# SUMMER

## **Belle River Newsletter**



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Our Belle River Wind team hopes that you and your family are doing well during these challenging times. This is our first of periodic newsletters we will begin sending to you to share news from the site and updates about our community outreach. For more frequent updates please subscribe to our e- newsletter on our website at BelleRiverWind.ca.



#### Supporting Our Community

As the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic spread to our area, our team at Belle River Wind stepped up to help the local community. With the support of local suppliers Fastenal, JM Controls, Linestar, Lucier and Tenaquip, we've donated personal protection equipment supplies, including N95 masks, face shields, gloves, gowns, as well as baby monitors, to hospitals and other frontline workers. We have also supported our local restaurants by purchasing meals for healthcare workers. We recently purchased TV tables for a longterm care facility to accommodate the new social distance dining restrictions. We are in this together, and we hope you and your family are staying healthy and safe.







Our Belle River Wind team delivered safety supplies to the hospitals, food for our frontline workers and TV tables to the residents of Season Retirement Community Home.

# A Pattern of Giving

Pattern Canada and our partners are committed to supporting organizations in the Town of Lakeshore and surrounding communities. A list of our sponsorships from last year is below. We look forward to continuing to sponsor a wide range of community causes this year, including contributions to the LaSalle Firefighters Association, the Bkejwanong hockey team, the Lakeshore Academy of Fine Arts, the Parkinson Society's Walk IT event, and many other worthy causes. If you have recommendations for causes or events, we may support, please fill out the Sponsorships Request Form on our website, www.BelleRiverWind.ca.



Cause

#### **Belle River Wind Sponsorships**

#### **Organization Name**

Kingsville Girls Fastpitch	. Team Sponsorship
Windsor - Essex Youth Choir	Association Sponsorship
Lakeshore Discovery School	. Outdoor Classroom Space
LaSalle Firefighters Association	Annual Charity Fishing Tournament
LEAD (Lakeshore Ed. and Arts Development)	. Building Restoration
Walpole Island	. Spring Powwow
Belle River District Minor Hockey Association	Association Sponsorship
Erie Shores Health Foundation	. Custom Bike Show Sponsor
Greater Essex County District School Board	. Belle River Public High School Bursary
KMHA Minor Pee Wee AA	. Team Sponsorship
Parkinson Society Southwestern Ontario	. Walk It Event
Randy Atkinson Memorial Fund	Association Sponsorship
Lakeshore Cheer Athletics	. Team Sponsorship

#### Landowner Gathering



Before social distancing impacting us all, we hosted our annual landowner dinner at the Urban Field House in Emeryville, home of the Lakeshore Academy of Fine Arts (LAFA), whose performers provided the evening's entertainment.

Guests enjoyed a range of delicious food from the Smashed Apple of Amherstburg and refreshments from Cooper's Hawk Winery in Harrow and Frank Brewing Company in Windsor. As a token of our appreciation for the support we enjoy from our landowners, each guest received a bottle of maple syrup from Ruscom Maple Farms.

A donation was made that night to LAFA to help cover tuition for young artists and performers. In addition, Belle River Wind committed to help pay for part of the repairs required to restore the building following a fire in 2018. As a way of saying thank you, LAFA graciously offered to host the dinner in their venue.

#### Did You Know?

A recent report from global consulting firm Wood Mackenzie found that Canada is likely to add 7.7 gigawatts (GW) of wind capacity and retire 5 GW of coal-fired capacity by 2028, mainly in the western provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. At the end of 2019, Canada had about 13.4 GW of operating wind facilities—that is enough electricity to meet the needs of approximately 3.4 million homes, and it puts Canada in 8th place globally for installed wind capacity.

### Call Before You Spray or Dig

We would like to remind everyone that you can help us keep our workers safe by letting us know when you have crop spraying scheduled. Our technicians perform regular maintenance on the wind turbines, which often brings them to your property during the growing season, and agricultural chemicals can present a serious health hazard. If your property is scheduled for spraying, we will work around your plans and avoid performing

maintenance activities during that time. Please call us at 519-728-2011 or email info@belleriverwind.com.

Additionally, Belle River Wind is a member of Ontario One Call, a free service to help minimize the risk to homeowners, excavators, and infrastructure owners when they perform digging activities. The Ontario One Call contact centre is open 24/7. Please call 1-800-400-2255 or visit www.ontarioonecall.ca before you dig.





Pattern for Sustainability

#### Sustainability is embodied in we bring our mission to transition the commun world to renewable energy we supp and reinforced through our and per

and reinforced through our commitments to safety, the environment, and communities and cultures. Pattern Energy released its first report to share details about the sustainability of our operations, from the environmental advantages and safety of our facilities and the economic benefits we bring to our host communities, to the ways we support the professional and personal growth of our employees. Sharing this information demonstrates our accountability to our stakeholders and enables us to find new ways to improve, supporting the long-term sustainability of our business. You can read the report online at www.patterncanada.ca.

#### Safety First



Safety is a top priority for Pattern Canada and the Belle River Wind team. We are proud to share that the site has not had a recordable injury since it began operations in September 2017, an important achievement that reflects our commitment to the safety of our workers. In March 2020, Belle River Wind received an internal award from Pattern Energy's Operations department in recognition of this exceptional safety performance.