

Please enjoy the 2024 third quarter newsletter; covering the months of July, August, and September.

In alignment with strategic directive number four of the Township's Strategic Plan, this quarterly newsletter endeavours to engage citizens with news and updates.

## AMO Conference 2024

Mayor Wilford (pictured left) and CAO Hewitt attended the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference from August 18 to 21, 2024.

The Township was fortunate to secure delegation meetings with the Ministry of Infrastructure, the Ministry of Health, and the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) to advocate for the municipality on several ongoing issues.



## FRIES FIT FOR A CHAMPION

The Asphodel-Norwood Community Centre (ANCC) was awarded **Best Arena Fries** for the 2023-2024 season!

Pictured on the left is the certificate presentation to the ANCC Manager on September 24, 2024. Congratulations to the team!







Canada Day 2024



On July 1, 2024, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., the Township hosted a FREE pancake breakfast to kick off Canada Day! To complement neighbouring events, we chose to hold a breakfast and promote activities in surrounding communities to keep the celebrations going!

The Township of Asphodel-Norwood extends a heartfelt *Thanks* to the Special Events Committee for organizing a wonderful community breakfast this Canada Day! We are especially grateful to MPP David Piccini for his participation and support, and to the following individuals and organizations whose contributions made this event possible:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Norwood Lions Club</li> <li>• Asphodel-Norwood Fire and Rescue</li> <li>• Asphodel-Norwood Ministerial Food Bank</li> <li>• Asphodel-Norwood Public Library</li> <li>• Outpost Packaging</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Norwood Foodland</li> <li>• Maple View Retirement</li> <li>• Linlor Farm &amp; Forest</li> <li>• Quaker Oats</li> <li>• Norwood Legion Branch 300</li> </ul> |
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We hope everyone enjoyed the pancake breakfast and that it provided a delightful start to your Canada Day celebrations!





# SHOP

Asphodel  Norwood

# 2WIN

This summer, nine lucky shoppers were rewarded for supporting local businesses through the Shop Asphodel-Norwood 2WIN contest, which ran from July 1 to September 1, 2024!

Each week, winners were selected through a random draw and had the option to receive a \$50 gift card or certificate to a retail store or service provider of their choice within the Township of Asphodel-Norwood. Alternatively, they could choose to donate \$50 to a service club or non-profit organization of their choosing within the community. Thank you to everyone who participated!

*Congratulations*

- Shawn B.
- Brenda L.
- Christy M.
- Jeff W.
- Sandra F.
- Courtney R.
- Heather A.
- Wylanne C.; and
- Shirley A.



## LUNCH & LEARNS

The Township hosted two FREE Lunch & Learn seminars this quarter:

- August 26, 2024 | Decorating for Fall
- September 23, 2024 | Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario



Special *Thanks* to Jill Carty of Jill Carty Designs and Raeann Rideout of Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario for their insightful presentations and ongoing community support!



Elder Abuse  
Prevention  
Ontario







On Sunday, September 8, 2024, Norwood Minor Hockey proudly hosted its third OHL Pre-Season Game at the Asphodel-Norwood Community Centre.

The Peterborough Petes took on the Sudbury Wolves, with Brad and Matt Walst from Three Days Grace (pictured above) dropping the ceremonial puck.



## Shuttle Tanker Accreditation

On the evening of September 11, 2024, the Asphodel-Norwood Fire and Rescue Department temporarily closed Centre Line for Shuttle Tanker Accreditation testing. This formal assessment is part of the process for achieving Superior Tanker Shuttle Service accreditation, which ensures our Fire Department can maintain a continuous water supply for firefighting in rural areas, which may also help reduce property insurance premiums for homes located within 8 km of an accredited station. Residents are encouraged to check with their insurance providers to see if this applies to their coverage.



## Scarecrow Building Workshop

In partnership with the Asphodel-Norwood Public Library and Jill Carty Designs, the Township hosted its third Scarecrow Building Workshop on September 20, 2024 at the Westwood Library in preparation for the 6th annual Scarecrow Roadshow.

*Stay tuned* for the annual Scarecrow Roadshow Tour Map highlights in the next newsletter issue!





## Need help finding services?



Peterborough County Hubs can help connect you to the services you need.

**Free Drop-in**

Together with the City of Peterborough, Peterborough County has expanded their Social Services County Hubs program to include drop-in services.

Starting Thursday, September 26, residents can meet with staff from the following partnered organizations at the Asphodel-Norwood Municipal Office **each week** for assistance in accessing vital programs and services:

- Community Care Peterborough
- Fleming CREW Employment Centre
- Canopy Support Services
- Canadian Mental Health Association



Community Care

## Drop-In

*Coffee Hours*

Community Care Norwood invites residents to join their new drop-in Coffee Hours, which began on Monday, September 23, 2024.

Drop-in Mondays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at their pop-up location at 31 King Street in Norwood.

Peterborough  
**Child & Family Centres**  
share, learn, grow!



