



**Wishing you a very Blessed Christmas
and a Happy and Healthy New Year!**

TOWNSHIP OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note the Prince Township Office will be closed, Monday December 26th through to Friday December 30th, 2022. We are open again on Monday, January 2, 2023.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Garbage and recycling collection will **NOT** be delayed because of the Christmas Holiday. Please have your cart out **at the end of your driveway** by 7 a.m.

RECYCLING COLLECTION

Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks.

Dec 8, 22 and Jan 5.

Please have your cart out **at the end of your driveway** by 7 a.m.

VULNERABLE CITIZENS

In the event of an extended power disruption or disruption to 911 service, volunteers will attend the homes of vulnerable citizens to ensure their safety. You **must** fill out a registration form to be put on the vulnerable list. You can drop by the Municipal Office, phone 705-779-2992 or email deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca to get the form.

NEWSLETTER December 2022



*The Council and staff of the
Township of Prince wish you a very
happy and peaceful holiday. Enjoy
time with family and friends and
stay protected, stay safe and stay
healthy.*

See you in the New Year!



SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER

WINTER PARKING

Motorists are reminded that there is no parking of vehicles on Township streets between Nov. 1st and April 30th, during the winter months.



Pushing snow across roads and streets is not only a safety hazard; it is also against the law. The Ontario Traffic Act states: No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 181

Prince Twp. By-law 2019-38 also prohibits this action.

RINK

The Twp. has a great team of volunteers that will be getting the rink ready soon, depending on the weather. When the rink is open, we will post it on our sign in front of the Municipal building.

If you are available to help with the rink, please call the office at 705-779-2992 or email clerk@twp.prince.on.ca.

The change rooms and washrooms will be open to the public to sit and put your skates on.



PRINCE TOWNSHIP 2022 DOG LICENCE

Under by-law 2001-03, all residents who own a dog or dogs must register them by purchasing an annual dog licence. Dog licences are due **Jan. 2, 2023**, and are available at the Municipal Office.

To avoid a \$15.00 late fee penalty, all dog licenses must be renewed annually before **February 15th**.

To purchase a dog tag, you will require conformation of last rabies shot date.

The cost is \$7.50 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$15.00 otherwise.

There is a locked black mailbox next to the entrance door to the Community Centre. You can come into the office to get your tag or place your information and cheque in an envelope and put it in the mailbox and we will mail your tag to you.

If you no longer have your dog, please contact the office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Township Office at 705-779-2992 ext. 1 or deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca during office hours.

Purchasing an annual dog license will ensure that your dog is returned quickly should he/she

ever stray and assist us in providing animal control services in our community.

CAO REPORT

All our staff here in Prince Township wish everyone a happy Holiday season.

Just a reminder the Township Office will be closing at 4:30 pm on December 23 and will re-open at 8:30 am on January 3rd. If there is an emergency, please contact one of your council members.

*Thanks to each of our staff, Council, Prince Township Volunteer Fire Department, Prince Township Women's Institute, Friends of the Library, and **all** our volunteers for their dedication and support throughout 2022. We look forward to seeing you all in 2023.*

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays as we look forward to a New Year!

*Respectfully
Andrew Nowlan
Municipal Administrator*

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the Municipal Office, or any member of Council:

Mayor
Enzo Palumbo (705)779-2992 ext.3
epalumbo@princetwp.ca
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Eugene Caputo (705)542-5324

ecaputo@princetwp.ca

Melanie Mick (705)255-7895
mmick@princetwp.ca

Margaret Christenson (705)779-3996
mchristenson@princetwp.ca

Jane Weir (705)257-7926
jweir@princetwp.ca

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meeting and Planning Matters

Tuesday December 13th, 2022
6:45 p.m.

Agendas are posted on the website the day before the meeting. If you require a copy, please call ahead so it can be printed for pickup on Monday.
A fee of \$0.25/page applies.



BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

David Harnish (705)779-9927

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Barbie Rudnicki (705)255-0419



EARLYON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTRE

Prince Township EarlyON Child and Family Centre is open for in-person programming! All program and event information can be found at www.keyon.ca as well as on our Facebook page. Please call 705-779-3627 for more information.

