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PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Shelburne's welcome sign reads, 'A People Place, A Change of Pace' and Shelburne is a shining example as many opened their homes to stranded strangers during last week's storm and even the signage is visibly experiencing a change of pace, almost covered in recent snow fall.

## Shelburne faces an old fashioned winter

**BY ALEX SHER**

"A People Place, A Change of Pace," is just what the Town of Shelburne's welcome sign reads and this year rings truer than years of the past as the people of Shelburne did in fact change their pace from pleasant to pummelled with the most snow Shelburne has seen in years and City Labourers valiantly were the ones to remove it from streets. Removing snow is their job, true, but they literally dug in.

Unlike other years, many huge dump trucks could be seen daily, loaded to the brim with the unwanted stuff, and Shelburne's Mayor Ed Crewson has been keeping an eye on the situation.

"We are likely over budget for our winter road maintenance," and further explained as the bills are not in yet, just how much we are over is difficult to say.

Mayor Crewson gratefully continued, "Staff members and volunteers made our community a 'safe haven' for travelers in distress and with that same desire to keep our citizens safe, our staff members continue to work hard removing snow banks from our streets and lanes and sidewalks. We are proud of our staff members' dedication to serving the traveling public and keeping our citizens safe in dangerous circumstances. Thank you."

And just how many truck loads were needed to remove recent snow fall to keep Shelburne road worthy and safe?

CEO/Clerk John Telfer reported, "Approximately 850 trucks collected and dumped, and that is since the one week storm alone," continuing, "There are two separate transfer load stations where the collected snow is dumped, one on Victoria St. and the second is Fiddle Park."

For those concerned about flooding possi-

bilities, Telfer commented, "Both Victoria and Fiddle Park load areas are not affected by infrastructure concerns or storm sewers. Victoria drains into Besley Drain and Fiddle Park will be received by 2nd line's ditch. Now that the snow is off the streets, the impact into storm sewers is reduced accordingly."

Last week, Shelburne made news across the country for the weather Shelburne endured, but that's not all. Many accounts of weary stranded travellers being taken into strangers houses are

still trickling through many news reports and local conversations, proving Shelburne to be 'A People Place' indeed.

As Shelburne can still be seen digging out with snow banks notably over six feet tall in places, Shelburne braces for more bad weather and freezing temperatures as the next horrible storm is predicted to arrive.

By the time this article reaches the eyes of readers, Shelburne will be experiencing yet another change of pace, digging out again!



Victoria Street transfer station was the sight of many trucks dumping loads. Between Fiddle Park and the Victoria St. approximately 850 trucks have dumped loads of snow collected from Shelburne's streets according CEO/Clerk John Telfer.

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The Tipling Stage Company is holding open auditions for the five characters who make up the cast of Norm Foster's Jenny's House of Joy. Auditions are slated for Sunday February 9th at 2 p.m. at Grace Tipling Hall, Shelburne with callbacks, if necessary, on Thursday, February 13th. No preparation is necessary – you will be asked to read from the script. The play will be directed by Jean Jardine Miller and will run April 25th, 26th, 27th, May 2nd and 3rd. Rehearsals will be Sunday 1 – 5 p.m. & Thursday – 9 p.m. beginning February 16th at Grace Tipling Hall.

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**FEATURED ITEMS**

# Are you feeling S.A.D. this winter? Look to the light



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Model uses a SAD Therapy Lamp to stave off the winter blues

**BY ALEX SHER**

According to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) over 900,000 Canadians have already been diagnosed with SAD, or Seasonal Affective Disorder. Some people find themselves governed by changes in the weather and although some feel SAD is only associated with cold, dark winter months, this mood

disorder can be experienced even during other seasons.

Symptoms often include an overwhelming feeling of listlessness, a nestling in, oversleeping but waking exhausted, anti-social tendencies, short temper, a general disinterest in activities, a craving for carbohydrates, sweets and stimulants such as caffeine, and an overall sense

of depression. The CIHR offer the services of medical professionals, Dr. Marc Hebert, an expert in neuroscience, physiology, and mental health and he is available to discuss retinal sensitivity relating to SAD, while Dr. Julie Carrier, a neuroscience, mental health, sleep expert is on hand to discuss the non-visual effects light has on the brain relating to SAD.

Traditional medical treatment for SAD as expressed by the Mayo Clinic includes full spectrum light therapy, (phototherapy), antidepressant medication and psychotherapy, noting that purchasing a light box might be enough to ease all symptoms just using it 20 minutes a day.

As society spends more time in doors, the brain will naturally produce more melatonin, the chemical in the brain which aids in the promotion of sleep. Inversely, serotonin, the stimulating happy chemical is produced when outdoors in the sun. Both chemicals have a direct affect and effect on the brain and the results can be SAD.

Dr. Andrew Weil, both a medical doctor and naturopath, is the founder, professor and director of the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine at the University of Arizona and he suggests another area of concern resulting in many being diagnosed with SAD, Vitamin D deficiency.

As treatment, Dr. Weil recommends aerobic exercise, the use of light boxes and daily supplements of 2,000 IU of vitamin D because it's estimated that 70% of the American population is Vitamin D deficient. CBC news reported that 4 million Canadians are Vitamin D deficient and that translates to 1.1% of the Canadian population. Note Dr. Weil mentions that even higher amounts of Vitamin D may be required depending on the severity of Vitamin D deficiency. A simple blood test during a visit to your family doctor can determine if you are vitamin D deficient.

Certainly Canadian diets have changed and Vitamin D is no longer found in large amounts in many food sources today. According to the British Columbia Ministry of health, one cup of fortified foods such as milk, rice or soy beverages only contain 100 IU of vitamin D. Even the small 85 gm size of canned tuna only contains 200 IU of vitamin D, and neither come close to the 2000 IU suggested to avoid SAD.

Whether you choose to pursue the natural road to treatment or traditional medical road to manage this mood disorder approaching epidemic proportions, take comfort in knowing that most symptoms of SAD disappear as summer approaches, the days grow longer, and you too will see the light!

## Shelburne Library



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We have certainly had enough news, discussion etc, about the snow in the past week and many reminisce about this is the "worst winter in memory"; like the "olden time winters"... and so on.

However, with only minor shutdowns, we were able to keep the library open and serve many folks who were able to walk and not place themselves in a dangerous situation.

I spent several days last weekend attending the Ontario Library Conference in Toronto. This is one of the largest library conferences in North America with between three and four thousand attendees. It doesn't get much bigger than that! This year was the 20th Anniversary of the conference ... just think, 20 some years ago I was one of the key organizers of that conference. I remember some of the amazing keynote speakers we had back then but truly this year, I heard some very inspirational speakers. Richard Wagamese, author of Indian Horse really made an impact on me and definitely on others in the audience. Miranda Hill, wife of author Lawrence Hill, spoke about her Bookmark project which places Book mark plaques throughout Canada. Each plaque is a significant marker for a place about which a Canadian author has written. I had a great opportunity to talk to Hilary Davidson, a mystery writer who is launching a new book this spring. There is a very good chance she will be here for one of our Sunday afternoon literary events.

Now, back to our other programs and events...

**Children's Programs:** We had some new additions to our Toddler Story and Play time this Tuesday and we certainly welcome any other parents with toddlers to join us on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

**Lego Club:** It is really amazing to watch the growth of our Lego Club and the fun we are all having. We had 33 children last week and more have signed up for this week. They are building such interesting vehicles and other items and we are proud to display them behind the circulation desk till the next week and then we start all over again. Grace has developed some neat Board games and other activities to integrate literacy skills as they play.

- Fiction:**  
 Cross and Burn by Val McDermid  
 The Death Trade by Jack Higgins  
 Robert B. Parker's Bull River by Robert Knott  
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 The Unwelcomed Child by V.C. Andrews
- Non Fiction:**  
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No one should die because they did not get the first aid they needed!



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**SUPPORT OUR ATHLETES!** – Ronald McDonald made a personal appearance last Friday at the Orangeville McDonald's location. The beloved McDonald's mascot was there to promote support for Canadian athletes during the 22nd Winter Olympics, which will be held in Sochi Russia from Feb 7th – 23rd. Mr. McDonald signed autographs and took pictures with local children.

