

CABLC CONNECTION

YOUR MONTHLY INFORMATION UPDATE

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Important Dates:

- June 3 - Red Shirt Day
- June 4 - Canvas and Cocktails Fundraiser
- June 18 - Father's Day Cookout and Car Show
- June 21 - Father's Day
- June 26 - Spirit Day. Dress in Animal Print

Fundraising

Community Comfort Program - Emrick Mechanical

We're honoured to be a charity partner in Emrick Mechanical's Community Comfort Program. Until August 31, 2026, every furnace or AC installation generates a \$150 donation to a local charity. This is a simple way to give back while keeping your home comfortable. Thank you to Emrick Mechanical for investing in our community. If you're planning a service or installation, please consider choosing Crossing All Bridges as your charity of choice.



Golf "Fore" Learning Raffle Tickets Are Here

Support our 22nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament by grabbing your raffle tickets today! Prizes include a 30" Mobile BBQ (donated by Crown Verity), a Chilly Moose Cooler filled with cheer, and a \$500 Strodes BBQ gift card. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25 and the draw will be held on September 10th, 2026. Want to help even more? Ask us for a book of tickets to sell. Contact: Nancy Dawdy (Tuesday or Thursday at CAB or nancy@crossingallbridges.ca) to purchase or get involved. (Must be 19+ to participate.)



Canvas and Cocktails Fundraiser

It's not too late to join us on Thursday, June 4 for an evening of painting, connection, and fun in support of Crossing All Bridges. For \$50, participants will enjoy a guided painting session with local artist Jill Pye, along with light refreshments and a summer cocktail. Gather your friends and get creative for a great cause. To reserve your spot, contact natasha@crossingallbridges.ca.



Staff Updates

Employee Anniversaries

Thank you to both Michelle Carpenter and Debbie Maxworth for your years of service, dedication to the vision, and passion for the work we do at Crossing All Bridges Learning Centre. Your commitment, care, and contributions have made a meaningful impact on our team and the families we support every day. Here's to many more great years ahead.



Weather Reminder

With warmer weather here, please remember to come prepared for the heat. We encourage everyone to bring a reusable water bottle each day, along with sun protection such as hats and sunscreen. Staying hydrated and protected will help ensure a safe and enjoyable time for all.



CABLC NEWSLETTER THIS ISSUE

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Social Club

Social Club runs bi-weekly 5:30pm to 7:30pm on Thursday evenings. Come on out this month for ice cream at Dairy Queen on June 11th followed by Dinner at Montana's on June 25th. To register contact our Manager of Programs, natasha@crossingallbridges.ca



Shredding Barriers

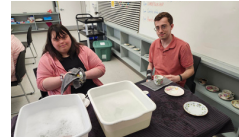
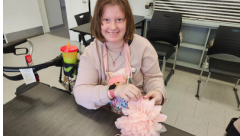


From the team at Shredding Barriers, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all of our customers for your continued support and trust in our services. Every partnership, referral, and service provided helps us continue making a meaningful impact in our community. If you or someone you know has any documents you need securely destroyed, please give us a call or stop by during our business hours. We would be happy to assist. For more information visit our website at www.shreddingbarriers.ca

May Highlights

Mother's Day High Tea

Our Mother's Day Tea was an exceptional evening filled with family, fun, and celebration. It was wonderful to see so many moms and loved ones come together to enjoy the event. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the night so special. A big thank you as well to our staff and participants for their hard work in planning such a memorable evening.



CAB Community Garden

We're excited to share that the CAB Community Garden, in partnership with Equal Grounds Community Garden, is now open. The garden offers a wonderful space for participants to enjoy during program time, along with after-hours programs and opportunities for families and community members to get involved through volunteering. We look forward to a vibrant and rewarding season in the garden. Interested in volunteering at our garden complete the registration form found at www.egcgbrant.ca/volunteer and select Crossing All Bridges as your garden of choice.



Spirit Day: Animal Print Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed in CAB Colours for our May Spirit Day. This month's Spirit Day is on Friday June, 26th, 2026, participants are encouraged to rock their favourite animal print for Animal Print Day. Participants will enjoy a group lunch in the gym and an afternoon of spirit building activities.



