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2019 - 20**

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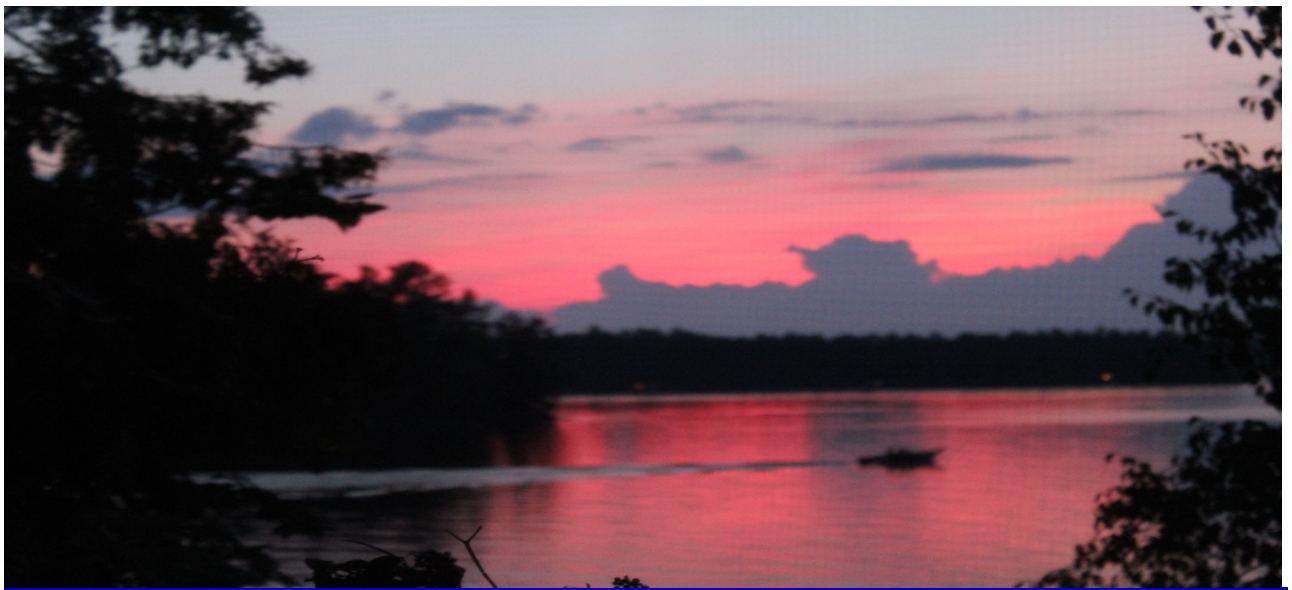
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*El Killian (center) with CLWA Past Presidents
at 75th Anniversary celebration in 2015*

AGM Votes Dues Increase

The CLWA membership approved a \$5.00 increase for the CLWA dues at the AGM in July. The Annual Fee will now be \$35 starting in 2020. This is the first increase since 2008.

Election Results from AGM

The newly elected 2019 – 2020 BOARD is listed at the left. The office changes and new Directors are President: Elinor White, Secretary: Paul Herbert, Past President: Ritch Smith, new Directors Ruth Berger and Curt Farrell, and Norma Crofts moves from Past President to Director. This issue and future issues will have biographies of all the members of your CLWA Board.

Early CLWA Leader Passes

KILLIAN: Eldon L.

Peacefully, at Campbellford Memorial Hospital, on Saturday, August 17, 2019 in his 87th year. Husband of Jennie (Reynolds). Father of Chris & Carol Anne, Millbrook; Judy & Rick Croote, Oakton, VA, Craig, Vancouver, BC, with 10 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

El was President of the Crowe Lake Property Owners Association, now the CLWA, in 1978 and a Director in 1979 and 1980. He was a leader at a time when the organization was going through the steps for incorporation and legal actions related to Cook's Road. In recent years, he could be found directing traffic during Classic Cruisers Night in Marmora. He was a regular at CLWA AGMs and at the M&L Council meetings.

