



# HCM News

**T H E   U N I T E D   T O W N S H I P S   O F   H E A D ,  
C L A R A   & M A R I A**

## HCMHomecoming2017

Finally, many months of work culminated in a phenomenal 4 day event held over a wet Canada Day weekend. Although the rain caused some challenges, it didn't dampen participants' spirits. As planned, events went on, rain and shine.

In some ways, the event seemed anti-climactic but was still an awesome accomplishment for a community of our size. We had well over 500 different people in attendance at different times over the weekend enjoying a variety of activities from dances and live music to baseball, fireworks, food and beverages, knife throwing, face painting, bingo and much, much more. Our shuttle services – both auto and horse and buggy were a huge success. Thank you all for your patronage and support; we hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Over the weekend, we had visitors and volunteers from "down the road" to as far as away as Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia; attendees of all ages. It was great to see families get together, for old friends to become re-acquainted. We ended our weekend Monday morning with the burying of a time capsule to be unearthed in 25 years.



Once again, thank you seems so inadequate but the gratitude of Council, staff and committee members is extended to all of you who stepped up to help make this dream a reality; truly an event for our lifetime in our small community. Without the tireless efforts of those who spent long months planning, and those



who simply stepped up the day/week/weekend of and filled in where we needed help we would not have been able to accomplish all that we did. There are way too many people to name, lest I should miss someone, but those who attended meeting after meeting and volunteered day after day, week after week know who you are. Thank you. And for those of you who showed up when asked to fill in for a few hours here and there, you too are truly appreciated. Our event was a success due to the contributions of each of you. Thank you.



For more pictures, please visit our municipal website or Facebook page.

## **R E S I G N A T I O N   O F   M E M B E R S   O F   C O U N C I L - N E E D   F O R   R E P L A C E M E N T**

For those who may not have heard; in July Mayor Gibson and Councillor Grills resigned from Council. At a special meeting held July 20th , Council appointed Bob Reid to the position of Mayor of Head, Clara & Maria. Congratulations Mayor Reid, we look forward to you leading our council into the future.

In that same meeting, Council then directed staff to advertise for interested individuals to complete an application and submit to the Clerk if they are interested in being appointed to fill the seats left vacant.

At a second special meeting, to be held on Friday, September 1, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Centre in Stonecliffe, Council will hear deputations from interested individuals and will select two to be appointed to Council for the remainder of this term. Those appointed will then be sworn in ready to assume their duties on Council. An orientation will be held at a date in September. If you are interested in one of these positions, please submit your application to the municipal office prior to close of business August 25th , 2017.

## **S P E C I A L   M E E T I N G   O F   C O U N C I L -   C P   C O R R I D O R A S   M U L T I - U S E   T R A I L   T H R O U G H O U T H E A D ,   C L A R A   &   M A R I A**

On Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Centre in Stonecliffe, Council will hold a public meeting to hear from interested individuals on the use of the CP rail corridor throughout Head, Clara & Maria. This topic is complex and includes many components including: the ability of the County to dictate the use of property in a lower tier municipality; the erosion of private property rights; municipal liability where the trail crosses municipal roads; decisions and municipal/public consultation; types of use on the trail; short and long term costs to the municipality in upgrades and ongoing maintenance.

Over the past months, the local snowmobile club and its proponents have made its point of view known to Council. Council would like to and needs to hear from the larger community.

If you are interested in having your voice heard, please plan to attend this public meeting. If you are unable to attend, or prefer to have your say in a less public venue, please submit your concerns in writing to the municipal office at [hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com](mailto:hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com) or 15 Township Hall Road, Stonecliffe, Ontario, K0J 2K0. A public meeting mailer with additional details will be circulated in the next couple of weeks to provide background information.

## A FRIENDLY MESSAGE FROM YOUR TREASURER...

The introduction of new tax classes caused delays in processing property tax bills.

Final tax bills have been mailed August 8th. If you have not received your copy by August 20th, please contact the office to have it re-issued. This tax bill is broken up into two payments; the first installment is due August 31st and the second installment is due October 31st. If you wish to pay the full amount at once, you may do so.

### **eNotice Option:**

*Instead of receiving your property tax bill by regular mail, sign up for e-Notice. Complete the e-Notice form on the municipal website ([townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca](http://townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca)) and return it to the municipal office. Once registered, you will automatically receive your property tax bills by email as soon as it is created. The service is FREE to you.*

### **New payment options:**

**Credit card payments** are now being accepted at the municipal office and on the township website for property taxes, tipping fees and building permits.

**Please be advised:** When making a credit card payment at the municipal office, there will be a convenience fee of 2.65% and a 3% fee for online and telephone payments.

