

FALL 2018 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - A NOTE OF THANKS

When I was 4 years old, my parents bought our cottage at Deanlea Beach. My sisters and I enjoyed full summers of swimming and playing throughout our childhood. I remember playing hide & seek and drawing pirate maps to seek buried treasure.

Thanks, Mom and Dad, for your gift.

You brought us into a wonderful, safe, beautiful community that has so many treasures. Oh, we all know the beach is one of nicest in the area. Hands down. (But please don't tell anybody.) And sure, we hear visitors marvel at the beauty of the forest enclave. Yep, we know it's gorgeous. But over the years, I've grown to realize that the real hidden treasure is the community of neighbours and friends, who live so closely together.

In July 1974, the Deanlea Beach Association (DBA) was created to own the common beach block, footpaths, and gravel roads in return for development rights. (That's probably a story for another time.) From a prudent historical decision, we are a rare community of 215 residences that has been given the opportunity of coming together to share ownership of private common property through membership in the DBA.

Thanks, Messrs. Kerk, Kain, Madill, Flowers, Curtis, and Mrs. Skala (and all others at the time), for your gift...

And your foresight in believing that a community is healthier when it must work together past various difficulties to share. It's a simple fact that when we share the benefits of a common good, we have a

collective responsibility to preserve and maintain it. I'm sure that we all take pride in the high participation rate (which ranges from 80-90%) in the DBA; a level that is rare among the other 20 beach associations represented by FoTTSA in Tiny Township. But there is room for this rate to increase by having more residents appreciate these benefits more fully and share in this responsibility. And we all love our community spirit of helping out; all the neighbours and volunteers who do many little unspoken things to make this place better.

Thanks, Deanlea Beach residents, for your gifts.

You've helped all of us to find our treasure.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DBA finances as of today indicate we are on par with last year's expenditures and revenue. We collected fees from 170 members, the exact number collected last

year but the total amount collected was larger due to members paying \$60 vs \$50. Expenses increased for tree cutting and Fun Day but revenues were higher

after a very successful Fun Day raffle. A full discussion of DBA financial position will be held at the Annual General Meeting in June 2019.

TREE MAINTENANCE

At the AGM held on June 23, 2018, DBA members identified several trees that were either dead and/or considered to be dangerous on DBA property. North

Simcoe Tree Service was retained by the DBA and 10 trees located on various footpaths and/or the beachfront were removed on Monday October 8, 2018.

The total cost for removal was \$2,260 (less \$250 received for the removal of a tree on private property) for a total of \$2,010.

HELP KEEP DEANLEA BEACH PRIVATE

The DBA will once again focus on contacting residents who have not contributed their membership fees. This is a time-consuming task but it is important to remind members that Deanlea Beach is unique in that it is private and only for the enjoyment of DBA members and their families and friends. It is important to note that fees are necessary to keep this land private, providing

members with access to the common land (beach, footpaths and unpaved roads). Annual costs that must be paid in order to keep our beach private!!

- Property Taxes for Common Land
- Liability Insurance for the DBA and the Common Land
- Annual Financial Statements and CRA filings for the DBA

- Road Maintenance of the unpaved roads (excluding winter plowing)
- Property Maintenance of the Common Land, e.g. dangerous/dead trees

If you wish to contact Lorrie Locke, you can email her at:
treasurer@deanleabeach.ca

FUN DAY BREAKDOWN

A total of 480 wristbands were distributed and over 500 slices of pizza served! Overall the feedback has been very positive. People seemed to enjoy the new pizza lunch format and the return of the amazing Raffle table!! This year's enthusiastic group of volunteers were having as much fun as the participants

and for those who volunteered in the past - they really appreciated having time to spend with family and friends. The beach games were adapted slightly due to the reduced beach area but we managed to run everyone's favourite games; and there were 8 entries in the sand sculpting contest.

Come and join the Fun Day committee or the Fun Day Raffle Committee this year as we would like to welcome more members to help with next year's event! If you would like to assist in any area, please contact Lorrie Locke at:
treasurer@deanleabeach.ca

GARY FRENCH RETIREMENT

The DBA was fortunate to have the services of Gary E. French, LL.B., of Elmvale, as our lawyer since the early 1970s. He helped incorporate the DBA in 1974 and has provided advice on various

property issues over the years. With his retirement in late 2017, the DBA is seeking to establish a long-term relationship with a lawyer who could be our primary contact for legal and

governance inquiries, if deemed necessary. If you know of a lawyer who might be willing to help the DBA with legal advice, we would welcome any suggestions.

TINY TOWNSHIP EVENTS

For winter events in Tiny Township, please see the monthly Tiny Community Page, found at:
<https://www.tiny.ca/news>

The Federation of Tiny Township shoreline Associations (FoTTSA) also prepares an event page, at:
<http://www.tinycottager.org/calendar>

OBSERVING OUR SHORELINE

It has been a number of years since the groyne has been this exposed (late 80s early 90s). Every spring we go to the beach with anticipation, and sometimes fear of the changes Mother Nature has provided: high water, low water, some stones and some sand, all stones and no sand, too much or not enough beach grass etc.

Sometimes the surprise comes in the fall, as it did this October. Think back to the spring and the worries about: beach space for all of us, room for Fun Day games, navigation of the slope to the water's edge, and as always, water levels.

Once again, it's apparent, as if we need the reminder, we really do not control our little slice of this Deanlea Beach paradise."

Thanks also for keeping this going and your personal contributions to it.



DBA MEMBERSHIP FEES

The annual dues are \$60. If you pay on or before the Annual General Meeting which takes place sometime in June, you can take advantage of the early payment discount and pay \$50. Those who pay later will have to pay the full \$60.

Payment Options

1. At the Annual General Meeting. You can pay by cheque (payable to: Deanlea Beach Association) or cash.
2. Drop off a cheque or cash to the treasurer Lorrie Locke at 26 Lakeside Drive or to a member of the DBA Board.

3. Interac email transfer: Please send payment to treasurer@deanleabeach.ca and use "funday" as the security code.
4. PayPal: visit the DBA on the web at: www.deanleabeach.ca and click on the "Pay My Dues Online Here" (add \$1.50 for PayPal fees).

DBA CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

Bill Palmer	President
Petra Wolfbeiss-Clarke	Vice President
Lorrie Locke	Treasurer
Connie Wheeler	Secretary
Claudio Renini	Communications
John Gordon	Director
Peter Rossborough	Director
Anna Dragert	Director

DATES TO REMEMBER

- DBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - TBA (June 2019)
 MEMBERSHIP DUES EARLY BIRD CUTOFF - TBA (June 2019)
 FUN DAY - TBA (August 2019)

CONTACT US

You can find the Deanlea Beach Association on the web at: www.deanleabeach.ca

You can contact us directly by email at: board@deanleabeach.ca

And by letter mail at: [Deanlea Beach Association](#)
[PO BOX 1231, Perkinsfield PO](#)
[Ontario, L0L 2J0](#)

Moved or new to Deanlea Beach? Update us with your contact information. Write a letter to the above mailing address or send an email to treasurer@deanleabeach.ca with the following information:

NAME:

DEANLEA BEACH ADDRESS:

DEANLEA PHONE NO:

HOME MAILING ADDRESS:

HOME PHONE NO.:

WORK PHONE NO.:

MOBILE PHONE NO.:

EMAIL ADDRESS(ES):

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