

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14 @ 12:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KENILWORTH**

TIME	SUBJECT	PAGE	LEAD	ACTION
12:00 PM	Calling to Order		Chair	
	Adoption of Agenda			
	Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable approves the agenda for the November 14, 2024 meeting as presented.		Chair	Resolution
	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest			
			Chair	
	Minutes of Previous Meeting – October 17, 2024 (approved by Council on November 4, 2024)			
	Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee receives for information the minutes of the October 17, 2024 Committee Meeting.	001	Chair	Resolution
	Deputation			
	None		Chair	
12:30pm	Business Arising			
	Historical / Heritage Recognition Discussion / Terms of Reference	007	Manager C&ED	
12:50pm	Update on Workplan Items			
	Workplan Item 1: Wellington North Farmers' Market <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seasonal Holiday Boxes 2025 Location Change 		EDO	
	Workplan Item 2: Cultural Grants and Donations Application Review: Community Grants and Donations program - Cultural Roundtable to consider for 2025: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mount Forest Diwali Celebration Mount Forest and District Arts Council 	011 015	CDC	
	Workplan Item 3: Cultural Moments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 21 – Flax Production in Arthur November 4 – Captain Frederick William Campbell Upcoming Cultural Moments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church "Toad" Reeves Tornadoes in Arthur 	019 020	CDC	

Cultural Roundtable Committee – November 14, 2024

	<p>Workplan Item 5: Wellington North Culture Days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update 			
	<p>Workplan Item 6: Minto, Hanover, WN Cultural Roundtable partnership</p> <p>Tourism Growth Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ON Culture Guide Saugeen Culture Bus Tours 		EDO	
1:30pm	Other Items			
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Member Recruitment and Committee Composition Lynes Blacksmith Shop Community Guide 			
1:40pm	Items for Consideration			
	<p>Wellington Advertiser Cultural Ads</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 	021	EDO	
1:45pm	Upcoming Events			
	<p>Mayor's Charity Bonspiel November 21, 2024</p> <p>Seniors Bus Tours Update Sunday, December 1, 2024 Anne of Green Gables – Harriston</p> <p>Wednesday, December 18, 2024 Mooreband Holly Jolly Christmas Show - Drayton</p>	022	CDC	
		023		
1:45pm	Roundtable			
	(verbal)		All	
	Date of next meeting and adjournment			
	<p>December 19, 2024 Council Chambers *Holiday Lunch Celebration*</p> <p>Recommendation: THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting of November 14, 2024 be adjourned at p.m.</p>		Chair	Resolution



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 @ 12:00 PM
WELLINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY ARTHUR BRANCH, ARTHUR**

Committee Members Present:

- Bonny McDougall, Chair
- Doris Cassan, Member
- Faye Craig, Member
- Trina Reid, Member
- Tim McIntosh, Member (left meeting at 12:47 p.m., rejoined virtually at 12:58 p.m.)
- Penny Renken, Councillor

Regrets:

- Linda Hruska, Member

Staff Members Present:

- Mandy Jones, Manager of Community and Economic Development
- Mike Wilson, Community Development Coordinator
- Robyn Mulder, Economic Development Officer
- Karren Wallace, Clerk (left meeting at 12:47PM)
- Darren Jones, Chief Building Official (left meeting at 12:47PM)

Guests:

- Mathilda O'Donnell joined the meeting at 12:14 p.m. virtually, left at 12:35 p.m.

Calling to Order
Chair McDougall called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.
Adoption of Agenda
Moved by Councillor Renken Seconded by Member Craig THAT the agenda for the October 17, 2024, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting be accepted and passed. CARRIED

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

**Minutes of Previous Meeting – August 15, 2024
(approved by Council on August 26, 2024)**

Moved by Councillor Renken
Seconded by Member Cassan

THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee receive for information the minutes of the August 15, 2024 Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

Historical/Heritage Recognition Discussion

Councillor Renken would like to see municipal and non-municipally owned buildings on the list.

