

Village Community Association

**FALL General
Meeting**

October 15, 2025



Review of AGENDA

Call to order

**Confirm Quorum
Minutes**

October 16, 2024

Agenda

October 15, 2025

Executive Reports

President

Vice President

Finance

Communications



AGENDA
continued

Committee Reports

Membership

Social

Holiday Decorating

The Village Round Table

Gardening



AGENDA continued

- Approval of Membership Fees for 2026-27
- The Village Development Update
- Formation of a Nomination Committee
- VCA Recognition Awards
- New Business
- Meeting Adjournment
- Guest Speaker



MEETING

Confirm Quorum

Minutes

Review and approval
of minutes from meeting
of October 16, 2024

Agenda

Approval of
meeting agenda



Call to Order – Part 1

- Confirm that meeting follows VCA By-Laws
 - Article II d): 7 day notice is required for member meeting – sent by October 8, 2025
- Documents were posted on the VCA website before October 8, 2025



Call to Order – Part 2

- Confirm that meeting follows VCA By-Laws
 - Article II e): Quorum requires 15 members in attendance in good standing
- Any conflicts of interest from voting members?



Call to Order – Part 3

- Meeting and voting process,
including voting by proxy
- Approval of Meeting Agenda

MOTION: It is recommended that the
proposed **AGENDA** be approved
Moved by? Seconded by? Those in favour?
Opposed?



Call to Order – Part 4

- Review and approval of **minutes** from meeting of October 17, 2024

MOTION: It is recommended that the proposed minutes be approved.

- Moved by? Seconded by? In favour?
Opposed?



President's Report

Ardeth Staz



President's Report

- Ravine Walkthrough
- Inaugural Meeting of NOTL Residents Association
- VCA Bench
- Holiday Lighting and Safety
- Loyalty Partner Lead
- Focus Group and Planning for 2025-2026



VICE President's Report

Carol Perrin



Treasurer's Report

Joe Allevato



Motion re: membership fees for 2026-27

- ByLaw Article 1.f. (as of April, 2022)
- The amount of the dues shall be proposed by the Executive Board and approved at the October General Meeting by a minimum of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1 member) of the membership present (or by proxy). Annual dues for renewal of membership shall be due and payable by May 1 for the current membership.
- **Motion:** Executive (Treasurer) proposes that the VCA Membership Fees for 2026-27 remain at \$30 per member/household. This fee will come into effect on May 1, 2026
- **Seconded by? In favour? Opposed?**



Communications Director's Report

Sue Henry



Communication Report

Communication Updates Website

- Coyotes in the Village
- Newsletters
- Loyalty Partners
- Community Links
 - NOTL Discounts
 - Local Contractors
- **Facebook** for VCA members

Communication Report

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Wildlife in The Village

Living in an agricultural community, bordering a ravine and creek - our region is home to many species of wildlife, including coyotes.

Update on Coyotes in The Village.
by Carol Perrin



Coyotes in The Village

PLEASE REMEMBER TO...

NEVER FEED COYOTES. The few documented cases of coyote-inflicted wounds on humans occurred as a result of humans making food accessible to wildlife. The best way to protect our pets and ourselves are to keep them wild and wary of people.

NOTE: The town of Niagara-on-the-Lake Animal By-laws (item 85) prohibits feeding or attracting any animal or animals on or near your property.

If you see a coyote please report it to:
Town of NOTL
COYOTE SIGHTING FORM
Coyote Watch Canada



Anyone in an emergency situation with a coyote, such as a coyote cornering humans or showing signs of potential rabies, should call 911 immediately.



Communication Report

The Village Community Association
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

Contacts Search

the VCA Membership **News** Loyalty Partners Social

News

John and Adam Hawley recognized with Keystone Award,
February 2025. See the full story (PDF document).

Sign-up to receive our newsletter

Introducing Clayfield Commons April 2025

If you missed the update provided by John and Adam Hawley this morning, the recording is now available for your viewing. Pour yourself a beverage of your choice and have a seat. The recording is about 90 minutes long. John and Adam took time to answer everyone's questions.