Extended Programming Opportunities



Introducing a new after-hours program: **CAB Roots**. Join us for a 6-week nature-focused program in our inclusive, accessible, community garden space. Participants will have the opportunity to connect with the earth and care for the garden while exploring activities such as botanical paint making, leaf threading and more. Program starts Tuesday June 2nd, 2026 and runs from 3:30pm-5:30pm. Registration is required.

NEW! CAB Roots

Monthly Dance Mixer

Join us for final Dance Mixer held on **Friday July 10th**, from 7:00pm-9:00pm at 65 Sky Acres Drive. July's theme is **Safari Celebration**, costumes are encouraged. For just \$10, you'll enjoy admission, a snack and a drink. Registration is required. *Please note there is no dance in June.* Want more opportunities to get dancing? Check out the monthly Friends4kindness dances and register at www.friends4kindness.com/events



The Garage: A Guys Night

Our popular after-hours program, **The Garage**, is back with a brand-new spring/summer session starting Friday June 12th, 2026 from 6pm to 8pm. Enjoy evenings filled with creativity, relaxation, and fun, including flower arranging, mini cake decorating, yoga, and DIY purses. Registration is required, so be sure to secure your spot and join us for a chance to try something new and connect with friends.

Craft Club

Get creative with us at Craft Club. Join every month from 6:00pm-8:00pm at 65 Sky Acres Drive, Brantford, for a fun evening of hands-on art activities in collaboration with the Neurodivergent Artist Collective. Each month brings a new project to explore, whether you're a beginner or an experienced crafter, there's something for everyone! We look forward to crafting with you on **June 3rd, 2026.**



For more information or to register for any extended programming opportunities please reach out to our Manager of Programs, Natasha Efner, at natasha@crossingallbridges.ca

CABLC PROGRAMMING

Culinary

The culinary room has been filled with learning, including how to properly store food, eat healthy, and explore different machines used on farms and how they help harvest the food we eat. This has been done in collaboration with Community Culture and Me through the "Down on the Farm" unit. Participants made and enjoyed salad, "chicken feed," haystack cookies, and tried different fruits like dragon fruit and pomegranate. Coming up in June, we will be focusing on more healthy recipes, summer comfort foods, and preparing for our end-of-year, centre wide picnic hosted by the culinary program.



Expressive Arts

This month in the Expressive Arts program, we have been gearing up for rehearsals for the CALBC Eras: A Tribute to Taylor Swift concert. We have a very dedicated and excited cast and crew who can't wait to share their talents with the community and their friends. We also took time this month to pause our performing and recognize all the wonderful mothers and important women in our lives by creating beautiful necklaces from participants' original artwork. We hope you can join us for our end-of-year performance. Save the date Friday June 26th, 2026 and keep an eye out for more information on tickets coming soon.

Recreation and Wellness

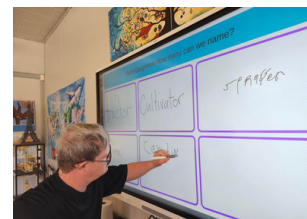
The month of May included a mix of activities, such as Mother's Day crafts, outdoor walks, badminton, and fitness circuits. Participants are excited about the warm weather and the opportunity to spend more time outdoors. In June, the Recreation and Wellness program will be focusing on Disc Golf, with two planned trips to Mohawk Park to give it a try while continuing to enjoy fitness circuit classes and incorporating sensory breathwork for mindfulness.



CABLC PROGRAMMING

Community, Culture and Me

Community culture and me enjoyed a fun filled month preparing to welcome CABLC's wonderful mothers and caregivers to our Mother's Day Tea. We always look forward to this annual event; it gives participants an opportunity to spend time and treat their moms to some delicious treats and to create a craft together. We added farm equipment to the Down on the Farm unit and a year end trip to a dairy farm is quickly approaching. Participants continue to volunteer at the Library and the Restore and enjoy our bi-weekly mall walks. Our book study is also ending as we finished the last three chapters of "The Borrowers". This month the participants will have the opportunity to see the book come to life, as they enjoy the movie.



