

# SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Like me, I'm sure that most of you are anxiously waiting for the last of the snow drifts to disappear from the shadow patches under the trees and for the sun to continue its long, hard work of warming up the ground and the Bay. I can't wait to start tackling the necessary chores and then even more to the interruptions, time and again, from neighbours and friends; the time for whom is really just as important as the plumbing, windows, and the pine needles.

This Spring, I'd like to extend our thanks to all those residents, friends, and guests who have contributed to the Deanlea Beach community in so many little ways. For example, there are folks who sample

water weekly in summer, pick up debris, garbage, and those terrible cigarette butts! Folks who care for our roads and coordinate with contractors to remove dead trees. Folks who come out to do so many things to ensure that Fun Day is actually a fun day. Folks who work behind the scenes to think about and discuss our legal, financial, web page, and communication obligations. Folks who actually "do" and "don't" do the things listed in our Do's And Don'ts! I only have so much space so I'm afraid I can't keep going, although I'd like to. How about we leave it like this: Thank you. Please know that all your positive contributions, technical or social, large or small, loud or quiet, public or

private, have an impact on the community and are appreciated by all Deanlea Beach residents.

Lastly, I'd like to thank my fellow Directors currently on the Board of the Deanlea Beach Association Inc., as well as all of those who have served on this Board in the past, for their time, critical thinking, tireless work effort, coffee and muffins, and most importantly, their devotion to our continued governance. Thank you for another good year. All are welcome. Come join the Board if you have a generous spirit and a love for Deanlea Beach that just goes on and on...

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - NEW DATE AND TIME! - MAY 18, 2019 - 12:00pm

**Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Deanlea Beach Association will be held on Saturday May 18, 2019 at 12:00pm at the Wyevale United Church located on**

**846 County Rd #6 South (1 block north of Jug City Convenience Store).** Please note this is a new date, moved to the Saturday of the Victoria Day long weekend. Be sure to mark this date on

your calendar. We encourage everyone to attend! This is the best opportunity to meet your Deanlea neighbours and discuss matters of common interest. Stay in touch and be informed by attending!

## FUN DAY 2019 AND VOLUNTEER BBQ

Fun Day will be held Saturday August 3rd, with a rain date of August 4th. We will move forward following last year's format, starting at 11:00am with a Parade for all ages, followed by beach games, sand castles, raffle, and Pizza Lunch! This leaves the rest of the day to enjoy with friends and family. Come out for a day of fun and food!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
Fun Day is a success with the help of volunteers. We greatly appreciate the hard work that volunteers put in each year to make Fun Day a great experience for young and old. If you are available to help, please contact Lorrie Locke at [treasurer@deanleabeach.ca](mailto:treasurer@deanleabeach.ca) or 416-873-9770.

**VOLUNTEER BBQ**  
A volunteer BBQ will be held Friday Aug. 2nd at 26 Lakeside Drive - 5:00pm. Agenda - to prepare and set-up beach area and all other last minute preparations for FUN DAY.

## BEACH CLEAN UP DAY - MAY 19, 2019 - 10:00am

Every year we make the collective effort to start the season off right by gathering on the beach and cleaning up the mess left behind by the winter. This year's beach clean up will be held on Sunday

May 19 at 10:00am. We will work end to end raking and gathering stray wood, leaves, and garbage. The beach clean up is a great opportunity to get some fresh air and exercise, make new friends, and

reacquaint yourself with old ones. Come out armed with your rakes and shovels and show your love for our precious beach!

## FOTTSA REPORT

The Deanlea Beach Association (DBA) is looking for someone interested in working with other similar associations to improve cottage life by becoming our representative to FOTTSA.

FOTTSA (Federation Of Tiny Township Shoreline Associations) is made up of representatives from 21 cottage associations along the shore of Tiny Township. Our Association is a member but, for several years now, we have not had anyone who participates in the FOTTSA meetings and brings our perspective to the table. Could you be that person? You would get to know cottagers from other beaches, see how solutions to their situations could be relevant to Deanlea and also contribute experiences from Deanlea that could benefit other beach associations. This short article highlights some activities that are pertinent to us.

FOTTSA provides a forum where we can discuss situations that may not be common to all but which may have arisen in more than one association; this way, we can learn from each other's experiences. When we seek to join with other associations to address common issues, FOTTSA can facilitate the development of solutions and, where necessary, lobby on our behalf. The beachfront is a good example – one of FOTTSA's stated priorities is the encouragement of the "protection, enhancement, and wise use of the shoreline environment."

When there are issues that need to be raised at the various levels of government, be it Township, County, Provincial or Federal, FOTTSA speaks with a more powerful voice than any single beach association could and, by pooling our knowledge and resources, often with a better informed voice resulting in better outcomes for all. Issues unique to Deanlea can also sometimes benefit from discussions with other FOTTSA Board members. With members from associations all along the Bay, the Board offers a great depth and breadth of knowledge.

