



GREENWOOD NEWS QUARTERLY

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Greenwood United Church

Rev. Karen Smart, Minister
905 626 7552

Our Church is an important part of the community. It is important to the history of Greenwood.

Everyone is Welcome

Worship and Church School
9:30am Sundays



Halloween Our Treat No Tricks Required, Community Dinner

5:30-6:30 (Friday October 31st)

Dinner for our local trick or treaters and parents before heading out for the evening. It's on us!



Celebrate Christmas with Us - Family Service - December 24th at 7:30pm

Christmas Eve Pageant

Invitation to all those young people who would like to participate

HALLOWEEN GET TOGETHER

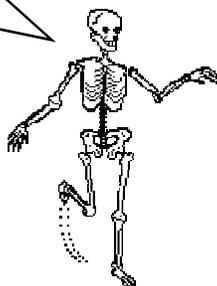
FRIDAY OCTOBER 31ST,
STARTING AT 7:30PM

GREENWOOD UNITED
CHURCH PARKING LOT

BRING A PLATE OF
NIBBLIES TO SHARE
HOT APPLE CIDER AND
HOT CHOCOLATE
PROVIDED.

WEATHER PERMITTING,
PARTY IS OUTDOORS SO
DRESS ACCORDINGLY.

Mmm,
Apple
Cider!



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A Piece of History

Excerpts taken from "Greenwood Through the Years"

Epworth League - Young People's Union
An organization for Young People has been an integral part of the [Greenwood] church's work since the 1880's.

The motto of the Epworth League of Christian Endeavour of the Methodist Church as "Look up, lift up, for Christ and the Church." The objective of the league was (a) to save souls (b) to promote and earnest, intelligent, practical Christian life in the young members and friends of the Church (c) to assist them in the study of God's Word (d) to increase their usefulness in the service of God and humanity.

The work of the league was carried on in four departments: Christian Endeavour, Missionary, Literary, Social. Regular religious meetings of the league were held weekly, with a consecration meeting held monthly.

The earliest minute book available to us at this time is that for 1900. The officers that year were: President, Mr. E. Jackson; Vice-Presidents, Mr. W. T. Diefenbaker, Miss E. Gee, Mr. George Law, Miss L. Gibson; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. John S. Gerry.

In 1917 the officers were: President, Mr. Will Brown; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. F. W. Gibson, Mrs. F. L. Green, Miss May Brown, Miss Gladys Pegg; Secretary, William Pegg; Treasurer, Miss Emma Wilson; Organist, Miss Agnes Byers.

When the Methodist Church became a part of The United Church of Canada in 1925, this organization became known as the Young People's Union. The Y.P.U. motto is "Look up, Lift up". Their fourfold purpose became: "To seek the abundant life, to share in building Christ's Kingdom, to find God's daily guidance, and to follow Christ, our Leader and Friend." The four Departments became: Christian Fellowship, Christian Missions, Christian Citizenship, and Christian Culture. In 1952 the Programme Commissions were changed to: Faith and Evangelism, Stewardship and Training. Citizenship and Community Service, and Missions and World Outreach, with a Recreation and Culture Division.

The Greenwood Y.P.U. have taken part in various Presbytery Y.P.U. activities. They were winners of the Presbytery Drama Festival cup five times - 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952 and 1959. In 1950 they went on to win the Bay of Quinte Conference Y.P.U. Drama Festival.

Members of the Greenwood Union to serve on the Presbytery Y.P.U. executive include: Edna Green, Elva McLean, Beatrice McLean, and David Pegg. Beatrice McLean had the honour of working on the Bay of Quinte Conference Y.P.U. executive for five years, including the years 1954, 55, 56 when she was Missions and World Outreach Convener on the National Executive of the Young People's Union of the United Church of Canada.

Looking to meet some of your neighbours?

Enjoy contributing to the community?

Like planning events?

