

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025 @ 12:00 PM
UPPER HALL, ARTHUR AND AREA COMMUNITY CENTRE
VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89750658563>

TIME	SUBJECT	PAGE	LEAD	ACTION
12:00 PM	Calling to Order		Chair	
	Adoption of Agenda			
	Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable approves the agenda for the May 15, 2025, meeting as presented.		Chair	Resolution
	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest			
			Chair	
	Minutes of Previous Meeting – March 20, 2025			
	Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee receives for information the minutes of the March 20, 2025, Committee Meeting.	001	Chair	Resolution
	Deputation			
	None		Chair	
	Introduction of Staff			
	Casey Taylor – Project Lead – Farmers’ Market & Community Gardens		EDO	
12:30pm	Business Arising			
	None		Chair	
12:50pm	Update on Workplan Items			
	Workplan Item 1: Wellington North Farmers’ Market <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Casey Taylor, Farmers’ Market Manager Rain day contingency 	005	EDO	
	Workplan Item 2: Cultural Grants and Donations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update 		CDC	
	Workplan Item 3: Cultural Moments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 24 – Seniors Centre for Excellence April 7 – History of Newspapers in Mount Forest April 22 – Dinah Christie May 5 – History of Newspapers in Arthur Upcoming Moments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 20 - Tree Trust Legacy 	006 007 009 011	CDC	

Cultural Roundtable Committee – May 15, 2025

	Workplan Item 5: Wellington North Culture Days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates 			
	Workplan Item 6: Minto, Hanover, WN Cultural Roundtable partnership Tourism Growth Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Driftscape – Verbal Update Cultural Roundtable Symposium – no update 		EDO	
1:30pm	Other Items			
	Strathcona Long Term Care and local art exhibit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verbal update 		Member Vair	
1:40pm	Items for Consideration			
	Wellington Advertiser Cultural Ads <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March April May 	013 014 015	EDO	
1:45pm	Upcoming Events			
	Cultural Roundtable Symposium May 30, 2025 Hosted by: Town of Minto (Harriston) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates 		EDO	
1:45pm	Roundtable			
	(verbal) Mike Volunteer Celebration and Newcomer Welcome Event May 1, 2025 Arthur Arena Lower Hall Robyn Advancement of Women (AWE) initiatives May 9, 2025 Wrap up luncheon, Best Western, Walkerton		All	
	Date of next meeting and adjournment			
	June 19, 2025 (Mount Forest and District Sports Complex – Meeting Room) Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting of May 15, 2025, be adjourned at p.m.		Chair	Resolution



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 20 @ 12:00 PM
VIRTUAL**

Committee Members Present:

- Doris Cassan, Acting Chair
- Linda Hruska, Member
- Trina Reid, Member
- Penny Renken, Member, Councillor
- Tim McIntosh, Member (joined at 12:13 p.m.)

Regrets:

- Bonny McDougall, Member
- Carol Vair, Member
- Faye Craig, Member

Staff Members Present:

- Robyn Mulder, Economic Development Officer
- Mike Wilson, Community Development Coordinator

Calling to Order
Chair Cassan called the meeting to order at 12:14 p.m.
Adoption of Agenda
<p>Moved by Member McIntosh Seconded by Member Hruska</p> <p>THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable add “Meeting Frequency and Timing” to the March 20, 2025 meeting agenda under “Other Items”;</p> <p>AND THAT the agenda for the March 20, 2025, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting be accepted and passed.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
None

Minutes of Previous Meeting – February 20, 2025
(approved by Council on March 10, 2025)

Moved by Member McIntosh
Seconded by Member Hruska

THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee receive for information the minutes of the February 20, 2025, Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

Deputation

None

Business Arising

None

Update on Workplan Items

Workplan Item 1: Wellington North Farmers' Market

- Applications are open and starting to come in
- Looking for vendors, predominately farmers and producers

Workplan Item 2: Cultural Grants and Donations

- No Updates

Workplan Item 3: Cultural Moments

Staff provided an overview of the Cultural Moments presented to Council since the last Cultural Roundtable meeting, noting they are well received by Council, as well as on social media. The three Cultural Moment videos for 2025 average 673 views:

- February 24 – J.J. Morrison
- March 10 – J.P. Bickell
- Upcoming Moments
- Mach 24 – Seniors' Centre for Excellence
- April 14 – Mennonite Culture

The committee discussed other possibilities for future moments including the Arthur Creamery, Arthur Enterprise News, Mount Forest Confederate, The Wellington Advertiser, Exotic Animals of Wellington North, Epoch's Garage and the former Kenilworth Post Office.

