



**The Corporation of the Township of Malahide
CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA
November 16, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.**

(G) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - WatchFile –November 2, 2023 and November 9, 2023
2. City of St. Thomas – Notice of Study Completion - Highbury Avenue Widening Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
3. Town of Aurora – Formula for cannabis retail stores
4. Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives – November-December Newsletter
5. County of Oxford – County's Official Plan Update – Open House

Allison Adams

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November 2, 2023

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- Ministry finds six species at risk of endangerment.
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- Land Use Planning Deeper Dive: Strengthen your planning skills with AMO training.
- 4S Webinar: Double WSIB rebates for Municipal Health & Safety Programs.
- Webinar: LED Lighting Success Stories.
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- Reminder to register for Canoe Fall webinars.
- Incentives (up to \$20,000) for hiring new apprentices.
- Hire the next generation of municipal workers.
- Fleming College seeking municipal partnership projects.
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AMO Matters

Encourage postsecondary students in your orbit who are interested in local government, policy development, good governance, and healthy democracy to apply to be one of three 2024 AMO Youth Fellows. Fellows are mentored, participate in AMO Board and Taskforce meetings, and engage in AMO's Healthy Democracy Project. Applications are due **on or before November 13 at 10 p.m.**

Provincial Matters

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Eye on Events

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AMO and Hicks Morley have developed training to support municipal elected officials and council in understanding their obligations related to human rights and understanding how to manage seemingly competing human rights. You can register for this important training [here](#).

This training is for councillors with a good foundation in land use training and are ready to dive into strategic decision making. Engage in case studies and real life examples that are analyzed and understood through instructor lead instruction and group discussion. Register for the November 7 [Advanced](#) land use training.

AMO's Health and Safety Program Management partner, [4S Consulting](#), is hosting a webinar on November 14 at 8:30am ET on the double rebate offering from WSIB for municipal health and safety programs. [Register and learn](#) more on how to create sustainable health and safety programs.

LAS

Want to find out how to save time and money with your LED lighting upgrade? Join our webinar on **November 22 at 10:00am** where West Lincoln and Georgina Township will share their success stories from using the [LAS Facility Lighting Service](#). Don't wait - [register today](#).

Our [Occupational Health and Safety digital program](#) partner has won the AVETTA Best Safety Industry Provider Award. 4S Consulting Services navigates the complex landscape of workplace safety, helping to integrate it into the workflow of your business.

Our fall webinar series showcasing [Canoe Procurement Group](#) technologies is on now until December 7. Join us for educational webinars covering a range of topics from electric vehicles and charging systems to drones. [Check out our Events page](#) for all the registration details.

Municipal Wire*

Construction and manufacturing businesses can [get up to \\$20,000 for hiring new apprentices](#)! The program, delivered by Colleges and Institutes Canada, helps employers build a strong workforce and meet labour shortages.

The [University of Waterloo](#) is hosting [info sessions](#) on the process to recruit student talent. Consider hiring a co-op student to support your municipality's succession

planning!

Fleming College is seeking municipal environmental land-use planning and management projects to be implemented by students in the Environmental Land Management program. Contact Emily Markovic to discuss partnership opportunities.

Careers

Business Development Manager - Local Authority Services (LAS). Responsible for building a strategic partnership program for AMO to cultivate business relationships between third parties and AMO that leverage the value of AMO's position in the Ontario's market, provide benefits for municipalities. Apply to hr@amo.on.ca by November 22.

Truck & Coach/Automotive Technician - City of Thunder Bay. Participates in the development and implementation of all repair and preventative maintenance programs. Apply online by November 14.

Power Engineer - City of Thunder Bay. Responsible for monitoring ice or facility rentals and performs maintenance. Apply online by November 30.

Animal Services Officer - Town of Milton. Responsible for monitoring compliance of the Town's by-laws related to animal control. Apply online by December 1.

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- Blog: LAS Natural Gas Program price change notice.
- Plan now for a 2024 road/sidewalk assessment.
- Webinar: LED Lighting Success Stories.
- SaveOnEnergy Energy Management and Efficient Electrification webinars.
- Canoe Fall webinar series: Registration open!
- Fleming College seeking municipal partnership projects.
- Careers: AMO/LAS, Durham, Asphodel-Norwood, Rainy River DSSAB, Hamilton.