## Museum features quilting bee, book launch



PHOTO BY WES KELLER

Quilts such as these (as shown at Shelburne Fair) recall an art and social tradition in rural areas -- quilting bees. Dufferin County Museum on Wednesday, Feb. 12, is featuring a display and a fascinating history. Shelagh Roberts, author of a book about quilting in Dufferin, is guest speaker.

**BY WES KELLER**

If you're in need of a quilt these days, you would likely head to a local bedding retailer, make a choice, pay with debit, credit or cash, and think no more of it.

If you had lived in rural Canada as a 19th century settler, or even in the 1930s, you'd have had a hard time finding a bedding retailer and, even then, you wouldn't have had a debit or credit card and you might not have had enough cash on hand to make a purchase.

So, if you needed a quilt you made your own, and you might have derived pleasure from doing so as your neighbours would come to lend a hand. Together, you would have a "quilting bee" which would serve as both a productive and a social event.

Those old times are going to be on display at Dufferin County Museum next Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 1 p.m. along with the launch of a

history book about quilting in Dufferin, and an actual quilting bee.

There'll be snacks and refreshments available.

Author Shelagh Roberts will be there to talk about the book. Steve Brown at the museum says it will be a worthwhile historical presentation. The book is based on the confirmed history of the 200-plus quilts in the museum's collection, and is replete with photos of the collection.

Nanci Malek, organizer of the event along with quilter Doreen Riggin, says in a publicity notice that: "Each quilt in the collection of the Dufferin County Museum and Archives has its own story to tell."

"We have learned that quilts are documents of social history, among other things, they are a reflection of the economic times in which they were created. Quilts followed fashions, and

were the victims of fads. The best are both artful and skillful.

"They are a testament to the quilters, the quilters' families and the communities which produced them."

Steve says the chapters of the book are broken into eras, and there are the stories of each quilt that is displayed, beginning perhaps with an East Garafraxa quilt from 1826. He says quilting has gone "in and out of fashion" in recent years. Now there are three quilting guilds in Dufferin.

The best-known of those, Dufferin Piecemakers, meets monthly at Orangeville Fair Grounds in Mono.

Steve says some quilters provide custom service, and at least one uses quilt making as a fundraising event on occasion. One such apparently meets at Westminster United Church in Orangeville.

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# Tilson re-elected as President of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association for sixth time

David Tilson, Member of Parliament for Dufferin-Caledon, was re-elected as President of the all-Party Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association for the sixth consecutive time on Tuesday, February 4th, at the Association's Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Ottawa.

"It's an honour and privilege to be re-elected as President of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association" said Mr. Tilson. "The work

of the Association continues to be of utmost importance for Canada's interests, considering our Government's work to negotiate a historic free trade deal with the European Union (EU) last year. However, many areas of concern with the deal remain and the Association will be fully engaged, while also making preparations to host the 11th Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region in Whitehorse, Yukon, from

September 08 – 11, 2014."

Mr. Tilson has served as President of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association since March 2008 and has also been a member of the Executive Committee since 2004. The Association aims to facilitate exchanges between parliamentarians in Canada, and representatives from various European institutions with the objectives of promoting Canadian interests and fostering mutual cooperation.

In his role as President of the Association,

Mr. Tilson leads Canadian delegations traveling to Europe, as he did last November, when the delegation traveled to Athens, Greece, and met with members of the Greek Parliament, as Greece currently holds the presidency of the EU. The delegation also traveled to Zagreb, Croatia, and met with Croatian parliamentarians, as Croatia is the newest country to join the EU.

Mr. Tilson also hosts European officials when they visit Canada.

## Equality please

Dear editor:

I do hope that after a brief address of some notable misconceptions published in your newspapers of January 30, 2014 that this subject will be only discussed in a complete and meaningful manner at the right time, place and forum. This space is not for all of that.

First it was Shelburne and immigrants that were insulted in the article. Now that insult has been broadened to the whole of Canada and offshore to other continents.

Our Canadian government, and the Canadian people, did not wait for directions from Bickram Lamba before requiring certain foreign doctors, and other such professionals, to re-qualify prior to entering our facilities as part of the labour force. For this man to suggest that we may have quacks operating in our hospitals or other institutions and firms is to promote the myth that some people hold on to that immigrants, and particularly visible minorities, are employed only to fill quotas rather than based

on proper qualifications.

Judging from the physical construction of this man's letter to the editor, intelligent readers will rightly conclude that they must think well before giving consideration to his most recent outbursts.

However, serious attention must be given to the importation to Shelburne of that patriarchy in its ugliness. How dare Bickram Lamba conclude that only a man can write a letter to the editor of our newspapers and have it published? How dare he refer to me only as "he/his" no less that eight times in his short diatribe?

If my name were Canada Ramnath it would have been forgivable as indistinguishable by gender.

A patriarchal society is not ours. In this country both genders are given equal opportunities and respect. Our intelligent men and women, and boys and girls, will have it no other way.

Gloria Ramnath, Shelburne

## Word on the Street

"Where you personally affected by the recent state of emergency in Dufferin?"



"No. I live in town so I just stayed in town. I didn't have to get out for any reason and didn't have to get back for any reason."

- Carey Holmes



"No. I work in town so I didn't have any issues. I can walk to work."

- Lisa White

## Thank you Shelburne

Dear editor:

This letter to the Editor is being written in support of my personal appreciation and thanks on behalf of the Orangeville Americans Jr.'A' Hockey Team.

The Orangeville Americans travelled to Shelburne on Friday, January 24, 2014 to match up with the Red Wings for a regular season game at the North Dufferin Community Centre (Shelburne Arena).

Upon the game ending an announcement was made by the local Police detachment that the roadways were closing and that supplies would be brought in and that the

Shelburne Arena would become an overnight shelter for all road warriors that evening.

We read every day how communities and countries around the world have dealt with a unique situation with speed and efficiency. Well you need look no farther than our own community to appreciate how well our Red Cross Services, County EMS Services and both local and OPP Police Services were prepared and organized for this winter storm.

The 400 plus individuals that were storm stayed were supplied with cots, blankets and food in a very safe and secure area.

I would also personally like to thank the facility maintenance staff and the kitchen snack bar staff for staying late to accommodate everyone.

Thank-you to all to help make our community a better place to live for each one of us!

Tyler Fines, Coach and General Manager Orangeville Americans Jr 'A' Hockey Team



"It depended on the day -there are some six foot snow drifts on our road. We got lucky because we all have four-wheel drive trucks at our house."

- Craig Glassford



"It just put school back farther but I didn't miss anything because there were exams at high school. I just got more time off school."

- Zeke Horsley

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# Global Pet Foods hosts the 'Show Us Your Heart' campaign



PHOTOS BY ALEX SHER

Global Pet Food Employee, Marcia McFaul holds a beautiful little cuddler, a cat named Serena who is waiting to be adopted to her forever home.

**BY ALEX SHER**

Global Pet Foods are well known for charitable work and together with one of their suppliers, Hills Ideal Balance, Global proudly announce their 8th annual launch of their 'Show Us Your Heart' campaign making a difference to abandoned, homeless, and discarded animals.

The campaign runs the first two weeks of every February and with every dollar donated, Global Pet Foods and Hills Ideal Balance will match every donation. A paper heart will be placed in the windows of Global Pet Foods locations marking every very appreciated donation.

Since its inception, the Show Us Your Heart Campaign has raised over \$570,000 where all proceeds went directly to over 120 pet rescue and animal shelters across Canada. Every Global Pet Foods location are responsible to choose which Charity the 'Show Us Your Heart Campaign' will rally behind and Global Pet Foods in Shelburne has chosen to support the Animal Alliance of Canada's Project Jessie, helping to

save animals from euthanasia and laboratory experimentation.

Project Jessie was established in 1991 to help those animals who were labelled 'unadoptable.' These animals became scheduled for euthanasia or they were destined to become specimens cruelly tested upon in laboratories. Of course money is involved as in the project's namesake, Jessie, a mild mannered, loyal pet relinquished to a pound during a family break up resulting in her being sold to a laboratory becoming yet another casualty to the selfishness of man discarding our loyal and loving friends like trash on garbage day. After not being able to save Jessie, who incidentally spent her remaining days being experimented on, Project Jessie was started in her honor and a vow was made to help prevent this from ever happening again.

