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CHAMPIONSHIP WIN: The Bolton Brewers celebrate their North Dufferin Baseball League championship win over the New Lowell Knights in Bolton on Saturday, September 25. The Brewers won the final series in three games. The final saw the Bolton team take an early 7 - 0 lead in the first inning. The game ended with a grand slam home run that invoked the mercy rule and gave the Brewers the championship. Turn to Page 6 for a full story.

Council to borrow \$5 million for new water tower

Written By Paula Brown

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

plan to borrow \$5 million to complete construction of a new water storage tower.

report from municipal engineer Stephen Burnett and town treasurer Carey Holmes on the new water tower project. Council unanimously voted in favour of applying for a loan from Infrastructure Ontario over a facility is made up of steel, which has seen 20-year term.

of financing for the majority of the project seen earlier in the year with wood prices grant money for the new water tower. would come from long-term borrowing," said Holmes.

\$7,184,254.98, which includes the water ment charges and \$1 million from reserves. time now to wait and apply for grants. tower base construction at \$5,983,050, a According to the financial report, the town 10 per cent construction contingency of over the 20-year loan period will have an is going to be a difficult potential debt load \$598,305, an eight per cent engineering cost annual payment of \$320,579 to Infrastrucof \$478,644, plus a 1.76 per cent non-refund- ture Ontario. The total interest paid on the able HST cost of \$124,555.98.

In June, a request for proposal was issued by the Town, receiving only one bid to see rates dip much lower than they are at \$6.7 million.

limited even further due to COVID with many US firms not crossing the border to complete

work in Canada," explained Burnett.

The \$6.7 million bid, which was later negotiated down to just shy of \$6 million, is sig-Shelburne Town Council has approved a nificantly higher than the original budget of \$3.5 million.

Burnett noted to council that while there During their meeting on Monday (Sept. a were a few factors in the design process 27), Shelburne Town Council received a that changed the budget such as water main extension, chemical clarification, and enhancement to the site works, the majority of the budget increase is due to COVID-19.

A large portion of the new water tower a price rise close to 300 per cent from last "We've always indicated that the source spring to spring 2021. A similar effect was increasing 400 per cent.

To offset the cost of the tower the town The total cost of the project is slated for will be using \$1.1 million from developloan will be \$1.4 million.

"In all likelihood we're probably not going now," said Mayor Wade Mills about the inter-"There are a very limited number of contracest rate for borrowing. "If we do have to take good a time as any."

While costing for the new water tower has imately 12 months to build, once started.

doubled from the original budget, the Town of Shelburne has to move forward with completing construction of it.

In 2012 an environmental assessment (EA) was to determine the need of increased water storage in the town. The shelf life of the EA is 10 years and will expire in late 2022/early 2023.

The town has also in recent years faced extreme low levels of water storage, specifically in August 2020 when levels were low enough that minimum water levels for fire protection became a concern.

Coun. Lynda Buffet questioned whether there were any opportunities to apply for

Holmes said with the deadline for the EA expiration and the date to apply to Infrastructure Ontario that the town does not have the

"There is no point sugar coating this, it going forward," said CAO Denyse Morrissey.

With a new waste water treatment plant also being looked at with a cost of \$35 million, the Town of Shelburne will likely need to increase their debt policy, at least until 2026.

During Council's Sept. 27 meeting, the construction of the new water tower was also tors doing this work and this number has been on more debt and lock in, now is probably as awarded to Landmark Structures Co. Construction. The water tower will take approx-







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Public Health issues vaccination order for fitness facilities

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Coaches, instructors, sports officials, and volunteers will now need to show proof of vaccination at Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph sports and fitness facilities, following an order from the region's top doctor.

Dr. Nicola Mercer, medical officer of health for Wellington-Dufferin Guelph, issued a letter of instruction on Sept. 23 adding these individuals, who were left out of the provincial proof of vaccination requirement, to the list of those required to be fully vaccinated.

On Sept. 22 Ontario Regulation 364/20 went into effect, mandating patrons show proof of full vaccination to COVID-19 at indoor facilities used for sports and recreational fitness activities.

sons such as a spectator.



Excluded from the mandate were coaches, instructors, sports officials, and volunteers.

"Because these individuals are necessary for the operation of organized sports, they will have close and prolonged contact with a number of high-risk settings including vulnerable youth who are unvaccinated," The mandate included patrons 18 years of requiring proof of vaccination for individvincial regulation.

"Requiring these individuals to be fully vaccinated provides enhanced protec- comply could face a \$750 fine for individtion for our community and further curbs uals and \$1,000 for corporations. Maxithe local risk associated with indoor mum penalties for not complying include organized sports."

wrote Mercer in the letter. "As a result, and fitness activities that are subject to the to one year in jail for a director of officer by way of this Letter of Instruction, I am mandate include: gyms, fitness/sporting/ of a corporation; and up to \$10 million for recreational facilities, dance studios, yoga a corporation. age and older entering for the purpose of par- uals who support indoor organized sports studios, gymnastic centres, dojo/martial ticipating in an organized sport and patrons (including recreational fitness activities), in art studios, tennis clubs, pools, water- directed to Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph 12 years and older who enter for other rea- addition to the individuals prescribed by pro- parks, and other premises where sporting (WDG) Public Health COVID-19 Call Cenevents are played or spectated or where tre at 519-822-2715 ext. 4020.

recreational fitness activities or personal fitness training occurs.