AMO Matters

Have you run for municipal office, or considered running for municipal office in Ontario? If so, we would love to hear from you! [By filling out this short survey](#), you will help AMO improve our understanding of diverse candidates running for office in Ontario, informing how we create new programs, resources, and advocacy strategies.

AMO is conducting a survey of Ontario municipal employees to learn about their work experience. [Click here](#) for the survey link and resources to share with your colleagues and staff.

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The Ontario Fire Marshal is conducting an [online survey](#) for volunteer firefighters and fire chiefs to inform their understanding on recruiting and retaining volunteer firefighters.

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Building on AMO's in demand training, *Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official, Advanced Strategies for Elected Officials to Master Conflict Relationships* (NCR 2.0), will take you to the next level of negotiating one of the more difficult aspects of local leadership: relationships. If you completed NCR 1.0 and are ready for the next steps in advancing your management of conflict relationships, this workshop is for you, this training is for you. Mark March 20 - 21, 2024 in your calendar and [watch here](#) for registration details.

OFIFC and AMO are offering training to build indigenous cultural competency in municipal government. Through a self-paced learning module and live virtual component, this training will provide knowledge and tools to utilize in moving improved

and stronger Indigenous-municipal relations forward in Ontario. [Register today](#) for this sell out training opportunity.

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LAS

The LAS Natural Gas Procurement Program has [secured prices for the new term](#) that are lower than current utility rates. [Contact us](#) if you would like a report comparing your rates to our hedged price.

The [LAS Road & Sidewalk Assessment](#) service is a great tool for managing some of your most important assets. Better data and the tools for planning will save you money and improve service levels. Contact [Tanner](#) for a quote to include in your 2024 budget.

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SaveOnEnergy is offering free training webinars for municipal energy/facility managers and directors. Learn how to integrate energy management principles, identify savings, and reduce cost in your municipal facilities. [Register today](#).

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[Senior Economist - Region of Durham](#). [Apply online](#) by November 26.

[Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk - Township of Asphodel-Norwood](#). Apply to recruitment@antownship.ca by November 17.

[Municipal Treasurer - Township of Asphodel-Norwood](#). Apply to recruitment@antownship.ca by November 27.

[Chief Administrative Officer - Rainy River District Social Services Administration](#)

Board. Apply to jocelyn.nielson@rrdssab.ca by December 6.

Director, Indigenous Relations - City of Hamilton. Apply online by November 22.

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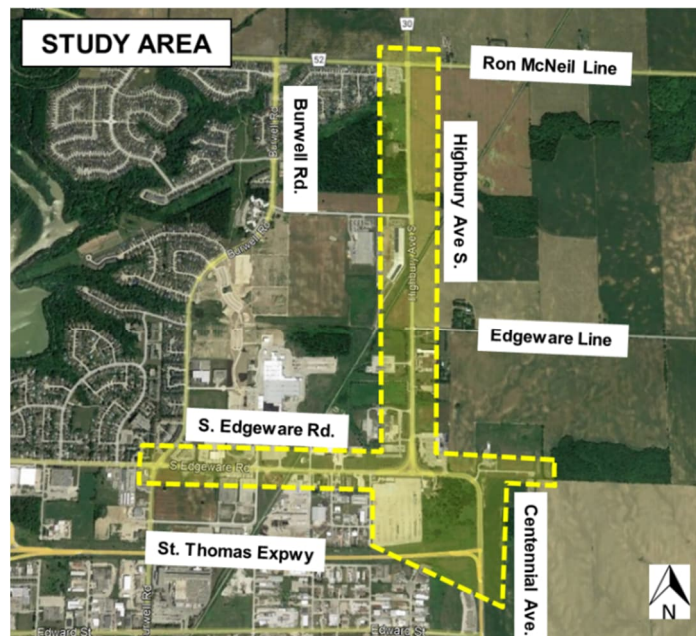
Notice of Study Completion

Highbury Avenue Widening Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

Study Completion

The City of St. Thomas Transportation Master Plan Update (TMP), completed in 2021, identified the need to widen Highbury Avenue from Edgeware Road to Ron McNeil Line, and South Edgeware Road, from Burwell Road to Highbury Avenue, in order to accommodate additional traffic from residential and industrial growth in St. Thomas.

