A Message From Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon



I want to acknowledge that the COVID-19 crisis is a challenging time for many in Dufferin-Caledon. I know, as a community, we are trying our best to stay home and go out only when it is essential and that will make a difference.

Thank you for taking care of yourself, your family and checking in with neighbours who may be struggling in these uncertain times.

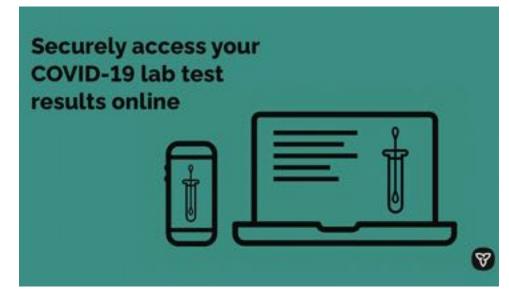
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Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon 1-800-265-1603 sylvia.jonesco@pc.ola.org

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A NEW SPIN ON ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT: Shelburne councillor Lindsay Wegener and her daughters are pictured after decorating their yard with beautiful homemade Easter crafts. Ms. Wegener is encouraging local residents to participate in a new 'Social Distancing Easter Egg Hunt' this weekend, calling on families to decorate Easter eggs and place them in places where children, in cars or walking, can spot them. For the full story, see Page 5

More cases of COVID-19 confirmed at Headwaters hospital, six cases at Shelburne retirement homes

Written By MIKE BAKER

tients have tested positive for COVID-19 at Headwaters Health Care Centre as of cleaning routines, and has made changes to Wednesday morning (April 8).

The hospital started posting daily statistics on its website this week, highlighting that an additional 38 staff members were self-isolating, having potentially come into contact with an individual testing positive for coronavirus. Of the 10 confirmed inpatient cases, four of those individuals are helpful on that front. The Rotary Club of Orcurrently receiving treatment at the local hospital.

"We are doing everything we can to keep our staff and patients safe during this excepping up to purchase items such as gloves tional time," Headwaters hospital spokesperson Jennifer Hamilton informed the Citizen on Tuesday (April 7).

Some of those additional measures include refusing access to the hospital to visitors, with the exception of maternity and palliative care units, which require special arrangements to be made, reducing access to the hospital to two points of entry, with screening measures in place for everyone who enters, and cancelling many clinics, programs and services to reduce the number with a total of 1,992 individuals processed of people in the hospital.

All volunteer activities at the site have been suspended, with any member of staff A total of 14 staff members and 10 inpa- who can work remotely encouraged to do so. The hospital has doubled down on its various parts of the hospital, particularly to waiting areas, to promote social distancing.

"Most importantly right now is ensuring our staff have the right personal protective equipment for the right situations," Ms.

Hamilton said. The community has been particularly angeville has donated \$13,000 to the hospital to help pay for much-needed supplies, with several small businesses in the area stepand masks, and delivering them to the local

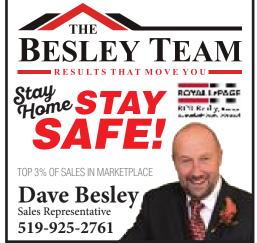
The number of COVID-19 cases locally, as is the case almost everywhere else around the world, has increased substantially over the past week. As of Wednesday morning, Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health has 113 confirmed cases, with 35 of those here in Dufferin County. Visits at our local COVID-19 Assessment Centre, situated at Headwaters hospital, are up again this week, and 774 tests administered as of press time.

Worldwide cases of coronavirus surpassed the 1.5 million mark on Wednesday afternoon. From that total, around 310,000 people have recovered from the virus, with 83,476 individuals dying. The United States is now recognized as the official epicentre of COVID-19, with 400,549 cases as of 11 a.m. on Wednesday. Spain, Italy, France and Germany round out the top five countries for total cases, with each recording more than 100,000 cases. Canada is now ranked 13th on that list, with 17,897 total cases as of end of day Tuesday.

Concerns have been escalating locally after two Shelburne retirement residences confirmed cases of COVID-19 this week. Dufferin Oaks was already on lockdown after two staff members tested positive for the virus last week. As of Wednesday, the County of Dufferin, who operates the facility, confirmed a third staff member had contracted coronavirus, with two residents also infected. It was also revealed on Tuesday that Shelburne Residence Retirement and Nursing Home had its first resident test positive for COVID-19.