The Greenwood Recreation Association is **always looking for volunteers** to help throughout the year - your contribution could come in any shape or size. If you're a committee person, we welcome new members anytime (we meet about every two months or so). Or if there are specific events through the year you'd like to help with (e.g. Wine Tasting, Easter Breakfast, etc.), you could join the event sub-committee. Or if you just want to help out now and then, give us a call and we'll put you on a list of people we can call on when we need a little extra help.

Call Annette Ainsbury at 905-683-9261 if you are interested in hearing more about
The Greenwood Recreation Association.



The Library—Update

Date: October 14th, 2008

Subject: Greenwood Branch Library

Good afternoon everyone:

I've just returned from an inspection of the Greenwood Library. You will be pleased to know that the newly fitted accessible washroom is roughed in and near completion. The natural gas connection is now through to the library and a new stairs to the basement has been installed. The new furnace will be installed shortly, the basement work will soon be completed and a ramp entrance will be installed at the front entrance to ensure accessibility.

After the construction is complete, the branch will be thoroughly cleaned and the furniture and computers will return to their locations. The collection will be refreshed and staff will prepare for the new schedule of open hours and programs. The library will then be ready to re-open.

I will keep in touch with you regarding progress and will let you know once I have a date when the contractors will be out of the building and we have a firm re-opening date.

Regards
Cynthia

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Greenwood Library



Link your Local Business to our Website

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The GRA would like to put together a **Greenwood Business Directory** and host it on our Website. The intention is for local residents to make other residents aware of services or products that are available to them within the community.

There is no charge for this service. Simply include

- Business Name (if applicable)**
- Contact Name and Number(s)**
- Email Address (optional)**
- Website (if applicable)**
- Brief description of the service or product you offer.**
- Include hours in which you accept calls if appropriate.**

If you would like to be included in our directory, please forward the information to aainsbury@rogers.com

If you have in questions contact Annette Ainsbury at 905-683-9261.

LEARNING TO FORGIVE

By Kim Clark

As a Christian counselor at Pathways Counselling, I have the sincere pleasure of hearing the heart of people, and most often forgiveness is overlooked as part of the healing process. Often people, perceive that as long as they “talk about and solve it” then they can “move on”. However, as a Christian, one of the greatest gifts that we can give ourselves and others, is to forgive.

Recently, I was sent some information regarding helpings seminars and within the text there were the following steps to forgiveness that I thought may be a good reminder for all of us. Enjoy!

9 Steps to Forgiveness

1. Know exactly how you feel about what happened and be able to articulate what about the situation is not OK. Then, tell a trusted couple of people about your experience.

2. Make a commitment to yourself to do what you have to do to feel better. Forgiveness is for you and not for anyone else.

3. Forgiveness does not necessarily mean reconciliation with the person that hurt you, or condoning of their action. What you are after is to find peace. Forgiveness can be defined as the "peace and understanding that come from blaming that which has hurt you less, taking the life experience less personally, and changing your grievance story."

4. Get the right perspective on what is happening. Recognize that your primary distress is coming from the hurt feelings, thoughts and physical upset you are suffering now, not what offended you or hurt you two minutes- or ten years-ago. Forgiveness helps to heal those hurt feelings.

5. At the moment you feel upset practice simple stress management techniques to soothe your body's flight or fight response.

6. Give up expecting things from other people, or your life, that they do not choose to give you. Recognize the "unenforceable rules" you have for your health or how you or other people must

behave. Remind yourself that you can hope for health, love, peace and prosperity and work hard to get them.

7. Put your energy into looking for another way to get your positive goals met than through the experience that has hurt you. Instead of mentally replaying your hurt seek out new ways to get what you want.

8. Remember that a life well lived is your best revenge. Instead of focusing on your wounded feelings, and thereby giving the person who caused you pain power over you, learn to look for the love, beauty and kindness around you. Forgiveness is about personal power.