Staff will look into reading moments on air at 88.7 The River and also printing copies for seniors.

Workplan Item 5: Wellington North Culture Days

- No updates

Workplan Item 6: Minto, Hanover, WN Cultural Roundtable partnership

Tourism Growth Program

Driftscape

- No updates

May 30 Symposium

- The invitation will be finalized shortly and sent to Committee Members.

Other Items

Strathcona Long Term Care and local art exhibit

- No update.

Meeting Frequency and Timing of Committee Meetings

The committee discussed whether the frequency of the meetings could possibly be extended to every two months, with the next meeting being May 15, 2025. The committee decided to keep the time of day of the meetings the same for now and continue to offer hybrid attendance options for anyone that is unable to attend in person.

Moved by Member McIntosh

Seconded by Councilor Renken

THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable meets every two month, beginning May 15, 2025;

AND THAT the time of the meetings will continue to be 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Items for Consideration

Wellington Advertiser Cultural Ads

The committee reviewed the February 2025 cultural advertisement page in the Wellington Advertiser.

Upcoming Events

International Women's Day

March 5, 2025, The Neustadt Community Hall

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Advancement of Women (AWE) initiatives

Webinars start March 12, 2025. 15 women have applied, currently 9 approved.

Volunteer Celebration and Newcomer Welcome Event

May 1, 2025
 Arthur Arena Lower Hall
 Cultural Roundtable Symposium
 May 30, 2025
 Hosted by the Town of Minto

- No updates

Roundtable (verbal)

Councilor Renken – Will contact staff to organize a meeting with Kate Rowley from the Mount Forest Museum and Archives.
 Member Hruska – nothing to add.
 Member McIntosh – Noted that he has a mutual friend who knows members of the Rae family, and asked if staff would like to connect with them about the future Rae Luckock plaque being installed in Arthur. Staff suggested Member McIntosh connect with Clerk Karren Wallace.
 Member Reid – May 4, 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Kenilworth Country Pantry Open House – John Rae’s cookbook will be available for purchase as well. May 31, Chili Dinner fundraiser at the Mount Forest Legion.
 Chair Cassan – nothing to add

Date of next meeting and adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 15, 2025 (Arthur and Area Community Centre, Upper Hall)

Moved by Member McIntosh
 Seconded by Member Hruska

THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting of March 20, 2025, be adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

CARRIED



Every Saturday
8:30 AM to Noon

2025 Season Runs:
June 14 - September 27

Vendors
Wanted

Contact Robyn Mulder
rmulder@wellington-north.com



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LOCATION!

393 Parkside Drive, Mount Forest

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Buying local makes sense for so many reasons!

Quality And Taste Why eat food that's travelled for days on a truck? Enjoy fully ripened fresh food bursting with flavour. Enjoy it the same day it was picked.

Support Local When you buy from local farmers and producers, you are supporting local businesses and providing income for families in our community.

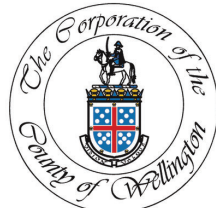
Safety Assurance How much do you know about your food? Wellington North farmers and producers take great pride in high quality food that's safe for you and your family. One of the biggest benefits to buying food locally is having someone to answer your questions about how it was grown and raised.

Help The Environment By reducing the distance food travels and unnecessary food packaging, we can reduce our carbon footprint.

Experience Agriculture Up Close Hear the story of where your food came from, ask questions and experience the countryside and the simple pleasures it has to offer.



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CULTURAL MOMENT FOR MARCH 24, 2025 CELEBRATES THE SENIORS' CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE

Hip, Hip, Hooray for the Seniors'
Centre for Excellence!