Currently there are three properties in Wellington North that have been designated as heritage properties, including:

- 102 Main Street South, formerly the Town Hall/Post Office (municipally owned);
- 118 Main Street North known as the Carnegie Library (County of Wellington); and
- 181 Tucker Street, known as the Methodist Church parsonage (private residence).

In addition, Report CLK 2023-040 Heritage Designation that was received for information at the December 11, 2023 Council meeting contained the following recommendation:

If Council is interested in implementing a Heritage Designation procedure and associated by-law staff have the following recommendations that:

1. The heritage designation only be applicable to buildings owned by the Corporation of the Township of Wellington North and that staff proceed with designation of the Lynes Blacksmith Shop.
2. Council does not delegate this authority to staff or an appointed Heritage Committee but retain this authority themselves.
3. if Council wishes to explore designation on any other facilities that Council approve a 6-month contract position to develop the procedure, research and evaluate specific municipally owned buildings and provide recommendations to Council.

Clerk Wallace advised a by-law would be needed for every property that is to be listed with a Heritage Designation. Additionally, in-depth research would be required as well as a conversation with the property owner. A budget would need to be established as there would be fees pertaining to each property, such as \$100 per property to conduct research, \$60 to register the designation on title. A lawyer would be required to register the by-laws on title.

CBO Jones advised Report CLK 2023-040 Heritage Designation was previously brought to Council in December 2023, was received by Council for information but the staff recommendation was not approved. CBO Jones also made mention that the Heritage Property Act has become stricter on guidelines for municipalities.

Member Reid commented that there are historical type plaques on buildings in Mount Forest that looks like a project of the Mount Forest Museum and Archives.

Deputation

None

Business Arising

TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW

Moved by Member Cassan
Seconded by Councillor Renken

THAT the Cultural Roundtable recommend to Council that the functions of a Cultural and Heritage Committee be added to the Terms of Reference of the Cultural Roundtable.

CARRIED

It was discussed that if Council approves the addition of functions of heritage to the Terms of Reference, a heritage subgroup will need to be created to investigate this project further.

The Committee requested the Community Development Coordinator circulate the Historically significant building document of Arthur, Kenilworth and Mount Forest via Google Drive. In addition, staff were directed to add a new column for comments.

Update on Workplan Items

Workplan Item 1: Wellington North Farmers' Market

The Wellington North Farmers' Market season has ended. However, two special Holiday Boxes are currently being curated by the County of Wellington. The first, titled "Home for the Holidays," will feature a selection of seasonal treats and items, while the second, "Holiday Treats," will be filled with popular holiday goodies. Staff has reached out to a select group of Farmers' Market vendors whose products align with the themes and have a long shelf life.

These Holiday Boxes will be available for purchase online starting November 1, with sales running until December 1. Each box will be priced between \$90 and \$100 and can be picked up at one of three locations: the Wellington County Museum and Archives in Aboyne, Guelph, or Minto.

Looking ahead to 2025, Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health has advised that stricter guidelines will be implemented for Farmers' Markets. Committee members are encouraged to share contact information for local producers with EDO Mulder to help expand the list of vendors for the 2025 season.

ACTION: EDO Mulder will send out the current "Producer" list to members.

Workplan Item 2: Cultural Grants and Donations

Committee was advised that all monies have been dispersed for 2024. The proposed 2025 operating budget includes \$2,000 for the cultural roundtable fund. Staff reminded the

committee that applications are accepted on an ongoing basis, until funds are fully dispersed for the year, noting that some committee will review some in early 2025.

Workplan Item 3: Cultural Moments

- August 26 – Jack Benham
- September 9 – Saturday Nights on Main Street
- September 23 – Wellington North Cultural Roundtable
- October 7 – Charles Rankin

Staff shared that the Cultural Moments are being well received online. There have been 14 videos created and shared on social media to-date, averaging 731 views across the Township's social media platforms. The Lynes Blacksmith Shop video has been the most viewed to date, with 1,631 views. All committee members agreed that this was impressive.

