

Shield's Holiday Edition

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

*My husband Dave and I would like to extend our best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a safe and wonderful holiday season.*



Volunteers play a big role in what makes Shields such a special place to live. Whether it is at the Golf Course, putting on events, taking care of our green spaces, playground and beaches or other areas that require talented volunteers, when needed we can always count on you. A big shout out to you for your volunteerism allowing our community to be one in which everyone of all ages can get together and enjoy various activities in our beautiful village.

I would like to thank our village staff: Our Administrator, Kelly for running the village Office and Fred and his crew in operations for their extra effort in maintaining our buildings, streets, infrastructure and being helpful throughout the community. The big snow fall over the past couple weeks has been particularly challenging. Thanks, operations, for maintaining the streets so residents can safely get to where they need to be.

Thank you, residents, for your patience as we gather more information on the sewer project that is planned to begin in 2025. More information will be shared with you as Council receives it.

Christmas is a time for families and friends to get together and reflect on cherished moments while making new memories. We look to the New Year for the hope of even better things to come. Happy holidays everyone.

*Angela Larson, Mayor*

## *Merry Christmas From Council*

As the year comes to a close, Brandi-Rae and I want to take a moment to extend our warmest wishes to each and every one of you.

This has been an exciting year for me as I've had the privilege of serving as your new councillor, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to be part of this vibrant community.

It's been a pleasure getting to know many of you, and I look forward to continuing to work together to make Shields an even better place to live and grow.

On behalf of Brandi-Rae and myself, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May 2025 bring health, happiness, and continued prosperity to you and your families.

*Garry Hovland*



*As we reflect back on the previous year, we should be so very thankful that we live in such a beautiful, active, and caring community.*

The work and time that our volunteers put in does not go unnoticed and is what makes our village so special.

Special thank you to Fred & his staff for being prepared for the abundance of snow that we have received and extra hours put in throughout the year.

Cathie I wish everyone a safe holiday season and look forward to serving our community as we begin a new year.

*Happy Holidays  
Everyone*



*Vanessa Bomboir*



As we close another memorable year, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for making our community extraordinary. Our shared accomplishments this year have strengthened our bonds and demonstrated the remarkable spirit that defines us.

This holiday season, my family and I are deeply grateful to be part of such a vibrant, caring community. Our collective efforts continue to build a future where every resident can thrive.

In the coming year, I look forward to connecting with more of you, supporting our shared vision, and celebrating the unique character of our lake community.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful Christmas filled with peace, hope, and warmth.

*Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays,  
Vanessa Bomboir & Family*

*Chad Pysden*

As we enter the Christmas season and the year draws to a close, we find ourselves reflecting on the moments that made 2024 truly special. For us, it's been a great year for our family in the village. We attended a variety of different events with so many special people who make this village a community.

I would like to thank everyone for doing what they do to make this place such a great place to live, we're proud to call it home.



*From Jaclyn, Breck, Caleb and myself; we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.*



## *Message's From The Office & Operations*

Happy Holidays Shields Residents!

The office will be closed December 23 - 27. The administrator will check emails from home and respond accordingly.

Please keep in mind that Tax and Utility Balance information cannot be accessed remotely and you will need to obtain this information outside of this week.

The office will be open December 30 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. please make arrangements for any in office payments during that time.

There will be no disruptions to the Loraas schedule during this time. The calendar has been updated on our Website into the year 2025. Please be sure to return your bin to your property after collection. This helps with snow removal procedures throughout the winter months. I will check my email to see if any bins were missed during collection and report accordingly. We have had a little trouble with Willow View Court and I would like to stay on top of it.

Backroads Septic will be working Friday, Dec 27 in lieu of Thursday, Dec 26.

The Office will be closed Jan 13 - Jan 22, 2025. The regular meeting of council will be held Jan 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hall.

Thank you everyone. Please have a wonderful holiday season.

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*As we look forward to the New Year, let us hold on  
to the hope of even better things to come.*

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## Casino Night

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Oct 26, 2024



A Casino Night was held on October 26 with 42 residents attending. A great time was had by all.

Thanks to the Social Programming Committee for organizing and their spouses for always helping with the setup. Also, thanks to everyone who participated and contributed food to the Food Pantry.



## *Children's Christmas Party*

The children's Christmas party was a huge success! There were 50 children along with parents that came out to enjoy the horse driven sleigh rides, cookie decorating, games, the balloon man and one another's company. The day ended with Santa, paying a visit and handing out gift boxes of goodies. It was a fun-filled day. It's nice to hear comments from the parents of how events such as this are part of the good memories that their children will carry with them into their adult life.





*Thanks to the Social Programming Committee. This group is amazing!*



Join us for a New Year's Eve celebration with hors d'oeuvres, potluck, BYOB, dancing, party favors, photo booth and other festivities.

Kids are welcome with designated adult supervision. There will be a kids zone in the lower hall (movies, dance party, crafts, SNACKS!) and a sleeping corner can be set up for those that can't make it until midnight. Kids only please 😊

We are asking those who plan on coming to RSVP by December 28 to [parksandrec@thode.ca](mailto:parksandrec@thode.ca) so we have an idea on numbers. There also will be a small ticket price (\$5/adult) to help cover costs. We will also have a 50/50 raffle.

Best of all, there will be another awesome fireworks show at 9:30 PM! We are seeking donations to go towards the show. The village has agreed to match donations up to \$1000 so any contribution will be much appreciated! We ask that donations are in by Boxing Day (Dec 26) so that we can have the time to purchase the best selection of fireworks. It's going to be great!

*Thode's parks & Rec Department*