SENIORS' CENTRE *for* **EXCELLENCE**

Quality of life for seniors is elevated because of the superior efforts, leadership, and coordination of Helen Edwards in her position as Program Coordinator. Helen has held this position since the inception of this program in 2008. Administrative Assistant Johanna Brown and A.C.E. (Active, Connected & Engaged) Coordinator Glynis Belec enhance the services available to seniors in North Wellington. These ladies are passionate about what they do, and believe that while aging has its challenges, like every chapter of life, it is a time where people see more clearly what is truly valuable in life.

The multi-functional brick and mortar S.C.E. office, is conveniently located on the lower level of the Mapleton Health Centre, 11 Andrews Drive West in Drayton. Inside are the most caring and innovative people, providing support for those who choose to improve their health, seek encouragement, and overall awareness for a healthier lifestyle.

Guided by their Seniors' Advisory Group, whose membership is comprised of both local senior leaders, and health care professionals, namely Deborah Whale, Mary Faye Burns, Anne Marie Faulkner, Faye Craig, Shirley Borges and Cathy Harrington, the S.C.E. appreciates how this group of concerned senior advocates ensures strategic goals are met.

The S.C.E. offers many programs, both in-person and virtual, including monthly dining events, workshops, exercise opportunities, intergenerational programs, and other special events. The S.C.E. also appreciate its role of promoting many opportunities for other health and social programming that nurture both the body and the soul. The S.C.E. does this through their monthly newsletter—*the Heart and Soul of Wellington*, their *Heart and Soul Activity* booklet, and through their popular Facebook page.

The S.C.E. has successfully applied for grants, bringing funds for seniors' programming to the area. The latest example is the Aging Well calendar, with 10,000 copies distributed across Wellington County. The theme of the calendar challenges long held, agist beliefs about the aging process, and the format allows the person to track their health, with reminders of holidays, traditions, and a way to embrace each month. Another example is the Wisdom Workshop series, which has brought seniors together to learn about topics of their choosing across North Wellington.

- Celebrate aging, by acknowledging the challenges but singing the positives.
- Celebrate the seniors in your life, they make your community the wonderful place that it is.
- Seniors—take part in programs, grow wiser, and become more involved.

Being active, connected, and engaged in your community are keys to healthy aging.



Preserving, promoting, and developing Wellington North's unique cultural resources to build a vibrant community and a prosperous economy.

CULTURAL MOMENT FOR APRIL 7, 2025 CELEBRATES THE HISTORY OF NEWSPAPERS IN MOUNT FOREST

In 1860, it was easy to read all the newspapers published in Wellington County. However, none were published in the north. As with most things at that time, the north was dependent on the outside for its news, but this did not remain the case for long.

Tom Greenham, publisher of the *British Constitution* in Fergus, started his second paper in Mount Forest and named it *The Express*, probably late in 1860 or early 1861. This venture did not last long, undoubtedly a victim of poor advertising revenues.

Its place was soon occupied by the *Mount Forest Examiner*, which appeared in April 1862. The publisher was Tom Graffe, a one-time teacher who had fallen victim to the "grass is greener" syndrome and entered journalism.



Another paper hit the Mount Forest streets in April 1867. This was *The Confederate*, published by the father-and-son team of Henry and Harry Stovel. A modest paper (two pages), it at first appeared only biweekly. By the second year, though, the *Confederate* had established itself as a solid paper, a standard four-page weekly with ample advertising.

In the meantime, Graffe sold the *Examiner*. New owners carried on through the 1870s, but in 1880 the Stovels bought it out. The *Confederate* had by this time become the dominant paper in Mount Forest, and indeed in north Wellington.

The Stovels enjoyed a monopoly only briefly. Later in 1880, E.G. Hart started a new paper, the *Mount Forest Advocate*. Four years later the Stovels sold the *Confederate* to Henry Benner. Apparently they had some difference with the new owner: within weeks of the sale they started a new paper, the *Mount Forest Index*. Then, in 1885, Jim Lambert established yet another paper, *The Representative*.

For the next year Mount Forest enjoyed the luxury of four papers, but there was not enough advertising for any of them to prosper. The Stovels bailed out first, closing down the *Index* in 1886.