Business Center Update - Video with John and Adam Hawley
April 17, 2025

The Village Centre, - Development Update From Adam Hawley
Update - January 8, 2025

Hello Villagers

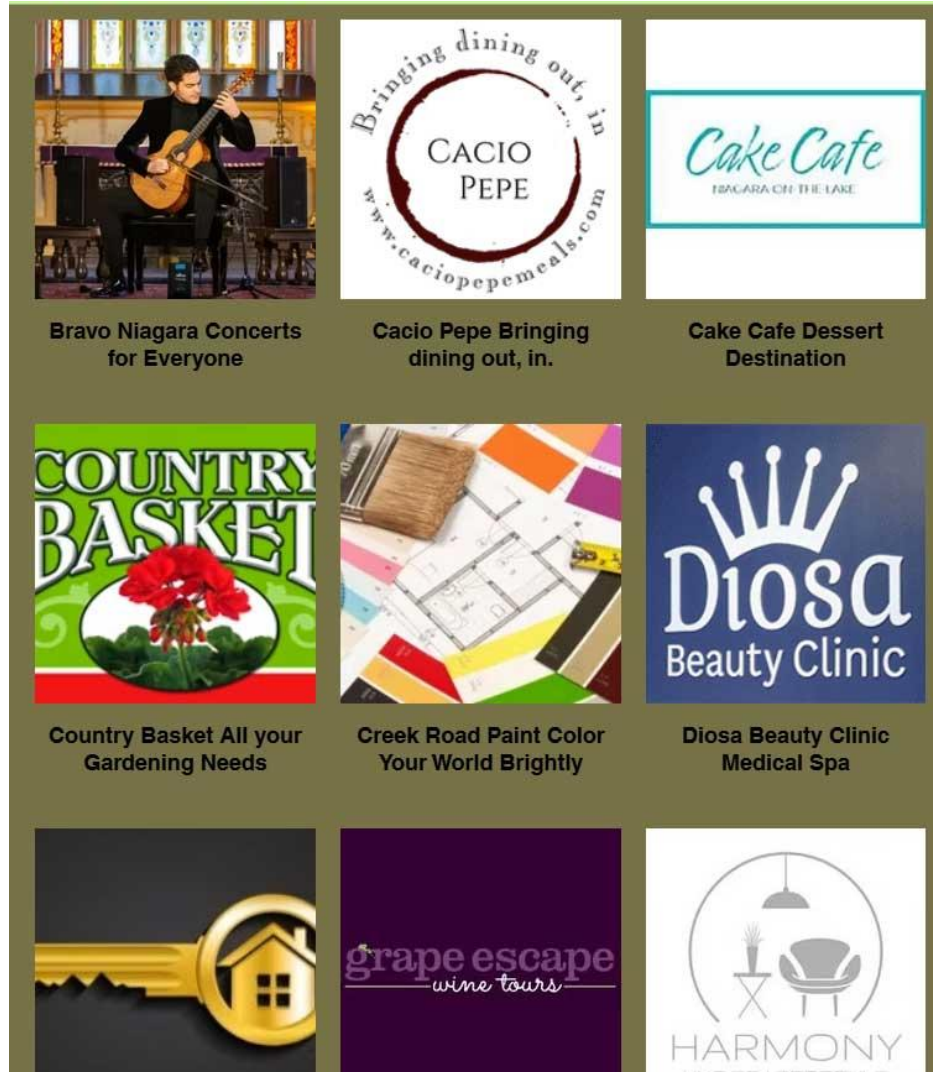
VCA NEWSLETTERS

- Newsletters 2025
- Newsletters 2024
- Newsletters 2023
- Newsletters 2022



Communication Report

Loyalty Partners



Communication Report

Community Links

Special Offers and Discounts for NOTL residents

Local Contractors available to Village residents

Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake



Niagara Region



Niagara Transit, Accessibility Services



Town of NOTL

- Council Meetings, Agendas & Minutes.
- Town Services
- New Resident Services
- Community Events Calendar

