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SUCCESSFUL BOTTLE DRIVE: The Shelburne Legion show off the results of their second bottle drive, held over the past few weeks as a way to help the local organization pay for their bills while they remain closed from COVID-19. In the previous bottle drive, held earlier this summer, the legion made \$4,800 from the returned bottles.

All students will be required to wear masks at school following UGDSB board decision

Written By PAULA BROWN

Board returning to in-class learning in Sep- mask. tember will be required to wear face masks.

Trustees voted to pass a motion making face masks mandatory for all students, now including those from junior kindergarten to Grade 3, staff and visitors in an emergency meeting on Tuesday (Aug. 18).

"The motions that came forward last night to classes full-time, with regular sizes. came from trustees in response to concern regarding the health and safety of student had also made it mandatory for masks to says that due to operating at almost full and staff," said Martha MacNeil Chair of the been worn on buses by all students, staff, UGDSB board of trustees. "It has the support of Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health."

"We are striving to keep our staff and students safe, that's what we voted on and school MacNeil says that 90 percent of the has always been our primary focus," said respondents of the parent survey, that was Barbara Lustgarten Evoy, Vice Chair of the due last week, indicated they would be UGDSB board trustees.

children with conditions that prevent them has been sent back out to parents.

from wearing masks. The school board has been asked to look for alternatives, such as light of the recent changes regarding the sec-All students in the Upper Grand District face shields, for the children unable to wear ondary model and masking," said MacNeil.

> According to the school board there will be "progressive disciplinary action" for students that don't comply with the mandate.

The Province previously made face masks mandatory for students from Grade 4 to Grade 12. UGDSB students will be returning additional teachers for junior and intermedi-

The Upper Grand District School Board and visitors.

"This was not a last minute decision to have the meeting," said Lustgarten Evoy.

With two weeks before the return to sending their children back to school. With There will be medical exemptions for the new changes to the model, that survey

"The survey has now been reopened in

The UGDSB released a notice on Wednesday (Aug. 19) with new details on the school boards reopening strategy. Addressing the reduction of class sizes the UGDSB says one strategy would include dividing Kindergarten classes into two groups, another is hiring ate classes.

For high school students the school board capacity they are focused on reducing the number of in-person hours, allowing for smaller cohorts and physical distancing. The UGDSB says they are looking to hire approximately 100 additional teachers.

On Monday (Aug. 17) Waterloo Region District School Board trustees also voted unanimously to make face masks mandatory for all students.

The first day of school is scheduled for



Headwaters Health Care Centre holds AGM in virtual format

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Headwaters Health Care Centre held their Annual General Meeting on (August 18) viring the fall of 2019," she remarked. "I contually.

meeting off thanking their partners, staff members and community members with the of a pandemic season." help and work they've provided this past

"We have the opportunity to see the results from our work within our new strategic plan. as our Foundation team. This year's accom-That plan was launched at last year's annual general meeting and was written by you and work, passion and love for this hospital and for you based on any likes of engagement and consultation," she said, starting off the meeting. "Our group statement is one community, caring together."

year to acknowledge those in the commu- three key components which include, getnity for the service and contributions to the ting even better, nothing about you without hospital.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event community could call and listen in on the solutions to serve our community as well as

event. This was CEO Kim Delahunt's first we need to pay careful attention of how we nicians and provide advanced functionaltime hosting the event.

"I started my role as CEO at Headwaters tinue to be inspired and amazed at how Kim Delahunt, CEO of HHCC started the much we're going to accomplish and how much we plan to achieve, even in the middle

> She added, "It's certainty been challenging ber. at times, but I want to thank our volunteers, patient advisors, staff, physicians, as well plishments are the culmination of your community."

Headwaters Health Care Centre's new strategic plan has been organized for the next two years through a series of direction The annual general meeting is held every and values. The hospital is anchored with you and integrating care, close to home.

"To do this we have invested and will con-

spend every dollar," said Delahunt.

Some accomplishments HHCC has made health information," said Delahunt. over the past year include the completion of their new main entrance lobby area, that eral and Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was named the Joan and Paul Waechter Welcome Centre, because of the local couple's laborative was one of the province's first 24 generous donation of \$1 million last Octo- Ontario Health Teams.

New machines were brought to the hospital to help in various parts of the hospital. One includes a new wireless fetal monitor, ters has been able to accomplish. When I which was introduced to the hospital in the look back at 2020, I often hear people say spring and provides constant monitoring of that there is no playbook for COVID-19. babies who are just about ready to be born. While those words are accurate, the fact that The technology brings comfort and flexibil- the collaboration that Headwaters and our ity to the soon to be moms.

Machines were introduced to help with respiratory and metabolic issues diagnosis, as well as new online tools to allow the community to access their health records easier.

"We're partnering with three other hospitals to replace our health information syswas held virtually where members of the tinue to invest in new and more creative tem. This will provide seamless integration late you and thank you." of information between hospitals and cli-

ity for accessing patient records and other

In early December of 2019, Solicitor Genannounced that the Hills of Headwaters Col-

MPP Jones had a few words to say during the meeting.