The Advocate lasted until 1890. Many towns the size of Mount Forest boasted two papers in this era. *The Confederate* and the *Representative* co-existed for almost 30 years, until 1918, when rising costs claimed the *Representative*. It was purchased by A.W. Wright, who had taken over the *Confederate* in 1902.

The Confederate would remain the lone weekly Mount Forest focused newspaper of record until April 2016 when Chris Holden launched the *Mount Forest Mirror*. For the next 18 months, the *Confederate* and *Mirror* were both published weekly, sometimes with nearly identical front pages as the editors of both publications shared similar beliefs on community news. *The Mirror* published its last issue in October 2017.



In the summer of 2019, Metroland Media sold the *Confederate* and other local papers to Midwestern Newspapers Corp. *The Confederate* was replaced by the *Independent Plus* without advance notice in September 2019, ending its 152-year history without any fanfare or celebration. In January 2020, the Wellington Advertiser purchased a 50% stake in Midwestern Newspapers and replaced the *Independent Plus* with the *North Wellington Community News*, a regional paper which serves Mapleton, Minto and Wellington North.

Despite its long history of vibrant local journalism, Mount Forest no longer has a weekly newspaper to call its own. The town's rich tradition of community news, which began with the *Express* and ended with the *Confederate*, has come to an end. Today, residents rely on regional publications and digital media for their news, marking the end of an era for Mount Forest's once-thriving newspaper scene.

Submitted by the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable



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CULTURAL MOMENT FOR APRIL 22, 2025 CELEBRATES DINAH CHRISTIE

Singer-comedienne Dinah (Barbara) Christie was born in London, England on December 29, 1942. The daughter of British-Canadian actors Robert and Margot Christie, she came to Canada at the age of 2.

She began her career at 17, singing to her own guitar accompaniment in Toronto folk clubs and night spots and then continued with live musical revues with her long-time creative partner Tom Kneebone.

In 1971, she bought her beloved Black Shadow Creek farm outside of Mount Forest after falling in love with the rural area while driving back and forth to Stratford with her father, who worked there for many seasons.

That same year she met her husband and life partner, Robert Warren - photographer, yacht builder and well, he could do anything and that was perfect for the old farmhouse that was built in the latter part of the 1800s. They lived at the farm together until Robert's passing in 2014.

Dinah came to national attention as a singing host in 1965-1966 for CBC TV's controversial public-affairs program "This Hour Has Seven Days." Further nightclub and stage engagements followed.

Dinah was a regular performer as one of the Home Team on CHCH TV's "Party Game" from 1970-1980 with Billy Van and Jack Duffy, and on CTV's "Check It Out" from 1985-1988. She loved performing with the likes of Bob Hope.

Dinah loved her career on TV, in film and on stage, but she adored giving her time to local fundraisers and community organizations.

Dinah also employed local seamstresses in the community to help launch her company The Badd Sisters, formed with her younger sister Cedar Christie, in the 1990s which created sustainable products and accessories.



Dinah performed, wrote and directed for the rest of her life on the farm.

She also became a Reiki Master and often travelled to the folks around her who needed healing.

Dinah was diagnosed with Dementia a few years ago and was able to stay at her precious Black Shadow Creek with the support of family and friends. Finally, she had to say goodbye to the farm and the country living that she cherished. She adored her hometown of Mount Forest and the people too.

Dinah is now living in a long-term care home in Toronto and is surrounded by love. Her official Facebook page ([Facebook.com/DinahChristie](https://www.facebook.com/DinahChristie)) is updated often with news and fun info, and much of her work can be found on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/) to be enjoyed by all.

Submitted by the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable



Canadian dancer gets bouquet from Nureyev/B4 Lawrence Welk still bubbles along/B4 Here's what to do today/B3

ENTERTAINMENT

Dinah Christie leads a double life

By night, she sparkles in her very own show, by day, she shovels manure at her farm

Tall blonde Dinah Christie knocks out audiences in her cabaret act

By Paul Kang/PhotoDisc

Christie did it. It was supposed to be a one-time thing, but she's back.

They did it for the first time in a year, but she's back. It's a double life.