No Parking on Shoulder at Meg's Landing

Marmora & Lake Council has designated the shoulder of Cordova Road near Meg's Landing, the north boat launch, as a No Parking zone. This is the latest in a series of actions by M&L Council to deal with parking at the boat launch. In 2012 CLWA sent a letter to Council expressing concern about parking and the danger from trucks and trailers on the shoulder.



Fall

Crowe Lake Matters

2019

Words from the President

This fall brings a host of changes to the lake and surrounding waterways.

This year our board said thank you to Sandy and Vesa Koivusalo and Ted McBride – and welcome to new board members Ruth Berger, Paul Herbert and Curt Farrell. Ruth went on a campaign and brought us 40 new members – we thank you! We said goodbye to former President Elwood Killian – please see separate note on El. As the leaves on the trees change, so does our lake. The “baby-boomers” are selling out in the cities and becoming permanent residents of our waterways. They bring a wealth of talent and a new vitality to the municipality – please make them welcome and encourage them to join our Association.

Being new to this role, I am thankful for the advice and assistance from Ritch. He was very involved in all things waterway and of both municipalities. He left very big shoes to fill. With the help of our new board, we will take this transition year to update our constitution and our incorporation. We plan to secure all our documents, history and operating functions into a digital vault and eliminate the multitude of storage tubs so that it is available for future generations. Watch for an updated web page. We will look into the possibility of acquiring charitable status. And, we will continue to

seek ways to ensure our waterways and water remain clean and safe.

We have a number of committees looking at lake issues and events. Our membership is encouraged to volunteer to work with a board member who leads these committees. What is your passion: environment, fishing, water safety, celebration events? Can you spare a couple of hours four times a year to participate? Submit your photos for our CLWA Photo Contest – specifics in this newsletter.

This October Canada goes to the polls to elect a new government. It is important to take the time to look at the candidates in the Hastings/Prince Edward or Peterborough Counties to know where they stand on protecting our environment, particularly our waterways. Then, please, vote!

Our board asks that our members have a constructive communication with us on things that will make Crowe Lake, Crowe River and Beaver Creek great. We can lead the charge, but need the whole of the membership behind us.

Have a safe fall. We will see you again early next year with our January issue.

Elinor

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If you haven't had a chance to come in for a visit, we look forward to seeing you!

Happy Holidays



Photo Contest Reminder

We are accepting entries for the 2019 CLWA Photo Contest until 1 November. The contest is open to anyone. The categories are:

Crowe Lake and Its Beauty
Wildlife Around the Crowe
Recreation on the Crowe Lake Waterways

Photographs must be taken around Crowe Lake, Crowe River or Beaver Creek within the last two years. Send your name, address, telephone number, photo category with a caption or a title, and where the photograph was taken with each photo submitted. There is a limit of one photo per category.

Winning Photos will be published in the CLWA Winter Newsletter and in other CLWA or local publications. They will be posted on the CLWA Website and Facebook Page. Past winners and complete explanation of the rules and prizes can be found on the CLWA website at: www.clwa.ca. By entering, you are giving your permission for CLWA to use your photo(s).



Puffin Back

They're increasingly vulnerable, threatened by warming oceans, predators, and a fluctuating food supply. The waddling, colorful Atlantic Puffins, known for their orange-red beaks, have feasted on plentiful haddock, hake, and herring off the Maine coast—and nested nonstop. "This is a good year," National Audubon Society scientist Dr. Stephen Kress told the Associated Press.

This summer, reports have come from the birds' large colony on Machias Seal Island on the US-Canada water border, home to 5,000–6,000 pairs. More than half of the eggs will produce a successful chick, said biologist Heather Major of the University of New Brunswick. "There were lots of Puffins around this year," she said.

Kress said the number of Puffin nests on two of Maine's remote islands might have surpassed last year's 750.



New Advertiser: Crowe River Live Edge

Reg and Darlene bought a lovely piece of property (17 Acres) in Marmora and built a passive solar house. As they cleared out the dead trees on the property Reg began to see the possibilities with the live edge of some pretty amazing trees. When trees have reached the end of their lifespan Reg brings them back to life again revealing the grain and the live edge.