*We are now offering **pre-authorized debit payments** for property taxes **ONLY**. If you would like to register for this service, please submit a PAD Authorization form, along with a void cheque. Both the PAD and eNotice forms are available on our website ([townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca](http://townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca)) or at the municipal office. You will receive an email notice that the payment will be automatically be withdrawn from your bank account. This is a **FREE** service available to you.*

All previous payment options will continue to be available to you as well.

*Noella LeBreton*

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

# Library News

Hello from your local Library Board! We hope you are having a wonderful summer.



Mark your calendars for our upcoming **Annual Fall Card Party (Library Fundraiser)** on **Thursday, September 28, 2017** at the **Stonecliffe Community Centre**. Hot meal including salad and dessert will be served at 12:00, so doors will be open at 11:30 or so. Cost is \$15.00.

**Anyone wishing to come for lunch only (same cost) is most welcome.**

Information and registration with Marlene Gibson at 613-586-2761 or [jimmarlene.gibson@gmail.com](mailto:jimmarlene.gibson@gmail.com).



A Visit Will Get You Thinking.



#OPLW

ONTARIO PUBLIC  
LIBRARY WEEK

OCTOBER 15 - 21, 2017

[www.OPLW.ca](http://www.OPLW.ca)

Drop in to the library during Ontario Public Library Week and fill out one of the balloons for your chance to win 1 of 3 prizes! Don't forget!



new library dvds

Some of our newest dvds are: The Founder, Table 19, Gifted, The Rewrite, John Wick, John Wick 2, Victor, Kong: Skull Island, I'll See You in My Dreams, Hidden Figures, A Dog's Purpose, and Allied.

**Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore and achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life.**

—Sidney Sheldon

### Enjoy your Library!

Open Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. | Tuesday evenings 6:00 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

Saturday 12:30 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.



THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF  
HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

## **LOOKING TO HIRE** ADMIN ASSISTANT—RECREATION PROGRAMMING

Average of 7 hours per week. To perform Recreation support duties and to assist office employees with basic administrative duties.

### **TO BEGIN WEEK OF AUGUST 28TH!**

Please apply by submitting a brief application letter to the attention of the Clerk outlining your interest, background and experience by

August 25, 2017!

[hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com](mailto:hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com)

Due to location, must have own transportation.

For a complete job description and additional details please view posting at [www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca](http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca)

15 TOWNSHIP HALL ROAD, STONECLIFFE, ONTARIO, K0J 2K0  
P-613-586-2526,

ONLY THOSE BEING CONSIDERED WILL BE CONTACTED.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST!

### Note\*\*\*

Once again, it has been reported to municipal staff through the grape vine that less than accurate information has been circulating within the community on a number of topics from the role of council and staff within the municipality to the use of the rail bed for trails.

One thing that Council and staff of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria takes quite seriously, is openness and transparency in all of our operations and deliberations. Please take the time to learn the facts before making decisions or “sharing” information you’ve heard.

If you know the truth and you hear otherwise, please take the time to provide the correct information. We’ve all played those “telephone” games and know that the story changes in every telling; often completely innocently and unintentionally.

# Tone and Fit Group

**Meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**

**Township Hall - 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

**Everyone is welcome - No Cost—Please come and join us.**



**Mild Aerobic exercise to suit your needs via DVD instruction.**

Contact Cathy Sutherland – [mcsutherland1954@gmail.com](mailto:mcsutherland1954@gmail.com) or 613-586-2591 for information!

Or just drop by.

HEAD, CLARA & MARIA RECREATION COMMITTEE'S

## *Wild Game Dinner*

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2017**

**STONECLIFFE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Contact the township office at 613-586-2526 for more  
information



## RECREATION

HCM Rec Committee would like to thank everyone for their continued support throughout this last year with our fundraising efforts. Improvements can be seen throughout the community including:

Upgraded dugouts at the baseball field—in partnership with Ontario Trillium Foundation



A natural playscape at the community centre - in partnership with Healthy Kids Community Challenge



A new play structure at Old Mackey Park—In partnership with the Deep River and District Community Foundation



Rec Committee had also been fundraising for HCMHomecoming2017. Proceeds from the Mother's Day Bingo, Father's Day Dinner, Fishing Derby and spring baseball tournament were all used to support Homecoming in order to make it a free community event to be enjoyed by all.

Upcoming events include a Bingo on Sunday August 27th at 2:00 p.m. (please see the poster on page 8 for more information), and a baseball tournament on Saturday September 9th. Come cheer for your team and enjoy BBQ hot dogs. Cash bar will be open outside. Watch for more details about our upcoming Wild Game Dinner on Saturday November 25th.

HCM Rec Committee meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the community centre and everyone is welcome to attend.

