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WAR VETERAN REMEMBERS – D-Day veteran Vernon Eiberson, and his second wife, Lucie, a naval veteran attended the Mansfield Remembrance Day services despite the weather. They had more in attendance than had been expected. Mr. Eiberson, 87, enlisted in New Brunswick at the age of 15 and was barely 16 when he hit Juno Beach commanding the lead gun in his self-propelled anti-tank battery. Seems he's not a quitter: He re-enlisted following the war and served until retirement mostly as a warrant officer as he hadn't attended university, but was commissioned in the latter years.

D-Day vet attends Mansfield Cenotaph service

BY WES KELLER

The wartime story of Vernon Eiberson might be similar in some respects to that of many farm boys who misrepresented their age to join the fray, except perhaps for the broad variety of the ways in which he served.

Mr. Eiberson, 87, is the father of Jane Hawkins, the president of Mansfield Women's Institute. He and his second wife, Lucy, attended Remembrance Day services at the hamlet's Cenotaph Monday, largely because they had been impressed by the restoration the Institute had completed last year.

He was one of four brothers to serve in the war. A fifth brother remained on the family farm.

The saga of his early wartime experience might seem a bit improbable. Somehow, he had been able to enlist in 1943 when he was a scant 15 years old. Destined for the armoured corps, he competed his common-to-arms (boot camp) in his native New Brunswick, and then trained on the tanks at Camp Borden.

In the meantime, an anti-tank regiment in 1940 had brought discredit upon itself by abandoning its towed guns at Dunkirk for the evacuation. That unit, he said, was mobilized as the 56th Battery – but Mr. Eiberson didn't clarify

whether that was of the Royal Artillery or the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery.

In any event, the revamped unit retrooled into self-propelled guns but, as might have been expected, had a severe shortage of trained drivers for the tank-like guns. Mr. Eiberson was by late 1943 a well trained tanker, so he was voluntarily transferred to self-propelled anti-tank artillery presumably, he thought, as a trainer.

Instead, he was among the anti-tank guns in the second wave into Juno on D-Day as a battery of the Corps, and not specifically attached to the Canadian Third Division. He was lucky to make it ashore as No.1 gun off the landing craft. Gun No. 2 was hit by enemy fire, and its crew died.

For those unaware, the self-propelled guns look generally like a tank but are more lightly armoured and have open turrets. As an aside, Canada's last casualty of the Second World War was Wilfred Berry of Shelburne, a tanker who had opened his turret and was driver through a town in Holland after the war had officially ended. He was shot by a German sniper. The street where he died has been renamed Wilfred Berry Stradt.

Anyway, Mr. Eiberson's regiment advanced from Juno to assist in the closing of the

Falaise Gap, the escape route of the retreating German army – of which, later, Major General Richard Rohmer, formerly of Mono, wrote extensively. He had flown reconnaissance and had viewed the retreat from the air.

From Falaise, Mr. Eiberson's unit swung westward toward the coast – thence through Belgium and Holland.

Combat veterans don't usually relish talking about combat experiences except, perhaps, with others who have shared the horrors. But they will talk about memorable events apart from the gore. That's understandable. By some estimates, the average life expectancy for an infantry platoon commander under actual fire might be 20 minutes.

So, what was one of his most memorable experiences for discussion? Mr. Eiberson says his unit was sent to Nijmegen, Holland, close to the border with Germany. This was the oldest city in the Netherlands at 2,000 years and arguably the most strategic.

There, his unit captured a German ammo dump and a brewery.

I joked that the brewery would have been the best part of the operation. "No," he said. "It was the worst. "We were trying to get (the beer) out without anyone knowing." Apart from that, his unit

dispensed chocolate to the children before it was sent to support the Americans in the Battle of the Bulge. From that mission they returned to Holland to support the Canadian Second Division in the final liberation.

Mr. Eiberson continued to serve the guns for the duration. On return to Canada, he and his comrades landed at Halifax where the Red Cross served coffee and donuts, but charged for the snacks.

From Halifax, they went to Sackville, N.B., where the unit was demobilized.

But it wasn't long before Mr. Eiberson re-enlisted, this time in the Royal Canadian Engineers. There, he said, he took "course after course," became an engineer instructor including an 11-month posting to Washington, D.C.

His final posting before retirement was to London, ON, where he was assigned as the regular force senior Non Commissioned Officer for the cadets.

Throughout his long and varied service, Mr. Eiberson was not offered a commission; not until he was ready for retirement, when he was commissioned as a lieutenant covering a captain's vacancy. He surmised he was promoted from warrant officer so he would be subject to recall for 20 years.

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Primrose Elementary School presents its 18th annual "Breakfast With Santa" on Saturday December 7th, from 8 a.m. to noon (at the school, located at 636064 Prince of Wales Road, Mulmur).

Enjoy a pancake breakfast or pea meal on a bun and unlimited drinks! Only \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

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"We are pleased to accept donations for any one of the many charities we are collecting for," said a school representative.

There will be collection sites for non-perishable food items, toys, pet food and mittens.

For any questions regarding Breakfast with Santa please contact Megan Taylor (School Council executive chair) at megantaylor@hughes.net

Do you have an old lottery ticket?

Do you have old LOTTO MAX tickets tucked away in a drawer or a purse or in the pocket a fall coat? You are being urged to check as the clock is ticking to award two major prizes from the November 30, 2012 LOTTO MAX draw:

- \$50 million jackpot prize, ticket sold in Cambridge
- \$311,560 second prize, ticket sold in Orillia

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Remembrance Day in Shelburne, 2013

Shelburne organizes ahead for 2014 events

BY WES KELLER

Shelburne's special events co-ordinator, Shawnette Duvall-Crouse, has won approval for a plan to save the town \$6,000 on Canada Day 2014 celebrations while, at the same time, to spend none of that for a fun-day Easter Egg hunt for the kids.

Ms. Crouse reported to town council that there are three summer events that almost coincide: Canada Day, the annual Classic Car Show, and Shelburne's 135th anniversary.

Her plans sound like a massive celebration, including all the traditional things such as fireworks along with a wide variety of entertainment.

The events would be centered at the arena and the adjoining fairgrounds.

"The day would consist of live on-stage entertainment (local bands and family entertainment), classic and antique car show, open air market, Heritage Shelburne exhibits, children's activities, wagon rides, beer gardens, free family swimming, family BBQ, local club demonstrations, birthday cake, ice cream eating contest for children and adults, mini tractor pull competition, farmapalooza, lawn mower races, fireworks display and much more."

And all of that would be happening between 1 p.m. and dusk.

"By combining the events this saves on expenses related to road closures, policing costs, staffing costs and duplication of event rentals." As well as saving \$6,000 Ms. Crouse predicts sales would increase by 15%.

The Easter Egg Hunt, a family affair, would be something new for Shelburne as a municipal event. It will be held at Fiddle Park on Saturday, April 12, from 1 p.m. to 4, and the hunt is designed for children aged 1 to 10.

It's not only about eggs. For the children, there would be live entertainment on stage, storytelling, a bouncy castle, and colouring contest.

There'll be a petting zoo, horse and wagon rides, and Ms. Crouse said the Easter Bunny himself will pay a visit.

Cost of the event is estimated at \$1,300 but Ms. Crouse said that cost would be covered by sponsorships.



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

LEST WE FORGET – Shelburne residents gather together, despite the inclement weather, to remember the men and women who fought for our freedom, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice. See our full photo highlights in next weeks edition of the Free Press.