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Shelburne Council participates in first virtual meeting

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

vitual meeting on Monday (April 6), passing a motion to adopt this protocol indefnitely so as to facilitate conducting important municipal business during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Chaired by Mayor Wade Mills, the meeting was attended by all members of council, with the exception of Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson. Town Clerk Jennifer Willoughby, CAO Denyse Morrissey and Treasurer Carey Holmes and Jim Moss, Director of Development and Operations were also in attendance.

the new protocol, which was done by unanimous consent. The new law, under Bill 187 was passed by the Ontario government on March 19, to enable municipalities to conduct essential business, including "in camera" sessions, during the COVID-19 crisis. The meeting was conducted using the Zoom that it will be in the near future, as the public program, which has an annual cost to the Town of \$400, which will be taken from the dirt accumulation. General Government Services Administration category of the 2020 Budget under the tion as to whether or not the local rail trail IP Section.

During the discussions prior to the vote, rity issues. Ms. Willoughby noted that if the mation would be made to the County. required privacy settings are employed and the access link to the program is controlled, there should be no security issues for the encing equipment and uploading files to the their current development charge bylaw. Town website.

"Dufferin Oaks is continuing to follow

all WDGPH directives. Infectious prevention continues to be the priority," a County

release distributed on Monday reads. "Iso-

lation measures are in place and staff in the impacted units are using full personal

protective equipment - gowns, masks and

gloves. Anyone that is experiencing symptoms is not able to work, and is to be tested

In an open letter to the community, Dr. Peter Cino, Chief of Staff at Headwaters hospital, stated that everyone needed to

work together to get through this crisis. He called on local residents to maintain a level

of calmness as businesses and organizations

implement measures designed to prevent

Just think about the last time you went to

the grocery store. You could get angry and

Churchill said 'fear is a reaction, courage is

stand together and fight this virus together.

"Every aspect of our lives has changed.

the spread of COVID-19 in our area.

ty in the best way possible."

time.

Six COVID-19 cases at Shelburne retirement homes

Continued from FRONT

at an assessment centre."

prove unsatisfactory and Mayor Mills stated May 25. Town Council gathered for its very first that for the moment the discussions were open to the public and so security was not a public meeting must be held on or before and assistance. major concern.

> The virtual meetings, may only be used during a declared state of emergency and not as a substitute for conventional public Council sessions.

Community Relief Plan

Moving on, Council voted to review the Community Relief Plan and to continue using it in its present form for the time being.

The plan is designed to be flexible and can be changed to accommodate changing situ-The first order of business was to adopt ations, but is working well for theme being.

Sidewalk cleaning

Next up, was Council inquiries. Coun. Benotto asked as to whether or not street and sidewalk cleaning was to be implemented during the pandemic. It was noted works department cleans up after the winter

Coun. Kyle Fegan asked for clarificawas part of the closures announced by the County. Specifically, the County Forest trails Coun. Walter Benotto voiced concerns over had been closed, but no direct mention had security provisions of the software, noting been made concerning the rail trail. Coun. that two states in the United States are cur- Fegen was asking on behalf of ATV users. rently investigating the company for secu- Mayor Mills stated that a request for infor-

Development charges review

Treasurer Carey Holmes then presented meetings. She also noted that this is purely a report on the ongoing development a temporary situation as in the future, the charges review and, in particular, the Town's Town will be installing its own video confer- response to the impending expiration of

The Town is not allowed to collect devel-CAO Denyse Morrissey added that other opment charges without a current bylaw in

service providers are available should Zoom place. The current one is set to expire on have reached out to Dufferin-Caledon MPP

April 20. The Town has decided to hold a virtual public meeting on April 20. Unfor- being accepted by the Town, it is extremely tunately, at this time, such a meeting is not important that a bylaw regulating developpermitted under provincial legislation and ment charges exists. Also, under the newly would therefore leave the Town's new bylaw amended essential services list from the open to appeal in the courts. Nevertheless, Province, for any building where the footlegal counsel and staff deliberations have ings have been poured prior to the enactrecommended to proceed with the meet- ment, construction may be completed at ing, as not having a bylaw in place, presents the site. Without a current bylaw in effect, worse consequences than having one that the Town could not charge development may be open to appeal.

ince is purportedly considering suspending ceed. all development charges and the annual indexing of them. If done, this would solve the Town's problem and the April 20 meeting would not be necessary.