## Community Dates to Remember

### Bingo

Sunday August 27th at 2:00 pm

### Special Meeting of Council

Friday September 1st at 2:00 pm

### Public Meeting of Council

Saturday September 9th at 1:00 pm

### Ball Tournament

Saturday September 9th

### Painting Workshop

Sunday September 10th at 10:00 am

### NRLTC Lunch and Paramedics

Wednesday September 13th

### Regular Meeting of Council

Friday September 15th at 2:00 pm

### Rec Committee Meeting

Wednesday September 20th at 6:00 pm

### Macrame Workshop

Saturday September 23rd at 1:00 pm

### Library Card Party

Thursday September 28th at 12:00 pm

### Meditation Workshop

Saturday October 7th at 9:00 am

### NRLTC Lunch and Paramedics

Wednesday October 11th

### Scam and Fraud Awareness

Wednesday October 18th at 1:00 pm

### Regular Meeting of Council

Friday October 20th at 2:00 pm

### Stained Glass Workshops

October 25th and 26th at 10:00 am

HCM Rec Committee



Sunday August 27th, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Stonecliffe Community Centre

\$50 Jackpot

Cash and gift prizes

Cash bar will be open

*For more information, please contact the municipal office at 613-586-2526*



## THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

### WANTED

Municipal Resident, Ratepayer/Property Owner required to fill one of two Vacant Seats on Council!

Interested parties are to submit a Council Vacancy Application Form by August 25, 2017. (pick up at municipal office)

Council will appoint 2 individuals at the special meeting of September 1, 2017.

For more information call—Melinda Reith—Municipal Clerk,  
15 Township Hall Road, Stonecliffe – 613-586-2526

### The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria



## Special Meeting of Council!

Friday, September 1, 2017 at 14:00h

Stonecliffe Community Centre

To Appoint Applicants to Vacant Seats on Council!

Council will hold a special meeting to review applications and hear deputations from applicants for appointment to fill vacant seats on Council.

Call Melinda Reith, Clerk 613-586-2526 or your member of Council for more information!

### A "So long"

As many of you may have heard I am leaving my position with the Townships. This decision was a long time in the making and finally after the Homecoming weekend I was ready to step away. To that end I just wanted to say farewell to all the wonderful people I have met over my 11 plus years at the Township Office. Leaving was only difficult because of the wonderful people I worked with and all the new acquaintances I met. It has been a wonderful journey. Thank you all for your friendship and kindnesses towards me. I appreciate each and every one of you. As I am staying on Rec. Committee I look forward to seeing you all "out an' about" in the community.

Gayle

A M E S S A G E   F R O M   T H E   O F F I C E   O F   T H E   F I R E  
M A R S H A L   A N D   E M E R G E N C Y   M A N A G E M E N T

## Important fire safety tips during power outages!

To reduce fire risk during a power outage, the Office of the Fire Marshal offers the following safety tips:

- Electrically-connected smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms will not work when the power is out unless they have battery back-ups. Make sure your home has battery-operated smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms. 
- Everyone should know how to get out immediately if there is a fire. Plan and practice your escape plan before emergencies happen.
- Use flashlights or battery-operated lanterns instead of candles or hurricane lamps. If using candles, place them in a secure holder and cover them with a glass chimney, away from children and pets. 
- Propane and charcoal barbecues are for outdoor use only. Do not bring them inside.
- Purchase generators with recognized approval labels. Make sure the unit has proper connection receptacles and circuit breakers.
- Portable generators should only be used outdoors and carefully located to ensure that exhaust fumes do not enter the home. Allow the generator to cool before refueling. Refuel the generator outside, following the manufacturer's instructions. Store fuel for the generator in approved containers, outside the home.
- Use only portable space heaters that have been designed for indoor use and follow the manufacturer's instructions. Provide adequate ventilation by opening a window slightly while the heater is in use. Before refueling, turn off the heater, wait for it to cool and take the heater outside to refuel.
- Make sure electric stove elements and small appliances are OFF or unplugged to prevent fires from occurring when the electricity is restored.
- Cordless phones will not work when the power is out, so it is recommended to have at least one phone that does not require electricity to operate. 

Use extreme caution during flood emergencies and power outages. Electrical equipment impacted by flood water can be extremely dangerous. For more important information about electrical safety during floods, please visit the [Electrical Safety Authority's website](#).



## W A S T E M A N A G E M E N T

# WHAT HAPPENS TO MY RECYCLING?



### Newspapers, Magazines, Catalogues & Household Paper

Old newspapers, magazines, catalogues and household paper, such as statements, bills and envelopes come back as fresh paper stock. They can also be made into products like boxboard, drywall, egg cartons, insulation and bedding trays.