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Meet the CLWA Executive Board

Curt Farrell (new Board member)

After 5 years of searching, we found that perfect place, here on the perfect Lake... Crowe Lake! We moved in on Sept 1, 2018, and we absolutely love it here! We're from Fort St John, BC (very accustomed to harsh winters), and are quickly figuring out all the ins and outs of living on the Lake. We have quickly immersed ourselves in the local community, and have started participating with, and sharing our passions for peaceful, pure, and ecologically diverse experiences. The flora and fauna of Crowe Lake and its Waterways, through the changing seasons, are truly awesome and exciting to be a part of! I look forward to participating and contributing to the future sustainability of this beautiful environment!

I had a Property Management/Maintenance business for 25 years, and then became a University Business Professor for 15 years, creating Undergrad Business Programs for new Universities in the Middle East and Asia. I'm now back doing (selectively) part-time Property Management/Maintenance, and occasionally teaching University Business courses.

Brian Facey (Director 2010 to current)

Brian Facey has been a cottager on Crowe Lake for his entire life. When he is not at the cottage with his wife and three children, he is a lawyer in Toronto. His core values for cottage life are to preserve the environment. He believes the Lake should be a quiet place to relax and recharge for families. He also believes in responsible development that recognizes the importance of sensitive wetlands, water quality and avoiding excessive motorized boat traffic. He supports catch and release fishing. He has been on the Board for more than 5 years.



CLWA Gift Certificate winner Aaron Adair. Sandra Vanattan, CLWA President Elinor White at Summer Fishing Derby

Norma Crofts (Director, President, Past President, Director)

The oldest and longest serving CLWA Executive member, having joined about 22 years ago. I have held different positions including President, Newsletter editor and newsletter contributor, assembler and mailer.

In my working years, I spent most of the time in a primary classroom and later a school teacher -librarian.

Crowe Lake is very important to me. I came to the Crowe at 4 months and have swam here, water-skied here, snow skied here, skated here, sailed here, walked here, boated here, worked here, cottaged here, lived here full time going on 17 years, and still do many of those things.

The environment, ever changing and challenging, interests me. The interactions between all the natural factors and people are all consuming. CLWA calls that our natural heritage.

I shudder to think what could happen if we do not do all we can to protect this special fragile place.

Did You Know That...

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...The latest addition to the Guinness Book of World Records is Honda's Mean Mower V2 lawnmower. It can cut grass and go from 0 to 100 mph in just over 6 seconds. [CNN].

...Did you know that Ontario has a species of lizard? The common five-lined skink (*Plestiodon fasciatus*) is not so common. Two subpopulations exist: the Carolinian population, found in southwestern Ontario in places such as Rondeau Provincial Park and Pinery Provincial Park, and the Southern Shield population, found only in The Land Between.

2019 AGM Committee Reports

Boat Parade and Fireworks (Bill Neill)

Crowe Lake celebrated the Canada Day Weekend with a great lighted boat parade and firework display. The spectacular fireworks are realized only through the long hours and effort on the part of a great team of volunteers that start in early January with product sourcing, through the preparatory stage where necessary repairs are done on the barges, and then mortar assemblies are secured to the barge.

Next comes a very labour intensive phase where the shells are prewired and loaded into the mortar tubes and with great caution, final connections are completed by our own trained and Government Certified Pyro team.

About noon on the day of the show, the barges are towed into place for final testing and fixing of any electrical problems. The team waits for the conclusion of the boat parade and at dusk a grand and spectacular fireworks display takes place.

After the show, the barges are towed back to be later stripped and cleaned, the mortars will be put back in storage and the planning starts for next year.

Jim Nichol and his posse organized and served as Parade Marshals again this year to lead the parade around the lake. They deserve a great deal of credit as the parade continues to generate enthusiasm from the many shore spectators and parade participants.

David Bedore was our Road Sign General and once again kept this communication link visible and up to date.

Thank you to our many volunteers for all their hard work and dedication.

