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Discover Our Roots: A Spring Heritage Tour

This June, step back in time and celebrate the rich history of our region! Join the Craigleith Heritage Depot and The Blue Mountains Public Library for this new event.

This year, the tour will take place on Sunday June 7th, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tour times for the Kennedy House are 10am, 12pm, and 2pm.

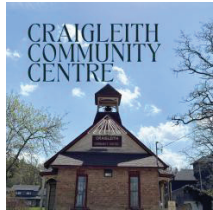
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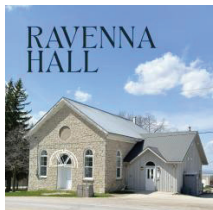
Archival Insights: Discover the depth of our community's past through resources provided by the Craigleith Heritage Depot.

Family Fun: Engage in educational exhibits and storytelling sessions designed for all ages—and it's completely free!

Whether you're a lifelong resident or a curious visitor, join us for a day dedicated to the stories that built our community.

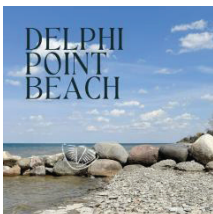


Craigleith Community Centre
(School Section No. 2)
132 Lakeshore Road E, The Blue Mountains
Originally established in 1861, this charming heritage landmark served the community for over a century before transitioning into a vibrant local hub. Visit this site to explore the legacy of the Fleming family and discover how a historic one-room schoolhouse remains the heart of Craigleith today.



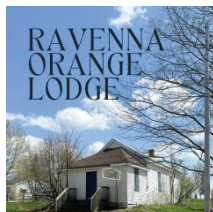
Ravenna Hall (Collingwood Township Town Hall)
628299 Grey County Rd 119, Ravenna
Constructed in 1872 of grey limestone, this site originally served as the Collingwood Township Town Hall and remains a vital civic landmark. Its church-like architecture and arched windows have overseen over a century of community meetings, from municipal elections to local

gatherings. Visit this site to walk the grounds of the 1921 Great War memorial park and explore the enduring history of this officially designated Ontario Heritage building.



Delphi Point Beach
209233 Hwy 26, Clarksburg
Travel back 450 million years to the Ordovician period! Join museum staff and our guest paleontologist at Delphi Point—a designated Area of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSI)—to uncover the fossils hidden beneath your feet. From ancient sea creatures to the unique

geological layers of the shoreline, visit this site to get hands-on with the prehistoric past of The Blue Mountains.



Ravenna Orange Lodge
628300 Grey County Rd 119, Ravenna, ON
Step inside the last remaining Orange Lodge in The Blue Mountains to uncover the story of a once-dominant social institution. From its roots in Collingwood Township and Thornbury to its role as a cornerstone of local fraternal life, this site offers a rare glimpse into the traditions and influence of a bygone era.



Kennedy House (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

52 Bruce St S, Thornbury
Step back into a maritime romance at this stunning turn-of-the-century home, built between 1890 and 1912. Once the residence of a local sea captain and later the esteemed Dr. McCallum, the property has been cherished by the Kennedy family since 1942. The home's most poignant feature is its widow's walk—a rooftop platform where the Captain's wife scanned the horizon for his returning sails. Whether used to time a welcoming meal or as a vigil site during treacherous storms, this vantage point offers a powerful connection to the harbour's storied past.

The Kennedy House has 3 tour time slots, with availability for 6 guests to tour the home with a BMPL staff and the Kennedy family. Register for 10-11:30am; 12-1:30pm; 2-3:30pm
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Thornbury Tourist Camp
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Step onto the grounds of the former Thornbury Tourist Camp to discover a site where leisure and local industry once collided! Visit to explore the surviving camp building and uncover the fascinating stories of the factories and workers that powered Thornbury's early economy.

Founder Workshops for Small Business Support

The Town of The Blue Mountains, Small Business Enterprise Centre and community partners are pleased to announce a 5-part Founders Workshop Series to support small businesses. The workshops are aimed at equipping entrepreneurs with practical tools to help build sustainable businesses.

All workshops will take place from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

June 4 – Customer Discovery: Understanding Your Market

This customer discovery workshop will help you clearly explain why your idea matters and why customers should care. You'll build a strong value proposition that engages potential customers and communicates the value of your product or service. Learn how to craft clear, compelling messaging that resonates with your audience and sets your business apart.

June 11 – Value Proposition: The Basis to Your Communication

In this value proposition workshop, you'll learn how to clearly explain why your product matters and why customers should care. Discover how to communicate the problems your product solves, the value it brings to customers and what sets your business apart.

June 18 – Business Model Canvas: Modelling Your Ideas

Learn how to use the Business Model Canvas to map, visualize, and communicate the key elements of your business idea. In this workshop, you'll explore your customers, value proposition, revenue streams and strategic partners while building a clear one-page view of your business.

Registration is now open for the first three workshops. Details regarding the final two workshops will be released later this summer. Spaces are limited, so early registration is encouraged.

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4th Annual Bigger Together Charity Pickleball Tournament Returns to Support Local Youth Mentorship

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grey, Bruce and West Simcoe (BBBSGBWS) in partnership with Taylored Pickleball Academy (TPA), is excited to announce the return of the 4th Annual Bigger Together Charity Pickleball Tournament, In Memory of Pam Rowcliffe, taking place June 19-21, 2026.