In response, the City of St. Thomas has completed a Class Environmental Assessment study for the road widening of Highbury Avenue from Edgeware Road to Ron McNeil Line, and South Edgeware Road, from Burwell Road to Highbury Avenue. Recommendations to improve connectivity between the subject corridors and St. Thomas Expressway (ON Highway 3), were also developed as part of the study.



The Process

This project was completed in accordance with **Schedule 'C'** of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (October 2000, amended in 2007, 2011, 2015 & 2023). In addition, the Class Environmental Assessment satisfied the requirements of the MTO Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities for a Group 'B' project, for the work near St. Thomas Expressway (ON Highway 3). As such, consultation with the public, technical agencies and Indigenous communities played a key role in developing the study recommendations.

Public Review

An Environmental Study Report (ESR) documenting the planning process undertaken, details of the study recommendations as well as potential impacts and mitigation measures, has been completed and by this Notice is being placed in the public record for review. The ESR will be available for review

Notice of Study Completion

for 30 days, until **December 7, 2023**, on the City's website at:
<http://www.stthomas.ca/HighburyWideningEA>.

Contact Information

Interested persons may provide comments to the project team through your preferred means of communication. All comments and concerns should be sent directly to the Project Managers listed below.

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London, ON N6E 1A2

With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record of the study.

Section 16 Order Requests

In addition, a request to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for an order imposing additional conditions or requiring an individual environmental assessment may be made on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests should include your full name and contact information.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (additional conditions or an individual environmental assessment), explain how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts, and can include any supporting information. The request should be sent to both:

Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2J3
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Director, Environmental Assessment Branch
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and
135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor
Toronto ON, M4V 1P5
EABDirector@ontario.ca

Requests should also be sent to the City of St. Thomas by mail or by e-mail. Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order>.

This notice first issued November 7, 2023.

October 30, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Delivered by email
premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier:

Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of October 24, 2023

Motion 10.1 – Councillor Kim; Re: Cannabis Retail Applications for the Town of Aurora

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on October 24, 2023, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas in January 2019, Council voted in favour of retail Cannabis in the Town of Aurora; and

Whereas the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) is the legal body overseeing Cannabis Retail; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora with geography of 7 km x 7 km and population of 64,000 currently has 13 Cannabis retail stores and 1 authorized at the AGCO; and

Whereas the long-term vision of the Town's Official Plan supports active and healthy lifestyle choices to complement a complete community; and

Whereas many cannabis stores are within close proximity to schools and daycares which are inhabited by society's most vulnerable; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019 (LLCA) in its regulation already has a precedent by limiting the number of grocery stores licensed to sell beer, wine, and cider to 450 and is currently not accepting any more applications;

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town of Aurora requests that the Government of Ontario through its Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) no longer accepts any further cannabis retail applications for the Town of Aurora; and**

2. **Be It Further Resolved That the Town of Aurora requests that the Government of Ontario re-evaluate its “formula” on how many cannabis stores are permissible within the boundaries of a municipality, including but not limited to:**
 - a. Utilizing a cap or upper limit;
 - b. Utilizing a population per capita formula;
 - c. Utilizing a distance to the next cannabis retail store formula; and
3. **Be It Further Resolved That should the Government of Ontario revisit the retail Cannabis formula guiding the number of cannabis retail stores permissible in a municipality, that it would extend to all existing municipalities; and**
4. **Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario; Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora; and the Honourable Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill; and**
5. **Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Yours sincerely,



Michael de Rond

Town Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/lb

Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Copy: Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
 Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora
 Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
 All Ontario Municipalities

10. Motions

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Moved by Councillor Kim

Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

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Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Carried

News from the AMMA

November - December 2023



Tour of Homes Tickets are Available Now!

We're so excited to announce that Tour of Homes tickets are available now!

November 17th • 4 pm to 10 pm November 18th • 1 pm to 9 pm

Tickets available at

Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives (14 East St.)

Aylmer:

A Little off the Top
Butter Me Up Soap Company
Campbells II
Divas & Dudes Hair Care
First Impressions Hair Designing
The Flower Fountain
Hills Pharmacy (Downtown)
InStyle Salon & Spa
Margarets Fernlea Flowers
Mary Jane's Hair Design

Pincroft

Sherri Gray Hair
Spare Moments Crafts Supplies

Tillsonburg:

Margarets Fernlea Flowers
Tillsonburg Garden Gate

St. Thomas:

Mugford's (Downtown)
Mugford's (Elgin Centre)
Railway City Brewing Co.

