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CELEBRATING FAMILY DAY IN SHELBURNE! - Some outdoor enthusiasts have never been happier as this year's snow filled winter of Sledding is a year to remember, and in a good way! (LtoR) Owner of Stump Busters, Jamie Ozmond gathered his gaggle of kids and cousins of all ages this passed family day for a fun filled day of Sledding following it up with a family barbecue and fire pit, making the most of Family Day in Shelburne. Pictured: (L to R) Taking advantage of the beautiful, sunny Family Day, Brian Moulton and Mike Urbancic rode the Sledding Trails of Shelburne. Additional Family Day photo highlights on PAGE 3.

Deep freeze that caused rare action ending

BY WES KELLER

Shelburne's recent call for homeowners to keep a water tap dripping to avoid frozen pipes during a prolonged deep freeze came at a time when the Great Lakes were 88.4% frozen over, the most in 20 years, and even Niagara Falls had partially frozen.

In Shelburne, CAO John Telfer had taken the emergency action after the Public Works department found itself overburdened with calls for assistance with frozen pipes. His assessment was that it would be less costly to the town to credit water users for their extra consumption

than to bear the costs of using Public Works staff to thaw pipes as the freezing conditions continued. Town council approved his preventative decision at its meeting Feb. 11.

The freezing of water pipes to residences might raise the issue of what precautions are taken to protect water pipes in winter. Ontario regulations are apparently based on established "frost lines," but those don't predict the outcome of a prolonged and incessant freeze such as the one just apparently ending.

Whether established frost lines are reliable

and not apply during a polar vortex such as the one that caused the problem of frozen pipes.

And frost lines vary across the province. It is assumed to be 1.8 metres at Ottawa, for example, and one metre at Windsor.

A study recently conducted at a Buffalo university by Stephen Vermette and Jack Kanack modeled frost-line soil penetration using "freezing degree-day rates, day length and sun angle," all of which they found affect the depth to which the frost will go.

Snow cover is also said to have an insulating effect. The researchers cleared snow from their points of investigations.

The Daily Mail, which published spectacular Reuters photos of a frozen Niagara Falls on the weekend, was predicting that we are now headed into "a widespread thaw."

A thaw might lead to flooding in low-lying areas but the two conservation authorities responsible for central and north Dufferin - Grand River and Nottawasaga Valley - both have emergency measures plans in place.

Grand River Conservation Authority, responsible in centre Dufferin for Melancthon and Amaranth, warns however that "Flooding is a long-standing problem in the Grand River watershed and it will never go away.

"The changes that have been made to the land - cutting down forests, draining wetlands, paving large swaths of land, tile draining rural areas - guarantee that flooding will continue."





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American Niagara Falls as seen from the Canadian side, Feb. 8th, partially frozen



Garbage limit to be changed to single bag county wide

BY WES KELLER

As a result of a garbage audit and the planned review of the bag limit numbers permitted in different lower tier municipalities, Dufferin County will move to a standard one-bag or one-container limit as of June 1, 2014.

There are no specified limits for recyclables and source separated organics.

The change would mean a reduction of permitted no-charge bags or containers of bona fide garbage for all municipalities except Orangeville and Mulmur, which now have a one-item limit.

The current limit is two items for Amaranth, Grand Valley, Melancthon, Mono and Shelburne. The limit for East Garafraxa is now three.

However, according to an audit of 1,542 households on 12 garbage routes throughout the county, the county-wide average number of bags set out is 0.97.

Where the limit has been one item, the average weekly number is 0.83 but residents there had been restricted to a single bag or container prior to the June 1, 2013, county bylaw.

The audit appears to show a correlation between the averages permitted and the actual number placed at the curb, said Public Works Director Scott Burns in his report to the Community Development Committee.

Where the allowed limit was two, the average set out was 1.04. Where it was three, the average was 1.09.

Shelburne Mayor Ed Crewson asked for the Shelburne average, and appeared elated to learn that it was .925. He praised the homeowners of his town for their co-operation, and then quipped that 925 "is the first three digits of our telephone number. I'm going to buy a lottery ticket," he said.

It wasn't clear whether the bag reduction represents a reduction in volume of solid waste or greater participation in recycling and composting. Mr. Burns noted that the audit revealed a 94.8% participation in blue box and 79.3% in green bin.

Grand Valley Mayor John Oosterhof, chairman of the committee, said not all bags placed to the curb are always full. People who customarily were putting out two or three bags might have found they could place the same amount in a single bag.

He said he usually sets out a single bag but it's never full. "It could take me two or three weeks to have a full, tight bag," he said.

Amaranth Mayor Don MacIver said the county's contract with Green for Life is effectively in two parts: one for the picking up and the other for disposal. If there is a reduction in solid waste, would that reduce the costs, he asked.

Mr. Oosterhof said it would but the results won't be known until the year end.

In an interview outside the meeting, he acknowledged that it is expensive to dispose of recyclables and organics. But, he said, the county receives repayment for part of those costs from a provincial program funded by the packaging industry. As well, the county benefits from any sale of the recyclables although the amount from that source is subject to market fluctuations.

The council voted to accept the recommendation to place a universal single bag or container limit on solid waste, and also to provide for three "double-up days" annually.

Those three days are the ones following Victoria Day, Labour Day and New Year's.

MPP Sylvia Jones offers thanks to those who braved the storm to help others



PHOTOS BY ALEX SHER

Shelburne Mayor Ed Crewson, MPP Sylvia Jones, Chief Operating Officer of PLTC, Christine Ozemek, General Manager Heidi Vanderhorst, Resident Services Co-ordinator, Chantale Mitchelle, Richard Sullivan, Senior Marketing Manager, and entire staff of PLTC attended ceremony of appreciation where MPP Sylvia Jones presented a framed scroll, and individual thank you cards in recognition and gratitude to all who valiantly braved extreme weather to care for the residents so dearly loved by the Shelburne community.

BY ALEX SHER

On Wednesday February 12th, staff of the PLTC (Provincial Long Term Care) Residence in Shelburne received a special visit from Dufferin–Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones.

As recent debilitating storms ravaged Shelburne and surrounding areas, many people went above and beyond the call of duty to help out where ever and whenever they could, bringing about a reminder to all: one of the great things about Shelburne is the very community of Shelburne, the people.

Acts of kindness, devotion, and dedication of the PLTC staff in Shelburne did not go unnoticed by MPP Sylvia Jones attended a very special ceremony of thanks to all staff presenting a scroll to Chief Operating Officer of the PLTC, Christine Ozimek.

"Shelburne Residence staff came to work 24/7 to ensure the well being of our residents," commented Ozimek, "Not an easy task just getting to work braving poor roads, blowing snow, and biting cold. We thank each and every person who came to work and cared for these residents and those who tried but couldn't make it in due to closed roads."

On behalf the Residence owners, Edward and Carolyn Ozimek, Christine Ozimek's parents, a heartfelt expression of thanks was offered, "We believe it's the people of our community at Shelburne that make a difference every day and twice on 'Snowdays'!"

Ozimek added, "In recognition of dedication and determination we'd like to thank people like Leona Benham, Lyn Disson, Pat Leva and Bonnie Walsh who worked double shifts and stayed in town so they could come in if extra help was needed, Trish Hulse, Darlene Walsh and Michelle Whiteway who worked double and triple shifts, Marlene Nash, KellyMachen, Crystal Breyers, Lori Rolston, and Denise Purdy who did their work and helped out in other areas ensuring residents were cared for, Lyn Thompson and Ramandeep Sidhu who changed their hours to meet the needs of the residents, and Lisa Hatcher sheltered co-workers at her house so they could make it back to work for their shift. The list goes on and on."

