

Trinity Bids Farewell

By Kathey Northey.

Trinity United Church held a roast beef pot luck lunch after morning worship on Sunday, May 6th, to honour **Doug and Linda Reynolds**, long time members of our church. They recently moved to Peterborough and we wanted to recognize their many years of dedication.

Whenever a job needed doing they were the first to volunteer to help if they were able. Linda and Doug both helped with the preparation and of many a catered meal. Doug was pioneer in equal rights and was always in the dishwasher whenever cleanup came around. Doug helped with many of the maintenance jobs around the church and could always be relied on to take the garbage to the dump. For more than 45 years Linda helped the United Church Women in every way she could and held offices in the group. She was also a dedicated and valuable member of our church choir. For many years they faithfully prepared the sacraments for Holy Communion and were hard-working members of the Church Board.

The Board, on behalf of the congregation presented them with an array of gift cards and thanked them for their dedication, support and most of all their friendship. We hope they will continue to join us for worship often.

The UCW and Choir presented Linda with a beautiful metal wall hanging for their new home.

It was wonderful for us to honour two such special people and we wish them happiness and good health in their new abode. They have left a spot in our congregation that will be very hard to fill.

Doug and Linda were both born and raised in the village. Before retiring Linda worked at the post office and Doug at the LCBO. They were both active in ABC Seniors and their many activities. Doug helped with hockey when his son was younger and was a long-time member of the Lions Club. We are sure the community also wish them the best in this move to the city.

Photo Below: Doug & Linda Reynolds at a church meeting.



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Cottage Opening Checklist

For your reference, here is a cottage opening checklist which we received from FOCA - the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (foca.on.ca):

- **Vehicle:** Check your car's lights, signals, tire pressure and fluids before the trip to the cottage.
- **First Aid:** Assemble a first-aid kit for your cottage and your car. If you already have them, then review the contents of the kits, and replace any missing or expired supplies.
- **Water Craft:** Review the condition of boats, including fuel lines and tanks. Ensure that all required safety equipment is on board and in good repair.
- **Electrical:** Check your electricity meter and interior wiring, cords and plugs for any signs of gnawing or other damage before turning on your power for the season!
- **Fire Safety:** Install and maintain cottage smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.
- **Outside:** Remove dry leaves and debris from the cottage roof and/or eavestroughs to reduce fire risk. (Remember: use ladders with caution!)
- **Boating Safety:** Boating in spring weather? Beware of the dangers of cold water immersion.
- **Insurance:** Talk to your insurance representative to review your cottage, car and boat coverage. Bear in mind that many property insurance policies carry exclusions related to water damage – check yours and be sure you understand what you are covered for.
- **Emergencies:** Prepare for extreme weather events by creating a family emergency preparedness plan for the cottage. Just like at home, consider what your family would need to survive at the cottage for 72 hours in a time of emergency.
- **Socialize:** Talk to your neighbours, and plan ahead for emergencies by identifying vulnerable people and potential community volunteers.