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In support of World Autism Awareness Day wearing blue is the way to do it! (L to R: Front) Emily and her twin brother Trent Ferguson, (back) Devoted Grandmother, Deanna Avison, her daughter and mother of Emily and Trent, Sherri-Lyn Ferguson, and Principal of Hyland Heights Elementary, the very dedicated, Denise Heaslip. Emily and Trent Ferguson are twins living with Autism, but so are their very strong and courageous support system.

April 2: World Autism Day in Shelburne

BY ALEX SHER

With growing support, 'Autism Awareness' is on the rise, and it would seem that Autism itself is on the rise as well, but is it?

As April 2nd was World Autism Awareness Day and many wore blue t-shirts in support of friends and family who live with Autism and that was the case with 6 year old twins, Trent and Emily Ferguson. Friends, parents, family members, teachers and Denise Heaslip, Principal of Hyland Heights Elementary School sported blue clothing for this day, but before this day, the twins' mother, Sherri-Lyn Ferguson had a lot of work to do in preparing the school to be the safest learning environment for her children to spend their time in.

Ferguson, as most parents of Autistic children will tell you, the volume of knowledge required upon receiving the news your child

has been diagnosed with Autism is astounding, overwhelming and with twins, one might even say double the 'fun', so to speak. Exhausting and absolutely imperative to get accomplished, Ferguson had a new job, her life and the quality of life of her children. In addition to running a family, driving a school bus and having a baby, Ferguson, like a Momma Bear, trudged on and because of her never waning devotion to her children, has accomplished so much and she says the key is to get the diagnosis early as possible, and never stop being your child's advocate.

As there is no manual instructing parents on how to keep your Autistic child safe in school, Ferguson approached teachers, and Principal Heaslip for help in this daunting task which was uncharted territory.

As there is simply not enough money in the school system to outfit every school with special safety doors, teaching assistants, out-door perimeter fencing, the task at hand is a double edged sword. Fortunately after seeking out these things, Ferguson accomplished quite a bit with the support of Heaslip, the school board, and resource teachers.

Maggie McFazden, Communication Officer with the Upper Grand District School Board is more than accommodating when relaying information on the complex issue the world is facing.

"The school board understands the complicated situation all parties are faced with as more and more children are getting diagnosed as sitting somewhere on the spectrum of Autism. We offer Behavior Management training for staff for all Special Education needs. We offer collaborative problem solving training and applied behavioural analysis. Our staff can also attend the Geneva Centre for Autism at their summer conference. We have noticed an increased amount of children being diagnosed with Autism over the last five years. We've also noticed a great improvement in the behaviour of Autistic children who bring their service dogs with them as well. We always look at ways to help our staff and school children to keep safe and be

able to learn," explained McFazden.

Understanding there are only so many teaching assistants available, only so many safety requirements able to be implemented, and only so much money available, McFazden expresses the Board's dedication to their teachers and students, whatever the special needs may be, "We'll always do our very best with what we have." Hyland Heights Elementary is a great example of that commitment.

Heaslip commented, "We encourage three sets of eyes in the classroom in this case, we've installed special alarms on the doors, (some children are runners), we have Education Assistants and we implement a staff team approach. Even the students are a support system as they get to know each other and Hyland Heights kids are appreciative kids, accepting of each other."

Perhaps the rise in diagnosis of Autism is a pediatrician's ability to recognize Autism earlier, the 'spectrum' of Autism seems to become a wider spectrum each year, and as Autism Awareness grows, other former diagnosis such as Asperger's Syndrome, can now be found on the spectrum of Autism as well. Is Autism really growing? It is still difficult to say when considering all factors involved.

"Never underestimate the potential of a child. All children have potential and special gifts," commented Heaslip when discussing the labelling of children as it is well known that children progress at different rates.

'Light it Up Blue' is a universally recognized way to begin Autism Awareness Month. Shelburne Parents On The Spectrum (SPOTS) gathered in the evening at Jack Downing Park as Shelburne's Mayor Ed Crewson supportively agreed to light up Shelburne's City Hall 'Blue' in support.

If you are a parent requiring information, you may want to reach out to Sherri-Lyn Ferguson at sherrilynm@sympatico.ca and be your child's advocate. One last tip Ferguson has for parents is to try Omega Oils which are a source of brain food. One Energy Center, located on Main St. can offer some very effective treatments as well.



Mothers know the comfort trusting the care of you children to strangers and when a woman, a mother, a grandmother and dedicated School Principal goes above and beyond to understand the special needs of a student, a mother's gratitude and appreciation is difficult to describe. Principal of Hyland Heights Elementary, Denise Heaslip will be leaving Shelburne next year taking a new position in Orangeville. Sherri-Lyn Ferguson, mother of 6yr old twins living with Autism will dearly miss life without Heaslip, but Heaslip assures the new Principal will be eager to work with everyone.

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TO SHELBURNE, FROM MACINTOSH APPLE – After such a gruelling winter the likes Shelburne hasn't seen in years, Shelburne resident, Barbara Monette completed the simple task of purchasing a bag of Macintosh apples. For most, this task is not news, but when Monette began to clean the apples, she discovered the most astonishing and uplifting sight. In almost disbelief, Monette stared at the almost completely ripe apple that had one spot on it that hadn't ripened yet, and that spot is shaped in a perfect heart. Just the type of heartwarming message from Mother Nature Monette needed, a reminder not to lose hope that spring will eventually arrive. To Monette, the small miracle meant something a little profound. "When I saw that apple with the perfect heart on it I thought, with all the turmoil going on in the world it's wonderful to come across something like this!" Monette commented. More wonderful still is the kindness of intention as Monette shared this happy and 'heartwarming' discovery with her community. Special thanks from the Shelburne Free Press.

March on, Meals on Wheels



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Joanne Killen, Dietary Food Service Worker for Meals on Wheels, March of Dimes, and Dufferin Oaks Residence, Mrs. Wendy Crewson and Shelburne's Mayor, Ed Crewson help to prepare the meals for delivery to seniors who enjoy taking advantage of the Meals on Wheels program. Although the Crewson's are long time volunteers of the program this photograph was taken in support of March for Meals on Wheels, the national annual campaign raising awareness for the essential program that means so much to our valued and vital senior community.

BY ALEX SHER

Every March, the North American March for Meals on Wheels Campaign promotes the Meals on Wheels program generating awareness regarding the very real situation of senior hunger and the wonderful services available to help combat the problem.

Senior nutrition programs are able to provide invaluable services to the "experienced" citizens of our nation, with the help of a large number of volunteers.

The March for Meals program values the volunteers who make the program possible, but also requires funding and support from local businesses to stay afloat.

Client Services Coordinator for Dufferin County Community Support Services, Kelly Welsh-Burns, identifies the rewards of becoming a volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program commenting, "The best part of volunteering is the rewarding feeling that comes from giving back to the community. Clients are so thankful for the service and community relationships also

bloom as a result of this worthwhile causes."

At present, Shelburne can proudly boast having supported the Meals on Wheels program for 40 years providing approximately 50 meals each week.

Shelburne's Mayor, Ed Crewson and his wife, Wendy Crewson, have been delivering Meals on Wheels for at least 15 years and are two of the approximate 120 volunteers who participate in the program locally.