Monday	9:00am – 2:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am – 12:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am – 2:00pm
Thursday	2:00pm – 7:00pm
Friday	9:00am – 2:00pm

Find us on Facebook: EarlyOn Child and Family Centre Prince, SSM & Sault North



LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING: This will be held on Friday December 9, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. to be followed by the volunteer Christmas social and the Friends of the Library Joyce Kasch Award presentation.

CALENDARS: THANK YOU to all our advertisers and to the community for supporting us in the library's sole fundraiser. We hope that you like the idea of having a choice of listings and no listings this year. Please support our advertisers as many of them have ties to the township.

HOURS: These are being posted **MONTHLY.** We are a **VOLUNTEER** Library.

Please call ahead at 705-779-2992-ext. 5 to make sure that someone is here. Leave a message.

DECEMBER HOURS:

MON. 10:00-NOON and 1:00- 3:00
TUES. 2:00 – 4:00
WED. 1:00 – 2:30
THURS. 10:00 – NOON and 1:00 – 3:00
DEC.8 and DEC. 15 4:00 – 7:00p.m.
FRI. 10:00 – NOON and 2:00 – 4:00

BOOK CLUB: Our first meeting will be on **Wednesday January 18th at 1:00 p.m.** and we will be reading C.S. Lewis' **THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE.**

RECOMMENDED BOOKS: Chaos, murder, and the supernatural descend on private investigator Charlie Parker as he is drawn into a complex web of vengeance in John Connolly's **THE FURIES.** Charlie comes to learn that the female of the species is not just

deadlier than the male, but often cleverer, too. **THE FAMILY REMAINS** by Lisa Jewell is a stand-alone psychological thriller, sequel to *The Family Upstairs...*

RIGHTEOUS PREY by John Sandford is a Lucas Davenport and Virgil Flowers novel, where the two are up against a powerful and very rich vigilante group with an eye on vengeance against the worst of society ... We also have the new Lee Child, C.J. Box, and Celeste Ng novels in. Our new selection of large print is catalogued and on the bookcase. The "new to us" selections are found on the brown table near the circulation desk.

DROP OFF BOX:

PLEASE PUT YOUR ITEMS IN A TIED PLASTIC BAG. THANK YOU
HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A
HEALTHY, HAPPY 2023
THE LIBRARY STAFF

PRINCE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We had an excellent presentation from Sara McCleary from St. Vincent Place regarding **LUNCHES FOR LEARNING.** Please support this program. District Christmas Social will be held on Wednesday Dec. 14 at 11:00 a.m. at 99 Pine Street. Prince will bring a dessert. Don't forget your three gifts.



Our Prince Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. use green flashing lights in their personal

vehicles when they are responding to the fire hall for an emergency. If you see a vehicle with a green flashing light, please yield the right of way.

Thanks for your co-operation!



Slips, Trips and Falls

As winter is upon us, we want to share with everyone the reminder for preventing slips, trips and falls.

As you race through the door seconds before work starts, your foot slips in an area of melted snow inside the entrance. Flat on your back, you wonder what happened. A puddle on the floor, or snow on the sidewalk can put you down. Use extra caution to stay on your feet this winter. Weather conditions may change quickly so please use extra caution to avoid a fall or accident.



911 SIGNS

Residents are requested to make sure that 911 civic number signs are clear of trees,

snow etc. The sign should be visible by emergency personnel from 100 ft.

GAS METER SAFETY

Gas Meter Safety



It's important to keep your natural gas meter and exhaust vents free of ice and snow in winter, and clear of storage boxes, garden tools and vegetation in summer. This helps ensure that gas-fired equipment functions safely and efficiently and allows Union Gas easy access for accurate meter readings or emergency response.

Indoor heating equipment – your furnace, water heater and thermostat – needs to be accessible too. Please ensure that storage boxes and household supplies are kept well away from indoor appliances so Union Gas or your heating contractor can get at them for emergency service or repairs.

