

COMMUNITY EVENTS

A directory of what is happening in your community

The community event calendar is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce upcoming events. Deadlines are no later than Monday for that week's issue to

COMMUNITY EVENTS,
P.O. Box 310, Beeton, Ontario
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Submissions by mail, fax or e-mail and will not be received by telephone.

ISSUES & INTERESTS

The York-Simcoe Naturalists is a young club looking for new members. Contact: Cathryn Rees at 905-775-7021, e-mail: wilcor@sympatico.ca.

South Simcoe Community Information Centre "CONTACT" at 146 Victoria St. W. Alliston. Call (705) 435-4900, Fax 705-435-1106. Website: www.csolve.net/-contact, or Email: contact@focuscdc.on.ca.

Be a face in the fight against cancer The Innisfil Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society needs volunteers. Their involvement enables the Canadian Cancer Society to fund cancer research, provide information, services and to support people living with cancer. Call: 436-1060 or 726-8032.

The Canadian Mental Health Association of Barrie-Simcoe supports the development and continuance of self-help groups as a viable community resource for individuals experiencing difficulties. Self-Help groups can provide; support and understanding through difficult times; an opportunity to meet with others who have experienced similar difficulties; information and education; a safe and comfortable environment; suggestions regarding coping strategies that help to get through difficult times.

For further information contact the Canadian Mental Health Association, Barrie-Simcoe Branch at 705-726-5033 or 1-800-461-4319.

Donations are needed for Music Fun Night at the Gilford United Church. If you have any old or unused music instruments like tambourines, shakers, chimes, drums or other fun instruments, call Dawn at (705) 456-2555.

MONDAYS

Friends of the Innisfil Library, Stroud Branch, meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m.

Gilford and District Horticultural Society meets second Monday of the month from March to November at Churchill Community Centre at 7:30pm. New members are always welcome. Call Mona Rea at 456-0132 or Eveline Teras at 436-4776 for more info. **Al-Anon meetings** take place every Monday at Innisfil Community Church at 8:00 p.m.

If you have a problem with someone else's drink, come and join the discussion group.

Innisfil Pipes & Drums meet for practice at the Legion in Bell Ewart, 1017 Robinson St. at 7 p.m. Always looking for new members. Phone Ken at (705) 456-3717.

TUESDAYS

Job Search Assistance, help with job search, resumes, interview tips, job bank internet assistance at the Thornton Library 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and the Alcona Library from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Services provided at no charge by The Employment Outreach Team call Marilee or Kathy at (705) 728-0897 for more information. This initiative is funded by the government of Canada.

Cookstown Computer Club drop-in program for elementary students, 4 to 5 p.m. at the library.

T.O.P.S. (Take off Pounds Sensibly) from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Library, Robert St., Thornton. For information call (705) 424-9433 or (705) 458-0937.

Stroud Seniors invite persons 55 + to join them for an afternoon of bid and progressive euchre, refreshments and companionship. 1 to 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall, Painswick. Call 436-1628.

St Paul's Anglican Church, located on the corner of Mapleview and Yonge Street, has two new youth and young adult programs. From 6:30 - 8:00 pm will be informal musical jamming sessions for anyone with a voice or instrument. If you are learning to play an instrument or like to sing and would enjoy having some fun and social time with similar minded people, come and join us.

For more information, please call (705) 722-7755

St. Paul's Church, Innisfil (corner of Mapleview and Younge Street), Playgroup for tots, moms, dads, caregivers, and grandparents from 9:30-11:30 am. Come for a social time, friendship, play and snacks. For information, call (705) 431-1694.

The Beta Classes will be held at the Innisfil Community Church starting January 9th at 1pm. Beta is a life changing program and the twelve week course will enable you to live free from fear, stress anxiety and the pain of past hurts and traumas. This program is offered at the Church from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. For more information, call Sherri McLaughlin at (705) 436-1611.