Since 2023, this event has brought players and community members together to rally support for youth across Grey, Bruce, and Simcoe counties. To date, the tournament has raised over \$15,000 to help fund free mentorship programs that foster confidence, resilience, wellbeing, and connection for local young people.

This year introduces an enhanced format where teams register together, and each division features two bracket options—Challenge and Rally—ensuring all players can compete at a pace and style that suits their game.

Tournament Highlights

- June 19-21, 2026
- \$130 per team per division (\$65 per player)
- Friday: Free Youth Clinic (ages 7+) – 4:00-6:00 p.m., refreshments included
- Saturday: Men's & Women's Divisions
- Sunday: Mixed Division
- Raffle prizes all weekend long
- All players must complete the TPA waiver (available on the TPA website)

Why This Tournament Matters

"The Bigger Together Pickleball Tournament is more than a weekend of great play—it's a chance to show young people that their community is behind them," said Beth Aubrey, Executive Director of BBBSGBWS. "Every serve, every rally, and every moment on the court helps us expand our mentorship programs and provide critical support to youth across the region. We're incredibly grateful to Taylored Pickleball Academy for their ongoing partnership and commitment to youth in our region."

A Partnership That Strengthens Community

"We are thrilled to partner once again with Big Brothers Big Sisters for the Bigger Together Tournament," said Colleen Taylor, Co-Founder of Taylored Pickleball Academy. "Each year, this event brings out the very best in our pickleball community. Watching players come together to support youth is incredibly inspiring, and we are proud to help create a tournament that makes a real difference."

Thank You to Our Tournament Sponsors

BBBSGBWS extends sincere appreciation to our 2026 tournament sponsors, whose generosity helps ensure this event's success and its direct impact on local youth: Rotary Club of Port Elgin, Carson Supply and Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Registration & Event Information

For detailed bracket descriptions or to register your team, visit the official event page: <https://www.tayloredpickleballacademy.ca/event-details/4th-annual-bigger-together-charity-pickleball-tournament>.

About Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grey, Bruce and West Simcoe

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Grey, Bruce and West Simcoe provides one-to-one and group mentorship programs that foster growth, encourage belonging, and build community. Serving a rural region of more than 11,000 square kilometers, the agency supports children and youth ages 6-18, many of whom face significant adversity. Through developmental relationships and upstream supports, BBBSGBWS helps young people unlock their potential and thrive.

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Ontario Investing \$5 Million to Help Small Businesses Adopt Digital Technologies

The Ontario government is continuing to deliver on its plan to protect workers and support small and medium-sized businesses with an additional \$5 million to expand the Digital Competence Centre (DCC). This provincewide initiative is delivered in partnership with the Ontario Centre of Innovation (OCI) to help nearly 450 businesses adopt digital tools, modernize operations and improve productivity so that they can continue to grow, create good-paying jobs and stay competitive.

“Our government is making targeted investments to help small businesses succeed in a rapidly evolving digital economy,” said Nina Tangri, Associate Minister of Small Business. “By expanding the Digital Competence Centre, we are giving Ontario entrepreneurs the tools, resources and expertise they need to compete and succeed in today’s increasingly competitive marketplace.”

Ontario businesses can access hands-on support and funding through the DCC’s Digital Modernization and Adoption Plan (DMAP), which provides a matched grant of up to \$15,000 that helps businesses plan for technology investments. Companies that have completed a DMAP project are eligible for additional funding through the Technology Demonstration Program, which includes a grant of up to \$50,000 to match private investment in purchasing and installing new technologies that support business growth and create jobs.

Through the DCC’s Retail Modernization Project Grant, eligible small retailers with 50 or fewer employees can also receive a matched grant of up to \$5,000 to adopt technologies such as point-of-sale systems, online payments, inventory management software, customer relationship management solutions, cybersecurity supports and artificial intelligence tools.

Since its launch in 2022, the DCC has provided more than 800 grants to Ontario businesses that are expected to generate up to \$600 million in increased sales revenue and support approximately 3,000 new and existing jobs. Participating companies also saw an average cost savings of 23 per cent and an average of 192 hours of labour saved per month, helping improve productivity and operational efficiency.

“The Digital Competence Centre is helping Ontario businesses turn digital adoption into measurable economic growth,” said Dr. Claudia Krywiak, President and CEO, OCI. “Through investments in modernization, automation, AI adoption, and digital transformation, Ontario companies are improving productivity, increasing revenues, creating jobs and strengthening their long-term competitiveness. OCI is proud to continue delivering programming that helps businesses across the province scale, innovate and succeed.”

As part of the 2026 Ontario Budget, the government announced an additional \$5 million investment that builds on the \$20 million invested in the program to date. This is part of the government’s plan to protect Ontario by making the province one of the most competitive places to invest and do business in the G7, while building a more resilient and self-reliant economy.

Quick Facts

- Included in the 2026 Ontario Budget, the government is cutting the small business corporate income tax rate by 31.25 per cent, from 3.2 per cent to 2.2 per cent, effective July 1st 2026.
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Grey Sauble Conservation Prepares For Return To Renovated Administration Centre

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) staff are moving back to their Administration Centre at 237897 Inglis Falls Road, Owen Sound at the end of the month, following a year at a temporary location while the building underwent significant renovations.

