

# 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,  
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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.

**Get out and walk** your block this April. Two out of five Canadians will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. You can help change this statistic by joining the Canadian Cancer Society as a volunteer canvasser for our annual door to door campaign. Volunteers are needed in Alcona, Big Bay Point and Lefroy. For more information, call Andrew at 436-3107.

**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 snack, 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.

**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 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.

**Thornton Happy Social Club** meets from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Thornton Lions Hall on Barrie Street in Thornton. Participate in bid and regular euchre, 50/50 draw, lunch and social hour. Admission is \$1. Call Maudie for more information at 458-4504.

## 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 informa-

tion call Lynda at 431-6231 or Sharon at 431-6168.

## THURSDAY MAY 15

**The Alzheimer Society** of Greater Simcoe County will host a monthly caregiver support group meeting at The Spoke in Sandy Cove Acres North, from 1 to 3 p.m. Caregivers will get the chance to discuss issues and successes in a confidential and supportive environment. For more information, call 722-1066.

**St Paul's Church** will host Going to Pot With Container Gardening, with speaker Charlotte Vorstermans at 7:30 p.m. They will also host a Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Call John at 436-5292 for further information.

## FRIDAY MAY 16

**Thornton Area Action Committee** will begin holding their two day garage sale, on the vacant lot on the west side of Barrie Street, south of William. There will be something for everyone. Proceeds will benefit community projects.

## SATURDAY MAY 17

**The Thornton Lions Club** will be holding a giant garage sale at the Lions Hall in Thornton. The hall is located in County Road 27. Anyone wishing to rent a table to display merchandise can call Bob at 424-3105. Table rental is \$10.

**Vendors are wanted** for the Gilford and District Horticultural Society's South Innisfil Arboretum Plant and Vendor Sale. Their annual giant sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will have lots of flowers for sale, nearly-new tables, bake tables, raffle, crafts, a barbecue and much more. Vendors can join for a cost of \$15 per space, plus \$5 for a table. For more information, please call Evie Teras at 436-4776 to reserve your space. Spaces are limited. The event will take place at 1474 Shore Acres Drive in Gilford.

**The Thornton Lions Club** will be holding a gigantic garage sale at the Lions Hall in Thornton, located on Highway 27, beginning at 8 a.m. Anyone wishing to rent a table for \$10 to display their merchandise should call Bob at 424-3105. The event will take place rain or shine.

**Members of the Innisfil Historical Society** will be telling their stories at Knock School Heritage Site, 7756 10 Sideroad at 9th Line, beginning at 2 p.m. Join them for an afternoon of memories. For more information, call 458-9362.

## WEDNESDAY MAY 21

**Bid euchre** will take place at the Gwen Taylor Community Library in the Newton

Robinson United Church building. Admission is \$3 and lunch will be served. The event begins at 7:30 p.m., and all are welcome to attend.

**Nantyr Shores Secondary School** will present the Pirates of Penzance from May 21 to 24. For showtimes and tickets, call 431-5950 ext. 417 or e-mail mjef-feries@mail.scdsb.on.ca.

## SATURDAY MAY 24

**The Stroud Annual Plant Sale** and Bake Table for the Painswick Horticultural Society will run from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Foodlands Plaza. Herbs, perennials, grasses, ground covers and tasty baked items will be featured. Join the society that day and receive a discount.

**The Alcona Business Association** will host the semi-finals of their Innisfil Has Talent Contest. Nearly 30 acts will be on display. Finalists will move on to perform at Innisfil Summerfest June 14. The event will begin at 2 p.m. at the Innisfil Community Church. Admission is \$2.

**St. Paul's Anglican Church**, located at the Yonge Street and Mapleview Avenue intersection, will host a flea market and bake sale. The event runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**A plant and trunk sale** will take place at Lefroy United Church from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lots of perennials and annuals will be for sale. There will also be a bake sale and barbecue. Funds raised will be used towards the ongoing outreach projects at the church and their new youth group. Donations can be dropped off at the church. For more information, call Diana at 456-0255.

**The Essa Historical Society** meets at the Thornton library starting at 1:30 p.m. Roll Call is the recollection of a favourite birthday memory or party. The topic is the celebration of the society's 29th birthday. For more information, call Olive at 458-9971.

## SUNDAY MAY 25

**Stroud Presbyterian Church** members will be celebrating the site's 99th anniversary at 10:30 a.m. All those attending will be welcomed by highland piper, Adrian Stocke. Tenor MacKenzie Gallinger, Paul Crocker (trumpet), Ken Cheney (grand piano) and John Hart (Warletzer Theatre Organ) will also perform. The guest speaker will be Rev. Kirk Summers. Call 436-7939 for more details.