Be sure your pets are secured and not blocking access to your gas meter or equipment during meter reading and service calls. A visiting Union Gas representative can surprise even the friendliest dog and lead to aggressive behavior and bites.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMITTEES


Library Board
Museum Board
Recreation Committee

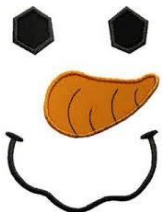
Interested parties are requested to apply. Forms are found online or by calling the Township office. We would like to encourage everyone including youth/students to apply. This is a great opportunity to earn your volunteer hours. Applications are available from the Township Office, online or if you would like one emailed, please call (705) 779-2992 Ext 1 or email deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca

**Open
Dec. 20th!**

Back to Health Clinic
4619 Second Line W., Prince Township, ON P6A 6K4
Tel. 705-779-3300
ctavormina@sympatico.ca

Dr. Alfonso Tavormina, D.C.
Chiropractor
Auto and Sports Injuries
Extremities ~ Full Spine
Soft Tissue Work ~ Laser Therapy
Electric Stim ~ Ultrasound





Preparing for a Winter Storm

During extremely cold weather or winter storms, staying warm and safe can be a challenge. Winter storms can bring cold temperatures, power failures, loss of communication services, and icy roads. To keep yourself and your loved ones safe, you should know how to prepare your home and your car before a winter storm hits.

Make a Plan

Be prepared before a winter storm hits by planning ahead. If you are in an area prone to winter weather, be sure to **create a communication and disaster plan** for your family ahead of time.

Prepare Your Home and Car

Weatherproof your home.

- Insulate any water lines that run along exterior walls so your water supply will be less likely to freeze.

- Caulk and weather-strip doors and windows.
- Insulate walls and attic.
- Install storm or thermal-pane windows or cover windows with plastic from the inside.
- Repair roof leaks and cut away tree branches that could fall on your home or other structure during a storm.

Have your chimney or flue inspected each year.

If you plan to use a fireplace or wood stove for emergency heating, have your chimney or flue inspected each year. Ask your local fire department to recommend an inspector or find one online.

Install a smoke detector and a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector.

- If you will be using a fireplace, wood stove, or kerosene heater, install a smoke detector and a battery-operated carbon monoxide detector near the area to be heated. Test them monthly and replace batteries twice a year.
- Keep a multipurpose, dry-chemical fire extinguisher nearby.
- All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside.
- Each winter season have your furnace system and vent

checked by a qualified technician to ensure they are functioning properly.

For older adults, keep an easy-to-read thermometer inside your home.

If you or a loved one are over 65 years old, place an easy-to-read thermometer in an indoor location where you will see it frequently. Our ability to feel a change in temperature decreases with age. Older adults are more susceptible to health problems caused by cold. Check the temperature of your home often during the winter months.

Create an emergency car kit.

It is best to avoid traveling, but if travel is necessary to keep the following in your car.

- Cell phone, portable charger, and extra batteries
- Items to stay warm such as extra hats, coats, mittens, and blankets
- Windshield scraper
- Shovel
- Battery-powered radio with extra batteries
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Water and snack food
- First aid kit with any necessary medications and a pocketknife
- Tow chains or rope
- Tire chains
- Canned compressed air with sealant for emergency tire repair
- Cat litter or sand to help tires get traction, or road salt to melt ice
- Booster cables with fully charged battery or jumper cables
- Hazard or other reflectors

- Bright colored flag or help signs, emergency distress flag, and/or emergency flares
- Road maps
- Waterproof matches and a can to melt snow for water

Steps to Take Before the Storm Hits

Listen to weather forecasts and check your supplies.

Listen to weather forecasts regularly and check your **emergency supplies**, including your **emergency food and water supply**, whenever you are expecting a winter storm or extreme cold. Even though we can't always predict extreme cold in advance, weather forecasts can sometimes give you several days of notice to prepare.

Bring your pets indoors.

If you have pets, bring them indoors. If you cannot bring them inside, provide adequate shelter to keep them warm and make sure they have access to unfrozen water.

Get your car ready.

Have maintenance service on your vehicle as often as the manufacturer recommends. In addition, every fall, do the following:

- Have the radiator system serviced or check the antifreeze level yourself with an antifreeze tester. Add antifreeze as needed.
- Replace windshield-wiper fluid with a wintertime mixture.