This project marks the first major renovation since the facility opened in the mid-1970s and was undertaken to improve accessibility, advance operational efficiency, and modernize the space for both staff and visitors.

As a result of the renovations, several accessible features have been implemented, creating a more inclusive environment. Interior upgrades have improved staff workspace, making them more comfortable and efficient, while the redesigned public reception area will offer a more welcoming and informative experience for visitors.

Additional improvements focused on increasing energy efficiency, repairing and upgrading the roof to address long-standing leaks, and implementing a range of functional enhancements to support GSCA's day-to-day operations.

To support the move back to the Administration Centre, GSCA's temporary downtown Owen Sound office at 901 3rd Avenue East will close permanently on May 28. The Administration Centre on Inglis Falls Road will reopen to the public on June 2. During the closure period, most staff will be working remotely and can be reached by phone or email.

As GSCA transitions back to the Administration Centre, service delays may occur as staff settle into the newly renovated space. Additionally, some online services will be temporarily unavailable from May 28 to June 1, including the Intent to Cut online form for those harvesting trees in Grey County, and the online permit application form for GSCA's Environmental Planning Department.

Staff appreciate the community's patience during this transition and look forward to welcoming visitors back into a refreshed and improved Administration Centre!

For updates and additional information, please visit:
www.greysauble.on.ca/gsca-office-move/



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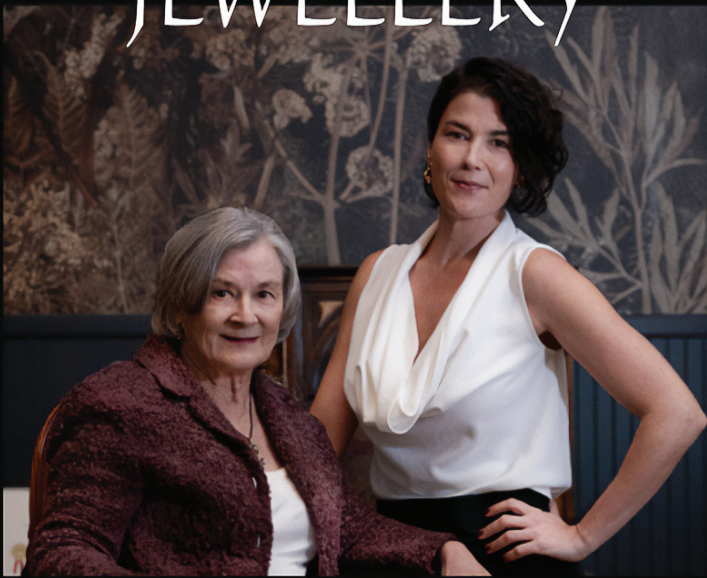
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Ontario Investing in 10 Festivals and Events in Simcoe-Grey

Ontario is investing \$259,270 through the 2026 Experience Ontario program to support 10 festivals and events in Simcoe-Grey. This is part of a more than \$20 million government investment to help municipalities and event organizers deliver high-quality programming and experiences for people of all ages.

"From Ontario's charming small towns to its dazzling urban centres, festivals and events bring people together, create lasting memories and showcase the best of our communities," said Stan Cho, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming. "As we work to protect Ontario, these homegrown experiences play a vital role in celebrating our shared identity, bolstering main street businesses and ensuring our province remains a place people are inspired to explore — and proud to call home."

Brian Saunderson, MPP for Simcoe-Grey announced that the following local events are receiving funding support:

- \$20,000 for the 2026 Stonebridge Wasaga Beach Blues Festival
- \$55,000 for the Blue Mountain Film + Media Festival
- \$20,000 for Collingwood Fashion Week
- \$20,000 for the Barrie Fair 2026
- \$19,270 for Clearview's Small Halls Festival
- \$20,000 for the Creemore Arts Fest 2026
- \$20,000 for Wasaga Beach's Hootenanny and Mayor's Rodeo
- \$55,000 for Collingwood Pride 2026
- \$20,000 for Sidelaunch Days
- \$10,000 for the Frost and Flavour Festival

In total, Experience Ontario 2026 is supporting nearly 400 festivals and events of all sizes across the province, strengthening tourism and supporting local economies while celebrating the people, places and traditions that make Ontario unique.

"Festivals and events are an important part of community life across Simcoe-Grey," said MPP Saunderson. "They support local businesses, attract visitors, and showcase the people and communities that make this region such a special place to live and visit. This investment will help local organizations continue delivering experiences that strengthen our economy and bring people together."

- Since 2018, the Experience Ontario program (formerly known as Reconnect Ontario and Celebrate Ontario) has supported more than 2,700 Ontario festivals and events.
- The government also supports festivals and events through the Ontario Cultural Attractions Fund, which provides eligible organizations with funding for marketing and promotional costs.
- Tourism plays a critical role in the Ontario economy: in 2024, visitors to Ontario spent \$33 billion and supported more than 300,000 jobs.



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Council Highlights - May 14

Council endorsed Councillor Dobreen's nomination for the position of Director on the County Caucus of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Board of Directors.