Here are a few of the initiatives led by FOTTSA:

- FOTTSA communicates information on issues with its membership through its website [www.tinycottager.org](http://www.tinycottager.org) and a twice-a-year newspaper called The Tiny Cottager, that most of us have seen and read.
- Twenty-five local businesses grant a discount on purchases to all FOTTSA members who hold a valid FOTTSA discount card, obtained from the DBA. Purchasing local can save money.
- Since 2002, FOTTSA has sponsored a water-testing programme that occurs every two years, all along the shoreline. Each week during the summer, volunteers from Deanlea and other beaches wade out into the Bay and take water samples that are analyzed for the count of harmful E. coli bacteria. Results are published on the FOTTSA website. The next water sampling program will be in 2020.

- FOTTSA monitors all the Tiny Township Council meetings and, in general, follows the activities of all our local governments. Reports of meetings are found on the FOTTSA website. Additionally, at local election time, The Tiny Cottager provides information on the candidates, so that property owners can make a more educated choice when voting.

Through the DBA, FOTTSA represents all Deanlea residents. We encourage you to consider volunteering to be the DBA representative on the FOTTSA Board. If you are interested, please contact any of our Board members or speak up at the next Annual General Meeting. Your fellow beachers will appreciate it.

For more information on FOTTSA, visit [www.tinycottager.org](http://www.tinycottager.org).

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## DEANLEA BEACH DO'S AND DON'TS

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### Friendly Reminders

#### *The Do's and Don'ts of Deanlea Beach*

We all cherish our small community of Deanlea Beach. On behalf of our neighbours and the Deanlea Beach Association (DBA), we would like to thank you for respecting our wishes and efforts to keep Deanlea Beach environmentally friendly and safe. Please post this somewhere for all to see.

- Please no fires on the beach. Tiny Township allows fires on your property with a Class A fire permit and a proper fire pit. Watch for fire bans. Class A Fire Permits can be obtained from the Tiny Township Municipal Offices or Wyevale Jug City for \$20.00/season. Note that even with a fire permit, burning of leaves, including pine needles, is "strictly prohibited" anywhere in Tiny Township.
- We prefer that you dispose of your Yard waste, including leaves and pine needles, at the North Simcoe Transfer Station (no charge) located at 1700 Golfink Road in Midland. (Summer hours of operation Monday - Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm and Saturday from 8:00am to 4:00pm) .
- Garbage and recycling collection is every Monday **regardless of holidays**. You are permitted one container or bag of garbage per pick up. For extra bags of garbage, you can purchase tags for \$3 at Jug City or the Municipal Offices.
- In July and August the Association is requesting a dog free beach between noon and 5 pm. At all times, dogs must be leashed. Please remember to scoop the poop and take it back to your cottage.
- At the beach, pick up your cigarette butts and bring them along with your other garbage back to your cottage. Please use cans and plastic bottles instead of glass where possible to avoid broken glass.
- Seagull excrement causes "Fisherman's Itch" and pollutes the water, so please do not feed the seagulls. Make sure to towel off well after swimming.
- Don't play loud music or have loud parties at the cottage or on the beach. Tiny Township By-law 11-065 (as amended by By-law 12-056) prohibits any sound whose volume is likely to disturb others. Please respect your neighbours.
- Motorized vehicles are not allowed on the beach or footpaths. Please be aware of the Highway Traffic Act (for municipal road allowances) and Tiny Township By-law 30-77 (for gravel roads).
- Please use extreme caution and low speed when driving on Deanlea Beach roads. Parking is not permitted on the side of the gravel roads owned by the DBA or on the Township paved roads. Please use driveways or arrange for the use of a neighbour's driveway if you have guests.
- Please use and anchor motorized watercraft in the boating zone marked by posts and signs.
- Please use the buddy system when swimming and be aware of undertows and changing water levels. Please watch your children when they are in the water. Please fill in holes in the sand before you leave the beach to avoid twisted ankles in the evening.
- Please leave dune vegetation undisturbed by using the footpaths.
- Have fun and be careful in the sun!

## DBA MEMBERSHIP FEES

The annual dues are \$60. However, this year, if you pay on or before June 30, you can take advantage of the early payment discount and pay \$50 (\$51.50 via PayPal). Those who pay later will have to pay the full \$60 (\$61.50 via PayPal).

### Payment Options

1. At the Annual General Meeting pay by cheque (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](mailto:treasurer@deanleabeach.ca) and use "funday" as the security code.
4. PayPal: visit Deanlea Beach Association on the web at: [www.deanleabeach.ca](http://www.deanleabeach.ca) and click on the "Pay My Dues Online Here" (add \$1.50 for PayPal fees)

As a reminder, it is important to note that Deanlea Beach Association 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 have any questions, please contact Lorrie Locke at: [treasurer@deanleabeach.ca](mailto:treasurer@deanleabeach.ca)

## 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

## 2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

- DBA Annual General Meeting - Sat. May 18 - 12:00pm - 2:00pm  
 Membership Dues early bird cutoff - Sun. June 30  
 Deanlea Beach clean up day - Sun. May 19 - 9:00am  
 DBA Fun Day Volunteer BBQ - Fri. Aug. 2 - 5:00pm  
**Deanlea Beach Fun Day - Sat. Aug. 3 - 11:00am**

## CONTACT US

You can find the Deanlea Beach Association on the web at:

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

You can contact us directly by email at:

[board@deanleabeach.ca](mailto: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](mailto: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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