- Make sure the tires on your car have adequate tread and air pressure. Replace any worn tires and fill low tires with air to the proper pressure recommended for your car (typically between 30-35 psi).
- Keep the gas tank near full to help avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Keep your car in good working order. Be sure to check the following: heater, defroster, brakes, brake fluid, ignition, emergency flashers, exhaust, oil, and battery.



Are You Feeding Wildlife?

Issues of residents feeding wildlife have been reported to the Municipal Office. We do take this very seriously.

You may be doing more harm than good.

People who feed wildlife usually do so with the best intentions. However, feeding wild animals almost always results in negative consequences for both humans and wildlife involved.

What are the consequences of feeding wildlife?

Threats to wildlife

- Animals can become dependent on artificial food sources.
- Animals can lose their natural fear of humans and pets, becoming more prone to conflict.
- Artificial feed is not healthy for wildlife.
- Wildlife can congregate in unnaturally high densities at feeders. This spreads parasites and disease (such as Chronic Wasting Disease, bovine tuberculosis, and brain worm) and can cause destruction of natural habitat.
- Feeding animals near roads increases their risk of being hit by vehicles.

Threats to people

- Feeding wildlife may attract "unwanted" animals to your property.
- Animals will learn to associate humans with food and can become a problem to neighbours.
- Habituated animals can become aggressive.
- Feeding animals near roads increases the risk of motor vehicle accidents, resulting in property damage, injury, or death.

Do

- ✓ Appreciate wildlife from a distance.
- ✓ Keep household waste, compost and pet food out-of-reach from wild animals.
- ✓ Attract wildlife to your property by improving natural habitat.

✓ Work together in your neighbourhood to help keep wild animals wild.

Don't

✗ Do not put out food to attract wildlife.

✗ Do not try to approach or touch wild animals.

✗ Do not feed pets outdoors or allow pets to roam free.

✗ Do not put garbage out until the morning of collection.

For more information, please contact the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources at 1-800-667-1940.



Ontario Expands Online Tool to Keep Drivers Safe During Winter

Ontario's 511 App adds Track My Plow and Other Winter Safety Features

TORONTO — The Ontario government is expanding the 511 app to include new winter driving features that will provide drivers and the trucking industry with additional information to support safer route planning when travelling on provincial highways.

"Driving during the winter months can be a challenge in every part of the province, and our government remains committed to keeping Ontario's roads and highways safe," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of

Transportation. "That's why we are enhancing the Ontario 511 app with winter safety features that will provide drivers with even more information, so they navigate the best route."

The Ontario 511 app is now available to all drivers and includes these additional features:

- Track My Plow which will allow drivers to track the location of snowplows and salt trucks on provincial highways in Ontario
- Information on winter road conditions so drivers can see which roads are bare or covered with snow
- Weather warnings from Environment Canada to alert drivers of upcoming storms
- Up-to-date information on rest areas across the province

The app also provides images from over 600 cameras and includes up-to-date highway information on construction, collisions and road closures. The Ontario 511 app is available for free on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

The winter driving features on the Ontario 511 app build on the province's actions to improve winter maintenance this year, including an additional 24 Road Weather Information Stations that provide forecasts to help winter maintenance crews prepare for a storm, and improving and expanding rest area infrastructure in Northern Ontario.

"Through enhancements to the Ontario 511 app, we're empowering Ontario drivers with up-to-date, accessible and intuitive information at their fingertips to help them stay safe on the roads through the winter months," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, President

of the Treasury Board and Minister Responsible for Digital and Data Transformation. "As one of the initiatives outlined in the Ontario Onwards Action Plan, this is another way we're making vital programs and services more convenient, more reliable and more accessible."

QUICK FACTS

- The Ontario 511 app was released earlier this year to support truck drivers to plan their routes and travel safely and efficiently across the province. Access has now been expanded to road users across the province.
- Ontario has among the highest winter maintenance standards in North America. [Learn more about how Ontario clears highways in winter.](#)
- The Ontario 511 app is also part of [Ontario Onwards: Ontario's COVID-19 Action Plan for a People-Focused Government](#), and is one of the more than 30 projects that will change the way people and businesses interact with government.