Council heard a delegation from Kellsie Bonnyman from Ontario Nature about the 30x30 biodiversity target. The global goal is to protect 30% of the land and sea by 2030 to halt biodiversity loss. Ontario Nature is looking to partner with Grey County to identify appropriate Grey County forests as candidates to become protected and conserved areas.

Council received information about two culvert replacements needed on Grey Road 40 west of The Blue Mountains-Euphrasia Townline. Both culverts need emergency repairs and need to be replaced now to prevent future road closures. The culverts are several metres deep below the road and require five-week or longer road closure, beginning May 25. The culverts were initially planned to be upgraded soon using an insert method to extend their life. Both were damaged significantly by a summer storm in 2025 and temporary repairs were made. Further erosion of the steep embankment from heavy rain and spring runoff has caused a partial collapse of the culverts, requiring emergency repair. The project will cost \$700,000 and will be funded from either a 2026 surplus or reserve funding. Notable detours will be required on alternate County roads. Grey County will communicate the disruption over the coming days to encourage travelers to find alternate routes.

Council accepted the minutes of the April 17 Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting. At this meeting the committee provided comments on the rural transit study, and several local municipal matters.

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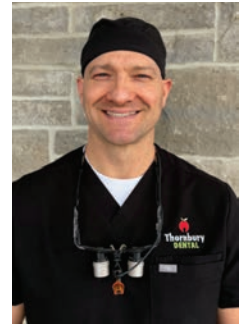
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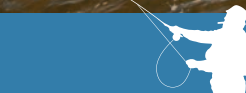
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Better Care Starts Here: Ontario Celebrates Paramedic Services Week Paramedic Services Week, May 17 to 23, 2026

May 17 marks the start of Paramedic Services Week 2026, celebrating the nearly 12,000 paramedics who provide expert care and vital support to communities across Ontario. This year's theme, "Better Care Starts Here," recognizes the many ways paramedics use their advanced expertise to care for, protect, and strengthen the communities they serve.

"Behind every interaction there's a person, there's a family, there's a story, and a moment that matters. Paramedics provide not only expert care, they also deliver compassion, reassurance and dignity," says APC President Greg Sage.

During Paramedic Services Week, we celebrate the dedication, professionalism, and compassion that paramedics bring to their work every day. Their service has a profound impact on the health and well-being of Ontarians and helps ensure people receive the right care at the right time.

Learn more about paramedicine and the work that the OAPC does as the voice of paramedic leadership in Ontario at www.oapc.ca.



Raise a child the world wants to meet

Muskoka's independent day & boarding school

- Grades 7-12
- University preparation
- Experiential, outdoor learning



Branch 281
Clarksburg

FRIDAY BBQs ARE BACK!
Starting on Friday May 15th - Open 3pm BBQ 5pm
Burger or Sausage, salad and dessert for \$15.
On the patio or inside, everyone welcome.

VETERANS' COFFEE/LUNCH
The next Vets' Coffee/Lunch will be held
Friday May 22nd from 11:00am.
This is a free event open to all veterans. Come and join us for an informal social moment with comrades.

IT'S THE 100th BIRTHDAY OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
COME CELEBRATE WITH US
Saturday May 30th 1:00-4:00pm
BBQ Pork or Chicken on a Bun with Salads \$10 on our Licensed Patio or Inside
Come, Visit and Learn About Our Branch Open To Everyone (Free Birthday Cake!)
202 MARSH STREET, CLARKSBURG



Employment Services


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Connecting Job Seekers, Employers, and Community

Employment help for job seekers and employers in Bruce, Grey, Huron, and Perth Counties.

<https://employmentbghs.ca>
(519) 881-1291

See what's possible. Schedule a campus visit:
rosseaulakecollege.com



Rosseau Lake College



Notice of Public Meeting

STOP UP & CLOSE NAPIER STREET WEST UNOPENED ROAD ALLOWANCE

June 2, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid Format: In-Person AND Virtual/Online

Town Hall, Council Chambers
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

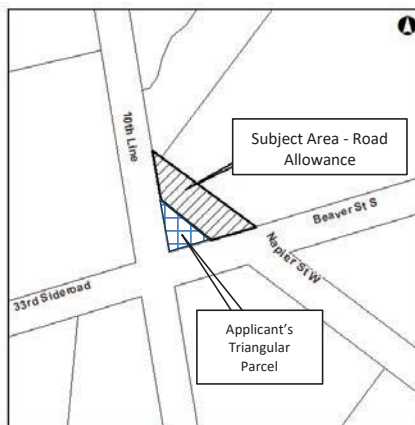
What is being proposed?

The Town has received a request to consider "Stopping up and Closing" a portion of the Napier Street West unopened road allowance located in the area shown on the map below. The purpose of the request is to consider a land exchange involving the unopened Napier Street West Road allowance and a portion of lands owned by the applicant at the corner of 10th Line and Beaver Street South.

The proposed exchange would allow for the transfer of the unopened road allowance to the applicant and the triangular portion of land located at the corner of 10th Line and Beaver Street South to the Town.

More information can be found in [Planning Staff Report PBS.26.027](#).

Key Map



Where do I find more information?

Additional information regarding this proposal is available at www.thebluemountains.ca/NapierStW or by scanning the QR code.