Niagara Region

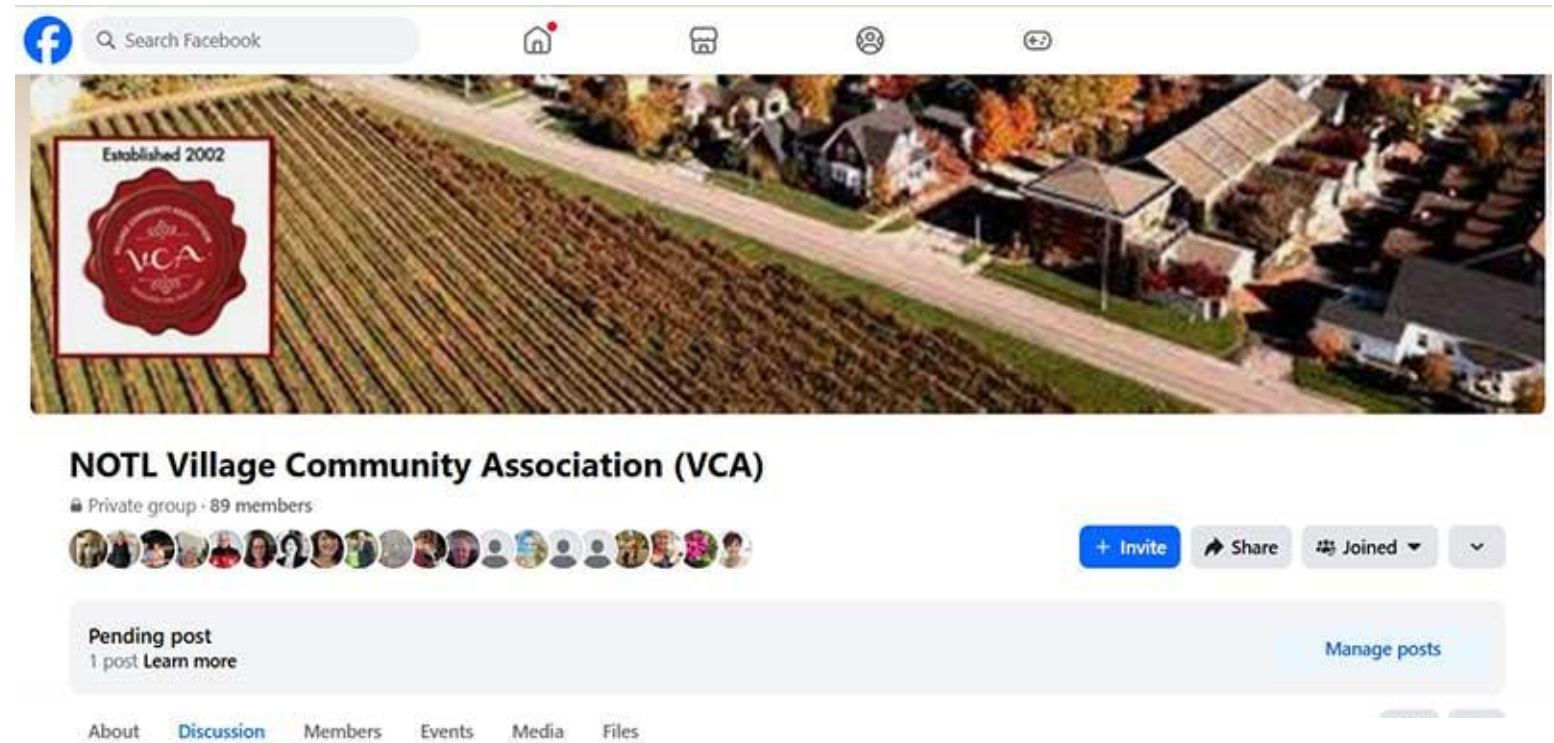
- Reports, Agendas and Minutes for Council and Committees
- Garbage Collection Schedules
- Health and Safety
- Seniors Community Programs