"Our dedicated volunteers are members of church clubs, service groups, the Masons, and the public. Basically we try anything to keep seniors in their home to prevent early admittance into long term care homes," Welsh-Burns explained. "The meals provided are nutritious, consisting of soup, salad, meat, veggies, potatoes, even a cheese and cracker snack."

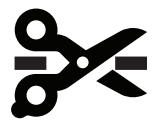
Seniors have many options when taking advantage of the Meals on Wheels program including access to the frozen meal program as Welsh-Burns further explained. "There are both short term and long term options available in addi-

tion to the bonus feature of no delivery charges. The non-profit organization offer services across Dufferin County and at only \$5.50 per meal, so this service is very affordable to seniors."

Dufferin County Community Support Services have many programs to take advantage of such as the Adult Day program, Home Help, Respite, Home Maintenance, Transportation, Shelburne Congregate Dining, Foot Care Clinic, Friendly Visiting and both information and referral are free.

For more information on Meals on Wheels, or any of the programs offered by Dufferin County Community Support Services – located at 167 Centre Street in Shelburne – call 519 925-5452, or e-mail dcscs@dufferincounty.ca or visit the website at www.dufferincounty.ca

For more information about the March on Wheels Association of America, visit www.marchformeals.com and to speak with Dufferin County Community Co-ordinator, Kelly Welsh-Burns call 519 925-5452 or e-mail her at kwburns@dufferincounty.ca



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Orangeville Theatre presents: 'Elvis and Mavis'



BY ANNE RITCHIE

You can tell even before the actors enter, that Theatre Orangeville's current production, Jeff Pitcher's "Elvis and Mavis" has more than one story to tell.

An eye-catching setting captures the full effect of Newfoundland's plight: a rough hewn, dirt poor shack houses a clutter of old fishing supplies and tools sharing the scene with a bright, comfortably out-moded kitchen providing a warm touch of home. The blue-lit beautifully painted ice-floes created by talented set designer Sarah Scroggie brings a bleak chill to the wintry air where the story of hope and protest, blame and vindication and one man's mission to reveal what is happening in Newfoundland will be brought to life by three re-

markable actors. It is for the audience to decide what could have been done.

Elvis (Darren Keay) is Newfie to the core. Though no mention of Newfoundland is found in a multitude of credits, the Keay adopts an accent so smoothly he easily convinces us he is indeed the heart and soul of Newfoundland. Being a somewhat complicated Newfie, he is currently bent on fulfilling his current dream, to blow up the Churchill Dam, and amidst calls from the CBC and Canada AM, he holds that resolution firmly. Alongside Mavis (Jane Spence), his life passes before our eyes, beautifully crafted scenes of the hopes of youth, the desires and disappointments of love, the yearning and purpose that brought him to his present situation. Keay is an accomplished actor who brings

it all together and makes it believable.

Spence matches Keay talent for talent, accent for accent, wit for wit (for it is those rare flashes

of humor that will keep Elvis and Mavis afloat). Spence inspires sympathy and frustration, the urge to comfort her and knock some sense into her head at the same time. Spence skillfully draws us into her life: we become Mavis' next door neighbors, sharing the gossip, cheering on her dreams, and lonely when her dreams overpower her life in Newfoundland until she finds herself in the public eye as wife of a wannabe bomber.

We can almost share our observations with Mavis' best friend, Rose (Maria Dinn). Rose comforts, but does not condone, sympathizes but angers, observes but cuts to the heart of the matter. Dinn takes on a complex role of listener and supporter while developing her own story. In perhaps the most charged scene in the play, worlds collide, truth is confronted, and the audience holds its breath in anticipation of what will happen. The telephone rings. Elvis calls. Kudos to Backstage cast: Director David Nairn, Technical Director Tim Moore, and Lighting Designer Steve Lucas for playing their roles to perfection to bring about a dramatic turn of events that leaves the audience thinking. Could life have been changed in Newfoundland?

Draw your own conclusions by visiting Theatre Orangeville to see "Elvis and Mavis", playing Wednesday to Sunday until April 13. Call 519 942-3423 or 1-800-424-1295 for ticket information.

Celebrating Jack Downing

BY ALEX SHER

A celebration of Jack Downing's life will take place Saturday, April 12th at the Dufferin County Museum from 2 – 4 p.m.

Jack Downing passed away in January 2014 at the age of 94. Downing's friends and his community will gather to share stories, remember, miss, and celebrate a man who was larger than life to many.

Perhaps his name is most familiar at present because of the Jack Downing Park situated directly across from Shelburne's City Hall but when discussing this man's life, there is so much more to mention as Downing is forever a well remembered and well loved part of Shelburne's history.

Long time friend, Chris Raible is hoping the entire community can accept the invitation to celebrate Downing, "This is a great chance to honor his life in lieu of having a formal funeral," commented Raible. "We already expect over 100 people and the invitation goes out to all of Shelburne."

In addition to his own personal accomplishments, Downing's fundraising efforts are believed responsible for the renovation of Shelburne Public Library, and saving a chunk of land across from city hall by lobbying, fundraising, creating until finally and aply named,

the Jack Downing Park came to fruition making Downing, Citizen of the Year. Having began the Shelburne Arts Council later known as the Dufferin Arts Council, the long time resident of Mulmur, enjoyed a very active life in his community.

Published author, Downing's book, Curiouser and Couriouser is still available on line. (used copies) Painter and poet, singer, salesman, inventor and pilot, this man lived a life full to the brim with experiences all will be remembering, on April 12th at the Dufferin County Museum.

In a previous article written by Wes Keller, a friend of Downing's submitted one of his works. "If I should pass away by noon tomorrow/ or at any other time when least expected/ I hope there may be just a little sorrow/ but ask that any anguish be rejected/ For I have shared my time with wonderous friends; the good times and the not-so-good together/ I've tried to do the best I could whatever, but all that has beginnings must have ends/ So have a little party when I pass; perhaps recall some moments that you treasure/ Read a poem or two if that will give you pleasure/ then put my ashes in a single malt/ and pour it on some grass."

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Who turned off the lights?



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Brodie, Braedon and Craig go "lights-out" for Earth Hour.

BY WENDY GABREK

Over the weekend my family and I took part in Earth Hour celebrations. Although we would normally sit by candlelight while watching a movie, last Saturday (March 29th) we axed the movie and sat and talked instead.

I've always been a big believer in saving elec-

tricity. This probably dates back to my childhood, where my mom, a single parent, was always yelling at us kids to "turn off the lights". Later, my pay cheque cashing out groceries didn't stretch very far, and I decided having a large Hydro bill – and being able to wear only an undershirt indoors in the winter – wasn't as important as eating. Those

university days further reinforced my frugal ways and I've been less than a consumer ever since.

Today, you will find throw blankets on every couch, bed and armchair in my home. Cold? No problem, wear clean socks (new fibres keep you warmer than broken ones) and wrap yourself in a fuzzy blanket. Works every time.

Although we didn't register for Earth Hour, we were on "the list" in our minds. Having the lights and T.V. off made for quite a cozy evening, and we talked for hours as a family – eating snacks and laughing at the funny shadow-faces we could make by placing candles of various sizes and co-

lours under our chins.

