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COVID-19 UPDATE #39

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The Town of Carleton Place continues to monitor new information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

MUNICIPAL UPDATES

Carleton Place Public Library

Free Wi-Fi - The library is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 however, the Library Wi-Fi is still accessible from the parking lot. For the safety of yourself and others, remember to practice social distancing.

The First Few Pages Podcast - [Episode 4 is now available](#) - This week we learn about medieval courtly love, renaissance humanism and how to survive isolation with Giovanni Boccaccio's The Decameron. Find us on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Breaker and RadioPublic by searching "The First Few Pages". Find the book here: <http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/23700>

Need a Library Card? - If you need to update your library card while we're closed, you can contact us by emailing library@carletonplace.ca . Or, send us a message on [Facebook](#). We'll get back to you as soon as we can and ask you a few questions to verify that it's you before we update your file. We want everyone to be able to access ebooks and audiobooks from home, and Hoopla and Libby are great resources.

Garage Sales

In order to comply with guidelines for physical and social distancing, we are encouraging residents not to hold or frequent garage sales in the community until the Provincial Emergency Order has been lifted. For guidelines on how to protect your family and neighbours from the spread of COVID-19, please visit the [Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit website](#).



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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

Prime Minister Trudeau announced a comprehensive support of nearly \$9 billion for post-secondary students and recent graduates. [This plan](#) will help provide the financial support they need this summer, help them continue their studies in the fall, and help many get the experience they need to start their careers.

Wellness Together Canada

The Federal government has launched a program called [Wellness Together Canada](#) to provide mental health and substance use support to all Canadians suffering from the impacts of the coronavirus crisis. **Wellness Together Canada** provides an online portal that allows Canadians to access self-assessments, self-directed e-mental health tools, peer support and live counselling by telephone, video and text. Anyone in need or who wants to talk can access the service at www.wellnesstogether.ca or at **1-866-585-0445**.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

The Ontario government is [making progress on the implementation](#) of the [COVID-19 Action Plan for Protecting Long-Term Care Homes](#) to help stop and contain the spread of COVID-19 in the province's long-term care homes. The government has introduced more aggressive testing, screening, and surveillance, deployed specialized teams from hospitals, public health and the home care sector, recruited additional frontline staff, and increased personal protective equipment.

OTHER UPDATES

[A Message from United Way – East Ontario](#)

Summary: We are encouraged by the Government of Canada's \$350 million investment to support the charitable sector – right here in East Ontario, and across the country. We will work closely with our local partners including the Canadian Red Cross and Community Foundations Canada to coordinate and deploy critical funds in our local community to support those most in need. The Government of Canada's investment will be available to us soon, but until then, we will continue our work of evaluating the needs in our community and collaborating with local organizations to address those challenges quickly and creatively.