Community Resources



Communication Report

VCA Facebook – 2-way Communication



Committee Reports

Membership

– Judy Huntington-Mackay

Social

– Lindy Van der Wagen

Gardening

– Ardeth Staz

Holiday Decorating

– Dale Deslslets

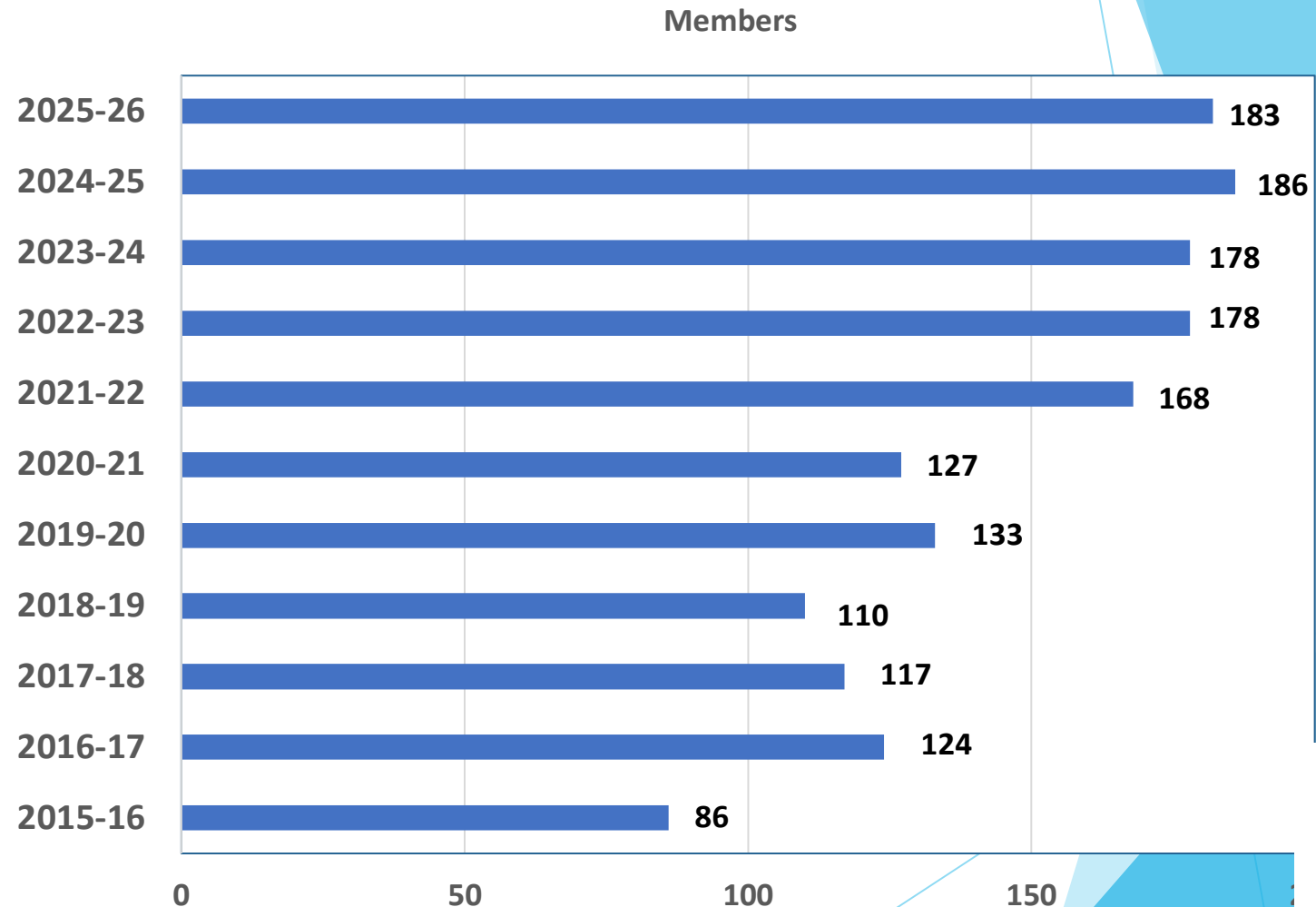
The Village Round Table

– Mike Siverns



Membership Report for October 15, 2025

- Will most likely maintain the **186 members** from previous year as we are **only 3 away!**
- Thanks to **Carol Lake** for all her hard work as **Loyalty Partner Lead** in addition to her work as a Membership Ambassador.
- Thanks as well to all of our returning **Ambassadors** and we **welcome two new Ambassadors** – **Michele Harrison** and **Michelle MacDonald**, replacing **Susan MacDonald** who felt it was time to step away.



Social Committee – Lindy Van der Wagen

2025 Past Events

- Spirit in Niagara Cocktail Party
- Summer Picnic in the Parkette
- Golf Tournament

Mark your Calendars

- **Hallowe'en Give and Get** (Newark Neighbours collection) – October 31
- **Holiday Lighting Potluck and Music** – November 30 at 5 pm
- **Winter Mix and Mingles** – TBA

Welcome to new member Rhonda Marquis



Committee Reports cont'd

Gardening

– Ardeth Staz

Holiday Decorating

– Dale Deslslets

The Village Round Table

– Carol Perrin for Mike Siverns





The Village Development Update John and Adam Hawley



Formation of Nomination Committee

Carol Perrin

Need to fill Executive Board positions for next AGM – even year:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Recording Officer





Recognition Awards

- Introduced Fall of 2019
- Person or a group that has gone 'above and beyond' to foster a harmonious community, serve residents of The Village, or provide a stronger voice for The Village residents within the municipality





Three individuals who spent countless hours in very cold weather reorganizing the Holiday Lighting to make it safer.

Dale Deslslets
Mike Carruthers
Dave Hill



New Business

Any other new business?



Meeting Adjournment

MOTION: It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned.
Moved by? Seconded by? In favour? Opposed?



Our Guest Speaker

- **Travel Options and their Insurance Implications**
- **Nadja Lepere, Upper Canada Travel**



THANK
YOU!

Always act with
kindness!

See you in
April!