I knew Earth Hour had passed, and the "new movement" we'd started was over this morning, however, after I timed my 14 year old having a 20+ minute shower (sigh!) After this cold winter (with my Hydro bills exceeding \$400 for a 62 day cycle) I will be glad to be able to open the windows and let the heat from outside warm our home and our hearts once again.

For now, maybe we'll start practicing for Earth Hour 2015. Who knows, I might save a few bucks and the kids might come around for conversation (and shadow puppetry) more often.

Life, just a series of surprises

BY EMILY WOOD

Isn't it strange how the most important moments of our lives have a way of catching us by surprise?

I was 19 when I met the one. He insists that he knew from the start, but not me. I was much more hesitant, reluctant to let anyone in. My minimal dating experience had been a short string of bad luck and I had pretty much given up on the idea of finding a decent guy.

We met thanks to a surprise phone call from a friend I hadn't spoken to since graduating high school the year before. We had lost touch after moving away to different schools, but she called me up out of the blue to invite me to her birthday party.

So I went, excited to catch up with friends I had known since elementary school. There were a few other guests there as well that the birthday girl knew through our friend who had surprisingly gone off to a different high school and who I hadn't seen for years. Little did I know at the time that I would later marry one of those mutual friends.

He and I defied the odds and stayed together despite two years of a long-distance relationship (much to the surprise of my protective family).

Then came the proposal.

From early on in our relationship we had talked about our future, marriage, kids, a house. It wasn't a surprise that he asked, but boy did he give me a shock!

We were away on holiday and to me it seemed like a perfectly normal day, I didn't notice him acting strange at all. But then out of nowhere (it seemed) he was on one knee, holding out a ring. I couldn't believe it was actually happening.

I recently experienced that feeling again when I found my wedding dress.

I guess I expected it to be a more grueling process, a cage match style battle between my taste and what my family had in mind for me to wear. But my reality was much different than the dramatic depictions on T.V. shows like 'Say Yes to the Dress'. I certainly didn't expect to find the perfect dress on my second shopping trip.

Not that I rushed it – I lost count of how many

dresses I tried on, but it was definitely more than 40. I wanted to make the most of the experience, making up for the prom dress that I didn't shop for. In high school I was tomboyish and avoided the mall like the plague but now I'm completely opposite (another one of life's curveballs).

Once I started trying dresses on, it seemed like finding the right one would be next to impossible. They were all beautiful, how could I possibly know which to choose?

I wasn't even looking seriously when I came across the one, it was just fun to try them on. I had a big group with me, all the people who had asked if they could tag along. People warned me that it was asking for trouble (I guess I'm not the only one who's seen 'Say Yes to the Dress') but I thought, at least that way I could make them all happy and still have time to go dress shopping with my mum and sister later.

Well thankfully my family is far less dramatic than those seen on reality T.V. and there was no battle between anyone's tastes. And, as it turned out, it was a good thing I'd taken the extra people along. It was my mother-in-law to be that pulled out The Dress.

I think my jaw actually dropped.

It didn't even compare to anything else I had tried on, and I felt undeniably like a bride. After about 15 minutes of staring at The Dress in the mirror, I finally understood the advice my sister had given me and I knew she was right. Your wedding dress is the one you cannot walk away from.

By the end of the day I was exhausted. After hours of stepping in and out of dresses (and an embarrassing public crying session when I made my decision), I was wiped. I want to send out a huge thank you to my family who came with me and made the day as amazing and fun as it was, my mum, sister, aunt, cousin and soon-to-be mother-in-law.

Of course, every day is not that romantic or exciting, life finds a way of getting back into routine. And yet, every so often I catch a glimpse of the long white bag that contains what I'll wear on the most important day of my life...and I'm surprised all over again.

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Results from last week's poll:

Given that the State of Colorado collected \$2 million in taxes the first month marijuana was legalized, should Ontario consider following suit?

a) Yes 44%

b) No 56%

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Answer: It seems natural in a society like ours that overvalues individualism, to seek answers on our own; the huge self-help industry attests to this. But research shows that human beings are profoundly social creatures; we need the closeness and support of others in order to thrive. Most of us need the focussed attention and support of another human being to make significant changes and to heal from past hurts.

Family and friends may provide much of that support while expecting the same back from you. Your friends, by urging you to go to therapy, may be suggesting that they no longer feel able to help you. They may be feeling overwhelmed or even frustrated by their inability to help you resolve long-standing problems.

Unlike friends who rightly expect equal time from you to discuss their own dilemmas, a good therapist is totally focussed on you. More importantly, unlike a friend, a skilled therapist comes with years of training and experience in resolving psychological and social problems. You may feel that some issues are too personal or painful to share with friends; whatever you tell a therapist remains confidential. A compassionate therapist listens without judgment to your difficulties and focusses with you on finding solutions.

While a therapist begins as a stranger, a therapeutic relationship quickly develops. Research has shown that the quality of this relationship, regardless of techniques used, is the best predictor of successful therapy outcome. In the uniqueness of this relationship, lies the best potential for healing.

Alison Kerr, Ph.D., Psychotherapist can be reached at 905 936-2400 or at alikerr@xplor-net.ca

Alzheimer Society says 'Thank you'

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Our success is a reflection of our volunteers' enthusiasm, talents, care and dedication. No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it! Call and learn how you can make a difference in someone's life!

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Changes to licencing seniors coming April 21

This is the official answer Alan Masters of Beeton received from the government regarding his opposition to the Ontario government's intention to introduce a very intensive screening tool for Senior drivers.

Dear Mr. Masters:

Thank you for your letter regarding Ontario's licence renewal program for drivers age 80 and above. The Honourable Glen Murray, Minister of Transportation, has asked me to respond to your concerns on behalf of the Ministry.

I would like to assure you that the primary goal of all our senior driver programs is to keep seniors driving for as long as they can safely do so. We are committed to preserving the independence, mobility and dignity of seniors.

To be clear – the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has no plans to introduce the cognitive screening tool known as "SIMARD-MD" into its senior driver licence renewal program.

Ontario's current licence renewal program applies only to drivers age 80 and above and is an effective, evidenced-based and unbiased approach to driver licensing. It is intended to ensure drivers are fit and able to drive longer and safer. The program is grounded in extensive evidence showing that senior drivers are at an elevated risk of collision due to age-related factors such as loss of functional abilities, reduction of psychomotor skills, and the development of cognitive dysfunction.

The Ministry regularly undertakes and reviews, research and jurisdictional best practices for possible improvements to its various driver programs. Based on the Ministry's most recent evaluation of its licence renewal program for drivers age 80 and over, MTO will be introducing enhancements on April 21st, 2014. These changes will help senior drivers who pose no risk to road safety renew their licences more efficiently and with reduced stress while more objectively identifying those who may no longer be fit to drive.

Currently, in order to renew a licence, every two years senior drivers age 80 and over must successfully complete a: Vision test; Driver record review; Group Education Session; and, Written knowledge test of the rules of the road.

If deemed necessary, the senior driver may also be required to pass a road test prior to renewal. This current renewal process takes roughly three and a half hours to complete.

As of April 21st, 2014, in order to renew a licence, every two years senior drivers will have to successfully complete a: Vision test; Driver record review; Group Education Session; and, Two brief, non-computerized in-class screening exercises.

