



PARRY SOUND MUSKOKA  
Community Network

# IMPACT GALA

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# Congratulations

Please join us in congratulating our  
**Parry Sound Area Founders Circle award**  
**winners**



Parry Sound Area Founders Circle chairs Peter Istvan and Nicole Boyd (left) and PMCN Chair Lance DeCaire (right) present the \$10,000 Founders Choice Award to Wave Weir and Heather Darlington of **Wave Fibre Mill**.

Parry Sound Area Founders Circle chairs Peter Istvan and Nicole Boyd (left) and PMCN Chair Lance DeCaire (right) present the \$5,000 Founders Choice Award to Steve Hagen of **Dent Bay Baking Company**.



# Congratulations

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Muskoka Founders Circle Chair Rick Dalmazzi (left) and PMCN Chair Lance DeCaire (right) present the \$5,000 Founders Choice Award to Marielle Deurloo and Dave Laycock of **Helping Buddies Muskoka.**



# Thank you Sponsors



# Welcome from PMCN

## **Welcome to the fourth Parry Sound Muskoka Community Network (PMCN) Impact Awards celebrating business excellence in Parry Sound and Muskoka!**

Parry Sound Muskoka Community Network is a non-profit organization funded by the Federal Government through FedNor.

Over the past 22 years, we have distributed more than \$10 million in government programs to 800 local businesses and organizations in the Parry Sound and Muskoka area. New businesses can often benefit the most from funding and expertise.

To that end PMCN helped found the Muskoka Founders Circle and later the Parry Sound Area Founders Circle. Founders Circle is a group of local business people who donate their expertise and put up their own money to fund an annual prize of up to \$15,000 for the best new business in their respective region. Tonight we will honour this year's participants and announce the winners of the Founders Circle Awards!

This year we also have PMCN awards for students highlighting the best and brightest business leaders of the future! We are pleased to award the STEM ( Science Technology Engineering Math) Scholarship to:

1st place: team of Avalon Martin-McTavish and Sophia Webster

2nd place: team of David Sinton and Jackson McDonald

On Dec 31, 2022, PMCN's current funding agreement with FedNor ends and we will be ceasing operations. While this will likely be the last PMCN Impact Awards ceremony it is not the end of this tradition! We are proud to have played a role in the creation of Founders Circle and I look forward to attending next year's Founders Circle Awards Gala!

Thank you to everyone who helped make this evening a reality and have a Great Gala!

**Lance DeCaire, Chair**

Parry Sound Muskoka Community Network

# Welcome from PMCN

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**The Savvy Community (div. Savvy Learning Solutions Inc.)  
Presenting Sponsor of this year's PMCN IMPACT Gala.**

The gala is a celebration of innovation and entrepreneurship and Savvy's owner Christie Buckley recognizes this is a great fit for her business.

"We are an entrepreneurial ecosystem that connects entrepreneurs to support," explains Buckley, the Executive Curator of the company. Savvy Learning Solutions Inc./Savvy Community is designed to help businesses grow through access to programs, resources, coaching and financial expertise. It is a place to develop your business skill set and grow your professional community network using a concierge approach.

Savvy offers a variety of Do-It-Yourself and Done-For-You business coaching and consulting services, events, training and networking opportunities. To learn more visit <https://www.facebook.com/savvycommunity>

# Co-Chairs of Parry Sound Area Founders Circle

Co- Chairs: Peter Istvan/Nicole Boyd

## WHO WE ARE

The Parry Sound Area Founders Circle is group of individuals and business owners working together to promote economic development throughout the District of Parry Sound.

The group's first initiative, The Founders Choice Awards, identifies and rewards entrepreneurs with promising new business ideas.

The Founders are community leaders who have invested funds as prizes to be awarded to individuals or groups with innovative ideas that will help improve the local economy.

Aside from presenting the prizes to two of our five finalists, the Founders aim to provide significant assistance to all finalists through video production, marketing and introduction to investors.

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# Chair of Muskoka Founders Circle

Chair: Rick Dalmazzi

**MUSKOKA FOUNDERS CIRCLE HAS A SINGULAR OBJECTIVE:  
TO PROMOTE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MUSKOKA  
THROUGH SUPPORT OF LOCAL ENTREPRENEURS.**

This is done in the following ways:

- By providing financial assistance through the Founders Choice Awards
- By offering advice and mentorship to the entrepreneurs
- By raising the profile of local entrepreneurs and their businesses

The Founders Choice Awards identifies and rewards entrepreneurs with promising new businesses.

Held annually, prize money is awarded to contest winners selected by a panel of Founders. To date, a total of \$60,000 has been awarded. Founders are community business leaders united in their desire to help stimulate Muskoka's economy. They share their resources and expertise by "paying it forward" to local entrepreneurs to build the next generation of successful businesses.