It was noted by the Mayor, that the problem of a virtual meeting was probably an ing from home and only attending Town Hall oversight on the part of the Province. Elec- by necessity. Staff is currently planning to tronic meetings were authorized under the close all rental facilities, following the lead Municipal Act, while development charges of other municipalities, until further notice. are governed by the Planning Act. Town staff

Sylvia Jones and the Ministry of Municipal However, in order to enact a new one, a Affairs and Housing for further information

As development applications are still charges. Beyond that, any building permits The CAO stated that, currently, the Provissued prior to April 4 are allowed to pro-

Other business

In other business, CAO Morrissey noted that most services at Town Hall are still being conducted, with the majority of staff work-

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MORE CASES: A total of five individuals, three staff and two residents, from Dufferin Oaks long-term care home have been diagnosed with COVID-19. Shelburne Residence Retirement and Nursing Home also confirmed its first case of coronavirus, with a resident diagnosed on Tuesday (April 7).

frustrated waiting six feet apart outside, but I would encourage you to look beyond, and countless times as these physicians have realize this inconvenience is an attempt to had the courage to change their practice, protect you, your family and your communi- with the goal of providing the best possible He added, "Change is difficult. I under-sured, they have acted in the best interest of

"Your local healthcare community, within a decision'. We need to have the courage to the hospital, including nursing, midwifery and allied healthcare, as well as the family Dr. Cino went on to commend the staff at of physician offices in the community, real-Headwaters hospital, saying he would, literized many weeks ago that our best chance, ally, trust each and every one of the facility's our only chance, was for the medical staff to physicians with his life during this troubling stand together, and we have done this," he concluded. "Thank you for the support you "I have worked as a physician in this com- have shown us, as we lead you straight into



care given the local circumstances. Rest asstand why people are scared. Sir Winston patients and this community," Dr. Cino said.

munity for over 25 years. I have watched this battle."



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We could use a bit of humour

A rabbit walks into a pub, sits down at the bar and orders a beer and a hamburger.

He does this for several nights in a row. Finally the bartender, curious about this newcomer, asks the rabbit if he is new in

The rabbit explains that he is an expert in renovating old buildings and was hired to rebuild the steeple on the local church. "You speak very good English," says the

bartender. "Well, I was born in this country," the

rabbit replies. Later in the week a travelling circus arrived in town and set up a large tent in which to hold their show.

The owner of the circus was an old friend of the bartender's and he stopped in at the pub for a drink.

The bartender tells the circus owner about the talking rabbit that has been coming into the bar every night.

"That's astounding," says the circus owner. "Please give him my business card. I think a talking rabbit would be a great sideshow. Tell him he could make a lot of money."

The next night the rabbit arrives at the bar and orders his usual beer and hamburger.

The bartender hands him the business card and tells him he may have a lucrative business opportunity for him working in his friend's circus.

The rabbit looks at the business card and asks, "Is this the circus just outside of town with a big canvas tent?"

"Yes," replies the bartender excitedly. "My friends wants to offer you a deal to

work there." The rabbit looks puzzled and asks "Why would a circus with a tent need a brick-

layer?" Hit the cymbal!

I think we can all use a little levity during this time.

This whole social distancing experience seems to be going two ways. Some people are growing tired of this

situation and getting restless, but hoping for a quick return to normalcy.

Others seem to have embraced this as the new normal method of living in society. I hope that certainly isn't the case. There's no point in being part of a society if you are afraid to stand next to a person and are terrified of catching germs while visiting your family, friends, or neighbors.

I was lined up with several others the other day waiting to get into a store - for a legitimate home purchase, nothing friv-

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The fellow behind me was wearing coveralls, a hood over his head, and some kind of full blown gas mask that looked like he was getting ready to spray a highly toxic pesticide on a potato patch.

Walking down the main aisle, I realized I had overshot the runway and needed to backtrack to find the item I needed.

I turned around to see gas mask guy around ten feet behind me. He froze when I turned around.

He appeared terrified that I might walk toward him and send a spray of germs, bacteria, and viruses into the air around him.

You don't have to glare at me twice. I gave him a wide berth, and he continued on in a state of apparent terror.