"I am incredibly proud of what Headwaregion is so famous for, and why I believe you were one of the first 24 to be chosen for the Ontario health teams, just speaks to when there is a need, you step up," she said. "That goes for the staff, the volunteers, the uniqueness of the foundation and having to switch gears. I just really want to congratu-



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RUNNING FOR A CAUSE: A group of nurses and personal support workers recently took part in a Nurses are Heroes virtual 5km run through Shelburne's Towne Fitness.

Local nurse reflects on ongoing pandemic

Written By PAULA BROWN

has been a nurse for a long time.

In the late 1980s, as a nursing student in Germany, she can recall being scared with the saying now it's a blur. rise of the HIV/AIDs epidemic in Europe. She ing in a hospital during the outbreak of SARS, and the reactions to the Ebola crisis of 2014.

the time.

Now, with almost 30 years' experience as tient." a registered nurse, Ms. Kreuzhofen, who is through the COVID-19 global pandemic.

"Each one has its own little dangers that am I protected?" you're thinking about, but for me personally, in the last few times, I've been through it."

Back in the early months of COVID-19, da but the daily cases in places such as China weird." and Italy had begun to increase rapidly into the thousands, Ms. Kreuzhofen says that the that has come from the pandemic between experience in the hospitals were surreal.

thinking about it, but nobody at that time was through Towne Fitness. too concerned," said Ms. Kreuzhofen.

March 11, there was a realization of the mag- Hannah Sine. nitude of the novel coronavirus.

happening and it's bad," she said.

masks, face guards, gowns and hazmat suits community," said Ms. Kreuzhofen.

have all become common practice within hospitals for months now. Dealing directly with Shelburne resident Christine Kreuzhofen patients, Ms. Kreuzhofen has been entirely geared in PPE at points, but can't remember the feeling from the first time she put it on,

"It's a very weird experience as a nurse becan remember a feeling of fear while practic- cause in that moment, it's usually during an emergency situation, and our first instinct is to run in and help the patient," she said. "We They're moments in Ms. Kreuzhofen's ca- had to override that instinct and take the minreer that she says she thinks back on a lot of ute and put on the PPE and make sure that we're safe before we could attend to the pa-

Ms. Kreuzhofen added, "I've been doing also the Hospital Coordinator at Collingwood this for a long time so it's for me not the first General and Marine Hospital, has worked time that I've done that, but it's scary. You put on that PPE and you're thinking is it enough,

Collingwood has had 16 positive cases of I've been more unsettled by COVID-19 be- COVID-19 and hasn't seen a positive case cause of the risk to my family," Ms. Krezhofen since July 20. With less and less numbers Ms. said. "I don't remember having those thoughts Kreuzhofen says the public is settling into an "uncomfortable routine."

"It's testament to human resilience, it's while the numbers still remained low in Cana- almost normalizing the abnormal, and it's

Kreuzhofen also spoke of the camaraderie health care workers. A group of nurses and "It was something that happened at the oth-personal support workers recently took er end of the world and nobody... We were part in a Nurses are Heroes virtual 5km run

"We decided to have the virtual run to sup-When the virus was declared a pandemic port the many nurses and PSWs that are part by the World Health Organization (WHO) on of the Towne Fitness Runners," said owner

"I love the support that the public has given "That's when we all realized that this is nurses worldwide, everybody was just trying to make our lives a little bit easier and show Personal protective equipment (PPE) from support and it was an incredible feeling of

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I've always thought that working in the diplomatic service of any country would be at the very least, interesting work, and at the other end, a glamorous type of job with a lot of parties and hobnobbing with the movers and shakers of society.

At least in the movies, there's a lot of "Let me introduce you to the Ambassador, Mr....."

"Bond, James Bond," while men in tuxedos and women in expensive evening gowns hold martini glasses and converse in witty banter in several languages.

I'm sure most people in the service would tell you it's more hard work than parties, and if a super secret foreign spy did attend your embassy party, he certainly wouldn't tell you who he was.

Becoming a diplomat and representing your country in another nation isn't a job you come by after attending a six week course on foreign affairs.

I'm sure there is a whole process of working your way up through the ranks of the civil service.

People who are selected for the position of Diplomat must maintain a certain decorum at all times.

The profession is the skill of managing international relations. A Diplomat must be able to listen, speak, negotiate, and influence, while maintaining that sense of

Someone who is routinely loud, opinionated, not-flexible, arrogant, rude, or not informed, would not do well negotiating a trade deal.

A person who doesn't have the right personality simply would not be chosen for the job because they would fail at it.

That decorum not only applies to the dealings with foreign diplomats and dignitaries, it also applies to the staff who work at an embassy or consulate and manged the day to day affairs of that office.

The position of Governor General in Canada, is one of those well recognized titles that everyone has heard. However, I'll bet if you asked around, half of those people you questioned would really have to think about it, or would come up short naming the current Governor General.

The Governor General, as we all learned in school, is the Queen's representative in Canada. However, the position has no real power. It's almost exclusively a ceremonial position which includes waving at crowds, showing up at some events, handing out medals, and occasionally hosting dignitaries.

It is also a position that costs tax payers

There seems to be no real qualifications for becoming Governor General.

Our current GG is Julie Payette – a former astronaut. While being an astronaut is indeed an impressive addition to your resume and a rather stellar accomplishment, how does that experience translate to becoming a person holding public office?