MPP Jones in presenting the scroll in thanks

to all staff of the Residence, noted her gratitude and compliments to the dedication, devotion and level of actual caring exhibited by all during the terrible weather that resulted in an issued State of Emergency. Jones also mentioned that when people look to the decision of living in a Residence, the decision often comes down to the people who will be caring for a loved one commenting, "When considering that aspect, this is a very good place to be," making reference specifically to the Shelburne Residence.

Shelburne's Mayor Ed Crewson perhaps

summed up the day most poignantly in his expression of gratitude commenting, "I would like to pay tribute to the men and women who provided their time and went above and beyond the call of duty. Some of the staff stayed two days straight. On behalf of all of Shelburne, I thank you in appreciation for the caring of the people that are so loved by the people of Shelburne. Thank you so much!"

For more information about PLTC Residence in Shelburne, on Robert Street, call 519 925-3746 or e-mail shelburne.info@pltchomes.com



Shelburne's Mayor Ed Crewson, MPP Sylvia Jones and Chief Operating Officer of PLTC, Christine Ozimek.



MPP Sylvia Jones presents Chief Operating Officer of PLTC Residence in Shelburne, Christine Ozimek, with framed scroll on behalf of entire staff who went above and beyond during this difficult and debilitating winter to care for Shelburne's beloved seniors.



Family Day in Shelburne!



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HITTIN' THE TRAILS - For those who enjoy sliding, Family Day was a perfect day! (L to R) Under the ever responsible and watchful eye of their big brother, Logan Doekes, 10, younger siblings,

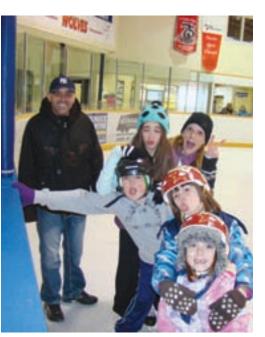


(L to R) Taking advantage of the beautiful, sunny Family Day, Brian Moulton and Mike Urbancic rode the Sledding Trails of Shelburne.

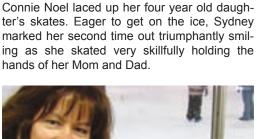


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MAKING MEMORIES AT THE ARENA THIS FAMILY DAY IN SHELBURNE - This winter has been indisputably one of the worst winters Shelburne has seen in several years. Fortunately, even though it was very cold, Shelburnites found their own way to celebrate this year's Family Day. On one of this winter's few bright and sunny days, families embraced winter activities Shelburne has to offer making memories to last a life time. Skating up a storm instead of surviving one, many families took advantage of the free Family Day Skate at the Center Dufferin Recreational Complex. Pictured: Mom, Melissa Kottelenberg, Merrick, 10, Kenya, 7, Tyson,5 and 2year old Addisyn, all enjoyed skating on Family Day, but when big brother Merrick pushed Addisyn, the faster they went the bigger the smile on her sweet face, so much so, it appeared she was running out of smiling room on her face- her smile was that big! That's what family day is all about!



(L to R) Father of four girls, Anthony Segreto, girlfriend, Keri Mason , Isa,12, Erica,10, Julia,7 and Claudia,6, celebrated a portion of their family day at the Dufferin Recreational Centre, proving girls just want to have fun!











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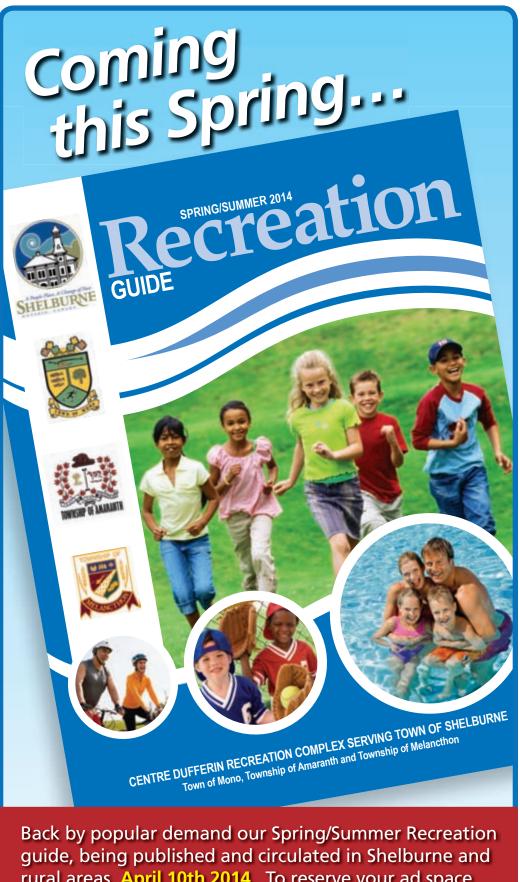
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Pig farmers in the news

As a longtime, third generation hog farmer

Thankful for our local doctors

Dear editor:

Last week I had occasion to visit the Mel Loyd Centre for a doctor's appointment.

I'm so impressed with the new setup, and I'm sure I speak for many others in the community to give thanks to Dr. Horvat for her help in improving our situation.

Each doctor seems to have a nurse in attendance and everyone is happy and cheerful... (not so in years past). I've been a resident of this area for 12 years and it was not unusual to have to sit in the waiting room for hours only to have doctor the tell you that you had a maximum of 15 minutes to state your problem and if you had more than a few questions you had to make another appoint-

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Nora Seper, Shelburne

and also a very small time licensed livestock agent from Melancthon Township - now for over 41 years – I read with quite a very, very special interest Mr. Wes Keller's article in the Free Press paper about this new viral hog disease now in Ontario called porcine epidemic diarrhea. Myself and my late father have been in the Canadian swine business for many years. My late father started quite young and after he served his country in the Second World War, resumed his purebred swine business with myself for many years. I have seen many very, very bad diseases come and go, yes indeed in the pig business, but this one will likely put the nails in many of hundreds of Canadian hog farmers' coffins. Our federal VETS have slipped up once again – what else is new – at the border, no doubt missed a dirty, livestock truck and oh yes, that is all it has taken, a dirty diseased truck back from the U.S.A. which likely entered one swine business in Ontario. Our border VETS and inspectors need to sharpen up now and be really on their toes, most certainly in -30° weather livestock trucks are certainly very, very hard to disinfect, but it must be done. My heart does go out to many Ontario fellow producers in their fight with that new virus, but hopefully with good vaccines and good care our indus-

try will hopefully make it out all right. I have watched too many good friends of mine in the USA and oh yes it has caused terrible losses in the USA hog industries and may well here too. We do not need so many bad or inaccurate news reports about it. Yes, the hog business has been damn bad for years no doubt this makes things worse in the industry and likely crash the pork prices once again and yes, our governments need to do something to help. Perhaps we in the industry don't take any more hits or I will publically state the pig business is done in

North America, yes very, very true indeed.

I also wish to state to some reporters, oh yes news teams - please do get the facts before telling incorrect stories and we likely will, in the industry, make it out of this but we as producers must not let many visitors to our big facilities - no, we can't, we must be very very, very cautious, yes indeed.

> G.L. Hanna Rich Acres Swine Continental Livestock Ltd., Melancthon

We asked: "What do you plan on doing during the upcoming March Break?"



"I don't have plans, but I might go snowboarding at Blue Mountain."

- Sophie Alonso



"I think I'm going to stay home and hang out with my friends and eat lots of food – lots of junk food

Jaden Moffatt



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Results from last week's poll:

Does the Federal Budget, announced last Monday, meet with your expectations?

The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Are you surprised at how well Canada has done at the Winter Olympics in Sochi? a. Yes b. No

So go to our website at shelburnefreepress.ca and cast your vote!



"We'll be going to a hockey tournament in Niagara-on-the-Lake. My brother will be playing. We'll be staying for three or four days."



"Probably hanging out with my friends and having sleep overs. But I don't know what else we have planned."