Additional discussions were held on new topics for Cultural Moments, which included:

- Due Oct. 25 | Meeting Nov. 4: Captain Frederick Campbell – Councillor Renken.
- Due Nov. 8 | Meeting Nov. 18: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church – Member McIntosh
- Due Nov. 22 | Meeting Dec. 2: "Toad" Reeves – Member Reid
- Due Dec. 6 | Meeting Dec. 16: Tornadoes in Arthur – Chair McDougall
- Due Jan. 3 | Meeting Jan. 13: Duke of Wellington – Member Cassan

Workplan Item 5: Wellington North Culture Days

Metz Pumpkinfest: Saturday, September 28

Chair McDougall shared with the committee the event saw the largest pumpkin ever at 619 pounds. There were approximately 250 attendees, and it was a fantastic day.

Mount Forest Museum and Archives: Saturday, October 5

Culture Days Open House and BBQ was well attended.

Artisan Showcase: Saturday, October 12

Councillor Renken recommended that we not host the event on Thanksgiving weekend moving forward. Due to illness, some vendors were unable to attend. The vendors that were in attendance showcased their talents. Committee agreed to move forward with the name "Artisan Showcase". Councillor Renken and Member Reid were congratulated for their hard work and dedication in pulling together this successful event.

Workplan Item 6: Minto, Hanover, WN Cultural Roundtable partnership

Staff provided an update on the four key initiatives included in the Tourism Growth Grant. The municipalities of Minto, Hanover, and Wellington North were awarded \$35,000 earlier this year.

ON Culture Guide – ["The Saugeen Region: Hanover, Minto, Wellington North"](#) is now live on the ON Culture Guide website. The committee took a quick look at the pages online and liked what they saw. Staff are collaborating with Ontario Culture to create a print guide that showcases the rich stories and diverse experiences our communities offer. This initiative will enhance the promotion of the Saugeen region as a cultural tourism destination, with the added benefit of increasing visitor traffic to neighbouring communities.

Saugeen Culture Bus Tours, October 26 – Three buses will transport attendees through communities in Wellington North, Minto and Hanover, stopping at several culturally significant stops and hidden gems. Stops will include a distillery, museum, theatre performance, historical cemetery tour and much more. All attendees will receive a bagged lunch, snacks, treats and gifts from local businesses. This special event is a part of the Ontario Culture Days experience in the Saugeen and Northern Wellington area.

Driftscape App: No updates.

This award-winning mobile and web app will allow our small rural communities to share their sites and stories with visitors in an engaging and interactive manner.

2025 Cultural Symposium: No updates.

Other Items

Member Recruitment:

Staff advised that the committee appointment by-laws need to be reviewed to accurately reflect the membership. Committee is asked to bring forward the names of new members to the next meeting. Councillor Renken has approached Carol Vair. Member McIntosh has approached Mathilda O'Donnell.

Lynes Blacksmith Shop:

Progress on the new roof is coming along, with all committee members agreeing that it looks great thus far.

Items for Consideration

Wellington Advertiser Cultural Ads

The committee reviewed the August and September Cultural ads.

Upcoming Events

Saugeen Culture Bus Tours – see notes above under “Workplan Item 6”

October 26, 2024, 10:00am – 4:00pm

\$25.00 p/p (\$150 value)

Tours in Minto, Hanover and Wellington North.

Mayor's Charity Bonspiel

November 21, 2024

To register email mwilson@wellington-north.com

Staff expressed the need for more teams, currently half full. \$300 per team, which includes two games, a catered lunch and prize. The silent auction has some great prizes donated so far. All sponsorship levels are full.

Roundtable

Staff shared that Amir Specialty Poultry hosted a Groundbreaking Ceremony on October 10, and that approximately 100 people attended, just west of Arthur. The company is expanding

from 15,000 to a 80,000 square foot facility. Councillor Renken added it's a family owned three generation company.