The letter of instruction issued by Mercer noted that the rate of COVID-19 cases in unvaccinated individuals is consistently higher than fully vaccinated people.

"COVID-19 will continue to pose a threat in our community as long as a significant number of people remain unvaccinated," wrote Mercer. "We need to remain vigilant to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 as much as possible."

With the new order, those who fail to a \$100,000 fine and up to one year in jail Facilities used for sport and recreational for an individual; a \$500,000 fine and up

Questions about the instructions can be

Pine River Institute lands \$4.2 million in provincial funding

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Pine River Institute has received \$4.2 health and addiction services.

Christine Elliott, deputy premier and minister of health, joined Dufferin-Cale- is a not-for-profit treatment facility for youth don MPP Sylvia Jones and Michael Tibollo, associate minster of mental health and addictions, on Monday (Sept. 27) out- offers individualized plans to youth based on announce the investment.

The increase in funding will allow for Pine skills with an educational program.

River Institute to add 30 new youth treattotal number of beds to 59.

million in additional funding from the children and youth has never been more than 14 months. Ontario government to support an expan- important," said Elliott. "We know that chilsion of the treatment centre's mental dren and youth are struggling, families and list that far exceeds our capacity. The communities are struggling as well."

> Pine River Institute, which opened in 2006, aged 13-19 living with addictive behaviours and other mental challenges. The centre

According to the Pine River Institute, ment beds to the facility, expanding their the treatment centre can have upwards of ment comes during the province's first-200 people on the waitlist for a bed at the ever Recovery Month, and is part of a \$32.7 "Supporting the health and well-being of facility and the average wait time is more million investment to expand addictions

"Pine River has consistently had a wait- in Ontario's 2021 budget. pandemic has shone a light on the growth ince said they are looking to address gaps of addiction and mental health concerns, in care and reduce wait times to improve generally and with youth in particular. We access to care. know that the post-pandemic world will likely see even more adolescents strug- ment's commitment to invest \$3.8 billion gling with these issues," said Vaughan over 10 years to implement the Roadmap side the Pine River Institute in Mulmur to their developmental needs which combine Dowie, chief executive officer for Pine to Wellness, a plan to build mental health therapy, a structured environment, and life River Institute. "This investment could not and addictions systems centred around be more timely."

The funding from the Ontario governservices and the \$175 million investment

In a press release on Monday the prov-

The funding is also part of the governthe need of individuals and their families.

Orange Shirt Day Walk slated for Oct. 2 to honour residental school victims

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

ing children on Oct. 2.

While Orange Shirt Day is marked annually on Sept. 30, Shelburne Town council- Webstad's story. At the age of six, Webstad lor Lindsay Wegener, in a Facebook post arrived at the St. Joseph Mission residen-

would allow for more participation.

Orange Shirt Day, which now coincides taken from their homes. The Town of Shelburne is planning to with the National Day for Truth and Rec-Indigenous children.

Orange Shirt Day is inspired by Phyllis

Orange Shirt Day as the weekend date taken away from her. The date of Sept. 30 sity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Commitmarks the time of year that children were tee as well as a smudging and drumming

hold an Orange Shirt Day Walk in honour onciliation, honours survivors of Canada's onciliation, a new statutory holiday, is Mills and Deputy Mayor Steven Anderson of residential school survivors and miss- residential school system and missing also marked for Sept. 30 and is a direct will close out the event with final remarks. response to one of the 94 calls to action laid out in the Truth and Reconciliation able on the Town of Shelburne website. Commission.

said the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion tial school wearing an orange shirt brought begin at 2 p.m. on Oct. 2 with an opening available 24/7 at 1-866-925-4419. Committee chose to hold the walk after by her grandmother, and the shirt was ceremony presented by the Town's Diver-

ceremony. The walk will start and end at The 1st National Day for Truth and Rec- Greenwood Park. Shelburne Mayor Wade

A map and itinerary for the walk is avail-

For immediate assistance, the National The Shelburne Orange Shirt Walk will Indian Residential School Crisis Line is

Provincial government begins to loosen capacity restrictions in select settings

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

capacity limits on select indoor and outdoor settings where proof of vaccination is required.

halls, and other meeting and event spaces is due to key public health and health care were allowed to increase their capacity limits. indicators stabilizing.



Dr. Kieran Moore, chief medical officer capacity or 30,000, whichever is less. of health, said in a press release last Fri-As of Sept. 25, arenas, cinemas, banquet day that the changes to the capacity limits

to up to 75 per cent or 15,000 (whichever Lamers, maintenance manager. is less). Outdoors events where people are
The CDRC arena currently has a capac-

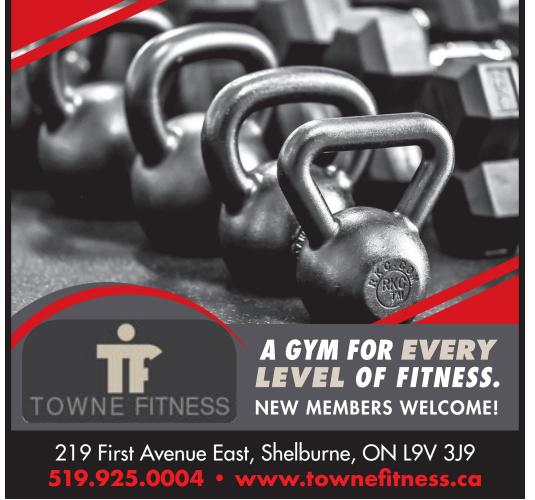
sporting events, concerts, and conference cent or 10,000 people, whichever is less.

