.square.site>

Players include those who have previously played hockey in the ECHL and SPHL pro leagues, as well as players who have OHL, OJHL Junior A and GOJHL Jr B experience.

Applekings Home Games

Sep 30 @5:30 vs River Rats Alumni	Oct 14 @5:30 vs Creemore
Nov 4 @5:30 vs Milverton	Nov 18 @5:30 vs Ripley
Nov 25 @5:30 vs Minto	Dec 2 @5:30 vs Lucknow
Dec 9 @5:30 vs Seaforth	Dec 16 @5:30 vs Durham
Jan 6 @5:30 vs Tavistock	Jan 13 @5:30 vs Erin
Jan 20 @5:30 vs Saugeen Shores	Jan 27 @5:30 vs Shelburne

Mackenzie Fleming, Co-President,
thornburysrhockey@gmail.com



New Rain Garden Planted At County Administration Office

The second phase of Grey County's lawn naturalization project at the administration office in Owen Sound is now complete. On Wednesday, September 13, dozens of volunteers and community members joined County elected officials and staff at the second planting event which saw a rain garden added to the front of the property. Protecting and expanding natural assets is the first action of Going Green in Grey, the County's climate change action plan. Naturalization projects and planting events are a great education tool and a way to improve pollinator habits and involve the community in climate action.

"We're here today to continue our efforts to naturalize the County administration property by turning this outdated, traditional lawn into something much more eco-friendly, vibrant, and beautiful," said Grey County Warden Brian Milne to open the event.

The new rain garden is located at the corner of 9th Ave E and 6th St. East. Participants planted shrubs such as Buttonbush and Red Osier Dogwood and perennial plants such as Sweetgrass, Cardinal Flowers and Black Eyed Susans. This area is located at the base of the hill and receives high amounts of water and moisture run off from the area. The garden will help to naturally transport, filter, and recharge this stormwater runoff.

Next steps in the lawn transformation include planting more trees and creating new pollinator gardens.

The lawn naturalization project is being heavily supported by NeighbourWoods North, a local community volunteer group dedicated to educating the public about the benefits and challenges of urban forestry.

"We're incredibly thankful for the knowledge, skills and passion the folks at NeighbourWoods North are contributing to this project," said Warden Milne.

More information about NeighbourWoods North can be found on their website www.neighbourwoodsnorth.com.

Transforming the lawn is a small but symbolic part of Going Green in Grey. Grey County is leading by example, setting ambitious goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from County operations by 40% by 2030, and reaching net-zero emissions by 2045. Grey County Council approved Going Green in Grey in 2022. The plan was developed in consultation with stakeholders from a variety of sectors and hundreds of residents who shared their time, ideas and expertise. Implementing nature-based solutions, such as rain gardens, is a key part of this plan.

Going Green in Grey can be viewed in its entirety at www.grey.ca/climate-action.



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Town Launches Survey Regarding Moreau Park Revitalization

The Town of The Blue Mountains has launched a survey to gather initial feedback from the community regarding the revitalization of Moreau Park in Thornbury. The Town is looking to the community for input identifying priorities to be considered for the park. The information gathered through the survey will be used to help inform the initial design concepts which will be presented to the community for comment in the next stage of consultation in late 2023 or early 2024.

"We have a rare opportunity here to revitalize one of the Town's primary parks with the assistance of our community partners at the Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club," said Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services. "We're looking forward to working with the public and all of our user groups to re-imagine Moreau Park in a way that makes it accessible for every member of our community."

The questionnaire can be completed until October 15, 2023 and can be accessed directly at www.surveymonkey.com/r/MoreauPark

Paper copies are available upon request by calling (519) 599-3131 ext. 302 or through pickup at Town Hall and The Blue Mountains Public Library.