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- Our amazing residents who rescued and housed several stranded
- motorists....you know who you are ! The other good Samaritans
- Emergency Services: Dufferin OPP, Shelburne Police, Orangeville Police, Dufferin Paramedic Service, Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department, Rosemont Fire Department, Shelburne Fire Department, Orangeville Fire
- Department, Grand Valley Fire Department Our staff who were mobilized quickly and responded immediately
- The Canadian Red Cross volunteers who staffed two shelters
- Our local municipal Councillors and staff who banded together and supported each other
- Our local businesses who helped out
- The media who helped us get our message out
- Group of community volunteers who stayed to help our staff on January 24,
- 2014 to help pick up food and water
- Region of Peel Region of York
- Private snow removal contractors

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Ottawa Journal: Budget 2014

BY DAVID TILSON, MP

Our Government recently introduced Economic Action Plan 2014 – the next step in our

Ask a psychotherapist

Question: This past Valentine's Day was a bust. My boyfriend gave me a card that looked like it came from the dollar store! No flowers, no chocolates! I was really hurt since I got him a nice card and a sweater. He didn't take me out either. This is a big change from how he acted when we first got together. I'm wondering what this means. Can you help me?

Answer: A recent article in the Globe and Mail stated that many relationships end just after Valentine's Day. Maybe all the commercialized hype about true love and the expression of romantic feelings cause some couples to feel critical about the quality of their own relationship at this time of year. Also, the seeming endlessness of winter by February can sap enthusiasm and even cause some people to feel less hopeful about the future, including the future of a relationship.

You don't say how long you've been in this relationship or how committed it is. Whether it's a fairly new relationship or a longer-term one, a change in behaviour by one or both partners is always worth talking about. Guessing about the meaning of a partner's behaviour can lead us to make false assumptions and to worry unnecessarily.

Why not ask your boyfriend directly about the change in his behaviour this year? You may discover that he's been sitting on a hurt or resentment that he hasn't told you about; the crummy card and lack of roses may have been an indirect way of hinting at his feelings and hurting you back. Once out in the open, hurts can be talked about and resolved. He may have just gotten lazy, mistakenly thinking that only new partnerships need romance. Or, in the worst case scenario, he actually may be losing interest in your relationship. In any case, it's better to know. Only by talking together directly, can couples resolve their differences and keep love

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plan for job creation and economic growth.

Canada's recovery from the recent global recession has been among the strongest in the world with over 1 million more Canadians now working than at the worst of the recession – the best job creation record among all G-7 countries, including Germany.

However, we all know there is still more to do. Too many Canadians are still looking for work and the global economic recovery remains fragile at best, especially in Europe and the United States.

This why our Government is staying squarely focused on the economy. We're moving forward with a positive plan that will help create jobs and grow our economy, all while keeping taxes low and remaining on track for balanced budgets in 2015.

Since 2006, our Government has been keeping Canada on the right path for economic growth. This includes lowering taxes over 160 times, which will save the average Canadian family nearly \$3,400 on their tax bill in 2014. We've also cut taxes for job-creating businesses, allowing them to hire more workers, and have opened up new markets for Canadian goods and services, most recently through the historic Canada-European Union Trade Agree-

To help Canadians get the skills and training they need to succeed, our Plan also moves forward with the Canada Job Grant to connect people looking for work directly with in-demand jobs. We're also introducing the Canada Apprentice Loan to give access to student loans to apprentices for the first time ever.

Several initiatives in Economic Action Plan 2014 will benefit Ontario including: supporting Canada's entrepreneurs (by providing an additional \$40 million to the Canada Accelerator and Incubator Program to help entrepreneurs across the country create new companies and realize the potential of their ideas); increasing competition in the telecommunications market (by capping wholesale domestic wireless roaming rates, creating more competition in the wireless market and benefiting consumers); and improving access to broadband in rural and northern communities (by providing \$305 million to extend and enhance access to high-speed broadband networks for up to an additional 280,000 Canadian households).

Equally important, our Plan keeps Canada on track to balance the budget in 2015. From Greece to Detroit, we've seen the consequences of governments that don't focus on putting their fiscal house in order. Balanced budgets do more than signal stability and make Canada a more attractive place to invest, they also keep taxes low and ensure our children and grandchildren aren't saddled with our debt.

However, unlike the previous government, we are not balancing the budget by cutting transfers to the provinces for health care or education. In fact, under our Government those

transfers are at all-time highs. Instead, we're making government programs more efficient cutting waste and ensuring every taxpayer dollar spent is spent is as useful as possible.

While the opposition parties don't agree with getting back to balanced budgets, instead pushing big risky spending schemes and new taxes that will take more out of your pockets, our Government will stick to its proven low-tax plan for job creation and economic growth.

For more information on Economic Action Plan 2014 and how it can benefit you, I encourage you to visit www.actionplan.gc.ca



2ND ANNUAL HOCKEY NIGHT FOR HEADWATERS EXCEEDS FUNDRAISING GOAL - On January 25th die-hard hockey fans didn"t let Old Man Winter stop their fun when they made their way to Teen Ranch Ice Corral, to cheer on local "health care heroes" who battled it out on the ice all in the name of fundraising! This 2nd annual event presented by Precise ParkLink and organized by a small committee of hospital staff members was held in support of the Foundation's \$16 million Commitment to Care Campaign. It was created by staff as an opportunity for hospital employees to have some off-site fun with one another and show their support for both their workplace and their community hospital. "We had such great success at last year"s event that we just had to do it again!" said event chair John Roberto. "Last year we donated just over \$3,000 to the Foundation. This year"s goal was \$5,000, and with the help of a new sponsor and all of our players raising pledges of support, we surpassed that raising an amazing \$5328.54!" Thanks to Precise ParkLink, Orangeville Tim Hortons, all of the companies and individuals who donated raffle prizes and baked goods, and all of the players, volunteers and spectators who navigated through winter weather to come out! Pictured: Headwaters Health Care Centre CEO Liz Ruegg gratefully accepts the proceeds from 'Hockey Night for Headwaters' from committee members, Janet Gordanier, John Roberto and Patty Napran.

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75.Long-legged wader 77. Malaria symptom

78.Hawk

79.Bounder

81. Barely passing grade

83.Real-estate parcel



Police warn public about conduct at area youth hockey games

The Shelburne Police have in recent months responded to several calls at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex (Shelburne Arena) in regards to heated encounters between parents, spectators and coaches.

Although no charges have been laid to date, some of these incidents have pushed the boundaries. Those involved were strongly warned about their conduct, however if these warnings do not solve the problem, issuing trespass notices or laying criminal charges when appropriate may be the only options left.

Shelburne Police recognizes that the majority of those attending youth hockey games are keeping the peace and behaving appropriately. Unfortunately it only takes one or two people to lose their temper which can ruin the experience for everyone – especially the youth playing the hockey game.

Police are reminding all those who attend the hockey games (spectators and those directly involved) to remember the example they are setting for our youth. Conflicts and disagreements need to be resolved in a respectful and civil manner. Name calling, threatening conduct (verbal or through body language), damaging property and violent actions will not be tolerated. Potential charges may include but are not limited to: Disturbing the Peace, Trespass to Property, Criminal Harassment, Threatening Conduct, Mischief and Assault.

Shelburne Police are encouraging everyone to do their part and keep the Minor Hockey experience a positive one.

Five things you should know about OPP policing

BY SUPERINTENDENT RICK PHILBIN

There is currently a healthy and important debate underway about the cost of policing in Ontario and future sustainability. Part of that discussion involves how the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) delivers police services to 324 municipalities and our current billing model, which is under review. In the interest of contributing to informed debate, here are five things everyone who lives in an OPP-policed municipality should know.

1. All municipalities must provide policing services to their constituents. They can do this in a several ways. Just one of these is contracting services from the OPP under Section 10 of the Police Services Act (PSA). A municipality may also: establish a police service; enter into an agreement with one or more other municipal councils to constitute a joint police service board; enter into an agreement with one or more councils to amalgamate their police services; or contract services from an adjacent police boundary with the contracting municipality).

