

**Safety for  
back-to-school**

**We Were There**

We've been busy this summer! Thanks to the community for allowing us to participate in some of the amazing programs and events seen below.



Parkway staff explain the importance of safety on a construction site to the Adventure Seekers camp at the WFCU Centre.



Some of the friends who stopped by our Free Family Fun Weekend at Canada South Science City.



At the World Snake Day event hosted by the project team and Ojibway Nature Centre to teach kids about various snake species.



Visitors to this year's Meet a Machine event explore a backhoe used on the Parkway.

The Parkway team looks forward to seeing more of you this fall as we are out and about at various community events.



At the grand opening of the new roundabout feature at The Safety Village.



Young Engineers at Oakwood Community Centre look at a roll map of the Parkway.



Adventures in the Wild campers out for a nature walk at Ojibway Nature Centre, led by project team members.



Herpetologist, Steve Marks, shows students a Butler's Gartersnake in a presentation about local species at risk.



The Parkway team load up a truck with donations for The Downtown Mission food drive.



Hosting a bus tour of the construction site for the Adventure Seeker campers.



Visitors colour during our Free Family Fun Weekend at Canada South Science City.

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September means back-to-school for thousands of kids in Windsor-Essex including those travelling through the Parkway construction zone. There are a number of pedestrian access points for travel to several elementary and high schools as well as St. Clair College.

Back-to-school season is a good time to remind drivers to stay alert, be aware of children crossing at intersections and watch for all pedestrians and cyclists in the corridor.

Pedestrian access can be found at Geraedts Drive, across Todd Lane and Cabana Road west, and through the connector between Diversion 1 and 2.

OPP is on site patrolling the corridor daily and speed fines are increased in construction zones.

Please be aware of all pedestrians and cyclists in the corridor and their safety crossing traffic zones.

Help us get kids safely to and from school and make this a safe and successful school year.

## New Interactive Map

A new interactive feature is now available on the Parkway website to keep you up-to-date with Parkway design and construction details. Check out the new map at [www.hgparkway.ca/interactive-map](http://www.hgparkway.ca/interactive-map), to monitor the status of project-related road closures and learn more about key Parkway elements. This user-friendly feature is regularly updated so you can easily track the development of the project, including public notices, construction updates, and progress photos.

## Traffic Notes

For the most up-to-date Parkway traffic information, including emergency closures, follow us on Twitter @hgparkway or like us on Facebook – look for Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway.

You can also join our mailing list by sharing your email address with us at [detroit.river@ontario.ca](mailto:detroit.river@ontario.ca) or watch for public notices indicating specific dates and times of upcoming traffic shifts.

## Construction Update

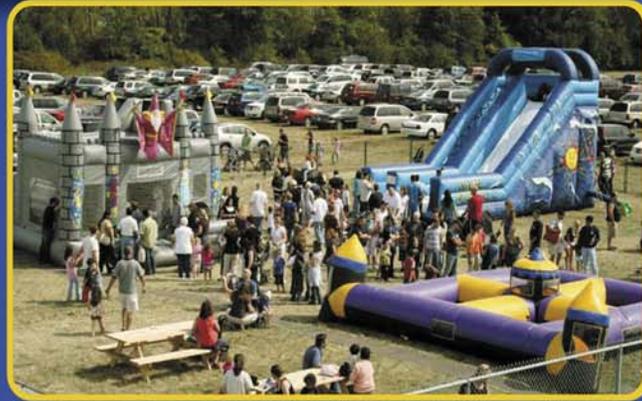
The Parkway construction team continues to advance work in all areas of the project corridor that are not impacted by the ongoing independent expert review to examine girders containing tack-welded steel. The findings of this review will be made public. We appreciate the community's ongoing patience during this process.

Watch for more information at [www.hgparkway.ca](http://www.hgparkway.ca) about an upcoming Public Information Open House, where we will talk more about the final Landscape Plan for the Parkway. Once we have a finalized date, time and location we will be sure to let the public know.

# Children's Fest

FUN • FAMILY • ENTERTAINMENT

 Rotary Club of Windsor (1918)



## ★ September 21 & 22 at The Safety Village

★ This year's Children's Fest promises a weekend filled with spectacular live entertainment and an array of exciting hands-on activities that are sure to please children 12 and under.