BY ALEX SHER

What began as a very emotional gathering at the Royal Canadian Legion 220 Branch where Veterans, President of the Royal Canadian Legion 220 Branch, Liz Whitten, Rev. Gord Horsley (Legion Padre), Mayor Ed Crewson,

MPP Sylvia Jones, Reverend Stephanie Pellow, Shannon Taggart, MP representative for David Tilson, the Shelburne Fire Department, Shelburne Police Department, Shelburne Girl Guides, the Shelburne Air Cadets 164 Branch, and many Shelburne residents met

to remember our fallen heroes to the reading of prayers, the beautiful music of Murray Irwin, the harmonious singing of Joan Wallace, and decorated Veteran David Barr's recitation of the famous poem, In Flanders Fields. The mood was somber, the weather cold,

wet, and blustery was exactly appropriate for the occasion and the sound of the bag pipes and haunting echoing of the trumpet, along with the Color Party leading the slow march to the city's Cenotaph was an appropriate walk on this Remembrance Day 2013, honoring those who gave their lives.

One might imagine our lost heroes walking through similar weather in their time, cold, weather beaten, hungry, exhausted, in every step knowing they had already lost friends, fellow soldiers, and still from somewhere within their souls, finding strength to persevere for us, safe in our lives, warm in our beds, full bellied, and far from the thunderous sounds of war. It was the way of life and loved ones they fought for. It was for generations after them to be able to build their lives, have families, live lives filled with choices in a country where they could look to the heavens and know they were free.

The cost was high, the fight was hard and losing their lives didn't mean they lost the fight, it meant they 'gave' their lives

for ours to be spared – the ultimate sacrifice.

And as the crowds gathered to lay wreaths, mount poppies, the overwhelming sentiment was clear and shared by all- we are grateful. We are grateful to strangers we cannot know, for they are gone. We are thankful in ways deeper than grief's sorrow allowing the heart to survive as we remember loved ones, for they are gone. We make an oath unto ourselves, to never forget to remember, promising 'gone' will never mean forgotten.

For in the eyes of the young- er generations lies a history,

a bond, the reason for all the sacrifice, all the suffering and the torch does get passed along just as the poppies in Flanders Fields awake each spring after a long winter's sleep, and the wind will whisper promise, there are more brave souls to come.

A deep sense of pride and gratitude resounded among those gathered under a darkened sky without sun, in the eerie, penetrating cold, defiant in the wind, old and young alike, standing tall and true for our fallen heroes this Remembrance Day in Shelburne, Ontario, 2013.

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In Flanders Fields

BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN MCCRAE



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That mark our place:
and in the sky
The larks still bravely
singing fly
Scarce heard amid
the guns below.
We are the dead:
Short days ago,
We lived, felt dawn,
saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved:
and now we lie
In Flanders fields!
Take up our quarrel
with the foe
To you, from failing hands,
we throw
The torch: be yours
to hold it high
If ye break faith
with us who die,
We shall not sleep,
though poppies grow
In Flanders fields

Composed at the battlefield on May 3, 1915 during the second battle of Ypres, Belgium



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"A TIME TO REMEMBER" – The Orangeville Community Band, under the direction of John Wervers, and in conjunction with the Shelburne Legion, Branch 220, presented "A Time to Remember" on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Legion. This free Remembrance Day service featured a musical performance, readings and a video tribute to local veterans. The event was intended to honour members of the armed forces, both past and present, who have selflessly served to ensure we may live in freedom.

Dufferin Oaks honours Mel Henry



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Mrs. Leona Henry braved a smile fighting back tears, embracing a photograph of her husband as she and family members took part in the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Dufferin Oaks honoring all Veterans which included a special ceremony remembering decorated Veteran Mel Henry, a resident of Dufferin Oaks over the past two years. Pastor, Reverend Gord Horsley was master of ceremony, Legion 220 Branch's Color Party, Shelburne's Mayor Ed Crewson and many other local dignitaries were in attendance at this deeply emotional tribute to our Veterans on this Remembrance Day, November 11th, 2013.

BY ALEX SHER

Mel Henry like all veterans, was not just any man. He was Leona Henry's husband for 67 years, he was father to three children, seven grandchildren, and two great grand children. While in the service during WWII, Henry was a driver operator and operated the radio. "He only ever had to shoot one shot," chuckled Leona with tears in her eyes for the man she loved so well. "He had one close call in Germany just as the war was almost over and the trucks were going through a field checking for bombs. Well, one went off! The major took shrapnel in the butt and other shrapnel went straight through the radio Mel had at his chest, but it missed him!"

When asked how she would like people to think of her husband, Leona Henry, forcing herself not to cry said, "I'd like to remember too many things. I want people to remember the good times we had travelling to the East Coast, West Coast, Hawaii, we've been to so

many places. Mel didn't make it to Alaska though, that's one thing we didn't get to do because Mel took a fall in 2011." Sadly, Mel Henry passed away October 12, 2013 after having stayed in Dufferin Oaks since his fall in 2011. But that is not how he is remembered. He is remembered as happy, he is remembered dearly by his family, and now he is remembered forever in the hearts and minds of those who read this article as honored, respected and now, another of our heroes, gone but not forgotten and dearly missed.

"War is a terrible thing. I remember 1941 or 42 Mel had to leave on Christmas Eve. Can you imagine? The hardest thing is it's a long wait for him to come home. I think if Mel were here now, he'd tell you how disappointed he is that people are not appreciating our country the way they should," said Mrs. Henry.

Dufferin Oak's Pastor, Rev. Gord Horsley spoke of Mel Henry fondly during the remembrance ceremony and

Mayor Ed Crewson had this to say, "I cannot imagine what it must have been like, ..I can only offer my undying gratitude with my meager words. I say thank you to our veterans." And so for the residents of Dufferin Oaks who attended, the mood was somber, the day was blustery and overcast and the perfect backdrop to reflect and imagine many days just like this one passing you by, cold and wet, without refuge, fighting to keep loved ones

back home safe, fighting for a way of life to remain unblemished by the horror our veterans faced for us, all of us. Unwavering courage, resilient even when war felt more like hell on earth, our veterans persevered and are remembered, treasured, and valued. For those who gave their lives, the ultimate cost, and it is a cost, we do not, we will not forget you, your sacrifice, your gift to us and for that, we are forever grateful.

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How are we listening?

Dillon Consulting is creating this Community Liaison Committee in Dufferin County to discuss the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Dufferin Wind Farm. This will be an opportunity for approximately 20 selected CLC members to:

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- Listen to community suggestions to minimize impacts; and
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The CLC will seek representation from Dufferin County residents & landowners, agricultural & business communities, aboriginal communities, municipalities, government agencies, local organizations, and special interest groups.

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The Rob Ford Era

Dear editor:
In January, questions will be asked when the municipal election candidates come forward to sign up for the October 2014 election.
In light of the Rob Ford admissions and his refusal to resign, will the candidates be required to admit they're drug users?

If they're not, then will evasiveness and misrepresentation be more requirements for a place on the slate?
If none of the above, will candidates have to sign a pledge of allegiance to the closest police chief?
The dynamics of municipal politics and the operations of local government were

changed the day Toronto decided Rob Ford would make an excellent mayor.
I think Torontonians and, indeed, all Ontarians have to decide if they want Rob Ford clones running our municipal affairs.
If the electorate wants men and women without moral values to steer our cities, towns and villages, then so be it!

