



THE MUNICIPALITY OF

LAMBTON SHORES

COMMUNITY GROUP SPOTLIGHT

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PARTNERS IN LEARNING

Partners in Learning (PIL) is a local group with vision to inspire, involve, inform and challenge mature citizens in Lambton Shores.

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Established in 2005, PIL taps into the impressive store of expertise available in the area to provide relevant and novel courses for healthy mental and social stimulation in a welcoming atmosphere. Initially, all the courses were designed as peer-learning where each participant contributed to research on a given topic. To address their growing members interests and learning styles, PIL has now added purely discussion courses with no research required, along with practical, hands-on courses on topics such as drawing and intelligent movement. They also offer Socrates Café for those who enjoy discussing and debating the issue of the day.

PIL offers opportunities for mature citizens to grow and stay engaged with our fascinating world. Members are able to share their own experience and skills in meaningful ways and explore topics of significance to them. They also enjoy the well known health benefits of socializing in an inclusive environment. A variety of weekly courses, field trips and socials allow members to develop friendships and stay abreast of community events.

Past programming efforts have included *Recognizing Reconciliation*, a five part series that brought together leaders from the Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities to discuss the complexities of Reconciliation. Many different types of stories were shared including those on inequity, destruction of family, healing and spiritual work, language recovery and educational success.

In 2020, PIL will be offering *Unpacking Climate Change*, a five part series modeled after *Recognizing Reconciliation* that will bring together special guest speakers to discuss various aspects of the crisis. Membership is not required to attend this event.

PIL is known for its welcoming and inclusive nature. Annual membership is \$25 and provides access to all offerings. Each 5 week course is offered at \$25 to assist in covering rental, publicity and equipment costs. There is something for everyone who enjoys socializing and discovering in a group.

PIL meets at Huron Shores United Church, 25 Main Street, Grand Bend Ont., N0M 1T0. Courses are offered on Mondays from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Socrates Café is opened every fourth Tuesday from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



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