If none of these choices are exercised, policing services are provided by default by the OPP under Section 5.1 of the PSA. Municipalities have these policing choices and many decide on the OPP for a variety of good reasons. I am pleased to report that OPP-policed communities report a high level of satisfaction with our services.

- 2. Provincial regulations require the full and fair cost recovery from municipalities for OPP services. The OPP and the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services are in the midst of a Billing Model Review that will result in a fairer, more transparent and less complex process – something many municipalities have demanded. The total revenues recovered under the new model will still be solely cost recovery, but some municipalities will pay more and some will pay less.
- 3. The Provincial Auditor General has also recommended that the Ontario Provincial Poservice (a police service that shares a political lice should simplify its costing and billing

methods.

He also said the OPP should make the billing and costing methods more transparent and "address the issues that result in municipalities paying different rates" (2012 Provincial Audit). In 2015, under the proposed billing model an estimated base cost per household of \$260 would be charged along with a cost for Calls for Service. OPP-policed municipalities that currently pay lower than \$300 per household should see their policing costs rise; municipalities that currently pay more than \$400 per household should see their policing costs drop. Let's be honest, some municipalities have enjoyed unrealistically low policing costs with the OPP for many years, while others have paid much higher per household due to a complex billing process. Addressing this discrepancy is the right thing to do, although we acknowledge that the transition for the municipalities who will experience rising costs will be difficult. The Ontario government is considering ways to lessen the financial impact during the transition to a new billing model.

- 4. The OPP Cost Recovery Formula resulted in a reduction of one per cent in billing for direct operating expenses (gas, uniforms, computers, etc.) from 2010 to 2013. This was a significant accomplishment compared to other police services which are also struggling with rising costs in a time of restraint. I must acknowledge that uniform salaries, which are not part of the Cost Recovery Formula, are 80 to 85 per cent of the overall costs charged to OPP-policed municipalities. After two years without receiving a general increase in wages (2012, 2013), OPP officers received an increase of 8.55 per cent in 2014 to raise the salary of an OPP Provincial Constable to be equal to that of the highest paid police service in the province. The OPP will have to recover these costs in the municipalities
- 5. Regardless of any changes to billing and the wage raise in 2014, the OPP remains the most cost-effective policing option for many municipalities in Ontario. OPP costs, on average, are less than half of the average cost of municipal police services in the province (based on OPP and Ministry of Finance data). While the per household cost of policing can vary widely under the current billing model, our low per household cost average tells us that the OPP is doing a really good job of being cost-effective and efficient.

The men and the women of the OPP are dedicated professionals who provide a wide range of policing services to Ontario's communities. We continue to work hard each and every day to keep the trust and confidence of the people of this province. We look forward to continuing to work with all of our partners to ensure a safe and secure Ontario.

To view a more detailed video statement on this subject by Superintendent Philbin, visit the OPP YouTube channel at: http://youtu.be/

Youth charged with drug possession

On Saturday February 15th Shelburne Police launched an investigation into a report of a youth in possession of marijuana. Police located the youth and the investigation resulted in a significant quantity of marijuana seized. As a result a youth from Orangeville was charged with possession of a controlled substance under the Controlled Drugs and Substance Act.

If anyone has any information in relation to this case or any other criminal activity, they are encouraged to contact the Shelburne Police Service at 519-925-3312 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www. crimestopperssdm.com

A reminder from the OPP

The OPP are reminding motorists that not every OPP vehicle is black and white in colour with a set of roof lights.

The OPP utilizes a number of different vehicles to effectively provide a professional police service within the Province of Ontario. Some vehicles will have subdued OPP markings, while other vehicles are completely unmarked in appearance. One thing that is common in all types of police vehicles is that a combination of red and blue lighting is utilized to alert motorists to either pull over or stop for the police. Drivers are also reminded to 'Move Over' where they can or to slow down and pass with caution when they see a police or other emergency vehicle stopped at the side of a road.

Police officers normally wear an identifiable working uniform or they can be in what is commonly referred to as 'plain-clothes'. A badge and warrant card also serves as a means to properly identify all police offi-

Motorists are also reminded that traffic stops can occur at anytime and anyplace, but police will always try to conduct such a stop where it is safe for both the motorist and the police officer.



Be safe while using the Internet

The Internet is a global network of computers permitting the transfer of information. No individual, company or government controls the Internet.

There are many risks and security issues involving the use of the Internet. Children and their parents should be most concerned about:

- viewing inappropriate material
- physical molestation harassment
- frauds and scams
- Tips for kids
- Never give out any personal information such as your address, telephone number, parents' place of work or their phone number, or the name and location of your school
- Never agree to get together with someone you 'meet' online without first checking with available to block out objectionable material your parents
- Never send anyone your picture don't accept any pictures either
- Never respond to any messages that make you feel uncomfortable

Marine student

Grey County OPP is currently seeking applications for a Marine Assistant position for 2014.

The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity to gain exposure and experience within the field of Law Enforcement through hands-on experience. The "Marine Assistant" position is available for application: February 14 – March 2, 2014.

Only electronic applications will be considered and can be located at http://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/SEP.asp, or the Career pages of www.opp.ca.

- Never lose your common sense while online - remember, you are talking to a stranger. The people you are talking to may not be who they
- Never send an insulting or rude message to anyone online.
 - Use a 'code name'
- Report any harassment or inappropriate messages to your online service and to the po-
- Set your browser to say no to 'cookies' Tips for parents
- Learn about what your child is doing on the Internet – know what websites they are visiting, know what type of chat rooms, e-mail, and messages your child is involved in online
- Find out about filtering Software that is
- Set reasonable guidelines for computer use by your children – monitor the amount of time spent on the computer and when
- Keep computer usage as a family activity by putting the computer in a family room rather than in the child's bedroom
- Ensure your child does not give out personal information. Have them use a 'code name'
- Be wary of any offers that involve your child going to a meeting or having someone visit your home – remember that people may not be who they seem
- Create a password for your computer that is hard to guess but easy to remember and change it often
- Monitor your credit card bills

Report any suspicious activity to the Police. For more detailed information and more tips visit www.bewebaware.com. This is a site developed by Microsoft, Bell and Media Smarts with the specific purpose of educating children, teenagers, parents and adults on Internet safety.

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Women, among others, vent anti–wind fury Monday

BY WES KELLER

If the adage, "hell hath no fury like the wrath of a woman scorned" is true, wind turbine proponents would be wise to keep a sharp eye on their backs. At least some women of Ontario have indicated their feeling of scorn by the provincial government, the Green Energy Act, and the wind turbine industry.

Everyone is familiar with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and its overwhelming influence in reshaping Ontario's Highway Traffic Act to the point at which even a single glass of wine could place many people at risk of a temporary licence suspension without recourse to anything.

Now there's an offshoot of Wind Concerns Ontario (WCO) calling itself Mothers Against Wind Turbines, or Mothers Against Turbines (MAT), depending on where one looks

MAT will be with Wind Concerns on Monday, Feb. 24, in a march from Queen's Park to the Royal York Hotel, where municipal politicians from across the province will be assembled for the annual Good Roads convention along with at least some MPPs.

This appears to be a "get serious" kind of march. Lorrie Gillis of Grey Highlands, the local representative of WCO, has once again organized buses to collect participants from Chatsworth south through Shelburne and Orangeville and home again. She said recently there would be enough people to fill two coaches.

They'll be joined by as many as three busloads from Kawartha Lakes, where residents are opposing the installation of five turbines in a provincially approved wind farm. There, the turbine towers would be 100 metres (about 328 feet) to the nacelle. This might equate to a nine or 10 storey office building, but there are variables.

According to promotional materials for the event, the dual purpose would be to support municipal politicians who are opposing turbines and also to let the Liberal government know the opposition is not "going away," as the province appears to be heading to a possible early election.