#### Recycled Newspapers, Magazines, Catalogues & Household Paper can become



### Aluminum Containers

Aluminum can be recycled repeatedly, and most of the empties are typically melted, re-cast and refilled within 60 days. Recycling aluminum uses a tiny fraction of the energy it takes to refine ore from scratch—and aluminum can be used in everything from CDs to passenger jets.

#### Recycled Aluminum Containers can become



### PET Plastic Bottles

Lightweight Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) plastic is infinitely recyclable and can be used to manufacture new bottles as well as items such as polar fleece, broadloom, rope, brush bristles, car bumpers and household furnishings.

#### Recycled PET Plastic bottles can become



### Glass Bottles & Jars

As an infinitely recyclable material, the glass from bottles and jars can be used to make new glass containers. It also becomes a raw material for products like fibreglass insulation, high traction road surfaces and reflective signs, as well as construction aggregate.

#### Recycled Glass Bottles & Jars can become



## **G A Y L E ' S   R E T I R E M E N T**

It is with mixed feelings that we say good-bye to Gayle Watters, our long term, part time administrative assistant and dear friend. We are happy that Gayle is retiring to spend more time with her family and friends and enjoy her life; we are sad that we won't have the pleasure and benefit of her positivity in our workplace. Gayle is always an optimistic presence in our workplace that, no matter what is going on, looks for the silver lining in everything. We were richer for having Gayle share her positive perspective and experiences with us as we worked through day to day challenges and planned for the future of our community. Gayle, you will be missed.

Congratulations on a well-deserved retirement Gayle; a new chapter in your life where you can pursue your dreams and goals in a life without (paid) work. I am certain that you will continue to be a success in whatever you decide to do, or continue to do, in your active volunteer and family life. Enjoy.

Melinda

## **A D M I N I S T R A T I V E   A S S I S T A N T - R E C R E A T I O N**

With Gayle's retirement, we continue on the succession plan which Council put in place some years ago. Council has determined that the municipal office would benefit from a full time administrative assistant as well as a one day a week Recreation assistant. Over the years, the progression in administrative tasks downloaded from the province, as well as the grant funding routinely obtained increased municipal work load. Upon Gayle's retirement, the plan was to move our "receptionist" Crystal to full time Admin Assistant and hire a Recreation assistant to work one day a week. If you are interested in working with municipal staff and committee members to further recreation programming within the municipality; please find the application details on our website and Facebook pages. All applications are to be received in the municipal office in Stonecliffe by August 25, 2017. To ensure they are received on time, please submit in person or by email to [hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com](mailto:hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com). A decision will be made as soon as possible, with the employee to begin work as soon as the next week.

## Municipal Disposal Site Hours

### Bissett Creek Site

Tuesday 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm (3 hours)

Saturday 12:45pm - 3:45pm (3 hours)

Located on Bissett Creek Road

### Stonecliffe Site

Thursday 12:45pm - 4:15 pm (3.5 hours)

Saturday 8:30 am to 12:00 noon (3.5 hours)

Located on Kenny Road

## 2017 Recycling Dates

August 14, 28

September 11, 25

October 10, 23

November 6, 20

December 4, 18

## Collection Days and Times

### Deux Rivières

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

### Bissett Creek

Tuesday 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

### Stonecliffe

Thursday 11:00 - 12:00 noon

### Mackey

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

## For Sale in Office or during Recreation Committee Events!

### Fleece Sweaters with HCM logo

\$42

Ladies and men's styles and sizes available.  
Red/black and Grey/black



## HCM Staff Diversion Efforts

We collect pop can tabs, stamps, and milk bags at the municipal hall. We pass them on to different organizations or school groups who then collect larger amounts with the end goal of providing funds or a product to make someone's life easier.

If you are aware of any other group or organization which collects recyclable materials for the greater good; let us know and we will investigate to see if it is something that we can support.

\*Please note: we are no longer collecting Campbell's soup labels, as the program has been discontinued.



VISIT OUR UPDATED SITE

[www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca](http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca)

**THE UNITED  
TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD,  
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**EMAIL LIST:** If you would like to be on our community email list please contact the Municipal Office. It is the intent of staff to keep email addresses secure by using Blind Carbon Copy however; we can not guarantee confidentiality.

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**COUNCIL 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Council meets at 2:00 pm. (14:00 h)

**SEPTEMBER 15**

**OCTOBER 20 | NOVEMBER 17 | DECEMBER 8**

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**MEETS THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 6:00 P.M.**

**MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE PLEASE  
CALL THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT 613-586-2526**

**Sub committee meetings are posted on the municipal calendar located on our  
webpage at <http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca/calendar/>**

Believe you can and you're halfway there.

- Theodore Roosevelt