

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.

St. Paul's Anglican Church at Yonge Street and Mapleview Drive East presents Living the Bible at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 722-7755.

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 at Yonge Street and Mapleview Drive East hosts a playgroup for parents/grandparents and children from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Stringing Pearls from 1 to 3 p.m. contemporary Bible study, Aprons and Briefcases, an opportunity for women juggling many tasks to nurture their spirit on the first and fourth Tuesday of each month from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. For more information call 722-7755.

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 snake, make a craft and meet some new friends. For more information please call Brian Haas at (705) 458-8468. See you there!!

St. Paul's Anglican Church at Yonge Street and Mapleview Drive East presents morning prayer and study group at 10 a.m. and darts at 1 p.m. For more information, call 722-7755.

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.

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by The Employment Outreach Team 728-3757, this initiative is funded by the government of Canada.

Barrie Chapter of Schizophrenia 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.

St. Paul's Anglican Church at Yonge Street and Mapleview Drive East host the Men's Un-Group meetings at 9 a.m. on the last Saturday of the month for breakfast and study of current affairs. Aprons and Briefcases, an opportunity for women juggling many tasks to nurture their spirit, is also held on the second Saturday of each month, from 9 a.m. to noon. For more call 722-7755.

SUNDAYS
Overeaters Anonymoyus 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.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19
Play bid euchre at the Gwen Taylor Community Library in the Newton Robinson United Church building. The cost is \$3 per person, and lunch will be served. The event begins at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

THURSDAY MARCH 20
Winter white getting you down? Think spring, think green. Join the Painswick Horticultural Society as they kick off their 2008 season with entertaining speaker Carol Dunk on the topic Water Wise Gardening, beginning at 7:30 p.m. See you at St. Paul's church hall to get a head start on gardening tips. Call John at 436-5292 for further information.

FRIDAY MARCH 21
In Search of Jesus, an outdoor family adventure, will take place at New Life Church on Yonge Street. Walk back in time and experience the first Easter. Free tours begin at 9 a.m. All visitors must park at Sunset Speedway. For more information, or to book a tour, call 436-5413.

Thornton Lions Good Friday Pancake Breakfast will be held at the Lions Hall on Barrie Street in Thornton. All you can eat pancakes will be served with sausage and coffee, tea or juice from 7 to 11 a.m. Proceeds will go to the Simcoe Muskoka Cancer Centre.

SUNDAY MARCH 23
Join Stroud Presbyterian Church for an Easter Sunday pancake breakfast, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The breakfast will be followed by a worship service at 10:30 a.m. Call 436-7939 or 436-3107 for more information.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 26
A cancer society tea will be held at The Wheel in Sandy Cove Acres from 2 to 4 p.m. The Glee Club will entertain, and there will be a video on cures for cancer presented. Tea, coffee and sweet treats will be available. Admission is \$4, with proceeds being donated to cancer research.

THURSDAY MARCH 27
The Simcoe County Quilters' Guild will meet at 1 p.m. at the ANAF Hall on George Street in Barrie. Suffering from cabin fever? Join them at their March meeting for the annual

Merchant Mall. Merchants from Simcoe County and beyond will have quilting fabric, notions, and services available.

SATURDAY MARCH 29
The Royal Canadian Legion's ladies auxiliary are hosting their annual Chili Cook-Off from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Bring a pot of chili and let the public decide who is the best, or come get a bowl, bun, water and ballot for \$5. Anyone interested in entering a pot can call Maggie Barton at 456-7293 or Betty Donald at 436-1144. The legion is located at 1017 Robinson Street in Lefroy-Belle Ewart.

A coffee house presented by the Thornton Lions to support Adam Hewson's Humanitarian Mission to Peru. The event starts at 7:30 p.m., and will feature over two hours of local entertainment along with coffee, tea and sweets. Tickets are \$10 each. They are available from all Thornton Lions. For reservations, call Warren at 458-9358.

Stroud Presbyterian Church, located at 2180 Victoria Street, will host a ham and scalloped potato dinner (including dessert and beverage) from 5 to 7 p.m. Adult admission is \$12, children under eight are \$6 and pre-schoolers eat for free. Call 436-7939 or 436-3107 for more information.

SATURDAY APRIL 5
The Thornton Skating Club presents A Night at the Museum on-ice skating carnival, with shows at 1:30 and 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child or senior. For more information or tickets, call Charlene at 739-9226.

SATURDAY APRIL 12
Ivy Minor Baseball will be holding registration at the Ivy Orange Hall from 9 a.m. until noon. You can register your child for T-Ball, Junior and Senior Rookie, Tyke, Peewee, Bantam and Midge teams.

For more information, call Charlene at 739-9226.

SATURDAY APRIL 26
The Innisfil Community Events Corporation, Area Productions and Rock 95 will present musician David Wilcox, as part of ongoing efforts to raise funds for the new Innisfil Recreation Complex. Tickets are \$28 and go on sale March 15 at Ticketmaster and People's Credit Union locations. For more information, call 436-5066.