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1. Kaila Stevenson, Sound Wealth Financial

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2. Matt Smith, Engel & Volkers, Parry Sound

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3. Nicole Boyd, Royal LePage Team Advantage Realty, Brokerage

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4. Fawn Horvath, Scotiabank

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5. Chris Pettinger, Trestle Brewing Company Ltd.

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6. James Cox, West Parry Sound Economic Development Collaborative



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7. David Pasieka, The Cedarvue Foundation

8. Peter Istvan, Peter Istvan Photography

9. Sonya McEwen, Adventure Academy Inc.

10. John Carlan, Beach Western Inc.

11. Kim McCormick, Bay Bound Solutions

12. Clayton Harris, Chief Administrative Officer; Town of Parry Sound



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13. Kirby Hall, Hall  
Construction

14. Chad Pallopson

15. Meg Wallace, Georgian  
Bay Boudoir

16. Roger Alexander,  
Lakeland Holdings

17. Theresa Morley, Morley  
Accounting Services

18. Maureen Cubberley,  
PMCN



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Dave Garagan, Parry Sound Insurance

Dave Ritchie, Ritchie/McDougall Insurance

Paul Lubbelinkhof, Cedarland Homes,

John Welsh, Parry Sound Chevrolet Buick GMC

Gerhard Latka, Crofters Organic

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1. John Cooper
2. Leonard Ojha
3. Eric Daly
4. Rick Dalmazzi
5. Curry Clifford
6. Theresa Morley,  
Morley Accounting  
Services



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7. Brenda Rhodes,  
Bracebridge Chamber

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8. Lance DeCaire, PMCN

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9. Tyler Burtch, Strata  
Wealth

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10. Ruth Bell Towns, BDO  
11. Alf Davis, Rotary Club  
of Bracebridge

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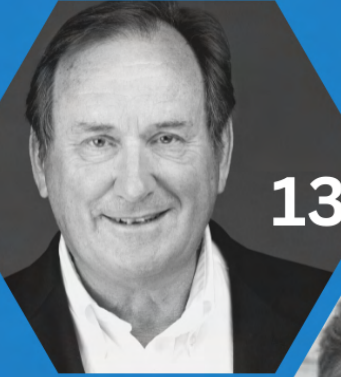


12. Bob Collins

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13. Donald MacKay,  
Muskoka Highlands Golf  
Links



14. Jean Guy Lafleur

15. Jeff Barnes, Edward  
Jones Financial Advisor



16. Jim Palangio, RBC)

17. Christie Buckley, Savvy  
Learning Solutions Inc.



18. Danielle Singor,  
Timber Mills



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19. Michelle Gardiner,  
RBC



20. Maryanne Marshall

21. Minna Hu, Inn at the  
Falls

22. Cliff Wichman, Inn at  
the Falls

23. Brea Lajambe, RBC

24. Andrew Smellie,  
Smellies Printing





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25. David Denyer

26. David Keith, Lakeland  
Networks



Larry Miller, Cavalcade  
Ford

Neil Smellie, Smellies  
Printing



# Parry Sound Muskoka Community Network Board of Directors

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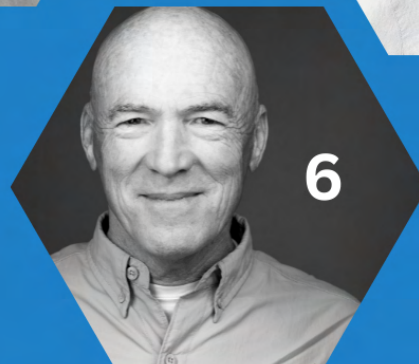
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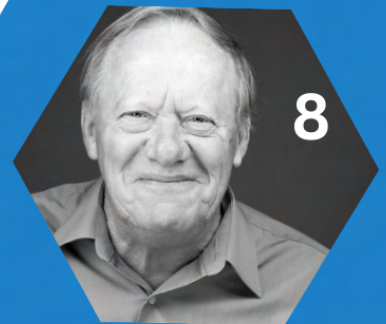
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1. Lance DeCaire, Chair
2. George Young
3. Maureen Cubberley
4. Gayle Dempsey
5. John Cooper

6. Pete LeMoine
7. Margaret Walton
8. John Finley
9. Stuart Morley, ED

# PMCN Scholarship Award



## The PMCN Scholarship Award

is being presented to the winners of the Science Technology Engineering Math (S.T.E.M.) competition.



The challenge was to build a robot from stem to stern. They used Computer Aided Design (C.A.D.) in the creation and modification of their design.