PCFC is a charitable non-profit organization that provides information and support to expectant parents, families with young children and child care providers living in the County and City of Peterborough.

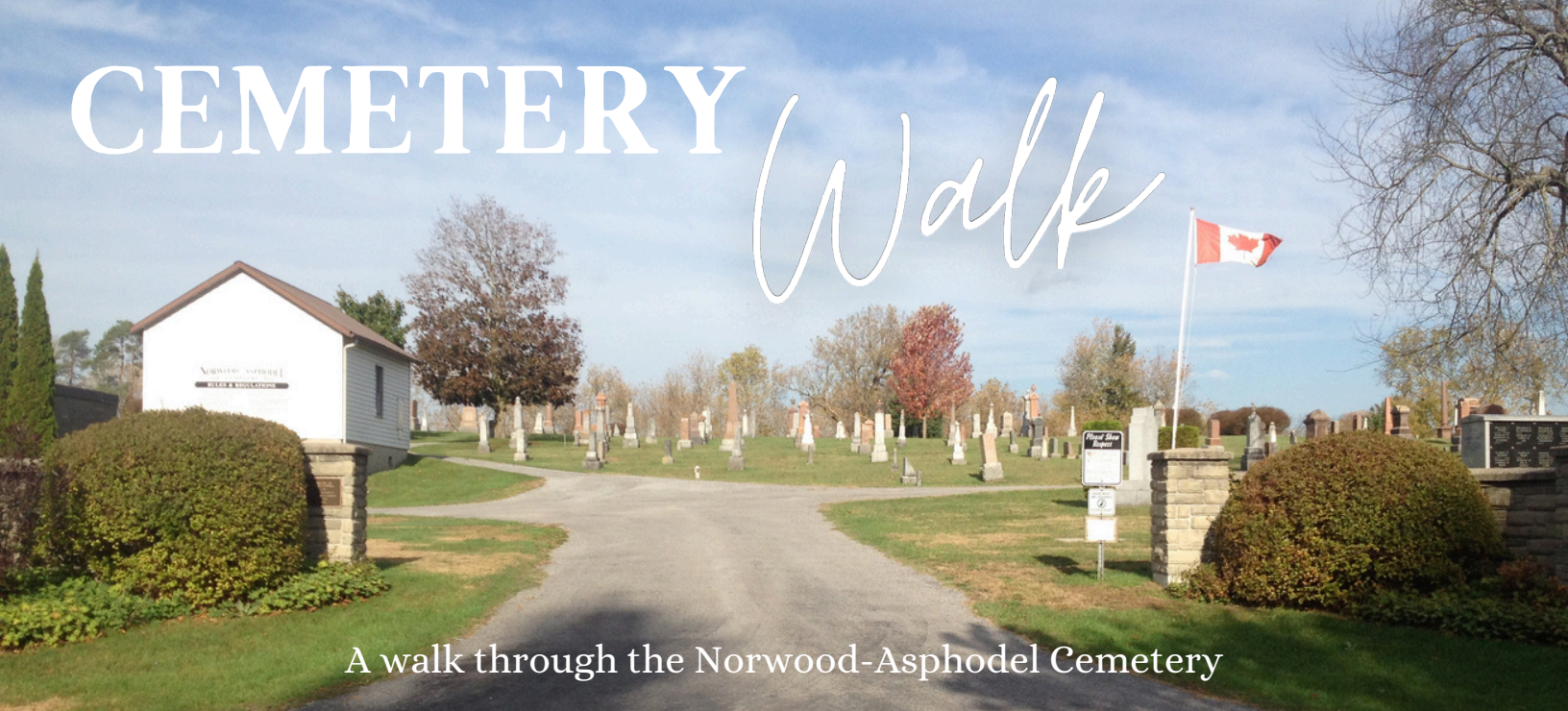
On Wednesday, September 18, 2024 **Peterborough Child and Family Centres (PCFC)** celebrated the opening of their new space located in the former Norwood Medical Centre at 31 King St., Norwood.

“We are sincerely grateful to the Township of Asphodel-Norwood. This new space provides PCFC the ability to accommodate more families and offer additional programming to better serve parents and their young children who reside in this community.”

- Kathy Warner, PCFC Program Manager



# CEMETERY Walk



A walk through the Norwood-Asphodel Cemetery

The Asphodel-Norwood Cultural & Heritage Committee, in partnership with the Asphodel-Norwood Cemetery Board, hosted a successful Cemetery Walk event titled, *Stones and Stories*, on September 21, 2024. Many thanks to all the volunteers, storytellers, staff, and Board and Committee members who helped bring this highly celebrated event to life! Your support made all the difference!

## History

In 1822, Joseph Abbott Keeler acquired approximately 1,500 acres in Asphodel Township (now Asphodel-Norwood), leading to the development of a small settlement known as Keeler's Mill (Norwood). This community grew around a gristmill and sawmill, which were vital to the area's early economy. Historical records highlight Keeler's foresight in directing his northern estate manager, Peter Pearce, to set aside land for churches and a designated "hallowed ground," ensuring spaces for worship and community gatherings as the settlement expanded.