Member Reid updated the committee on the Outdoor Art Gallery in Mount Forest. The gallery will have 24-hour lighting, and she will let everyone know when a proper opening will be happening.

Member McIntosh was delighted with the upcoming 150th anniversary celebrations of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Arthur on Sunday, October 27.

Councillor Renken let the committee know of the upcoming Hospital Auxiliary Silent Auction coming up on November 16 at the Mount Forest and District Sports Complex.

Member Craig reminded everyone of the Arthur Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting and Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, October 23 at the Arthur Community Centre. Member Craig also mentioned the veteran banners will be going up soon in downtown Arthur.

Staff updated committee members on the Northern Wellington Employer Resource Speed Networking Event coming up on October 22 at the Arthur Community Centre.

Chair McDougall wanted to share with the committee how great the community garden is in Mount Forest; it is managed by Elsa Mann through the Mount Forest Family Health Team. The Arthur Community Garden is ran by Musashi Autoparts and is located on their property. Chair McDougall expressed an interest in exploring workshops to teach men and women in their 20's and 30's the art of canning and preserving.

ACTION: Chair McDougall will look at what resources are available to host a canning/preserving workshop.

Date of next meeting and adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 14 at Council Chambers in Kenilworth

Moved by Member Cassan
Seconded by Member McIntosh

THAT the Wellington North Cultural Roundtable Committee meeting of October 17, 2024, be adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

CARRIED



WELLINGTON NORTH

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DATE November
 TO CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE
 AUTHOR Karren Wallace, Clerk
 TOPIC Heritage Designation of Properties

The Cultural Roundtable has expressed an interest in heritage designations for properties in Wellington North. This paper provides an overview of designating vs listing properties, the process and a draft budget. It is intended that the Cultural Roundtable use this information to determine their objectives, decide what resources they have to dedicate to this, and assess whether designating properties will have the intended effect related to their goals.

DESIGNATED	LISTED	LOCAL RECOGNITION
Must establish a Heritage Committee	Must establish a Heritage Committee	No requirement for a Heritage Committee
Must meet 2 criteria to be designated	Must meet 1 criteria to be listed. Must be designated within 2 years or removed from the listing. Once removed, may not be listed again for 5 years	Can determine any criteria
Protection from demolition – must notify the municipality 60 days in advance of demolition-requires Council approval – owner can appeal to OLT	No restriction	No restriction
Protection from alteration – permit required, Heritage Committee reviews proposal	No restriction	No restriction
If building is destroyed (accident/fire) designation ceases to be in effect		
Insurance not impacted	Insurance not impacted	Insurance not impacted
Identifies heritage attributes and Heritage Committee	No approval needed	

approval required for changes		
Approval not required for repainting exterior trim, minor interior, replacing/repairing asphalt roof, features not covered by the designation By-law	No approval needed	
May qualify for Grants		Community Improvement Grant could be expanded

DESIGNATION PROCESS

- Establish a Heritage Committee
- Develop Terms of Reference
- Develop a Budget
- Select appropriate properties
- Determine if the property meets the criteria established by the Province (Criteria Appendix A)
- If criteria is met, serve Notice on the property owner, Ontario Heritage Trust (Trust) and publish in a newspaper
- Objections must be served on the municipality within 30 days of the Notice being published in the newspaper
- Council (or a delegated body/person) will make a determination if the designation should be withdrawn and if so, Notice must be provided, Trust, owner, newspaper
- If no objection is received, or Council decides to proceed despite an objection, a by-law must be passed and a copy provided to the Trust and owner and publish in a newspaper
- Owner may appeal within 30 days to the Ontario Land Tribunal for a decision

DRAFT BUDGET FOR DESIGNATION/LISTING

Per property

Title searches	\$ 200.00
Registration of By-law on title	\$ 500.00
Newspaper notices (2)	\$ 500.00
Purchase & installation of plaque	\$ 1,500.00
Peer Review Consulting	\$ 2,500.00