For the Centre Dufferin Recreation Com- for Oct. 2. plex, the increase in capacity limits by the

For outdoor setting where people are province has not changed the capacity in standing, the capacity limits have increased either the arena or banquet hall said Marty

seated have increased to up to 75 per cent ity limit of 400, half of their estimated 800 average, while the banquet hall is limited to Indoor venues such as cinemas, theatres, around 100, 50 per cent of its 200 capacity.

The first event to be hosted in the local centres have capacity limits of up to 50 per arena, post easing of capacity limits will be a Shelburne Muskies game scheduled



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Museum of Dufferin reopens to public

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Museum of Dufferin (MOD) has reopened their doors to the public after more than a year and a half of closures as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Staff at the MOD officially welcomed visitors back into the museum on Sept. 21

"Unlocking the MOD doors was a thrill, there was the anticipation of finally being able to welcome our community back," said Nanci Malek, marketing and events coordinator for the MOD. "We loved it, as we really missed being there for our community."

The local museum first closed their doors to the public back in March of 2020, during the Museum of Dufferin shifted to an online platform, launching resources through the and tourists. Learning Hub, and showcasing digital exhib-Eyes", and "Solidarity In My Community".

FILE PHOTO

MOD REOPENS: For the first time since the pandemic started in March of 2020, the Musuem of Dufferin has reopened its doors for in-person visits. Since opening back up on Sept. 21, there has been an average of 20 to 30 visitors per day. A new exhibit has opened called "Through the Looking Glass.'

the peak of the pandemic. With the closure, being back in-person does attract more visitation traction from community members

"It's all about being there for the commuits. Digital exhibits launched by the museum nity, people being able to come in and do included "Stay In and Create", "Beyond Your research and having access," said Malek. "Being online is good, but it also takes away Malek said that although the virtual offer- that one-on-one experience, which we valings were amazing support for the museum, ue. For people to be able to come in and see the artifacts in-person, and share in the events, that's what we work hard for."

According to Malik the MOD has seen an average of 20 to 30 visitors daily since reopening the museum.

With the reopening of the MOD, a new main gallery exhibit called "Through the Looking Glass" has also been launched. The new exhibit explores topics that have been on the minds of the Dufferin Community and historic events to modern-day equivalents. The exhibit is designed to resemble a

magnifying glass. The MOD will be hosting a number of upcoming events, with its reopening to the public, which will be announcements in the coming weeks. The MOD is already scheduled to host their annual Holiday Treasure event in December.

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Funding decision for Dufferin County men's shelter to be made Monday

Written By Sam Odrowski

A Council decision to provide nearly \$170,000 in emergency funding to Choices Youth Shelter to keep their men's shelter operational until the spring has been deferred until next Monday (Oct. 4), at which time a business plan will be presented to councillors.

Mayor Sandy Brown brought forward a motion at Orangeville Council's meeting on Monday (Sept. 27) to allocate \$166,546 to Choices, representing the required funding needed to operate a men's shelter there from Nov. 1 to Apr. 30.

monthly basis and the funding would be just throw people in a hotel but understands reduced or removed as other revenue sources the social services sector and struggles with become available from the community or financing a homeless shelter that's been "kind other government agencies, like the County of thrown together without long term plans." of Dufferin.

Choices has to make a decision on their lease started out in, or as vulnerable, anyways, as agreements by Oct. 15, and cannot move they started out," she said. forward with the men's shelter without six months of guaranteed funding.

critical to move forward to find not only track record in the community for helping accommodation, but also to confirm youth age 18-24. employment for those working in the shelter," said Mayor Brown.

"It's been very difficult in all aspects of government, including social services to find employees, and it's been difficult, particularly if there's some unease about the length of only hope," noted Narine. employment."

have to close down.

Following the reading of the motion for funding by Mayor Brown, councillors and said requested that when Choices and expressed concerns surrounding the dollar SHIP present a business case next Monday, amount and that no business plan had been they include County of Dufferin staff for compresented by Choices.

"I want to start off by saying that I think that this is a really great initiative that you their [the County's] umbrella before it would want to take on and I commend you for fall under the municipality of Orangeville, I trying to solve the problem because it's definitely a problem that we have in our show that there's a guarantee of some matchcommunity, and I know people don't want ing funding, or that there's some collaboration to see it," said Coun. Lisa Post.

"I do have some concerns... oftentimes, she said. the non-profits are expected to disclose significant amounts of financial information and Men's Homelessness Committee, said he do a lot of legwork to get as much as a \$1,000 or \$5,000 community grant. Now we've got an organization who's asking us for \$175,000, budgetary information. and I haven't even seen a business plan or an outline of what they intend to do."

to solve and requires more than just putting shelters in Peel, was present at Council's vira shelter over people's heads. She added that tual meeting on Monday and responded to she needs to see a cost of programming, cost Coun. Post's concerns. of security for the facility, and would like to know where the facility will be located, as it last fall and with respect to Choices budget has not yet been decided.

putting these people who are already at risk client contingency costs. at even further risk, and I have some concerns about the town throwing money into the pot ilar to what they offer at their other shelters for something that doesn't have a plan laid out where they focus on diversion from the shelfor it," Post remarked.