The GEA, hence turbines, is touted as a serious election issue. Tim Hudak's Tories are on the record as fighting the Act, and WCO is saying Tory MPP Lisa Thompson is something of a "best friend."

Ms. Thompson (Huron-Bruce) has tabled four motions calling for a moratorium on further wind farm developments.

She has accumulated a number of documents obtained, she says, through Freedom of Information (FOI) requests by which she says Ontario was aware of human health effects from turbines as early as 2009, but she claims such reports have been submerged and ministry officials involved in identifying the problems ordered to "stand down."

Shelburne Legion

Congratulations to Philip Norris for coming in 1st place in the Crock Pot Cook Off. Wayne Orvis was 2nd and Linda Orvis was 3rd. Karaoke was a great success, Darla came in first Carol Ann Gundy came in 2nd, Sandra Cormier came in 3rd. Euchre during the day and Bingo in the evenings on Mondays. This Thursday the 20th The Ladies Auxiliary are having another luncheon, with Spaghetti and Meat Balls with Garlic Bread on the Menu, all for \$7. The bar will open at noon on that day. This Friday night the 21st is Wing Night with entertainment by the Pedestrians. Wings will be served in our upper hall as our Cadets will be preparing for their Shooting Competition on Saturday the 22nd in the lower hall. Good Luck Cadets. The branch will be holding Public Speaking on the 23rd, good luck to all of those involved. February 25 is our next General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Centre Dufferin District High School students to compete in 'World of Robotics'



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Introducing the very first Robotics Club at CDDHS, the Royal Redneck Robotics Club. Pictured front row from left: Jessica Irvine, Logan DeLaat, Quinn DeLaat, Toni Head-Schraa, teacher Mike DeLaat. Back row, from left: Colton Goodfellow, Drake Smith, Kendra Ferguson, (right) Eric Vanderzcag, and teacher Pete Jensen, who will be attending a Robotics competition hosted by FIRST Robotics on March 20th in Waterloo. The Royal Redneck Robotics Club bring their creation, 'Robot Cletus' to the game with high hopes of Cletus landing on a winning team of robots. No matter the outcome, the real winners are already the Shelburne CDDHS students!

BY ALEX SHER

What do a bunch of Center Dufferin District High School students know about Robotics? As it turns out, quite a lot! Stereotypically the general consensus regarding Shelburne as farming community never makes the leap into understanding that a farmer's mind must be equipped to cope with many of the same aspects technological minds face every day. In that light, it's no wonder the offspring of brilliant, successful farmers could easily make the transition from repairing a plow to manufacturing a mechanical arm for a robot.

The FIRST Robotics Canada Waterloo Regional Competition offer a robotic competition where students with a wide skill set and varying interests can work together as a team, producing a winning robot and that is exactly what the first Robotics Club at CDDHS are working hard to accomplish. This year's challenge: create a robot who will be a team member in the challenge of throwing and or pushing a huge ball through designated goal areas. Two robot teams compete against each other until eventually there is a winning team. Beginning January 4th, this first timer team called, Royal Redneck Robotics Club or 'RRR' (as in the roar of the school's tiger mascot) had only six weeks to create and fabricate their robot named Cletus, before the completion date of March 20th.

With the help of mentors from other teachers on staff, Len Guchardie, David Langman, Pauline Lloyd, Doug Steele, KTH's Andrew Gee, Adem Nezirevic, and Steve Smith, Shelburne's brightest have a great chance to become a force to be reckoned with during their first robotic competition.

Under the careful watch of CDDHS teacher's, Mike DeLaat, Teacher of Mathematics, and Head of Tech Department, Peter Jensen, the group of twenty dedicated students have been working night and day to complete their

creation within the time limit.

The Club did receive a one- time grant of \$9000 but as the registration fee is \$6000, the one concern for DeLaat is funding as he fears there will not be enough money to stretch to next year.

"The registration is expensive because FIRST Robotics send a kit where just about everything you need to build your robot is included. Computer parts and technology is expensive but so are hotel accommodations for twenty kids for three days. If only we could have some sort of ongoing sponsorship to ease the financial burden," commented DeLaat hopefully.

A future worth investing in, the RRRC has already made a ton of progress. Each student use their varying skill set and diverse interests to make up this project, mimicking the real world as one student is the accountant, another lead programmer, another, head engineer, another, head fabricator just to name a few of the titles.

If anyone thinks Shelburne, the farming community, is not harvesting minds that will cross stereotypes, progressively, head welder and head engineer are girls! In fact it was a girl who brought the robotics competition to CDDHS'

attention. Toni Head-Schraa, a 17 year old in Grade 12 had competed in FIRST Robotic competitions in the past and approached Delaat with the idea that sparked a club that never looked back.

With community support and ongoing commitment to our youth, Shelburne will continue to grow providing much needed professional opportunities for future generations.

That being said, the community of Shelburne has faith in our youth and even as first time competitors the Royal Redneck Robotics Club 'explore new worlds, boldly go where no man has gone before, '(old Star Trek reference) and this reporter is fairly certain, their message to us, "You're gonna hear me RRRRoar!"

For more information regarding the FIRST Robotics Competition, visit www.firstroboticscanada.org and to see what the robotic challenge is all about go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=oxp4dkMQ1Vo If you would like to become a much needed sponsor or make a donation, please email michael.delaat@ugdsb.on. ca or call CDDHS at 519-925-3843.

Good luck young Shelburne students! We're already proud!

















PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

A WIN FOR THE WOLVES - The Shelburne Wolves Atom LL2 squad take on Georgian Shores during a playoff game at Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Saturday, February 15. The Wolves left the ice with a 2-0 win over the visitors.



Name: JAROD BALEKA

SHELBURNE WOLVES Team: **BANTAM LL2** Sport: **HOCKEY**

Position: GOALIE

He started out as a goalie and still is the man between the pipes. While most goalies start out in other positions then transition to goal, Jarod began playing hockey as a tyke and was in net from the beginning.

"I think it's a great sport," He says of why he likes hockey. "I got interested in playing goal by watching the older kids playing."

Being in net means you

you follow the puck." Jarod said of how he deals with being the only guy on the team playing the final defensive position when the opponents attackers take aim.

The 14 year-old Glenbrook Elementary School student also makes a special note of why playing goal has its advantages. "You get more ice time."

Jarod enjoys the game so much he says he will continue playing "as long as I can."



PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

BANTAMS COME UP SHORT - The Shelburne Wolves Bantam team take on the squad from Wasaga Beach during Family Day holiday action at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne. The Wolves played a solid game but came up short to the visitors.









PHOTO BY KAITLYN VARLEY

LOCAL LEAGUE 2 STANDS PROUD AT MINTO TOURNAMENT - Shelburne's Bantam Local League 2 participated in the Minto tournament on Saturday February 15th where they won the consolation championship. Way to go boys!

Muskies done for the season

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Shelburne Muskies Senior AA squad can start planning for the Spring after ending their season on Saturday night at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.

The Muksies bowed out after losing 8-3 to the Elora Rocks in game four of their best of seven quarter-final playoff series.

The Rocks swept the series with a 9–3 win in game one, an 11–6 win in game two, and a 7–2 win in game three.

Elora came to the first round as a second place team in the North division of the WOAA with 29 points and a 18-6 record for the season. They finished third over all in the 16 team League.

The Muskies had a tough season this year winning only seven of 24 games in the regular season to end the year with 14 points.

In the North division, only the Lucknow

Lancers finished lower in the standings. Over all, the Goderich Priates landed in the League basement with a single win after 24 games.

The Mapleton-Minto 81's finished the regular season in first place in the North division with a 20-4 loss.

Over all, the Tillsonburg Thunder, of the South division finished on top with a 21-3 record and 42 points for the year. In other first round series, the Mapleton-Minto 81's dispatched the Lucknow Lancers in four games.