If deemed necessary, the senior driver may also be required to pass a road test prior to renewal or be asked to provide the Ministry with additional medical information at a later date. This enhanced renewal process will take only about 90 minutes to complete and there will no longer be a need to study for a written knowledge test of the rules of the road.

Please note that this new process will remain as a renewal program. Existing and valid licences will be not taken away during this process but all requirements need to be met before your licence is renewed. For additional information on these changes (including practice versions of the actual in-class screening exercises), please visit: Ontario.ca/seniordriver

Ultimately, I would like to assure you that MTO makes every effort to ensure that its senior driver programs balance the need for senior mobility and independence with public safety. We strongly believe that the forthcoming enhancements to our renewal process for drivers age 80 and above accomplish this goal.

Thank you again for your enquiry.

Ryan Bailey
Team Leader,
Special Projects

Ministry of Transportation Ontario



We asked: "Will the late Spring and the fact that there is still snow on the ground affect your industry over the next couple of months?"



Industry: Farming – "It's going to make for late planting for sure. I think the good snow cover we had this winter will be good for the winter wheat. But it's definitely going to be a late Spring for planting and getting on the land."

– Paul Mills



Industry: Constuction Supply – "It's going to be a slow start because it will be so wet. It's been a slow winter because of all the snow."

– Grant Glassford



Industry: Farming – "It's going to be a slow start to planting season. It's good for the moisture but it will be a later harvest. It pushes the season back and it will be a late growing season."

– Adam Henderson



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40. Steal, as livestock
43. Category
44. Athenian portico
45. Hit
47. Mountain-climber's coup
50. Beheld
51. Hounds' quarry
54. Engine part
57. Irritable
60. Resident
61. Windflower
63. Stinging plant
67. Praise
69. Chef's smock
70. Vexed
71. Work for nine
72. Bugs
73. Double reed
74. Broil
75. Admire
77. Venerable
81. Command to oxen
83. Two-piece piece

ACROSS

1. Bias
5. Sash for a kimono
8. Rainbow's shape
11. Get ready
15. Edible root
16. Pull along
17. Round vegetable
18. Lounge
19. Dark, to Donne
20. Sickly
21. Pick up the ___
22. To boot
23. Doze, with "off"
24. Unaccompanied flight
25. Cook's garnish
27. Overweight
29. Makeshift bed
32. Pina colada liquor
33. Larry, Curly, and Moe

DOWN

35. Instruction
39. Going astray
41. Growing out
42. Hill dweller
44. React to a glare
45. Trade for cash
46. Gathering
48. Boar's tooth
49. Large, flightless bird
52. Skid
53. Prairie tale?
55. Formerly, formerly
56. Blame
58. Every
59. Theater
61. Imprison
62. Paragraph part
64. Electric sign
65. Forever and a day
66. Joint

DOWN

68. Dye for wood
72. Nose part
76. Dec. 25
78. Paid player
79. Assist in mischief
80. Sharp turn
82. Dress finely
83. Grain husk
84. Hockey score
85. Squeeze
86. Unmatched
87. Habitual course
88. Drought-ridden
89. Once called
90. Went in front
91. Dill

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Crime Stoppers: Two churches broken into in two weeks

The Orangeville Police Service is investigating Break and Enter incidents at two Churches in the past two weeks.

On Tuesday March 18, 2014 police received a report that the Tweedsmuir Presbyterian Church on John Street had been broken into sometime between 8 p.m. on March 17 and 9 a.m. on March 18.

On Monday March 31, police received a report that Westminster United Church on Broadway had been broken into sometime between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. that day.

In both cases the culprit(s) gained access through a window and made off with a small

amount of cash.

Police have no suspects at this time and are asking to hear from anyone that may have noticed suspicious activity around the two churches during the time frames mentioned.

Anyone having information with regards to either one of these incidents is encouraged to call the Orangeville Police Service at 519-941-2522

Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or find them on the web at www.crimestoppersdm.com. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

Police warn of dangers as weather warms up

The Shelburne Police is reminding all residents to be extra cautious around creeks and retention ponds as the large amount of snow from the winter melts over the next few weeks.

Every year our creeks and ponds swell up and develop fast moving currents. Due to the unusual heavy build-up of snow this year, these water ways can be expected to be extra hazardous. Stay away from all water ways! It is important for everyone to stay away from the water ways this spring. It is especially important for parents to monitor and remind their children

to stay away from all water features. It is recommended you keep all pets away from these areas as well.

All ice is to be considered unsafe! Although this was an extra cold winter, it does not take long for ice to become unstable, especially when water is moving underneath the ice surface, such as in our creeks and retention ponds.

Any Concerns, call 9-1-1. If anyone observes unsafe activities by any age group call 9-1-1 right away. We would much rather prevent a tragedy than the alternative.

Drug charges laid in Shelburne

Over a period of several weeks Shelburne Police has been collecting evidence and intelligence in regards to drug trafficking with in the town. This investigation led to several arrests and charges, as well as a Controlled Drugs and Substance Act search warrant being executed at a residence in Shelburne. The search warrant was executed on Friday March 28th. In addition to marijuana, a significant amount of drug paraphernalia and drug trafficking evidence was seized.

Charges laid include possession of marijuana

and trafficking marijuana under the Controlled Drugs and Substance Act. All the arrested and charged parties in this investigation were local youth. The Youth Criminal Justice Act does not allow the names of the accused persons to be made public.

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

The Gardener's Corner: Wild!



A landscape trend seen last year and incorporated again: an outdoor gym within a garden or patio. The bright colour used for this year's entry certainly complied with the theme.

In my favourite landscape portraying the "Wild" theme, it was done in such a way as to be subtle yet command attention, the statue of an elephant walked through a water feature, and the magnificence of the beast was stunning without overpowering the overall design.

Vegetable gardening has had a remarkable resurgence over the last few years, with home owners wanting to grow their own organic produce. A few displays showed how this could be accomplished in small areas and containers. In one such garden, the designer created the cutest sheep by mounting a protruding, iron sheep's face on a large rock.

Once again there were garden solutions and celebrity teams seminars. The Master Gardeners continued their speaker's series and had a booth for answering questions. The Ontario Horticultural Association also had a booth and was well represented for visitors wanting to join a garden club in their community.

In the Marketplace, vendors could be found with potted plants, fresh flowers, bulbs, gardening gear, home and garden decor, and a number of new products for sale.

After attending Canada Blooms each year, I'm ready for spring and inspired to get out and get my hands dirty in the soil. Next year the enthusiasm will start all over again with the 2015 theme of "Let's Play," bringing in an association with the July Pan Am Games hosted by Toronto.

My home and garden website can be found at www.lavendercottagegardening.com.

Also, visit my Facebook page at www.facebook.com/pages/Lavender-Cottage-Gardening/160377127459075 where I have started posting upcoming gardening events of interest.



BY JUDITH ROGERS

2014 became the eighteenth year for Canada Blooms held at the Direct Energy Centre in Toronto. Founded by Landscape Ontario and the Garden Clubs of Toronto and supported annually by partners, sponsors and volunteers the show remains listed in the top one hundred festivals and events in Ontario. Is it any wonder that gardeners flock from across Canada and the United States to be inspired in time for spring?

With an assigned theme each year, 2014 sported a "Wild" theme interpreted by landscapers and designers in all manner of imaginative ways.

