



Perth Civitan Express

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The Art of Happiness...

*~ Living a good life and flourishing.
Surround yourself with good people
that will inspire you, provide you with
motivation to achieve your goals and
cheer on your success.*

*Good people make you feel happy and
energized after spending time with them.
They are selfless, honest with hearts of
gold.*

*The key is finding people that are good
for you.*

President's Wife Message

The following message was posted by my wife Julie on her Facebook page. When I read it, I could not resist sharing it in our newsletter.



Bryan Wiltsie

April is Civitan Awareness Month, please invite your friends to like our Facebook Page.



- Bingo Every Wednesday Night
- Executive Meeting - April 3rd
- Black Tie Bingo Gala - April 7th
- Business Meeting - April 10th
- Perth Country Jam - April 22nd
- Emergency Services Appreciation Dinner - April 24th
- Festival of Maples - April 28th

Board of Directors

President: Bryan Wiltsie
 Past President: Karen Lindop-Beckwith
 President Elect: Bill McNicol
 Secretary: Suzanne Bourbonnais
 Treasurer: Wendy Robinson
 Directors: Paul Anderson, Bonnie Ennis, Patty Kauffeldt,
 Bill Kelford, Larry Smith and Jim Wickware.

**KINDLE
YOUR FIRE
FOR CIVITAN
2017-2018**





BIRTHDAYS

THIS MONTH

**Marilyn Burch, Donna Ferguson, Stacie Fourier,
Nancy Smith, Jenna Sweeney, Marianne Whitaker,
Joe Ferguson and Don Rubino**

Happy Anniversary

Carol & Dale Buchanan



Donated Rentals &/Or Financial Support

March 2018

Bridge Club * Exercise Groups * Quilters

Festival of Maples * Maberly Fair

Steward Park Festival * Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

Connected to Your Community
Thursday, March 22, 2018

The Perth Courier
UNFOLDING SINCE 1834

Connected to your community

OPINION

Just keep swimming

I'm hoping that as you read this spring has actually sprung as scheduled on March 20.

As I write, though, it is definitely still winter. The sap has retreated. The daily highs have been below zero. There's a wind chill of minus one. There was a [redacted] for overnight



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...it's one thing that I—Susan—and was based on the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale about a vain and selfish girl who was cursed

Past Deadline



**Past
Deadline**
STEPHANIE GRAY

(I'm pretty sure — almost positive — I'm not the only one who does that.) Well, I slacked off a bit on the exercises. I'm not sure if it's that or the return of the biting cold weather or the fact I'm still eating like a jerk and carrying too much weight for my irritable kneest, but I'm back to rock solid achy and creaky most of the time, and it kinda stinks a lot.

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Above and beyond the fact I need to stick to these strengthening exercises for real, and quite possibly forever, I need to move even more. I spend a lot of time sitting at work, and I pay for it every time I get out of a chair.

My constant, always moving restlessness is a audiobook (on eight-
tapes) that I used to listen to
and was little. It scared
me. It was The Red
and was based on the Hans
Christian Andersen fairy tale about a
vain and selfish girl who was cursed



Submitted photo

Hefty donation

Margot Hallam, Executive Director of the GWM Hospital Foundation was the guest speaker this week at the Perth Civitan Entertainment Meeting. Perth Civitan President Bryan Wiltsie presents Margot with a cheque for \$8,000 for the 8th annual Black Tie Bingo.



Blood Donor Clinic

Monday, May 7, 2018

1:00pm to 7:00pm

The Perth Civitan Club host a regular Blood Donor Clinic every second month. Club members work as volunteers to support the collection by Canadian Blood Services. The volunteers create a welcoming and comfortable experience for blood donors, interacting with donors and staff to provide a positive experience for donors. Those who have never given blood before may be nervous, therefore, first time ambassadors are on hand to answer questions and provide the extra comfort needed for first time donors.