Information can be reviewed in person at the Planning Services Department located at Town Hall during regular office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or contact the planner for this file.



Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member!

Diksha Marwaha, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services, 519-599-3131 ext. 262 or planning@thebluemountains.ca

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

When will a decision be made?

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How can I make my views known about this proposal?

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Notice of Public Meeting

PROCEDURAL BY-LAW UPDATE

June 2, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid Format: In-Person AND Virtual/Online

Town Hall, Council Chambers

32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

What is being proposed?

Revisions to the current Procedural Bylaw 2023-62 have been requested by Council, that includes, amongst other revisions:

- provisions regarding the changes to the *Municipal Act*, as it relates to the Special Powers and Duties of the Head of Council (Strong Mayor Powers),
- limiting the number of meetings a Council Member may attend virtually
- the Chair shall attend meetings in person, unless the meeting is fully electronic
- allowing deputations on Council, Public Meeting dates
- clarifying that a person that has appeared a deputation shall not also provide public comments on the same matter, at the same meeting
- limiting each person to one Public Comment per meeting
- inclusion of a Consent Agenda for matters that are for information only
- clarification regarding Reconsideration of a Council Decision, Motion to Rescind, Point of Privilege
- general housekeeping items.

More Information can be found in: [ADM.26.001, Procedural By-law – Request to Proceed to Public Meeting.](#)

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Notice of Public Meeting

Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Review

June 2, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid Format

In-Person AND Virtual/Online

Town Hall, Council Chambers

32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

What is being proposed?

A Community Improvement Plan (CIP) is a planning tool under the Ontario *Planning Act* that allows municipalities to identify specific areas for revitalization and provide programs, grants or incentives to stimulate economic and social improvements.

The Town currently has two CIPs, developed in 2021: the [Town Wide Revitalization CIP](#) and the [Housing Within Reach CIP](#). The Town has retained NPG Planning Solutions to undertake a comprehensive review and update of these plans to determine how the Town's CIP can better support housing affordability, economic sustainability and local revitalization across the Town.

The review will result in a new CIP that brings together relevant components of the Town's two existing CIPs into a single comprehensive framework and establishes updated objectives and incentive programs aligned with the Town's evolving needs, priorities and long-term vision.

The purpose of the Public Meeting is to present the Draft CIP and provide an opportunity for public review and feedback prior to Council consideration.

The Draft CIP is available for review [here](#).

Where do I find more information?

Additional information related to the CIP review, including the Draft CIP, Policy Outline Report and Background Reports, is available at www.thebluemountains.ca/CIPReview or by scanning the QR code.



Information can be reviewed in person at Town Hall by visiting the Community Services desk during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member!

Tim Hendry, Director of Strategic Initiatives 519-599-3131 ext. 282 or SI@thebluemountains.ca

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When will a decision be made?

It is important to note that a decision on the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Review has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at this Public Meeting. After reviewing the Draft CIP and 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?

The Public Meeting is your chance to hear more about the project and make your views about it known. Any person or agency may provide comments on this matter in writing or verbally at the Public Meeting.

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 32 Mill St. Thornbury, ON

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ELECTION NOTICE – School Board Trustees



Cet avis est disponible en français en communiquant auprès du bureau du Secrétaire des élections/Greffier municipal.

This notice is for anyone proposing to be a candidate in the 2026 school board elections within the Municipality of Meaford, City of Owen Sound and Town of The Blue Mountains.

Candidates may file a nomination form during regular business hours **with the last day for filing being August 21st at 2:00 p.m.** Electronic filing of nominations is not permitted.

A prescribed fee in the amount of **\$100.00 payable by cash, debit, certified cheque or money order**, must accompany the registration/nomination form.

The term for School Board Trustees begins on November 15, 2026, for a four (4) year term.

Bluewater District School Board (English Public School Electors)	
One representing the City of Owen Sound	One representing the Municipality of Meaford and the Town of The Blue Mountains
Nomination papers to be filed at City Hall 808 2 nd Avenue East, Owen Sound ON *please call 519-370-7350 to make an appointment	Nomination papers to be filed at the Municipality of Meaford Administration Office 21 Trowbridge Street West, Meaford ON *please call 519-538-1060 to make an appointment

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board (English Separate School Electors)
One representing the Town of The Blue Mountains, Municipality of Meaford and City of Owen Sound
Nomination papers to be filed at City Hall, 808 2nd Avenue East, Owen Sound, Ontario *please call 519-370-7340 to make an appointment

Conseil scolaire Viamonde (French Public School Electors)
One representing the Municipalities in the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Dufferin and Simcoe
Nomination papers to be filed at the City of Barrie City Hall at 70 Collier Street, Barrie, ON L4M 4T5 Telephone: 705-739-4220

Conseil scolaire catholique Providence (French Separate School Electors)
One representing Municipalities in the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Huron Lambton and Perth
Nomination papers to be filed at the City of Sarnia 255 Christina Street, Sarnia, Ontario N7T 7N2 Telephone: 519-332-0330

If your place of residence is greater than 100 kilometers from the Municipal Office where you are to file your nomination paper, you may file your nomination paper at the Municipal Office where you reside.

