

DEANLEA BEACH NEWS FLASH – AUGUST 2024

FAMILY FUN DAY – Saturday August 3, 2024

Where do we start? It was a fabulous day all around and ‘Mother Nature’ was shining down on us – the weather was absolutely perfect! This was a Family Fun Day Celebration to be proud of. So many happy faces, members willing to pitch in and great comments!!

A big THANK YOU to Viv McKeown who was the coordinator for Family Fun Day 2024. Along with her family and team of volunteers the morning ran without a hitch and everyone had a great time! Viv said “it takes a village to make it work” and she is so right. Many thanks to the MC for the day, Derrick Breau who is a natural on the microphone and kept everything moving along for a record 2 hours of parade and games; Blair and Kelly Groff, Rosie Finnie, Jill Grose, and Matt Ingrassia for running the prizes, treats and games; and to the judges Irene McEwan, Eric Spademan, Wendy Breau, Janet Laurence, Helen Benninger and Tom Polanic. THANK YOU, THANK YOU THANK YOU!!!

The **costume parade** has to be one of the best ever with almost 50 kids participating. The 70’s theme was well represented and the judges did not have an easy job but in the end everyone was a winner – CONGRATULATIONS to all! The **games**, old and new, did not disappoint. The kids smiling faces said it all – they loved them. **Sand sculpting** was taken to a new level and the entries were all amazing. This doesn’t work without members’ participation, so thank you for taking the time to get creative and have FUN while doing it!

The **raffle** was also a HUGE success and this event could not have happened without **Wendy Spademan and Ana Armstrong who organized, collected and wrapped all of the prizes, with the help and support of their extended families and team of volunteers.** There were over 30 prizes donated and generated \$1560 which will help to cover the expenses for the day. The prizes were donated by: Liz and Tom Polanic, The Silk family, The Palmer family, Glenn Spademan, Gita Mintz, Mark and Dorothy, June Dale, Malcolm and Donna Musgrove, Ed English and Jill Grose, Vivian McKeown, John and Rita Varga, Marc and Wendy Armstrong, Mick Potovszky, Anne Marie Ramsay, Connie and Brian Wheeler, Marjory Ingrassia, and Peter Scala, Nancy Wilson, Wes Madill, Rosie and Bob Finnie; and a special ‘shout out’ to the Gaiotto family for the door prize!

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the DBA, the **BBQ** lunch organized by Rick LaRose (who donated the hot dogs), David Madill, and Connie Wheeler was a big success! This too, took a village to ‘get er done’, so thanks go out to Marina & Eric Spademan, Nancy Wilson, Wes Madill, Greg Madill, Bill Palmer, Dean Imposimato, David Lake (pop donation), Irene McEwan (condiment donation) and the entire Madill clan for making the BBQ look easy!

Last but not least, THANK YOU to the ‘Set-up and Clean-up Crew’ – Barry Locke, Bob Finnie, Matt Newman, Ron Armstrong and Brian Wheeler.

And if anyone was missed, please know your contribution was appreciated.

That’s a wrap – see you next year!

RECORD BREAKING YEAR in 2024 PAID MEMBERSHIPS

Many thanks to those who paid on Fun Day! Our new total for paid memberships is 206 with one more promised for a record breaking 207 paid memberships in 2024! This is absolutely incredible. CONGRATULATIONS to Lorrie Locke and to all members for recognizing the importance of paying the annual fee.

BEACH REMINDERS – ONE MORE TIME...

WHAT GOES DOWN – MUST COME BACK! This is becoming a BIGGER problem. Chairs are NOT to be left on the beach overnight. Garbage needs to be taken with you when you leave the beach. Simply put – anything you bring to the beach MUST be taken with you at the end of the day.

DEFECATING IN THE DUNES / PRIVATE PROPERTY! This continues and it is not acceptable. Our suspicion is that the people doing this have trespassed on private property to get to the beach; and since Deanlea does not have a public washroom – they use the dunes? If that is the case and you see someone coming out of the dunes – ask them. We are not saying it is easy, but it could be the only way to stop it.

DOGS ON THE BEACH! Dog owners are reminded that **dogs are not allowed on the beach between 12:00 noon and 5:00 pm during the months of July and August** due to the number of people on the beach. This is a long standing practice at Deanlea Beach. Also, please remember that your dog must be on a leash at all times.

PARKING ON MUNICIPAL ROADS! Can people park on Municipal Roads? The short answer is “yes” as long as they have a Tiny Township parking permit. However, and this is what you need to know, if they park and then go to the beach via the private roads and footpaths – they are **TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY**. That is why we have signs that say “No public beach access.” If you see anyone parking, first check to see if they have a parking permit – if NO, call By-law **(705) 526-4204**. If YES and they go to the beach – call OPP.

Thanks, everyone for making our beach the wonderful place it is. Have a great rest of the summer!