

Preserving, promoting and developing Wellington North's unique cultural resources to build a vibrant community and a prosperous economy.

Our Cultural Moment this month celebrates Youth & our Wellington North Youth Action Council

The Wellington North Youth Action Council (YAC) is celebrating its' 1st birthday and they would love for you to come out and celebrate with them!

The YAC is made up of local youth aged 13-24 with a passion for creating change in the community. With support from the Township of Wellington North, Mount Forest Chamber of Commerce, and North for Youth, they have come together as a group to discuss issues facing youth in our community and to brainstorm what they could do to help.

During the first year they have developed a vision statement:

To establish more opportunities for youth involvement in Wellington North so as to create a safe and empowering community that reflects a positive perception of youth!

The mandate includes a number of tasks such as:

- · create a welcoming and safe space for youth,
- plan special events and workshops for youth and adults,
- establish community partnerships,
- develop a relationship with Wellington North Council so as to advise them on issues important to youth.

Recently they were involved in hosting an outdoor movie night, gingerbread house competition, North Wellington Youth Connections Day, YACtivities, and much more! Plans for the summer include yoga in the park, a soccer tournament in Holstein, Splash Pad event in Arthur and an Amazing Race!

As you can see, we have lots to celebrate with our Youth Action Council, and everyone is invited to stop by **Game Over Lounge on Monday, July 10th anytime between 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm.** This will be a great opportunity to meet YAC members and Adult Allies and to show your support to the YAC.

There will be pizza, cake, and lots of video games to play!