Vaughan G. Harris, Tottenham

Editor's note: Vaughan, I don't think the fact that Toronto mayor, Rob Ford, has an obvious drug and alcohol addiction makes him "without values". Mayor Ford has done an excellent job running the City of Toronto, saving taxpayers millions of dollars. His mistake (one of many it seems) was giving the best part of himself to the city, and forgetting to take care of himself during his off time. Mayor Ford could have benefited from some better PR people as well. Like any addict, Rob Ford has the right to take a leave of absence and get the help he needs before resuming his post. As your comments concern the upcoming municipal election, I do not think candidates need to reveal their personal histories, nor should they form alliances with the police. Your letter, however, has led me to change a few of the questions I'm preparing for the upcoming pre-election debates.

One more thing...

Dear editor:
Has the Prime Minister, Stephen Harper, installed springs in the chair bottoms of his fellow Conservatives in the House of Commons?
Last week, we've had two spectacles: first, the Prime Minister actually answering questions in - you've got it - question period and second, with each short answer and spinning answer from the PM, his cohorts flew into the air with their hands flapping in thunderous applause.
I'd like to know where the switch is that can actually propel the Conservatives upwards because this is the only time they move quickly - on anything! Are they almost comatose and need help to stand erect?
The Senate scandal is spinning out of control, but the PM doesn't have any idea of the damage caused. Canadians aren't fooled by the new and direct answers from Stephen Harper.
Eventually, will the Prime Minister be ranked as one of the best story-tellers in Canadian history? Will the Tory caucus continue to spring from their chairs to surround him like a herd of muskoxen?
The federal Tories are sinking in the polls and, hopefully will be thrown into the trashcan of history in the next election.
But, we have a problem: the Liberals, and that Trudeau guy, are still mulling over some sort of announcement on their policies and the NDP (my party) haven't quite found the edges of the winning page.

Vaughan G. Harris, Tottenham

Manure don't polish

Dear editor:
You can reshape it or spread it, but you can't polish it. Dufferin Windpower has employed Dillon Consulting to try. But, beware Dillon, you

don't put one over on people who make a living off the land and make a business of dealing with fertilizer, equipment and the vagaries of weather, crop yields and pricing.

Dillon Consulting is paid to make it seem that The Dufferin Windpower Project is good for the community. The ploy of forming a 'Community Liaison Committee' is to put a good face on it. Dufferin Windpower is only interested in positive answers. The negatives of health and land value issues will be disregarded, as always.
Don't tell us that the Dufferin wind project will generate 91.4 megawatts, to power up to 30,000 homes. That might be the turbine's outside capacity, but industrial wind turbines generate only 27% of the time, on average, and 85% of that time when not needed as, due to overcapacity, we are already selling electricity to the USA.

The problem is: The Ontario government guarantees all wind generation at 11.5¢ kwh while it's sold for 2.8¢. They actually shut down hydro (4.5¢ kwh) and sometimes nuclear (6.5¢ kwh) to prioritize wind!... The wind companies make a profit at the taxpayer's expense. The tab presently is over \$3 billion.
Ontario doesn't need wind. For the foreseeable future, it has an overcapacity of electricity generation. Hydro and nuclear supply the base load requirement and gas capacity supplies more than enough for the variable load. Wind generation is intermittent and only adds to the cost of Ontario's household electric bills.
As for 'decommissioning', why would we believe any-

thing you tell us, when the wind companies are technically off the hook. The MOE states: "The Ministry of the Environment has published a Technical Bulletin that provides guidance for preparing a Decommissioning Plan Report, but does not require the original wind turbine company applicant or its successor to post security to ensure that there will be money available to carry out the decommissioning plan if the wind company or its successor fail to do so. Absent the depositing of adequate financial security to complete the work, the cost for dismantling the turbines and the liability for the health, safety and environmental hazards created by abandoned wind turbines, will fall to the

landowner". When the twenty-year subsidy contract expires, Dufferin Wind Power will have made its money, but have no incentive to refurbish or decommission their turbines. Consider industrial wind turbines last for 18 to 25 years, the turbine assembly weighs about 160 tons, and there's a 30 metre diameter concrete base to get rid of.
The bottom line is: If not hydro, nuclear and gas, what will we do for electricity when the twenty-year contracts run out and there is no longer wind generation?
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Student injured by charging buck

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woods on early dismissal day while waiting for buses to come. The student is now back at school, and doing fine.
Dear parent and students:
By now you will have heard about the unfortunate incident that affected our grade 8 class on Friday, our early dismissal day. One of our students was badly hurt by a charging buck in our nearby woods and was taken to Sick Children's hospital. I've waited until now to bring you up-to-date on this because we were waiting to

hear how our student is doing. We are getting constant updates from the student's Mom - he's out of surgery and having his other injuries assessed and treated. He is badly banged up but will be OK. This is very good news, and we thank the family for keeping us informed of his progress.
We know that we have several other students who were there that were frightened as a result of the incident. We contacted our Head Psychologist who made sure that a social worker was at the school today to talk to these students and anyone else who is anxious, worried or upset. Thanks also to the teacher who spent a lot of the weekend talking with students.
We're all pleased and relieved that our student is doing well and we thank you for understanding the situation.

Sincerely,
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Piccadilly Party celebrates 1st Year Anniversary



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Stephen and Diane Thurston, owners of Piccadilly Party, located on 137 Main Street West in Shelburne, celebrated their first year in business on November 9th and look forward to serving Shelburne residents in 2014!

BY ALEX SHER

Local store owners, Stephen and Diane Thurston marked yet another milestone for successful businesses in Shelburne celebrating Piccadilly Party's first year anniversary on Saturday, November 9th.

"We would like to thank Shelburne for helping us celebrate our first anniversary in business and we look forward to serving Shelburne in 2014," commented Diane Thurston.

Piccadilly Party supplies party rentals such as tables

and chairs, tents, glassware for all celebratory occasions big or small and the store offers a wide selection of party accessories for birthdays and anniversaries such as streamers, balloons and many other items that help create the perfect memorable and colorful celebration.

"It's been a good year in the way of receiving a positive response from Shelburne residents," commented Stephen Thurston.

And why the name Picca-

dilly? Recommended by the Thurston's son-in-law, this name has a history:

In the 1700's Robert Baker made his fortune creating and mass producing the famous Piccadill, a very stiff collar with laced edges, hugely popular in the world of fashion at that time. Eventually Roberts built a very large home and named it Piccadilly Hall. Over time, the street leading to the house became known as Piccadilly Street and is currently not only a well known

street, it may be the widest and straightest of all streets to be found in London. Today, it is also home to the famous Ritz Hotel and is widely regarded as one of the busiest and best shopping districts in London, England.

Congratulations Piccadilly Party!

For more information visit Piccadilly Party at www.piccadillyparty.ca, email diane@piccadillyparty.ca, steve@piccadillyparty.ca or call 519-925-2404.