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CULTURAL MOMENT FOR MAY 5, 2025 CELEBRATES THE HISTORY OF NEWSPAPERS IN ARTHUR

The original area newspaper, known as the *Arthur Enterprise*, was founded in 1862. It was founded by Mr. Luke, who would sell the paper to Mr. W.F. Johnson, who operated the paper for several years before selling to Dr. Decoursie.

E.J. O'Callaghan was next, operating the *Enterprise News* for nearly a decade. At that time, the business operated on the property now occupied by the Royal Bank.

O'Callaghan sold the *Enterprise* to Harry E. Dewar, who was publishing in 1889.

In 1894 M.C. O'Donnell purchased the *Enterprise*. He held the position for several years. In a 1915 interview he lamented that he enjoyed the business, but that it had one major drawback. "It was not a money making proposition." It was O'Donnell that moved the *Enterprise* to 222 George St. It operated from that location for about 100 years.



Front page of the January 30, 1896 issue of the Arthur Enterprise

Arthur businessman David Brocklebank established a rival paper, the *Wellington News*, in 1895. Short on both subscribers and advertising, he sold out to the *Enterprise* a year or so later.

The *Enterprise News* would see ownership change hands in 1902 when Rev. R. Thryne purchased the paper. Two years later, H.E. Bywater would purchase the paper. In 1906, S.T. Haggard was listed as publisher, but by 1908 Bywater had returned.

In 1908, Rixon Rafter purchased the amalgamated *Enterprise News*. Rafter possessed a keen interest in deciphering and reporting the news of the times. His visual impairment – he lost his eyesight as a boy – did not interfere with his respected position in the community and his dedication to providing newsworthy stories. He piloted the

paper for the next 45 years. In 2020, he was inducted into the Ontario Community Newspapers Association's Hall of Fame.

In 1953, Rafter sold the *Enterprise News* to Clive Williams Sr. Williams had been the superintendent of a daily newspaper in Cornwall, so he brought with him a wealth of experience in the business.

The *Arthur Enterprise News* soon became a family affair. There were many jobs to be done, from searching out the news to folding and addressing the newspapers for circulation.

Clive Williams' son, Clive B. Williams, became an integral part of the news team over the years and in 1979, he bought out the business from his father.

Clive B. Williams continued to produce a quality weekly newspaper, once recognized as the best small newspaper in Canada. Clive B. Williams also served many years as a member of Arthur village council, as a councillor, deputy-reeve and reeve.

Effective June 6, 2000, the *Arthur Enterprise News* and its sister newspaper the *Harriston Review* were purchased by Metroland Media.

The *Enterprise News* joined the Eedy Division of Metroland, which at that time owned and operated several community newspapers in southwestern Ontario, including the *Mount Forest Confederate*.

In the summer of 2019, Metroland Media sold the *Arthur Enterprise News* and other local papers to a new company called Midwestern Newspapers Corp. The final issue of the *Enterprise News* was replaced by the *Independent Plus* without advance notice in September 2019, ending its 157-year history without any fanfare or celebration. In January 2020, the *Wellington Advertiser* purchased a 50% stake in Midwestern Newspapers and replaced the *Independent Plus* with the *North Wellington Community News*, a regional paper which serves Mapleton, Minto and Wellington North.

Submitted by the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable, with gratitude to Jeff McKee of the Arthur Historical Society for his contributions.

ARTHUR Enterprise News.
WEEKLY IN PRINT. MUCH MORE ONLINE ANYTIME. SouthwesternOntario.ca

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 21, 2019

WILLIAMS DRAINAGE
www.williamsdrainage.com
1-800-365-6478

ARTHUR 2ND LOOKS DONATES \$7,500 TO LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS
DONATIONS BRING GRAND TOTAL TO \$163,190 SINCE JULY 2013