The role of Governor General is by nature, one that requires diplomacy.

The reports coming out of this latest GG's office are less than favourable. Pavette has been accused of belittling and publicly humiliating employees, throwing tantrums in her office, and bullying people in her service.

This isn't a complaint from one disgruntled employee. These are complaints from more than a dozen insiders in the GG's circle. Several long time employees have left after being harassed.

As one insider reported to CBC news, "This has gone from being one of the most collegial and enjoyable work environments for many of the staff to being a house of horrors. It's bullying and harassment at its worst."

Payette is described as an 'intensely private' person. She has spent a lot of money at Rideau Hall, the official Governor General's residence, to maintain privacy so she won't have to see members of the public or workers. And yet she has never even moved

FROM THE SECOND ROW

BRIAN LOCKHART

into the residence. Now the people charged with protecting her have added their complaints to

the list. RCMP sources say the Governor General has added to the cost of security through her disregard for the Mounties and by routinely requiring her protective detail to scramble to fulfil last-minute requests resulting in spending on over-

The RCMP sources said they have had to apologize for her behaviour to foreign security teams because she treated them

time, hotel, and plane tickets.

The position of Governor General is tolerated at 'Her Majesty's pleasure', meaning there is no actual term limit. However, the normal term spent in this office is five

We the tax payers are forking over big bucks to support this office. It costs \$ millions each year to run a position that is largely hollow.

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Not a believer

Is anyone else even slightly wor- and national health agencies. If you're ried by the news that the Russians are going to roll out a vaccine for something, fast-tracking a supposed vaccine for COVID-19?

since Russian President Vladimir Putin other dangerous or deadly reactions. I'm declared victory in the global race to develop a vaccine that, he says, offers in just six months, the Russians can be immunity against the coronavirus. With absolutely, 100 percent confident in the

the whole world still reeling from the months-long pandemic, you'd think such a momentous occasion would be lauded and celebrated by scientists and health experts across the globe.

Instead, the silence has been deafening. And for good

In announcing Sputnik V, named after the first space

satellite launched by the Soviet Union in 1957, Putin claimed the vaccine is safe and has been extensively tested, pointing out that one of his own daughters had been inoculated and displayed positive results. While that may speak to his con-

across the globe remain skeptical. undergo a rigorous safety review before it will even consider endorsing the vaccine. Well duh. The vaccine, developed by the Gamaleya Research Institute with assistance from the Russian Defence ministry, is being rushed to the market, far too soon. According to a story published by CBC on Aug. 11, it was estimated that Sputnik V had been tested on just 76 people by the time of the announcement.

The Russians say that Sputnik V has successfully come through the first and second phase of testing. In those two stages, the vaccine is administered to a small amount of people, which gives credence to the claims it may have been administered to less than 100 people before last week.

The first and second phase of clinical trials were completed in less than two months, with a third phase, which can typically take up to a year to complete, beginning last Wednesday, according to Russian officials. During this phase, the vaccine is given to thousands of people and tested for efficacy and safety.

Dr. Zain Chagla, an infection disease specialist at St. Josephs' Health Centre in Hamilton, told CBC that the reason vaccines are required to be tested on such a wide scale is because many side-effects only show up in a small percentage of the population.

"It's very dangerous to scale this up to an entire population without doing those trials," Dr. Chagla said.

Again, well duh. This is a sentiment that has been shared by specialists from a wide variety of organizations

you better damn well make sure that a) it does what you say it does, and b) it It's now been a little more than a week doesn't come hand-in-hand with any sorry, but I find it difficult to believe that,

quality of this vaccine.



THE MIC CHECK

The WHO has already gone on record to say that there is no 'silver bullet' for COVID-19, essentially meaning there is no one size fits all solution, or cure. There are currently more than 150 vaccines under development worldwide, including Sputnik V, with 26 of those in the process of conducting human trials.

It should be noted that developing, testing and reviewing any potential vaccine is a long and arduous process that almost always takes years to complete. Even then, there is a constant need to fidence in the vaccine, health specialists study data after the fact. The mumps vaccine, considered to be the fastest The World Health Organization has ever approved, took four years to go already stated Sputnik V needs to from collecting viral samples to licensing a drug back in 1967. Yes, science and technology have come on leaps and bounds since then, but it's pretty telling that it's been half a century and no other vaccine has beaten that four-year from start to finish record.

It would appear that Russia intends to move forward with Sputnik V whether the greater health community likes it or not. And there does appear to be a market for it. Over 20 countries have expressed their interest in the vaccine, according to Kirill Dmitriev, head of Russia's Direct Investment Fund, the main investor behind the vaccine's development. He says there are preliminary applications to secure over one billion doses of the vaccine, while he claims Russia has signed agreements with five unnamed countries to produce a total of 500 million doses a year.

It is rumoured the vaccine will be mass produced in Brazil or India, or possibly both. The first batch of vaccine doses, made in Russia, will be ready in around two weeks. Those doses will be administered to doctors, teachers and other frontline workers who wish to take it.

While I'm sure we're all sick of hearing it, the COVID-19 pandemic is unprecedented in the way it has swept across the globe. All have fallen in its wake. There is a desperate need for us all to get back on our feet, but launching ourselves body first into a largely untested vaccine simply isn't the way to do it.

