

# Resort Village of Shields Winter Newsletter

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# Message from the Mayor

Although Spring seems so far away now, there is an air of optimism. Many negative worldwide events have been cast in the way of hopes and dreams. However, in our local community the reality of better services and opportunities is alive and well.

Our regional waste water utility has been blessed with a Building Canada Fund grant of 6.1 Million dollars – we will now proceed. A public information meeting is forthcoming to provide the details.

Our rural water utility is poised to expand to include South Corman Park, Dundurn, Hanley and the Park.

Our local developments will begin construction this year. The annexed north property will begin, followed by the south development. This has required new zoning and development bylaws.

We have a new entity, the Parks, Culture, and Recreation Board. This Board will include various committees under an umbrella with improved access to funding options.

The garbage collection system is working well with many compliments from residents.

The maintenance of roadways this winter has been very good, thus far the equipment is working well.

The taxation challenge is before us now – assessments have increased significantly, representations and cooperation with other municipalities is necessary to curb the appetite of non regulated taxation beneficiaries.

As the larks return and the first crocus is seen, the fresh face of the Spirit of Shields will smile on us all.

## First Annual Shields Winter Active Day

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### Saturday, March 14, 2009

12 Noon - 2:00 pm

Ice Fishing Derby for all ages (adults need a licence). Prizes for the first fish caught and the biggest fish caught.

Ski doo rides on the lake Wiener Roast and Hot Chocolate

2.30 - Relay Races (by age group)

*4.00* - Road Hockey, Curling on the Pond, Ice Skating, etc.

5:00 - 7:00 - Chilli on a Bun & Campfire Come taste your favorite chilli by the best cooks in Shields and enjoy stories around the fire pit on the pond.

In case of poor weather, indoor activities have been planned in the Community Centre.

## GET ACTIVE, HAVE FUN IT'S FREE!



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### Pot Luck Suppers

(Submitted by Judy King)

Only two Potlucks left this spring to show case your favorite dish - March 21 and April 18. Mark these dates on your calendar if you have not had the pleasure of experiencing "Shields Spirit". The food is fabulous and you have an opportunity to meet your neighbors. See you there.

#### The Scoop

(Submitted by Sarah King)

The Scoop would like to thank those who over indulged in ice cream the past 2 summers. I loved the interaction with so many nice people and the lazy summer afternoons on the front lawn. I am starting on a new career venture and will not have time for The Scoop this summer. On special occasions you will see The Scoop, but not every weekend.

Thanks again Sarah King

#### **Council Members**

Mayor: Eldon Mackay – 492-4639 Deputy Mayor: Dwayne Heidt – 492-2218 Councillor: Phil Sarich – 492-4660 Councilor: Pat Jarvis – 492-2511 Councillor: Myra Potter – 492-2283

#### **New Hall Rates**

(Submitted by Cheryl Robson)

*Resident* - \$125.00 Booking fee of \$60.00 (non-refundable and will be applied to rental) with a \$125.00 damage deposit.

*Non-Resident* - \$200.00 Booking fee of 100.00 (non-refundable and will be applied to rental) with a \$200.00 damage deposit.

The booking fee has to be paid at time of booking to hold the date. We are getting very busy already, so book early!

Contact Cheryl Robson to book hall @ 492-2250 or crobson@yourlink.ca

## Cabin Rental Requested

(Submitted by Lorelei Duke)

We are getting married June 20th at the hall in Shields and looking for any cabin owners that might be willing to rent out their place for that night. Please contact Lorelei at 492-4902.

A couple of gentle reminders....

Please pick up when you are out walking your dog. Let's keep our community clean and beautiful.

Please - no dumping of trees or branches at the south end. We have a land fill agreement with the RM.

Thank you for your co-operation.