The Grange Hall in Lefroy hosts euchre beginning at 12 p.m. Every third Tuesday includes a pot luck lunch. The cost is \$2, and there is a 50/50 draw as well. Both regular and bid euchre are played. A charge of 25 cents

goes towards prizes. The event is open to everyone. For more information, call the Lefroy United Church at 456-2098.

WEDNESDAYS

Friends of the Innisfil Library, Lakeshore Branch, meet the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. New members are most welcome.

Euchre, bid euchre, Scrabble and cribbage is played at Alcona Seniors club every Wednesday at 11:30 to 3 p.m. at the ABC Hall on the 25th Sideroad below Innisfil Beach Rd. Refreshments and fun days. Bring a bag lunch.

Euchre every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30, Newton Robinson United Church in aid of Gwen Taylor Library. Refreshments.

Weight Loss Group. The Alcona Chapter of TOPS meets at 7:15 at Goodfellow Public School. Call Joan Davies at 436-3197 after 6 and on weekends.

Job Search Assistance, help with job search, resumes, interview tips, job bank internet assistance. On Wednesdays, the mornings are alternated between the Churchill and the Cookstown Libraries from 10:00 a.m. to noon., and every Wednesday afternoon at the Stroud Branch from 1:30 - 3:30. Services provided at no charge by The Employment Outreach Team Please call marilee or Kathy at (705) 728-0897. This initiative is funded by the government of Canada.

The Cookstown Co-Operative Playgroup is at St. John's Anglican Church in Cookstown located on Hwy 89, east of Hwy 27. All pre-school children and their care-givers are welcome, as well as new members. The hours will be 9:30 to 12:00 every Wednesday & Thursday. Come out with your pre-school aged children (senior kindergarten and younger), have a snack, make a craft and meet some new friends. For more information please call Brian Haas at (705) 458-8468. See you there!!

THURSDAYS

Euchre - Progressive and Bid, every Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion - 1017 Robinson, Bell Ewart 705-436-1144, Betty.

Register for Book Book a six week afterschool program for ages 6 and up from 5-6 p.m. Call Innisfil Public Library, Cookstown Branch at 458-1273.

Job Search Assistance, help with job search, resumes, interview tips, job bank internet assistance at the Alcona Library from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Please call Marilee or Kathy at (705) 728-0897.

Services provided at no charge by The Employment Outreach Team 728-3757, this initiative is funded by the government of Canada.

Barrie Chapter of Schizo-

phrenia Society of Ontario family support group meets the last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Canadian Mental Health Association, Barrie-Simcoe Building, 39 High St., Barrie. For info contact 726-5033.

The Parish of Churchill and Cookstown youth group meets every Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Youth between the ages of 9-12 years are welcome to attend regardless of denomination. Please call Pam Gervais for information at (705) 735-3484.

St Paul's Anglican Church, located on the corner of Mapleview and Yonge Street, has two new youth and young adult programs. From 6:30 - 8:00 pm we are beginning a study comparing the gospels and learning how and why they developed. For more information, call (705) 722-7755.

The Painswick Horticultural Society meets on the third Thursday of each month from March to November. Meetings take place at the St. Paul's Anglican Church hall.

SATURDAYS

Barrie Farmers' Market, outside and inside Barrie City Hall. From 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Fresh produce and fruit in season. For info please call 739-4204.

SUNDAYS

Overeaters Anonymous meets at the Mapleview Community Church at 7pm. Do you eat when you are not hungry? Is your weight affecting the way you live your life? It's not what you eat, it's what's eating you! For more information, call Anne at (705) 436-7921.

The Teen Youth Group of the Parish of Churchill and Cookstown meet at St. John's Anglican Church every other Sunday in the parish hall from 12:30 - 2:30 pm. All teens aged between 13-18 years are welcome to join regardless of denomination. Please call Pam at (705) 735-3484 for information.

Innisfil Leo Club meeting on the second and fourth Sunday of every month. Come meet new friends, help your community, get your community hours and have fun.