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At the Going Down of the Sun

Pop-up Exhibit

Thank you to everyone who attended our opening reception and book launch on October 26! We had a great turnout and really enjoyed visiting with those who attended!

The *At the Going Down of the Sun* exhibit considers the men on the Aylmer Cenotaph, the men and women from Aylmer and Malahide who served in WWII, and the history of the RCAF Base. It also includes background information on WWII, the local impact the war had on Aylmer and Malahide, and the lives of German prisoners of war in Malahide Township.

You can view the exhibit at 75 Talbot St. E., from 1 to 4 pm on November 2, November 4, November 7, and November 9. Extended hours on November 11, Remembrance Day, are from 11 a.m. to 4 pm

Book by James L. McCallum

At the Going Down of the Sun aims to honour and biograph the soldiers of Aylmer and Malahide who lost their lives during WWII. It pays tribute to those listed on the Aylmer Cenotaph, those whose casualties were reported in the Aylmer Express, and those who died at the No. 14 Service Flying Training School in Aylmer.

The book was researched and written by James L. McCallum, who graciously gave his work to the Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives to raise funds from its publication.

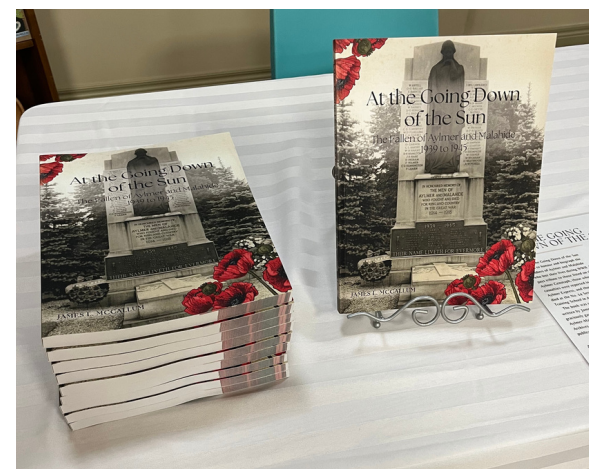
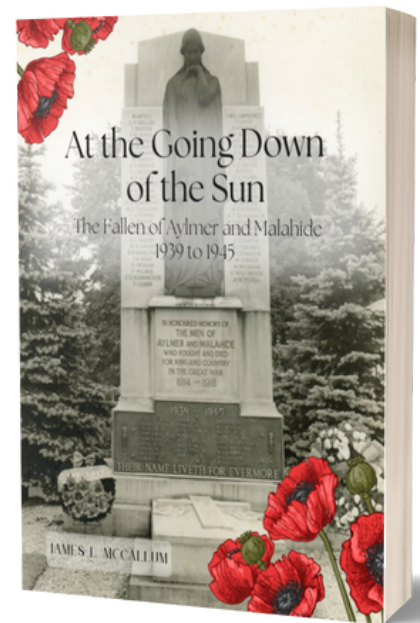
Thank you to our sponsors: the Springfield Swans, the Aylmer Express, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 81, Rosemary Kennedy, and James McCallum.

Available now at:

Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives
14 East Street

"At the Going Down of the Sun" Exhibit
75 Talbot Street East

Members: \$30
Non-members: \$35



Fundraiser Updates!

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Car Show

Thank you to everyone who came out to support us at our car show on September 9. Despite the weather, we had a great day! We raised \$871 through vehicle registrations, our 50/50 draw, and food sales.

Thank you to the following for donating door prizes: Wise Line Tools, Canadian Tire, Aylmer Tire, Bestway Auto Supply, Wiebe's Wheels, Goodwill's, Duff's Garage, Mike Laur's Automotive, McDonald's, J&S Collision, and the Whaley family.

Thank you to the volunteers who came out and assisted us during the event, including Tom and Linda Charlton, Daniel Hiemstra, Rosemary Kennedy, Jeanette Pesall, and Dan and Laurie Reid.

Finally thank you to the Saxonia Hall for allowing us to host our event there!

Photographs of the event courtesy of Linda Charlton.