Shelley Hawley-Yan is a local mono woman who has been involved with Project Jessie for twenty years and has saved and 're-homed' all kinds of critters and creatures in addition to dogs and cats.

(L to R) Shelburne's Global Pet Foods Owner, Jaci Thomas, employee, Marcia McFaul, and Project Jessie Advocate and Animal Rescuer, Shelly Hawley-Yan prepare for Global Pet Foods and Hills Ideal Balance's 8th Annual Show Us Your Heart Campaign where this year's proceeds will go to the Animal Alliance of Canada's Jessie Project, saving animals from scientific experimentation and more.



"We've had birds, goats, bunnies, guinea pigs, even horses from time to time," Hawley-Yan commented. "Being a non-profit organization, we depend on donations and also because we work from foster homes."

Frustration ensues when certain regulations can make situations difficult in that Hawley-Yan is only allocated 3 dogs and 3 cats in her home at any time, making volunteer foster homes essential to the success of the program. When examining the reasons Project Jessie is important, Hawley-Yan, a Biochemist, explains, "The Animals For Research Act is a bad piece of legislation. Within 72 hours of being placed in an agency, a research lab can purchase the animal for experimentation. That's not enough time. As a Biochemist, I can tell you, it's bad science. There is no evidence the animal's reaction to a chemical will be similar to a humans."

Long time Global Pet Foods employee, Marcia McFaul commented, "People in the city often drive out to the country, see a farm and just leave their animals at the end of a driveway. I

had a cat for eighteen years that my kids found in a dumpster as a kitten. So sad, but look how long I was able to love that cat!"

People call Global Pet Foods often for help with unwanted animals. Because Shelburne doesn't have its own Humane Society, occasionally Shelburne Police will help with dangerous dog situations, but not cats. And cats seem to be in ever great need.

Jaci Thomas has been the new owner of the Shelburne's Global Pet Foods since last April. "I love people, I love animals and so this store was the perfect combination." Thomas commented. "We think its important to support Project Jessie and we'd like people to come in and show their support for all rescued animals."

Clearly there is more than love for these animals, as a very real dedication shines through. Make a donation, Shelburne and "Show Us Your Heart!"

For more information go to [www.projectjessie.ca](http://www.projectjessie.ca), call Shelly Hawley-Yan at 519-940-4712 or contact Jaci Thomas at Global Pet Foods located on 226 First Ave. East at 519-925-3471.

## Call for entry

Club Art is looking for entries into the "Black, White & A Splash of Colour" emerging artists exhibit. Final deadline is Thursday, March 6th at 3 p.m.

This show is open to all artists between 15 and 25 years of age. Any interpretation of the 'Black, White & A Splash of Colour' theme is acceptable. All mediums and sizes acceptable. Each piece must include completed sign-in sheet with contact information. Art must be priced to sell at \$100 or less. Entry fee for each piece is \$5 which helps to support Club Art. The show runs from March 8th - April 3th. For more information, contact Jacklyn Hancock by e-mail at [hancockjacklyn@gmail.com](mailto:hancockjacklyn@gmail.com), or by calling 519 288 5786.

The entry form is available to print at <http://headwatersarts.com/club-art/current-call-for-entry/>

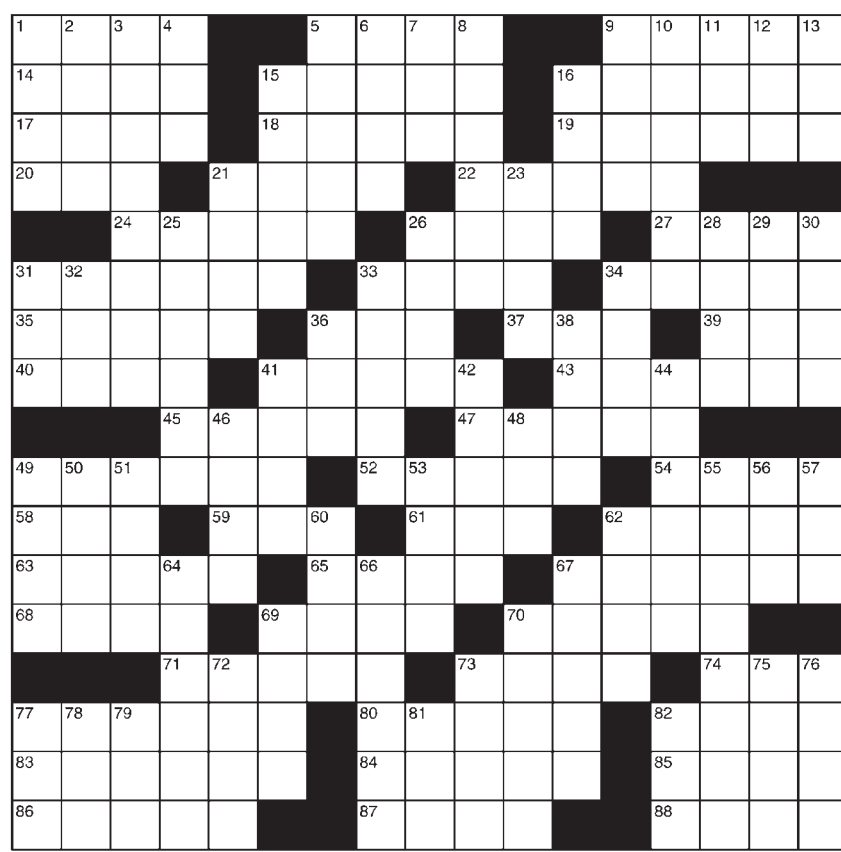
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- 26. Newborn
- 28. \_\_\_ thin air
- 29. Scrutinize
- 30. Grazing group
- 31. Ballet step
- 32. Wall clinger
- 33. Spend it in Moscow
- 34. Ship's wheel
- 36. Bee's follower
- 38. Twosome
- 41. Landlord's income
- 42. Provide food for
- 44. Plaid cloth
- 46. Naught
- 48. Not used
- 49. Asking price
- 50. Not pro
- 51. Modern gaslight
- 53. Light carriage
- 55. Traitor
- 56. Remark further
- 57. Extinct bird
- 60. Hearty's partner
- 62. Tooth point
- 64. Purify
- 66. Graze
- 67. Daft
- 69. Mound
- 70. First-year cadet
- 72. Decorative fabric
- 73. Mock
- 75. Once \_\_\_ a time . . .
- 76. "A Bronx \_\_\_"
- 77. Ordinarily disposed
- 78. Before, to Browning
- 79. Shred
- 81. Pool circuit
- 82. Porky, for example

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**ACROSS**

- 1. Thus
- 5. Better late \_\_\_ never
- 9. Underwater worker
- 14. Frog's cousin
- 15. Witchy old woman
- 16. Soil with mud
- 17. Heal
- 18. Lariat
- 19. Do again
- 20. "Take \_\_\_\_, She's Mine"
- 21. Partridge's tree?
- 22. Brownish gray
- 24. Bit of land
- 26. Waist accessory
- 27. Plate
- 31. Revolver
- 33. Storm
- 34. Therefore
- 35. Bypass
- 36. Young grizzly

- 37. Unclose, poetically
- 39. Salt
- 40. Harmony
- 41. Violin's kin
- 43. Nut variety
- 45. Prepare to pray
- 47. Soul
- 49. Gulch
- 52. Chemical compound
- 54. Liquid measure
- 58. Small banknote
- 59. Utmost
- 61. Cut with an axe
- 62. Summary of beliefs
- 63. Market
- 65. Remote
- 67. Capital of Angola
- 68. Antler prong
- 69. Stratagem
- 70. Search party
- 71. Advertising leaflet
- 73. Goopy stuff
- 74. Belly

- 77. \_\_\_ photograph
  - 80. Foreigner
  - 82. Mama's spouse
  - 83. Heir to the throne
  - 84. Actor Hayes
  - 85. Pedestal occupier
  - 86. Indian's abode
  - 87. Fencer's blade
  - 88. Heredity unit
- DOWN**
- 1. Write with acid
  - 2. Dissolute fellow
  - 3. Military post
  - 4. Sonnet's kin
  - 5. Trick or \_\_\_!
  - 6. Frost
  - 7. Tiny crawler
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## Winter hazards have yet to end

BY WES KELLER

Dufferin County's state of emergency has ended but Old Man Winter hasn't loosened his grip just yet.