I certainly won't be standing in line any time soon to receive my shot of Sputnik, even if by some miracle it does find its way on Canadian shores any time soon.

Melancthon has a long and storied history dating back to 1840s

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

that became the town of Melancthon in the towns. 1840's, they had a daunting task ahead of

derness. There were no roads, no business- structure. es, and no one to help you if you ran into trouble.

James Beachell, a native of Yorkshire, brick building. England, an engineer by profession, decided it would a good place to open a hotel

The Beachell Hotel turned out to be a that still stands today. popular place for travellers, as more people started arriving in the area.

Mr. Beachell forged ahead and opened Melancthon and the first Warden of Grey was opened, along with a general store.

eral other families arrived. Names like Darcessful. ragh, Mitchell, McCue, and McManaman, were among the original townsfolk.

Inn sprang up and was owned by Michael erns within a two kilometre stretch. The Shoaff, a young entrepreneur.

A third hotel operated by Fancis O'Boye, known as the Fenian Hotel, was later built. decades.

This attracted more businesses to the fledgling town. This included a blacksmith, carpenter, and undertaker who made sure community. the local residents had a final resting place.

In 1855, a local 17 year-old became the postmaster. James Brown took the position to be the main contributing factors that and remained as postmaster for the next 62 caused people to move away.

Before the arrival of stage coaches, Mr. Brown delivered the mail on horseback When the first settlers arrived in the area over a large area encompassing several

An Orange Lodge, chapter 909, was established around 1858, first meeting in a The area at the time was nothing but wil- local home before building a permanent

> The town built a log school house around 1856. That was later replaced with a full

A Roman Catholic church was constructed as a log building around 1858. That was replaced in 1879 with a new brick structure

A Methodist church, known as the Gravel Road Church was erected in the 1860's.

The arrival of the railroad in the 1870's the first post office in 1851. He went on to really put Melancthon on the map. A new become the first Reeve of the Township of hotel, the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Hotel,

The hotel became known as 'The Bruce'

A town hall was built in 1874.

In 1881, a fourth tavern, called the Way-A new hotel called the Wheat Sheaf side Inn was opened, making for four tavearly settlers really liked a drink.

The town seemed to thrive for several

However at the end of the First World

The depletion of the surrounding lumber supplies and changes in agriculture seemed

Eventually the town disappeared.



Shortly after Mr. Beachell's arrival, sev- or 'Morey's Hotel' and became quite suc- LAST BUILDING STANDING: St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church on 280 Sideroad is the final reminder of the former village of Melancthon. The once small but thriving community has virtually disappeared and the lands are now house a wind farm.

The post office remained open until 1969. on the 280 Sideroad, and was in use until abandoned farm house out there, but the would be moved, as the old church was be-Orange Lodge, hotels, stores, and Method- ginning to show its age. The church cemeist Church have been lost in time.

War, things began to fall apart for the small victim of progress when Highway 10, was cent burials. widened. The headstones were moved and placed in a cluster along side the highway.

> earthly remains repose under a section of asphalt somewhere under the highway.

St. Patrick's Church is still standing ed to the history books.

Of the original buildings, there may be an 2018, when it was decided the congregation tery has 171 headstones engraved with the The Gravel Road cemetery became a names of early settlers as well as more re-

Most of the land where the town once stood has been reclaimed and is now used Presumably, many of the original settlers in a massive wind farm project.

> The name Melancthon still lives on as a Township but the town itself is now relegat-

Garage sales springing back up again as community continues lockdown rebound

Written By PAULA BROWN

shining, a number of Dufferin County resi- The garage sale had items from antiques and dents set up and held garage sales on Satur- furniture to clothes, toys and old Prim Pickday (Aug. 15).

Jewelry, CDs, pots, dishes, and variety of other household items could be found at the multi-house yard sale on Biscayne Crescent in Orangeville. The yard sale is a traditional ki-Horning, and this year neighbour Laurie Rooney-Leduc joined to help clear out before moving.

"We've been stuck at home and haven't been able to see our neighbors, so we figured this is kind of a way to bring the community together," said Rachel Tanjuaki-Horning, one of the homeowners. "I get to see my neighbors again and at the same time enjoy the day."

After checking for a general consensus on the community's opinion of the yard sale, and with encouragement, the home owners decided to go ahead with the yard sale. With sanitizing tables set up, both Rooney-Leduc and Tanjuaki-Horning say that spent time cleaning the items up for sale.

"It was interesting because it's not something that you normally have to do," said Rooney-Leduc. "It was just making sure everything was sanitized so that everything

is safe for everybody."

A multi-family garage sale was also orgains stock. By 11 a.m. Higginson says they had have those extra people coming." around 60 people visit.

She added, "I did a lot of online advertis-With the warm temperatures and the sun nized by Jamie-Lee Higginson in Melancthon. ing with Facebook groups so I could show it's nice to see my old customers again," said people what was here first, so if there wasn't Buckley. something they're interested in then we don't

Second Fiddle owner Diane Buckley also store on Saturdays. "People like doing their yard sales, driving held a garage sale through her storage unit around and there hasn't been as many lately in Shelburne. The storage unit is now the happen in Sask. and PEI. There have been no so I think it's fun and right now we are look- location for her store following an increase bylaws from COVID-19 in Dufferin County yearly affair for homeowner Rachel Tanjuaing for something more normal," said Higgining in rent. Saturday's sale was the third one that prohibiting garage sales.