Digital Innovation

In the month of May, Digital Innovation practiced American Sign Language focusing on becoming familiar with the alphabet and learning some new songs. Digital has begun planning our 2nd CAB car wash by creating flyers and making posters, so keep your eyes peeled. Participants ended the month off by learning to create our own Kahoot quizzes and working on our photography skills by taking pictures in nature. In the month of June things are getting busier as we enter summer. Digital Innovation will start by learning about an athlete's career and joining Recreation & Wellness for workouts. Participants will explore the history of Disney Animations as we practice our animation skills. To end the month, we are going to learn more about careers, starting with Youtubers & Vloggers as we learn about the unique styles of filming and online safety when it comes to being a digital creator. We are also going to prepare for our year end car wash by learning all about the tools, and skills needed to properly wash a car!



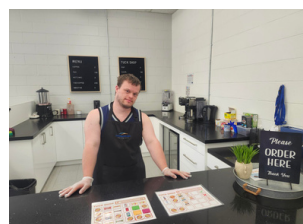
CAB Hubs

During the month May CAB Hubs small group partnered with Expressive Arts to work as the crew for CAB Eras tribute concert. Participants worked together to create flyers and programs as well as set pieces and props. Get your tickets to the show to see all their hard work come to life. In June, CAB HUBS will focus on contributing to local community gardens and creating art pieces to auction at the annual Golf "Fore" Learning Tournament.



Tuck Shop

New in the tuck shop for June, ice cream cups are here! Available in chocolate or vanilla, these treats are both gluten and peanut-free. Pick one up for just \$1.50 and enjoy a cool, refreshing snack this month.



Summer Camp and Summer Leisure Days 2026

Summer Planning

Important Dates

July 17 - Last day of programming
 August 10 - 14, 2026 - Centre CLOSED for staff training / development
 June 30 - 2026/27 Registration Packages Due



Summer Programming Options

1. Summer Camp - We offer 3 weeks of summer camp from July 20- August 7 for individuals aged 14+, with weekly themes and trips, the cost is \$375.00/week. Registration opened May 1 and there are still spaces available for each of the weeks.
2. Leisure Days - Leisure programming is also available from July 20- August 7, as an alternative to summer camp for those who prefer to stay social but may not enjoy the physical demands of camp. Registration is more flexible and can be arranged depending on the individual needs (1 day, 3 days, 5 days etc.) for a daily fee. Spaces are still available.

2026/2027 Registration Packages

Registration packages will be sent home and emailed out the first week of June and due back June 30, 2026. Due to the high demand of services, CABLC has had to implement a programming waitlist. For priority of days, please send back packages by June 30th, 2026. Any questions please contact Michelle Carpenter at mcarpenter@crossingallbridges.ca



Summer Sizzle Camp 2026

Leisure Days 2026



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SUMMER SIZZLE CAMP 2026

SAVE THE DATE
REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 1
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

Summer Sizzle Camp days are filled with day trips, water activities and more!

Week 1
Groovy Decades
(July 20-24)

Week 2
Worlds of Wonder
(July 27-31)

Week 3
Teamwork Takeover
(August 4-7)

Michelle Carpenter
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519-751-0123 X102



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JOIN US FOR
SUMMER LEISURE DAYS 2026

Introducing Leisure Days – the perfect choice for those seeking a more relaxed and less strenuous summer experience.


Designed as an alternative to Summer Sizzle Camp, Leisure Days offers a daily commitment providing fun and engaging activities.


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Leisure Days is not a drop-in program – it's a daily commitment with a fee.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW!


CAB ROOTS
 A NEW GARDEN FOCUSED AFTER-HOURS PROGRAM
GROW, LEARN, BLOOM TOGETHER
 Open to individuals 14+



Join us for a 6-week nature-focused program in our inclusive, accessible community garden space. Topics & activities include making natural bug repellents, Inukshuk stone building, botanical paint making, table top Zen gardens, seed mandalas, leaf threading and more.

<p>Date & Time</p> <p>Tuesdays from 3:30 - 5:30 Start Date: Tuesday June 2nd, 2026</p> <p>Cost</p> <p>\$100.00 for all 6 weeks or \$20.00 per session</p> <p>To Register</p> <p>Contact our Manager of Programs Natasha Efner: natasha@crossingallbridges.ca 519-751-0123 ext. 104</p>	<p>Weekly Outline</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Natural Bug Repellent 2 Nature's Colour Palette 3 Stones that Speak 4 Earthy Mindfulness 5 Awakening the Senses 6 Breathing Buddies
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*Individuals do not need to be registered in CABLC day program to attend


SIGN UP

The Garage

Six weeks. One crew. Endless fun. open to guys 14+

JOIN US

Building friendships, confidence, and connection through hands-on activities, games, and shared interests in a relaxed, welcoming space just for guys.