Saturday, September 21st - 10am - 5pm ~ Sunday, September 22nd - 11am - 5pm  
Fee: \$5 per person and children 2 and under FREE!

There's something for everyone in our expanded lineup of family-friendly activities from sports and games, to experimenting with science and dabbling in the arts.

Saturday night we will feature a FREE Movie in the Park featuring the film Cars.  
The park will open at 7pm and the movie will start at dusk.

For full festival line-up, please check the website at [www.childrensfest.ca](http://www.childrensfest.ca)

### Proceeds To Benefit:



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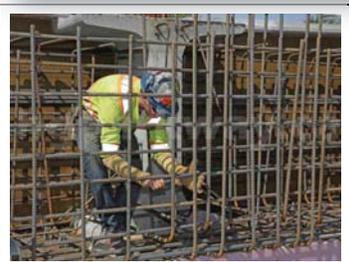


The Parkway team is participating at Children's Fest this year and we would love to see you and your family. Come join us and check out the Parkway roundabout that was installed at The Safety Village, look at a few of the construction vehicles that are working to construct the Parkway and much more. For further information about this event please visit [www.childrensfest.com](http://www.childrensfest.com).

The Safety Village is located at 7911 Forest Glade Drive, Windsor, ON N8T 3R7.

# Faces of the Parkway

In honour of our second anniversary of construction we wanted to showcase some of the great people working to make the Parkway a reality.



## Freddie's Corner

Hi folks. It's Freddie the Foxsnake back with my latest column. First of all, I want to thank all the tweeps who started following me on Twitter. I have enjoyed sharing information with you since I launched my Twitter feed on World Snake Day. I have received some great feedback so far including a question that is the focus of this issue's column. Here's the question:  
@ParkwayFreddie, how does someone get over their dislike of snakes? I do not understand why so many folks don't like snakes.

I think one of the best ways to get over a dislike of snakes is to learn more about them.

Here are a few quick facts about me, an Eastern Foxsnake, and my friend, the Butler's Gartersnake, both of whom can be found within the Parkway.

- The Eastern Foxsnake and the Butler's Gartersnake are non-venomous and harmless.
- Both species are beneficial to your community. Eastern Foxsnakes like me are very important because we eat rodents, such as deer mice, that can carry diseases which can be harmful to people.
- Both species are protected under the *Endangered Species Act, 2007* and it is everyone's responsibility to protect and respect us.

You can learn more about the Eastern Foxsnake and Butler's Gartersnake at the Parkway exhibit at Canada South Science City (930 Marion Avenue). A brand new wall of information about these snakes has been added to the display. Also, an upcoming opportunity to learn more about snakes and other endangered species occurs on September 26 at the Ojibway Nature Centre. Call 519-966-5852 for details.

Do you have a question for me? Tweet me at @ParkwayFreddie.



Come learn about the Parkway

Course runs in October

Interested in learning more about the Parkway and what went into planning for this large construction project? Join us at ElderCollege as they offer a behind-the-scenes look at the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway during three sessions that will be held Wednesdays from October 2 -16, 2013.

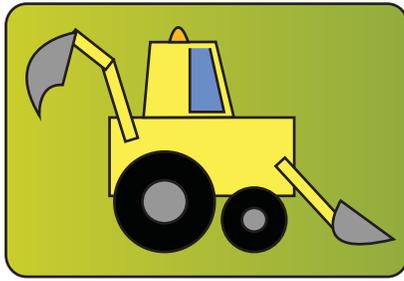
Garfield Dales, the Project Delivery Manager from the Ministry of Transportation and project team staff working to deliver the Parkway, will be on hand to provide an in-depth look at a project that is ranked number 30 on Canada's Top 100 infrastructure projects of 2013.

For more information or to register for this course please call 519-253-3000.



Scan the barcode with your smart phone to see the latest aerial photos on Flickr. If you don't have a smart phone, visit [www.flickr.com/hgparkway](http://www.flickr.com/hgparkway).

