

THE WINDERMERE GAZETTE

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE VILLAGE?

- **Windermere House** - Lots of things happening at WH. Stop in for a drink or meal at one of their lovely dining options.
 - **Windermere Pub & Patio** - Open - 7 days a week - 12pm - midnight
 - **The Rosseau** - upscale dining in a beautiful setting. Open 7 days/wk - 12 - 9pm
 - **Smokehouse BBQ Packages** - pre-order for pick up at WH
 - **Trading Post!** Artisanal goods & produce, charcuterie, souvenirs & more.
 - **The New Spa at Windermere House** spa@windermerehouse.com
- **Windermere Marina** - open now 7 days a week 9am - 5pm. Fridays & Saturdays are 9am - 6pm.
- **Windermere Golf Club** Private golf club until Labour Day, but open to all for lunch and dinner throughout the season.
 - "**Wing Night**" - 5pm Thurs- live entertainment
 - "**Euchre Night**" every Tuesday @ 5:45pm \$25 includes dinner.
 - "**Brunch**" - every Sun. 10am - 1pm- open to all
- **Windermere Garden Centre**
 - Mon.-Fri. - 8 - 5, Sat - 9 - 5, Sun 10 - 4
 - Vegetables - Buy one, Get one Free. Perennials and shrubs arriving weekly.
- **Taylor Farms** - Mon - Fri, 7am - 6pm. Sat. 9am - 5pm. Closed Sun. Great Cappuccino and Lattes at the cafe!! Pick your own strawberries. Call or check FB page to confirm hours of picking.
 - **Farm to Table Summer Produce Box** Sign up for one week or all summer - 7-10 items - fruit & veggies - local Ontario. Order by 6pm on a Sunday. Pick up at Taylor Farms or Huntsville on Thursdays, Bracebridge and the Crossfit in Port Carling on Wednesdays - More details at taylorfarms.ca/market, or email strawberries@taylorfarms.ca
- **Christ Church Windermere** - services Sunday at 10:30am, Strawberry Social & Bakesale, June 28th 1 - 4pm
- **Windermere United Church** - services Sunday at 10:30am. Monthly summer meditative Candlelight Taize Music of Unity and Peace - next one is August 5th @ 6:30pm

A mystery to solve.... what publication did this Historical Note #24 - attached below - come from? We will publish the answer (if we get one) in next week's Gazette! It was found inside the old phone shown below from a cottage in Long Bay. (Shown with the manufacturer's label from the inside of the phone box)

Historical Note #24 June 18, 2004

With today's means of instant global communication, it is easy to forget that we have not always had such convenience.

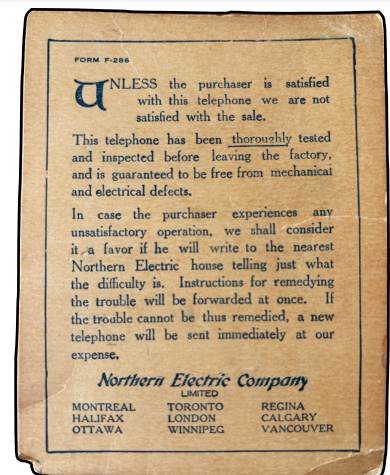
As recently as 1960, Windermere had a very rudimentary telephone service. Not every home had a telephone of any kind. Summer residents of clergy cottage, for instance, had to walk down to The Baldwins Resort, or over to the general store, and make calls on a pay phone. If important news should come from far away, a staff member from The Baldwins would run up the hill with the message.

Those phones that did exist were almost always party lines. To place a call, one would turn a crank. A friendly member of the Beavan family, or the Taylor family would then make the right connections. One would know to answer the phone when the correct combination of long and short rings would sound. When you received a call, there was a good chance that several interested neighbours would listen as well.

Sometimes, to be heard, you would have to shout so loudly into the mouthpiece, that one might wonder if the telephone was even needed.

The postmaster, Ed Paulette, was also a telegraph operator. The telegraph was indeed the means of choice for most long distance communication. If you wanted to inform your distant relative of the birth of a child, for instance, you would simply take your message to Ed. He would translate it into the appropriate dots and dashes, and your relative would receive it far away. It was a very reliable service.

In all of human history, there is probably no field of technology that has evolved so rapidly as that of rapid communication.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Windermere Bridge Group**
Monday evenings @ the Diamond In
The Ruff Golf Club starting June 16th.
- **Wing night** Thursdays @ WGCC 5-9pm
- **Butcher Block Chef's Choice** @
WGCC - Fridays
- **Taryn Rose Live** - July 4th - 5pm - @
WGCC
- **Euchre Night** @ WGCC Tuesdays @
5:45pm starting July 8 - \$25 includes dinner
- **Live music** - Fridays and Saturdays @
Windermere House - from 7-10pm
- **Every Friday for the summer**, a
lunchtime BBQ at the Windermere
Wharf - in support of the Windermere
and District Lions Club.
- **The Chautauqua Festival August
1st - August 10th** - stay tuned for
details and events.
- **August 6th - Community
Conversation @ 4pm** -
Windermere House

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- **Police - Non-emergency**
(705) 645-2211
- **Fire Department**
(705)-765-3156
- **District of Muskoka Office**
(705) 645-2100
- **By-law Office Township**
(705) 765-3156
- **Wharf Master**
(705) 769-3611
- **Windermere Golf Club**
(705) 769-3381
- **Windermere Marina**
(705) 769-3661
- **Windermere House**
(705) 769-3611
- **Taylor Farms**
(705)-769-2368
- **Windermere Garden Centre**
(705)-769-3238
- **Archives**
windermereandareaarchive@gmail.com
- **Lions Club**
windermere@ar2lions.ca

A big thank you to everyone who has donated to the playground. If you haven't yet made your donation, it is NOT too late!!). This is a community collaboration at its best - everyone coming together to make it an even more special place!

Help build the Windermere Village Playground!

A play area for all ages
Village Hall Park

**DONATE
Now!**



Basketball



Climb
& Slide





Creative Climbing



Multi-age
Swings

Questions?
Contact windermeregazette@icloud.com



Scan here for
information on
how to donate
via the
Township.
Charitable
receipts for all
donations over
\$20.

If you haven't already completed the on-line survey about the Windermere docks, please do!! Deadline is July 4th!

<https://engagemuskokalakes.ca/windermere-beaumaris-wharf-review/surveys/windermere-wharf-design-survey>

The Chautauqua Festival is looking for local residents and cottagers to consider billeting artists and support staff between August 1st - 10th. If you might have an extra bedroom or small cabin to house one or more people for one or more nights, please contact **toriwines@gmail.com**

Special access to events as way of compensation.