PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



After the winter we've had, it's fair to ask whether spring knows the way to Peterborough yet. Snowbanks are finally gone, the days are getting longer, and some of us are starting to think about fresh air, open windows, and maybe even a little spring cleaning — or at least moving things around enough to say we did. With all the flooding that is occurring in the Kawarthas I hope you are not severely affect by the high waters. April always feels like a fresh start, and we hope everyone starts the spring of 2026 with a lighter step and joyful heart!

"What we you do to keep busy showcase contest!"

Send us a picture of how you kept yourself busy during the crazy winter we've had. Maybe you took a course, joined a group, discovered your talent in art or photography! Share your story and our executive will pick a winner to receive a free lunch at any of our events. If anything it'll be fun to post your photos of your buzi-ness!

"Our Executive"

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Vice President: Bill Herman (647-519-2337)
Treasurer: Donna Herman email: donnahermanheritageclub@gmail.com

Who we are

Trent Severn Chapter is one of 25 chapters across Canada. Trent Severn Chapter encompasses the land of lakes, rivers and locks of Ontario's best cottage country, rural cities and towns. It represents all of Northumberland, Hastings, Haliburton, Kawartha, and Muskoka areas. Most of our social activities are focused in Belleville, Peterborough, Lindsay and Barrie and hopefully open a Kingston Counsel this year.

What we do

The Trent Severn Chapter organizes subsidized luncheons, and other events for its' members. Also, we collect and donate food for the food banks, and sundry items for the women's shelter in Lindsay as well as make donations to various charities throughout the year. Many of our members generously donate their time to local, charity organizations. In December, we participate in the Santa Letter writing campaign. We are proud of our members and their contributions to our communities.

Why Join? – The Membership Advantages

·belairdirect (formerly Johnson) Home and Car Insurance: discounts of up to 35%.
·belairdirect scholarships for your children.
·belairdirect discounts for you and who travels with you with Medoc Travel Insurance.
·GoodLife Fitness: discounts up to 50% off the regular all club access rates.
·HearingLife: discounts up to 10% with price matching in effect.
·Specsavers: discounts on glasses up to 60% using Promo Code **202401**
·Discounts to Trent Severn Chapter events and luncheons.
·Heritage Club scholarships for your kids and grandkids of $2,000 per school year.
*Choice and Radisson Hotel Group: discounts of up to 20% in Canada and worldwide. Corporate A/C: HeritageClubCanadaPostCorporation /ID#00088652

IMPORTANT: In order to benefit from these discounts, you must mention your Heritage Club membership number.

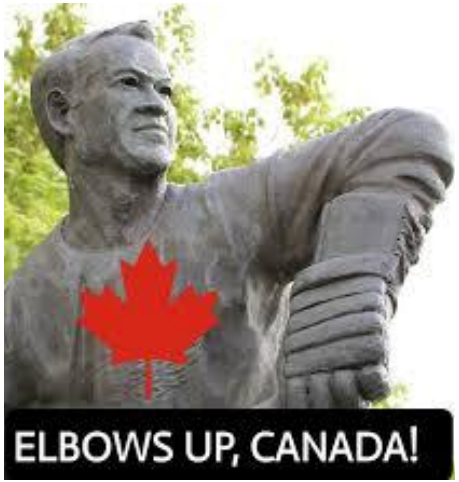
Newsletter Distribution

This newsletter is produced quarterly and is distributed electronically to every member and associate who has paid their annual dues to the Chapter. Also, a general distribution is made once a year to every person who have applied for general membership to the Heritage Club in our Chapter area.

Canadian Content

We are experiencing a world of chaos with the disruptions that Trump has created. It's hard to not get anxious about it all but advice from many sources is to not spend more than 20 minutes on social media and to focus on the positive things Canada has to offer.
I highly recommend following Tod Maffin of Nanaimo BC who has the best advice on purchasing Canadian grocery products such as Primo Ketchup instead of Heinz or French's; Canadian technology sites such as Augure AI as opposed to ChatGPT and Canucklegame.ca replacing US based Wordless.
He even challenged Americans to come visit Nanaimo of which surprisingly 350-400 came to the April event.
Tod's newsletter is a very interesting read, far and wide.news for true Canadian content and history.







