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2018-2019 Holiday Cheer

Happy Holidays!

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Hampers and Donations

The Sharing Place: Christmas Hamper - 22 West St S. 705-327-4273 * Application Deadline: November 28th – Call for availability * Hampers include: Food for Breakfast, Christmas Dinner, Dessert, & More! * Pick up Dates: Dec 11, 13, 18, 20 from 10:00am – 2:00pm * Apply in person at the food bank during regular hours of operation

Jubilee Chorale: Christmas Hamper Draw - St. David Anglican/Lutheran Church - Sunday Dec 9th, 2018 @ 2:30pm * Christmas Concert and Treats * Draw at the end of Concert * Tickets \$5 each or 3 for \$10

The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign - Friday, November 23rd to Monday, December 24th, 2018 (Excluding Sundays) * At Each Kettle location, there will be a Community Volunteer ringing bells from 10:00am until 8:00pm * If you would like to Adopt-a Kettle – Please contact the Christmas Kettle Coordinator, Christina Distefano @ 705-345-2601

Helping Hands: Fill a Van Food Drive - Will be Accepting all non-perishable food items at all their locations as well as in their Helping Hands Transportation Vehicles. * Food items and cash donations will be accepted until Dec 14th, 2018 * To have a donation picked up Please contact our office @ 705-325-7861

Dress For Success: Seeking Volunteers for Gift Wrapping Events - December 1st, 2nd, 8th, 9th & December 13th-24th from 10am to 6pm * Contact Dress for Success for more Information @ 705-252-9200

Christmas Food Drive - Subaru Orillia 385 West St S 705-329-4277 * Donation drop off for The Sharing Place Food Bank. Accepting Donations until December 20th

Salvation Army - 157 Coldwater Rd 705-326-3472 * Set up an appointment by phone call. * You will need 2 pieces of ID and a piece of ID for each person in your household. Proof of address, income, & expenses (ie: rent, phone bill, utilities)

9th Annual Winter Coat Drive - Orillia Learning Centre, Simcoe Alternative SS and the Champlain Seniors Service Club, in Partnership with Fabricare Cleaning Center * 575 West St Unit 15 705-325-9279 ext. 45628 Bev or Lloyd * Donations of gently used winter coats, any size, can be dropped off at the Orillia Learning Centre until November 30 * please no leather or fur coats due to special cleaning requirements * Drop off locations: -Learning Centre, Orillia Campus - 575 West St. S., Unit 15, Orillia * Fabricare Cleaning - 36 Front St. S., Orillia * Wihlidal Family Chiropractic - 349 West St. N., Orillia * All Donated winter coats will be distributed at no charge to Learning Centre students, Simcoe Alternative SS students and to Orillia and area residents from Nov. 19th to Dec. 21st, Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm at the Orillia Learning Centre. Remaining coats will be donated to community resource affiliates

Senior Wish Association: Adopt a Senior - Christmas Campaign: Gifts for seniors who are alone or without family during the holidays * Email or call Violet Watkins at vwatkins@telizon.ca or 705-241-6569 to be matched with a senior * Deadline: December 17th

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Meals

Orillia Youth Centre: Christmas Dinner - 9 Front St S 705-325-8082 * Christmas Dinner Night Dec 21st 5:00pm-7:00pm * Drop in: Everyone is Welcome

St. James Anglican Church - 58 Peter St N 705-325-2742 * Dec 25th at 12 noon Full turkey dinner with all the trimmings and pies (No cost) * Jan 2nd 11:30am to 1:30pm Holiday dinner with all the trimmings complete with dessert presented by Orillia Scouting & Friends

Tops Pizza Orillia - 276 Memorial Ave 705-327-8677 * December 25th - Free slice of pizza, pop, and cookies from 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Hope Community Christian Church: Christmas Banquet - 2700 Cumberland Road 705-812-2833 * Sunday December 16th @ 5:30pm – 7:00pm @ Hope Community Christian Church

Christmas Breakfast: St. David's Church - 133 James St. E – 705-325-1421 * Dec. 25th * Cereal & coffee offered at 7:00am * Hot Breakfast starts at 9:00am * Gifts of hygiene products will be given * Accepting donation products for men & women. * Everyone Welcome

Wimpy's Diner Annual Christmas Dinner – 294 Memorial Ave * Monday, December 10th – Serving over 300 Christmas dinners* From 3 pm – 7 pm * Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings – served on a first come first serve basis until they run out * Everyone is Welcome