Future Dates : June 11, July 11, September 3, November 5 & December 3

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEWEST MEMBER: MARY GRAHAM

*PIP Bob Robinson installs our newest member **Mary Graham** who is sponsored by our lovely Treasurer Wendy Robinson*



President Bryan presents Civitan Mary with her Welcome Kit, Civitan Vest and T-shirt

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

Nominations for President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and 6 Director Positions are now open and will remain open until our May 1st Executive Meeting.

Our elections will be held on May 8th at our Business Meeting.

Nominations as of March 29th

President-Elect - Civitan Joe Ferguson

Secretary (Civitan Suzanne withdrew her name)

Treasurer - Civitan Wendy Robinson

Directors - Civitan's Eber Conboy, Bonnie Ennis, Bill Kelford,

Karen Lindop-Beckwith, Paul Anderson, Bill Kelleher, Patty Kauffeldt and Ted Flindall



April 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 EASTER 	2 Quilters 9am to 12pm	3 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Executive Meeting 7pm	4 Mouseketeers Canteen Angie Stinson Jo-Anne Coutts	5 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	6	7
8	9	10 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Business Meeting Alice Banford Team 4	11 Super Daubers Canteen Cathie McCabe	12 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	13 Fundraiser Team 6 8pm - 1am	14 Bridal Shower
15	16 Quilters 9am to 12pm	17 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm	18 A Team Canteen Carol Kelleher Donna Ferguson	19 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	20 Stag & Doe Team 7 8pm - 1am	21 Fundraiser Team 5 8pm - 1am
22  1pm to 6pm R Carter & Janet		24 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Emergency Services Appreciation	25 Artistocats Canteen Suzanne Bourbonnais Patty Kauffeldt	26 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	27 Wedding Set Up	28 Wedding Team 8
29 Craft Show	30	1 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Executive Meeting 7pm	2 Senators Canteen Carol Smith Laura Flindall	3 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	4 Gideon Dinner	5 Perth Civitan Membership Drive Open House Noon to 4 pm
6	7 Quilters 9am to 12pm	8 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Business Meeting Carol Kelleher	9 Mouseketeers Canteen Angie Stinson Jo-Anne Coutts	10 Senior's Exercise Class 9:30am to 11pm Bridge Club 6pm to 10pm	11	12 Small Business Show

MeETING

NEWS



President Bryan thanks Constable David Bird of the Lanark County OPP for his presentation on reviving the annual Haunted House at the Perth's Crystal Palace

Guest Speaker

March Guest Speaker was Constable David Bird of the Lanark County OPP.

The Lanark County OPP and the Perth Police Services Board are interested in reviving the annual Haunted House at Perth's Crystal Palace in time for Halloween 2018.

Const. Bird said that members of the OPP Auxiliary, students at Algonquin College's police foundations program at the Perth campus, and even off-duty OPP volunteers might help to run it. And, if run under the auspices of the board, "we also have it as town-supported," said Bird. "That's my broad concept at the moment. It's a no-brainer. It is a safety issue. Who better than us to make sure it is a safe place?"

The Perth Police Services Board, as a town hall committee, would mean that it is likely the event would be covered under the town's insurance.

Our Civitan Club would remain a senior partner in this event, providing guidance on decorating the Crystal Palace, providing the candy bags and dressing up and handing out the candy at the event.

The Executive Board reviewed this on April 3rd and will present their recommendations to the club on April 10.



Entertainment Meetings - Upcoming Speakers

April 24th - Emergency Services Appreciation Dinner - OPP, Fire and Ambulance

May 22nd - Robin Hull, Education & Support Coordinator Alzheimer Society Lanark Leeds Grenville - Topic will be "Finding Your Way" This is a program that educates people in our community on the signs to look out for if someone with a dementia has gone missing as well as what to do and how to approach the person.



SNEAK PEEK AT MAY

- * Executive Meeting - May 1st * Membership Drive/Open House - May 5th
- * Business/Election Meeting - May 8th * Civitan Small Business Show - May 12th
- * Entertainment Meeting - May 22nd * Perth Country Jam - May 27th



Every Wednesday Night!