"Slapping a roof over somebody's head is housing, and providing counselling support. only a very small part of the problem, and we could do that by giving them vouchers to a motel, quite honestly, for substantially less like DiCarlo and Narine exist to take on the money. And I as much as you want to tackle the issue of homelessness that we have in our However, he said in conversations with the community, but I'm really concerned about County of Dufferin, he learned that if he took the way that we're going about it."

by saying the motel voucher program is them. actually what's already in place through the County of Dufferin and is currently not meeting the need.

"Unfortunately, it doesn't work," he said.

66 The snow is just around the corner folks, and this is the concern, we need to get something in place for the next six months to ensure that these vulnerable people are looked after.

-Mayor Sandy Brown

The money would be distributed on a ment by saying she understands you can't

"I'm worried that we're in more of a vul-Time is of the essence with this project as nerable situation for these people than we

Narine responded by noting that the men's shelter mimics Choices' program, which has "This emergency funding was sort of been around for a long time and has a solid

public sphere because it is dependent on claiming they are," said Mayor Brown. securing long term funding.

"In terms of terms of funding, you're not our

"We are looking at County for funding, If no emergency funding is provided, the unfortunately, it takes a while to go through men's shelter that Choices opened in August the process of County, and we wouldn't get through a generous anonymous donation, will the funding in time that we need to continue on the shelter."

Coun. Post thanked Narine for his response ment as well.

"Because this normally would fall under would just love to see some commentary to that's being done with the County as well,"

Coun. Joe Andrews, who sits on the local appreciated Coun. Post's passionate comments and would also like to see additional

Thomas DiCarlo, who's the Chief Financial Officer of Services and Housing in the Prov-Post said homelessness is a difficult issue ince (SHIP), which operates three homeless

SHIP has been working with Choices since for the men's shelter, DiCarlo explained that "This is a very vulnerable sector of our comthere's funds designated for 24/7 specialized munity, and by doing this incorrectly, we're staffing, client programming, supplies, and

> He noted that they would run programs simter, finding vulnerable individuals permanent

Later in the Council meeting, Deputy Mayor Andy Macintosh said he's thankful that people good work they do with Choices and SHIP. someone who was homeless to them, they Chair of Choices Randy Narine responded would put the person in a motel and look after

"There are things out there. I don't know where the discord is between County and what is actually happening. I know County has rules like they want to check on the peo-Coun. Post clarified her initial comple to make sure they're okay, but I think part



A home for today, choices for tomorrow.

this," said Deputy Mayor Macintosh.

"Your Worship, you asked yourself the gentleman with the shopping carts, you wanted Warden, and I also spoke with people in housto pay for a hotel, they don't want this. They want to be on their own, they want to be in Deputy Mayor is saying - they don't believe tents... I don't know if they're going to come that there's a problem here," he remarked. to a homeless shelter."

Council a letter, and Terry Carer of Carters a business case." Law, who say the County isn't doing enough.

He said he does have a long-term plan folks, because they're claiming that County's time councillors will vote on the motion to for the shelter but hadn't put it out into the not providing adequate support - County is

He added that there's opportunities to fundraise in the local community to help offset the financial burden to the Town for the men's shelter. He also reiterated that his motion states funding coming from the Town would be reduced or eliminated if other revenue sources became available.

"The snow is just around the corner folks, and this is the concern, we need to get something in place for the next six months to ensure that these vulnerable people are looked after," Mayor Brown stressed.

Coun. Todd Taylor said he agrees with of the problem is these individuals don't want Deputy Mayor Macintosh's comments on

> "I too made phone calls, I spoke with the ing at the County, and I'm aligned to what the

"Then the last piece I'd say is, I don't Mayor Brown responded by saying Council think I've ever seen a \$175,000 ask come to has heard about the dire need for a men's shel- this council without some sort of report... ter from Pastor Matt McLean who runs the This is significant funding and I don't have Lighthouse, Pastor Kerry Duffield who sent an issue with giving it, I just need to have

A business case will be presented to Oran-"The truth is somewhere in the middle here, geville Council next Monday (Oct. 4), at which provide the nearly \$170,000 in one-time emergency funding to Choices.



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And the award goes to....

There is a really big sign at an intersection for their favourite Ontario subdivision. near where I live.

It advertises a new development that is still being built. Actually it has been several years since they first pushed a shovel into the ground and had the obligatory photo of well dressed women and men wearing suits – all wearing white hard hats of course – gathered in a semi-circle with silver coloured shovels.

I've been to a few of those to take the photo.

The sign says "Thanks for voting us number one!"

It goes on to say that they, the development, the company, the designers, the owners, who knows, were voted number one in Ontario.

Well, don't thank me. I didn't even know there was a vote, and no one asked my opinion on whether I thought the cookie cutter homes on one side of the street were better than the identical cookie cutter homes on the other side of town.

In fact, if you stopped 100 people in town and asked if they took part in the vote for their favourite developer, I'll bet you couldn't find one person who will say they heard about the vote and rushed to cast their ballot

Either way, the developer was "awarded" the distinction of being 'number one.'

Awards are usually given in recognition of an outstanding achievement of some sort. At least that's the way it used to be.

People were given awards based on something they did - and it was something they did for someone else's benefit – not for themselves.

The whole awards thing has become an industry in itself over the past few years.

I was sent an invitation to attend a winery tour. Sounds like fun, although I'm not even a wine drinker.