The Pyro Team: Randy Vilneff Brynn Vilneff and Andrew White

The Worker Bees: David Bedore, John Goswell, David Green, Mark Hayter, Rick Moulton, Jim Nichol, Ritch Smith, David Savournin, Wayne White, Allison White, and Andrew White.



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BOGS (Norma Crofts)

At our 2018 AGM, we formed a committee of Jeff Alderson, Chris Reid and myself, to look into the issue of floating mats of bulrushes in the spring. We collected data, stories and documents as well as calling everyone we could think of for help. There seems to be no organization that will or can take responsibility.

We prepared a statement on the issue, put it on the website and printed it in the spring newsletter, stating that these bogs are occurring naturally with ice, high water levels and winds. There is no evidence that the mats have been purposely cut by anyone.

At the 2019 AGM, we enlarged the committee to include Ruth Berger, Judy O'Grady and Ritch Smith and hope to further investigate the issue, especially the effect of high water levels in the Crowe on bogs and flooding.



Ready to Volunteer?

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Hurricanes and Global Warming (edited from article in Guardian, Sept 3, 2019)

While the science has yet to come in on the specifics of just how much worse climate change made Hurricane Dorian, we already know enough to say that warming worsened the damage. Because it's not a coincidence that Dorian was one of the strongest landfalling storms ever recorded in the Atlantic, with the strongest sustained peak winds east of Florida, and the strongest ever to hit the Bahamas. This comes less than a year after Florida withstood the first landfalling category 5 hurricane in decades on 5 October – the latest ever in the season for a storm that strong.

On a basic physics level, we know that warm waters fuel hurricanes, and waters well above average temperatures strengthened Dorian. The fact that climate change has heated up our oceans means Dorian was stronger. Sea surface temperatures were more than 1C warmer in the region where Dorian formed and strengthened than they were before we started burning fossil fuels.

We know that the warmer air gets the more moisture it can hold – and then turn into flooding rains in a storm like this. In addition, we know that as climate change has melted glaciers and ice around the world, that water has gone into the oceans. The extra water, along with the expansion of water as it is warmed, means that sea levels have been raised. That means when a storm like Dorian makes landfall, there is more water for its storm surge, already bolstered by stronger winds, to push further inland. All that extra water makes hurricanes even more deadly, since it's generally not the wind but the water that kills people. The 20-plus feet of storm surge and torrential rains were the most destructive elements.

But there are two other ways that warming probably worsened Dorian's damage. One is that all that warm water allowed the storm to ramp up quickly, undergoing what is known as rapid intensification as it exploded from a moderate category 2 to extreme category 5 over just two days. A recent study has shown that this is getting more common because of climate change, and indeed the past few years have seen many similar examples of this effect in action. Dorian was the fourth category 5 storm in just the last four years.

Climate change may also be slowing down how fast hurricanes move. Instead of moving across a coast and dissipating as normal, in recent years these storms are lingering longer in place, which means more flooding as the water piles up. Because it sat in place, stationary, the damage has been catastrophic. The theory that climate change is changing the jet stream in ways that would lead to stalling storms is growing increasingly convincing. When all these factors combine in one storm, as it did for Dorian, it is truly a nightmare scenario – and a preview of the climate crisis to come. The only question is whether we have the foresight to address it.



2019 Heart of Hastings Christmas Tour – 6 Marmora Stops

Christmas shopping early. November 1, 2, 3 and 8, 9, 10. For information contact heartofhastings@gmail.com or the Heart of Hasting Christmas Tour Facebook page. Tour guides showing all the stops are available at the Marmora Visitor Centre, the M&L Library or these businesses. Two of them are CLWA advertisers.

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Marmora Christmas Market. Marmora Town Hall, 12 Bursthall St

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SOCIAL MEDIA (David Savournin)

Website July 1, 2018 – July 1, 2019

- o Unique Users = 1,278 – up 16% over 2017-2018
- o Sessions = 1,778 – up 8% over 2017-2018
- o Av. Sessions Per User = 1.4 – down 7% over 2017-2018
- o Av. Pages Visited Per Session = 3 - down 7% over 2017-2018
- o Female Users = 56%; Male Users = 44%
- o Users' Age Ranges: 18-24 = 4%; 25-34 = 15%; 35-44 = 17%; 45-54 = 22%; 55-64 = 26%; 65+ = 16%

Website changes will happen over the winter months.