Although not a floral designer, I appreciate the work and details that went into the fashion parade of the floral ladies and the flower cakes were awe-inspiring.

A simple-but-effective design to represent the northern lights was accomplished with angled four-by-four multi-coloured boards.

Proton Station couple charged

Donald Earl Hare, 44, and Amanda Brent, 43, of Proton Station, have been charged with 73 firearm and firearm-trafficking-related charges.

The couple, who were stopped trying to cross the Rainbow Bridge in Niagara Falls with their children were scheduled to appear in court at Old City Hall Tuesday.

According to the Toronto Star, "officers found six handguns, two inert hand grenades, ammunition, over-capacity magazines, and knives allegedly hidden in the couple's van. A seventh handgun was allegedly found on the man."

"Another 34 firearms, including 20 handguns and hundreds of rounds of ammunition were subsequently seized after police searched the family's home."

The couple had been pulled over initially in an ongoing cross-border smuggling investigation.

Identity theft and payment card fraud

As part of Fraud Prevention Month, the OPP believes greater awareness can help prevent consumers from becoming victims of fraud through identity theft and payment cards.

Typical identity theft cases include situations where government documents – such as drivers' licences, health cards, Social Insurance Number (S.I.N.) cards and birth certificates – have been unlawfully obtained or forged. Criminals can use your stolen identity documents to:

- access your computer and email accounts
- access your bank accounts, open new bank accounts or transfer bank balances

- apply for loans, credit cards and other goods and services
- make purchases
- hide their criminal activities
- obtain passports or receive government benefits.

According to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC), in 2013 there were 6,275 complaints of identity theft in Canada. Of those complaints, 4,898 victims were identified and their combined financial losses exceeded \$11 million.

The consequences of having your identity compromised can have lasting effects on your life including potential employers, individual finances and credit ratings, and your dealings with government and other agencies.

The OPP Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau – Identity Crimes Unit also makes use of stronger legislative tools with which to charge criminals for possessing the personal information of others and prevent it from being used for fraud or theft.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of identity or payment card fraud, contact your local police service or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS). Fraud – recognize it, report it, stop it.

OPP charge Caledon male with impaired and dangerous driving

On March 27 at 9:25 p.m., Dufferin OPP officers were conducting speed enforcement on Airport Road north of Highway 89 in Mulmur Township. Police observed a southbound motor vehicle obviously traveling in excess of the posted 80km/hr. speed limit. Police activated the radar and the vehicle was clocked doing 157km/hr. in an 80 km/hr. zone.

Police activated their emergency lights and stopped the 2013 black Kia on the westbound shoulder of Airport Road. Officers observed obvious signs of intoxication by alcohol. The driver identified himself with a valid Ontario driver's license as John Budarick, 29 years old of Caledon. The driver was unsteady on his feet as he exited the vehicle and was arrested for impaired driving. He was taken to hospital with medical issues and later blood samples were taken.

As result Mr. Budarick was charge with Dangerous and impaired driving contrary to the criminal Code of Canada. He was released on a Promise to Appear to make his first court appearance in an Orangeville court on April 15.

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Me 2 U Sale

The 'Me 2 U' community sale will be held on April 12th at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex (Shelburne Arena) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donations from shoppers will also be accepted for the OSPCA (Orangeville) and Procyon Wildlife Center.

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Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club celebrates 50th Anniversary

The Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club was formed in 1964 to support a section of the newly established Bruce Trail, a public footpath along the Escarpment from Niagara Falls to Tobermory.

Starting in 1960, the Bruce Trail Committee began exploring the feasibility of a footpath along the Niagara Escarpment. The group was composed of Norman Pearson, Ray Lowes, Robert McLaren and Philip Gosling. For two years they talked and studied maps, and then in 1962, Philip made a commitment to spend a full year in putting the Bruce Trail on the ground.

From this ambitious beginning, regional clubs were established along the length of the Trail. The Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club was one of the last to be organized in 1964, with Philip Gosling as its first president. We are proud to announce that Dr. Gosling was appointed to the Order of Canada in 2014 in part, for his outstanding work with the Bruce Trail Conservancy.

From the Cheltenham Badlands in the south, to Mono Centre in the north, the Caledon section of the Trail offers something for everyone: well-maintained wooded paths through dense forests, challenging steep climbs and descents, open meadows, rocky outcroppings, impressive wild flower displays, cedar groves and meandering streams and rivers. The Caledon Hills section of the Bruce Trail offers the best of every season.

The CHBTC has a commitment to organize hikes year round with leaders offering a range of distances and difficulty. Easy, introductory hikes are offered each spring and fall to attract new hikers; some hikes have a specific focus for photographers or wildflower enthusiasts; and often hikes end with a social gathering at a local restaurant to enjoy a relaxing meal together.

Members are kept informed of events with a quarterly newsletter, an up to date web site which lists all of our activities and a Facebook page with members' contributions.

Club members can volunteer as hike leaders; trail captains responsible for inspecting portions of the Trail; in maintenance projects (bridge and boardwalk building); or as board members. Those who make an outstanding contribution are honored each year at our volunteer picnic.

Many people think the Bruce Trail is complete. But it is actually a "work in progress". Only 51 per cent of the Bruce Trail is secure. The Bruce Trail Conservancy is working to secure more Niagara Escarpment land for a permanent Bruce trail Conservation corridor.

The Caledon Hills Bruce Trail Club's 50th anniversary will celebrate the first 50 per cent of trail securement and take up the challenge to continue what the founding members began 50 years ago. This year our Club will be celebrating with many special events. Please visit our web site at www.caledonbruceclub.org for more information. We invite you to join our hikes throughout the seasons and explore the beautiful and irreplaceable Bruce Trail in your neighbourhood.

Yesterdays Home Furnishing: buying old vs. buying new



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Owner of Yesterdays Home Furnishings, John Brech is passionate about high quality antique furniture and unique one of a kind items. When you are in the right line of work, you can always take time to sit and enjoy yourself! Buyer beware as one customer was disappointed when she discovered the man did not come with the antique trunk!

BY ALEX SHER

With modern tastes in furniture becoming collectible and eclectic there is a growing trend to find that antique piece of furniture you simply cannot live without.

Owners of Yesterdays Home Furnishings on Main St. in Shelburne, John Brech and wife Dale Funston, specialize in the very well made, the unusual, the collectible and even carry some modern great finds that have been re-purposed.

"I am the 'wood guy' and Dale is the 'dishes, cutlery and china' go to person," Brech commented.

Brech has a few recommendations when it comes to young people purchasing furniture for the first time advising.

"Look for something that you won't have to repair in a few months or years. If you spend \$200 for a quality item you can get your money back when you're sick of it," he said.

Brech mentioned that the resale value of most modern items is not worth the dollar value come time to resell, or the item is permanently broken pointing out that furniture made today just isn't made as well as it was years ago and people should look at antique furniture as an investment.

"Avoid the debt merry-go round. Buy two

quality pieces at a time, pieces you can afford and build up from there. These antique items are still around because they were made so well," commented Brech.

When at an estate sale Brech chooses his purchases carefully explaining, "Really all great stuff comes down to price and quality. A lot of modern stuff is just not worth the hauling. We get so many great pieces in here all the time, but you have to realize there is a really high turnover also. That's why I will tell customers who missed out on an item they had their eye on to put it on the wish list - let me know to be on the look - out for a specific item and I'll probably find it."