About the Moreau Park Revitalization Project

The Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club approached Town Council in September of 2022 with the concept of revitalizing Moreau Park in Thornbury under the theme, "Kindness at Play." The elements proposed included a new skate park for all ages and abilities, a year-round paved walking path, a sensory garden and an accessible playground. Council directed staff to include this project for consideration as an addition to the 2023 Town budget.

This project presents a larger opportunity for the Town to consider incorporating additional recreational elements that have been identified through the Town's Leisure Activity Plan and Resident Satisfaction Survey. Additionally, previously approved or proposed projects including construction of a permanent, covered pavilion with washroom facilities, and resurfacing of the baseball diamonds could be included in this project.

It's anticipated that the funding for construction will be presented in the 2025 Town Budget, with construction commencing in 2025.

For more information about the project and to complete the questionnaire, please visit the Town's dedicated project web page.

For more information, please contact:

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The Town of The Blue Mountains identified Peel Street North for reconstruction through the Development Charges Background Study. Preliminary engineering was completed on behalf of the Town by MTE Consultants Inc. MTE has now moved on to finalizing the design before tendering for construction.

The reconstruction project will include:

- Reconstruction of Peel Street and Bay Street With a unique cross-section selected by Council from multiple options proposed including a 7.0m road width, barrier curb and gutter, 2.7m wide multi-use trail on Peel Street and 1.5m wide sidewalk on Bay Street.
- Pedestrian bridge on Bay Street to expand the Town's Active Transportation Network.
- Improve the road's vertical alignment deficiency by cutting down the blind hill.
- Replace the watermain on Peel Street.
- Construct a storm sewer system on Peel Street and Bay Street.
- Install streetlights on existing poles.
- Remove trees as required to accommodate the new infrastructure, storm outlet ditches, and the cut and fill slopes to match existing lot grades.
- Extend watermain and sanitary sewer across Highway 26 towards the future Campus of Care at 125 Peel Street South.

How Do I Get More Information?

A dedicated project page has been added to the Town's website at: www.thebluemountains.ca/PeelStreetNorth

This notice was originally issued on September 7, 2023.

Contact Information

If you have any questions regarding the study, please contact one of the people listed below.

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Project Timeline

Design and Engineering

Completed Q4 2023 (est.)

Tree Removals

Beginning Q4 2023 (est.)

Construction

Beginning Q2 2024 (est.)

Completion

Q4 2024 (est.)

Public Consultation

A Virtual Public Information Centre (PIC) is being held to gather input from stakeholders and residents. All those interested in the project are invited to attend. The meeting will include a public comment and question period.

Date: October 5, 2023

Start Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Platform: Microsoft Teams

Registration for the meeting is mandatory to receive a link to attend the virtual meeting. Please visit the project web page to register for the meeting and to sign up for notifications as project updates become available.

FIRST ONSITE reflects on one-year anniversary of Hurricane Fiona

(GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- One year ago, Atlantic Canadian residents and communities were shocked to see much of their community affected by a fierce storm. In September of 2022, after surging north from the Caribbean, Hurricane Fiona ripped through Atlantic Canada as a post-tropical storm battering Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island (PEI), and Newfoundland with hurricane-strength winds, heavy rains and huge waves.

In one dramatic case, Port aux Basques, on the southwest tip of Newfoundland, powerful flooding saw some homes and office buildings washed out to sea.

The catastrophe mobilized the nation and according to the Insurance Bureau of Canada became the most costly extreme weather event ever recorded in Atlantic Canada and the tenth largest in Canada in terms of insured damages – surpassing the 2011 Slave Lake wildfire.

“Storms aren’t acting like they used to, and disaster plans are typically based on what has happened in the past,” said Jim Mandeville, SVP of Large Loss for First Onsite Property Restoration. “Hurricanes are escalating more quickly than ever, and disaster plans need to be thoroughly thought out and practiced regularly.”

Remembering the storm

In September of 2022, First Onsite Property Restoration launched a command centre and deployed a team of specialists from across the country to support relief and cleanup in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona. The company conducted hundreds of restoration projects in the residential and commercial sectors after the hurricane. Crews worked to ensure that critical community infrastructure including grocery stores, hardware stores and banks were able get up and running to serve residents quickly.

