



PORT COLBORNE

CITY HALL NEWS

A newsletter written by staff for the residents of Port Colborne

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Here are some recent stories:

'My Main Street' program launches in Port Colborne.

To arrange a virtual meeting with the Main Street Ambassador, email olga.loeffen@portcolborne.ca or call 905-835-2900 x507. The My Main Street program will run in Port Colborne until February 2023.

Port Colborne experiences almost 10 percent growth in five years

With recent census data confirming a population of just over 20,000 Port Colborne is the second fastest growing municipality in Niagara. Read the story to learn more about why people are moving to Port Colborne and how the city is preparing for growth.

To read these news stories and more, visit www.portcolborne.ca/news

COVID-19

To stay up-to-date on the latest restrictions and impacts of COVID-19 for Port Colborne, visit our webpage at www.portcolborne.ca/covid19.



The Vale Health & Wellness Centre is open and ready for you to re-connect with recreation!

- Drop in to one of our arena programs like public skating, stick and puck or parents and tots.
- The weather is always perfect at our Walking Track to enjoy a walk or run, open daily from 6:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
- Join the YMCA.

For information about city programs, the YMCA, and for current information about public health measures, visit our website at www.portcolborne.ca/valehealthandwellnesscentre or scan the QR code.



Get freezin' for a reason!

Once again the city is partnering with Special Olympics Ontario, encouraging residents to PORTicipate virtually in the Polar Plunge from Feb. 14 to Mar. 21, 2022. To register, for information about fundraising, and for creative ways to take the plunge virtually like filling your bath tub with ice or running through a sprinkler, visit polarplunge.ca/register. The city is encouraging Port Colborne residents who participate to share their plunge videos on social media by tagging the City of Port Colborne and using #plungeON. The city is not hosting an in-person plunge this year, but we look forward to 2023!



Hats off to the opening of the Welland Canal

Port Colborne's Top Hat Ceremony occurs mid-late March and celebrates the opening of the Welland Canal and start of the shipping season by welcoming the Captain of the First Downbound Vessel. Stay tuned for details about the 2022 Top Hat Ceremony and Mariner's Service hosted by St. James and St. Brendan Anglican Church on the city's website at www.portcolborne.ca/tophatceremony and social media channels.





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HISTORICAL & MARINE MUSEUM

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Membership Card

The Membership Committee of the Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum is excited to announce that for a second year in a row local business Bell Marine will be sponsoring the cost of membership fees for 2022! Bell Marine has been established since 1921 and has worked to support the marine community and industry ever since. The Museum is grateful to our sponsors who allow us to expand our demographic and connect with more members in our community. In the year 2021, Bell Marine sponsored 127 new memberships!

If you are interested in becoming a member of the museum this year, you will be able to do so for free! Simply complete the attached form and mail or drop it off to the museum. Not a fan of paper? No problem! You can also call the Museum at 905-834-7604 to provide the information verbally. Or complete the form on our website by visiting www.portcolborne.ca/museummembership or scan the QR code:



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PORT COLBORNE HISTORICAL AND MARINE MUSEUM
P.O. BOX 572, 280 KING STREET, PORT COLBORNE, ON L3K 5X8

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND/OR DONATION

Name _____
Address _____
Postal Code _____

Please make cheques payable to: **PORT COLBORNE MUSEUM**

Membership Categories:

Annual Fees:	Membership Benefits:
Student / Sr. Citizen \$ 5.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	Free Admission to Museum Events
Individual \$ 8.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	Receipt of Museum Newsletters
Family \$ 10.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	Advance Notice of Special Events
No. in Family _____	10% Discount at Museum Gift Shop
Life Patron \$100.00 <input type="checkbox"/>	Membership Card

☐ Yes, I would like to receive the newsletter to the email address below:

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 Donation of \$100 or more will receive:
 - Membership Benefits
 - Income Tax Receipt
 - Certificate and Name on Plaque
☐ I would like to be contacted about being a monthly donor



As a member of the Museum, you will be privy to upcoming events in advance, receive our Museum Musings newsletter, and be granted 10% off purchases in our gift shop or Museum publications!

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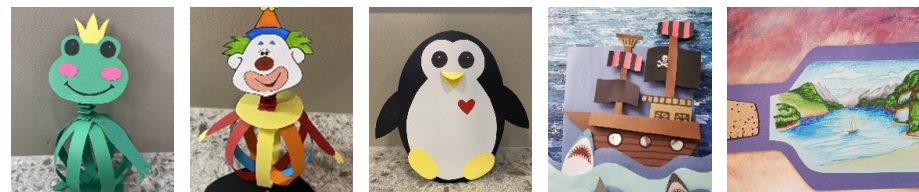
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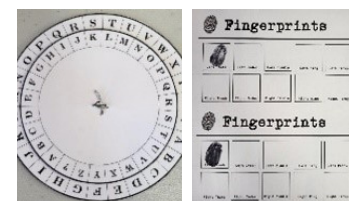
FREE March Break Take & Make Craft Kits

Available March 14 – 19. Enjoy March Break with a fun craft kit! Available for curbside pick-up while supplies last! For all ages with a limit of two crafts per child. All supplies included. No registration required.



FREE S.T.E.A.M. Activity Kits

Solve the Library Mystery (Ages 6-12)
Available March 14. Available for curbside pick-up while supplies last. No registration required.



Virtual Escape Room

Captain Colby's Lost Treasure (Ages 11+) Available March 14. Can you escape our virtual escape room? Decipher the clues and find the lost treasure! It's fun and it's free! Visit our website for more details.

Income Tax Clinics

March 14 – April 30
To register for an income tax clinic, please call or email us.

Ontario Parks Passes

Available March 1. Your Port Colborne Public Library is excited to now offer Free Ontario Parks Passes! With more than 100 operating provincial parks to choose from, you can explore skiing and hiking trails and day use beaches across our beautiful province. Borrow a Parks Day Pass with your Port Colborne Public Library card and enjoy free day parking in many Ontario Provincial Parks! For more details, please call or visit our website.