Belleville Council

Bob Wludyka heads the council chapter in Belleville. Along with his executive and volunteers he organizes and participates in a great many functions. Some of which are as follows:

Monthly lunches and Bus trips, 50/50 draws

Beer can and liquor bottle drives – For charity

Belleville Friends Charity Lotto; Everyone's a winner as the prizes are split to

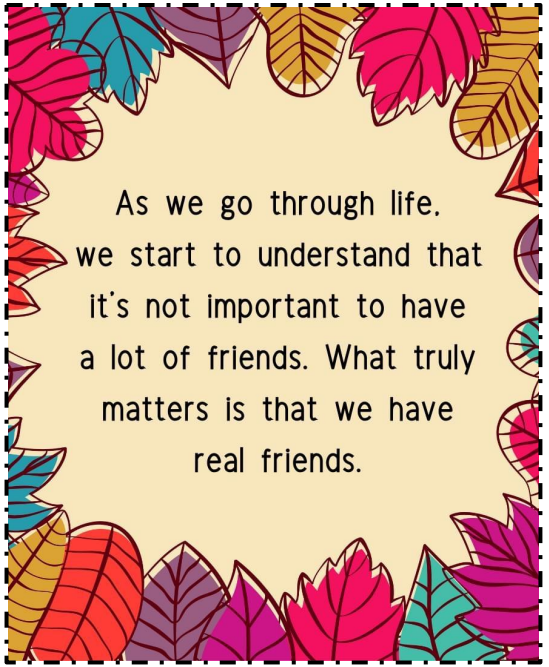
the person's local charity of choice.

He has also been responsible for establishing the Belleville Postal Museum.

Bob is enthusiastic about sharing ideas and events in the Belleville area.

Any of our dues paying members, who would like to join in any of

Bob's functions contact him by phone or e-mail.
bdwludyka@gmail.com or 613-968-3874



Our Scholarship Programs

The Heritage Club Scholarship Program has just completed its eighth successful year. Heritage Club awards three scholarships to students starting an accredited university or college for the first time, their first year of full-time studies and the award is $2,000. To be eligible, students must be dependent children, including adopted children, stepchildren, grandchildren, and wards in legal guardianship of an active, dues paying member for two consecutive years of a Heritage Club Chapter. All applications must be postmarked by June 30th of that year. Heritage submits your application heritageclub.ca and required documents to our new scholarship coordinator Cindy Daoust@ bytownchapter.com.

Volunteers needed to help assess the applications for scholarships

Please contact Robin O'Donohue @ trentsevern.heritageclub@gmail.com for more information.

Heritage Club members and their families are also eligible to apply for scholarships from belairdirect Insurance. Information is available on our website.

Trent Severn Summer Activity Schedule 2026

1) Barrie- Mandarin, 28 Fairview Road, Tuesday May 12th at noon.

2) Lakefield Restaurant, 107 Queen Street and Farmers Market (10:30-11:30) across the way-Lunch, Thursday, June 18th @ 12 noon.

3) Fenelon Falls Brewing & Waterbridge Cafe, 4 May Street, Tuesday, July 21st @ noon.

4) Canoe Museum Tour from 10:00 to 11:00, minimum group of 10 or more and the seniors rate is $16.00 for the tour plus $16.00 for admission = $32.00 plus HST. We'll raffle of the cost of one admission $16.00.
*This Event must be pre-registered. At the moment is is TBD based on interest.
It's lovely flat grounds to just walk around and explore nature on the beautiful settings of Little Lake. Bring your own snack and drink or purchase from the coffee shop in the lobby.
Lunch at Mei Mei, Chinese Buffet, 1080 Lansdowne St. W, Wednesday, August 19th @ noon.

5) Charity Golf Tournament: Crestwood Golf Club, 27 Little Britain Rd., Manila, September 12, 2026. The price is $75.00 per person.

6) Olympia Restaurant, Lindsay, 106 Kent Street, Tuesday, October 27th at noon in the mezzanine.