Facebook Page July 1, 2018 – July 1, 2019

- o Average of 60 people see our Posts every day (Reach)
- o Highest Reach was 3,159 on April 23, 2019
- o April 23 Post about wake on Beaver Creek, reached 6,403 people over 8-day period
- o Facebook is the fastest and most efficient method of getting our message out to the widest audience.

FISHING (Paul Morton)

We continue to support Chris's Live Bait in their Pike Only Catch and Keep fishing derbies to help control lake populations of pike. A total of 167 pike were removed from the lake in the 2 derbies in 2019. CLWA donations to these derbies have increased from \$200 to \$300 annually. A \$50 prize was added for kids in the summer and winter derbies.

ROCKS AND SHOALS (Paul Morton)

A total of 38 markers were placed in Crowe Lake and Crowe River in 2019. Thanks to Jeff Alderson for their deployment. These markers are placed in the hazard areas where normal boat traffic may be. Boaters should exercise caution when in shallows out of normal boating areas.



Summer Fishing Derby Biggest Pike caught by Matt Crumb at 6 pounds 12 ounces .

Cottage Cooking with CLWA

Broiled Northern Pike

4 4-ounce northern pike fillets, ½ inch thick

2 tablespoons melted butter

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

Place fish fillets on rack in broiler pan. Pour mixture of butter and Worcestershire sauce over fillets, turning to coat both sides. Broil 3 to 7 inches from heat source for 2 ½ minutes on each side or until fish flakes easily. Calories: 237, Protein 29.9 grams



Marmora Ecumenical Ladies Make Donation

On September 30, CLWA President Elinor White (left end) accepted a cheque from the group to support the CLWA Fireworks. Also receiving donations were Marmora Athletic Recreational Support and Marg Kitchen for the News on 7 publication. Also shown is Judy O'Grady (right end), a member of the Ecumenical Ladies.



Visit the CLWA Facebook Page

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51 New Members

Cheryle Leonard, High Shore Rd
 Wally & Vera Aalen, Drummond Rd
 Tracy & Paul Cocchio, High Shore Rd
 Celeste Bonter & Jayce Northey, Lakeshore Rd
 Curt & Kathy Farrell, Sunset Shore
 Karen & Mark Hayter, River Garden Rd
 Rick Moulton, High Shore Rd
 James Talbot & Jane Lakatos, High Shore Rd
 Martha Hunt & Rachel Corbett, Tecumseh Drive
 Amanda Aasen & Mat Benson, Bayview Park
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 Rhonda & Lawrence Cassibo, Bayview Park
 Heather Child & Christopher Andal, Bayview Park
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 Dana Garlock & Oliver Bue, Bayview Park
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 (please go to page 9 for more New Members)



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 Dwaine & Kare Sully, Bayview Park
 Ross & Julie Thorne, Bayview Park
 Paul & Delores Truelove, Bayview Park
 Bernie & Frances Vernet, Bayview Park
 Karen & John Walsh, Bayview Park
 Robin & Angela Wilson, Bayview Park
 Larry & Ann Wilton, Bayview Park
 Stacey Michener, Marble Point Rd
 Effette Sauer & Seth Dworkin, Big Island Rd

The Spring Freshet

Freshet, fresh' et. (n) 1. a sudden flood in a stream, an inundation; 2. a freshwater stream; 3. a flood resulting from a heavy rain or a spring thaw; 4. the answer to Where's The Kayak?

Are you ready for the 2020 Freshet?



Federal Election

Canadians will vote for our federal *government* October 21. In a federal election, even if you own property in more than one place, you may vote only once, in your place of "regular residence". Elections Canada has all the official information you need to vote.

