

Mississippi Mills Alliance for Fair Taxation

Since amalgamation, the cost of Mississippi Mills' government has increased far faster than inflation, even though the census shows little population growth. We support fiscal responsibility and fairness in the application of local taxes and levies. The three groups in this alliance gather and distribute tax-related information, such as the impact of the new sewage treatment plant and septage treatment.

Appleton Community Association

The Appleton Community Association is a volunteer-lead group of residents from the village of Appleton, a hamlet of Mississippi Mills.

- We hold several annual social events: e.g., a garage sale; a clean-up day; Canada Day BBQ, bicycle parade and fireworks; and Christmas potluck.
- We monitor issues that affect the village and lobby for changes: e.g., road safety; playground equipment; the septage treatment proposal; Al-Car Quarry; former Appletex property; and encroachment on the Appleton Provincially Significant Wetland.
- We liaise with other community associations: e.g., Mississippi Mills Residents Association; North Lanark Historical Society (Appleton Museum); Mississippi Mills Bicycle Month; and Mississippi Valley Field Naturalists.

Join the Appleton discussion group at:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/appleton/>

Canadian Property Rights Coalition

The Canadian Property Rights Coalition (CPRC) is a non-partisan association created to challenge all parties and governments to be accountable to the electorate. We encourage members and citizens to get involved in political campaigns and public events to insure fairness and good government.

The CPRC aims to:

- Defend a person's right to use, enjoy and earn a living from private property.
- Defend a person's right to freedom of speech and freedom of choice.
- Expose government incompetence, hypocrisy, unaccountability, and disrespect at all levels.
- Support any action that will help enshrine property rights in the Canadian Constitution.
- Remain non-partisan, yet encourage and promote members to run for political office.

Visit the CPRC web site at:
<http://canadianpropertyrightscoalition.org>

Mississippi Mills Residents Association

The MMRA believes Mississippi Mills is a special place to live and we aim to preserve its qualities and improve them wherever possible. To that end, the MMRA provides a forum to engage all residents in an ongoing dialogue about the challenges, problems and opportunities we face. We strive for a shared vision of our future and we promote the means to achieve that vision.

And, as of 2009, the only local weekly newspaper, the *Almonte Gazette*, has stopped publication. So, it is hard to get good community coverage. That is a good reason to plug into the MMRA's communication vehicles, which include:

- The MMRA web site at:
<http://www.mmra.ca>
- The MMRA discussion group at:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MissMillsResidents/>
- Our members' emailed newsletter, the *Communiqué*. (info@mmra.ca)
- The MMRA Facebook page.