The failure of powerlines and telecoms made communications more difficult. The team operated off a mix of satellite and cell-based internet to ensure timely communications. On PEI, many employees and project managers were operating on generators, as most of the island had no power.

Case study: the way forward

First Onsite created a case study on Hurricane Fiona in Atlantic Canada focused on four pillars: what happened; the pre-crisis response; the post-crisis recovery; and the way forward.

Local concerns addressed in weather survey

In the wake of Hurricane Fiona, First Onsite also conducted a spring national survey asking Atlantic Canadians what weather events were keeping them up at night. The region, still reeling from Fiona was by far the country’s most worried region regarding damage caused by hurricanes (76%). Other concerns in the region included severe rains and flooding (65%), mould (77%), a homeowner’s level of insurance (55%) and concerns of having to leave their home or community (58%) in case of an extreme weather event.

Hurricane tips to minimize a storm’s impact on homes or businesses:

- Protect your facility / home against flooding
- Ensure you have adequate insurance coverage
- Backup data
- Create an inventory of your property contents
- Secure loose outdoor objects
- Board up windows
- Don’t forget about pets
- Stay informed with local updates
- Determine employee responsibilities (who shuts off utilities, who barricades doors and window, etc.)
- Communicate an evacuation route for employees and customers
- Develop procedures for keeping track of employees and customers
- Understand where emergency equipment and supplies are located

“The unpredictability of climate and weather over the past several years highlights the importance of planning and preparation to ensure homes and businesses are resilient to these shocks and better prepared for tomorrow,” said Mandeville.

First Onsite has launched a hurricane preparedness resource page that can be used by businesses and residents. firstonsite.ca

About First Onsite:

First Onsite Property Restoration is one of the largest and fastest-growing emergency response planning, mitigation, and reconstruction service providers in North America. First Onsite employs over 2,700 team members and operates from more than 100 locations across Canada, the U.S., and Puerto Rico. With a culture focused on harnessing the human power of its team members and a commitment to doing what’s right, the First Onsite team helps clients restore, rebuild, and rise. First Onsite is a subsidiary of FirstService Corporation. For more information, go to firstonsite.ca or follow @firstonsite on Twitter and LinkedIn.



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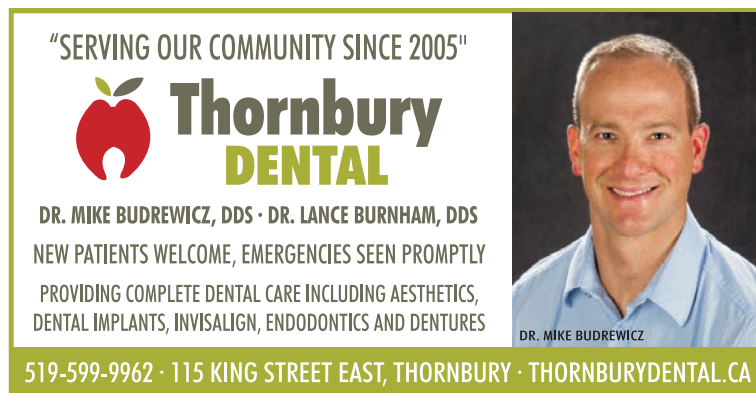
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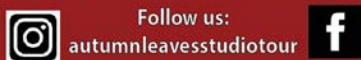
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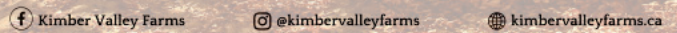
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Exhibit Launch: Divergence & Intersection

Saturday, September 30

2-4pm Gallery at L.E. Shore

The Gallery at L.E. Shore is pleased to present "Divergence & Intersection", featuring the talents of Ben Mark Holzberg and Kyle Haight! Launching September 30 with an open reception (2-4pm), the exhibit will run September 30 –



November 1. This October duo is an exciting pairing as they will challenge you to intersect with their divergent collections. Curated to play off each other, you will experience divergence between organic and urban, fantasy and life, science and nature.