9. Amend your grievance story to remind you of the heroic choice to forgive.

As this comes from a secular view, one of the biggest pieces missing is that forgiveness requires us to take our grievances to “the foot of the cross”. Jesus wants to carry our load but first we must be willing to share it.

One of the best ways that I am able to help clients move to forgiveness is to help them quiet their minds and imagine Jesus. As you think of the grievance that you are holding, imagine taking it to the “foot of the cross” and placing your struggle at Jesus’ feet. When you step back to see all that you have given to Jesus, feel the weight lift from your shoulders and see the smile on Jesus’ face. As you enter into a place of peace, you will know that you received healing that only Jesus can provide.



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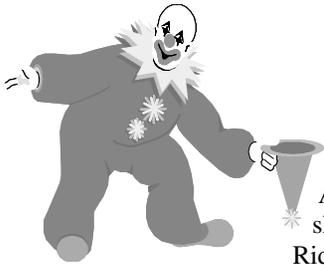
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RECORD BREAKING YEAR FOR GREENWOOD FESTIVAL!



Our objective for the Greenwood Festival is two-fold :

1. Most importantly the festival is about having fun in a safe, low cost environment.
2. The bonus is when we make some money to help support our programs, make improvements to the hall, and purchase necessary tools and equipment.

All feedback to date suggests that fun was had by all! Once again we've learned about some things we should change and some things that worked very well (including the great new addition of Mahogany Ridge to our stage line up).

Even better, we've beaten all records in fundraising – in part due to record attendance and in part due to reduced expenses.

At our most recent GRA meeting the committee agreed that it was time to invest some of our savings in our Youth Program. We are looking into a projector (for movie nights) and other investments that will enhance the youth night program.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and sponsors – as we say every year, this event requires significant support from the community and every year you come through! We hope the festival continues to be an integral part of our community.

Annette Ainsbury
Festival Coordinator

Greenwood Joy School

Come Play with Us!

Friday Mornings 9:30 to 11:30am
Greenwood Community Centre
Preschool - 5 years old

Enjoy a morning of free play, snacks, crafts, and stories for the little ones while parents/caregivers participate and do some social networking.

Free drop-in program

Snack or craft sign-up is mandatory.





*Please join us for our annual
Greenwood Christmas Potluck*



Saturday, Dec. 6th, 2008
4:30 - 7:00 p.m.
(dinner served at 5:00pm)

at the
Greenwood Community Centre

Our evening includes:
Potluck Dinner
(bring your favourite holiday dish)
Old-fashioned sing-along
A visit from Santa
Gifts for the Kids
Festive Door Prize



**Admission : \$5 per person or
\$15.00 per family (immediate family only)**

Seating is limited!

Please call Nicole Igel at 905-427-5579
or e-mail nicole@igel.ca

Stay tuned for further information in your mailbox



1ST GREENWOOD CUBS



Scouts Canada is proud to present Greenwood with a new and vibrant Cub Pack! The 1st Greenwood cubs are back in town after many years of hibernation!

We have had a very successful recruitment so far, and are thrilled with our new group. There are many eager faces on the boys and girls that have joined us to date.

The group is open to all boys and girls aged 8-11.

We are in early stages of planning, as the new team puts forth their best effort to have a fabulous year of learning, and fun in the community spirit we all value so much. I believe this to be a great concept as many young boys and girls are eager to experience the wonderful things Cubs has to offer.

So what do we do at Cubs?

- work towards various badges (e.g. astronomy, skating, mapping, etc.)
- camping
- hiking
- campfires
- field trips to local spots (e.g. farms, conservations area, museum)

At least one night a month will be dedicated to an outdoor event (weather permitting).

For more information, please feel free to contact us, or even drop into a meeting one night for a trial! We meet on Mondays at the united church in town. You can reach us by e-mailing to trishvoyer@rogers.com, or calling us at 905-428-3849. You can also view the Scouts Canada Website as well for more info at www.scouts.ca

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Stephan Voyer (Akela)