The Saugeen Shores Winterhawks won their series in five games over the Ripley Wolves.

The Durham Thundercats came out on top in their quarter-final series against the Shallow Lake Crushers taking the series in four games.

Elora Rocks will now face Saugeen Shores in the quarter-final round. Mapleton-Minto will take on Durham in the other quarter-final WOAA best of seven series.

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PM announces \$53 billion deal in Vandorf

BY BROCK WEIR

So, the name might not be too creative but Prime Minister Stephen Harper announced a "historic" 10-year infrastructure deal last week which could enable communities across the country to get those creative juices flowing.

The New Building Canada plan, which picks up where the Building Canada Plan leaves off, earmarks \$53 billion for what is billed as the largest, long-term infrastructure plan in Cana-

The plan includes a Community Improvement Fund, which brings Gas Tax funding into the mix, providing over \$32 billion to municipalities for roads, transit, and recreational facilities. \$14 billion will be earmarked for a specific New Building Canada Fund of \$4 billion to "support projects of national significance", and a \$10 billion pot under a Provincial-Territorial Component for projects of a local, regional, or national significance.

"The new plan sets aside \$1 billion exclusively for communities with less than 100,000 people," said Mr. Harper at Thursday's announcement at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum in Vandorf, which was attended by local dignitar-

ies including Aurora Mayor Geoffrey Dawe, King Mayor Steve Pellegrini, and Regional Chair Bill Fisch. "In addition to these funds, small communities are also eligible for some other funds, they can also apply for additional infrastructure investments through the Provincial or Territorial infrastructure component and the National Infrastructure Component a well.

"The second component of our plan is the Community Improvement Fund consisting of the incremental GST rebate for municipalities and the Gas Tax Fund. Our government has extended, doubled and indexed it and made it permanent."

According to Mr. Harper, developing infrastructure, from roads to ports, is a priority his government tackled early on in their tenure, infrastructure that Canadian families deal with and rely upon on a day to day basis. Since the launch of the first Building Canada Plan, over 43,000 infrastructure projects from coast to coast have been completed.

"Okay, the name may not be original, but the money, \$70 billion if we count our own Federal Infrastructure Investments is new," said Mr. Harper with a laugh. "We are delighted that the

framework of our New Building Canada Plan is complete and the result is provinces, territories and municipalities will now have unprecedented access to predictable, sustainable, federal infrastructure funds for a decade. This will allow those whose job it is to make infrastructure decisions to plan those decisions with assurances over the long term.

"It is our plan to help fiscally grow a stronger, more prosperous Canada."



Prime Minister Stephen Harper

ident Scott Funston, Orangeville Mayor Rob

Adams said he was confused by the conflicting

Apart from her legal opinion that the county

might have had more clout on specifics of an

agreement with DWPI, Ms. Pepino had broken

down the \$1.4-million into amounts per an-

num and amounts per units of area as well as

amounts per turbine to show that compensation

Amaranth Mayor Don MacIver picked up on

that theme, saying when the costs to the county

of fencing are considered the "miniscule" com-

pensation appears even more miniscule. (Ap-

pendix F of the agreement would require DWPI

to fence certain sections. It couldn't be imme-

diately determined what, if any, added fencing

Mr. Funston, who has issues with DWPI's

setbacks from his residence, told the meeting

his belief that someone is certain to become

sick and die from the effects of the overhead

"How much is one life worth in Dufferin?"

he asked. He related his setback arguments with

DWPI, in which distances cited had varied, and

said a survey he had done by DWPI's own sur-

veyor shows one turbines is less than the mini-

portion of the 230kv power line.

legal opinions and not prepared to vote.

would appear to be inadequate.

might be required.)

County vote on power line deferred

BY WES KELLER

A decision by county council on whether or not to accept \$1.4-million payment for a power line easement on the rail corridor was deferred following a revelation that commencement of an expropriation proceeding had been postponed,

As well, there was an impassioned plea by Melancthon resident Scott Funston and a presentation CORE (Conserve Our Rural Environment) chair Jane Pepino, both of which urged the council not to sign off on the easement agreement.

The council had learned at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb.13, of the postponement of commencement to March 10 from Feb. 18 at 4 p.m. It had previously prepared a bylaw for finalization of an easement agreement. Now it has until Feb. 28 to file disclosures. It will hold a special meeting prior to March 10 to deal finally with the issues.

As if further to complicate matters, the council Thursday heard opposing legal opinions

Bantam LL1 win

against Oro in

playoffs

Off to a losing start Shelburne's Bantam

LL1 were 2-0 down when they played

opposing team Oro in their OMHA play-

off game on Saturday February 15th, at the

CDRC. Tension was rising and the Bantam's

fought hard to comeback, closing the first

Struggling in the second period and Oro

fighting tough, Shelburne had to play hard

to get through the opposing team's strong

defence. Jacob Berardi tied up the second

period putting the pressure on both teams

to succeed in this play off game. Taking

control of the puck Cole Timmins scored

a third goal in the last period and secured

a win, for Shelburne with his 3rd hat trick

goal in the last 49 seconds. Thrilled with the

performance of the players coach Shawn

Cavey couldn't control his excitement on

the bench. A boost for the players after a 2

game loss before facing Oro they are now

ready for their next game against Colling-

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health centers is a model of care that regards healthy living as a whole system working

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tal, emotional, physical and spiritual health. Throughout helping and caring professions,

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the determinants of health such as: educa-

tion and literacy, social support, personal

health practices, coping skills, and afford-

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wood on February 22nd.

period with a goal by Cole Timmins.

about its bargaining position from two lawyers who would probably both qualify as experts on the issues facing the council.

CORE president Jane Pepino, who presented on behalf of her group, is a partner in Bay Street law firm Aird & Berlis. The county's legal representation on the corridor easement was by lawyers Derek McCallum and Scott Stoll,

The firm, however, does have something like 140 lawyers. And Ms. Pepino, responding to a pointed question from Councillor Warren Maycock, affirmed that the law firm does "have walls" (presumably segregating the activities of its members).

Ms. Pepino said neither she nor her law firm had been engaged as solicitors for CORE, and that her representation of CORE was purely personal. (In fact, Davis LLP represented

She did, however, appear to be critical of legal advice obtained from its solicitors with respect to options the county might have had in its negotiations with DWPI. Following a presentation bhy the county solicitor, she clarified this by saying the county's instructions to its

Mr. Maycock disagreed with the "too narrow" description. He said he was disappointed that the county's lawyers had spoken only of the legal process in their presentation to the meeting, and had not covered all the work the county had done in the public interest. "We've

In fact, the council had intervened in DW-PI's application for leave to construct the power line, to no avail. The Energy Board (OEB) granted the leave on July 5, 2013, and dismissed, among other things, the county's request that the entire line be buried; the duration of a lease be 23 rather than 45, years; and that DWPI be responsible to fencing. It did, however, rule that DWPI would have to comply with

"generous" compensation, but burial of the entire line would be economically not feasible.

On Thursday, after hearing from Ms. Pepino

coincidentally of Aird & Berlis.

CORE at the Environmental Review Tribunal.)

lawyer has been "too narrow."

done a lot," he said.

all regulations. Mr. Stoll advised in a July 7 letter to the county his opinion that DWPI would move to expropriate if an agreement could not be negotiated. Thereafter, the county continued to negotiate but the negotiations fell apart when DWPI refused to bury the entire line. Those negotiations were held in camera but representatives of DWPI said publicly they were willing to pay

and the county solicitors as well as from res-



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This issue had been taken up in a recent story in this newspaper. DWPI's position is that its survey is from the turbine's centre to the centre of the residential part of the Funston house, not including the attached garage, whereas Mr. Funston's includes the garage.