PHOTOS BY LYNN CODD

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT JUNO BEACH, NORMANDY – Centre Dufferin District High School students arrive on Juno Beach, Normandy, France as part of their 13 day Battlefield Tour of France, Belgium and Germany. According to Wikipedia: Juno or Juno Beach was one of five beaches of the Allied invasion of German-occupied France in the Normandy landings on 6 June 1944, during the Second World War. Taking Juno was the responsibility of the 3rd Canadian Infantry Division and commandos of the Royal Marines, all under the command of British I Corps, with support from Naval Force J, the Juno contingent of the invasion fleet, including the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN). The invasion plan called for two brigades of the 3rd Canadian Division to land on two beach sectors—Mike and Nan—focusing on Courseulles, Bernières and Saint-Aubin. It was hoped that preliminary naval and air bombardment would soften up the beach defences and destroy coastal strongpoints. Close support on the beaches was to be provided by amphibious tanks of the 2nd Canadian Armoured Brigade. Once the landing zones were secured, the plan called for the 9th Canadian Infantry Brigade to land reserve battalions and deploy inland, the Royal Marine commandos to establish contact with the British 3rd Infantry Division on Sword, and the 7th Canadian Infantry Brigade to link up with the British 50th (Northumbrian) Infantry Division on Gold. The 3rd Canadian Division's D-Day objectives were to capture Carpiquet Airfield and reach the Caen–Bayeux railway line by nightfall...the 3rd Canadian Infantry Division had succeeded in pushing farther inland than any other landing force on D-Day.



Casey Loucks collecting sand from Juno Beach in Normandy, France.

The Giving Back PROJECT

Whether we want to acknowledge it or not, there are many people in need within our community. These people may be single parents, parents with special needs children, singles, seniors or large families. The holidays should be a time of joy, but for many it can be a time of hardship and a reminder that money is tight and times are hard. Nobody deserves to be down at Christmas. This year, your community newspaper is starting a new holiday tradition. We call it, "The Giving Back Project".

Here's what we're proposing: there are people living in abundance, and people who need a little help to get through the holidays. We want to match these people anonymously. Each week, we will list the families who have come forward for help – no names, just family statistics, including the number of children (if any), their ages and the number of adults in the household. Community members, looking to sponsor a family, can then select the family they'd like to sponsor and we will "match" them. Once matched, the family will be removed from the list of available families.

Although there is no guarantee of getting a match, we hope that community members in need of help will come forward and ask for the assistance they need. Likewise, we hope that those living in abundance will select a family to help – in recognition of the true meaning of the holiday season.

All gifts will be dropped off, labelled for their intended recipient, at our office (either Beeton or Shelburne) before December 19th. Once here, the receiving family will be notified and they can come and collect their presents at a separate time.

If there is an issue collecting the gifts, due to a lack of transportation or shyness, they will be delivered to you.

Local businesses who wish to add to the gifts available can also donate gift cards or items, for a specific family or just in general. 100 per cent of all items collected will make it into the hands of those in need.

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Shelburne Police instruct business owners on how to stay safe



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

(L to R) Constable Cory Courtney and Constable Paul Neumann hosted Fraud Prevention and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design for the Business community of Shelburne as part of Ontario Crime Prevention Week designated by The Ministry of Safety and Correctional Services.

BY ALEX SHER

As part of the Ministry of Safety and Correctional Services mandate to keep Ontarians safe, the Ministry designated November 4th-November 8th Crime Prevention Week across Ontario and Shelburne Police didn't miss a beat hosting a number of special events and instructional safety seminars teaching Shelburnites how to protect themselves against crime.

On Wednesday, November 6th, Constable Paul Neumann and Constable Cory Courtney hosted a seminar at Grace Tipling Hall strictly for Shelburne Businesses focusing on Crime Prevention through Environmental Design and Fraud Prevention.

"I've been trained in Crime Prevention through Environmental Designs. Basically there are a lot of things businesses and homeowners can do regarding the environment to protect themselves against crime such as creating an environment unappealing to criminals," commented Constable Courtney, "If you try and see things through a burglar's perspective, you can see how a few small preventative methods will make a lot of sense. Televisions placed inside the store where the thief can clearly see they are on film, might make someone think twice about robbing a place.

Lights on timers and motion sensors are a great deterrent. Also, it's a good idea not to

leave newspapers on driveways or have overflowing mailboxes giving the impression that no one has been at a home or business for a period of time. Keep expensive items in a clearly visible place, preferably close to the cash, and if you suspect a break in, please do not touch anything, just leave everything where it is and call 911 immediately. Don't waste time looking up the number of the Shelburne Police department. This is not an abuse of the 911 service, it's a quick time saving measure and we will get the message."

Constable Paul Neumann noted that while crime in Shelburne is not on the rise, the Shelburne Police Department

would like to keep it that way and providing businesses with up to date tips on Fraud Prevention is one step towards that goal.

Call 911: give police a change to catch the criminal.

"Quick change artists are talented thieves who approach a cashier, compliment, then ask for smaller bills for a larger bill, professionally confuse the cashier who provides them with the change not realizing until the thief is gone that they kept the larger bill as well as the change," explained Constable Neumann. "Once again, we are finding that business owners won't necessarily call police immediately and we encourage them to call as soon as they realize there has been wrong doing. It's not bothering us; it allows us to act quickly. We recommend business owners collect as many visual details as possible such as height, hair color, glasses, gender, skin color, clothes, tattoos, jewelry, what kind of car did they get into, were they driving, if they were a passenger, what did the driver look like, etc. No detail is too small really."

and cautiously – don't assume the animal will move in a predictable manner. They may leave the roadway and turn right back into your path.

- Watch for the posted yellow wildlife signs indicating that there is an increased population of wildlife. Slow down in these areas.
- Use high beams at night where possible and watch for glowing eyes of animals.
- Stop as safely as possible if a wild animal is crossing

Dangers with deer

Grey County OPP investigated seven motor vehicle collisions involving deer over the weekend and would like to take this opportunity to remind motorists to drive carefully.

Hitting a deer or any animal could lead to a serious injury and could, at times, be fatal. At the very least, the experience will be unpleasant, inconvenient and costly.

Consider these tips to minimize the chances of being in a collision with a wild animal:

- Scan the road ahead from shoulder to shoulder. If there is wildlife beside the road, sound your horn to scare the animal away. Continue slowly

the road. Remember, if there is one – there's usually one or more following.

- Never swerve suddenly. This could cause your vehicle to go out of control and result in a more serious collision.

- Always wear your seatbelt. Should you be involved in a collision with a deer, or other animal, and you or your passenger(s) are injured or where the vehicle damage apparently exceeds \$1,000, you must report the collision to police.

Hunter shoots himself

On Friday, November 8, 2013 at approximately 4:29 p.m., Grey County OPP received a report of an injured hunter on the A Line in the Township of Georgian Bluffs.

The victim, who was alone in a tree stand at the time of the incident, attempted to hang his rifle on a tree hook when it discharged. The bullet struck him in the buttock.

Grey County Emergency Services (EMS) transported the victim to the Grey Bruce Health Centre in Owen Sound where he was treated for the non-life threatening injury.

The Ministry of Natural Resources was notified.

A 21 year old Owen Sound man was charged with "Use Firearm Carelessly to Hunt" under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act.

In police news...

Shelburne Police Service responded to 72 calls for service between November 3rd and November 10th.

Overnight parking prohibition starts November 15th

A reminder to all motorists that winter overnight parking restrictions take effect on Friday November 15th at midnight. No vehicles are to be parked on any roadways between midnight and 8 a.m. every day. This allows for snow removal and other winter road, boulevard and sidewalk maintenance.

By-law 8-1983 provides a \$15 fine for any contraventions.

This parking restriction on Shelburne town roadways (residential and industrial) will be in effect until April 15th 2014.

