

# The Loon's Call

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## **President's Message**

#### **WELCOME BACK!**

With great trepidation, we arrived on the the May 2-4 weekend and to our great relief, all was in order and the water level was actually lower than normal. Thank goodness we were spared the devastating flooding experienced in Bracebridge and Huntsville.

Then we arrived today and much to our surprise the water level is the highest ever! About three inches of rain collected in our rain meter in the last three weeks, and joyously, my trilliums winked at me and my perennials are large and welcoming. Time to find a few annuals for some pops of colour!

So it's all good — summer is here, the water is working, the boats are in and the birds, bugs and beavers are busy. And your Executive is getting ready to gear up for the season!

### Monday, July lst - 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Come see us at Gull Lake Rotary Park for the Canada Day celebrations! Wear your red and white, renew your membership and come celebrate this wonderful birthday with us!

### Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Come to the Annual General Meeting at the Discovery Centre, Wharf Area, 185 Cherokee Lane. We will update you on finances, water quality, local development, and Big Lakes initiatives. Mayor Kelly will join us and this is your chance to get informed, express your opinion and question our Council representatives regarding key issues that impact your Muskoka experience.

#### **Quick Town News**

Come to Town and discover a number of new stores on Gravenhurst's main drag (Muskoka Road). The Brick has taken over the old Macs Milk and has announced that they will soon be opening a 2800 square foot, "Home Accents & More" concept store right here in Town. The Butchers Daughter, formerly a successful restaurant in Huntsville has relocatied to where the Gypsy Market/Relish was previously Best of luck to Kim doing business. Barnes and thank you for choosing Gravenhurst as your new home! Relish is relocating down to where the Painted Door used to be. There is also Melody's Ice Cream Bar moving into Town for hot summer afternoons. At the Wharf, Dave and Tim of the Shipyards fame have secured a liquor license for their new patio along side of their store. Perhaps stop by for a cold one while the kids or grandkids grab some ice cream. There are guite a few more new shops on the way but the final ink has not been put to paper ... so stay tuned.

<u>Porter has flights to Muskoka Airport starting June 27th</u> — This might be fun and a real timesaver. All details can be seen at www.flyporter.com.

### **Other Notable Dates**

Jun 22-23: The Muskoka Powerboat Races—Gull Lake Park

Jun 30: Music on the Barge – Little Peter and the Elegants

July 1: Canada Day Celebrations at Gull Lake Rotary Park —Come see us there! July 7—GSLRA Annual General

Meeting—9:00 am at the Muskoka Steamships and Discover Centre Jul 7: Music on the Barge – Abba Magic July 13-14: Gravenhurst Triathlon Aug 2 -4: Sawdust City Music Festival Aug 3: Civic Holiday Fireworks at the Wharf Aug 9-10: Gravenhurst's Sidewalk Sale Aug 10 -11: Gravenhurst's Power Boat Races Aug 16 -18: Gravenhurst's Dockside Festival of the Arts

### **VOLUNTEERING**

What's your favourite place on Earth? If it happens to be Muskoka, one way to make sure that it continues to be everything you want it to be, is to get involved. Come out and serve on the GSLRA Board or one of its committees. Come serve for 2 years. Pick an area of interest - membership, finances, development, water quality, Official Plan, noise and light pollution, water safety etc. Whether you are seasonal, a retiree or permanent resident here, we all love our Muskoka, so why not volunteer a little of your time and a lot of your heart to ensure it stays pristine, safe and welcoming.

See you at the AGM - **Donna McLean, President** 

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### **GRAVENHURST AGAINST POVERTY ("GAP")**

G.A.P.'s mission is to be a collaborative, community-based organization which supports people in difficulty by identifying issues, resources and providing timely solutions in the Greater Gravenhurst Area.

CAN YOU DONATE VEGETABLES AND FRUIT? CAN YOU HELP SERVE LUNCH? Go to https://www.gravenhurstagainstpoverty.com/ for

\*\*\* 411 \*\*\*

Has your contact information changed? Email? Home address? Do you have a new neighbour? Let us

know - email us at: gullsilverlakes@gmail.com

# Gull & Silver Lakes Residents' Association Attend the Annual General Meeting 9:00 am, Sunday, July 7, 2019 Muskoka Steamships and Discovery Centre 185 Cherokee Lane, Gravenhurst

YOU'RE INVITED — to the GSLRA 2019 AGM. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. for coffee/baked goods. The formal meeting will start promptly at 9:30 am. Join us to hear about and discuss:



- The water quality of Gull and Silver lakes
- Finances/membership
- Town updates from Mayor Paul Kelly and our Councilors
- Development updates including plans for Pinedale Motel
- Communications/ Facebook Group
- Helping Those in Need in Town
- The Election/Re-election of the Board of Directors

Members and non-members are invited to attend! It's a great chance to find out what's going on and meet your neighbours!

## **Questions? Comments? Want to help out?**

Email us: gullsilverlakes@gmail.com