On Wednesday morning, Orangeville real estate agent Cindy Williams warned on Facebook that she had driven from Shelburne to Orangeville, and it felt like her car was hydroplaning all the way.

And, on Wednesday afternoon, the Ministry of Transport, among other highway reports, said that Highway 9 between Orangeville and former Highway 50 was "partly ice covered with snow covered, partly snow covered sections."

The highway conditions were poor, and visibility was only fair, MTO said.

Dufferin County Emergency Operations Centre was implemented during the start of the major storm on Jan. 23-24, but the state of emergency wasn't formally called until the 28th. The Centre continued on a 24-hour basis until the emergency ended.

During the emergency, the county was assisted not only by the lower tier municipalities but also by the surrounding counties of Simcoe and

Grey and the Region of York, all of which had similar problems of their own.

The storm had literally blanketed six southern Ontario counties at the height of its fury. At the beginning in Dufferin, it had stranded more than 400 motorists – many of whom had abandoned their vehicles at roadsides and in ditches.

Although there is no longer an emergency state, driving is not entirely safe. Roadside snow banks in places are reported as being more than eight feet high, and the OPP is continuing to warn motorists to slow down and watch for snowmobilers and others while the combination of slippery roads and poor visibility remains.

During the time that motorists were stranded at Shelburne and Honeywood, town and county staff along with volunteers, Red Cross and St. John Ambulance, as well as staff at Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex and Honeywood Fire Department, provided cots, food and blankets.

The Dufferin County situation attracted mainstream media such as CBC and CTV and Global. Shelburne CAO John Telfer reported to his council.

Costs of the storm have yet to be compiled.

## MVC's dominate calls for service

Between Tuesday, January 28th and Friday, January 31st, of the 133 calls for service, Grey County OPP investigated 52 motor vehicle collisions and 6 reports of abandoned vehicles. The majority of collisions involved property damage only.

In one case, the driver of a Pontiac vehicle travelling eastbound on Hwy. 26 lost control of the vehicle in a whiteout condition west of Grey Rd. 12 in the Municipality of Meaford and collided with a snowbank. The front end of the vehicle was in the live portion of the eastbound lane. The passenger exited the vehicle. The driver was about to exit the vehicle when it was struck by an eastbound tractor trailer. The passenger was thrown into the snowbank. The driver was extricated from the vehicle by the Meaford Fire Department. Several off duty military personnel assisted at the scene. The driver and passenger received only minor injuries.

A head-on collision occurred between a car and a propane truck on Hwy. 10 just north of Dundalk just before 5 p.m. last night. The

propane tank suffered a minor leak resulting in two homes in the area to be evacuated as a precaution. The Dundalk Fire Department and Sparlings Propane attended the scene. The 27 year old female driver of the vehicle was taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Her 4 year old son was not injured. Nor was the driver of the propane tanker.

Six motorists have been charged with driving on a closed road. The penalty for driving on a closed road is a \$110 fine and 3 demerit points, but the consequences can be much worse if you become involved in a collision or are stranded.

**Road Closures** – closure times often extend past the end of a storm to give the road maintenance crew's sufficient time to clear the snow and treat the road surface.

**Vehicle Lights** – motorists must remember to activate their vehicle's headlights manually to ensure the taillights come on.

**Slow Down** – "speed too fast for conditions" is the most common cause of crashes during winter months.

## Winter driving is not over



Environment Canada reports that approximately 10 cm of snow is expected within the next 24 hours. With this looming storm, Dufferin OPP would like to remind the travelling public to take extra precaution as you travel through the Dufferin County. Recently, we have seen this many road closures and multi-vehicle collisions in our County.

Slippery road conditions, white-outs and reduced visibility are key factors in motor vehicle collisions. The OPP urge drivers to take extra care by ensuring that you allot extra travel time to your destination. Before heading out on the roadway, always:

- Clean off your windshield and rear window to ensure maximum visibility.
- Carry extra windshield washer fluid

- Check your wipers before departure. During snow-storms, only travel:
- If absolutely necessary
- Always advise someone of your proposed destination as well as your arrival time.

Remember if you can, please carry the following:

- Emergency Safety Equipment
- Shovel
- Blankets or sleeping bag
- Warm winter clothing including hat and gloves
- Flashlight with spare batteries
- Road Flares or reflective triangles
- Full tank of gas
- First-aid kit
- Booster cables

There are undoubtedly more storms to come, always take the necessary measures to ensure your safe arrival.

Listed below are some of the applicable fines under the Highway Traffic Act on Ontario. These apply all year round and serve as a good reminder:

- Dirty or Obstructed Plate \$110 fine
- Improper or No Windshield Wiper \$110 fine
- Improper Tires \$110 fine
- Window/Windshield Obstructed \$110 fine
- Drive with hand-held communication device \$155 fine

## OPP Commissioner urging drivers to change behaviour

As Ontario continues to get battered by one of the worst winters in recent history, the OPP Commissioner and OPP Provincial Commander of Traffic Safety and Operational Support (TSOS) are taking a hard line with the numerous drivers who, through poor driving behaviour, are causing a steady rash of collisions, some of which are jeopardizing the safety of OPP officers and other emergency personnel responding to collision scenes.

Three OPP cruisers have been struck by passing motorists since Monday and two of those collisions occurred today on provincial highways. One OPP officer was taken to hospital after his cruiser was struck from behind while stopped behind a transport truck.

This past weekend, eight OPP cruisers were struck by passing motorists and two police officers received minor injuries.

"I want to make it very clear: severe weather and poor driving conditions are not the main cause in the overwhelming number of collisions we've seen these past several weeks. It is the way people are driving in these conditions that jeopardizes the safety of the motoring public and our officers. This irresponsible driving behaviour must stop," says OPP Commissioner Chris Lewis.

The OPP has been inundated with calls for service during the numerous storms that have hit the province so far this winter. The OPP has responded to thousands of calls for service due to irresponsible driving in winter weather conditions but according to Deputy Commissioner Brad Blair, Provincial Commander of TSOS, this is unacceptable.

"There is no question that our harsh winter weather has made for some very treacherous driving conditions lately but as is the case every winter, it is the drivers who do not adjust their driving to the weather and driving conditions that are usually the ones involved in the collisions," says Blair. "Most of the crashes being investigated by our officers involve drivers who either lost control because they did not slow down when they needed to or who ignored our warnings to avoid non-essential travel when the weather was particularly severe," added Blair.

According to Blair, when you get caught driving in particularly bad weather, it is not enough to keep your speed below the posted limit – you need to slow right down. This is critical to maintaining control of your vehicle and avoiding a collision.

Commissioner Lewis and Deputy Commissioner Blair are also stressing the importance of being highly visible while out on the road when visibility is poor and this means driving with the full set of headlights on. The OPP has received a number of complaints from people who continue to observe motorists driving in poor visibility with just their daytime running lights on. In heavy snowfall or blowing snow, these vehicles cannot be seen well by drivers and they are virtually invisible to those who approach from behind.

The OPP is urging motorists to be prepared and pay careful attention during the winter months. Watch for emergency responders, slow down and move over if it is safe to do so in accordance with the law. Adjust your driving to the conditions and do your part to keep you, your passengers and all other road users safe.

## OPP renew warning of computer scam

Police are warning residents after receiving 3 complaints of computer repair scams

Here's a typical scenario: a caller, often claiming to work for Microsoft or another reputable software company, will cold-call you and ask if your computer is running slowly or not working as it should. He will then offer to repair your computer via Internet access, which can involve either software installation or the caller gaining remote control of your computer after you've granted him access. Payment for the software or the repair service is handled via your credit card with charges typically ranging from \$35 to \$470 per call.

Allowing a third party to download software or remotely access your computer carries a number of serious risks. Malicious software can be installed to capture sensitive data such as your online banking user names and passwords, bank account information and your personal identity information. All of this information can be used in subsequent frauds that empty your bank accounts and charge your credit cards.

