

NEWSLETTER

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THE STUDENT NEWSLETTER TEAM IS BACK
REAL WORLD LEARNING CONTINUES

After a short break, our student newsletter team is back and excited to start a new season of sharing community stories. Over the summer, Township staff kept the newsletter going and continued to keep everyone informed – we're thankful for their support and teamwork.

What began as a Grade 9 Tech class project has grown into something special. We've had so much fun working together, learning new skills, and seeing our newsletter displayed in local businesses and community spaces.

This year, we're looking forward to bringing you even more updates, events, and stories from around town. Thank you to everyone who reads and supports the newsletter – your encouragement means a lot and inspires us to keep creating.

— Grant Emmell, Isla Shields and Avery Griffin



REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES IN EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

Residents are invited to honour Canada's veterans and those who continue to serve at local Remembrance Day services in Edwardsburgh Cardinal.

In Cardinal, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 105 will host a service on Sunday, November 9 at 9 a.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 3038 John St. On Tuesday, November 11, the Parade will muster at 10:15 a.m., followed by the Ceremony at 10:40 a.m. at the Cardinal Cenotaph on County Road 2. All are welcome to the Legion afterward for a potluck lunch hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. Contact: Sgt.-at-Arms Morris Wadge, 705-822-1170

In Spencerville, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 604 will hold its Remembrance Day Service on Tuesday, November 11 at 10 a.m. at Spencerville United Church, 16 Centre St., followed by the Cenotaph Ceremony at 10:45 a.m. at 18 Centre St. A community potluck luncheon will follow at the Legion. Contact: Nancy J. Ringuette Condie, Poppy Chair, 613-658-2031



NOVEMBER AT THE LIBRARY

Are you a member of the Edwardsburgh Cardinal Public Library? If not, now is a great time to join! November is full of great programs, events, and new books to explore.

Regular programs:

- Baby and Tot Storytime on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at both branches
- Family Board Game Night on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at both branches
- Book Club at the Cardinal Branch on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Jennifer Fawcett:

Wednesday, November 12 at 6 p.m., Spencerville Branch

Join us for an evening with Jennifer Fawcett, an acclaimed author and playwright who grew up right here in Spencerville and now lives in New York State's Hudson Valley. Jennifer is the author of *Beneath the Stairs* (2022) and her newest novel *Keep This for Me*, a haunting story of loss, family, and the lingering effects of violence across generations.

Keep This for Me opens on a hot August night in 1993, when a young couple's car breaks down and a passing truck driver attacks the man and abducts the woman—who is never seen again. That woman was Fiona Green's mother. Thirty years later, the convicted killer insists from his prison deathbed that he did not kill her, pulling Fiona back to the small town where her mother vanished. When another woman disappears under eerily similar circumstances, Fiona must uncover the truth before she becomes the next victim.

Written in Fawcett's "suspenseful and immersive" style, the novel explores what we inherit from our parents and how one random act can echo through generations.

Jennifer's award-winning plays, including *Apples in Winter*, have been produced in Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom, with recent performances in the Stratford, Ontario area.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet Jennifer, hear about her writing journey, and celebrate a hometown author making an international mark.

Get involved with your library!

Take part in our programs, explore new activities, and check out the latest titles arriving each month. There's always something new to discover at ECPL.

For hours, locations, and updates, visit www.edcarlibrary.ca or follow ECPL on Facebook and Instagram.



FIRE DEPARTMENT



BECOME A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

The Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal (TWPEC) is looking for community members who want to make a difference. No experience? No problem! We'll provide all the training you need.

Join us for a Volunteer Firefighter Information Session on Thursday, November 13 at 7 p.m. at Fire Station #1, 6055 County Road 44, Spencerville. Learn what it takes to serve your community and how you can join the team that keeps TWPEC safe.

"Firefighting has always been part of my family's story," said Mark Bruce, Captain with the Edwardsburgh Cardinal Fire Department and a 32-year veteran. "My father taught me the values of service and courage, and now my son is following in our footsteps. This isn't just a crew. It's a second family."

Find out more at www.twpec.ca/firefighter or call 613-658-3001 ext. 1.



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HAVE YOUR SAY

Help Shape the Future of Fire Services

The Edwardsburgh Cardinal Fire Department is developing a new Master Fire Plan.

Your feedback will help shape the future of fire protection, prevention, and emergency services in Edwardsburgh Cardinal.

Take our short survey—it only takes five minutes!



Complete the survey
at twpec.ca/fireplan
or scan the QR code

PEOPLE AND PROGRESS

MOVING FORWARD WITH PURPOSE: A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



On behalf of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal and Council—Deputy Mayor Stephen Dillabough, Councillors Joe Martelle, Waddy Smail, and Chris Ward—I'd like to extend our sincere thanks to Grant, Isla, and Avery for once again taking on the important task of producing this community newsletter. Their dedication and creativity help keep residents informed and connected, and we are grateful for their continued commitment to sharing the stories and successes of our township.

As we move into the final months of 2025, Council has already begun work on the 2026 municipal budget. This is a critical process that ensures we continue to invest wisely in the infrastructure, services, and programs that matter most to our residents. We are committed to transparency, fiscal responsibility, and aligning our priorities with the needs of our growing community.

We are also excited to share that preparations are well underway for the groundbreaking of the Skyview 2 Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project. This innovative initiative represents a major step forward in our commitment to sustainable energy solutions and economic development. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with our partners and community members in the near future.

There are many more exciting projects on the horizon, and we remain focused on building a strong, vibrant, and resilient Edwardsburgh Cardinal. Whether it's through infrastructure improvements, community events, or strategic partnerships, we are working hard to ensure our township continues to thrive.

Stay tuned for more updates in next month's edition. As always, thank you for your continued support and engagement.

Warm regards,
Mayor Tory Deschamps

SHINING A SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL GREATS



Rusty Crawford: A Legend Born in Cardinal

Rusty Crawford, born in Cardinal in 1885, was one of hockey's early stars. He played for the Ottawa Senators during the NHL's inaugural 1917 season and went on to win three Stanley Cups. Known for his speed and grit, Crawford helped shape Canada's national game and inspired generations of players.

Honouring a True Local Leader

Brian Purcell, co-owner of James Purcell Insurance Broker Ltd., has been named the 2025 recipient of the Bill Thake Memorial Award for Economic Development Leadership, presented by the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville. A dedicated volunteer and business leader, Brian's community spirit continues to strengthen Spencerville's local economy and pride.