Keep in mind that this by-law is not dependent on snowfall or any weather conditions. Regardless of conditions parking is prohibited during these hours.

The Shelburne Police is also reminding motorists that vehicles cannot be parked on or over sidewalks or boulevards – anytime of the year.

Report animal cruelty

The Ontario SPCA provides province wide coverage on matters pertaining to Animal Welfare.

This coverage will be further enhanced in the coming months with the introduction of a new call centre that will handle calls from across the province 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you have concerns about the suspected mistreatment of an animal, please contact your local SPCA or Humane Soci-

getting their parents involved.

One of the many businesses in attendance, Mr. Steve Bowles owner of Napa Auto Pro Auto Centre commented, "The presentation was very good. Well Done! I am disappointed in more local businesses not turning out. I wish businesses would have shown more support for Shelburne Police Department."

Sanjay Lekhi, owner of Shelburne Town Pharmacy commented, "I found this very informative. I learned privacy areas are not always such a good thing and also there was very good information regarding going overseas."

Owner of Shelburne Storage, Joe Bojin commented, "I found the presentation very interesting."

Perhaps the most poignant tip Constable Cory Courtney made that applies to all residents and is reflective advice, "Remember that money is just money and your life is far more valuable!"

More wisdom imparted by the Shelburne Police department further instilling their commitment to keep Shelburne safe.

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Well, another busy week here at the Library. Story Time and Toddler Time are running on Tuesdays and Fridays as usual. New books are arriving and being processed daily... can't get over how prolific John Grisham, J.D. Robb, Clive Cussler etc., are these days. It seems like almost a book a month with these popular authors.

We do have some great new non-fiction books as well with new ones by Maud Barlow and Steven Harper arriving in the next few days. All these have been released in time for Christmas gift giving but you can just borrow your copy free from the library.

**Library Literary Event –
Off the Page**

We are excited and getting ready for our Library Literary Event this Sunday, November 17th at 2 p.m. We welcome noted author and researcher, John Riley. John will talk about the research and fascinating information in his new book, *The Once and Future Great Lakes Country, An Ecological History*. John brings a great deal of passion and expertise to this subject and I know you will be intrigued by his presentation. Nancy Frater from Book Lore will be there as well to have some copies of the book available. This would make an excellent Christmas gift for like-minded conservationists.

And once that event is over on Sunday, we can focus on our next event...

**Silent Auction and Special Book Sale – Saturday,
November 30th at 10 a.m.**

This is our really big fundraiser for this year for the library. We have had some wonderful donations but as always we do appreciate any contributions you can make towards this event. We usually have some very special and unique items and some wonderful home baking and special treats. Of course, attending and purchasing items on that day is another way of supporting YOUR library. Our Book Sale this year will be really outstanding as we have many almost new books and special thematic gift baskets.

**Food for Fines –
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Starting November 14th to December 14th, you can donate food or toys in lieu of your library fines. This is a great time to clear any outstanding fines on your record and donate the food or new toys to a worthy cause. Be sure to talk to one of the staff to make sure the fine is deleted from your record when you bring in your donation.

Focus On Seniors

As the cold weather and snowy sidewalks are inevitably approaching, I would like to remind our Seniors about our Home delivery service of Book, magazine and Talking books. We have 10 or 12 Seniors that we are currently delivering books to but will certainly expand that service if you or anyone you know would like to sign up. It is free and we do our best to bring you the types of materials that you will really enjoy.

Fiction:

- Gone by James Patterson
- Just one evil act by Elizabeth George
- How the light gets in by Louise Penny
- A crown imperiled by Raymond Feist
- Police by Jo Nesbo
- The Quest by Nelson DeMille
- Deadly Heat by Richard Castle
- Duck the Halls by Donna Andrews
- Sycamore Row by John Grisham
- Outlaw by Mark Sullivan
- Non fiction:**
- Back to basics by Michael Smith
- Blood by Lawrence Hill
- Disease proof by David L. Katz
- An American bride in Kabul by Phyllis Chesler
- Grow a pair by Larry Winget
- Grain brain by David Perlmutter
- Gutbliss by Robynne Chutkan
- Eat move sleep by Tom Rath

Food banks stressed, need grows for affordable rents

BY WES KELLER

With food bank use at record levels as more people can't afford groceries while paying rent, and with Regions and Counties pressed for more affordable (social) housing, conversion of the former Shelburne hospital is either a partial answer to a problem or a folly, depending on whose opinion one accepts.

The food bank situation is startling. Food Banks Canada reported earlier this year that in one month "833,098 people were helped by food banks in Canada; (and) over a third were children." That number, it said, is 23% higher than in 2008.

The converted hospital, Dynes-Grey Village, will have 20 "affordable" and four "market" rental units. Affordable is 80% of the average local market. It is expected to be fully occupied when it opens at mid-2014, and Dufferin Treasurer Alan Selby has said the rental income would all but cover the annual debenture payments.

The rationale is that, similarly to house mortgages, the centre would be debt free in 20 years, and would be a source of net revenue thereafter.

Earlier this week, CTV interviewed several food bank users who, although employed, said housing and other living costs are continuing to rise but income is not keeping pace. One senior citizen said that with rising taxes and utility costs he wouldn't be able to keep the house he had worked all his life to have.

Many seniors in Dufferin are faced by the same problem, and squeaking by on fixed incomes.

There is said to be a 100-person waiting list for accommodation in Dufferin Oaks.

So there's a proven need. But is Veterans of Dufferin County correct in its position that affordable housing should have been created at a location other than the former hospital, and that the hospital should have been restored to a medical centre.

How did it cease to be a hospital, and why was it not restored?

In the beginning, Shelburne had a full-service hospital, entitled to display the big "H" signifying Emergency services. This was true even when the town had a population of 2,000 and only two physicians.

At some point in the 1970s, a retiring physician from Toronto with a residence near Horning's Mills helped keep the Emergency department open for a few years. Then, by

the mid-1990s, the department became too much of a burden for the town's remaining two doctors.

As a consequence, the hospital was stripped of its department, and the big "H" disappeared.

Lacking full-service status, the Shelburne hospital board opted to amalgamate with the new Headwaters hospital on the understanding that the "Shelburne campus" would continue to provide continuing long-term (chronic) care, and Orangeville would be dedicated to acute care.

Headwaters Health Care Centre officially opened in May 1997. The campus arrangement lasted until June 2010, at which time Headwaters, under the presidency of Cholly Boland, moved chronic care to Orangeville. Headwaters is now an 87-bed facility, thanks in part to that move.

Not long after the mid-2010 move of the chronic care beds, which had left the former hospital standing vacant, Headwaters let it be known that it was to obtain commercial appraisals for an open-market of it.

In response, Shelburne council in February 2011 endorsed an Historical Society request to designate the hospital a heritage building, and Mayor Ed Crewson asserted that the zoning would not be changed from "institutional."

This, apparently, did function to block a sale. Subsequently, County Council acted on a Shelburne recommendation to ask Headwaters for a transfer of the hospital to county ownership.

The transfer happened. But the building remained vacant.

Meantime, while the building was still in Headwaters ownership, the county had leased space in the Mel Lloyd Centre to the Family Health

Team.

Then, when the hospital sat vacant, Central West LHIN ostensibly viewed it as a site for a promised Health and Care Centre. But then-CEO Mimi Lowi-Young of the LHIN obtained a Genivar study of the building that said it would cost \$1-million or more to upgrade to a required standard, although Chief Building Official Mike Giles said it would be fine to occupy for medical purposes as a continuing use.

