



A *Key Messages Update* is published monthly which includes items from the Board and the administration. These topics include the highlights and successes of the month, as well as the Board's perspective on matters of importance. Key Messages for the month are presented under each of the [Strategic Plan](#) Pillars. [Subscribe to our Key Messages!](#)

## Key Messages of the Month June 2022

### *Community Hubs*

- **Kids Food Drive:** The BMPL Teen Group has stepped up to assist with the Library's Snacks for Kids Food Drive, occurring all month. This will assist local families in need via the BVO Food Bank. BMPL Teens helped create the Food Drive boxes and will promote the Food Drive at their local schools. The Teen Group continues to meet monthly at L.E. Shore and help with the Young Adult Book Club, as well as the monthly Teen Lit Kits. They are eager to continue to connect with their peers, discuss books, and have creative and leadership opportunities.
- **Visitor Library Cards:** Based on the consultation feedback gathered in the Strategic Plan Study BMPL has moved to offering visitor cards. Now anyone who lives, works or plays here can access our materials. Technology, which is in limited supply is restricted, but our community can now access onsite content without barriers. Permanent cards still require the individual to be a resident or someone who works in the Town.
- **Ravenna Hall Pop-Up Services:** Pop-up GLAMs at Ravenna Hall offer information for seniors, families and rural residents to help with isolation and to provide a community hub space where they live, work, and play. Visit us every other Friday's this summer from 1:30-4:30. [Next pop-up is July 8<sup>th</sup>.](#)



## Empowering Services

- **The Gallery at L.E. Shore – Two Great Exhibits!** Our Gallery at L.E. Shore has two exhibits worth stopping in to see. Through the end of June [Celebrating the Gallery](#) is featuring the jurors and ACC Members, but also has some great archival content about how our gallery has been used over the past 27 years. Starting on July 5<sup>th</sup> the Juried Show 2022 launches. This competition is showing 31 shortlisted applicants work. Our jurors as well as the community can vote on the art. Join us on July 9<sup>th</sup> for our first reception in 28 months, where winners will be announced.
- **Children's Program at Depot:** A weekly Kids Clubhouse program has been introduced at the Craighleith Heritage Depot. Similar to the existing After-School Kids Club at L.E. Shore, local youth are invited to join for an hour of after-school STEAM activities and socialize with their peers. Space is still available for this and other CHD library programs.
- **Tech Help is Back Face to Face:** For those looking for tech help there are a number of ways to get the support you want. Virtual meetings are available, face to face can be booked or happen during drop-in times, our Wired Wednesday is still occurring on Facebook Live or you can watch these and other tech supports on our YouTube Channel.
- **REEL History Films Win Big Again:** The Museum and Archives have been working diligently on the upcoming [REEL History film series](#). The [trailer](#) for the Blue Mountain Pottery film has been launched. The film is entitled Blue Clay and will be launched at the [Blue Mountain Pottery Expo](#) in July. [Apple Harvest](#) film has won a Silver Telly Award this month. This international award is given in the Museum and Galleries section. The Silver Telly Awards are based in the United States and honour a wide range of production across many platforms. This is the second Silver we have won and we still hope in future years to go for the gold!

## Organizational Excellence

- **Arts & Culture Council Call for Applicants:** The ACC is now accepting applications for new members. Members meet monthly to plan Gallery exhibits and the ACC Presents series, as well as overseeing these two main area's implementation. The [application deadline is August 15<sup>th</sup>](#).
- **Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Approved:** The [BMPL Strategic Plan](#) Summary document has now been delivered to all mailboxes via The Review. If you have not received your copy, stop into either branch and grab your copy.
- **Strategic Plan Presented in Deputation to Council:** At the June 6<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, the Chair and CEO presenting the [Year in Review](#) to Council. This deputation is available on the [TBM site](#).
- **Homebound Services:** Homebound Service has expanded its membership and now provides services, not only to senior residents at Errinrurg Retirement Community, but also to anyone experiencing a short or long-term disability and includes those who may have seasonal homebound needs, such as those who cannot travel in the winter. Call for more information.
- **Blue Mountain Pottery Scavenger Hunt:** As we prepare for the [Blue Mountain Expo 2022](#), we have designed a [scavenger hunt](#), in partnership with the Thornbury BIA, where families can



hunt for 5 Blue Mountain Pottery pieces across local businesses. Ballots are available at LES and CHD. The Scavenger Hunt runs June 30th to July 20<sup>th</sup>.

- **Year in Review:** Our Year in Review and Audited Financials can now be found on our [website](#).
- **GoVAXX Bus Returns:** The GoVAXX bus will be with us again on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 11am-7pm in the L.E. Shore parking lot. All vaccinations (pediatric, first, second, and boosters) will be available. [Registration is available](#) or you may drop-in.



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