If there are an insufficient number of candidates for any office, additional nominations for the remaining vacancies in any office, may be filed in the Office of the Clerk on Wednesday August 26, 2026 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

For further information, please contact your local Returning Officer:

Municipality of Meaford Margaret Wilton-Siegel, Clerk 21 Trowbridge Street West Meaford, ON N4L 1A1 519-538-1060 clerk@meaford.ca	City of Owen Sound Briana Bloomfield, City Clerk 808 2 nd Avenue East Owen Sound, ON N4K 2H4 519-370-7340 elections@owensound.ca	Town of The Blue Mountains Corrina Giles, Town Clerk 32 Mill Street Thornbury, ON NOH 2P0 519-599-3131 townclerk@thebluemountains.ca
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Dated: **April 25, 2026**



Retiring on a Low Income? Learn About Government Income

Free information sessions

for people with **low or moderate** income,
including those on **Ontario Works or ODSP**.

Topics include:

- Government benefits at age 65
- How taxes affect seniors' income
- The financial reality for low-income seniors

Session Dates

May 8, 2026 | 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

What Seniors Get: Government Income

May 22, 2026 | 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Understanding the Income Tax System

June 5, 2026 | 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Parallel Universe: The Reality for Low-Income Seniors



Hosted at L.E. Shore Library



Register Now!

seniors@bvvo.ca

519 599 2577, ext. 126

Lunch included



United Way
Bruce Grey



BRUCE GREY
POVERTY
TASK FORCE
OUR VOICE IS POWER



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POLICY
ONTARIO
John Stapleton



COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION
GREY BRUCE

Children's Expressive Arts Therapy

Ages 8 - 12

Group art therapy sessions where youth can
explore feelings, express themselves creatively,
and learn healthy coping skills

5 week program - May 14, 21, June 4, 11, 18

4:00 - 5:30pm • Blue Mountains Public Library

Free Program • Limited Space • Register Today

Register with Blue Shores Counselling

by email Info@blueshorescounselling.com

or call 705-444-0381

5th Community
street Cultural Festival



CRAIGLEITH
CARES



TBM Repair Café

140 Bruce St. S. Thornbury

Saturday, May 23

9am-Noon

Bring broken items for free repair
and enjoy a snack.

Go **Green** for a better **Blue!**

www.repaircafethebluemountains.ca

Kimberley Forest Community Event



Saturday, May 23, 2026

10:00 AM to Noon

Kimberley Hall, Kimberley

Join the Friends of the Kimberley Forest for coffee,
project updates and find out about the **25 km of
groomed trails** in your backyard.

Event Highlights

- Learn about forest projects
- Pick up trail maps
- Enjoy some light refreshments
- Support forest care with a 50/50 draw

Free guided forest walk at 11:00 AM



Thornbury
CLEAR CHOICE
Pools & Spas ANNUAL

CHARITY BBQ

SAT. MAY 23, 2026 | 11AM-2PM

FOOD | DRINKS | HOT TUB SALE

4 Arthur St. W Thornbury
next to the Post Office



PROCEEDS GO TO THE GEORGIAN SHORES
MINOR HOCKEY EUROPE TRIP

Arts & Culture Council Presents

ART SUPPLIES SALE

May 23, 2026
11am-3pm

L.E. Shore Library front lawns

Gently Used Art Materials!
Find a bargain!

Bringing
Cash
Recommended!

The Gallery
of L.E. Shore

TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca
TheBlueMountainsLibrary.ca | 519-599-3681
173 Bruce Street South, Thornbury, Ontario

LUNCH BUNCH

4th Tuesday

MAY 26TH AT NOON

Come for lunch and bring a friend. Min. \$10 donation
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 165 Russell St. E., Thornbury



MAY 26 | 6-8 PM
\$38.00 PER PERSON
L.E. SHORE LIBRARY
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Mosaic

PLANT STAKE WORKSHOP

Create two colourful mosaic plant stakes using pre-cut glass pieces. Choose your colours, shape pieces if needed, grout, and attach a stainless steel stake to finish your design.

Leave with two handmade mosaic plant stakes!

L.E. Shore Memorial Library
519-599-3681
thebluemountainslibrary.ca
173 Bruce St S, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

THORNBURY JAZZWORKS

GRACE UNITED CHURCH, 140 BRUCE STREET S., THORNBURY

FRIDAY MAY 29, 7:30 PM

Pat Collins Trio + 2

Playing a mix of originals, standards and a few surprises!



TOM SZCZESNAK
Accordion and Piano

KEVIN TURCOTTE
Trumpet

PAT COLLINS
Bass

JOEL HAYNES
Drums

REG SCHWAGER
Guitar

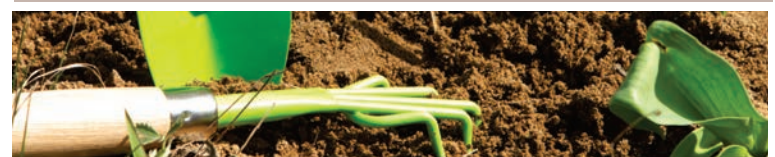
ADMISSION \$30

PROCEEDS SUPPORT STUDENT MUSIC EDUCATION

Purchase tickets by email - thornburyjazz@gmail.com
Thornbury Pharmasave, 45 Arthur St. W., Thornbury
Gabriele Photography, 133 Hurontario St., Collingwood
AT THE DOOR (CASH ONLY)



www.thornburyjazz.com



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15+ perennials from your garden
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Receive A Tax Receipt for
What The Plants Sell For!