The club meets at the Lions Hall at 982 Innisfil Beach Road. New members are welcome. For information call Lynda at 431-6231 or Sharon at 431-6168.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 14

Barrie Thornton Old Time Fiddlers Night at the Lions Hall on Barrie Street, in Thornton. The doors open at 6 and the music starts at 7 p.m., sharp. Admission is \$3 per person and children are free. All fiddlers, singers, callers, dancers and listeners are welcome. Call Cec

Denney for more information at 458-9996.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16

The Barry Folk Society presents an evening with the Good Lovelies. This female folk trio, named Best Folk by the Toronto Independent Music Awards, will be playing an intimate house concert right here in Alcona. Location: 2208 25th Sideroad Tickets are \$10 for BFS members and \$12 for non-members. Showtime is 8 to 10 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Seating is limited, so for reservations, contact Ginny at ginnyC649@hotmail.com or 431-7182.

The Innisfil Historical Society invites you to their meeting at 2 p.m. at Knock School Heritage Site, 7756 10 Sideroad at the 9th Line. Guest speaker Ann Brolley will speak on handwriting analysis. All are welcome. For more information, please call 458-9362.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 20

A roast beef dinner will be held at Gilford United Church. Two sittings will take place, at 5 and 6:30 p.m. respectively. Homemade pies will be available. Admission is \$13 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. For tickets, call 458-2006.

Thornton Women's Institute meets at the library on Robert Street starting at 7:30 p.m. Roll call is to read a short news clipping about agriculture and the guest will be Sam Squires from Alliston speaking about potatoes.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 21

The Simcoe County Quilters' Guild will meet at 1 p.m. at the ANAF Hall on George Street in Barrie. Due to unforeseen circumstances, our regularly scheduled programming has had to be cancelled.

Please join us for our mystery program, as the executive is sure to use their creative talents to provide an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23

The Essa Historical Society meets at the Thornton Library, located on Robert Street, starting at 1:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Henry Jones from Roadshow Antiques at the 400 Market. Topic is antique appraisals and roll call is pioneer post offices. All are welcome to attend.

A cowboy dinner costume party will take place at the Masonic Lodge in Stroud,

beginning at 6 p.m. Admission is \$15 per person. The lodge is located at 2156 Victoria Street. For more information, call Hilda Neely at 722-6275.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 26

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, along with its partners, will present new grants for landowners to protect our drinking water. This free event will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Tiffin Centre, 8195 8th Line, Utopia. Complimentary refreshments will be served. To reserve a seat, call Shannon Stephens at 424-1479 ext. 239.

Monthly Fiddle Dance and Jam Session for the Bond Head Olde Tyme Fiddle Club. All musicians, dancers and listeners are welcome to attend. The event will be held at the Bond Head Community Hall at the Highway 27 and 88 intersection. The show starts at 7 p.m., admission is \$4. For more information, call Ed Elliottson at (519) 941-2134.

FRIDAY MARCH 7

Shabbat Across Canada will be held at the Am Shalom Synagogue. Celebrate a Shabbat evening with other Jews across the country. A special service and dinner will take place. Call 792-3949 for more information. The synagogue is located at 767 Huronia Road in Barrie.

FRIDAY MARCH 21

In Search of Jesus, an outdoor family adventure, will take place at New Life Church, beginning at 9 a.m. Walk back in time and experience the first Easter. The church park is located at 6881 Yonge Street, across from Sunset Speedway. Tours are free.

For more information, call 436-5413.

SATURDAY MARCH 29

The Grange Cafe will feature Poor Tom, a music group influenced by Celtic, folk, bluegrass and country roots, classic rock and classical music, starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. The evening will also include coffee, tea and snacks.

FRIDAY MARCH 7

World Day of Prayer service at Lefroy United Church, beginning at 1 p.m. Reverend Peter Kuqba-Nyande from Wyevalley Waverly Pastoral Charge will lead the service. Luncheon to follow.