SUMMER SESSION

Each week brings a new theme designed for fun, teamwork, and social connection. You can expect games, friendly competition, themed activities, and an exciting community outing, all focused on creating a place to hang out, try new things, and connect with peers in a supportive environment.

DATE & TIME

Fridays from 6pm to 8pm
Start Date: June 12, 2026

COST

6-week program: \$150.00

TO REGISTER

Contact our Manager of Programs
Natasha Efner:
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6 WEEK PROGRAM - STARTING JUNE 12TH, 2026

- 1 **Garage Kick Off**
Meet the crew, kick back, get comfortable and create your very own garage sign.
- 2 **Flight Night**
Build it, fly it, and see how far it goes. Proper airplanes, kites and outdoor flying fun.
- 3 **Garage Eats**
Come hangout, cook and cheer on the team. Jays do we enjoy a ballpark and BBQ night.
- 4 **Camper Hangout**
Come set up camp, camp in our lawn games and enjoy the outdoors with friends.
- 5 **Garage Builds**
Make it and take it home. Join us for a hands-on building project.
- 6 **Garage Finale**
One last hangout to celebrate the summer. Join us for meet-ups and ice cream.

CROSSING ALL BRIDGES LEARNING CENTRE

FIFA 2026 WATCH PARTY

JOIN US AS WE CHEER ON TEAM CANADA

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 24, 2026




CROSSING ALL BRIDGES LEARNING CENTRE
65 Sky Acres Drive, Brantford, ON N3R 5W6

TIME
3:30pm - 5:00pm

COST
\$15.00

Join us for a Canada vs. Switzerland World Cup Watch Party. Come out and cheer on Team Canada, enjoy soccer-themed crafts, and celebrate with delicious World Cup ice cream. Bring your energy and get ready for an afternoon of fun, community, and national pride. Those attending are encouraged to wear red and white.

Registration is Required.

For More Information: natasha@crossingallbridges.ca

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RAFFLE

WIN 1 OF 3 AMAZING PRIZES!

32ND ANNUAL

GOLF

"FORE" LEARNING TOURNAMENT

Prize #1



30" MOBILE BBQ
Donated by Crown Verity
Prize Value: \$5,285

Prize #2



CHILLY MOOSE COOLER
FILLED WITH CHEER
Donated by Strodes BBQ
Prize Value: 1,200

Prize #3



\$500 GIFT CARD
STRODES BBQ
Donated by Seberns Engineering
Prize Value: \$500

TICKETS \$10 EACH | 3 FOR \$25

MUST BE 18+ TO PURCHASE.

CASH, CHEQUE, OR E-TRANSFER. PICK UP OR PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE CENTRE.

65 SKY ACRES DRIVE, BRANTFORD

Crossing All Bridges FOUNDATION
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Crossing All Bridges Learning Centre

GOT A COOL CAR?

BRING IT TO OUR

Father's Day Cookout & Car Show

BBQ DINNER PROVIDED TO ALL DRIVERS (HOT DOG, CHIPS AND DRINK)

YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY WITH US

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH, 2026

CROSSING ALL BRIDGES LEARNING CENTRE
65 SKY ACRES DR., BRANTFORD
5:30PM TO 7:30PM

To register your vehicle, email:
natasha@crossingallbridges.ca
with your car make and model

PRE-REGISTRATION IS APPRECIATED BUT NOT REQUIRED.


Learning Centre

Presents

Cookout & Cars



MUSIC - COOL CARS - GAMES - BBQ

CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY WITH US

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH, 2026

CROSSING ALL BRIDGES LEARNING CENTRE
65 SKY ACRES DR., BRANTFORD
5:30PM TO 7:30PM

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR!



PARTICIPANTS & COMMUNITY VISITORS \$10.00

FATHER'S ARE FREE

GOT A COOL CAR? BRING IT OUT!

ALL DRIVERS RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY BBQ DINNER

TO REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE, EMAIL (MAKE + MODEL) TO: NATASHA@CROSSINGALLBRIDGES.CA

PRE-REGISTRATION IS APPRECIATED BUT NOT REQUIRED.

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