Brech jovially coins the phrase, "One low price takes it away!" Brech also sells on line and will deliver. The items found in the store come from all over Ontario, and Brech's customers come from all over the world thanks to the Internet.

Brech also recommends, "Instead of purchasing furniture that completely matches, like bedroom sets, mix and match, be different, be unique. Boring is out! Eclectic is in!"

Clearly passionate about antique furniture, this award winning merchandising display representative has worked for Johnson and John-

son, Honest Ed's and other famous names. Drive for finding the unusual, the unique, the irreplaceable, and the best made, combines Brech's passion with an educated professional eye.

Postman's Antiques also carry very different product from Yesterday's and owner, Diane Guyton once said, "If I came from what is known as the recyclable generation, I'd have to say today it's the disposable generation."

Brech agreed with that statement further commenting the importance of craftsmanship making a huge difference and the disposable generation doesn't realize by the time they dispose of recently purchased furniture, they could have had quality, and been planning they're next purchase they would never have to dispose of. Brech refers to modern furniture as, "all show and no go!"

If you would like to have furniture that is not 'all show and no go' and experience the passion of furniture finding, visit Yesterdays Home Furnishings at 101 Main St., call 519-925-1011, e-mail yesterdays101@hotmail.com or tour the photo gallery on their website by visiting <http://yesterdayshome.weebly.com>

Note: Yesterdays Home Furnishings carries high quality new mattresses.

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Mighty Tykes battle it out at Alan Nixon Tournament



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Alan Nixon Tyke Tournament was underway over the weekend (Mar. 31) at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne. Teams from Shelburne, Orangeville, Essa, and Flesherton battled it out in a day long event to wrap up the hockey season.

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Alan Nixon Memorial Tyke tournament finally took place over the weekend in Shelburne.

It's not that the Tykes didn't want to play, but the first two scheduled dates were cancelled due to the bad weather that closed local highways and stopped out of town teams from making the trek.

"Originally we were scheduled for January 25. That was the night the arena was closed and we ended up having 400 visitors spending the night here," said tournament organizer Mairi MacRea. "It was rescheduled for a day in February and again we had the weather. So we had to cancel because it just wasn't safe."

Mairi along with Meghan MacRea organized the tournament that included three Shelburne teams and teams from three visiting towns – Orangeville, Essa, and Flesherton – with around 110 players taking part.

The Tyke teams all play three games on tournament day.

"The older teams are more capable of going away and taking part in weekend tournaments," Mairi explained as to why they started a Tyke level event. "Whereas with the Tykes, a one day tournament is just about the right amount of time for them."

The Tykes appreciated getting so much ice time in a single day.

"Most of their practices as split ice," Mairi said. "So they don't necessarily get full ice all the time because they're little. This is their fun day. They have a blast.

They have a great time."

The is the first time the tournament as been named in honour of Alan Nixon – a local resident involved with the Relics hockey teams as well as having grandchildren playing with the Wolves.

The tournament is very "community in-



olved," Mairi said, with a silent auction, raffle table, and even baked good for sale.

At the end of the day, the Tykes were pret-

ty excited about having their own tournament and having the chance to show off their hockey skills in front of a hometown crowd.

GMHL season ends with Bulls championship

The Bradford Bulls claimed the Greater Metro Hockey League Russell Cup championship with a 6-4 win over the defending champion Bradford Rattlers on Wednesday, March 26, at Bob Fallis arena in Bradford.

The best of five final series was tied at two, going into the final game after the Bulls came out on top in the first two games with the Rattlers responding in game three and four to tie the series and make the final game the only one that counted.

In the regular season, the two teams finished fourth and sixth in the standings.

The Bulls made the number four spot with a 32-10 record.

The Rattlers finished with a 3-10 record.

The playoffs had a few surprises when the Rattlers knocked out the first place Seguin Huskies in round three, and the Bulls did the same

to the second place Temiscaming Titans, to set the stage for a local cross-town final series.

"I could not be more proud of this group," said Bulls GM Mike Fish. "They put in the work and deserve to win it." Fish continued to thank the town of Bradford for the amazing fan support, no matter which side of the sidewalk they were cheering for: "The amount of people filling the stands was incredible. The loudest cheering I have heard in two years here."

Locally, the Shelburne Red Wings never got out of the starting gate after having a dismal season that saw the squad win only three games all season.

According the Red Wings website, the team is actively recruiting players for the 2014 / 2015 season despite earlier unconfirmed rumours that the team was considering relocating to another town.



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE
NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING
UNDER SECTIONS 22 AND 34 OF THE PLANNING ACT REGARDING REQUESTED AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE
OFFICIAL PLAN AND ZONING BY-LAW

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Shelburne has received complete applications for an Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment and will hold a public meeting on:

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2014

The public meeting is scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m., or as shortly thereafter as possible, and will be held in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 203 Main Street East, Shelburne.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider a proposed Amendment to the Town of Shelburne Official Plan and a proposed Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 38-2007. Take notice that the applications have been deemed complete so that they can be circulated and reviewed.

The land subject to these applications is described legally as Lot 3 & 4, Concession 3, Plan 7M-56 Block 244, in the Town of Shelburne, County of Dufferin, and is located on the south-west corner of the intersection of Col. Philips Drive and Highway 10, in the Town of Shelburne. The subject property is 0.99 hectares in area. The accompanying map illustrates the location of the land subject to the proposed official plan and zoning amendments.

Application for Official Plan Amendment (File No. OPA 14/01)
The subject land is designated Commercial in the Official Plan. The purpose of the requested amendment to the Town's Official Plan is to change the designation of a portion of the subject land (0.967 ha) to Residential with special policies to permit a four storey residential condominium having up to 80 apartment units with related parking and landscaped areas. The remainder of the subject land (0.127 ha) is proposed to remain designated as Commercial in the Town's Official Plan.

Application for Zoning By-law Amendment (File No. Z14/01)
The purpose of the requested amendment to the Town's Zoning By-law is to re-zone a portion of the subject land (0.967 ha) from Service Commercial Three Holding (C3H3) Zone to Residential Type Five Exception # Holding (R5-4F1) Zone to permit a four storey residential condominium having up to 80 apartment units with related parking and landscaped areas. The applicant has proposed four exceptions to the zoning regulations: a reduced minimum lot area per dwelling unit of 124 m² from 210 m²; an increased maximum setback from the street centreline to 19.2 metres from 16.0 metres; an increased maximum building height of 14.6 metres from 12.0 metres; and, an exemption from Zoning By-law Section 3.15.6 (i) in regards to parking location.

At the meeting you will be given an opportunity to ask questions and indicate whether you support or oppose the applications. Written submissions will be accepted by the Clerk up to the time of the Public Meeting and will be given consideration by the Council prior to a decision being made.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Clerk of the Town of Shelburne before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or before the zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Shelburne or the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to the Ontario Municipal Board. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is the approval authority for Official Plan Amendments in the Town of Shelburne.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Clerk of the Town of Shelburne before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted or before the zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed official plan amendment or passing of the zoning by-law, or of the refusal of a request to amend the official plan or refusal of the zoning by-law, you must make a written request to the Town of Shelburne at the address below.