Inuit Culture and Canadian History with Muckpaloo Ipeelie

Saturday, September 30 6-8pm

L.E. Shore Library

A Truth & Reconciliation event. We invite you for an evening of learning and taking an in depth look at Canada's history with Inuit, and the creation of Canada. Join Muckpaloo Ipeelie, a local Blue Mountain resident, owner of the Urban Inuit Identity Project and a registered



MLT. Muckpaloo teaches Inuit culture, to help preserve it. Dive into Inuit Culture, Nomadic Life and the Genesis of Canada with the Arctic. Sign up for this program on the Library website.

Wired Wednesdays Tech Help Drop-in

Wednesday, October 4, 2-4pm

Ashley will be in the L.E. Shore Boardroom offering tech support. Bring your devices and any tech questions you might have!

ACC Presents: The Art of Creative Gift Wrapping

Saturday, October 14, 1-4pm

How would you like to present a gift that is absolutely breathtaking – even before it is opened! The presentation of a gift is how you take it from "really nice" to "fabulously amazing". On Saturday, October 14 at 1pm, join professional illustrator Cathy Lane and learn how to use different materials and colours to make giftwraps that make a statement! Applicable for Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries, teachers' gifts and more. Supplies will be provided, but we encourage you to bring any materials that you would like to incorporate into your project during this workshop! Suitable for teens and adults. Tickets are \$25.00. Registration closes end of day Friday, October 6. You can reserve your tickets by registering online through our website or by contacting us directly.

Contact: Franz, Phone: 519 599 3681

Email: TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca

Author Talk with A.M. (Andy) Potter

Saturday, October 21, 11-12:30pm

Join us for an exclusive author talk and with local author A. M. (Andy) Potter, as he presents his latest novel, The Color Red. The Color Red is the first book in a captivating new series that introduces readers to the brilliant Detective Ivy Bourque. Publishers Weekly has hailed The Color Red as an "impressive series launch," making it a must-read for fans of intelligent procedural mysteries. Don't miss this opportunity to meet the talented author and hear firsthand about his fascinating new series. Phone: 519-599-3681 ext 5

Blue Mountains Public Library
173 Bruce Street, South, Thornbury
p. 519-599-3681

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SATURDAY

MARSH STREET CENTRE
CLARKSBURG



Saturday Sept. 30th • Doors at 7pm • Tickets \$42.

Tickets available online now at marshstreetcentre.com

CIBC Run for the Cure Sunday, October 1

10am - 12pm, The Blue Mountains Village
Run 5 km or walk 1 km to raise money that will cure breast cancer. For more details visit the website www.support.cancer.ca



BLUE MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

OCTOBER 6 - 9, 2023

APPLE HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Celebrate Thanksgiving weekend in Apple Country with live music, farm animals, family entertainment, games, hiking, spectacular fall colours, and of course, apples!

Scan Here for Full Schedule

Roaming Entertainment

Barnyard Bonanza!

Touch-A-Truck Photo Opp

HEADLINER: Ship Yard Kitchen Party

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Thornbury Turkey Trot

Saturday, October 7th, 2023
Beaver Valley Community Centre

This Thanksgiving, feathers are going to fly again!



Welcome: 8:45am
Kids' 1 km Fun Run: 9:00am
Half Marathon, 10km & 5km Run/Walk 9:30am
Race Kit Pick Up
Friday, October 6th 3 to 8pm & Race Morning 7 to 8am

Early Turkey Pricing!
15% Family Discount!

Registration includes:
 Custom toque, chip timing, medal, random prizes & LOTS of fun!



Scan for more race info or go to:
tcrotary.ca

Turkey costumes encouraged!