The invitation said it was a tour for six 'award winning wineries' in Niagara-onthe-Lake.

Well, if they have won awards for their wine, they must be pretty good.

Except a quick check through the listings of wineries in the region – and they are all award winners.

If you've got a wine, there's an award out there waiting to be pinned on your bottle.

Maybe your version of a mix of Cold Duck and last year's sparkling rose with a price tag of \$6.99 could receive the award for most likely to end up being consumed behind the bleachers at the high school prom.

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I've noticed that industry awards have a big place in company life. There are awards for just about every job, function, and position you can imagine.

They thing is, you have to be a member of an association of some sort.

I've sat in a dusty office speaking to a business owner and the walls are covered in awards from the industry association or governing body.

If Joe, the owner at a local widget retailer, has the award for best widget sales, and his head guy has the award for best managed widget display in the eastern region of the northern district in the western part of the province, does that mean another widget dealer has the 'best' award at the opposite end of the map?

Companies give out awards to their own branches of the company around the province or country.

That in itself isn't a bad thing because if you want a good company culture, recognizing a good performance is a smart thing to do.

However, when the local branch of your company advertises itself as "your local AWARD WINNING plutonium dealer," it doesn't have much of a real impact when the award was given by the

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW

same company that owns the dealership. I think the whole

awards thing is part of the reason the Academy Awards in Hollywood are now receiving such low ratings. You have five actors, who all did a really good job, and you give one the award for an outstanding performance when clearly, you can't pick a single winner that stands out above the others.

The award becomes meaningless.

I have received a few journalism rewards for my work. I didn't ask for them, and didn't even submit an entry - it was done on my behalf by the office manager. I appreciated the award in terms of being mentioned for doing a good job, but the company I worked for at the time kept the actual fancy glass awards, and displayed them in their front room trophy case.

They claimed to be the 'award winning newspaper.'

The next time I'm in a mall looking for anything, the last thing I'll be checking, is if the shoelaces I need are in the award-winning class of modern shoe design.

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people speak:

1. "They should integrate". Reply: "How should they integrate"? Blank stare is the answer.

Some do the extreme to integrate by bleach- answer is silence, which says a lot. ing their skin to take off the brown or black card all their customs and latch on to only go back for more. If "you" go to live "you" cal and mental health issues?

If Muslim women publicly peeled off their ing toxins on innocent passersby, dropping butts on the road while dressed in expensive ism lives on? instant old jeans made specially for westerners, gorged on pork chops, and lived along these lines will they be spared racism? No!

What is it with Black, Brown, Indigenous head drapes that ooze conceit, or scrapes off High standards indeed. and Muslim women that arouses such fever peroxide or formaldehyde from other peoin people that can result in some systemically ples' head so the same courtesy must be ex-ful job dividing people and brewing hatred success stories make front pages. Sadly disappearing permanently, others brutalized tended to Muslim women whose hijabs are not polluting like things other people put on ple to announce immigrants suck up welfare all races turning some BIPOC notorious

2. "How much is enough for them"? "All Some examples of how closed-eyed they are asking for is some rights, unpoisoned water, a place to pray, an end to miseries heaped on them. How much waxing, tanning, massaging and other wayward luxuries enough for others"? From the well-oiled,

3. "When we go to their country don't we and damaging their black hair to blonde, red, have to integrate"? "'You' go to their country orange only to find it does nothing to relieve for a cheap holiday and oppressed people do racism or elevate their lives. Should they distheir utmost to give "you" the best, and "you" western ways, many of which are detrimental live in a compound missing nothing of the Cato westerners causing them no end of physi- nadian lifestyle even in the most conservative countries".

Endless self-serving questions and comclothes revealing two pieces of strings, or ments resisting requests for equality reveal lined the street with cigarette in mouth, blow- the insides of people who appear kind and "civilized" on the outside. Any surprise rac-

Looks like planned destabilization of poor countries send their professionals fleeing to the West as scorned immigrants. How else It's very elegant the way they wear their would the "great" ones get doctors to drive hijab and shalwar. Is there modesty versus their cabs, nurses to change their babies and immodesty or plain hatred? Nobody pulls off old parents diapers and clean their houses?

globally. What kind of bitterness leads peo- colonialism saw to it that racism infects while purposely closing their eyes to millions against their own and each other. of non-BIPOC Canadians living on the handouts for generations?. And immigrants taking claim racism does not exist - in their conall the jobs!

People believe racism is structured to keep tide turns.

BIPOC beaten down wherever they are in Easy to conclude colonialism did a master- the world. In the West a handful of their

> Of course there will be those who tained world. The tune changes when the

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Dufferin OPP investigating vehicle theft in Shelburne

Written By Rob Paul Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Dufferin OPP officers are investigating the theft of a vehicle from an apartment building parking lot in Shelburne.

Dufferin OPP attended the parking lot of report of a stolen vehicle. the apartment building, located on Willian Police say the theft took place somewhere Street in Shelburne, shortly before 7:30 p.m. between Sept. 24 at 11:30 a.m. and Sept. 25 on Saturday (Sept. 25), responding to the at 7 p.m.



The stole vehicle is described as a silver car running and unattended and to remove 2009 Dodge Ram 2500.

Residents in the William Street area are matching the stolen one's description.

to lock their vehicles and to close all vehicontacting Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS cle windows. Police also suggest remov- (8477) or online at https://ontariocrimestoping everything from sight, to not leave the pers.ca/

garage door openers from the vehicle.