While the exact date of the cemetery's establishment is unknown, burials began prior to 1840 in Keeler's Mill. The first "pioneer cemetery" was located behind what is now the Norwood United Church and was later moved to its current site. Although several graves and headstones were relocated, there are no existing records of these transfers.

Among the oldest remaining headstones in the cemetery is that of Allan Wilson, an 8-year-old boy who passed away in 1840. He was the youngest son of Peter Wilson, the local schoolteacher. Originally small, the cemetery has expanded over the years. The construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway necessitated the relocation of graves and headstones, as it cut through the northeast corner of the original cemetery. Today, the Norwood-Asphodel Cemetery is interdenominational, serving all faiths in the community.





# Congratulations

## BUSINESS & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARD WINNERS!

Recognized at the September 24, 2024 Council meeting were:

- Agricultural Leadership: Asphodel Sheep Co.
- Business Excellence (Retail): Oakland Greens Golf & Country Club
- Business Excellence (Service): MJ's Hair Design
- Business of the Year: Harmony Hills Equestrian Centre
- Community Impact: Jason Begg
- Entrepreneur: Tammy Apsitis
- Good Neighbour: Baily Baptie
- Non-Profit Organization: Norwood & District Horticultural Society
- Outstanding Youth: William Kimmerly
- Senior of the Year: Doreen Allen-Bell
- Mayor's Awards:
  1. Friendly Town Car Wash
  2. Hospice Norwood



# Spotlight on Council

In the 3rd Quarter of 2024, Council:



Received the departmental reports for the second quarter of 2024



Facilitated staff in implementing enhancements to the vestibule of the Asphodel-Norwood Community Centre



Approved the Terms of Reference for the Peterborough County OPP Detachment Board



Received an update on the Standpipe Replacement, made possible through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)



Endorsed completion of the Westwood Park Picnic Shelter project



Awarded the Tender for replacement of the Millennium Room Roof to ICI Roofing Ltd. for completion of the project with an EPDM membrane



Established a late budget adoption strategy for the 2025 Operating and Capital Budget Schedule, targeting final adoption by March 11, 2025



Accepted a report regarding Ontario Regulation (O.Reg) 406/19: Onsite and Excess Soil Management for information



Received a presentation from the Healthcare Advance Coordinator for Peterborough County, who delivered an update on physician recruitment and retention activities



Authorized a lease agreement with Peterborough Family Health Team at the new Medical Centre



Adopted an updated Procedural By-law. Click [here](#) to read By-law 2024-44



Adopted a Disbursement of Funds Policy for the Asphodel-Norwood Transfer Station Deposit Return Program



Received a presentation from Peterborough County's Engineering & Design Division on the Road Transfer Rationalization Policy. Council subsequently passed a resolution endorsing the policy in principle



Accepted the inspection results for the Norwood Drinking Water System and Trentview Estates Distribution System, along with the Township's DWQMS Systems and Re-accreditation Audit



Following receipt of the Master Facilities Plan, confirmed its priorities and instructed staff to allocate funds in the budget for preliminary work



Received a report on Short Term Rental Accommodations



Opted to place the former community entrance signage for Westwood onto the Asphodel-Norwood Heritage Centre



Adopted updated Terms of Reference material for the 2025-2026 Committees of Council term and dissolved the Trails Committee



Adopted a Public Consultation Strategy. Click [here](#) to read the Strategy



Approved the 2024-2025 Employee Benefit Renewal package with Mosey & Mosey

## Planning Applications

In the 3rd Quarter, Council supported the following:

- Consent Application B-59-24 · 2187 County Road 45;
- a Merger Agreement to satisfy a condition of Consent Application B-53-22; and
- Minor Variance Application MV-A01-24 · 4686 County Road 2.



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*upcoming*  
**EVENTS**

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| <b>Oct. 25</b>    | Youth Halloween Movie Night                |
| <b>Oct. 26</b>    | Halloween Family Fun Fest                  |
| <b>Oct. 28</b>    | Lunch & Learn   Air Quality at Home        |
| <b>Nov. 1</b>     | Pumpkin Parade                             |
| <b>Nov.16</b>     | Westwood Holiday Makers Market             |
| <b>Nov. 16-17</b> | Old Fashioned Christmas Event              |
| <b>Nov. 19</b>    | Business Breakfast                         |
| <b>Nov. 19</b>    | Historical Gathering                       |
| <b>Nov. 21</b>    | Tourism Talk                               |
| <b>Nov. 25</b>    | Lunch & Learn   Mental Health              |
| <b>Nov. 30</b>    | Santa Claus Parade (hosted by RCL Br. 300) |
| <b>Dec. 3</b>     | Load the Loader                            |
| <b>Dec. 13-15</b> | Light up the Township                      |
| <b>Dec. 14</b>    | Holiday Night Market                       |

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