The top two teams effectively integrated a variety of skills used in the architecture and engineering processes to develop a unique mechanism.



Congratulations to  
Winners: Avalon Martin-McTavish and Sophia Webster  
Runners up: David Sinton and Jackson McDonald

# Parry Sound Area Founders Circle Finalists

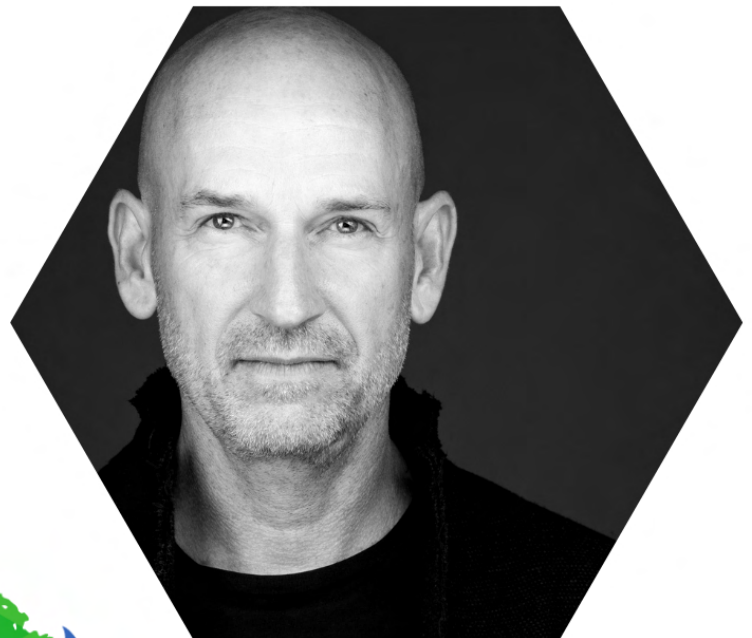
**Wave Weir**  
**Wave Fibre Mill**  
Seguin

[wavefibremill.com](http://wavefibremill.com)



**Steve Hagen**  
**Dent Bay Baking Co**  
Parry Sound/Carling

[dbbakingco.com](http://dbbakingco.com)



# Parry Sound Area Founders Circle Finalists

**Lyndsey Stevenato**  
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**Children's Therapy**  
**Services**

Parry Sound  
[childrenstherapy.ca](http://childrenstherapy.ca)



**Jocelyn Couture**  
**Muskoka**  
**Charcuterie Co.**

Parry Sound  
[muskokacharcuterie.com](http://muskokacharcuterie.com)



# Parry Sound Area Founders Circle Finalists

**Brittany Novak and  
Colleen McLean  
Sound Youth Counselling  
Services**

Parry Sound  
[soundyouthcounselling.ca](http://soundyouthcounselling.ca)



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# Muskoka Founders Circle Finalists

**Kevin Farley**

**Fluent Disc Sport**

Lake of Bays, Muskoka

[fluentdisc.com](http://fluentdisc.com)



**Marielle Deurloo and**

**Dave Laycock**

**Helping Buddy Muskoka**

Huntsville, Muskoka

[helpingbuddy.ca](http://helpingbuddy.ca)



# Muskoka Founders Circle Finalists

**Laura Hanson**  
**The Saucy Muskokan**  
Muskoka

[thesaucymuskokan.ca](http://thesaucymuskokan.ca)



**Laura and Chris Gilmour**  
**Wild Muskoka**  
**Botanicals**  
Muskoka

[wildmuskoka.com](http://wildmuskoka.com)





# Muskoka Founders Circle Finalists

**Jennifer Thomas**  
**The Artisans Edge**  
Muskoka



[theartisansedgemuskoka.com](http://theartisansedgemuskoka.com)



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# \$30,000 in prizes

This year the Muskoka Founders Circle and the Parry Sound Area Founders Circle are both giving a \$10,000 first prize and a \$5,000 second prize to a finalist from their community. Four entrepreneurs will go home with cash to help grow their businesses.

## Thank you for your sponsorship



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### **Muskoka Charcuterie Co**

**Muskoka Springs** [www.muskokasprings.com](http://www.muskokasprings.com)

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**Bobby Orr Hall of Fame** [bobbyorrhalloffame.com](http://bobbyorrhalloffame.com)

**Muskoka Collective** [www.muskokacollective.ca](http://www.muskokacollective.ca)

### **The Great Northern Escapades Mini Putt**

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### **Wild Muskoka Botanicals**

### **Sound Youth Counselling**

# What a Difference a Year Makes!!!



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PMCN IMPACT AWARDS 2021

May 27th | 5 pm

Free to Register  
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We are so thrilled to be  
celebrating in person this year!

# Join the Founders Circle