My own family has been hit hard by this crisis in a way we could never have imag-

We had to plan a funeral. Except under the current rules, there is a limited number of people allowed to attend.

Originally we were told we could have a grand total of five in attendance and that included an officiant.

That number was updated to ten.

Most people have at least that number in their own family when you include

immediate family, siblings, nephews and nieces, and cousins.

FROM THE SECOND ROW

BRIAN LOCKHART

Factor in that a person has lived their entire life in the same

city and was involved in many organizations and had many friends, and the number of people who wanted to attend was far above just the ten allowed.

grieving protocol listing handshakes, hugs, and any form of contact as being unacceptable.

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We had to settle for a simple graveside service. No traditional visitation with friends, no eulogy, no music.

It was just a simple goodbye.

When this current lunacy is over, we will hold a memorial service and welcome friends and family to celebrate a life well lived.

I certainly hope we will not accept this as being the new way of being social.

Human contact is important at every level of your life.

In the meantime: A horse walks into a

The bartender says, "What's with the long face?"

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Editorial

Sunshine list should be scrapped

Well, ladies and gentlemen, it's back. how much money an individual at Town releasing the 2019 Sunshine List in late site effect. March.

outdated practice. Released every year ing? Not many, we would assume. at the beginning of spring, the Sunshine across Ontario who earn \$100,000 or what \$100,000 a year is now. more annually. Introduced by the Mike taxpayer.

human being possesses - jealousy.

All the list has ever really accomplished same. is embarrassing those who names are day it is cancelled.

haps even more absurd was the decision more today than it did 24 years ago. to actually release it at a time when thouthose who made the list. For a second, Park. remember they are community members just like us. Neighbours. Friends.

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As the COVID-19 pandemic continues Hall makes has absolutely no bearing on to bring governments across the globe to any of our lives. It may, however, have a its knees, the Ontario government, which significant bearing on theirs. Something itself has been impacted substantially by that was, apparently, designed to improve an outbreak of the virus on these shores, accountability and, presumably, producdedicated some amount of resources to tivity, today likely has the complete oppo-

Disagree? Then answer us this. How As some of our readers will no doubt many of you would be happy to have your recall, we wrote a piece following the name and earnings plastered in newsparollout of last year's list, calling on the pers and around social media for all to Province to scrap what has become an see, simply because you earn a good liv-

And emphasis should be placed on that List highlights public sector employees last point. A good living. Because that's

Back in 1996, the very first Sun-Harris-led Conservative government in shine List contained 4,501 names. The 1996, the list was, apparently, designed recently released 2020 Sunshine List, to provide accountability on behalf of which includes data for earnings in 2019, public employees and transparency to the boasted a mammoth 166,977 individual entries. That's approximately a 3,600 While the Sunshine List may have percent increase on the number of peoaccomplished that more than two decades ple included in that very first list, and ago, today it serves as nothing more than a 10 percent rise from last year's total. a publicity stunt that feeds into one of Extraordinarily, despite inflation rising by the most dangerous personality trains a around 60 percent since 1996, the cut off point for the Sunshine List remains the

For argument's sake, \$100,000 from inscribed within its pages year after year. 1996, when the list was first released, At its very core, the Sunshine List is an would be worth \$164,868 today. Looking incredible invasion of privacy. It always at some other avenues, the average price has been, and will remain one until the of a home in Toronto was approximately \$198,150 back in 1996. Today, that aver-It seems absurd that, with resources age has ballooned to an eye watering stretched so thin at the government level \$843,637. Grocery prices have increased right now, that any time at all would be dramatically, as has the price to purchase set aside to deal with compiling the infor- a new car. You'd be hard pressed to find mation necessary to publish the list. Per- anything that doesn't cost substantially

So, with everything else on the uppity sands upon thousands of people are los- up, why has the Sunshine List remained ing their jobs. There will likely be more at that \$100,000 threshold? That quesenvious eyes than ever before judging tion has yet to be answered at Queen's

More than 200 Dufferin County and Caledon residents suffered the ignominy While there are those, undoubtedly, of having their position and earnings who look forward to the Sunshine List's called into question last week. As we said publication each year, one has to ask last year, and will continue to preach, the question - why? What exactly does likely, for years to come - the practice is the Sunshine List accomplish? Knowing wrong and should be halted immediately.