Buckley has held.

"It's been great, there's lots of people and

At her unit Buckley says she is selling both garage sale items as well as items from her

Garage sales have recently been allowed to



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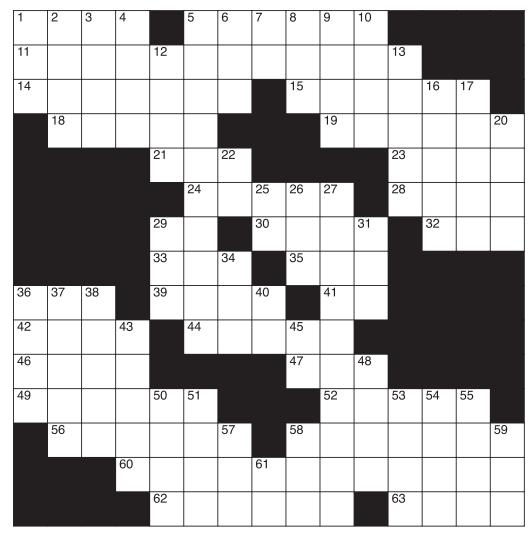
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- 13. City in Zambia
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SHELBURNE PORTS

A day of kayaking at the Pine River Fishing Area

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

It was a hot day with few clouds in the sky - perfect for a trip across the lake on a kayak.

The Pine River Provincial Fishing Area on River Road in Mulmur provides a beautiful natural setting for getting your feet wet and paddling your canoe or kayak across the calm waters of the lake.

Cathy St. John and Kim Grasby brought their kayaks to the lake after hearing about the spot from a friend.

It was the first time both women had visited the area.

Cathy took up kayaking four years ago and is an enthusiastic participant in the sport.

"I usually kayak in Lake Simcoe," Cathy explained. "A friend is a huge fisherman and he knew about this place where he comes fishing. He told us this would be a good place to go kayaking. We're going to venture out and see how far we can go and see what the water's like. I don't know how far this lake goes. We really enjoy the nature aspect of it. I'm a water person to begin with. I like to be on the water and anything to do with water. This is a way for me to be out on the water and enjoy the scenery and the tranquility of it all."

The lake is small – less than a kilometre in length – and narrow, but that provides ample water for casual kayaking or canoing.

Kim Grasby is new to the sport having taken her first kayak trip just 10 days ago.

She enjoyed it so much she now has her own brand new craft that was christened on this trip.

"Last week we went to Island Lake in Orangeville, and that was my first time out," Kim explained. "I've seen kayaking and it's something you can do by yourself. You can go anywhere with them. It's easy to do with one person. The kayak only weights 36 lbs. It's so serene out there, so quiet."

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PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

OUT FOR A PADDLE: It was a good day for kayaking on Saturday, August 15, with bright sunny skies and hot temperatures. Cathy St. John, and Kim Grasby, took advantage of the mid-summer weather and went kayaking on the lake at the Pine River Provincial Fishing Area in Mulmur.

The women launched their boats from shore near the parking lot which is in close lake and see where it would take them. proximity to the lake, so getting water craft into the lake is easy.

The plan was to casually cruise down the lake.

A dam at the south end of the lake created well as water sports. a barrier on the Pine River the result was the

The river and lake are used for fishing as

Shelburne Muskies expecting 'soft start' to new season in December

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

With hockey clubs around the country still not sure what is going to happen when the traditional start to the season arrives, many organizations are taking a 'wait and see' approach.

Most clubs are taking directives from Hockey Canada, who are taking their direc- hallway. tives from health authorities around the For the Shelburne Senior A Muskies, province and the country.

In some municipalities there is a possibility they won't be putting in the ice this year delay in allowing ice time this season.

While some hockey organizations have already started practice and tryouts in some

privately run arenas, there are a lot of restrictions for players.

Teams are limited to the amount of players mally gets underway in October. and coaches on the ice at one time. Players are not allowed to use dressing rooms and target of December or early in the new year are showing up for practice with their equipment on and ready to play.

looks like there will be delay in the season take three to five weeks for all the Clubs in

The Muskies are members of the Western for play is announced. at all. Other areas have already announced a Ontario Athletic Association Senior Hockey League.

> League officials recently held a meeting to mation as it becomes available. discuss the upcoming 2020 / 21 season.

They have announced that they will not have a regular start to the season which nor-

"The League is however hopeful that a soft may be more realist at this point," the Muskies said in a statement regarding the start of They only have to put on their skates in a this season. "This will all be in compliance with public health regulations."

The Club went on to say they expect it will the League to get ready once any approval

The Muskies executive continues to monitor the situation and will pass on new infor-



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Local group comes together to create coed slo-pitch league

Written By PAULA BROWN

A collection of Shelburne residents have ple in town and also to have fun. formed a 26 player coed slo-pitch league, the summer season in town.