But it became obvious that the LHIN had no interest in the hospital, and its subsequent decision was to use the Mel Lloyd Centre for its promised Health and Care Centre. Subsequently, the Dufferin Area Family Health Team joined with the Mel Lloyd FHT, and Dr. Amy Horvat of Headwaters became the new medical co-ordinator.

The service, with Ontario Telemedicine Network and specialist clinics added, became the Shelburne Centre for Health.

Now it has grown to six physicians, and is able to offer some after-hours service.

Meantime, when the hospital became a county property and remained vacant, the Veterans obtained petitions from more than 1,500 residents calling for restoration of the hospital.

As an alternative, the group sought support from the departments of Defence and

Veterans Affairs for a medical service on the second floor for victims of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) – mainly for veterans of all wars – and for a medical clinic on the ground floor.

The Veterans say they had carefully considered their proposal. It might have been a worthy plan, but there were no substantive takers.

But no one had given up.

In August 2012 Mayor Crewson and Amaranth Deputy Mayor Walter Kolodziechuk met with Health Minister Deb Matthews who reportedly turned a blind eye and deaf ears on the presentation of research and petitions asking for a hospital restoration at Shelburne.

In a word, her response was that there would be no funding for a hospital at Shelburne.

And the LHIN remains adamant that medical services will remain at the Mel Lloyd.

Faced by that reality plus statistics on the aging population of Dufferin and by a shortage of affordable housing, county council opted to convert the hospital building.

Whether the decision was the right one or not, the weighted vote did not come into play in it.

The council approved a committee recommendation. At committee, there is no weighted vote; it is one vote per committee member.

Women's Showcase in Tottenham

It's that time of year again and Mrs. Claus with lots of her elves will be participating in the Women's Christmas Showcase on Sunday, November 24th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Tottenham Community Centre, 139 Queen Street North.

Net proceeds to support My Sister's Place, an emergency shelter that provides services for abused women and their children in South Simcoe County, serving Alliston, Adjala-Tosoronto, Angus/Borden, Bond Head, Beeton, Bradford, Cookstown, Essa, Innisfil, Tottenham, New Tecumseth and West Gwillimbury. Admission is \$2 for adults and free for children.

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

King club hosts speed skating meet

BY MARK PAVILONS

The King Speed Skating Club will host the Ontario Speed Skating Association Central Ontario Meet and Special Olympics competition this Saturday, Nov. 16 at the Trisan Centre in Schomberg.

The event runs 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be both, the first sanctioned Ontario Speed Skating Association meet, and first Special Olympics Ontario speed skating competition, to take place in King Township.

The King Speed Skating Club is a registered, non-profit organization and is staffed wholly by volunteers. The club is a member of the Ontario Speed Skating Association and is also affiliated with Special Olympics Ontario. They service a large geographic area, and are the regional club for King Township (Nobleton, Schomberg, King), Vaughan (Maple, Woodbridge, Kleinburg), Caledon (Bolton, Caledon), New Tecumseth (Alliston, Beeton, Tottenham, Tecumseth), Bradford, and Richmond Hill.

Saturday's event will see approximately 120 athletes from clubs throughout Ontario.

The meet will also create a new, annual, opportunity for participation in speed skating by Special Olympics Ontario athletes.

If you have any questions, or would like additional information about the club, please contact Rose Kimber 416-524-444, or info@kingspeedskating.com



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART
WOLVES GET BITTEN – The Shelburne Wolves Midget LL#2 rep team battle against the squad from Penetang at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex. The Wolves produced a good effort on the ice.

Atom LL2 wins another game over the weekend

Last Saturday, Atom local league two, tie game 3-3 against Georgian Shores. Griffin Ladner, Kaleb Martin and Marcus Carvalho all scored. Very challenging fight to hold them, TJ Wilson-Daponte up a wall throughout game, Wining Player of The Game. Assists to Carvalho for duo assists.

This game was followed by a game against Creemore 3-1. Hat trick and sole scorer of the game was Ladner. Girl power Hannah Abbott was only assist of game. Player of the game awarded to Brad Richards.

Team officials would like to thank our team sponsor's, Shelburne Free Press and Caravaggio Drugs.

Bantam LL2 adds two more wins for 2013 season

The Shelburne Wolves Bantam local league team won 7-2 against Dundalk in its fourth game of the season.

Brandon Way scoring a hat trick, Luke Russell had two goals and Kyle Tomlinson and Colby Haggerty added one each. Assists went to Myles Lee (2), Ben Rosborough, Jared Wasson, Ayden Litt, Jake Armstrong and Russell.

Game five resulted in another 3-0 win against the Midland 1 team. Russell had a hat trick and the only assist of the game went to Rory Purdy. Jarod Baleka registered the shutout.

Team officials want to thank sponsor Timmerman, Haskell and Mills.

Me 2 U Sale Nov. 23

Gently used and new one of a kind items will be on sale, this Saturday at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Centre (Shelburne Arena). The event runs from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 23rd (note: not Saturday, November 2nd as previously mentioned in the Free Press) and includes clothing for adults and children, toys, baby items, crafts, original art, housewares and more! Stay, shop, support local!

Red Wings still struggling – loss to Orangeville keeps Shelburne at the bottom



PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART
 Shelburne Red Wings goalie Ilya Zimanov makes a save during the second period of Sunday's (Nov. 10) game against the Orangeville Americans. The Red Wings had to settle for a 12-6 loss.

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

It's not that they aren't scoring, they just aren't scoring more than their opponents.

The Shelburne Red Wings took another loss on Sunday

when they travelled to Orangeville to take on the Americans for a special afternoon charity game in support of Prostate Cancer Canada.

While the game may have been part of a charity event, it was also on the schedule and the points mattered.

After leaving the ice with a three goal deficit in the first period, the Red Wings got some back in the second frame notching three to get on the scoreboard.

Shelburne goals came from Rueben Anderson, Rastislav

Harakal, and Ashot Avagyan.

Although they scored, the problem is the Americans matched them scoring three of their own to make it a 6-3 game going into the final twenty minutes.

When the teams returned after the break, the Orangeville squad let loose scoring five in the third period to end the game 12-6.

The Shelburne squad fought back scoring three in the last period on efforts from Ethan Beardy, Semple Terrence, and Sergey Kononov, but they

were no match for the O-vill squad who is currently in the number six spot in the twenty team Greater Metro Hockey League.

The Red Wings have failed to come out on the plus side this season and still have a zero in the points column.

The top four teams in the GMHL are Seguin, Bradford Bulls, Temiscaming, and South Muskoka.

The Red Wings will take the ride down Highway 89 this Thursday to take on the Allison Coyotes with a 7:30 p.m. start.

They will return to home ice at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex for their regular Friday night game on November 15, to host the Bobcaygeon Bucks.

The puck drop is scheduled for 8:30 p.m.

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 Position: CENTRE

Shelburne Wolves Bantam centre Chayse McCallum is a veteran of the sport after starting his hockey career as a three year-old.

He has played his entire minor hockey career in Shelburne Minor Hockey.

"It's a great Canadian sport and one of my favourites," he said.

His team has had a rough start to the season but Chayse said he is confident the team will turn it around.

"We're a bit rusty right now, but that will change soon," he said.

When he's not on the ice, Chayse plays lacrosse during the summer with the Shelburne Vets.