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MENTAL HEALTH IN THE WORKPLACE
BREAKFAST WORKSHOP

October 12, 2023

8:30am - 10:30am

Marsh Street Centre

187 Marsh Street, Clarksburg

Join us for an empowering morning of education, connection and discussion focused on championing a psychologically healthy workplace.

Topics will include:

- Strategies and tools to bolster the mental health of you and your team
- Employee mental health benefits and support
- HR expertise in attracting and retaining an engaged and flourishing workforce

Connect with other business leaders over breakfast while you learn from our panel of experts, and then dive deeper in the concluding breakout session.

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Questions? Contact info@bluemountainschamber.ca



Erin Fordham
 VP Employee Benefits,
 Alta Vista Planning



Ashleigh Frankel
 Interactive Leadership Coach,
 Co-Founder, The WiseMind Co.



Paola Accettola
 CEO, True North HR Consulting

Advance tickets - \$15 for BMCC members; \$25 for non-members. Includes breakfast courtesy of Brucce Wine Bar, and a chance to win great door prizes.

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER 2023

A SOUTH AFRICAN MOVIE NIGHT
@ ST PAUL'S 165 RUSSELL STREET

TIME: 6:30PM FOR 7PM

AN ANIMATION FILM WILL BE SHOWN
SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR THE KIDS.

SNACKS WILL BE SERVED

COME ENJOY AN EVENING OF FAMILY FUN!



Grand Opening of The Scented Market in The Blue Mountains
Saturday, October 14, 10am - 7pm, 170 Jozo Weider Boulevard

The Scented Market currently has 3 retail locations in Ontario: Guelph, Fergus, and Niagara on the Lake... We are super excited to be opening the doors to our FOURTH location in the Blue Mountain Village. We invite everyone to join us for our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Town Welcome at 10 AM that morning. Come early as we will be gifting the first 25 people in line with a BRAND NEW product. Can't wait to see you there! www.thescentedmarket.ca

OCT 14, 2023

HOME OPENER



5:30 PM

BEAVER VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Thornbury Group 82 Amnesty International
40th Anniversary Commemoration Concert
Wednesday, October 18, 7-9 p.m.
 L.E Shore Library

Amnesty International Group 82 has existed since 1983 and it still needs to keep on striving to end human rights abuses world wide.

In the context of the last 40 years, Amnesty International (AI) has evolved. Forty years ago, groups met in person and wrote letters by hand about prisoners and countries. World conditions and technology have changed over the years. Abuse happens in new ways and AI has kept pace with the changes.

To bring the new realities of cases to the forefront and to recognize the 40th anniversary, Group 82 is presenting a public event - Concert and Cases - featuring Katrin Veski on the piano. Katrin studied in Toronto, gained a Masters Degree and an A.R.C.T. She moved to New York City with her husband where she was a piano teacher and accompanist. She studied in Salzburg before they returned to Canada and moved to Collingwood 7 years ago.

She will be playing a variety of musical selections related to countries where AI has made a difference in promoting and protecting human rights.

Reserve a seat for Wednesday, October 18 at the L.E. Shore Library in Thornbury. The concert is 7-9 p.m. Donations of cash or cheque only at the door. For information call 519-599-2442.



Join us on Sunday October 15th 2023!
 Build a team and work together to climb Blue Mountain 40 times – 29,092 ft. – the height of Mount Everest.
www.everestchallengeblue.ca

ST PAUL'S MEN'S BREAKFAST
165 RUSSELL STREET

SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER 2023 @ 9AM



ENJOY A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST WITH WORSHIP AND A GUEST SPEAKER