"With COVID everyone was so cooped up, everyone wants to get outside and play, but who has played for eight years, said she's we noticed our town didn't have anything not from Shelburne and was also using the and it got us motivated to do it," said Nicole league as a way to meet new people as well. Bolton, the organizer of the small league. "We like playing softball and it's a good yet," said Davis. "It's exciting mostly just to way to meet people in town but still be disget out of the house." tanced."

14) at the Hyland Elementary ball diamonds, maining games before it wraps up on Sept. with a small turnout of 10 players. With a 25. Anyone looking to join can go the Shelmix of new and seasoned ball players, a cou- burne coed softball Facebook page, there is ple of the players spoke with the FreePress a \$15 fee. about the league and their involvement in it.

Derek Davies, one of the players, said he joined the league as a way to meet new peo-

"It's fantastic to finally get out in the sun bringing baseball back for the remainder of and throw the ball around," said Davies. "It's going to be awesome."

April Davis, another player in the league

"Most of us haven't gone out there at all

The league, which happens every Friday The coed league started last Friday (Aug. from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., still has six re-



TIME TO PLAY BALL: A 26-player coed slo-pitch league, started by Shleburne residents, had their first game on Friday (Aug. 14) at the Hyland Elementary ball diamonds.

Local municipalities to benefit from multi-million dollar federal initiative

Written By MIKE BAKER

Municipalities across Dufferin County will split almost \$3 million in emergency funding as the after effects of the Ontario-wide 444 municipalities will receive \$695 million shutdown brought on by the COVID-19 pan- in funding through Phase 1 of the project. demic continue to be felt.

informed media last week that the Ontario second phase of funding that will be opened government had secured up to \$4 billion in up to municipalities that have COVID-19 emergency assistance for municipalities, related financial impacts that exceed the through the federal Safe Restart Agree- initial per household allocation provided ment. Communities across Dufferin County will receive money to address a variety of municipal operating pressures brought on ment will provide \$19 billion to Canadian by the coronavirus. According to Ms. Jones, the funds will give municipalities the support and flexibility they need to protect the the COVID-19 pandemic. Across all streams health and well-being of their communities, of federal investment, the program will prowhile continuing to deliver critical public vide over \$7 billion in funding and in-kind services as the province continues on its supports to Ontario. road of recovery.

"I know that the municipalities in Dufferin-Caledon worked hard to maintain essential services to residents during the emergency order," Ms. Jones said. "Getting back to business and reopening has had its challenges locally, but this money provided under the Safe Restart Agreement will help our communities in their efforts to safely restart programs and services that were dis- Fund (SSRF) will provide \$362 million in rupted due to the pandemic."

The County of Dufferin leads the way locally in terms of dollars it will receive, longer-term housing solutions for people with the regional municipality set to receive in need, and ensure that the housing and \$1.48 million in funding. Orangeville will be homelessness sector has the tools and supgetting \$673,400, Mono will receive \$204,300, and Shelburne will get \$175,400. Elsewhere, fully transition to recovery," said County Grand Valley will get \$106,200, Mulmur spokesperson Nanci Malek in a recent press will get \$105,700, with Amaranth receiving release. \$88,300. Rounding out the group, Melancthon will receive a cheque for \$70,800, with components – operating and capital. Eligible East Garafraxa getting \$58,700.

On top of the emergency funding, Orangeville will receive just over \$96,000 in tran- as isolation centres, rental assistance such sit funding to cover added expenses the as providing funding for rental arrears and municipality has incurred by continuing to short-term housing allowances, transporrun its town-wide bus service during the tation costs, food and supplies, enhanced pandemic.

municipality will also receive \$36,000 in

transit funding as part of this first phase.

The money will be distributed to municipalities in September, and has been allotted on a per household basis. In total, Ontario's

A further \$695 million in additional fundduring Phase 1.

In total, the federal Safe Restart Agreeprovinces and territories over the next few months to help municipalities emerge from

The County of Dufferin received further assistance through the joint federal and provincial Social Services Relief Fund. Now, the County is reaching out to all of its community partners, organizations and non-profit agencies to find out how they can help them continue to make a difference across the

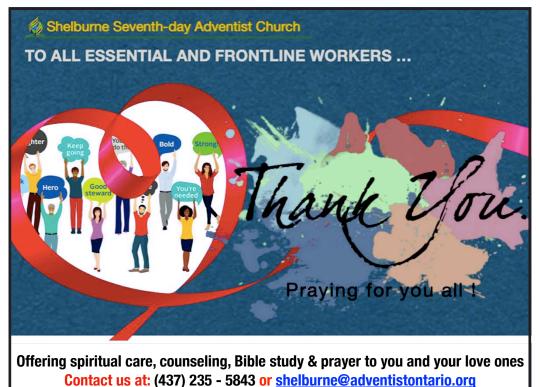
"Phase two of the Social Services Relief provincial and federal funding to help a diverse range of vulnerable people, create port that they need to safely and success-

Funding through the SSRF is split into two operating expenses include: building homeless shelter capacity, use of motels or hotels cleaning services, purchase of personal pro-Also in our riding, the Town of Caledon tective equipment, and minor retrofits, alterwill receive \$1.46 million in funding. The ations or repairs to facilities under \$50,000. Capital funding would enable to acqui-

sition of new, or modifications to existing to permit elements such as physical distancfacilities such as emergency shelters, sup- ing and self-contained bedrooms and washportive housing, transitional housing and rooms. related facilities. The objectives under this component, according to Ms. Malek, are to support or services for vulnerable persons provide longer-term housing based solu- in Dufferin County as a result of COVID-19 tions to homelessness post-COVID 19; to in any of these areas, we would ask that Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones ing is expected to be made available during a better address the need to encourage move-you submit our case by Friday, Aug. 28," Ms. ment toward client service models that are Malek continued. innovative, and seek to support client and organizational readiness in preparation for the County's Program Manager of Housing future outbreaks or emergencies; and to Services, at cbarber@dufferincounty.ca. For change the physical design of congregate more information, call 519-941-6991 ext. care settings, such as emergency shelters, 2020.