Shelburne Library

Just think another week or so and March

will be here... For us, it means looking at a

very busy March Break as we are offering

On Tuesday, March 11, we will be featur-

ing Creature Quest; there will be many ex-

otic creatures for the children to look at and

touch. This program will be in the library at

2 p.m. On Wednesday, March 12 at 10:30

a.m., we will be featuring Robin Hood, a

March 13 at 2 p.m. it will be the lively

lively production by the ever-exciting Duf-

flebag Theatre troupe. Finally, on Thursday,

musical entertainer Erick Traplin. The last

Theatre thanks to the support of the Town

of Shelburne.

two shows will be held at the Grace Tipling

And the best part is... the tickets are only

\$8 for all three shows! They are on sale

now at the library and they usually go quite

Another huge event that we are working on

is a giant Book Sale during the March Break

week. It will start on Wednesday, March 12th

at 10 a.m. and run through Thursday, Friday

and Saturday during library open hours.

We have an incredible assortment of great books. We have the ever popular \$2 a bag

books and some very high end new books.

lots of programs for our young families.

Farming issues arose Thursday. One farmer asked how he could be guaranteed access to his land that is separated by the rail corridor while construction is happening.

Warden Bill Hill could only advise that everyone would be notified under the agreement at each stage of construction. Apparently, anyone who sustains losses as a result of construction would be entitled to compensation, although that might have to be awarded by the Ontario Municipal Board - which would also be the vehicle for resolution of compensatory disagreements should expropriation occur.

Mr. Funston's position was that the county should fight to the death on expropriation. "If they win, at least it would slow them down," he said.

He ended his presentation with advice from his one-time hockey coach, "It's not how many fights you win or lose, but how many you show up for."





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Passed away peacefully at Dufferin Oaks, Shelburne on Saturday, February 15, 2014 in his 95th year. Devoted husband of the late Eleanor. Dear brother of Pearl of Pennsylvania and Edith of California. Predeceased by his brothers Erdmund and Gordon and his sisters Dorothy and Isabel. Doug

will be lovingly remembered by his family and friends.

The family will receive friends at the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne on Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. The funeral service will be held in the funeral home chapel on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. Spring interment at Shelburne Cemetery. If desired, donations to the Parkinsons Society or the Shelburne Legion would be appreciated.

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Health tip of the month: "Sleep tight! Don't let the bedbugs bite!"



Common bed beg

BY ALEX SHER We've heard the expression a million times

and most people were probably fortunate enough to never have to think about it. In recent years, bed bugs have become epidemic in proportion. Major Canadian cities like Ottawa and Toronto which are hubs for internationally connected travel, education and tourism are finding the situation growing at such a pace, it's becoming difficult to imagine being rid of the problem. Dini Miller, a PhD in the Entomology De-

partment at Virginia Tech, states on a website featuring her research, bed bugs originated in caves using bats as their hosts and with man's evolutionary desire for cave dwelling, bed bugs discovered new hosts. As man travelled, so did bed bugs. With its ability to remain dormant an entire year after feeding, it's no wander this pest is difficult to get rid of. According to James Murray, Sales and Mar-

keting Manager at Hot Air Purification, a pest control company specializing in bed bug eradication, following the banning of the harmful chemical DDT (dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane), which had been notably successful in reducing the bed bug population, the pest has not only thrived, it has increased 25times in the last three years alone.

TIPS FOR RECYCLERS

Murray, a former Ottawa University student eggs of bed bugs which is the reason for a three

himself knows firsthand how students and those who like to recycle can bring the bed bug situation upon themselves without even being aware they are doing it. Murray's advice, "I would tell people to deface all items and mattresses they throw out or write on the item that it had bed bugs. So many students, recyclers, second hand stores, see a chair or a couch on a curb and add it to their collection of salvaged items. People as whole can just let other people know there was a bed bug situation and that would make a big difference." A quick tip Murray offers to those who can't afford to hire a canine detection unit when scrutinizing their apartment for bed bugs is to take a blow dryer and go around problematic areas such as baseboards. Heat will attract the bugs bringing them out into the open and simply catching one to show a landlord is a step towards proactively addressing the issue.

Although bed bugs are not disease carrying insects necessarily, they are a serious health hazard for those who are allergic and mentally can take a frightening toll. Murray commented, "It just feels horrible from the renter or homeowner's perspective. They suffer embarrassment, they feel socially ostracised, they can't have people over, they worry and the expense of replacing many items is stressful".

While some rental properties insist tenants must be held responsible financially for the treatment of bed bugs, others are more than co-operative and eager to address the issue sooner than later. For the most part, rental properties have seen the beg bug crisis evolve into a financial nightmare, seeing costs for pest control treatment rise from \$25,000 to around the \$100,000 mark. Many management companies have discovered when an entire complex is reported to be 50%-90% infested, the cost is so high to treat the community situation, that many have simply sold or closed up shop.

TREATMENT: SPRAYING VS HOT AIR PURIFICATION

Murray points out that sprays do not kill the

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week process of treatment where more spray is needed to treat the newly hatched eggs. Hot air purification kills the bugs in all stages including eggs during one heat treatment, generally proving to be more cost effective long term. Worth noting is the fact that bed bugs are evolving and becoming immune to some spray treatments on the market and home remedies generally do not work in Murray's opinion. While spraying is a very common method of treating bed bugs, spraying doesn't penetrate surfaces like beds, baseboards, couches. Murray explains Hot Air Purification brings the temperature of the affected areas to 145 degrees and eggs die at 125 degrees, making the hot air purification method completed in one treatment without harmful chemicals.

"I've treated million dollar homes and half way houses. Anyone can get bed bugs from travelling, movie theatres, even buses. People need to be made aware. Hygiene is important and can definitely impact a person's ability to spot the problem sooner," Murray advises and reminds that even the cleanest homes may not escape an infestation as many five star hotels can attest to and whether you choose spray or heat treatment, there is no guarantee a new bed bug won't find its way back into an apartment or house and the entire process can begin again.

KNOW THE FACTS

Be aware of the bedbug crisis and if you experience rashes during the night, or notice bug bites, be very proactive when handling an infestation situation and seek out a health care professional, report incidents of concern to rental agencies or landlords and contact a pest control company. Dini Miller, an Associate Professor at Virginia Tech in the Department of Entomology features a comprehensive look into the beg bug crisis and offers exploration of all the facts you need to know to make educated decisions.

Visit the web page at http://www.ento.vt.edu/ people/tenure/miller-dini/index.html

For more information regarding Hot Air Purification, located at 15 Hemlock Crescent, RR2, Shanty Bay, ON, e-mail James Murray at james@hotairpurification.com or call 1-866-338-8556. Hot Air Purification serves Barrie, North York, Toronto and Area. Visit http://www. hotairpurification.com/

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• Are his gums looking almost red? Are some of the teeth coated with tartar? • Does his breath smell like he just raided a rotten fish market? • Are any of his canines or molars discolored (gray, brown or green)? • Are his gums swollen and bright pink or red? Normal colored gums should be light to medium pink. For some dark colored cats and dogs, gums may be gray. • Do you see any sores on the gums, particularly if you have a cat? • Are his bottom teeth worn down like the soles of a shoe? • Do you see any swelling or sores on his face around the lips, under the eyes or nose? • If you have a puppy or a kitten, do you see any double teeth? • Is he drooling like a newborn? If your pet is experiencing excessive drooling but doesn't usually, it could indicate some problem. • Has he lost weight recently as a result of not eating enough?

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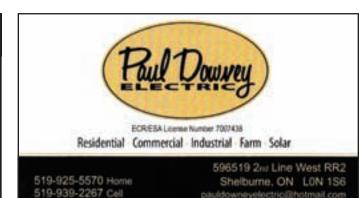


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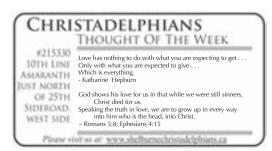
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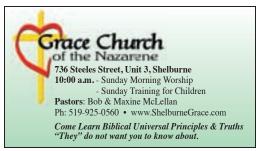


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He continued, "Do you remember the story when God called Moses to lead His people out of Egypt? How about in the case of David against Goliath, or when the apostle Peter stood up to boldly preach the Gospel to over 3000 people; do you think just maybe there may have been a little anxiety? God foreknew that life would present uncertainty so He wrote the Bible through people such as these so we could learn one thing; "When Life is uncertain, God is not!"