MIKE WILSON
mike.wilson@metroland.com

ARTHUR - A number of local groups and organizations continue to benefit from the hard work of the volunteers, as well as the support of the customers, at Arthur 2nd Look. The store, which sells gently used items at bargain prices and is 89 per cent staffed by volunteers, made its most recent round of donations Feb. 15. This time, a total of \$7,500 was donated to 12 different groups and organizations. Benefiting donations were: St. John's Catholic School, Kinsmen Public School, Arthur Christian School, Arthur Public School, Arthur New Life Church, Arthur Seniors Group, Carleton Place Rebuilding Council, Leam's Marshall Hospital Foundation, Arthur Lions Club's Lions for Green project, Lions Blacksmith Shop, Arthur Trails Group, The Deer Youth Centre and the Lynne Blacksmith Shop restoration project. Since opening in July 2013, Arthur 2nd Look has donated \$60,385 back to the community. Arthur 2nd Look is located at 1015 George St. in Arthur. For more information about the store, call 506-4644 or search Arthur 2nd Look on Facebook.

Mount Forest Lions Presents:
Neil Diamond & Johnny & The Gemini Tones (Rock N' Roll Era) Tribute Concert
Saturday, April 6, 2019
Sportsplex Community Hall, Mount Forest • Doors Open @ 7pm Show Begins @ 8pm
Tickets \$40 per person (18 Years old age)
Tickets Available:
• Lions Members • www.eventbrite.ca • Meat The Butcher • Print One • Young's Home Hardware



Northern Wellington Culture, Arts and Heritage



Our Northern Wellington partnership is working together to preserve, promote and develop our unique cultural resources to support a vibrant inclusive community and a prosperous economy.



GET OUTSIDE AND EXPLORE

April 5 & 6
Clifford Arena

LIFE OUTDOORS SHOW
April 5 & 6 2025
Clifford, Ontario

Admission by donation to the Clifford Rotary Club

**Vendors
Prizes
Demos**

Your Favourite Outdoor Brands
Fishing and Hunting Gear & Demos
Camping Equipment and Demos | Homesteading
Tools and Experts | Cottage Life Decor and Building

Mapleton Summer Camp

WILD WEDNESDAYS

Outdoor Exploration, Games, Crafts, STEM Activities & More!

Lunch Included

Wednesday Only Registration

Limited Spaces

Easter Service

at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Arthur

We will be blessed to have special music playing at our service by the very talented mother daughter duo. They will perform on trumpet, piano and violin.

Sunday, April 20th 11am

All welcome

Harriston Rising's EGG Scramble!

Crafts! Light Snacks! Egg-olting egg-perience!

April 19th 2025 | **10AM-12PM** | **Harriston Arena**

Following the Minto Optimists Egg Hunt

Free Event! Donations welcomed. Recommended ages 10 & under.

No registration required. Drop-in while supplies last.

@harristonrising | harristonrising.ca
hello@harristonrising.ca

Call for Entry

JURIED EXHIBITION
May 8 - May 30 2025

Deadline for Entry: April 4, 2025

Minto Arts

2024 First prize winner Kathie Wright

TO ENTER:
www.mintoartscouncil.ca

[mintoartscouncil](https://www.facebook.com/mintoartscouncil)

Winter Garden Series

DIY
Growing Vertically - DIY Trellis Making

Sunday, April 27th 1:30pm
Mount Forest Community Garden
351 Foster St., Mount Forest

All activities are free.
mountforestgarden@gmail.com
www.mountforestgarden.com

Please register here.

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belinda@town.minto.on.ca

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Northern Wellington
**Culture, Arts
and Heritage**



Our Northern Wellington partnership is working together to preserve, promote and develop our unique cultural resources to support a vibrant inclusive community and a prosperous economy.



Mapleton Summer Camp

WILD WEDNESDAYS

Outdoor Exploration, Games, Crafts, STEM Activities & More!

Lunch Included

Mapleton

Wednesday Only Registration

Limited Spaces

OPEN HOUSE

TWO DATES:
APRIL 23, 2025
MAY 7, 2025

Come tour the Mount Forest Community Centre and share your thoughts and ideas on how the Township could make the best use of this facility in the future.