Police advise that you should change computer passwords monthly and make them difficult to guess but simple enough to remember.

To report a scam call the Canadian Anti Fraud Centre at 1(888)-495-8501 or on line at <https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca>

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## Canadian money funds U.K. offshore wind farm

BY WES KELLER

A major Canadian institutional fund manager is betting almost \$12-billion on the future of wind energy in partnership with DONG Energy of Denmark and two other companies.

La Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec last Friday inked an agreement to become a 25% owner of a 630 MW offshore wind farm in the U.K. by purchasing half of DONG's 50% share of what's known as London Array 1.

London Array 1 is "the World's largest offshore wind farm and is located around 20km off the coasts of Kent and Essex on a 245 square km site. It covers an area of 90 square km and includes 175 turbines with a combined capacity of 630MW.

La Caisse describes itself as "a financial institution that manages funds primarily for public and private pension and insurance plans. As at June 30, 2013, it held \$185.9 billion in net assets. As one of Canada's leading institutional fund managers, La Caisse invests in major financial markets, private equity, infrastructure and real estate globally."

DONG is "one of the leading energy groups in Northern Europe. Our business is based on procuring, producing, distributing and trading in energy and related products in Northern Europe. DONG Energy has approximately 6,500 employees and is headquartered in Denmark. The Group generated DKK 67 billion (EUR 9.0 billion) in revenue in 2012," the company says.

According to a joint release, La Caisse paid a total of GBP 644-million (pounds Sterling) for the share. Each pound is worth \$1.83 Canadian dollar.

The other partners in the London Array are: E.ON (30 per cent) and Masdar (20 per cent). DONG Energy will remain the service provider of O&M services to London Array. Munich and Berlin-based Siemens AG is the turbine supplier.

Dusseldorf, Germany-based E.ON was formed in June 2000 by the merger of VEBA and VIAG, two of Germany's largest industrial groups, each with an impressive history in its own right, beginning with their founding in the 1920s.

"At facilities across Europe, Russia, and North America, our more than 72,000 employees generated just more than EUR132 billion in sales in 2012. We have an ambitious objective: to make energy cleaner and better wherever we operate," E.ON says on its website.

Masdar is based in the United Arab Emirates. Chairman Ali Al Sayegh says in a website statement that the UAE "has made a long-term and deeply strategic commitment – through Masdar – to invest in renewable energy and sustainable technologies. In fact, Masdar, which was established in 2006, is a key pillar in Abu Dhabi's much broader vision toward sustainable economic development and diversification, and the fostering of knowledge-intensive industries. "Through Masdar, the emirate not only demonstrates responsibility as an oil and gas producer, but also extends its energy leadership into the vitally important field of renewable energy.

"This strategic objective of Masdar reflects the company's position as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Mubadala Development Company, which was formed by the Abu Dhabi Government as one of the drivers for the realization of the emirate's economic vision. Masdar aims to make Abu Dhabi a source of renewable energy knowledge, development, implementation and sustainable development," Ali Al Sayegh says in the published statement.

The Ontario government backed off plans to approve offshore wind farms almost four years ago in the face of public opposition, most notably by residents of the Scarborough Bluffs.

## Could the Quebec tragedy happen in Shelburne?



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Dufferin Oaks Long Term Care Facility Administrator, Valerie Quarrie (inset) is confident the Quebec tragedy could never happen here in Shelburne.

BY ALEX SHER

Dufferin Oaks is a long term care facility that many in Shelburne are familiar with. In light of the horrific, catastrophic tragedy in a Quebec long term care facility and senior home, where many seniors unfortunately lost their lives when a fire broke out, many long term care facilities across the country are re-examining and scrutinizing safety protocols and procedures.

Dufferin Oaks Administrator, Valerie Quarrie commented on the unlikelihood of a similar tragedy occurring in Shelburne for a number of reasons, "We're very fortunate that our facility was completely rebuilt in 2002. During that time we were outfitted with sprinklers in every room. In addition to that we have smoke detectors in every room," Quarrie explained. "We also have the special feature of an automated system. Outside of every room we have a special light that will come on in the event there is a fire and the automated system will clearly announce throughout the facility just where the fire is."

Perhaps the biggest life saving rule is the 'No Smoking' rule. "The province of Ontario has been making strides to have all long term care homes completely outfitted with sprinklers strictly due to the fact that residents are often not able to remove themselves from their rooms, and this initiative has been going on long before the Quebec incident," Quarrie added, "We also have three fire drills every month

ensuring all staff is completely prepared with all procedures and protocols, including moving seniors out of harm's way."

Quarrie mentioned she is grateful Dufferin Oaks has never experienced any sort of tragedy and hopes they never do. Dufferin Oaks is however, up to code, up on procedures and protocols in the event of a crisis, and create a safe environment for those we love while receiving the care they need.

For more information regarding Dufferin Oaks Long Term Care Facility located at 151 Centre St., contact Administrator Valerie Quarrie, at 519-925-2140, e-mail vquarrie@dufferincounty.ca or visit the website at www.dufferincounty.ca

## Costs dropping, wind power storage on the horizon

BY WES KELLER

Worldwide demand for new wind power installations declined to about 32 gigawatts in 2013 but is predicted to rise to about 43.7GW in 2014, according to Bloomberg New Energy Finance, which says the cost of wind energy has declined to within 5.5% of the cost of electricity produced from coal.

"Turbine prices have fallen 26 percent worldwide since the first half of 2009, bringing wind power within 5.5 percent of the cost of electricity from coal, according to data compiled by Bloomberg," according to a recent issue of Business Week.

Power from coal costs about \$78.30 a megawatt-hour to produce and gas costs \$69.71, compared with \$82.61 for onshore wind farms, according to data compiled by Bloomberg, the publication reported.

Harvard University has developed a chemical battery capable of storing wind energy and converting the charged chemicals into usable electricity.

However, according to reports, the chemicals used in the initial development are too corrosive for a commercial application so the search is on for a different chemical for the cathode side of the battery.

Elsewhere, a Norwegian company is reported to be researching the use of surplus wind energy to pump water back into hydroelectric dams so that hydro could be reliably generated when the wind stops blowing.

On investments in wind energy in what appears to be a competitive environment, Warren Buffett is investing \$1-billion in wind energy in Iowa.

"MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co., a unit of Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (A:US), yesterday announced an order for 1,050 megawatts of Siemens AG (SIE) wind turbines in the industry's largest order to date for land-based gear," according to Business Week.

"Wind is the cheapest source of power in Iowa, and the deal indicates that turbines are becoming profitable without subsidies, according to Tom Kiernan, chief executive officer of the American Wind Energy Association trade

group. That's a boost for suppliers including Siemens, General Electric Co. (GE:US) and Vestas Wind Systems A/S (VWS), and a threat to coal miners such as Peabody Energy Corp."

Meanwhile, here in Ontario, wind energy continues to face opposition based on costs associated with the Feed-in Tariff program, health issues, possible threats to birds and bats and possible devaluation of property values, among other things.

Locally, Melancthon resident Dennis Sanford, who heads an anti-wind group, is appealing the Environmental Review Tribunal's upholding of Dufferin Wind Powers Renewable Energy Approval.

And, in Grey Highlands, Lorrie Gillis, who represents Wind Concerns Ontario locally, has recently been highly critical of Melancthon mayor and county Warden Bill Hill following Dufferin County Council's decision to negotiate a rail corridor power line easement rather than to fight expropriation.

But the Ottawa Citizen recently carried an op-ed article by Tim Gray of Environmental

Defence, pointing out that nuclear generation has been the major catalyst for spiralling electricity costs.

"Green power makes a great scapegoat for rising electricity bills in Ontario. The only problem is that this is a myth based on a jumble of dubious assumptions rather than facts," says Mr. Gray in the Citizen's op-ed.

"Subsidies for nuclear power pushed up our electricity generation costs by 43 per cent last year and now Ontario Power Generation is asking the Ontario Energy Board for a further 30-per-cent increase in the rate it is paid for power from its nuclear plants to start paying for rebuilding the Darlington Nuclear Station.

"Meanwhile, an independent study produced for Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator showed that support for wind and solar pushed up Ontario's electricity generation costs by only 10.5 per cent last year.