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Three graduates of Ontario Police College to join Dufferin OPP

Written By August Bettinelli Special to the Free Press

Three out of 21 newly hired Ontario Provinand those we serve." cial Police (OPP) officers who successfully completed their training at the Ontario Police through both crime prevention and law College in Aylmer and the Ontario Provincial enforcement, and work with community Police Academy in Orillia, are joining the Dufferin detachment.

The Chief Superintendent of Central Region deployed. OPP, Dwight Peer said he's proud to welcome the 21 new officers to the OPP and looks for- been deployed to Bracebridge, Caledon, ward to their service.

nity members is a priority and these offi- Southern Georgian Bay.

cers will further enhance our commitment to serving with pride, professionalism and honour," said Peer. "I look forward to our Dufferin County's police force just got a lit- new officers meeting their communities and contributing to their new detachments

Police in Ontario ensure public safety partners and stakeholders to make it happen. The 21 graduates from Class 492 will bring a The other 18 officers are being hired at diverse set of skills and backgrounds: traits other detachments across the Central Region. greatly beneficial to the communities they are

The new Provincial Constables have Kawartha Lakes, Collingwood, Dufferin, "The safety and wellbeing of our commu-Huronia West, Northumberland, Orillia,



Garden supply store broken into in Mulmur Township last Friday

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment door which leads into a storage unit. of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a break and enter at a garden imately \$3100, in steel framing was stolen. supply business in Mulmur Township.

On Friday, September 24, 2021, at approximately 9:10 a.m., Dufferin OPP responded to a report of a break and enter at a local garden supply store in the area of Highway 10 and Highway 89 in Mulmur. Officers determined that sometime between September 23, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., and September 24, 2021 at 8:45 a.m., the suspect(s) gained access to the rear yard and smashed a glass

An inventory of stock revealed that approx-The investigation is ongoing, there is no

suspect description at this time.

theft is asked to contact Dufferin OPP at https://ontariocrimestoppers.ca/. 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain

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84."The Towering ____

90.Social register word

87. Dishes, e.g.

91.Heating fuel

94. Shelley's before

95.Moose's cousin

96.Turn the soil

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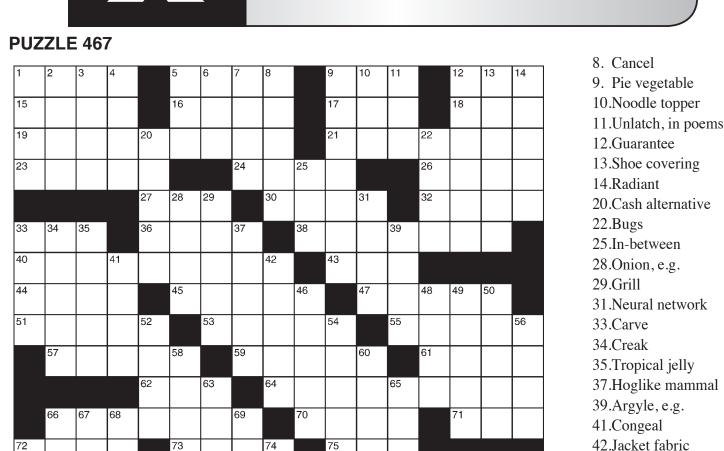
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66.Black eye

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78.Statuesque

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81.Pedestal part

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83. Suggestive smile

85.Sturgeon's output 86.Nada

88.Life story, for short

89."High and ____"

SHELBURNE

Shelburne Cricket Club hosts exhibition game series

The Shelburne Cricket Club still has one more match to be played as they move into the to extend the season by inviting other cricket fall season.

The Club had a successful summer host- KTH Park in Shelburne. ing the best-of-seven championship series Club promoted their sport in the region over on Sunday (Sept. 26). the summer. That opening series went the full seven games and resulted in the first ever Shelburne Cricket championship team when the livestreamed the game on the Facebook page. Knights won the final game on September 5.

It was a big deal for the Club organizers who get more players to come out and experience the sport. Many of the players who took part in the summer series are experienced cricket Club's Facebook page. players but several are new to the sport and came out to give it a try.

After the championship, the Club decided clubs in the area to play an exhibition match at

The Club formed the Shelburne Stars and between the Knights and the Gladiators as the invited the Barrie Royals for match in the park

> It was a well-played game with a lot of enthusiasm from players on both sides. The Club

The Stars have one more match coming up. On Sunday, October 3, the Stars will host the are trying to promote cricket in the area and CPG XI - a team from the Corporate Cricket Premier League in a T20 format style game.

This game will also be livestreamed on the

The match between Shelburne and CPG XI will start at 11:00 a.m. in KTH Park.



FALL CRICKET: The Shelburne Stars take on the Barrie Royals at KTH Park in Shelburne on Sunday (Sept. 26). After a successful inaugural season, the Shelburne Cricket Club organized a couple of exhibition games against teams from nearby regions. The next game is scheduled for Sunday (Oct. 3), when the Stars will be up against CPG XI, a team from the Corporate Cricket Premier League.

2021 NDBL senior championship won with a grand slam

Written By Brian Lockhart

championship series between the Bolton run differential to end the game and give the Brewers and the New Lowell Knights ended Bolton team the championship. in a spectacular fashion when Bolton's Stephen Warden hit a grand slam home run in the Knights took place in Bolton on Saturday,

sixth inning of the game.

