

LATCHAM NEWS

“When you're at the end of your rope, tie a knot and hold on.”
— Theodore Roosevelt



Cancellations:

- Blackstock Truck and Tractor Pull
- Port Perry Fair

Openings:

- Toronto Botanical Gardens-
even the gift shop



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movies and times...**

[http://
www.lindsaydrivein.ca](http://www.lindsaydrivein.ca)



President's Message

To date our volunteers have made 1,923 masks, 78 caps and 316 comfort bands. When we combined PPSC, Port Perry United Church quilters and the Island Quilting group we became a force to be reckoned with. Not only did we have volunteers sewing, we also had people donating fabrics, buttons and elastic plus we had volunteers who would drive to people's homes and organizations to pickup and deliver for us. We had, and still have, a great team. WELL DONE MY FRIENDS!





Palliative Care Unit is Going Up!

Because of your generous support, the Morgan & Sidhu house is taking shape. You are part of something greater than yourself and leaving a legacy for our community.



“You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will live as one.”

— John Lennon

Sharon, a club member, has volunteered to become the receiver and distributor of our masks during the summer. She will use her home as a base making it more convenient for people to arrange pickup or delivery from her location rather than from my apartment building.

You can reach Sharon by email:

sharon1@schmidts.ca.

Her address is 167 Edgewood Crescent, Port Perry (on the island). Sharon will be available Mondays and Thursdays, noon - 4p.m.

We will reassess this venture in August and decide if it needs to be continued. This will be based on the information we get from the Township and how many requests Sharon gets over the summer.

I would like to give a special mention to the members of the Port Perry United Church quilting group who have given masks and other equipment to Food Basics, Port Perry Medical Supplies, Community Living, family and friends. The IQ group, Island Quilters, have also put in many hours and made approximately 650 items for Humber Hospital, and shipped 🤗 as far away as Halifax, Winnipeg, Kelowna and Sudbury. Both groups have supplemented the numbers that the Port Perry Seniors have made. Thank you ladies, your talents and spirit of helping others is appreciated. 👍👍

Look elsewhere in this newsletter to see where else we have donated items.

Enjoy your summer and keep your fingers crossed that we can get together in September! Take care of yourselves and be kind to one another. 😎

TTFN

Hello Uke Buds!

Carol and I are praying that you are keeping well during these challenging times. We are well. We are thanking the Lord for His grace and love.

These are difficult times and certainly anything but 'normal' will be the norm for a while yet. The question was asked, by PPSC President Rita Hilker, if we would be holding the uke sessions, once the club reopens. After much thought and discussion, Carol and I have made the decision to cease hosting the jams for the 2020/2021 club year. This has not been an easy decision to make but we both feel that it is the best one. We will revisit the possibility of starting up in the Fall of 2021.

Keep strumming. Stay well. Stay safe. Blessings for your day.


-Carol and Cheryl!



Afghans/Blankets NEEDED for New Patients in the Cancer Centre:

We will, very soon, need more afghans for new patients at the R.S. McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre (DRCC) at Lakeridge Health Oshawa (LHO) Hospital. If you knit or crochet and can help with this, thank you, and please share the need and details below with people you know.

- The dimensions of the blankets are requested to be 45 inches x 55 inches (115 cm x 140 cm).
- Yarn to use 100% acrylic, worsted weight #4
- No fringe or decorative element – it tangles with the IV



Looking for the *Focus on Scugog* Newsletter?

Hey everyone, as some of you are aware, we now have Mailchimp for all those who are not on Facebook.

Easy to do if you have an email address, just go to our website www.focusonscugog.com and at the top of our

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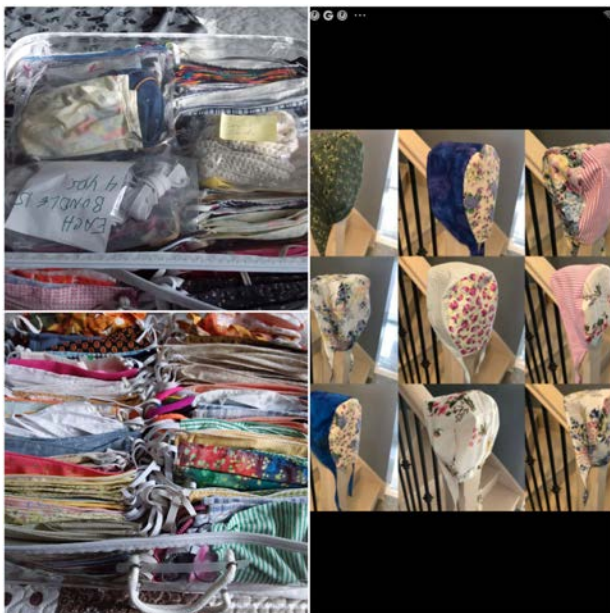
Last month we, your executive, tried to set up a new committee so that we could make contact with our members who are not on email. We asked members to volunteer to help make a total of 70 phone calls to update those members who do not get newsletters and other emails with club news. Obviously this was not an idea that the membership liked. Only one member volunteered to help make friendly phone calls. We heard you and have taken that program off the table. We mailed 70 May newsletters to those without emails and we plan to do the same for the June newsletter which will be the last publication until we can get together.

ed's note: Amen to that!

We have all been living under Durham Regional Health Dept guidelines since mid March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Fortunately most of us have family and friends that we can reach out to through our computers, telephone or at times social distancing gatherings.

You may feel lonely at times. Imagine if you're living in a LTC home! No visitors, limited access to phones or computers... and some patients aren't even sure what is happening, except that no one is coming to visit anymore.

The PPSC members can bring a smile and a feeling of friendly comfort by a simple gesture. **Email portpsc101@gmail.com and tell us that you are willing to buy some cheery cards/postcards or use ones you have and send a message of friendship and comfort to residents in Port Perry Place and Westshore Village Assisted Living. If we have enough volunteers to make this happen we will set this in motion and send you details. Thanks.**



Masks, comfort bands and surgical caps, through Port Perry Seniors club have been donated to; Scugog Emergency Operations Team, Westshore Village, The Villa, Port Perry Place, Operation Scugog Food Bank, Community Living, Blackstock Lions Club, Durham Mental Health-Whitby, Port Perry Medical Centre, senior apartment buildings, Bigelow apartment building, Women's Shelters, Community Care, North Durham Police, many businesses in town, a great number of PSW's, residents of Utica and Caesarea-hundreds of Scugog residents.

"But I know, somehow, that only when it is dark enough can you see the stars."
— Martin Luther King, Jr.

Special note from our 1st VEEP...

Our club is so fortunate to have Rita H. back on board. She jumped right back on the horse as President and it's full steam ahead. And, what a time to take on all this extra work. She is to be commended and certainly makes our club look like we have our act together. We are not sitting back with COVID-19, but helping others where we can. So, the next time you get a chance, (whenever that might be) give Rita a great big hug. Our club is very lucky to have you Rita and a great executive behind you all the way.

Carole Matthews
1st Vice President
Port Perry Seniors Club

Written by Carole, snuck in by Rita B. BTW Carole just cut her own bangs...just sayin'.