Additional information relating to the proposed official plan and zoning by-law amendments is available for inspection at the Town of Shelburne Municipal Office at 203 Main Street East, during normal office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on the Town's website at www.townofshelburne.on.ca.

Dated at the Town of Shelburne on the 1st day of April, 2014.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Name: COLE ALEXANDER
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Sport: HOCKEY
Position: GOALIE

"Making the saves," is what Shelburne Wolves Tyke goalie Cole Alexander says is the best part about playing his position on the ice.

The Centennial Hylands grade two student is just finishing his first season as a hockey player and competed with his team in the Alan Nixon Memorial Tyke tournament at the Center Dufferin Recreation Complex.

Entering his first season on the ice, Cole knew the position he wanted to play and approached his coach

about playing in net for the team.

When he has another player coming down the ice and is going to take a shot on net, Cole said he "gets set, and gets ready" to stop the shot.

After his first year on the ice, Cole said he is looking forward to returning to play again next season.

When the snow melts, Cole looks forward to his summer sport - motocross on his Honda motorcycle.

Shelburne's first Reel Youth Film Festival a huge success

BY ALEX SHER

For the very first time, the Reel Youth Film festival came to Shelburne courtesy of Soaring Heart Wellness owners, Ellen Brakel and Joey Lemieux.

What a treat to see 26 short films submitted from kids across the world who were 19 years

old and younger.

To witness such future talent was truly a gift and the audience agreed especially when Shelburne's own submissions arrived on the big screen.

Local submissions included short films, 'Life of Gus' by Wiley, Henry, and Franny Mc-

Gowan; 'Game of Tag' by Rachel Litherland, Medeleine Hill, Hayley Litherland, Ella Anderson, Lila Warren, Merida Moffal, and Nicole Sharkey; 'Stop Bullying' by Lindsay Johns, Ashlynd Martin, Kaylyn Robson, Riley Robson, Alyssa and Zach Montgomery; 'Perfection' by Lila Warren, and 'The Dream' by Ella Hawkins, Catherine Marleau, Rossalyn Kenne-

dy, Samantha Weisner, Rossan Mangat.

Brakel was pleased with her first year's turn out and is hoping more submissions will be made for next year's film festival showcasing the talent of Shelburne's youth making a difference.

For more information contact Ellen Brakel at Soaring Heart Wellness at 519 925-2822.

Reckless energy hikes hurting business owners and customers

Ice River Springs Water Company together with KTH Manufacturing, Chapman's Ice Cream and Shelburne Home Hardware raised this issue during a roundtable with three PC MPPs in Shelburne last Thursday morning.

Ryan L'Abbe, vice president at Ice River Springs, said that energy represented one of the largest production costs for the company and the recent rate hikes were cutting their growth opportunity.

"Ice River Springs Water Company believes in building a strong manufacturing base in rural Ontario. It will be very difficult for us to absorb the forecasted increase of 30 per cent in electricity rates into the cost of our production," L'Abbe said. "Simply put, skyrocketing electricity prices are the largest threat to rural manufacturing job growth in Ontario."

PC Energy Critic Lisa MacLeod said Ontario's businesses and homeowners need protection from the rising cost of Ontario's energy rates.

"Ontario has the highest electricity costs in Canada - mostly due to the costly wind and solar subsidies - and this is clearly a major problem for our manufacturing sector. It's time to end this madness and get energy back to being about stability and affordability," said Ma-

Leod.

Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound MPP Bill Walker echoed those comments, adding that the current government was out of touch with the everyday business owners.

"Small shop and business owners shouldn't have to pay the price for the Liberal government's mismanagement of the energy file," Walker said, whose riding is home to famous Chapman's Ice Cream. "Their production depends on stable energy prices, and they're deeply worried about where this is going. At some point you can't continue to absorb 30 to 40 per cent increases in your business, or you face closure, as was the case with Caterpillar and John Deer.

"We can't let that happen. We want them in our community. We need the jobs," said Walker.

Area MPP Sylvia Jones agreed, adding that Ontario has seen one million job losses and the continued energy price hikes won't help turn things around.

"The number one issue I deal with in my constituency office is the high cost of energy. This round-table discussion today with local job-creators reinforces the importance of eliminating expensive and unsustainable experiments like the Green Energy Act," said Jones.



PHOTOS BY ALEX SHER

Young local film makers participated in the Reel Youth Film Festival held on March 29th at Grace Tipling Hall and enjoyed the viewing of many short films from 19 and under youth from across the world. (L to R) Local Reel Youth Film Festival submitters of Short Film, Life of Gus by Wiley and Franny McGowan.



(L to R) Local Reel Youth Film Festival Submitters of Short Film, Game of Tag by Merida Moffal, Ella Anderson and Madeleine Hill.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Front row (left to right) Alan Nezirevic, KTH Shelburne Mfg. Inc.; Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon; Lisa MacLeod, MPP Nepean-Carleton & PC Energy Critic; Bill Walker, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound; Joe Jacobs, Vice President of Operations Chapman's Ice Cream; Bill Gillam, Dealer/Owner Shelburne Home Hardware. Back row (left to right): Shane Hall, Asst. Vice President-Plant Manager KTH Shelburne Mfg. Inc.; John Telfer, CAO Town of Shelburne; David Chapman, President/CEO Chapman's Ice Cream; and Ryan L'Abbe Vice President, Ice River Springs/Blue Mountain Plastics.

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Description of Lands:
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Minimum Tender Amount: \$16,355.03

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Roll No. 22 12 000 001 18500 0000 Lot 12, Plan 62, Town of Mono, County of Dufferin, PIN 34087-0120 (LT) File No. 11-101
Minimum Tender Amount: \$29,252.51

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STONE-WILLIAM MORRIS - The family of the late Morris Stone would like to thank all their friends and family members for their support given to us after the loss of our dad. We also appreciated all the phone calls of condolences received and food that was brought to our homes. For the beautiful flowers and donations made in dad's memory will not be forgotten. To the girls from the March of Dimes for the wonderful care you gave to Dad. We could not have done it without you. We would also like to give a big thank you to the nurses and personal support workers from Cressant Care Nursing Home, Fergus, who sat with Dad at night when we were not there and the wonderful care and compassion they showed. To our wonderful friends Lee-Anne, Jen and Crystal who provided lunch for us between visits it was wonderful. To Mike and Lori for the stories about us and Dad. To the royal Canadian Legion Branch 220 and the ladies Auxillary for the luncheon served after the service. We also give thanks to Christine and Shawna from the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne for their guidance and support. To rev David Howes from Trinity Church for his lovely Service and support at this difficult time. Thank you does not seem enough. Barry, Mary, Lynn, Lori and families.

THANKS

ARMSTRONG - We wish to thank friends and neighbours for cards, food, visits, acts of kindness, phone calls, expressions of sympathy, floral tributes and memorial donations in honour of Muriel. We would also like to thank Rev. David Howes for his comforting words, Jack & Thompson Funeral Home for all their help and the Shelburne Legion for serving lunch following the service. - Al Armstrong, Dawn Morden and families.

