



WHAT'S NEW

AT ABBEYFIELD LAKEFIELD



A busy year for Abbeyfield Lakefield

Welcome to Abbeyfield House Society of Lakefield's first newsletter. In the past you have received updates on our project through an email from founding President Dewi Jones. Moving forward, we will be using our communication software to bring our followers up to date on our project. Dewi has stepped down as Chair of our Board but continues to be a vital Director for the Society!

We've had a very busy year so far so we thought we would update our followers about what we've been up to and what our summer looks like. First of all, we would like to thank the Heffernan family again for contacting us about their property at 93 Ermatinger Street. We purchased the 4-acre piece of property and house in late January and now have great tenants as we work towards planning and building an affordable Abbeyfield House for 12 - 14 independent seniors on the back part of the lot. Enjoy reading our updates!

HIGHLIGHTS

**ABBNEYFIELD LAKEFIELD
AT SENIORS SHOWCASE**

**LOOKING AFTER OUR
NEW PROPERTY**

**STUDIES PLANNED FOR
THIS SUMMER**

**INTRODUCING NEW
DIRECTOR MARK WHITE**

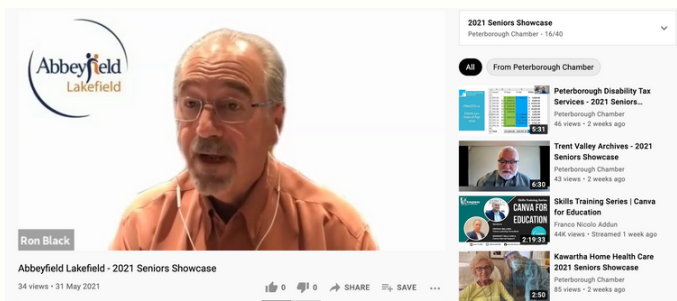


Looking after our Property

Abbeyfield Lakefield has been actively maintaining our property at 93 Ermatinger Street while working towards eventually building the Abbeyfield House on the property. The family home that has stood on this property for about sixty years underwent minor renovations over the past winter to accommodate tenants whose rent payments provide income to pay our purchase loans. Thank you so much to all the community volunteers that helped us with these minor renos. Since spring, our attention has turned to the property itself. A socially distanced work day in May saw general cleanup of the area immediately around the house and some flower planting. We are committed to keeping the property up to neighbourhood standards, and we have engaged a Lakefield resident to look after lawn mowing. A path has been kept mowed down to the rear of the property to allow locals who have used this route for years to reach the walking trails along the bottom of the property. The "Private Property" sign posted is not meant to discourage the continuation of this practice but only to address Abbeyfield Lakefield's liability for allowing it.

Lakefield Abbeyfield at Seniors Showcase

The Peterborough Seniors Showcase went virtual this year and Abbeyfield Lakefield was pleased to participate. President Ron Black produced a 5 minute video that explains who we are and where we are in our development process. Please check out the video here: <https://youtu.be/sRP4Lqx0XRQ>



THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

We recently received two donations which we are very grateful for. Three Trent University researchers won the Trent University Research Impact Award and donated the \$500 award to Abbeyfield Lakefield. Thank you Dr. Elizabeth Russell, Director of the Trent Centre for Aging and Society, Dr. Mark Skinner and Amber Colibaba for choosing us as their designated charity for their award.

COVID has impacted all charity's fundraising so when we found out that Selwyn Township was offering grants to qualifying not for profits in the community we applied. We were very happy to receive \$275 from the Township and thank them for their support. We are very grateful for any donations directed our way. Please visit our website to help our cause by donating. A tax receipt will be issued.

Following the Process...

Our property is zoned “residential R1” and designated for “Development” in the County and Township Official Plan. We will be seeking an Official Plan and Zoning amendment so we can build a multi-residential home on the property. Our proposal may seek to sever the current house and property from the four acres and then build our Abbeyfield House on the retained acreage. We have already had meetings with many of the municipal organizations that we will need to work with to build our house on this property - including ORCA. A small portion of the property is under ORCA flood plain mapping which we recently discovered is now dry all the way to the rear property line and beyond. The actual size of the area deemed wetland and buffer zone is to be determined by an environmental professional submission to ORCA. The build of the new Abbeyfield House will be well clear of any wetland on our property as we plan on building our house as far from it as acceptable to the municipality through a public process approved site plan.

We have to go through a number of steps before we can start our build. There are many studies required for Official Plan Amendments including the following which we will be doing this summer:

- Functional Servicing Options Report
- Storm Water Management Plan
- Environmental Impact Analysis
- Archaeological Study
- Planning Study Analysis
- Traffic Study
- Impact on Municipal Services



MEET OUR NEW DIRECTOR MARK WHITE

MARK IS A CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT, CPA, CMA AND HAS HELD SENIOR POSITIONS WITH A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE CANADIAN TIRE DEALERS ASSOCIATION, WENDY'S RESTAURANTS AND PEPSICO FOOD SERVICE INTERNATIONAL. MARK MOVED TO PETERBOROUGH COUNTY IN 2020 AND IS EXCITED TO BE PART OF THE GROUP THAT WILL BRING MORE AFFORDABLE SENIOR LIVING TO THE LAKEFIELD COMMUNITY.

Thank you neighbours and friends for your support. We are working hard to bring this unique lifestyle to Lakefield seniors and we appreciate all your support. We will keep you up to date on our progress. Please visit our website at www.abbeyfieldlakefield.ca