Frankie & the Fairlanes

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Frankie & the Fairlanes on October 21. We were able to raise an additional \$730 through ticket sales. Thank you to Frankie & the Fairlanes for putting on a great show!

A special thank you to Deb and Doug Waite, Rosemary Kennedy, and Kelly Pearson for their help that night!



Gift Basket Raffle

Enter to win!

Our volunteer gift baskets, a visitor-favourite from the Tour of Homes, have returned! The themes this year include: For the Artist; Movie Night; Scratch Tickets; Christmas Picnic; Gingerbread; Spa Day; Blooming Basket; Purse and Accessories; Gardening; Hockey, Beer, and Snacks; and a Handcrafted Bowl. Take a sneak peek of the baskets on the right.

Tickets are 6 for \$5 and can be used to enter to win your choice of over 10 different baskets! They can be purchased at the museum beginning November 7 and will be available through the Tour of Homes.

Thank you so much to our volunteers and staff who created a basket for us! They include: Betty Segui, Edie Vindasius, Sherry Bentley, Shirley Fallowfield, Dan Reid, Deb Waite, Linda Charlton, Deb Addley, Chris Dancey, and staff Sarah Bentley, Amanda VandenWyngaert, and Kathi Vandermeer.



50/50 Raffle

Draw Date: December 27

Congratulations to our previous raffle winner Al Hooghiem who took home \$600 during our last raffle! We're excited to announce our second online 50/50 raffle fundraiser, beginning November 1st. 50% of the money raised through ticket sales will be awarded to the winner of the draw, and 50% will go towards our relocation project. Tickets available beginning November 1st!

Tickets are:

- 3 for \$10
- 10 for \$20
- 50 for \$50
- 200 for \$100

Sales begin: November 1st

Sales end: December 26th

Draw date: December 27th at 4pm

Thank you for your support!

We're partnering with the RaffleBox platform to facilitate this fundraiser. Tickets are available at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/aylmermuseum> or by scanning the QR code above. We are also able to accept in-person cash purchases at the museum!




50/50 RAFFLE

Benefitting the Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives' Relocation Project

ONLINE TICKET SALES ONLY

Win big while supporting a great cause!

Lottery license #RAFI319559

Then and Now

North side of Talbot Street West

Then: Photograph of Sophie's Shoppe, Sheppard's Coffee Shop, and Simpson-Sears taken in July of 1959.
Now: Photograph taken in October of 2022

This photograph was part of a series taken of Sheppard's Coffee Shop. Sheppard's Coffee Shop was established on the north side of Talbot Street West in 1936 by Raymond Sheppard. Initially known as the West End Coffee Shop, the name was changed to Sheppard's Coffee Shop in 1938. A new storefront was added in the late 1950s. In 1958 Mr. Sheppard established a second restaurant on the corner of Talbot and Myrtle streets called the Chuck Wagon. Sheppard's Coffee Shop permanently closed in 1965.



New Acquisitions

September & October

At our September and October acquisition meetings, we accepted 5 artifacts from 4 donors into our collection. One notable artifact, this RCAF flying helmet, came from the family of T.J. Reid.

Thomas James "T.J." Murray Reid was born in Kingston, Ontario on September 2, 1912, to James and Elizabeth (Bowie) Reid. On August 21, 1941, he married Marjorie Elizabeth "Betty" Evans. The couple had four children: David, Cameron, Douglas, and Andrew. During WWII, Murray arrived at the Aylmer RCAF base as a Pilot Officer on July 21, 1941. While serving in Aylmer, Reid and his wife lived in St. Thomas. Murray Reid ultimately achieved the rank of Squadron Leader and was Chief Flying Instructor for RCAF Aylmer's No. 14 SFTS by the end of his career. He retired at the end of the war. *To view the flying helmet and his accompanying flying vest, visit our exhibit At the Going Down of the Sun.*

A special thank you to Acquisition Committee members Janet Rigsby, Pat White, Kelly Pearson, Deb Addley, Jim McCallum, and Allan Cross for their assistance and expertise every month!



From Our Archives 100 Years Ago

Postcard with an illustrated image of Santa holding up a doll in a blue dress. Behind him is a large bag of toys and a stocking hanging on a mantle. At the bottom is, "A Merry Christmas". Reverse addressed to Mrs. Edward Tompson, Springfield". The reverse is postmarked December 25, 1923. Handwritten on the reverse is, "The seasons greetings to Miss Evelyn from a yankee cousin, Naomi".