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Local councillor establishes new social distancing Easter Egg Hunt

eggs."

Written By MARNI WALSH

omy of ideals - with fuzzy yellow chicks and them where children in cars, or walking, can distance from others also seeking eggs. Also, chocolate faced children positioned against hunt and spot them. a backdrop of sacrifice upon the cross; but at the heart of it all, lies a message of rebirth, eggs and display them in windows on doors change and hope - sought, all at once, in spir- outside, or in your gardens - anything to proitual gratitude, the signs of spring, and the vide visible presence," says Coun. Wegener. laughter of children.

sage holds especially true.

Here in Shelburne, the littlest residents, ready for the joy and fun that Easter brings.

Shelburne councillor Lindsay Wegener, who has organized Shelburne's Easter Egg of our community by offering a unique event Hunt for the last several years, has found a that allows children to get excited about way to hold with the tradition, despite the creating an egg craft that will make others limitations brought on by COVID-19. Coun. happy to hunt and seek, and about their own Wegener says it was during her social media adventure to hunt and seek the eggs of othtravels, that she came across a social dis- ers." tancing initiative and alternative to bring a different kind of Easter Egg Hunt to the comtion for those participating. munity; she has created an activity that kids

and families can safely enjoy.

Coun. Wegener is encouraging Shelburne ing and social isolation orders," she says. the idea and are already showing brightly Easter celebrations may seem a dichot-families to decorate Easter eggs and place

"There are no rules, except to make your

She is hoping families will have the eggs This year, amid a global crisis, that mes-displayed by Good Friday, so supervised children can hunt for the weekend.

"Especially Sunday," she says, "As families separated from playmates for weeks, are won't be sharing that day with loved ones outside their household."

She added, "My vision is to lift the morale

However, the councillor had a clear cau-

"I would like to remind those taking part

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even reduce the posted speed, and allow residing in their home."

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remember social isolation means completing family fun for the community during this

this activity only with those in your current challenging time," Coun. Wegener says. "A

household. To those driving - remain focused slight distraction from the fact they can't

on the road and obey all speed limits, maybe spend Easter with loved ones not currently



Several residents have come on board with

"It's my hope to provide some positive

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Shelburne Domino's thanking frontline workers by offering special deals

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

While many businesses have been forced to close due to the current COVID-19 crisis, many others are continuing their valuable service to the community.

As a food distributor, Domino's Pizza in Shelburne is still offering take-out service and delivery to the area, although their dining area is currently closed.

Well known for their charitable contributions to local minor hockey as well as the Special Olympics through local Shelburne Police Service initiatives, Domino's is once again stepping up to help out the community.

"In times like this, we can appreciate those that are going out there every day and going to work and making sure that people that are home are safe and secure," said Domino's Pizza owner, Rishi Kakar. "We want to honour them and give them something in return and thank them for all they do."

Shelburne Domino's will be offering a 50 per cent discount to all health workers, emergency workers, and grocery store employees, to make things a little easier after working a long shift.

You can stop in at the store, or you can have a pizza delivered. Home delivery features a non-contact approach.

"The way zero-contact delivery works is that when a pizza comes out of the oven it goes straight into a box," Mr. Kakar explained. "From that box it goes into another bag. You can pay online, you can even tip the driver online. The driver will place the box at the door, knock on the door and step back six feet. After the customer leaves he picks up the makeshift box so they're not leaving the pizza on the floor. We're encouraging every one to take advantage of this pay online system."

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72. Nothing but

75. Seaweed gel

77. Mare's child

85.Con game

86.Unpleasant task

90.Minn. neighbor:

91. Hollow rock

1. Lacking hair

3. A friend in _

6. Seal hunter

2. Cheaper spread

81.Horrid

87.Pivot

89.Sleep

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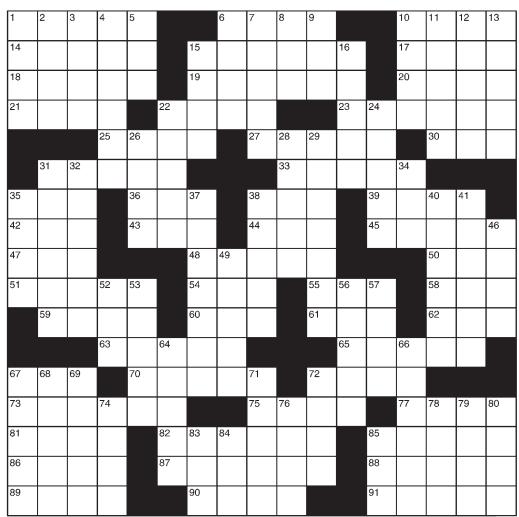
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21.Bird of yore