With the Brewers leading 8 - 0, the four The North Dufferin Baseball League senior runs invoked the mercy rule of a ten or more series 2 – 0 going into game three.

The final between the Brewers and the

September 25.

The Brewers were leading the best-of-five two games by a score of 2-1 and 4-1.

series alive.

Saturday's game saw the Brewers open spectacular baseball. with a huge start, scoring seven runs in the first two innings of the afternoon.

A grand slam home run from Bolton's Chris teams had earned the right to go to the final. Fafalios in the first inning gave the Brewers a 4 - 0 lead to start the game.

The Brewers planted three more runs in the second and single in fifth to make it an 8-0 to Brewers. game and put all the pressure on the Knights

On the mound, Bolton started their ace pitcher, Trent Barwick who pitched six Hodgson were named the most valuable playinnings giving up two hits and striking ers in the playoffs and were awarded the Paul

previous weekend with Bolton taking the first

It was short season this year but that The Knights needed a win to keep the didn't stop all teams in the league from putting out a good effort and playing some

> The top eight teams went into the playoffs completing two rounds to decide which

> The Brewers and Knights finished in the top two spots in the regular season.

The NDBL Strother Cup was presented

The Brewers last won the Cup in 2017, and won five consecutive years from 2009 to 2013.

After the game, Trent Barwick and Nick Carruthers Memorial Award from League sec-



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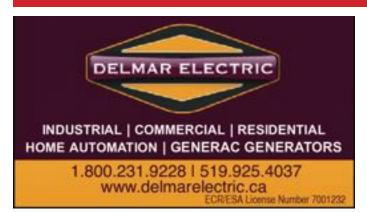


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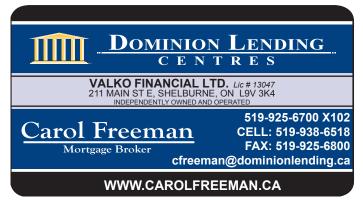


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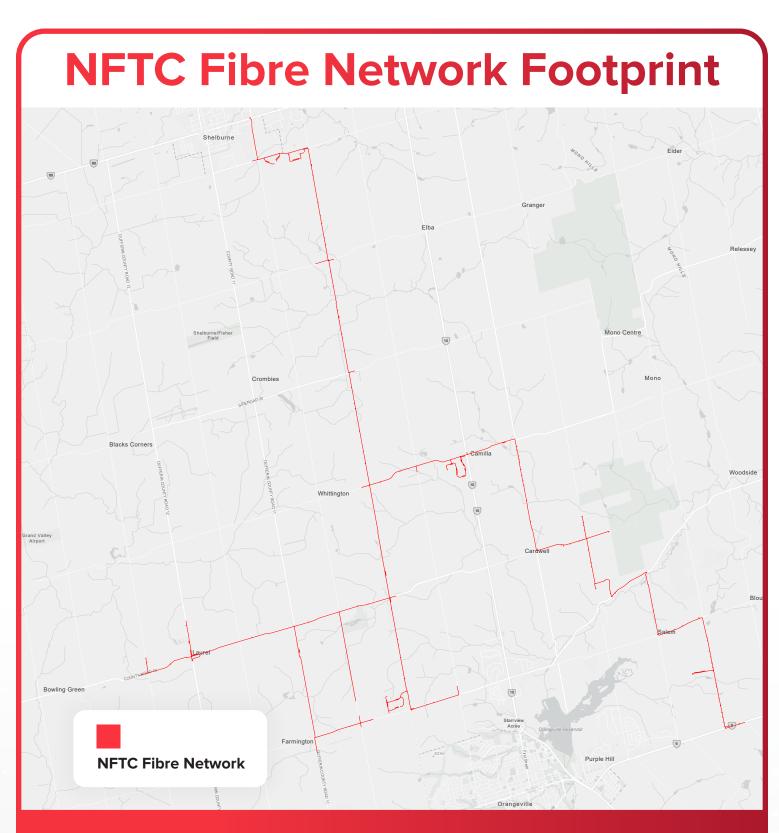
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Jimmy W. Teggart, 58 of Shelburne, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by his family on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Born in Shelburne, he was the son of the late Samuel and Patricia (Edmunds) Teggart. He was the owner and manager of Sunshine Trees for 20 years. He also owned and managed a snow removal business, where he cleared and salted five schools, keeping them safe for staff and children. He is survived by his wife Sandra; two sons Luke "John" and Seth (Patrick), both of Shelburne; three grandchildren Savaya,



Remy and Hunter; three sisters Teresa (Bruno) Eusepi of Sault Ste. Marie, Susan (Paul) Banas of Oregon, Maureen (John) Martin of Acton; two brothers Don (Irene) Teggart of Shelburne and Ron (Carrie) Teggart of Buckhorn Lake; two sisters-in-law Cathy (Al) of Swinton Park and Karen Latter of Kelowna, BC; two brothers-in-law Gary (Joanne) Latter of Rocky Mountain House and Brian (Mandy) Latter of Shelburne; several nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. Predeceased by a brother Bruce Teggart.

