



UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGIONAL COUNCIL

NEWS THIS WEEK

Wednesday June 26, 2019

EDITOR'S NOTE

Summer is here, finally! While many are enjoying some well-deserved vacation time, there is still lots of activity in the EOORC. Please be sure to check the [events](#) page on the EOORC website to keep informed of the varied and fun summer activities throughout the region. In addition to news from Rev. Strong about clergy updating their Church Hub records, please read about an appeal from Rideau Hill Camp to help a few more campers join in the fun there. **On page 3 read about the LOGO Design Contest we're holding.** Finally, I want to let you know that during the summer months, **the newsletter will be published every two weeks, rather than once a week. The next newsletter will come out on Wednesday, July 10, 2019.** Enjoy these summer days!

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NEWS FROM THE EOORC

POLICE RECORDS CHECKS & ONLINE DECLARATIONS *by Rev. Whit Strong, Minister for Pastoral Relations*

I would like to offer clarification about the need for Ministry Personnel to have a current Police Records Check (PRC) and a regular completion of the Annual Online Declaration Related to Charges and Convictions. Ministry Personnel (OM, DM, DLM) must have a current Police Records Check. This means that every **six years you must get a new PRC** from your local police service. In addition, by June 30th of each year, all ministry personnel are required to go onto their "My Ministry Page" on ChurchHub and complete the annual online declaration with regards to charges and convictions. Doing the annual online declaration does not discharge you from the requirement of having a new PRC every six years. The Annual Online Declaration cannot be processed if your actual PRC is dated more than six years previous. Please keep your newest PRC in your personal files so that the date of issue is available to you when you do your annual online declaration.

RIDEAU HILL CAMPERS NEED YOUR HELP

Rideau Hill Camp relies on the community to help send campers from all over the region to attend summer camp. This summer alone we've been able to fully or partially sponsor 150 campers so far, with sponsorships we've received. This is an amazing number of campers and a wonderful outpouring of support! Approximately \$28,000 worth of campership has been donated and raised. We have currently MAXED out our sponsorship funds and there are still campers needing help to attend a wonder-filled experience. Can you help? We are reaching out to our local EOORC community to



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see if any congregations can provide further help by asking their members or governing bodies. Thank you for all that you do in making a summer camping experience for others. Please contact us at rideauhillcamp@gmail.com if you or someone you know can help make a difference in a child's summer.

HEALING PATHWAY AT EOORC by Howard Clark, Co-Chair, Healing Pathway EOORC

The Inaugural meeting of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council was full of new connections and experiences. Not the least for the **Healing Pathway** which had been approved by the Executive in April 2019, as a Network of the EOORC.

Thanks to the efforts of the team of Trinity, Smiths Falls and St Paul's, Perth, a wonderful atmosphere was created for people to receive Healing Pathway sessions in a hockey changing room. Special thanks to Carolyn Lunn and Barb Loynes and their helpers. The Healing Pathway room was staffed by 12 practitioners from six different congregations from as far away as Chesterville and Ottawa, to as close as Smiths Falls.



Approximately 20 people at the Meeting, most of whom had not experienced Healing Pathway before, received sessions. One of the last people to receive, got up and said "Wow!" and went on to describe the sensations of colours she had experienced, the sensations of energy moving, and the deep peace that resulted from her session. This paralleled the experience of many who came and received.

Throughout the event a display table with flyers for upcoming courses, general information about Healing Pathway and the Healing Pathway video generated a lot of interest. We were fortunate to have 10 minutes on the Friday evening agenda and Sharon Moon ably shared an overview of the Pathway followed by the showing of the video.

Our overall sense is that Healing Pathway was well represented and well received at the Inaugural Meeting, and we look forward to attending upcoming meetings of the EOORC

The next *Phase 1 – An Introduction* is being held at Glen Cairn United Church on November 8 and 9. If you are interested in learning more about Healing Pathway visit the website at HealingPathway.ca – you can watch the video there, or send an email to HealingPathwayEast@gmail.com.

CERTIFICATE IN MINISTRY OF SUPERVISION

Queen's College Faculty of Theology and the United Church of Canada Office of the Vocation Minister (Atlantic) are pleased to announce a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to collaborate in the development and delivery of the Certificate in the Ministry of Supervision (UC) Program. The program will be offered in the Fall 2019 Semester. A full description of the program can be found [here](#).



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**EASTERN ONTARIO OUTAOUAIS REGIONAL COUNCIL
NEEDS A LOGO!**

Do you want to share your artistic flair with us? Do you want to illustrate what the EOORC means to you? If you do, submit your artwork to the

EOORC LOGO CONTEST

We're looking for something that expresses the diversity, geographic beauty and progressiveness of the EOORC. Our colours are red and black, but there is some flexibility to use other colours.

Here are two examples from other regional councils to help get your creative juices flowing



CANADIAN SHIELD
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Please submit your logo by **Friday, August 30, 2019**. For questions and to send your entry, contact Anita: ajansman@united-church.ca

E-ssentials

A new issues of *E-ssentials* is available [here](#) and includes a Prayer for National Indigenous Peoples.

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