New Building Updates

Thanks to our most recent fundraisers, our car show and Frankie & Fairlanes concert, we were able to add another \$1,601 to our Relocation Fund! We have currently raised \$155,696.13 to renovate the building. We purchased the building for \$400,000, for a total of \$555,696.13 raised towards our Relocation Project so far!

We recently completed our new video regarding our capital campaign and move to the new building! It can be viewed on our website at the link below or on our YouTube channel here: youtube.com/@aylmermuseum

To learn more about our Relocation Project, including fundraisers and updates, visit: aylmermuseum.ca/relocation-project

Upcoming²⁰Events



50/50 Raffle

We're excited to be hosting a second online 50/50 to support our Relocation Project! Ticket sales will be from November 1 to December 26 with the draw taking place December 27. For more information or to purchase tickets see: rafflebox.ca/raffle/aylmermuseum



At the Going Down of the Sun

An exhibit about the men and women from Aylmer and Malahide who served in WWII. Join us at 75 Talbot St. E. Drop-in hours are from 1 to 4 pm on the following dates:

October 24	November 2
October 26	November 4
October 28	November 7
October 31	November 9
November 11 • 11 am to 4 pm	



Shop Hop

We're excited to be participating in the Downtown Shop Hop on November 2, from 4-8 pm Stop by to see our display *At the Going Down of the Sun*.



2023 Tour of Homes

Save the date for our 19th Annual Christmas Tour of Homes! We are very excited to bring this event back to the community and we're pleased to be offering extended hours on Friday evening. Tickets available now! Join us: Friday, November 17th, 4 pm - 10 pm Saturday, November 18th, 1 pm - 9 pm



Last Day of the Season

Stop by before November 24 to see our current exhibit, *If the Shoe Fits*.

Volunteer Updates

by Sarah Bentley, Volunteer Coordinator

The car show went well this year! Thank you to all those who helped to make it a success, including Tom and Linda Charlton, Daniel Hiemstra, Rosemary Kennedy, Jeanette Pesall, and Dan and Laurie Reid.

Jim McCallum has researched, written, and given us an entire book! Jim is allowing us to print and sell copies of the book as a fundraiser. Thank you so much for all of your hard work, Jim! Thank you to Ron Sawyer for helping us edit!

We had a blast at the Frankie and the Fairlanes concert! Special thanks to Deb and Doug Waite, Rosemary Kennedy, and Kelly Pearson for their help that night.

Many thanks to those who have offered to look after our World War II pop-up exhibit downtown. We've had help from Lynda Shelly, Chris

Dancey, Kelly Pearson, Betty and Roy Pickard, Jim McCallum, Jacki Welch, Linda Charlton, Larry and Jacquie Jeffery, and Dan and Laurie Reid. Dan Reid was kind enough to lend a hand in setting up the exhibit, as well. Thank you all for all of your help!

A huge thank you to the members of our Tour of Homes committee, who have been working hard for months to prepare for the tour! Members include Bozena Boadway, Brigitte Fedorowich, Yvonne Gavey, Jacquie and Larry Jeffery, Kelly Jordan, Barb Pede, Peanette Pesall, Dan Reid, Kara Stanley, Sue Shackleton, Michele Toth, Tricia Van Gorp, Deb Waite, and staff Sarah Bentley, Amanda VandenWyngaert, and Kathi Vandermeer.

Thanks as always to Bozena Boadway, Cathy Kasza, and Jim McCallum for all of their help with our collections!



Laurie and Dan Reid running the fundraiser BBQ at our car show! Photographs of the event courtesy of Linda Charlton.

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Dennis Boadway, of the Aylmer Area Community Foundation, and Sarah Bentley and Kathi Vandermeer of the Aylmer-Malahide Museum & Archives

Community Foundations of Canada Donation

We were very grateful to receive a donation of \$38,000 from the Community Foundations of Canada Community Services Recovery Fund, administered by the Aylmer and Area Community Foundation! The grant is being used to hire a consultant to design fundraising and membership drive programs, complete new bylaws, create a membership portal on our website, and purchase new office equipment.