DIY Holiday Cookies

Tuesday, December 13th, 2022
6pm - 7pm

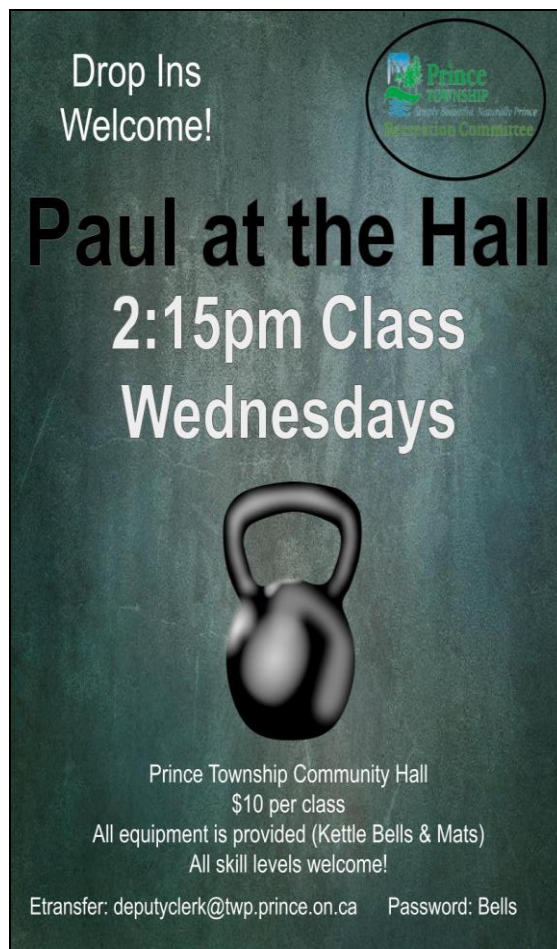
\$12 per set of 8 cookies

Register on the Prince Twp Rec Committee Facebook Page
or at the Prince Township Office

Come by yourself or bring the family for a festive filled
evening with Shirley Yun.

Decorate a set of 8 Holiday themed sugar cookies.
All materials provided.


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Drop Ins
Welcome!

Paul at the Hall

2:15pm Class Wednesdays



Prince Township Community Hall
\$10 per class
All equipment is provided (Kettle Bells & Mats)
All skill levels welcome!

Etransfer: deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca Password: Bells

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Women's Fitness Every Wednesday
from 11-12 p.m. at the Prince Twp. Hall.
Call Carol @ 779-2968 to register.




Pancakes with Santa

Hogan's
Homestead

Sunday, December 11th, 2022
Prince Township Community Hall - 3042 Second Line West

Pricing

\$10 adult	Breakfast served at 9:00am and 10:45am.
\$6 senior (ages 60+)	
\$4 child (ages 4-10)	
Children 3 and under are free	

Register Online or Call
705-779-2992

Etransfer: deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca
Password: pancakes

Picture with Santa

Free picture
with Santa by
donation to
Christmas
Cheer

Donation examples include:
non-perishable food, clothing, cash

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Needle Felted Ornaments

Come join the Rec Committee and Dawn Allard to create your own felted
ornament to bring home for the holiday season.

December 17th, 2022 from 1-3pm
Prince Township Community Hall
3042 Second Line West

\$65 with all materials included
Register by December 14th, 2022
Limited to 14 only spots

Ages 8+ (children under 13 need adult
accompaniment)

Message us on Facebook to reserve
your spot.

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Snow Sculpture COMPETITION

**Prize for
Top in Prince
& Top in SSM**

Who Qualifies?
Prince Township or Sault Ste. Marie Residents and Companies
west of, or on Town Line Road

How to Enter:
Register is FREE. Register your address before Saturday, December
24th, 2022 by sending us a private message on facebook, or calling
the Prince Township Office (705) 971-2992.

Rules:
Sculptures must be built between **December 26th and January 2nd, 2022.**
Sculptures must be made of Snow and Ice.
Sculptures must be visible from the road.
No items for structural support (i.e. metal or wooden posts)
Use of snow paint, food colouring, clothing items and non-structural
accessories are encouraged.

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