



I grew up in a small, rural town near Lake Erie, where farming was king. Farming communities are tightly knit; you help your neighbours, you work hard, and you help build a strong community. I've carried those life lessons with me, especially when I relocated to a new community over 25 years ago. Even though I had my degree in accounting (which surprises many people), when I moved to Collingwood in 1998 to work for a company called Bellalarm Systems, I was brought on to work on their fire safety side of the business, working primarily with fire extinguishers. When the Thorburn family bought Bellalarm Systems, I moved over to work with the Huronia security team and have been there ever since.

(We asked Roger what his biggest security tip for Customers is ...) One of my biggest concerns for our Customers is water levels. Having working water alarms and leak detectors, along with a sump pump that's ready to work in the event of an emergency are so important and are often overlooked. I'd ask all our customers to check their sump pump floats to make sure they are in good working order. Water can be so damaging to a property that whenever I go out on a call, I check the water float at the Customer's property ... even if I'm there to service something like a security contact!

Twenty-five years of working and living in this community has allowed me to set down some deep roots. I've had the chance to work with the team at My Friend's House a number of times throughout the years. I've seen firsthand the good service work they do; they are very hands-on. They inspired me to participate in their fundraising event called the Red Shoe Walk, and for years I've been putting on a pair of high-heeled red pumps, alongside other men in our community, and walking to raise money for their organization.

~ Roger Gallant, Security Technician

HURONIA THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY HOURS OF OPERATION

Please take note that Huronia will be CLOSED on Monday, October 9th. **We will re-open on Tuesday, October 10th.** Our **24/7 ULC listed monitoring station** WILL remain open without interruption in monitoring service. 24/7 emergency support is also available if required.

WE'RE PUMPED TO SUPPORT MY FRIEND'S HOUSE RED SHOE WALK!

Huronia has been a long-time supporter of **My Friend's House** in Collingwood. This non-profit agency provides support and a safe haven for women and their children who are leaving an abusive domestic situation. The **Red Shoe Walk**, which took place on September 23rd in downtown Collingwood, helped raise much-needed funds for the crisis shelter and the services they provide. Congratulations to all those who took part in the

walk, strutting their stuff in red shoes. The event raised \$105,000 (and counting!).
#RedShoeWalk



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 8th – October 14th, 2023

Our colleagues at the [National Fire Protection Association](#) are proud to present their 2023 fire safety awareness campaign. We'd like to help them spread their important safety message.

"This year's Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW™) campaign, "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention™," works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe when cooking."

Play "I Spy Cooking Safety" with your kids by [clicking the video link below](#). This video will help teach children how to be safe in and around the kitchen while providing safety tips for the whole family.

We also encourage you to download the following safety tip sheets and activity sheet resources to help get you started:

- [Cooking Safety Tip Sheet](#)
- [Electrical Cooking Appliance Safety Tip Sheet](#)
- [Kid-Free Zone Marker](#)
- [Fire Prevention Week Coloring Sheet](#)

For any questions about smoke alarms or carbon monoxide alarms for your home, [please get in touch with us](#).



COTTAGE CHECKS. YES, WE OFFER THIS SERVICE IN MUSKOKA

Is your cottage or second residence vacant for long periods of time? Many of our Customers are snowbirds and shut down their cottages at Thanksgiving, not returning until the Spring. Some families can't be at the cottage every weekend in the summer, leaving the cottage unoccupied. Many underwriters require that unoccupied premises (cottages) be checked every 72 hours, once per week or once every two weeks. For our residential Customers in the Muskoka region, we perform exterior and interior inspections of cottages to help ensure compliance. Our Security Guards are fully trained, licensed, insured, and uniformed. Our team provides detailed activity reports, which gives our customers additional peace of mind knowing that their property is under the watchful eye of our trained professionals. If this is a service that you are interested in learning more about, [please get in touch](#).

PROUD SPONSORS OF MUSIC AT THE MEADOWS. IN SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY LIVING SOUTH MUSKOKA.

Music fans from across Muskoka attended the [Community Living South Muskoka's](#) Music in the Meadows fundraising event on August 26th. This event raised much-needed funds for over 400 individuals in Muskoka living with a developmental disability and their families. Funds raised allow this community group to provide food and housing security for those in their care.

- Total funds raised \$42,500.
- 45% increase in total fundraising from 2022.
- 100 more tickets sold than in 2022.

"We had so much fun at the music festival, the acts were incredible (and all LOCAL) and our vendors too (also LOCAL)! We felt very thankful for the way things worked out, thank



Community Living
South Muskoka

MUSIC AT THE MEADOWS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 OUTDOOR MUSIC FESTIVAL + FUNDRAISER
50/50 DRAW | CHARITY BBQ | BEER GARDEN BY MUSKOKA BREWERY

WITH **DAYNA
REID**

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@THE TONNEY
BLUE MOON
THE BROTHERS
COWTROTTER

WE ARE HIRING! ACCOUNTING/INVENTORY CLERK POSITION AVAILABLE IN UTTERSON (MUSKOKA). HELP US FIND THE NEXT GREAT ADDITION TO OUR TEAM!

We are currently seeking an Accounting/Inventory Clerk. As an Accounting/Inventory Clerk with Huronia at our Utterson/Muskoka location. You will be responsible for a variety of inventory and accounts receivable tasks. This position reports to the Controller and will work closely with the Billing Coordinator, Inventory & Purchasing Coordinator, and Collections Officer. If you have experience in accounting or inventory and would like to work in the Muskoka area, please send your resume to hr@huroniaalarms.com.

We offer a competitive hourly rate (based on related work experience), extended health and dental benefits, RRSP contribution, company vehicle, continuous training and development, uniforms, safety equipment/tools, on-call/overtime pay and the opportunity to work with a great group of people!

Sound like you or someone you know? Send an email to hr@huroniaalarms.com or contact Human Resources at 705-445-4444 ext. 1113.

We offer an incentive for leads that create viable employment opportunities for our company: three months of free monitoring for the lead; 12 months of free monitoring if we employ the lead through their probationary period; an additional 24 months of free monitoring should the lead remain employed after one year of continuous service.



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