Events/Dates

Jubilee Chorale Choir of Orillia: Christmas Concert - St. David Anglican/Lutheran Church - 133 James St. E. * Dec 9th. 2018 @ 2:30pm * Bake Sale and Hamper Draw

Christmas Music & Carol Sing-A-Longs - St. James Anglican Church - 58 Peter St. North * Wednesdays @ 12:15pm to 12:45pm * Dec 5th – Sophie Cooper – Storyteller & Alan & Sophie Cooper – Duo * Dec 12th – Anna Trubashnik – Soloist & Susan and John Smith – Instrumentalists * Dec 19th – Cheryl Behan – Flautist & Nynka Greer and Rosemarie Freeman – Duets

A Brothers McClurg Christmas - Westmount United Church - 23 Westmount Dr. S - Wednesday Dec 5th @ 6:30pm * Early Bird Tickets - \$10 then (\$15 after Sep. 30th) * For Tickets contact the church 705-326-9252 or E-mail to westmount01@bellnet.ca

A Reely Celtic Christmas Concert – Featuring The Reel Celts - St. Pauls Centre 50 Coldwater St. E. - Saturday, Dec 8th, 2018 @ 8:00pm * Tickets Available @ Orillia Opera House Box Office

Scott's Garden Centre's 8th Annual Holiday Open House - November 14th, 2018 @ 6:00pm-8:00pm * Shop their 2000 SQ foot Wonderland of Treasures for your Christmas Decorations, Holiday Gift Ideas, Sparkling Table Centres and Fresh Christmas Trees * Register for MAKE AND TAKE workshops * Planter Inserts: Saturday, Nov. 24th and Saturday, Dec 1st @ 11AM * Table Center Piece Design Workshop: Saturday, Dec. 15th @ 11AM

Orillia Legion Lunch with Santa – 215 Mississauga St. E - 705-325-8442 * Lunch with Santa December 3rd 1pm - 3pm

Christmas Bazaar – Sundial Retirement - December 8th @ 1:30pm – 3:30pm * Lots of handmade items, crafts, knitted slippers and shawls, home baked goodies made by the seniors from old time recipes

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If only I'd receive Art for Christmas 1V - Downtown Orillia - November 29th @ 7:00pm – December 22 @ 4:00pm * Exhibit featuring original artwork by local artists * All priced at \$100 or less

Orillia Square Mall - 1029 Brodie Drive 705-325-2366 - Santa Photos - Dec 1, 8, & 15th * Santa Pet Photos: By appointment only* 5pm to 8pm on Dec 2nd and 16th For bookings, call office admin at 705-325-3905

Free Holiday Skating Rotary Place - 100 University Ave Orillia 705-325-5332 * Free Holiday skating December 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and January 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 20

Downtown Orillia Horse & Wagon Rides - Downtown Orillia - 705-325-3261 * Free horse drawn wagon ride starts 1pm-3pm December 1, 8, 15

Free Holiday Skating Brian Orser Arena - 433 Gill St Orillia 705-325-1414 * Free Holiday Skating Jan. 3, 4, 5

Free Parking - There will also be Free Parking (in downtown lots only) Beginning on Nov 23rd until Jan 6th. Please note that street parking fees will still be in effect.

Family Christmas Celebration - 201 Gill St 705-326-6447 * In Support of The Sharing Place Food Bank at Thor Motors on Dec 8th 1:30pm to 3:00pm * Drop in and enjoy Christmas carols, kid's activities, refreshments and a special visit from Santa! Free event. * Admission is free – A goodwill donation will be collected to support The Sharing Place

Orillia Opera House Holiday Plays - 20 Mississauga St W 705-326-8011 * Handel's Messiah with Orchestra Dec 8 @ 7:30pm * Christmas Time with The Ennis Sisters Dec 13th @ 7:30pm * Cinderella: A Magical Panto Dec 15th @ 7:00pm * Sleigh Bells & Brass Christmas Concert Dec 16th @ 2:00pm

New Year's Celebration

New Year's Eve Bash - Orillia Parks, Recreation and Culture Department - 100 University Avenue 705-329-7250 * December 31st from 5:00pm to 8:30pm * Free family friendly New Year's Eve Bash at the West Orillia Sports Complex- Rotary Place. * Event includes live DJ, massive balloon drop, crafts, inflatables, interactive games, face painting, rock climbing, skating and more! * Extra parking is available at Lakehead University with free shuttle service to Rotary Place.