Other

Legal fees per OLT hearing	\$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00
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Potential Staffing/Volunteer Resources:

- Organize agendas, minutes and meeting locations
- Research to determine if criteria is met
- Draft and circulate/publish notices
- Liaison with lawyer to register by-laws on title
- Receive objections, draft material to OLT
- Legal fees for a hearing at OLT
- Maintain a list of properties and notify the Trust of ownership changes
- Develop and administer a permitting process for renovations, repairs, demolition
- Develop brochure and communications
- Keep Heritage Register updated
- On site inspections
- Liaison with Building/Planning department
- Revamp all development processes to accommodate for heritage designation
 - Increase development application fees to accommodate for increased staff time and effort

Discussion Questions:

- What is the main goal/objective that the Cultural Roundtable would like to see with respect to heritage in Wellington North? For example, recognition of properties and their historical importance, investment in properties, preservation.
- If preservation/aesthetic appeal is the goal, has the committee discussed the limitations of the designation process?
- Is the Committee prepared to provide resources to accomplish any goals related to designation? What would these be?
- Are there any other creative ways the Committee could achieve their goals related to heritage?

APPENDIX A

In order for a property to be designated, it must meet criteria established by the Province through Ontario Regulation 9/06.

The criteria are as follows:

1. The property has design value or physical value because it is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.
2. The property has design value or physical value because it displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.
3. The property has design value or physical value because it demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.
4. The property has historical value or associative value because it has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community.
5. The property has historical value or associative value because it yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.
6. The property has historical value or associative value because it demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.
7. The property has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area.
8. The property has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.
9. The property has contextual value because it is a landmark.



2025 GRANTS AND DONATIONS APPLICATION FORM

The purpose of this program is to support local community groups and eligible organizations in obtaining donations, waiver of rental fees, etc. in support of local events, programs and fundraisers. The project should meet local needs, involve and empower people, and have an aim of sustainability.

Applications can be submitted at anytime; however, all applications must be received by **September 30, 2024**. Staff will review the applications and prepare a report for council approval. All applicants will be notified of the decision when the 2025 Budget is approved by Council.

Organization/Business Name and Address: Mount Forest Diwali Celebration

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Contact Name and Address: Axy Leighl

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Contact Telephone: ██████████

Contact Email: ██████████

Organization Website: n/a

Please select the category you are applying for (select all that apply):

- Signature Event (cash only) Local Event: (Cash Donation OR Use of Space)
- Program (use of space only) Special Activity (cash only)

Amount Requested:

Percentage of Overall Cost: 5 % projected

Dates Funds Required:

Can you provide financial statements if asked? Yes No

If a fundraising event, what cause does the proceeds benefit?

Projected net profits will be directed to local service groups. We are at a relatively incipient stage of planning that we have not identified a specific service group but we are committed to returning all net proceeds into the Township of Wellington North community.

1. Please provide a brief description of your event/program/activity.

The project is to host an inclusive Diwali celebration. Diwali is the celebration of light originating in India but celebrated by the South Asian diaspora throughout the world. Our hope is that our project will evolve into a unifying community celebration while providing local exposure to Indian food and Indian culture.

We are looking to provide entertainment in the form of music, dance and cultural demonstrations reflecting South Asian culture, as well as South Asian food. At present, we envision an indoor / outdoor event.

The event would be held on either a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. While it will be family friendly, we do expect to be a licensed event.

2. Information about your event/program/activity.

Is this the first year for your event/program/activity? Yes No

If no, how many years has this event/program/activity been happening?

Is this the first time you have asked for funding from Wellington North for this event? Yes No

If no, how many years have you received funding for this event/project?

Do you receive funding from any other sources, such as community groups or other forms of government? Please include in-kind support. Yes No

If yes, who?

While there are no commitments at the moment, it is anticipated that we will have private donations

How many attendees/participants do you anticipate?