"If you are providing new or enhanced

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Shelburne Police seeking public assistance following incident at Greenwood Park

Written By PAULA BROWN

wood Park.

Shelburne Police say that they received a report of vandalism to property on Aug. 10 at Greenwood Park. An officer that responded noted several items spray painted with ed to have happened between Friday Aug. 7 and Sunday Aug. 9.

sore and quite offensive," wrote SPS in the online at www.crimestopperssdm.com.

press release. "During the COVID-19 situation Greenwood Park has been a welcome Shelburne Police Service (SPS) are seek- escape for so many people, that it is disaping assistance from the public for an inci-pointing that someone would feel the need dent of mischief that happened at Green- to damage it and deprive other of their enjoyment."

> SPS are also encouraging parents to speak with their children who may have been at Greenwood Park during those dates.

Police are asking for anyone with informaorange spray paint. The vandalism is report- tion in relation to the case or any other matter, to contact the Shelburne Police Service at 519-925-3312 or anonymously through "The damage that was caused was an eye- Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or



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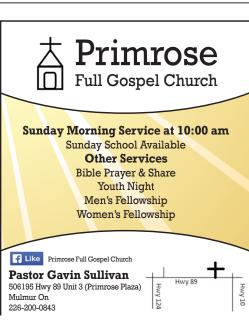
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Don't count the days. Make the days count.

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who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ. ~ Philippians 1:6

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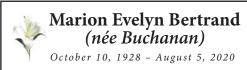
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On August 5 we lost our beloved mother, Marion Bertrand (née Buchanan), at Brampton Civic Hospital.

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Also, predeceased by husband, Jacques Bertrand, whom she married on July 16, 1955, and who passed away on September

Dear mother of Andy, Steven (Petra), Brian (Martha), Paula and her furry feline, 'Kelsey'. Grandmother to Simon Heldt-Bertrand (Hannover, Germany). Step-grandmother to Claudio Heldt-de Sousa (Orangeville) and Nicholas Rolfe

She is fondly remembered by "les familles Bertrand" and all their numerous relatives.

To her many Air Force friends (50+ years), she still reminisced about the good old days at the Corporal's Mess in Clinton, Ontario.

A private gravesite service has taken place. There will be a celebration of Marion's life held at a future date.

If desired, donations may be made to Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #15's Poppy Fund Campaign, which Marion soulfully participated in for many years. You may also donate to St. Bartholomew's United Church (Brampton), which she admired so deeply, or any other charity of your choice.

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Prestigious Dr. David Scott Award shared by local physicians

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Annual General Meeting on Tuesday (Aug. 18), with staff, volunteers and the communipast year, and honour the latest recipient of the prestigious Dr. David Scott Award.

dividuals or groups who provide the utmost hundreds of doctors, nurses, personal supwork and dedication to provide the health care that residents in the Dufferin-Caledon tal and to the community.

April, at the age of 88.

"Retired surgeon and lifelong resident Dr. ing treatment avoiding hospital admission. David Scott came to Orangeville in 1962 as the town's first specialist in general surgery. He dedicated his life improving the health and wellness of the community," said Ken Topping, Chair of the Governance Committee at Headwaters. "The Dr. David Scott training. Only one year later, he was a family award is presented annually to recognized individuals or groups who have gone above services to the community and patients in and beyond to improve the overall health, wellness in Dufferin-Caledon."

tween the years of 1962 to 1997, serving as ic hit, Dr. Joyce stepped up to be the lead Chief of staff from 1983 to 1989 at the local physician for the Headwaters Assessment

Two recipients were chosen and awarded with the Dr. David Scott Award. The first recipient was awarded to Dr. Michael Gagnon, a family physician practising in Bolton.

Bolton, he has been working as the Medical of Directors at Headwaters, Lori Ker.

Director at Bethell House Hospice and providing weekly palliative home care visits for Headwaters Health Care Centre held its those in need. He has been participating and helping at the COVID-19 assessment centre at Headwaters, as well as joining a palliaty coming together virtually to reflect on the tive care consultation program at Headwaters, where he can provide palliative care in a hospital setting. His contribution to the The Dr. David Scott Award is given to in- community is through his mentorship to port workers and allied health providers.