"Today, wind and solar produce just four per cent of Ontario's electricity, so blaming them for rising rates is like blaming the cookie you ate for all your weight gain," says Mr. Gray.

## 'All You Need is Love'

Theatre Collingwood is thrilled to present a one-night-only fund-raising production of All You Need is LOVE – A Valentine's Cabaret, on Saturday, February 8th at 7:30 p.m. at The Historic Gayety Theatre.

Join Theatre Collingwood, Artistic Producer Erica Angus, Musical Director Greg Gibson and 14 of some of Canada's most talented musical theatre performers for "ALL You Need Is LOVE – A Valentine's Cabaret!" for a celebration of music and love, just in time for Valentine's Day!

This 90 minute cabaret style production will be followed by what is becoming a very popular Theatre Collingwood tradition, "The Red Carpet Reception"! Those purchasing Red Carpet tickets receive a partial tax receipt, premium seating, wine tasting, and for this event there will be various chocolate themed stations provided by a variety of Collingwood

restaurants and retailers. The event will take place in the art gallery at the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts. The cast and crew from this production will also attend the reception with our Red Carpet guests. Funds raised through this event will greatly assist Theatre Collingwood in the production of its 2014 season.

Tickets can be purchased in person at the Theatre Collingwood year-round Box Office located at 65 Simcoe Street or by calling 705-445-2200 or 1-866-382-2200, or for more information visit www.theatrecollingwood.ca. Early Bird Subscriptions are also on sale now until January 31st for the regular season tickets.

All You Need Is LOVE – A Valentine's Cabaret – ticket prices: Orchestra Seating \$40; Group Seating \$35 (groups of more than 10 people); Red Carpet Seating \$85.

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# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## Junior C leagues start playoffs – Shelburne players on several nearby teams

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

With the end of January, Junior C hockey leagues in Ontario have wrapped up the final week of regular season and are now going into the first round of playoffs.

In the Georgian Mid Ontario league, the Penetang Kings ended the season in first place followed by the Alliston Hornets in second place.

Shelburne resident Jamie Barrett is a forward on the Alliston team having played 40 games this season notching 23 points with 12 goals and 11 assists for the season.

In the Western league, Shelburne has two players on the Mount Forest Patriots.

The Patriots ended the regular season in third place after 35 games, with 39 points, and an 18-17 record for the season.

Patriots' forward Justin Graham, #4, played a full 35 game season scoring 21 goals and figuring in on 17 assist to bring his points total to 38.

Matt Taylor, another Shelburne resident, played 35 games as a Patriots defenseman this season.

The Western League hasn't yet announced the playoff line-up for the quarter-final series.

Wingham ended the season in first place in the Western league followed by Walkerton.

In other Junior C Leagues, the defending provincial champion Picton Pirates have again claimed the Empire B League championship finishing with 69 points and 34-2 record.

In the south end of the province, the Essex 73's, scored first place in the Great Lakes League followed by Belle River.

In Niagara, the Grimsby Peach Kings have again clinched the top spot with a 26-9 record for the season.

All Junior C Leagues will play-off for the provincial championship once League champions have been determined.

Playoffs get underway this week.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SKATE CANADA / STEPHAN POTOPNYK  
Alexandra Paul and Mitchell Islam of Barrie will represent Canada at the upcoming Winter Olympic Games in Sochi Russia. The 22nd Annual Winter Olympics runs from February 7th to 23rd.

## High school curling teams compete at regionals – Shelburne Club hosts the meet



PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

AT THE REGIONALS – The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals girls curling team took part in the Regional Playdowns held at the Shelburne Curling Club on February 1st and 2nd. Team members, coach, Amy Reinders, lead, Leah Moreth, 2nd, Courtney Holmes, vice, Kaelyn Gregory, and skip, Anna Boulanger, won their zone competition to earn the right to compete at the regional level.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

A CANADIAN TRADITION – The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals girls curling team compete in the regional play downs at the Shelburne Curling Club on February 1st and 2nd. The team was up against several other high schools from around the region after earning the right to advance after winning their zone.

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

High School teams from around the region came to the Shelburne Curling Club to compete at the regional level over the February 1,2 weekend.

This level of competition is the regional play-downs.

“Teams have to have one at the zone level to earn the right to come here,” Said Brad Budd, Convener of zone 9, and event organizer. “We have a total of 16 teams – eight boys teams and eight girls teams competing today. They are all high school teams.”

In addition to Centre Dufferin District High School, other teams came from as far north as Saugeen and south from Guelph and Cambridge.

The CDDHS girls team won their zone competition and moved to the Regional level.

“This is a double knock-out competition,” Budd said. “Once you lose two games, you're out.”

After two days of competition over the weekend, hard work and a lot of skill produced a good final results for the Shelburne team.

The girls team from Centre Dufferin won the A side competition.

Parry Sound High School girls team won the B side.

On the boys side, Parry Sound came out on top in the A side competition, with Preston High School taking the top honours on the B side.

All four of these winning teams will now go on the Provincials at the Galt Curling Club on February 13-15.

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**ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**



Name: **KAELYN GREGORY**  
Sport: **CURLING**

As an athlete, Kaelyn Gergory takes the sport of curling very seriously. During the winter season, the grade ten Centre Dufferin District High School student can be found on the ice most evenings and weekends through the season.

As a second year member of the CDDHS girls curling team, Kaelyn and her team recently won the regional level high school competition and will now go on to the next level of competition.

“I've been curling for seven years,” She explained. “Ever since I was nine years old. “I like how it's a mixture of strategy and physical performance. Every game is something different.”

In addition to practicing twice a week at the Shelburne Curling Club, Kaelyn is a member of a highly competitive Bantam girls team based at the Bayview Golf and Country Club in Toronto.

Her team is highly skilled allowing them to “play up” a division and compete at the Junior level.

“We made it to the Junior regionals this year, which is a pretty big deal.”

With her involvement in both high school and League play, Kaelyn spends most nights each week on the ice and competition takes her to places all around the province.

“Every other weekend we are travelling around Ontario,” she says of her hectic schedule.

In addition to curling, Kaelyn stays fit by jogging and using fitness equipment.

During the Spring she is a member of the CDDHS track and field team competing in high jump, long jump, and javelin.

As for the future, Kaelyn will continue curling and improving her game for “as long as I can.”

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**February 9th**

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Tyke #1 vs Georgian Shores..... 3:00pm - 4:05pm  
Peewee Rep vs Collingwood..... 4:15pm - 5:20pm  
Atom LL #1 vs Oro..... 5:30pm - 6:35pm  
Atom LL #2 vs Collingwood #1 ..... 6:45pm - 7:50pm  
Bantam #1 vs Oro #1 ..... 8:00pm - 9:20pm

**February 10th**

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Midget Rep vs Penetang ..... 8:00pm - 9:50pm

For complete schedule please visit  
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(Schedule and game times are subject to change.)



As The Shelburne Redwings Junior A Hockey Club come to the end of their Hockey season, the Coaches, Trainers, Managers and all the players would like to thank everybody for their great support during this season and we look forward to seeing you at the games with a new team in 2014/2015 .

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# Backyard birding is for everyone!



PHOTOS BY CHRIS MCGOWAN

Male and Female Cardinal. The Male is the brilliant red, while the female is a softer brownish tone with some red. There is also Sparrows and a Junco feeding on the platform. The Cardinals dominate the feeding area. These birds are year round residents to our region and can be seen in gardens and forests throughout the year.

**BY CHRIS MCGOWAN**

Backyard Birding is an easy way to get in touch with nature that brings so much enjoyment.

This winter has proven to be a real cold one and our feathered friends (the ones that stay throughout the winter, the Cardinals, Blue jays, Chickadees, Juncos, Nuthatches, Woodpeckers, Sparrows, Mourning Doves and more, are equipped to fend for food themselves, but in such extreme weather such as our most recent ice storm it is hard for them and they are thankful for open feeders.

In return for your generous offerings, you will get to watch them, through your window from inside your warm and cozy house, possibly with a camera in hand.

Keep in mind, the birds need the feed the most on those very cold days and if you want to keep them coming you need to keep the feeders full so they stay in your garden and not look for the next food source. With your feeders, you might attract the squirrels as well, but don't despair, if you stick to a squirrel proof feeder with suet balls, they may give up and head to another yard.