250 to 500

If a Special Activity, please provide some metrics your organization will use to determine the success of the activity:

3. What benefits will your event/program/activity bring to Wellington North and its residents? Please list a maximum of three (3) benefits.

1. Our goal is to provide accessible exposure to South Asian culture for Wellington North residents.
2. Our hope is to provide service clubs with a platform at the event to promote alongside the event, what they do to a demographic that is potentially overlooked or difficult to reach and to recruit from the Township of Wellington North South Asian demographic.
3. We are committed to returning net proceeds to the Township of Wellington North community.

4. How has the community been engaged in the planning of your event/program/activity? Local community members will be a part of organizing as well as a part of the volunteer base.

5. How do you intend to promote your event/program/activity, and recognize the Township of Wellington North's contribution to your event/program/activity if your application is successful?

Promotion will be through a multi-pronged media strategy. There will be print, radio and social media activities. The Township's generosity would be referenced in promotional material and at the event. We are also receptive to suggestions by the Township of Wellington North, for appropriate recognition.

6. Please use this space to include any additional information you would like to provide about your event/program/activity.

The event was initially envisioned in 2022. The popularity of Diwali celebrations in the GTA has presented challenges -- we would like our inaugural year to be an event that helps us promote an annual event. For the initial event, we are looking for a waiver of rental fees for the Mount Forest and District Sports Complex. We anticipate outdoor exhibits such as traditional drumming and music, along with dancing. There may be exhibits suited to an indoor space.

Diwali is marked for October 20, 2025 and on November 8, 2026. The date is determined by the Hindu lunar calendar. However, much like corporate or family holiday celebrations, dates can be fixed around the general time of the event. This gives us flexibility with availability for space, food and entertainment. Our projection is that we would be looking at dates like October 27 or October 28 in 2025. +

I hereby make the above application to the Grants and Donations Program declaring all the information contained herein is true and correct, and acknowledge that the Township of Wellington North will process the application based on the information provided.

Signature: "Axy Leighl"

Title: Chair

Printed Name of Signatory: Axy Leighl

Date: 9/30/24

The personal information requested in this form is being collected for the purpose of determining eligibility of an applicant to receive a Council grant. The information collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Questions regarding the collection of this information may be directed to the Municipal Clerk at 519-848-3620, ext. 4227 or at the Municipal Office, 7490 Sideroad 7 West, Kenilworth, ON N0G 2E0. Wellington North may promote the program and reserves the right to use approved and funded projects as examples in promotional programming including using photographs and descriptions of the project in promotional materials. All applications to be submitted to the Township of Wellington North Attention Clerk's Department.

Date Received by Staff: **September 30, 2024**

Signature of Staff: *Mike Wilson*

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Organization/Business Name and Address: Mount Forest and District Arts Council

Contact Name and Address: Norine Broomhead

[Redacted address]

Contact Telephone: [Redacted]

Contact Email: [Redacted]

Organization Website: n/a

Please select the category you are applying for (select all that apply):

- Signature Event (cash only) Local Event: (Cash Donation OR Use of Space)
- Program (use of space only) Special Activity (cash only)

Amount Requested: \$375.00

Percentage of Overall Cost: 30%

Dates Funds Required: 11/28/25

Can you provide financial statements if asked? Yes No

If a fundraising event, what cause does the proceeds benefit?

[Redacted answer]

1. Please provide a brief description of your event/program/activity.

The application is for the annual Music Festival in Mount Forest. This will be the 13th year that the festival has had a Christmas Music theme.

Participants perform in vocal classes, piano solos and duet classes and harp solos, duets and trio classes.

Each participant performs their piece(s) with in a group of students of similar age and grade level, and will receive a non competitive adjudication from a qualified adjudicator.

The adjudicator will determine performers that deserve recognition for the quality of their performance and deportment.

2. Information about your event/program/activity.

Is this the first year for your event/program/activity? Yes No

If no, how many years has this event/program/activity been happening?

34 years

Is this the first time you have asked for funding from Wellington North for this event? Yes No

If no, how many years have you received funding for this event/project?