Let us ask ourselves this question, "What do we do when times are uncertain? No matter what happens do we trust God to hold us? We all face uncertain times with health, finances, provisions, relationships or death, but the most human instinctive response seems to be prayer, we turn to God. Back in 2009 there was a US Airways flight carrying 155 passengers experiencing trouble and it needed to crash land in the Hudson River saving everyone. When the flight attendant was asked what everyone's response was when they were unsure about the landing, she said," Everyone was praying!" This was instinctive why do you suppose? I believe that deep down in our hearts we believe God

holds the world in His hands. However there are many times in life where life is uncertain to the point of unrest, so where can we find peace?

We can read a very good example in 2 Chronicles 32:1-20. Hezekiah was only 25 years old when he became King over Judah, he married the Prophet Zechariah's daughter and he was great friends with the Prophet Isaiah, so he definitely had good counsel in his midst which would undoubtedly affect the way he thought and acted. Before he ruled the country, the people had been led astray from God to worship idols and were not serving the one true God; you can just imagine the chaos the nation was in. During his reign Hezekiah set out to cleanse the temple for God and return the people's hearts towards God and he sought God whole heartedly,(2 Chronicles 29:3,16, 32:21). After 11 years the situation looked all fine and dandy, then tragedy struck, Judah was attacked and invaded by the Assyrians, (2 Chronicles 32:1). We may ask ourselves, how can this happen after all that Hezekiah had done to bring the people back to God?" I am sure we have all been in similar instances where we didn't understand why things seemed to fall apart even when we are trying to live right for God. Here is what Hezekiah knew and we need to learn;" Life is uncertain but God is not!",

"So how should we react to uncertainty? Sure we can have a hissy fit or pity party thinking life is unfair, or we can take Hezekiah's example of getting our house in order; block off the bad, mend the broken and strengthen the weak,(2 Chronicles 32:2-5). Hezekiah didn't want to make it possible or remotely easy for the Assyrian King to take hold of the land; we ought to have that same attitude towards things that come against us. Yes there are things in our lives that cause uncertainty that are out of our control, but there are many that aren't, our attitudes, our habits and ways of thinking can be changed to help change the outcome of uncertain times. Example, financial uncertainty, we can change our spending habits, learn to plan wisely, and ultimately ask God how to manage efficiently and trust Him with the outcome. The same can be applied to every area of our lives, remove what has potential to create havoc, consult God on how to mend the damage already done, ask him for strength and guidance then trust Him with the rest. This is how Hezekiah approached the uncertain times ahead.

Hezekiah also cared for the people, He got their hearts in order, he knew they would experience anxiety and fear at the thought of famine and thirst, (2 Chronicles 32:10-11); so he reassured them by silencing the lies of the enemy and encouraged them by his example of Faith,(2 Chronicles 32:7-8).

Beloved in times of uncertainty it is our responsibility to take action like Hezekiah. It is a great opportunity to witness to the world that with God life can be free of worry and filled with peace. Our peace is not from the absence of problems, it is from the certainty of God's presence through all things. I leave you with words of Paul; let us not worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what we need, and thank him for all he has done. Then we will experience God's peace, which surpasses all understanding. His peace will guard our hearts and minds as we live in Christ Jesus. Have a blessed week in His presence, Asherey Shalom! To learn more visit www. shelburnecrossroadschurch.ca

Dipping into the past...

125 YEARS AGO

Thursday, February 21, 1889

• Says the Shelburne Free Press: The Dufferin Advertiser takes the Free Press to task for stating in a former issue that "the Orangeville papers advance no argument for why Shelburne should not have a high school, they only desire to 'crush Shelburne's ambitious designs' and, as far as the Advertiser is concerned, plead "not guilty" to the charge. We may possibly exclude the Advertiser to the extent from the statement in the second clause, but certainly not as to the first, nor can we except either the Sun or Post from either charge. We could fill columns of our space in quotations to support the charge, a few living in the village and imbut we spare our readers. We must also take the Advertiser's gushing admiration with a grain of salt. When we see any evidence of it, or even a disposition to deal fairly with the northern part of the county, we will believe in the Advertis-

er's sincerity.

The article reproduces part of the Advertiser article: "The cost of maintaining a second high school would be considerably more than the county is prepare to give. This is a new county. The roads, bridges and other public works in the county are badly in need of repair. The county is suffering for want of improvement in this line. The educational interests of the county are not suffering. We have a sufficiency of well-taught public schools. We have a first-class high school, capable of accommodating many more pupils than have sought admission. A high school in Shelburne would, we grant, benefit mediate vicinity. So would a high school in Grand Valley or Gooseville. But pupils of other parts of the county, who would need leave home to attend school, might just as well go to Orangeville as Shelburne. The time may come, will

come we doubt before very long, when our high school here will not be able in its present capacity to accommodate all those in the county seeking a high school education. When that time comes the establishing of a second high school will receive our liberal consideration. At present another high school in Dufferin would be an expensive luxury which the good and welfare of the County does not require. Wherefore, we argue, Shelburne should not have a high school at the county's expense."

Comments the Free Press: "With a contemptible unfairness and disregard for the truth, the Advertiser in two sentences implies that the cost of maintaining the high school, would be borne by the county, when the editor knows well that not more than one-fifth of the whole cost would be borne by the county."

100 YEARS AGO Thursday, February 19, 1914

• In Shelburne Methodist Church Wednesday night of last week, the married ladies of the congregation undertook to show their husbands and other comers that when it comes to concert-giving they are there "with the goods" and then some. And they scored a success, with a large attendance and a program that was thoroughly enjoyed.

• F. H. Sealey, of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted trust expert, will be at the Alexandria Hotel and will remain in Orangeville Tuesday, February 24. All charity without charge, or if any interested call, he will be glad to show same without charge or fit them, if desired. Anyone ruptured should remember the date and take advantage of the opportunity.

• The first robin of the season was seen in Shelburne Tuesday

morning. It was noticed by William Munn at his office.

75 YEARS AGO

Thursday, February 23, 1939

• Honeywood: The storm on Thursday filled in the plowed road which has since been very heavy for horses. We understand that the highway is not open for cars yet, either, at the weekend. However, the plow went up through Redickville the first of the week, but did not come east from the corner to Honeywood.

50 YEARS AGO

Wednesday, February 19, 1964

• While sitting in the front seat of a car during a recent hunting expedition, Douglas Price, of Orangeville, was shot in the hip, when the gun of a companion sitting in the back seat accidentally discharged and the bullet went through the back of the front seat.

• The most successful carnival in the history of North Dufferin Arena was held in Honeywood Saturday night with a large attendance on hand and a large number in costume.

10 YEARS AGO

Friday, February 20, 2004

• Lynn Beath, director of population health, and Wayne Orr, administrator of the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Health Unit, have confirmed that despite the planned closing of the Health Unit's Shelburne office, services will not be affected.

· A fire that caused more than \$200,000 damage to a home on Caledonia Street in Orangeville last Saturday, it is being called "suspicious" by Police Chief Rod Freeman. Fire Chief Andy Macintosh said the blaze started in a bedroom of the semi-detached home and by the time firefighters arrived had spread to the other half of the





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FEELING THE OLYMPIC SPIRIT - A message of support of our athletes (currently participating in the 22nd Winter Olympics Sochi, Russia) is spray painted into a snow bank near Hwy 89. Even though "tagging" is generally frowned upon, this message shows that we are united as Canadians by the Olympic spirit.