The different varieties of birds each have

preferences to the way they feed, what they like to eat and how comfortable they are at the feeding station. For instance, chickadees can be very bold. They will come right up beside you on a deck and eat from a suet ball, or flit and fly from one feeding station to the next. Whereas the Cardinal can be a little nervous until they feel very comfortable with where they feed. As well, Cardinals tend to feed in the morning and at dusk unless it is very very cold.

Needless to say it is interesting and enjoyable to watch the differences in the bird varieties, see how many you can attract, and enjoy watching the bird pecking order. Yes there is a hierarchy in the bird world as well. Cardinals and Blue jays rule in our backyard for sure.

We have a variety of feeders one being squirrel proof and others, but the one that the birds seem to gravitate to the most is a simple platform made from an old patio table form with a couple of plywood boards placed on it. The seed is poured on it every day, or every other day. And because we do this regularly they have become accustomed to it and gather in wait in the nearby cedar hedge for their meal to arrive.

There are so many different types of seed

choices but if you want a variety of birds to come, then you're best bet is the wild bird seed mix which contains Milo, white millet, and black oil sunflower seeds. You can get this mixture at your local grocery store, or if you have a coop or farmers market nearby you might want to try a similar mixture they sell as well.

We have had the best results of attracting the birds by having different feeding stations around the yard, front and back. If you put the seed out, they will come eventually, especially in this cold weather.

While you are feeding the birds, you might consider keeping a record of your feathered visitors for reference to your progress. It is rewarding to read back and enjoy their visits again.

So go ahead give it a try, get involved, go to the library, get bird books, talk to people you know that already feed the birds. You might find it to be quite a rewarding hobby that brings nature to your garden and remember the birds will enjoy it too.

## Shelburne Legion news

Euchre during the day Bingo in the evening on Mondays. This Friday February 7th is another Wing Night with DJ Terrance. Wings will be served in lower hall from 5 - 9 p.m. Entertainment will begin in upper hall at 8:30 p.m. 12:30 a.m. (age and majority only). This Sunday Feb 9th is our Crock Pot Cook off, there is still time to sign up your best creation. Keep Friday February 14th open for a Karaoke night, hosted by Mike Korpi. Come out and show us what you have got. Newfie Nite is coming up on March 8th, tickets will be at the bar next week. Don't miss out on that night, tickets go fast.

## NVCA prepared for flood emergencies

BY WES KELLER

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) doesn't describe it in these terms, but with massive quantities of snow soon to melt, and with the ground saturated from a wet fall, it might be a good time to start thinking about floods.

And the NVCA, along with the other conservation authorities responsible for the GTA and surrounding areas, has been doing just that. There is already a contingency plan in place by which each Authority has been designated as either the "principle" (sic) or the one that shares the responsibility for each municipality.

The Authority also has the identity of the persons at the municipality who should be alerted. That person has the responsibility for activating the municipality's emergency response plan. The province requires municipalities to have such plans.

NVCA is the principal Authority for Adjala-Tosorontio, New Tecumseth, Oro-Medonte, Springwater, Clearview, Wasaga Beach, Collingwood and Essa. It shares Innisfil and Barrie with LSRCA, the principal Authority for those municipalities. In Dufferin County, NVCA is responsible for part of Mono and all of Mulmur, Melancthon, Amaranth and Shelburne. There, it shares with Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) and Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA).

The contingency plan includes sources for sandbags and instructions for filling and placing the bags such that they do their intended job of protecting lives and property.



Male Cardinal in the Weigela Bush. Cardinals love to eat berries in the winter and the Weigela provides a natural source of food for them. They also have a beak that allows them to break open sunflower seeds. The male often scouts out the food source and then the female follows. They mate for life.

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## Pig virus spreading, more expected

BY WES KELLER

Canadian Press on the weekend reported that a new case of porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDV) had been detected in Simcoe County, possibly 200 miles from the earliest Ontario ones – in the London area.

It was the fifth case of the deadly pig virus, in three separate counties, in about one week. The earliest case in North America had been detected in the U.S. in April 2013, and the virus there had spread to 23 states almost simultaneously, according to reports.

PEDV is described as being one of the corona viruses, some of which are transmissible to humans.

However, it has been emphasized that PEDV is transmissible only to other pigs, and not to humans.

Early in the detection of the virus in the western hemisphere, it was reported that there was no known vaccine available, which would have been true of this continent, but Korean scientists had developed a vaccine as early as the mid-1900s.

A report of a study by CH Kweon, BJ Kwon, JG Lee, GO Kwon, and YB Kang in 1999 revealed that, when pregnant sows had been inoculated, the suckling piglets were protected “from challenge of wild type PEDV.”

Otherwise, the piglets under 10 days of age are the most at risk. Mortality estimates vary from 90 to 100 per cent.

Last week, Premier and agriculture minister Kathleen Wynne pledged \$2-million to help fight the spread of the virus, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency announced it would permit the importing of a vaccine. As well, a Minnesota university developed a blood test for detection of the virus.

The outbreak is estimated to be potentially \$45-million worth of bad news for hog producers and the province’s agri-food industry, and comes at a time when the premier challenged the industry to double its exports.

Agricultural interests, meantime, have begun challenging the premier to protect farmland from loss through development and quarries, such that there will remain places to grow food.

## Procyon Wildlife provides a new home for orphaned deer fawns

BY DR. CYNTHIA POST, DVM

After many years of dedicated fund-raising, Procyon Wildlife Veterinary and Rehabilitation Services in Beeton finally received enough money to build a much-needed sanctuary for orphaned deer. Shell Oil provided about half of the funds through their Fuelling Change grant. The remainder of the money came from caring donors eager to help save orphaned and injured deer in our area.

Construction of the new deer enclosures started this past summer when our crew of volunteers marked out the enclosure perimeters and cleared the area for fencing to be erected. In the fall, the crew from Simcoe Fence Company constructed 2 one-acre deer enclosures, each of which can house up to eight adult deer. Volunteers built gates and installed electric fence to keep predators out. Lee Sheds donated a small barn to provide shelter from the wind and cold. At last the enclosures were ready to go!

And none too soon, either. Only a few weeks before the enclosures were finished, we received a young fawn who was paralyzed in her hind end. X-rays showed no sign of spinal fracture but we think she had been hit by a car because she had wounds on her back. We treated her for pain and swelling to see if her condition would improve. We housed her in a small enclosure large enough for her to move

around but small enough to prevent further injuries. Our volunteers provided physiotherapy twice a day, holding her up and encouraging her to walk on the lawn outside her cage. One volunteer named her Willow because it was her favourite food. We monitored her progress and, though we thought we saw slight signs of improvement, we were concerned that she may never walk again. Then, suddenly one day when I went out to feed her, there she was – standing in her pen, waiting for her breakfast! Success! We were all thrilled!

Now Willow is walking almost normally and we acquired a friend to keep her company during her stay at Procyon Wildlife. His name is Hawthorne. He’s a very handsome boy, a little older than Willow. For Willow it was love at first sight; she was so happy to have a new friend! They’re inseparable and they’re enjoying their new home in one of the new enclosures. They’ll be there until spring when they will be released together close to where they were found.

Two enclosures are great but we’re not stopping there. The need for deer rehabilitation in this province is so great that we have two more enclosures planned. And so the fund-raising continues. If you’d like to help, call us at 905 729-0033, mail your donation to Procyon Wildlife at 6441 7th Line, Beeton, ON, L0G 1A0

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# Dipping into the past...

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• From The Sun, Orangeville:

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**COUNTY COUNCIL** – The Wellington County Council met at Guelph on the 26th inst. for the dispatch of business. There were 27 members present. The clerk having called the council to order, Mr. Geo. Palmer seconded by Mr. Robt. Royce, proposed Mr. W. Leslie. Reeve of Puslinch, as a fit and proper person for Warden; and Mr. Sem Wissler seconded by Mr. Jas. Cattanach, proposed Mr. Chas. Clarke of Elora. Mr. Leslie having received a majority of votes, took the chair and the Council proceeded to business. The usual standing committees were then appointed, and some other business transacted, but the session was not an important one. Owing to the derangement consequent on the removal of our office, we are unable to give

a report of the proceedings.