34 years

Do you receive funding from any other sources, such as community groups or other forms of government? Please include in-kind support. Yes No

If yes, who?

Mount Forest Lions Club

How many attendees/participants do you anticipate?

approximately 95 student participants, audience will attend including family, friends and open to community.

If a Special Activity, please provide some metrics your organization will use to determine the success of the activity:

3. What benefits will your event/program/activity bring to Wellington North and its residents? Please list a maximum of three (3) benefits.

- provides an opportunity for music students to perform for a non competitive adjudication
- opportunity to perform before an audience and learn proper stage deportment
- encourages participants to perform to the best of their ability in a safe environment
- offers participants and audience opportunity to experience different styles of music
- participants are able to work with an experienced music professional
- builds comradery

4. How has the community been engaged in the planning of your event/program/activity?

- volunteers assist in:
 - i. finding a venue with access to a well maintained piano, handicap accessibility
 - ii. preparing the syllabus and circulating to teachers within the Township
 - iii. setting the timetable and processing the performer's entries
 - iv. prepare the student certificates and programs for the day of the festival
 - v. perform secretarial tasks the day of the festival, including assisting the adjudicator as necessary
 - vi. manage the entry and exiting of audience and performers
 - viii. perform tidying and closing venue after the festival
 - ix. contacting the scholarship recipients as determined by the adjudicator

5. How do you intend to promote your event/program/activity, and recognize the Township of Wellington North's contribution to your event/program/activity if your application is successful?

- public service announcement on the local radio station
- announcements via email to area teachers and schools
- all scholarship recipients will be advised of the scholarship donations by the Township of Wellington North and will be provided with the Township mailing address as we encourage that recipients send written thank you notes
- the programs will acknowledge the support of the Township
- support of the Township will be acknowledged publicly by way of oral announcement at the festival

6. Please use this space to include any additional information you would like to provide about your event/program/activity.

The support that the Festival receives from the Township is used to provide scholarships to recipients as selected by the adjudicator. Recipients are encouraged to use their scholarships to purchase new music, learning aids eg. metronomes, music lights, strings etc, items that will encourage the development of their skills and appreciation of music.

I hereby make the above application to the Grants and Donations Program declaring all the information contained herein is true and correct, and acknowledge that the Township of Wellington North will process the application based on the information provided.

Signature: *Norine Broomhead* Title: festival Chairperson

Printed Name of Signatory: Norine Broomhead Date: 9/24/24

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Date Received by Staff: September 26, 2024

Signature of Staff: *Mike Wilson*

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CULTURAL MOMENT FOR OCTOBER 7, 2024 CELEBRATING FLAX PRODUCTION IN ARTHUR

At the corner of Wellington Road 109 and Wellington Road 11, as you turn south to go to Drayton, you will cross a bridge that bears the sign "Flax Bridge." It is a reminder to us of the thriving flax industry in Arthur from 1870 to 1920.

Flax was an early cash crop in what was then Upper Canada. It was usually not fine enough to use as clothing but was very useful for rope, upholstery and feed bags. An important product as well was the linseed oil that could be pressed out and fed to cattle. The arrival of the railroad in 1871 likely helped to get the crop to the nearest flax mill, about 12 miles away in Stirton.

Flax is a labour-intensive crop. The entire plant must be pulled from the ground to preserve the length of the fibres, bundled, stooked (stood up on end) and dried in the field. At the mill, seed pods were removed, and stalks taken outside to dry further,

spread out on length, and flipped after a few weeks for further drying. Machines would separate the fibres into longer lengths, which were often sent abroad for further refining.

Indigenous peoples were often involved in flax processing which paid well, sometimes up to \$2.25 per hour. The cost of growing and processing flax was often close to the market price to be earned, so it was referred to as "the gambler's crop." As paint developed as a product, the linseed oil became an important product of the process and there were times that the flax itself was burned in the fields once the seed pods were removed for oil.