# KIDS ZONE



**Construction Zone!**  
Build your own Parkway digger.

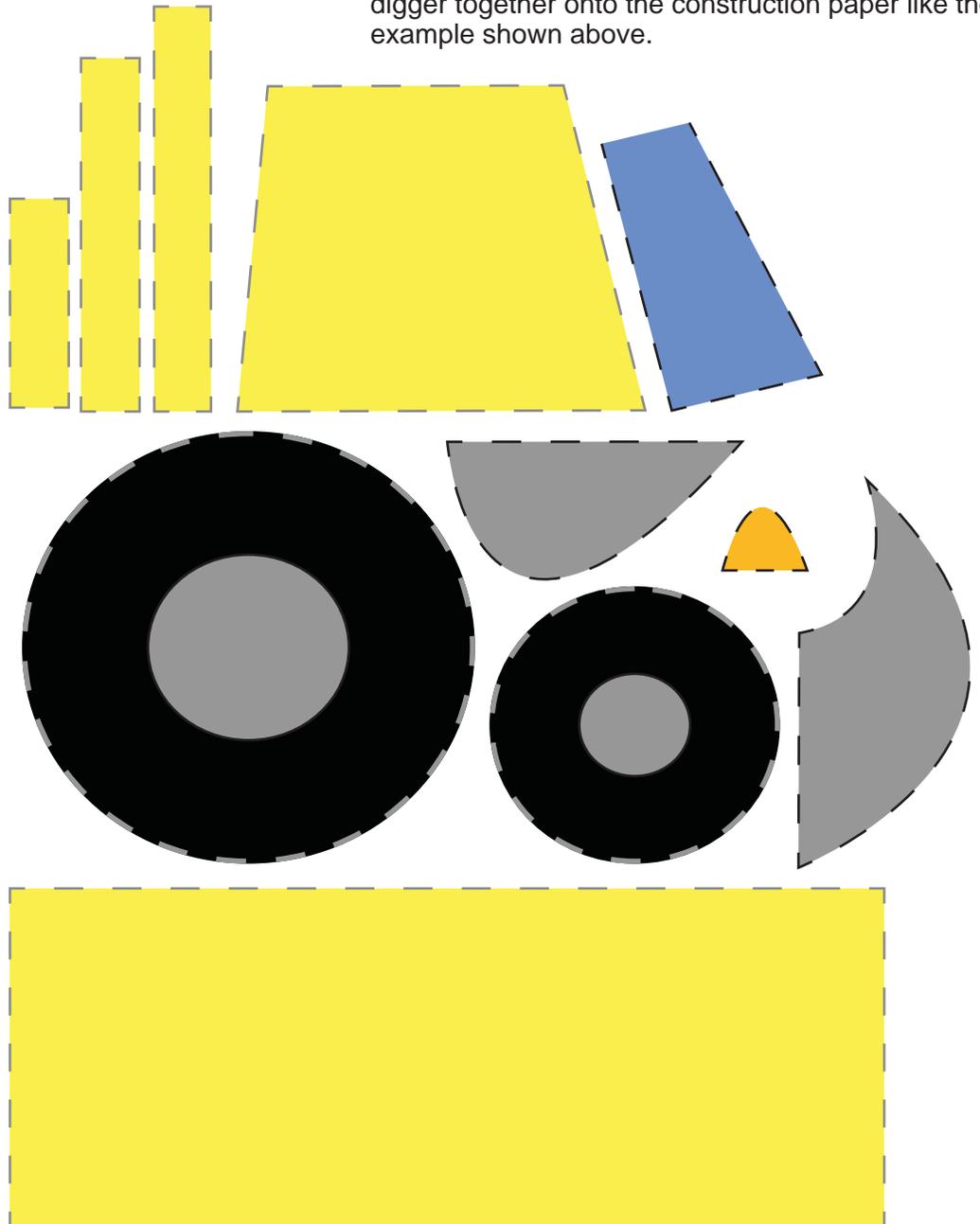
Materials:

- 1 sheet of construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue

**\*\*Always ask for help from an adult before using scissors.**

Instructions:

Cut out each of the individual shapes. Glue your digger together onto the construction paper like the example shown above.



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