**ORDINATION AND SOIREE** – The preliminary steps having been duly taken for the settlement of the Rev. Archibald Brown over the congregation of the Canada Presbyterian Church at Mono Centre, his ordination and induction took place in the church there on the 27th ult. The building was crowded with a respectable and attentive audience. Rev. A. McFaul of Caledon conducted the diet of public worship. The Rev. Mr. Fraser of Bond Head put the usual questions to the presentee and conducted the solemn ceremony of ordination. The Rev. Mr. Pringle of Brampton addressed the congregation congratulating them on their auspicious settlement and setting before them their duty in both the spiritual temporal point of view. Mr. Brown enters his new charge with every prospect of abundant success. In honour of the auspicious occasion, and to procure some funds to finish the parsonage (which is nearly completed) was held in the evening, which was a complete success. The rev. Mr. Thomson of Erin was unanimously called to the chair and tea and cakes were served out with a profusion, taste and activity, characteristic of the people of Mono Centre. After ample justice had been done to the good things provided, suitable addresses were delivered. ... The choir under the leadership of Mr. Morton, ably assisted by Mr. Innis, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Davidson, discoursed sweet music at intervals which tended greatly to enliven the meeting.

**THE THAW** – The warm weather of the past week has all but done away with the sleighing. As we write, however, there are indications of snow falling, and the probability is that next week the sleighing will again be good.

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**NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES**

**Crossroads Community Church**

Nature has a way of interfering with daily plans, but it didn't deter us from drawing close to God. Seeking Him and gathering together in His name always brings joy. We praise God for sending angels to those who have had struggles this past week, we pray for quick recovery for those injured due to inclement weather and road conditions.

Pastor Don blessed the service in prayer and began, "These past few weeks we have been learning good stewardship of our God entrusted resources." Today I want to tell you that you do not have to do it alone, in partnership with God the dividends are exponentially increased. Now I know you have all heard various TV preachers preach from one end of the spectrum to the other, some preach poverty theology while others the prosperity theology, but which one is Biblically correct you may ask? 1John 2:15 we read, "Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you." In this scripture John seems to be making an appeal for the poverty theology but worldliness is much more than just external material things, it is also cravings and longings of the flesh, wanting pleasure and social acceptance, all these things begin in the heart, this is where the serpent attacked, to the heart desires of Eve and they were not material.(Genesis 3:6).

Now let us read 3 John 2 "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in

health, just as your soul prospers. "Here John seems to contradict himself by appealing to prosperity, so which one is sound? Let us ask Jesus, "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money," Matthew 6:24. I believe Jesus says that prosperity should not be our main focus or else we become discontent and enslaved to it. He doesn't say maybe, or shouldn't, He says cannot serve both at the same time but Jesus gives us perfect balance; stewardship. There was a rich young ruler who once asked Jesus what he should do to get to heaven, and Jesus said to give up all he had to the poor and follow Him, but the young man was sad.(Luke 18:22-23). Does this mean he should not have had a place to live or have food to eat? No Jesus knew that this man's love for his riches was greater than his love for God. Many have wealth but do many good things for those in need because of their love for Jesus.

How about this scripture? "Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for... ( Matthew 7:7-8). Should we believe that we are entitled to get everything we ask God for? I think not for many times what we want is not good for us and those around us, much like our parents did not give in to our every whim for our own good. In God's kingdom it is about balance, good stewardship so the question we ought to ask is what are we doing with what we

have right now? Is it balanced and is it doing some good for God? This is where a healthy partnership begins. Acts 3:1-8 gives us a picture of what a good partner looks like. God wants ready and willing partners, (Isaiah 6:8). God wants people with a right heart when doing things for Him. He wants people who love and treat others as they should; He also wants people who want a growing relationship with Him. God also partners with those who are willing to have their life interrupted to do what He asks. What He asks is simple; help those around us when they need it because people don't know you care until you show them how much you care. It doesn't mean we all have to be rich either, helping is the choice to put others' needs as a priority, sharing of whatever little or much we have. It is choosing to use what we have and trusting God with the rest.

Beloved God is all powerful and He can do all things, but he wants a loving Father~ Child relationship with us so He loves to share his love and knowledge and He loves when we have a willing heart to take part in what he is doing. There is no greater joy for any child to feel useful and to know we are pleasing our Father. This week with the Lord's help, let us open our hearts, our eyes and our ears to be attentive to the needs of those around us, without forgetting to Praise God for all the blessings in our Lives... Asherey Shalom!

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**God bless you, as you bless others**

When it comes to the blessings we have here in Canada, may I say that they only come from the Lord's grace! We sometimes forget, not all the people of the world live at the standard that we live at here in Canada. To tell you the truth most of us are living beyond our means here in Canada; most of what we think we own is on credit or some kind of loan. So, even to be able to get credit is a blessing to have the standard of living we have. It is not that I am oblivious to the hardship people have in other countries; at least once a year I am away on a mission's trip to another country, doing a variety of different mission's work. Whether it is preaching & teaching or building churches or working in an orphanage, I am always surprised how little I really need to survive in this world. Just last week I got back from an orphanage in Haiti. I went along with a great friend of mine who is a pastor at Jehovah Jireh Christian ministries, Pastor Ted McLean, he is also the president of Global Christian Ministry Forum (Gospel Crusade).

Global Christian Ministry Forum have an orphanage in Haiti, in Croix Des Bouquets, just in the suburbs of Port au Prince. I, and Abiding Place Fellowship, have been helping out with some financial needs for the orphanage and I have also been there twice helping out in any way I can. Pastor Ted is doing a great job in overseeing the orphanage and leading teams of Canadians to work on completing the buildings: the orphanage is about half way finished with the hopes to have a school built in the near future on property adjacent to it. With Pastor Ted's many other responsibilities, not only in Gospel crusade but helping out in Jehovah Jireh under the leadership of Pastor Carol McLean in their ministry here in Canada, I am amazed how he keeps up with it all. I am very blessed to call him my friend.

The orphanage itself is a full time job; I and Abiding Place Fellowship are very blessed to help out in any way we can to see the vision of the orphanage come to completion. If you would like to help out, please contact Pastor Ted or myself, I know your help would be much appreciated and you will be greatly blessed.

Getting back to my thought about how I can get along without the things I think I cannot live without: my computer, iPhone, and all the other gadgets including TV that I have come to depend on in Canada, which we almost feel deprived of if we don't have them.

But let's talk about other things we miss or take for granted when on trips such as missions: toiletries, clean clothes, water that comes out of a tap, the grocery stores where we buy food, the

bare necessities of life. Meals were cooked over charcoal stoves or small gas ranges, no refrigeration to keep food fresh and healthy. In the orphanage we had to hand pump water into buckets to flush the toilet, have a shower, or should I say have a bucket bath! I noticed at the orphanage the kid's were up before dawn, pumping water into buckets to get themselves ready for school, which is another privilege we in Canada take for granted. It costs each child \$35 a month to go to school, which is the biggest part of the budget each month in Little Bouquet Children's home. There are 18 children at this time in the orphanage, you can do the math! The children have health needs, need clothing, uniforms to go to school, not to say the bags of rice required each month to feed them. Not that I have never seen or understood their needs to survive before, but on this trip this time God has made it so clear to me, not just how blessed I and my family really are, but how blessed I am in helping the children of this orphanage.

Jesus said in Matthew 25:35, "For I was hungry, and you fed me, I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited

me into your home, I was naked, and you gave me clothing, I was sick, and you cared for me, I was in prison, and you visited me. Lord when did we ever see you hungry and feed you?" And so on! Verse 40 says, "I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers & sisters, you are doing to me!" God wants us to bless others, there is no doubt! But he wants to bless us to, through our blessings to others! How many times have you felt good about yourself, felt fulfilled and useful when you laid down your life for others; for the sake of the kingdom of God? It is then you have experienced the blessing he longs to pour out on your life.

I know not everyone can, or wants to, go to an orphanage as I did in Haiti, but we have an opportunity this weekend to help support the food bank in this community by coming to a concert hosted by the Shelburne Ministerial and the Shelburne Rotary Club February 9th at 2pm at Trinity United Church. Come and bless and be blessed!

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