22. Nuisance

23.Self-centered person

25. Elemental particle

27. Navajo dwelling

30."Cry ____ River"

31.Lean one

33.Dark tea type

35.Bear hair

36.Keep a stiff upper _ 38."____ fleece was white . . ." 39. Speck of dust

42. Tarzan's friend 43. Cartoon frame

44. Young louse

45.Foe

47.Fresh

48. Tropical palm

50. Dieter's retreat

51. Shake hands with

54. Coffee container 55."____ kingdom

come . . ."

58. Sardine can

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63.Lasso

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10. Japanese sport

11.Allege

12.Licorice flavoring

13.Devilfish

15.Outline

16. Squeaking sound

22.Stray calf

24. Elflike being

26. Powder mineral 28. Sight-related

29. Develop slowly

31.Fantastic 32.Embroidery yarn

34.Long timespan

35. Snake's tooth

37. Mollify

38.Bungling

40. Canopy frame

41. Type of apple

46. Yin's opposite

49.Rustic 52.Part of ENT

53."____ Dreams"

56.Overexcited

57.12 months

64.Pile up

66. Make not as dangerous

67.Prefer

68. Nitrogen compound

69. Anklebone

71.Immature insect stage

72.Promenade

74.Or else

76.Nerd

78. Aware of

79. Caustic material

80.Folk wisdom 83."My ____ True Love"

84.Purge

85.Satchel

4. Noisy commotion

SHELBURNE P()RTS

Shelburne Vets in limbo while current situation is assessed

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex to the public. would normally be gearing up for the start of lacrosse season.

"We would normally be on the floor now venues now closed tight, the Shelburne Vets Minor Lacrosse. "We usually have two or minor lacrosse club may see their entire three weeks of just getting going and having ing out information." season evaporate as there is currently no practices and having the players getting their

other public venue, may once again be open of March. That's all been put on hold until that unless it comes down from the OLA. for a season start at the end of April," said from the OLA (Ontario Lacrosse Associa-However, with all sports and recreation Barry Trood, president of Shelburne Vets tion). We obviously just can't start ourselves. six divisions on the floor ranging from the lit-

having a shorter season but that all depends if not all private, sports venues currently

"It's a possibility," Trood said of organizing

predicted date as to when the arena, or any hockey bugs out. We usually start at the end a shorter summer schedule. "But we can't do

The short schedule would mean a hasty

This year the Vets were planning on having to the Midget level.

Extending the season to run later during the summer also presents a problem as many "All we can do is wait," Trood said. "We municipalities put the ice back into their arehockey training and tryouts which would put and end to any lacrosse activities.

Lacrosse isn't the only sport on hold right

Currently they are no sanctioned sports There is a possibility of starting late and across the province with all public, and most

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May 15, and frankly, I think even that's a stretch. We're waiting to get more direction tryout period for potential players. The OLA has a board of directors that is giv-tle ones in the Paperweight division right up

The season normally finishes the first week of August.

have to have a rink to play out of and that's nas to accommodate the start of pre-season closed, so we can't do anything in that regard. With the season, in terms of minor lacrosse, finishing in the first week of August, we're looking at a really short season even if it now. goes."

on what happens in the next few weeks.

All sporting activities delayed due to COVID-19

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The opportunity to get outdoors and play bers to meet to plan for scheduling. some summer sports will most likely be delayed well into the summer.

Currently there are no active sports rently closed. leagues operating and both public and private venues have been closed.

mally be gearing up for a start in May have and the Complex is back up and operating. cancelled tryouts and league meetings for at least the next few weeks.

ery sporting event from organized league to social distancing protocol. pick-up games in local parks.

has put everything on hold and still hoping sibly cancel the entire season if it is deemed

to get things underway later in the season. The Shelburne Shooters Ball Hockey club time left.

is also currently on hold. sporting activities, all area baseball dia- spring sports. monds are closed as is Greenwood park and available for the foreseeable future.