In case you missed one of our events just know we always have fun! Don't let FOMO hit you because you didn't put it on your calendar! (Fear Of Missing Out)

Our events and fun we organized for you in 2026!

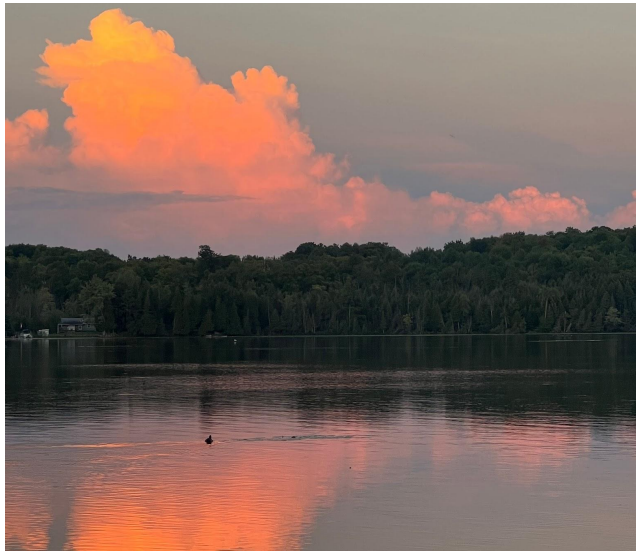
- May 12th - Barrie - Mandarin
- June 18th - Lakefield Farmers Market - Lakefield Restaurant
- July 21st - Fenelon Falls Brewery
- August 19th - Peterborough - Canoe Museum and Lunch at Mei Mei
- September 12th - Little Britain - Charity Golf Tournament
- October 27th - Lindsay - The Olympia Restaurant

What we collect for donation at each event:

- Food bank items
- Toiletries, shampoos and soaps, etc.. for Women's Shelter
- Beer and Pop can tabs
- $$$ for Raffle prizes and 50/50 draw



Your Benefits Contact Numbers
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Superannuation 1-800-561-7930
C.P.P. / O.A.S. 1-800-277-9914
Canada Life 1-866-716-1313
P.S.H.C.P. 1-855-415-4414
Access H.R. 1-877-807-9090
Employment Ins 1-800-206-7218
Passport 1-800-567-6868
Can Rev Agency 1-800-959-8281



$$Let's Pay Our Dues$$

Dues are traditionally requested in October for the following year and we have a few members who have not paid as yet for 2026. It's only $10.00 each per member and Associate member per year and the good news is that we have made it easier to pay via e-transfer, cheque, or cash by making your payment to the Treasurer, payable to:

Trent Severn Heritage Chapter

E-transfer: donnahermanheritageclub@gmail.com no password required.

In the message section of the e-transfer, please record your name and the year you are paying for. If you know your membership number you can record that as well.

Mail to: Donna Herman 1949 White Lake Road West, Douro-Dummer, On. K0L 2H0

Our website heritageclub.ca/Trent has a user friendly information change form to update your address, phone number or email address

https://heritageclub.ca/member-information-change/

Steve Smith: A huge thanks for everything / Thank you!

Our chapter has been under construction as we have shifted over to a new treasurer, Donna Herman. The transition has been a little rocky as she gets used to the role and responsibilities.

I just wanted to thank Steve Smith for everything you've done as treasurer over the last five years.

Five years is a huge commitment, and we honestly couldn't have done it without you. I especially wanted to recognize how diligently you handled the membership fees—you stayed on top of the collections and were always thorough in following up on any changes to membership statuses. It kept everything running so much smoother for the rest of us.

Now that you're stepping down, you can finally focus on your father's legacy Shriners and the Masons. I know that is your true passion, and I'm so glad

you'll have the time to dedicate yourself to it.

May all good things come to you, Steve. It's been a pleasure working with yo



Our Hot Perks come with membership status









These programs have been offered through the work of our National President, JP Leguerrier. I personally have used Specsavers and belairdirect travel insurance which I highly recommend.If you have kids and grandkids, you need to check our Heritage Club Scholarship Program: a great opportunity for your family! The details are posted on our website and the applications must be submitted by June 15th.