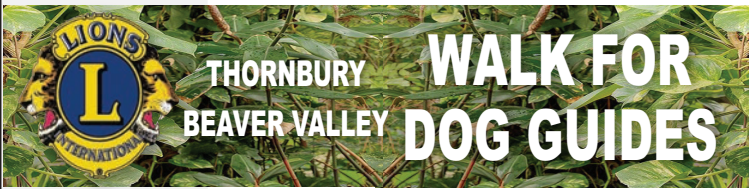
Email stg.plantsale@gmail.com or visit the
church to register and receive your donor kit

DELIVER PLANTS
MAY 27 or MAY 28
PLANT SALE

Saturday May 30, 8am-Noon



JOIN A POWERFUL MOVEMENT TO PROVIDE
LIFE-CHANGING DOG GUIDES.



SATURDAY MAY 30th, 2026

Chamber of Commerce Building
Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0
Reg. 9:00am Walk 9:30am

To Register, Make a Pledge or Donate Visit

WALKFORDOGGUIDES.COM

Pledge Sheets also available at these locations



Contact Thornbury/Beaver Valley Lions Club
waynepowney11@gmail.com 226-558-3243



Legion



Branch 281
Beaver Valley

IT'S THE CENTENARY OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US AT OUR

BIRTHDAY PARTY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday May 30th; 1:00 - 4:00pm

BBQ PORK OR CHICKEN ON A BUN WITH SALADS \$10

FREE BIRTHDAY CAKE

ON OUR LICENSED PATIO OR INSIDE
COME, VISIT AND LEARN ABOUT OUR BRANCH
200 MARSH STREET, CLARKSBURG
OPEN TO EVERYONE



**GIANT
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SALE**

St. George's
Anglican Church
166 Russell Street E.
Clarksburg

1000+ Perennials

Rare Perennials for Sun or Shade
SHRUBS / ORNAMENTAL GRASSES
599 Garden Club Experts to Advise You

Sat. May 30

8am-noon, while supplies last
Cash/Debit/Credit

Car access only to
pickup purchases

Accessible Parking On-Site



**SATURDAY
MAY 30th, 2026**

6TH ANNUAL

LOBSTER FEST
TAKE OUT

EAST COAST LOBSTER NO FRILLS DINNER

1 1/2 lb Lobster, Ribs/Chicken, Baked Potato - \$65
Bring your own take-out bag

EAST COAST LOBSTER DINNER

1 1/2 lb Lobster, Ribs/Chicken, Baked Potato, Salad, Dessert - \$80

SINGLE LOBSTER - \$40

Order online - Pickup Times 4:30- 6:30pm
Beaver Valley Community Centre, Thornbury
Proceeds to support The Blue Mountain Legacy Fund

FOR INFORMATION CALL 519-599-3345

www.lobsterfestblue.ca



**ESCARPMENT
CORRIDOR ALLIANCE**
South Georgian Bay's Land Trust

@escarpment_ca
Escarpment Corridor Alliance
The Escarpment Corridor Alliance

Annual Community Update

June 2nd, 4-6pm at The Marsh Street Centre
187 Marsh St, Clarksburg, ON



Scan the QR code to purchase a \$20 ticket!

Join us in celebrating the conservation achievements that ECA supporters made possible in 2025. Discover the ECA's priority objectives for 2026, meet the Board, and hear directly from our leadership.

*This is a hybrid event-virtual registration available.
*A tax receipt will be provided for this purchase.



ADULT INK DRAWING CLASS AT THE LIBRARY



Wednesday June 3
3:30-4:30pm | \$30

LIMITED SPACE. REGISTER ONLINE THROUGH THE IMAGINATION STUDIO

L.E. Shore Memorial Library
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thebluemountainslibrary.ca
173 Bruce St S, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0



Shoreline Chorus Presents AT THE RIVER

Directed by
Ann-Marie MacDairmid

Musical Selections Include
Down by the Riverside, Peace Like a River
Shenandoah, River of Dreams, Ol' Man River

Friday, June 5, 2026
7:30 pm

St. George's Anglican Church
166 Russell Street, Clarksburg

Admission \$25.00

For information call 519-599-2710

Adopt a Pollinator Patch!



POLLINATE
The Blue Mountains

Join us at the L.E. Shore Library for an intro on helping pollinators, plus tons of family fun!



The first 30 families to register get ~12 free perennials to take home!

Saturday
June 6
10-11am



Home Alone Safety Course

June 8th, 3:30-5:30pm

Hosted at L.E. Shore Library



Register online

COMMUNITY Conversation

On inclusion and belonging

Hosted at L.E Shore Library

June 10
3:30-5pm

Drop-in
All ages



Facilitated by Nova Nicole, local resident and experienced conversation guide



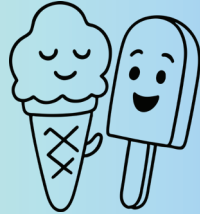
BEAVER VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

FUN FAIR

YAY!

