

D.P.P.O. FALL NEWSLETTER 2018

Hello all D.P.P.O. Members,

Hope you had a most enjoyable summer. Certainly one to be remembered with so few rain days and the very warm temperatures.

Your D.P.P.O. Board had a very productive summer. We achieved a new milestone of 100 paid up members and we are so very pleased with the results of our efforts. Having our online invoicing and access to Paypal has made the payment process easier for both members and the administrative burden of the Board. Our budget is based on 90 members in good standing so the extra dues will allow us to pursue some extra activities and projects. Thanks to the many new members who are now part of DPPO for the first time.

The two events held this summer were both great successes. The annual field day saw great weather and was well attended for the kids' activities during the day and both bingos (children and adult) in the evening. Thanks to all the donors and volunteers who made this day such a wonderful event. For the second year, we asked for donations to the Georgina Food Pantry – we received quite a few donations and these were passed along to the pantry. An email of thanks was received and is posted on our website.

Also, our 3rd annual corn roast held on Labour Day weekend was the best attended yet. We had more than 70 people turn up to feast on corn, hot dogs and ice cream cake. Another event where the weather cooperated wonderfully. If you missed it this year, put it on your calendar for next Labour Day weekend.

This year we once again cleaned out the two rights of way (the east and west at the north end). They had a lot of debris that had accumulated over the winter. We also put in a few loads of sand at the entrance to each. We also removed one large tree at the south end of the park that had rotted away and was on DPPO property.

With the extra dues, we are able to continue with our tree replacement program. On the west side of the large park two large poplars were removed by the Township. These spaces will have new trees planted there as well as a few other spots where there were still gaps or where a couple of trees died. We also lost a few new trees at the north end of the oval. These were guaranteed by our supplier and will be replaced – probably with willows as the maples don't seem to do well in the very wet Spring conditions in this area.

We are also replacing the heart shaped signs that are a fixture on the Point. Most of the signs and posts had rotted away (I think they were installed in the 1950s). New posts have been installed and the signs will be remade over the winter.

Your Board of Directors met five times over the spring and summer. We had the Mayor, Regional Councillor and local Councillor attend our Annual General Meeting where they gave updates

regarding issues affecting Georgina. Our members also have an important opportunity to personally discuss their questions and concerns (a summary of the comments can be found on our website). If you didn't attend this year, I urge you to attend next year's meeting.

As always, if you have any suggestions or ideas regarding our wonderful community, please contact any board member. Also please visit our website (<u>www.dppo.org</u>) to look at the content and information about DPPO.

Hope everyone has a safe, happy and healthy winter and we look forward to some upcoming projects and events next year.

Sincerely,

Linda Wahrer President, D.P.P.O.