The two World Wars were important factors for the flax industry in Arthur, as there was a great demand for flax linen for airplane wings. Once the cost of production exceeded market price, flax production ceased in Arthur and the two mills there closed. One drawback to flax growth is a fungus that can develop in the soil after a field is used for flax a few times. In Western Canada, flax continued to be a crop that would help break new ground, and in fact continues production there.

A detailed article on Flax Production in Arthur is printed in Volume 37 of Wellington County History, the 2024 edition of the annual publication of the Wellington County Historical Society.

Submitted by Doris Cassan, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable



Workers stacking flax at Arthur, 1908.



A camp near Arthur set up by Indigenous seasonal workers during harvest, circa 1915.

CULTURAL MOMENT FOR NOVEMBER 4, 2024

CELEBRATING CAPTAIN FREDERICK WILLIAM CAMPBELL, VC



Captain William Frederick
Campbell of Mount Forest

Frederick William Campbell was born in Mount Forest on June 15, 1869. He was the son of Ephraim and Esther Hunt Campbell.

As a young man, he joined a unit of the Canadian Militia. He served in the South African War with The Royal Canadian Regiment. During this campaign, he showed his ability to meet extraordinary circumstances. A cannon had been struck by an enemy shell, resulting in one wheel being damaged. Campbell entered an abandoned house and discovered a heavy, round-topped table. He repurposed the tabletop as a wheel, which remained on the cannon for some time. He returned to Mount Forest following the war, marrying Margaret Annie.

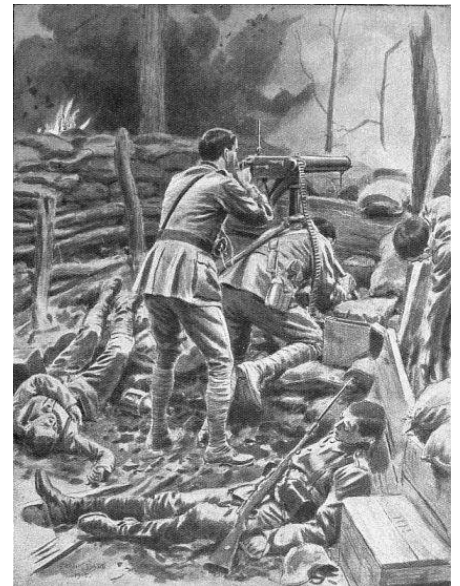
On September 23, 1914, he enlisted and was commissioned as an officer in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, in the 1st Battalion.

At a campaign near Givenchy, France, Captain Campbell took two machine-guns over the parapet, arrived at the German first line with one gun, and maintained his position there, under very heavy rifle, machine-gun and bomb fire. Almost the whole of his detachment had then been killed or wounded. When the supply of bombs had become exhausted, he advanced with Private Howard Vincent still further to an exposed position, and, by firing about 1,000 rounds, succeeded in holding back the enemy's counterattack.

As he was retreating, his right thigh bone was shattered. Campbell was given first aid by Captain Gordon, the regimental Chaplain, also of Mount Forest. Gordon was assisted by Private [William George Seim](#), 2nd Battalion, also from Mount Forest, who later became a Sergeant.

It was Campbell's 48th birthday. The wound turned septic, and Campbell succumbed to his wounds four days later on June 19, 1915.

For his actions, he earned posthumously the Victoria Cross, the British Empire's highest and most prestigious award for gallantry in the face of the enemy. Campbell was 1 of 70 Canadians to receive it. His citation read: "For most conspicuous bravery on 15th June, 1915, during the action at Givenchy." He is buried in Boulogne Eastern Cemetery in France. A plaque at the Capt. Fred Campbell Victoria Cross Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion in Mount Forest commemorates his bravery.



Frederick William Campbell and
Howard Vincent

Submitted by Penny Renken, Wellington North Cultural Roundtable



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**Sunday,
December 1**



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**For
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(5:30 PM) and Arthur (5:50 PM)
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