**THURSDAY
JUNE 11TH
2026**

4PM - 8PM



ALL FUNDS RAISED
WILL GO TOWARDS
NEW PLAYGROUND
EQUIPMENT!

RAIN OR SHINE

**BBQ BLUE MOUNTAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT
(HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, & VEGGIE DOGS INCLUDED)**

**TICKETS TICKET PACKAGES & INDIVIDUALS
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
(MORE INFO TO COME...)**

EVENTS

FAIR GAMES
BOUNCY CASTLE
WHEEL CHAIR-
BASKETBALL
CRAFT MARKET
STUDENT DJ'S

FACE PAINT
DUNK TANK
COTTON CANDY
DIY CRAFTS
HAIR BLING
TATTOOS
FUN, FUN, FUN!

PARTY!

SEE YOU IN THE SCHOOL YARD!



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Author talk with Shannon Kyles
THE STORY OF ONTARIO ARCHITECTURE
JUNE 12, 2 - 4 PM




**L.E. Shore
Artist
OF THE YEAR**

4 Hours | 10+ Artists | 1 Winner

**SATURDAY JUNE 13
9:45AM-5PM**

FREE EVENT DROP IN ANYTIME TO OBSERVE THE COMPETITION!

WINNER ANNOUNCED AT 2:45PM

CLARKSBURG

**Kid's
Fest**



Sunday, June 14 2026 11-3

Thornbury Beaver Valley Lions Club

**24TH ANNUAL
DUCK RACE**



**SUNDAY,
JUNE 14, 3PM**

Lions Park
Clarksburg
Tickets \$5.00

**1st Duck Drawn
\$1000 CASH**

2nd \$500 • 3rd \$250
4th \$100 • 5th \$50 Cash Card
6th Special Draw

Tickets at:
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Riverside Press
bvions@hotmail.com
Call 519 599 7781





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A WIDE VARIETY OF ONTARIO CIDERS

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AT SPY CIDER HOUSE & DISTILLERY

12-5PM
SATURDAY
JUNE 20
2026



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THORNBURY CRAFT - TWO BLOKS
WINDSWEEP - TAWSE WINERY - LIBERTY VILLAGE
VIENI ESTATES - CHILL STREET
HERITAGE ESTATE - NIAGARA CIDER
SPY CIDER HOUSE & DISTILLERY + MORE

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TERRA LIGHTFOOT
DANIEL GREAVES (THE WATCHMEN)
DREW MCIVOR STEW



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THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

166 Russell Street E, Clarksburg 519-599-3047

St. George's Famous Garden Party

FISH FRY

Saturday, June 20
4:30 to 7:00 pm

Cash Bar with Beer & Wine
operated by the Beaver Valley Legion

FISH, HOMEMADE SALADS & LOCAL PIES
(Gluten-Free Fish or GF Vegan meal available ORDER AHEAD 519-599-3047)

Tickets: Adults \$30 / Children (10 and under) \$10

**PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
PLATE, BEVERAGE CUP AND CUTLERY.**

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW!
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or at Thornbury Pharmasave or call 519-599-3047

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BY NORM FOSTER

JUNE
23-26
2026

ON STAGE AT
MARSH STREET CENTRE
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A Parisian book launch at L.E Shore Library



with author,
Harriet Alida Lye,
in conversation
with Katie Zdybel

June 20th
3-5pm



SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY JUNE 26 at 1pm

TD Summer Reading Club Launch party, in
the parking lot of L.E. Shore Library!

Register and get your
canvas bag and cupcake!



JOIN US FOR
CANADA DAY



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WEDNESDAY JULY 1

Clarksburg, Thornbury, Blue Mountain Village

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Beaver Valley Legion 8:30-10:00

PARADE 11AM Clarksburg-Thornbury

To participate in the parade sign up on the website and receive a ticket for the BBQ that follows at the BVCC

FACE PAINTING • MUSIC • CAKE

BBQ & MUSIC - Marsh Street Centre 1:00-4:00

All Day Entertainment at Blue Mountain Village

www.visitbluejuly1.ca 519-599-3345

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Music in the Park



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MAY 28 - 31

VILLAGE CONFERENCE CENTRE

**Opening Night
Cocktail Reception
+ Spotlight**

Thursday, May 28
7-10pm



COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Walk the red carpet and enjoy a complimentary hospitality before the film



DANCING ON THE ELEPHANT

Dir. Julia Neill, Jacob Z. Smith; Canada
Two women in a retirement home forge a life-changing bond that leads to one last, unforgettable adventure.



LIVE Q&A

Stick around after the film for an exclusive Q&A with film star, **Sheila McCarthy** who will be in attendance.



**Saturday Night
Feature +
After Party**

Saturday, May 30
7-10pm



YOU HAD TO BE THERE

Dir. Nick Davis; Canada
A rapturous reunion of the 1972 Toronto Godspell cast celebrates the half-century long legacy of a musical that launched the careers of many comedy greats.



LIVE Q&A

Stick around after the film for an exclusive Q&A with film star, **Jayne Eastwood** who will be in attendance.



AFTER PARTY

Celebrate in true 70s style at the after party, dress for the decade, and enjoy cocktails, late-night bites, and a live set by Holly Clausius featuring hits from ABBA to Bowie.



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