Dr. Gagnon has provided palliative care area need. The award also recognizes those training for all Dufferin paramedics. He also who provide exemplary service to the hospi- made a significant change and impact within the community last year, where he led the But this year is extra special for the award. implementation of point of care ultrasounds Dr. David Scott passed away this past in the community, allowing patients to remain at home for the ultrasound and result-

The second recipient of the Dr. David Scott was Dr. Charlie Joyce, who is a physician at the Highlands Health Network in Orangeville. He moved to Orangeville in 2014, where he completed his final year in medical physician. He also provides palliative care the hospital. Dr. Joyce become the lead physician at the Highlands Family Health Orga-Dr. Scott practised general surgery be- nization in 2019. As the COVID-19 pandem-Centre, showing his dedication and extraordinary work for the community.

> Alongside the Dr. David Scott Award, the the COVID-19 Assessment Centre Start Up





LOCAL DOCTORS HONOURED: Dr. Michael Gagnon (left) family physician in Bolton, and Dr. Charlie Joyce (right) from Orangeville are the two recipients for this years Dr. David Scott Award that was announced on August 18th.

"We know that a strong hospital is a key ince to learn from their experience. pillar of the thriving community, and that has led us strong because of the courage their next phase, which will include continuand collaboration of all staff and healthcare ing in the winter months. providers," said Ker.

Up Team came together early on when the in response to the long list of health care Province was giving directions on devel- workers who volunteered to respond to the oping assessment centres at local hospilong-term care crisis at a care centre in Shel-Chairperson's Award was also announced to tals. The collaboration and work that was bourne. put into creating the centre in such a short Alongside Dr. Gagnon's family practise in Team, presented by the Chair of the Board amount of time, became a model for other been demonstrated time and time again hospitals and care centres across the prov-during this pandemic," said Ker.

The Assessment Centre is now planning

The Long-Term Care Response Team The COVID-19 Assessment Centre Start also received the Chairperson's Award,

"The power of many and teamwork has

Autism Speaks Canada set to host Walk on Wheels Car Parade next month

Written By PAULA BROWN

their annual walk for 2020 with this year's event set to be a car parade.

joy to so many during these times of social to promote solutions across the autism specdistancing, we are hitting the road to cel- trum. ebrate together while being safely spread apart," wrote Autism Speak Canada on their in the Autism Speaks Canada event, with website.

Autism Speaks Canada Walk on Wheels Car its \$20,000 goal.

Parade, looks to bring together the autism Autism Speaks Canada has reimagined to everything the organization does. Autism Speaks Canada is a charity that was formed from the U.S based charity Autism Speaks "Inspired by the car parades that brought that was founded in 2005. The charities look

There are 229 teams that are taking part 709 registered participants so far. As of print The annual walk, known this year as time Orangeville has raised almost \$3,500 of

"It's important to make people aware," can be a lot more difficult for these kids to community, while also bringing awareness said Andrew MacDonald, 12, who is the 2020 navigate that, so it's important now than ever walk ambassador for Orangeville.

> Diagnosed with autism at age 11, Andrew took part in the walk for the first time in 2019 and was asked to be the walk ambassador in 66 children are currently diagnosed with for the 2020 event, which he says is "pretty

don't go away. You still have to make peo- be determined. ple aware," said Shauna MacDonald, mother of Andrew. "In situations such as COVID, it www.autismspeakscanada.ca.

to make people aware and ask for people to join in to spread the word."

According to Autism Speaks Canada, 1 Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Autism Speaks Canada Walk on Wheels "Life has changed dramatically for a lot Car Parade will take place on Sept. 27 in of people, but its things like autism that Orangeville, with the route of the parade to

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MTO permits off-road vehicles to be used on County roads, Council not happy

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and irritation from all these off-road vehi- vehicles with six or more wheels.

in doing this at all."

Dufferin County councillors expressed from the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), Angela Litrenta, director of the safety protheir unease with the Province now allowing dated July 10, that said the Province had dirt bikes and extreme terrain vehicles on expanded the types of off-road vehicles that public roads during their meeting on Aug. 13. were allowed to be used on-road as of July 1. agreeance, saying he was in the same boat "I don't understand why they have The two additions included "off-road motor- with Coun. Horner, also noting the trespass- added that users of the off-road vehicles expanded the vehicles that can go on roads cycles" or dirt bikes and extreme terrain ing by dirt bikers and ATV riders on undevel- have said that the municipalities are too because there is enough accidents, noise vehicles (ETVs), which are semi-amphibious oped land in Orangeville.

cles now," said Mulmur Mayor Janet Horner. "It is important to note that the same they're getting to it by, at this point, riding cles, or to prohibit them has been left up to

vehicles continue to apply for these new The County of Dufferin received a letter vehicles on provincial roadways," wrote gram development branch at the MTO.

Orangeville Mayor Sandy Brown was in municipal roads.

"They're trespassing on the land and "Why are we doing this, I don't see any value on-road access rules for existing off-road illegally on town roads," said Coun. Brown.

Mono Deputy Mayor John Creelman, who was also acting Warden in the meeting, said that he doesn't think there is an "appetite" to expand the use of off-road vehicles on the

Grand Valley Mayor Steve Solomon also

Bylaws to permit the use of off-road vehieach municipality to decide.

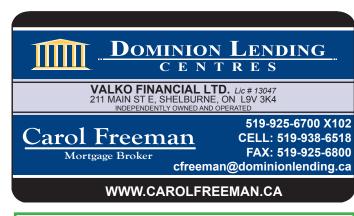
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