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About Conservation Authorities (From Conservation Ontario website and press releases)

There are 31 Conservation Authorities operating in southern Ontario and five Conservation Authorities delivering programs and services in northern Ontario. The network of Conservation Authorities is represented by Conservation Ontario, which is a nonprofit association. Conservation Authorities began to be established by municipalities and the province in the 1940s in response to severe flooding and erosion problems in Ontario

Unique to Ontario, Conservation Authorities are local watershed management agencies that deliver services and programs to protect and manage impacts on water and other natural resources in partnership with all levels of government, landowners and many other organizations. They promote an integrated watershed management approach balancing human, environmental and economic needs. Conservation Authorities are organized on a watershed basis. . [The Crowe Lake watershed is within the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority administrative region.]

Each Conservation Authority has its own Board of Directors comprised of members appointed by local municipalities and most are elected municipal officials. Conservation Authorities range in size from very large to small which influences the programs and services they are able to offer.

A particular milestone in Conservation Authority history was the impact of a devastating event – Hurricane Hazel in 1954. This storm mobilized the need for managing Ontario's watersheds on a regional basis. As a result, after Hurricane Hazel, the provincial government amended the Conservation Authorities Act to enable Conservation Authorities to acquire lands for recreation and conservation purposes, and to regulate that land for the safety of the community.

The core mandate of Conservation Authorities is to undertake watershed-based programs to protect people and property from flooding and other natural hazards, and to conserve natural resources for economic, social and environmental benefits. *(please go to page 11)*



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(From News on 7)

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What are the top three reasons to sign up for paperless billing?

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2. Don't lose your bill! Plus you save the \$10 fee to reprint if you need it in the future (like tax season).
3. You asked for it! Through the citizen survey for the strategic plan you identified that you wanted your bills emailed!

Sign up and you will receive a PDF version of your utility (water and sewer) and/or tax bill delivered directly to your email account. The eBill will look exactly the same as your current paper bill.

About Conservation Authorities from page 10

On August 19, 2019, Conservation Authorities and Conservation Ontario received a letter from Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP), addressed to 'whom it may concern' recommending that CAs start to wind down any programs not directly related to their 'core mandate'. There was no consultation with Conservation Ontario or the CAs about this letter before it was circulated. "I can only assume they are trying to avoid criticism about downloading conservation authorities' programs and services to municipalities," said Kim Gavine, General Manager of Conservation Ontario.

In April 2019, Provincial funding for conservation authority programs that warn people about flooding and protect property from costly damages was reduced by half as a result of the 2019 Ontario Budget. Prior to this reduction a total of \$7.4 million in provincial funding was shared across the 36 CAs towards this work. "The impacts of these reductions will vary from CA to CA, however, they will all be felt immediately, particularly in smaller and more rural conservation authorities," said Gavine..



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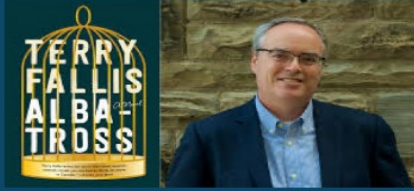
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AUTHOR VISIT

Terry Fallis



The Marmora & Lake Public Library is very excited to announce that Award Winning Novelist Terry Fallis will be at the library during Ontario Public Library Week. Terry's newest book Albatross hit the #1 spot on the CBC Canadian books for the week, August 11-17 and opened at number three on the Toronto Star Bestseller list just one week after it's launch!

Mark it on your calendar!
You won't want to miss this wonderful opportunity.

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Coming Events

- Oct 14 Happy Thanksgiving
- Oct 21 Canada Federal Election
- Oct 22 Visiting Author Terry Fallis, Marmora Public Library, 7 PM
- Oct 31 Halloween
- Nov 1 Deadline for CLWA Photo Contest
- Nov 1,2,3 Heart of Hastings Christmas Tour
- Nov 3 Daylight Savings Time - Fall Back
- Nov 8,9,10 Heart of Hastings Christmas Tour
- Dec 25 Merry Christmas
- Jan 1 Happy New Year 2020

Lakefront Construction

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