"I like the physical part of it, its very aggressive with all the hitting," he said of playing lacrosse.

As for hockey, Chayse is planning to go as far as he can.

"I'd like to eventually go try out for Junior A or Junior B."



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Towne Fitness celebrates first year in business with week-long activities



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Jeff Sine, owner of Towne Fitness is proud to announce, he and his wife Hannah are celebrating their first year in business. As part of their 1st Anniversary Celebrations, Towne Fitness is offering daily giveaways and more. Happy Birthday!

BY ALEX SHER

Hannah and Jeff Sine are the proud owners of Towne Fitness located at 219 First Avenue East and are celebrating their first year in business in the town of Shelburne.

Both certified personal trainers, these former realtors decided to open a fitness centre they could be proud of and set out to provide a modern, clean, up to date facility with all the amenities of a big city club.

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Towne Fitness’ newest program, “I AM 100% Committed To My Health”, will focus on weight loss and

weight management promoting a healthy lifestyle. A new class to be offered, Le Barre is a combination of fitness and ballet using an equalizing bar in place of a ballet bar and of course, Towne Fitness also offers Yoga classes and 22 other free 30 minute classes ranging from TRX, kettle ball and Indoor Bootcamp. Whether you are interested in cardio, free weights, or circuit training, you can find it all at Towne Fitness.

“I wanted to open this business mainly because I enjoyed going to a gym. I wanted to do

something decent and positive for people,” commented owner Jeff Sine. “A lot of people like the free classes and more than a few have had great results in just five months losing 50 pounds. Hannah is very excited about offering the free classes.”

The only way to reap the benefits of Towne Fitness is to give it try.

For more information, go to their website at www.townefitness.ca, or e-mail them at info@townefitness.ca or call 519 925-0004.

Happy Anniversary!

County capital budget viewed as ‘scary’

BY WES KELLER

Today is not likely one that county councillors will be relishing when they meet as a committee of the whole at 5 p.m. and later in their regular monthly meeting, as they will be facing massive new capital demands that, if met, could hike taxes by 9.57% in 2014.

The initial draft budget calls for about \$10-million of capital investment, without factoring in a \$2-million request from Headwaters hospital or the \$4-million share of the health unit’s building project. The \$10-million would require a tax levy of \$6.6-million, after deducting other revenues such as the gas tax.

Worse; in accordance with the provincially imposed Asset Management Plan, which accounts for infrastructure depreciation on an amortized basis, there could be a \$61-million capital need over the next five years.

The treasury department has calculated alternative levies, in each case eliminating some projects from the budget to reduce it by various amounts between \$600,000 and \$2-million. These would require levy

risers of 6.2%, 4.3% or 3.0% respectively rather than the 9.57%. But they would result in an escalating capital funding gap. The needs don’t go away.

Treasurer Alan Selby doesn’t try to conceal the fact that the capital wishes – read that as eventually mandatory – list is scary.

He does point out, however, that it has been known that the county has been falling behind in its capital spending for several years and now things are catching up.

Part of the reason might be the Asset Management Plan mandated by the province. Under that obligatory amortization accounting, the Dufferin County – along with every other municipality in Ontario – has been forced to depreciate infrastructure on a level amortized basis and, for the first time, the need to replace assets is measurable.

“The Plan is making it quite clear what we are facing,” Mr. Selby said in an interview Tuesday. “(But) what needs to be done is beyond the capability (of taxpayers). We need to make progress. We can’t af-

ford to stand still,” he said.

Mr. Selby hastily pointed out that the \$6.6-million and the “scary” need for taxpayer support is not related to capital items already budgeted and undertaken. He also made haste to emphasize that almost all municipalities are facing the same catch-up demands.

Specifically, the Shelburne hospital conversion is not included in the new demands. That expense, he said, would be for a half year in 2014 and then the building would be occupied fully for the 2015 taxation year, with revenue covering most expenses and the property fully paid for in 20 years.

But “the other shoe” would be the request by Headwaters Health Care Centre for a \$2-million contribution over four years. The \$500,000 yearly contribution is not included in what is being presented today, he said.

It might be problematic to consider whether some items should not have been a provin-

cial cost and not burdened on county taxpayers, for example County Road 109 (former Highway 9) will be sucking up about \$1.6-million. County Road 11, bearing a significant volume of Honda (Gibson Transport) traffic will need about \$2.5-million, and CR 18 – a tourist route – is budgeted for \$1.2-million – and those figures are a beginning for one year in the budget.

Mr. Selby says, however, that no one is counting on any changes even though traffic on continuing Highway 89 is considerably lighter than on the downloaded Highway 9, now Dufferin 109.

The one bright spot in the budget might be that the operational side of it is reduced by almost \$100,000, but that doesn’t go far to offset the capital increases.

Whatever the council decides this evening for a 5-year capital plan, it won’t be written permanently in stone. The present council cannot commit future councils beyond 2014.

Help 22 year old Jesse Gillespie fight cancer



BY ALEX SHER

Nestled just ten minutes outside of Shelburne rests the scenic and small community of Rosemont and that is where 22 year old Jesse Gillespie is fighting for his life. With the world focus presently on Obama Care, it’s surprising to think Canada, known for its excellent health care system, is failing Canadians and Gillespie is one Canadian who needs the kind of help that could save his life.

Karli Brown has been Gillespie’s girlfriend for the past two years and like most young couples, just starting out, the news of Jesse’s testicular cancer was more than a surprise.

At just 22, Gillespie was able to fall under his parent’s health coverage for a period of time, but when that ended, a terrible predicament presented itself. The cancer had spread to Gillespie’s lungs and abdomen resulting in the discovery of eight tumors. The young couple found themselves in the most difficult situation in an economy where two incomes can barely save most Canadians, how could one income, Karli Brown’s sustain the cost of further treatment and maintain their lives? Without Gillespie’s own coverage and being so young, how are the young couple supposed to pay for medicine that can cost, according to Brown upwards of three times \$175 every two weeks?

As mentioned before, Shelburne is filled with heroes of many kinds. Brown’s co-worker, fellow hair dresser at Changes Hair Studio in Shelburne, Casey Dolmer witnessed what the couple were going through and set a plan in motion arranging a “Benefit Dance” for Jesse Gillespie to be held on Saturday November 16th beginning at 8 pm at the Shelburne Legion. There will also be games, prizes, a silent auction, and tickets are \$10 each.

Wanting to make a difference, Dolmer hopes to alleviate some of the financial stress for the young couple and bring exposure to the fight against Cancer and make people aware of the costs involved. When asked why she would go through the bother, the cost, the effort, to organize a fundraiser like this Dolmer answered, “I’ve known Karli for five years. I love them a lot and do not want to see them go through this. I’m not good at providing quotes.” Enough said, really. That is what heroes are made of, love.

“Jesse is exhausted from treatments. He can’t work, he can barely think, he is so tired. He is getting treatment at Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto. This is so expensive, parking is \$20 a day not to mention gas, and then there’s the medicine. It’s a lot,” said Brown during a telephone interview where it was easy to hear, she is strong for her boyfriend, but shaken emotionally as well. Love is that way, isn’t it? “If Jesse is feeling up to it, he will attend the fundraising event, we’ll see,” said Brown.

Private donations can be made at the Changes Hair Studio for those who are unable to attend the event to help save a young man’s life and pick up the slack where his country’s health care system is failing him and many Canadians.