We were able to hire Kim Clarke of HMM Group to review our policies, create bylaws, and establish a membership and fundraising drive. The total amount of this project is \$26,300.

Redding Designs is currently working on designing and

implementing a membership portal on our website This will allow our members extra perks and benefits!

Finally, we were able to purchase three new laptops for the museum.

The total for these new projects and initiatives was \$38,217. We would not have been able to complete them without this generous grant from the Community Foundations of Canada!

Many thanks to Jackpot Time

A special thank you to our supporter Jackpot Time Gaming Entertainment. Throughout the year we were very grateful to receive funds from our participation in bingos at Jackpot Time in St. Thomas. Through this program, the museum receives funds monthly that we can use towards the preservation and maintenance of our collection. We are also able to fund a portion of Sarah Bentley's salary to work on the collection. We are very grateful to be one of the charities that receive funds through the charitable gaming program, and very thankful for the volunteers who assist us with bingos each month.



Additional recent projects and updates undertaken due to the funding provided through Jackpot Time include:

- new display cases and mannequins to showcase our collection
- a much-needed upgrade to our general artifact storage (new shelving and new archival-safe storage boxes)
- equipment and materials for the mounting of new exhibits and displays
- collection and conservation supplies
- A portion can be transferred to our Relocation Fund

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Springfield Swans

Formerly known as the Springfield Lioness, Springfield Swans took flight on July 1, 2021!

This club is a small group of civically minded women with a goal of making their community a great place to live. We're not all about fundraising. Our service work includes maintaining the Mary H Pearson Memorial Garden (Cenotaph Park, Springfield) and an annual Seniors "Christmas in July" event. Donations are made primarily to local endeavours, and include our school, fire department, parade, Fun Day, and area hospitals. Our fundraising events include an annual Community Beef Supper (each year in support of a new charity), "B" Sale (books, baking, etc) for Breast Cancer, Community Spirit Birthday Calendars and assignments at Jackpot City Gaming Entertainment in St Thomas. Anyone who is 18 years of age or older, who is service minded and is invited into the club may be a member.

"Volunteering for a Better Community"

Check out our Facebook Page: *Springfield Swans Club - Ontario* ~~~~ *PO Box 179, Springfield, ON N0L 2J0*



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If you have not paid your 2023 membership and still wish to do so, please contact Kathi at officemanager@aylmermuseum.ca.

Thank you all for your continued support!

Allison Adams

From: Roberta Gordon on behalf of Malahide General
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 3:01 PM
To: Allison Adams
Subject: FW: Oxford County Official Plan Update - Environment

From: Official Plan Update <opupdate@oxfordcounty.ca>
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 2:21 PM
Subject: Oxford County Official Plan Update - Environment

Hello,

Please take notice that the County of Oxford is continuing to work on it's update to the County's Official Plan and the environmental policies specifically.

The County has developed a series of [suggested policy directions](#) to inform the development of draft environmental policies and corresponding mapping as a part of the County's ongoing Official Plan review process. This is expected to include updates to policies for:

- natural heritage (e.g., wetlands, woodlands, wildlife habitat),
- water resources (e.g., ground water, surface water),
- open space (parks and trails),
- soils,
- natural hazards (e.g., flood plains),
- energy efficiency, air quality and climate change

OPEN HOUSE

Pursuant to the requirements under Section 17 (16) of the Planning Act. The County is holding an **open house** on **Thursday November 23, 2023 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm** at the Oxford County Administration Building, 21 Reeve St Woodstock to provide an opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the suggested policy directions and updating the environmental policies in the Official Plan.

It is expected that updates to the environmental policies resulting from this process would generally apply to all lands within the County. Proposed mapping changes will be included with the draft environmental policies, which are to be developed and consulted on as a future next step in the process. All feedback received on the suggested environmental policy directions will be considered in the development of draft policies.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information including the suggested policy directions, and the updated draft Oxford Natural Heritage System Strategy (ONHSS) 2023 check out [Speak Up Oxford](#).

SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK

All feedback received will help to inform development of draft policies which will include proposed mapping (where applicable), which will be released for further community engagement and discussion in the future.

Should you have any questions, would like to submit comments, or would like further information please feel free to contact us at OPUpdate@oxfordcounty.ca

Regards,

April

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