

Dear Kingsville Council:

As many as you know, Tom. Schinkelshoek was very involved in first the Kingsville Comets and then the Kingsville Kings.

As president of the Kings, Tom made a lot of decisions and helped make things easier for the team; he helped make arrangements to billet dozens of young men from across Canada and other parts of the world. Tom frequently had the young men of the team involved in community events, the Ruthven Apple Festival, the First Lutheran church's free skate, parades and so much more.

He assisted with fundraising for the team, helped with laundry, etc.

One only has to go to Tom's facebook page to see how many of the Kingsville Kings were affected by Tom.

Tom also befriended Andrew from Group Hug Apparel and became involved. When Tom passed away, Kay asked for donations for Group Hug Apparel and they were able to purchase many backpacks for kids. Tom took Andrew under his wing and had him help with the Kings; Andrew and Tom became fast friends.

Tom and his wife Kay invited Andrew to their beloved church in Cottam to share his life story with parishioners.

Tom was very involved in his church, Trinity Anglican; he helped with community smorgusburgs, pancake dinners, baked sales.

Tom was a Sunday school teacher at the school and was on a committee to celebrate the church's 150th anniversary.

Part of the celebrations included holding a Country fair that was open to the community of Cottam. Games were played, there were vendors, a bake sale, etc.

Tom was working on another Country Fair for June of 2018 and in honour of Tom, the parishioners of Trinity went ahead with his plans and held the country fair on the church grounds.

Tom was an active Warden at Trinity, assisting the Minister as well as the parishioners. He made us laugh and made us cry but, he was always involved in our activities.

In honour of Tom and his commitment to his Church Community, Cottam and the town of Kingsville, Trinity Anglican Church would like to erect a gazebo to be used by the community. A gazebo was part of Tom's dream and will be part of a garden that is being designed with a labyrinth to be created within a few years.

We are asking that Kingsville town council consider a grant/donation to help us make this happen.

Thank you for your consideration.

Pat Jackson, Warden

Brenda Layson, Warden

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