That also includes the basketball court at Greenwood.

won't be allowed on any diamonds any time

soon. This includes try-outs or practices. Leagues are not allowing executive mem-

The Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, a hub of activity for summer activities is cur-

This means the outdoor pool at the complex will most likely not be opened for some This means many sports that would nor-time depending on when sanctions are lifted

Even private activities like going out and tossing a ball or practicing lacrosse skills Cancellations are affecting just about ev- are being discouraged so as to comply with

Once sanctions are lifted, most leagues Locally, the Shelburne Vets Lacrosse Club will either have a shortened season or posnot practical to continue with the amount of

At the high school level, there won't be With local parks now off limits for any any District 4 championships this year for

With schools currently not operating, and the soccer fields there will be idle and un- no time frame given as to when students may return, there are going to be some blank years in the championship record books for badminton, rugby, girls soccer, and track Baseball, slo-pitch, and softball leagues and field events.



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GIVING BACK: Thanks to Shelburne's Giant Tiger, the local kitties at the Feral Cat Rescue will be very happy for the next few weeks. The store donated a cart full of cat food and cat litter to the shelter on April 3. "Due to the recent COVID-19 situation, donations and adoptions are down at the centre and as we are run entirely on donations and fundraisers, it has left the pantry pretty empty, said Feral Cat Rescue owner Sharon Morden. Those wishing to help, can contact Sharon at info@feralcatrescue.ca.



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Great Divide Challenge

The first few days of the Great Divide Trail Challenge showed us there is some stiff competition in this community! If you haven't had a Keep an eye on our posts to see when the next change to check out the leaderboard, head over one will be. to our Facebook page (/shelburnelibrary) or Instagram (@ShelburneONLibrary) to see who was in the lead at the beginning of this week.

Teen Scene

If you haven't had a chance to see the woncommunity safe is absolutely our first priority. derful photos taken for the first Teen Photogra-However, we are working our hardest to pro- phy Challenge, head over to our Facebook page vide online information and programming for where we've created an album! The winner of our first challenge was announced on Monday,

To keep the enthusiasm going, we've launched another Teen Photography Challenge with brand new photo prompts, which can also sources such as Press Reader which carries be found on our Facebook and Instagram pages! If Teens have private social media accounts (as we encourage), we ask parents to post on and we have a three-month trial to Kanopy for behalf of their Teens and tag the Library, or send movies. Please check out our Facebook and them via email to jwyse@shelburnelibrary.ca. online resources. If you would like to receive The winner will once again win a \$25 gift card! our weekly email as with all other questions re- Don't forget—all of these prompts can be comlating to accessing these resources please conpleted around your own home, while maintaining a safe physical distance from others!

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'Every little bit helps' says Legion president

Written By MARNI WALSH

As COVID-19 hit Dufferin County in the past weeks, area businesses, organizations, and individuals are stepping up to do what they can to aid in the fight against the growing pandemic. And who better to enter the battle than members of the Royal Canadian Legion?

On behalf of the Legion, Lesa Peat, President of Branch 220 in Shelburne made a donation of protective gloves to front line staff at Shelburne Residence Retirement and Nursing Home on Robert Street, in order "to help ensure our veterans and community are safe."

"I knew we had six boxes of gloves in our pantry," says Ms. Peat, "so I contacted Sarah Ricci [Shelburne Residence] to see if we could help. I asked if they needed anything else like kleenex, toilet paper or food. The LENDING A HELPING HAND: Lesa Peat, gloves are what they needed."

Ms. Peat also put together Legion gift bags for veterans in long term care facilities.

"I gave them a card expressing that we are thinking of them, added chocolate bars and chips to the bags and sent one of them their Peat says it is her "daily routine is to post favourite tea cup," she said.

me he was scared and confused as to why ticed." he couldn't go to his group. I wanted him to so happy to receive his gift from the Legion." passed away due to COVID-19." Hoping to keep community spirits up, Lesa

President of the Shelburne Branch 220 Royal Canadian Legion, made a donation of protective gloves to Shelburne Residence front line workers this week on behalf of the organization.

a positive of picture on Facebook." Online, It was a veteran's birthday last week, and long term care staff thanked Lesa Peat and it is a Legion tradition to celebrate with cof- the Legion "for the generous donation" of fee and cake at Wednesday's coffee group. protective gloves, writing, "every little bit Lesa Peat says, "The veteran's daughter told helps" and the "generosity does not go unno-