Bingo in Perth is alive and well

Spring is here (I hope) and our attendance numbers are inching back up. Our customers tell us we are the favoured bingo and appreciate our efforts to make their evening an enjoyable one. Some customers come early and socialize with their friends or just bask in the peace and quiet of the hall.

Members also organize a bake sale the last week of each month and our bingo customers look forward to buying some homemade baking as a treat. This is in addition to our weekly canteen where the proceeds are used to support the club. Two members from each team look after the canteen where Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and other confections are available to the players.

Last year we raised almost \$50,000 to donate back to our community through Bingo, Nevada and Loonie Progressive games. We also earned a significant amount to help run the hall and our membership programs.

We have five teams to service our bingo customers but there are some members who seem to be there most weeks. Glen Moore, in addition to working with his team is there almost every week to help out with the early arrivals. Paul Anderson, as well, is there almost every week and is a big help as it seems each week there is a member ill or cannot be at bingo for personal reasons. Several other members come in and help out even though it's not their night to work. They make themselves cheerfully available if a team is short for any reason. Bryan Wiltsie and Bill Kelleher spell each other off calling bingo with me as backup.

Four of the five teams are in good shape, but one team needs at least two more members. We have had five crews to work bingo for several years and it seems to work well. A member can accurately predict their team's nights as it is an exact five week rotation. If a bingo is cancelled for any reason, that team gets a bye and the rotation continues.

If you are not already part of a bingo crew - give me a call and try an evening. I'm usually there by 1.00 pm setting up, selling paper to the early arrivals, receiving deliveries and preparing for the night's bingo. Glen Moore arrives about 4.30 pm and takes over Nevada and Bonanza sales until the rest of the team arrives about 5.30 pm. Some members can't make it for 5.30 pm and come to the hall later. We sell bingo paper, Nevada and Bonanza until the caller starts at 7.00 pm. Then our focus is verifying bingo winners and cleaning off the tables after a game. There is a short cleanup at the end of the night and we are out the door by 9.30 pm.

Bob Burch

The Emergency Services Appreciation Dinner is Tuesday April 24th, on our regular scheduled entertainment meeting.

Perth Civitan members are encouraged to invite their significant others to help us honour our heroes that selflessly give of themselves day after day with their service to our community.

*Perth & BBD&E Fire Departments * O.P.P. * Lanark County Paramedics*



First Responders
consistently risk their lives
to keep us safe!

A ***first responder*** is a person with specialized training who is among the first to arrive and provide assistance at the scene of an emergency.

The term "***first responder***" refers to those individuals who in the early stages of an incident are responsible for the protection and preservation of life, property, evidence, and the environment, including emergency response providers.



Perth Civitan membership includes...
Retired Police, Paramedic as well as
a former Volunteer Firefighter.



**Thanks goes to the Perth Civitan club's building crew
for stepping forward and offering to cater the event.**



PERTH CIVITAN CLUB



Emergency Services

1st Annual Appreciation Dinner



TUESDAY, APRIL 24TH 2018
SOCIAL 6PM - DINNER 7PM
ROAST BEEF DINNER
AND VIDEO PRESENTATION

Honoured Guests...
Perth & BBD&E Fire Departments
O.P.P. & Lanark County Paramedic
RSVP BY MARCH 30TH



thank you to our first responders...
Fire, Police & Ambulance

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2018
Awareness
Civitan
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SATURDAY
MAY 5TH
NOON TO 4PM



BBQ W/Donation

To **CHEO**



Interested in Volunteering?

*Stop by for lunch or just a snack for a **FREE BBQ Hotdog**. We are accepting donations to CHEO. *Tour our Hall Facilities & Medical Loan Bank. *Chat with members and learn all about the **AWESOME** fundraising projects we do throughout the year. We are...

***PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE* to build a better World!**



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