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It is not work that kills men, it is worry.
Work is healthy...but worry is rust on the blade.
It is not movement that destroys the machinery,
but friction.
- Henry Ward Beecher

Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit,
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A new love in my life

REVEREND BARBARA MOULTON

I was warned it might happen. My friends and family told me that when I got to this age I could find myself falling for a new love. Many had gone through it themselves and said it was inevitable. If the opportunity presented itself it would hit me hard.

Sure enough it did. The smiles, the eyes and the personality of this new young man in my life have won me over completely. I am besotted and I can't stop talking about him. I share photos and videos with friends, family and even with strangers. I have even bought him gifts.

Now you might wonder how my husband feels about this. After all, we have been married over thirty years. It must be a shock to wake up one morning to find his wife has lost her heart in this way.

But it is ok. He has too. After all, our new grandson is adorable.

I am a grandmother for the first time. Gavin was born in February, bringing baby coos and joy to our lives. And come July, a little cousin will join him and grandma's house will become the "go to" house for fun and play and hugs and

cuddles.

The reality is that as people told me what I would feel, I found it hard to accept that I would be this passionate. I knew I would love my grandchildren but I was completely unprepared for the experience of holding Gavin in my arms and looking at my proud daughter and son-in-law as they began this new role in their lives.

It truly has to be experienced to be understood.

It has reminded me of my spiritual journey. I was very young when I first became aware of my need of a relationship with God through Christ. I still remember my mother praying with me and helping me to understand that Jesus could be my friend. I didn't understand all the theology; I just knew that this would be a good thing.

In the 49 years since then, I have never regretted that decision. My history with God has proven to me that God, who reached out to me and brought me in to His family through Jesus, loves me with an everlasting love.

How do I explain this to others? How do I

share with those who have never tasted and seen how good is the love of God? How can I let them know what it is like to walk with Jesus?

My thoughts turn to my little grandson. As I held him in my arms I thought of all those who told me how wonderful it was. I could not know until I experienced it. Now every moment of everyday convinces me of the truth that had been spoken to me.

Romans 8: 38-39 says,

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

These are not the words of someone who has spent their Christian life in ease. Paul experienced hardship and pain and anguish. He also experienced great joy. And through it all, he knew that he would not be forsaken. God's love in Christ Jesus surrounded him.

God loves you. He wants to have a relationship with you. My prayer is that you will come to know the joy that millions have experienced. It is a joy that must be experienced to be full comprehended.

Crossroads Community Church

Sunshine reminds us of God's faithfulness and mercy as he causes the sun to rise and set upon us all. Our hearts were elated during worship as we exalted the Lord, Bob read Psalm 25 and Lamentations 3:22-24. Pastor Don brought the announcements and prayed; "God help us remember to draw close to you when we are discouraged or tired, we trust in your faithfulness, be our strength in Jesus name Amen." He delivered an invigorating message of hope.

"Have you ever felt like throwing in the towel?" When facing difficulties with finances, relationships or health we can easily be tempted to give up the good fight. Fortunately God shows us a way out when we seek Him. "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it," 1 Corinthians 10:13. There is an epidemic raging against all of us; no it is not the Asian flu or Cancer; it is something that is universal and none of us are immune to it, it keeps coming and it can spread, that is "discouragement".

So what are its causes? They can come from external problems such as finances or insurmountable work, it can come from our physical problems like health or loss of a loved one, and it comes from internal problems like emotional and relational problems, all these come to oppose our plans and can tempt us to give up on what God has planned for us. In the Bible we find an example in Nehemiah 4:1-3.

Here we can see that the Hebrews were hard at work to rebuild the wall of Israel, it was God's plan, but many came to try and discourage them with ridicule and insults. I am sure we can all agree that overtime when we are constantly badgered while trying to accomplish something for God it is discouraging, it can wear us down. Many times if we are of positive nature we may be able carry on due to the excitement of doing God's will and can achieve quite a lot just as Nehemiah and his men did,(Nehemiah 4:6).

When we stop to ponder about the days we first came to God, we can remember that reading the Bible and praying was new and exciting, it was easy to find time, after a while, when life started to challenge our faith, we tend to find it more difficult to make the time, then comes the enemy discouraging us with guilt, thinking that our faith mustn't be strong enough or genuine. The devil is glad to ridicule us, he is the accuser and it cuts deeply tempting us to give up all together just as in the case of Jesus when he was arrested awaiting His crucifixion, the devil taunted (Luke 22:63-65). The enemy kept coming after Nehemiah and Israel any way they could to discourage them, to wear them down,(Nehemiah 4:7,8,10,11).

When we feel the enemy pressing against us from every side and criticizes all that we try to do for God and our families and the church because on our own fatigue, frustration and failure, we are not as ready to face the devil's attacks but here is Good News! We can push forward and call out in faith for God's help to counter act as Nehemiah did,(Nehemiah 4:13). This is the only way to conquer the enemy, through God's strength and resting in Him as Jesus did regularly,(Romans 8:37, Mark 6:31). Once we find rest in God we are revitalized and we can now reorganize by adjusting how we were living, serving instead of striving, " (Nehemiah 4:13). We can also regain strength and strategy by meeting together for support, our church family is a source of spiritual and mor-

al support," not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching," Hebrews 10:25.

Beloved life is difficult and our Father in heaven knows it, He never promised that it would be easy, but let us remember what He did promise if we stay strong and don't give in to fear and discouragement, He says He will be with us wherever we go. When we remain in God by praying, reading our Bibles and keep meeting together it will take our eyes off our problems and refocus on God. He is our safety net able to catch us when we fall. We need not fear for we can live for Him when we rely on Him and find rest in Him. If we can kneel before God, we will stand before anyone! Have a restful week in Christ, Asherey Shalom!

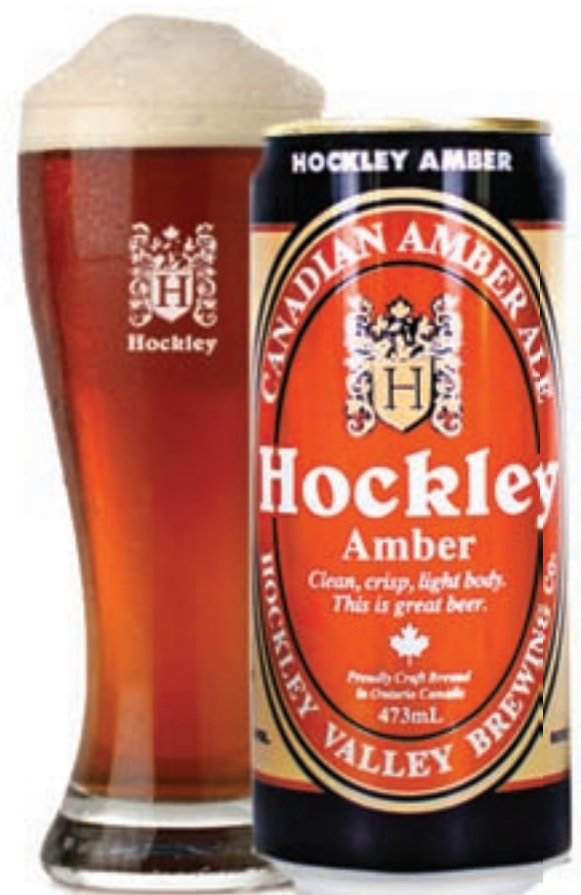
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