MORE INFO:

- Wednesday, April 23, 2025
- Wednesday, May 7, 2025
- 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
- 320 King St. E., Mount Forest

DEATH AMONG THE DELPHINIUMS

Directed By: Megan Raftis By: Camille Atebe

Town Hall Theatre, 68 Elora St S, Harriston, ON

Tickets available at the following outlets:
Harriston Home Hardware • Walsh's IDA Mount Forest
Credit Card Sales through Eventbrite at greywellingtontheatre.com

Also available at the door or at 519-338-2778 or gwttheatre@gmail.com

SHOW DATES:
May 2, 3, 9 & 10 at 7:30 p.m.
May 4 & 11 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets \$20

STICK AND BALL BALL HOCKEY

Sponsored by MARCC Apparel

MOUNT FOREST AND DISTRICT SPORTS COMPLEX

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
3:30 - 5:00 PM

STICK AND BALL LACROSSE

Sponsored by The Arthur Cash & Carry

ARTHUR AND AREA COMMUNITY CENTRE

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
3:30 - 5:00 PM

RULES: Must wear clean running shoes, CSA approved helmet, gloves. Goalies required to wear full equipment. No body contact. Parental supervision required.

THESE DROP-IN PROGRAMS GIVES KIDS THE CHANCE TO WORK ON THEIR SKILLS

COST: FREE

BECOME A PART OF OUR THEATRE FAMILY

Our artists need a temporary home away from home, and you have the power to make a real difference!

We are looking for:

- Vacant furnished bedroom, private apartments, basement or in-law suites, close to the Drayton Festival Theatre.
- Various lengths of stay with some just a few weeks.
- Housing rate or \$120 - \$150 per week, to help offset increased cost of utilities.

For more info: www.draytonentertainment.com/artist-housing
stephanie@draytonentertainment.com | 519-621-5511 ext. 229

CULTURAL SYMPOSIUM

Keynote: Embracing Cultural Assets through Partnership with Cate Proctor

Also featuring Workshop on Partnerships and Presentation on Marketing your Culture & Tourism Assets

Register here →

MAY 30TH, 2025
AT 10 AM - 2 PM

Harriston Library Community Room,
88 Mill St., Harriston
<https://2025culturalsymposium.eventbrite.ca>

\$25 for public attendees

Lunch & networking break included

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VENDORS WANTED



We are looking forward to another successful Market season, and hope you will join us as a 2025 vendor!

JUNE - SEPTEMBER



 simplyexplore.ca/farmers-market

Vendors Wanted!

The Mapleton Farmers' Market is thrilled to bring our monthly market back to Drayton this year! Join us as a vendor from June through September - we'd love to have you be part of the fun.



 www.mapleton.ca/explore-play/mapleton-farmers-market





regular tickets
APRIL 21 - MAY 31
Includes full event program, light breakfast and buffet lunch, complimentary headshot, and swag.
\$149 + HST

Get Tickets!



bloom in good company at the next gathering

Homegrown is a first-of-its-kind, one-day gathering for female-identifying rural business owners in midwestern Ontario.

JUNE 12, 2025 • 9 - 3:30 P.M.
GRASSROOTS FARM
LUCKNOW, ONTARIO

Presented by:
Creative Worth Branding & Design

In Partnership with:
Launchit
Township of Huron-Kinloss

WEDNESDAY, **JUNE 18**
6 PM - 10 PM
HANOVER CIVIC THEATRE



GET YOUR TICKETS!



Watch this exciting 'Dragon's Den' style event live!

Don't miss your chance to be part of Hawk's Nest, the ultimate business pitch competition in the region! Witness local entrepreneurs pitch their ideas to a panel of investors for a chance to secure funding and bring their businesses to life.

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With your host
Dean Holland



HANDMADE MARKET & HIGH TEA

MARYBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

10AM - 2PM

MAY . 10 . 2025

Interested in becoming a vendor?
Email draytonkinettes@gmail.com





HOST MUNICIPALITIES
 

Wellness Day

 **JUNE 14, 2025 | 9:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.**
 SAUGEEN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT & THE YOGA BARN



Empower yourself with tools to thrive in personal and professional life. Enjoy Hannah Greig's keynote on Nutrition and Hormonal Change, plus yoga, sound baths, Ayurveda, meditation, and journaling. Care for yourself first to lead, live, and love better.

SECURE YOUR TICKETS TODAY! ONLY 40 SPOTS!

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TICKETS \$40

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