As President, Lesa Peat says, "Shelburne enjoy his day, so I gave him a special Legion Branch 220 of the Royal Canadian Legion birthday card and his treats. His daughter will keep it's flag at half mast until this virus contacted me this morning and said he was is over. Lest we forget the people that have

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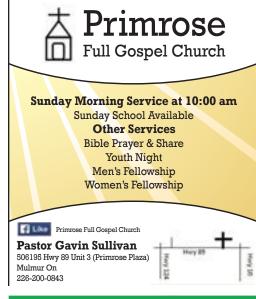
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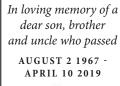
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passed away peacefully on April 4, 2020, at Grey Gables, a long-term care facility in Markdale, Ontario. Howard was in his 92nd year and was the last surviving member of the family of the late Harry and Gertrude Hannon of Badjeros. Howard is survived by his loving and devoted wife of almost 67 years, Delores (nee Johnston), as well as two daughters, Lori (Philip Yi) Hannon (Guelph), Sherri (Aaron Wanagas) Gauvreau (Ajax) and one son Wayne Hannon (Melancthon). Five granddaughters will miss a cheerful and adoring grandfather: Carly (Nick Bernal) O'Donnell (Los Angeles), Kristen O'Donnell (Guelph), Samantha Gauvreau (Brooklin), Alicia Gauvreau (Ajax) and Emily Gauvreau (Kingston). Howard was predeceased by two sisters: Evelyn (Walter Coutts), and Ada Hannon; and four brothers, Leonard, Keith (Vera), Jim and Frank (in infancy). He is survived by sisters-in-law Elsie

Hannon and Dorothy Hannon as well as brother and sister-in-law (Ron and Beth Johnston). Howard was born on the homestead in Badjeros on June 18, 1928. He attended public school and Sunday school at Badjeros. He continued onto high school, but as with many of his generation, these being war years and farm help was scarce, he left school to work on the family farm.

In 1947, he acquired a farm on the 5th line of Melancthon (Redickville area) from his Uncle, William Spanhouse. In 1953 he married Delores Johnston at Wareham church and the couple built a new house on the property and moved in and this is where they raised their family. Howard loved farming and made many improvements to Hannondale farm over the years including a large addition to the barn, a driving shed and later enlarging the farm by purchasing an adjacent property.

As long as health permitted, Howard was active in his community. Over the years he held a number of offices in his church; he spent several years as a member of Dundalk District Credit Union Board; he was a member and chair of the North Dufferin Community Centre in Honeywood; he was a member of Dundalk UCO board; a Charter member of the Honeywood Lions Club which he held several offices over the years; a member of the Dundalk District Agricultural Society Board as well as a school board Member and weighman for the Dufferin County beef producers.

Howard and Delores loved dancing and in the late 1960s join the Modern Square dance group in Honeywood. With the friends they made, they travelled and danced in 9 provinces and 1 territory and several US states, as well as in Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, England, Scotland, Ireland and Norway.

In failing health, in later years, Howard moved to Grey Gables in August 2019. His family is grateful for the wonderful care he received there. He was re-united with Delores just before Christmas and they were able to have their last few months together. Funeral arrangements are being entrusted to McMillan & Jack Funeral Home in Dundalk. Due to COVID 19 restrictions there will be no funeral service or visitation at this time. Howard will be laid to rest in Badjeros Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later time.

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Reid, Jean Isobel 🖑



Passed away peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre on Sunday, April 5, 2020 just one week short of her 94th birthday. Devoted wife of the late Garnet. Loving mother of Paul and the late Robert. Proud grandmother of Ryan. Jean will be

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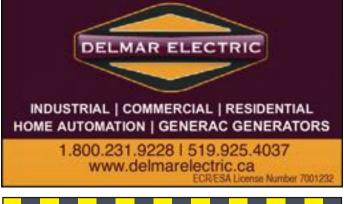
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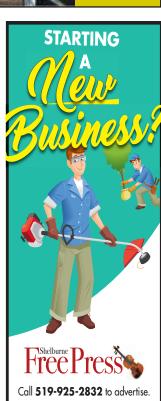












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