By donation

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 by 19 October 2023

THORNBURY JAZZWORKS

JAZZ AT THE LIBRARY

IN THE GALLERY - L.E. SHORE MEMORIAL LIBRARY - THORNBURY

FRIDAY OCTOBER 20, 2023 - 7:30PM

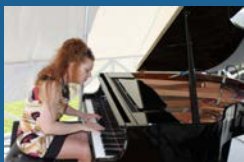
John MacMurphy Quartet



John MacMurphy, sax

'featuring the music of Jerome Kern'

with special appearance by vocalist Sheri Weldon



Stacie McGregor piano



Peter Telford bass



John Collin drums

ADMISSION \$30

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www.thornburyjazz.com

Purchase tickets by email - thornburyjazz@gmail.com or at these locations
 Thornbury Pharmasave, 45 Arthur Street W., Thornbury
 Gabriele Photography, 133 Hurontario St, Collingwood



LADIES NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, OCT 25

6:30 PM

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Thornbury

Guest Speaker: Catherine Laing
 Speaking on Hope Filled Living

All ladies welcome.
 Serving delicious desserts, tea and coffee

For further information please call 519-599-6645



Call for Nominations for 3rd Annual Kindness Awards sponsored by T-C Rotary

It is important to celebrate people and their stories of kindness in our community as a reminder to us all of the value of kindness. Nomination forms are available at www.tcrotary.ca and include details regarding eligibility rules and how to submit nominations. Hard copy nomination forms are also available at The Library, Thornbury and Riverside Press, Clarksburg during regular business hours. The deadline for this year's nominations is **Saturday, October 21st**, at 5pm. Each of the three winners chosen will be informed by October 28th. Let's celebrate how Our Community Runs on Kindness!



Grey County Committee of the Whole September 14 Meeting Highlights

Grey County Council set the date for the annual inaugural meeting and election of the Warden. County Council will meet for the special session on Tuesday, December 5 at 5 p.m.

Grey County will implement a new human resources software to improve efficiencies and provide better data management and reporting. The new software replaces four different applications Grey County is currently using that do not integrate with each other.

Council received a presentation about the findings of a non-union staff compensation review and pay equity review. The compensation review helps Grey County Council understand how pay levels for positions compare to similar jobs at comparable municipalities. It also ensures jobs are fairly compensated in comparison with similar jobs within the County. The pay equity review ensures jobs which are largely held by female workers are paid at an equal rate to comparable jobs which are largely held by male workers. The compensation and pay equity reviews were completed by third-party consultants Gallagher and Associates. Following the presentation, Council voted to set the non-union pay structure at the 50th percentile. This will make salaries competitive with other municipalities. Council provided direction to include the updated compensation plan for consideration in the 2024 budget.

Council received an update on Emergency Housing services and options available for providing services. Staff shared current year statistics which estimate a program requirement of around 13,000 nights of shelter provided per year. Currently, the average cost of providing shelter through local motels is \$120 per night. The report compared the current hotel-based model of service to a potential system with other options including a Grey County owned and operated short-term emergency housing building. Staff estimated operating a County-owned facility would result in annual savings of over \$500,000.

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MARSH STREET CENTRE

Tickets: \$25 in advance \$30 at the door

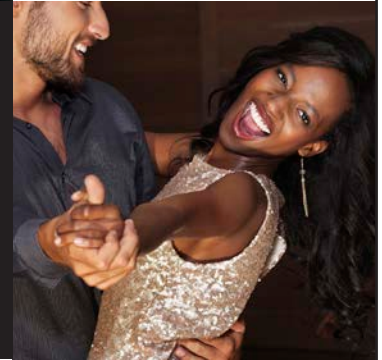
www.VISITCLARKSBURG.ca

IT'S
kindness
AT PLAY!



Rotary Club of Thornbury-Clarksburg
invites you to join us **November 11th**
at the Georgian Peaks Club for
dining, dancing, and more!

Kindness
CHANGES
EVERYTHING



It's time to dust off your fancy dancing shoes because The Kindness Gala is back! This year, we are selling "keys" to unlock an exciting prize cage! Proceeds from this special evening will once again benefit the Rotary's community initiative, Moreau Park... Kindness at Play! Tickets are \$195.

For more information and tickets please go to:

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