Friends and family were received at the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne on Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. The funeral service was held in the funeral home chapel on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Interment took place at Shelburne Cemetery. If desired, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated. Online condolences and donations may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com

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ISLAY RACHEL BESLEY (GILLIES)

JANUARY 31, 1930 TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2021





Passed away peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre, with family by her side, after a hard but short fight with cancer. Loving wife of predeceased Reverend Bruce Besley. She will be forever missed by her 6 children; Mary Jean Campbell (John) Orleans ON, Linda Allan (Steve) Vanderhoof BC, Betty Prince Shelburne ON, Ron Besley (Elena) Victoria BC, Margaret McCarthy (Steve) Shelburne ON, Barbara McKibbon (Kevin) Shelburne ON.

Predeceased by brothers and sisters; Jim and May Gillies, Rillie and Nelson Rathbun, Bill Gillies, Don and Gladys Gillies. She will be missed her sisters Dorothy Scott (Jim - deceased),

Barbara Kaasalainen and husband Arvo, sister in law Muriel Gillies (Bill-deceased). Grand Children Carissa Darmody (Shawn), Michelle Campbell, Stefanie Whetstone (Michael), Melissa Allan (Joe), Krista Allan (Cameron), Daniel Prince (Lindsay), Katie Prince (Tyler), Aren Ludlow, Anora Ludlow, Sam Besley, Gleb Katova, Megan Schaefer (Nick), Terri-Lynn O'Gorman (Ryan), Beckie Connell (Mike), Jackie Pogson (Justin), Dylan McKibbon. She will be greatly missed by her 25 great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and cousins. Islay was born in Weston Ontario and grew up west of Dundalk. Islay married a Shelburne boy (son of John & Jean Besley) Bruce Besley (53 years married). She taught school in Woodside PS, Honeywood PS, Grand Valley PS, Bowling Green PS, Engleheart PS and Madoc PS as well as supply teaching. She worked at McCarthy Signs after retiring as a teacher and retired from there to spend time looking after her grandchildren and her husband before he passed. She was a terrific wood worker, craft maker, sewer and crochet expert. Her cooking and baking kept us all smiling along with her great sense of humor. All of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, felt loved and special as she whispered "You are my favorite" to each and every one.

She was a giver and always thought of others before herself, giving cards to her friends and family on special occasions. She remembered every event for every person in her life which made us all feel extra special.

Islay was a competitive card player and loved to play cards with her friends. She was up for a card game or coffee any time. In the past several years Thursdays were "baby day" and she had her granddaughters and great grand babies over for home cooked lunches where many happy memories were made.

A lovely gentle lady to the end. Forever loved and missed.

Online condolences may be placed at www. jackandthompson funeralhome.com $\,$

LEO ARTHUR EWING







It is with broken hearts that we announce the passing of Leo on September 15, 2021 after a courageous battle with Leukemia and Lupus. Beloved husband to Bonnie of 58 years and loving father of Rick, and Lori (Tim). Cherished Grandpa of Meg (Kyle), Allysha (Eric), Kate (Matt), Jaclyn (Nate) and Great Grandpa to Lilly. Brother to Richie, Dave, and Arthur.

Leo enjoyed a 32-year career as a Mississauga Fire Fighter, it was a career that was a natural fit for him as he truly enjoyed helping others. In Leo's spare time he loved getting together with family and friends

along with his trusty guitar and entertained all with his great Elvis impersonation. He will live forever in our hearts.

A special thanks to Dr. Yee and her team at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and to the nursing staff and palliative care team at Headwaters Health Care Centre. A celebration of life will be held at Liberty North in Barrie on Saturday Oct 23rd from

If desired, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, Lupus Canada or to the Salvation

Army would be appreciated by the family.
Online condolences may be made at www.imfunerals.com

In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. has been given the honour to serve the Ewing Family.

Beatrice Lorraine Fanning (nee Allen)



In memoriam of Beatrice Lorraine Fanning (nee Allen), who passed away September 20, 2021 at Headwaters Health Care Centre in Orangeville at the age of 88. Predeceased by devoted husband, John James "Jack" Fanning, Beatrice is survived by sister Marion Heuchan (Alvin), daughters Sherry Cornelius (Robert – predeceased), Michele Migus (David) and son Terry Bible (Pauline). Loving grandmother to Jeremy (Neil), Jeannette (Matt), Kaitlyn (Devon), Chelsey (Dave), Joshua, Rosanna (Tyler), Rebecca (Alex), Samantha and Thomas. Great grandmother to Mackenna, Aizen, Nathan, Gwendolyn, Benjamin, Henry and Damon.



Beatrice was born in Mono Centre, Ontario, where her heart remained. She

spent her life in Dufferin County, with many trips back for walks along the Mono Cliffs and through the ravine. She loved animals and nature, passing that love on to family. She was "mom" to many cats and several dogs over the years. A special thanks to the staff of Headwaters Health Care, Dufferin Oaks Long-Term Care Home and Pastor Gord Horsley for their care of Beatrice in her final years. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a small celebration of life is planned for October 2 in Shelburne, Ontario. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Shelburne Feral Cat Rescue Shelburne & Area Feral Cat Rescue, Mono Cliffs Trails Oak Ridges Trail Association: Donation in Memoriam, Dufferin Oaks Long-Term Care Home Make a Donation | Dufferin County, Headwaters Health Care Centre Headwaters - Home (hhcfoundation.com) or Abiding Place Ministries (by cheque to Abiding Place Ministries, 213 Homestead Drive, Shelburne, Ontario L9V 3B5 Abiding Place Ministries – Abiding Place Ministries.

A tree will be planted in memory of Beatrice in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com



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