Contact Casey Dolmer at 519-306-0054 or call Changes Hair Studio at 519-925-0979 to learn more. Casey Dolmer is doing her part, now it’s Shelburne’s turn to see what we can do!

Michael Tupling Memorial Hockey Tournament

The third annual Michael Tupling Memorial Tournament will be held on November 22nd and 23rd, 2013 at the Honeywood arena. The Michael Tupling Memorial Foundation was established to help encourage youth involvement and leadership in the community. All the proceeds from this tournament will go towards recreation activities and community projects and help provide financial support for youth in the North Dufferin community who may not otherwise have the financial resources to participate. Register your hockey team and come out to join the fun that includes hockey, music, food, and a silent auction.

Through your participation and involvement, we hope the tournament will have another successful year. We look forward to seeing you at this event and appreciate all of your support!!!

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John was born and raised on Toronto Islands, spent many years as a stock broker on Bay Street and enjoyed his time working for the B.C. Lions as football was his passion.

There will be a celebration of John's life at the Shelburne Legion, 203 William St., Shelburne on Saturday, November 30, 2013 from 1-4 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne. If desired, donations to the Shelburne Legion would be appreciated.

THANKS

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 We would like to extend a sincere thank you to family, friends, and neighbours for the generosity extended to us in the recent loss of our dear mother Frances.
 Your gifts of food, flowers, cards and charitable donations were very much appreciated.
 To Rev David Howes, many thanks for your comforting words at this difficult time, a very heartfelt thank you to Betty, Bonnie and Allan, John and Ruth and Tom and Melissa, Mom's dear friend Elizabeth for all your help and support.
 Thank you also to Jack & Thompson Funeral Home for all their help. We will always remember the many acts of kindness extended to us.
 Sue, Phillip, Andrew and families

EVENTS

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A Woodbridge man has been fined \$1,600 and issued a three-year fishing licence suspension for catching an over limit of rainbow trout. Mario Saturnino pleaded guilty to possessing 32 rainbow trout in excess of his legal limit.
 Court heard that on September 5, 2013, a conservation officer stopped Saturnino's vehicle in a popular fishing area near Alliston. The officer inspected the vehicle and located a cooler containing 34 rainbow trout and two brook trout. The limit for rainbow trout caught under a Sport Fishing Licence in the area is two and the limit for brook trout is five. Saturnino also exceeded the provincial maximum aggregate limit for trout and salmon combined, which is five fish.
 Justice of the Peace Anne-Marie Puusaari heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Barrie, on October 21, 2013.

Dipping into the past...

150 YEARS AGO
Thursday, November 12, 1863

• From The Sun, Orangeville:

UNITED STATES ELECTIONS – The State elections so far as reported show a large and increased majority for the Republican or “Union” party over last year. This party goes in for an unconditional support of the Lincoln Administration and the prosecution of the war. In one State only – New Jersey – the Democrats have a majority.

THE LAIRD RAMS – The British Government seems determined that the iron-clads built by Mr. Laird now in the Mersey and supposed to be intended for the Confederates, shall not sail. A guard of marines has been placed on board the El Toussou, and Her Majesty’s ship Liverpool has been removed to a position opposite the Great Float where the rams are being fitted out. Great indignation has been manifested by the mechanics employed in the docks at the action of the Government and much interest is generally felt in the matter.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE – A popular Lecture will be delivered, under the auspices of the Orangeville Division of the Sons of Temperance, on Friday evening next, the 13th

inst. in the Canada Presbyterian Church by Rev. Alexander McFaul. This lecture will be the first of a series of free lectures to be given by this Society during the winter season. The well-known abilities of the Rev. lecturer, and the interest which all well-wishers of the community should feel in the cause of temperance will, we trust, insure a full attendance, and a large addition to the members of this Division.

THE POLISH INSURRECTION – Late advices from Europe state that the Polish insurrection is extending, particularly in the provinces adjacent to the Galician frontier. Encounters between the Russian troops and the insurgents are of frequent occurrence, and although the latter have not been able to secure any material success, still their being able to offer a sturdy resistance to the gigantic power of Russia is no small tribute to the patriotism and valor.

WAR IN NEW ZEALAND – A war has broken out in New Zealand, occasioned by the hostility of the tribes on the northern Island, who, instigated by a malcontent chief, have commenced a war of extermination against the settlers. The attack was begun by the murder of two white men who were cutting timber about 20

miles from Auckland. They were suddenly set upon and after being killed, their bodies were barbarously mutilated. A company of 50 men of the 18th Regiment who were escorting some wagons were also attacked by a large body of natives ... The detachment lost seven killed and ten wounded. The total amount of Her Majesty’s forces on the island is estimated at 5,000 men of all arms – a very small force to defend a scattered line of posts against an enemy of 7,000 men whose tactics are surprise and sudden murder, and not a trial of strength in manly conflict. Reinforcements, it is stated, are expected from India and also the British troops in Australia have been sent to New Zealand. Further aid from England is also expected and both government and people were preparing for war on an extensive scale. It is to be hoped that these measures will be effective, not only to put down the treacherous and cruel natives, but to inflict a castigation sufficiently severe to repress any attempt of a like nature in future.

THE WAR – Gen. Meade’s army has again crossed the Rappahannock. The Confederates made but a slight resistance and fell back on the main body, with the loss of some prisoners. The Federal advance is in the direction of Culpepper Court House, near

which Gen. Lee is supposed to be posted with the main body of his army. If the report is true that Meade has orders from the President to attack Lee at all hazards, a battle may be expected soon, contrary to the general expectation that the Federal army was making a move to a quiet resting place secure from the blasts of the approaching winter.

125 YEARS AGO
Thursday, November 15, 1888

Shelburne’s electric light scheme is getting into shape rapidly, and it is expected that the lights may be running before the Christmas holidays. A petition is now being circulated asking the Council to accept the offer to furnish five or more lights for the streets, and we understand that it is meeting with such favour that there will be no trouble in getting the signatures of a large majority of the ratepayers. Should Council accept the offer, as we hope they may, the company will be organized and work proceeded with at once.

• Full returns from the United States show that the Republicans have been restored to power, and that Harrison is elected President and Morton Vice-President. So far as Canada is concerned, it is but little moment if a Republican or Democrat sits in the White House, as it is likely to receive

the same consideration from the one as from the other.

• The Swiss Bell Ringers and Concert Company will give an entertainment in the Shelburne Town Hall on Tuesday evening, November 20. Smith’s Swiss Bell Ringers consist of 12 first-class artists, and is the oldest bell party travelling. Commodore Foote and his sister, who are the smallest people in the world, are connected with this troupe and will be present.

• At a meeting of Shelburne ratepayers Tuesday, it was moved by C. Mason, seconded by R. A. Riky, “that this meeting, seeing the advisability and necessity for at once establishing a foundry in Shelburne, by a joint stock company, instruct J. F. Miller, the secretary pro tem, to prepare a legal form stock book and obtain the signatures of as many subscribers as possible, and produce the same at a meeting to be held here on Wednesday evening, 21 inst, when subscribers and those intending to subscribe will meet for the purpose of appointing provisional directors for the company and to prepare a petition to the government for incorporation of the company by letters patent.” The motion was carried.

• The trustees of Dundalk Public School had over 100 applications in answer to their advertisement for teachers, with salaries ranging from

\$360 to \$600. After six hours’ deliberation Mr. S. Neilly, of Lakefield was chosen for the position of headmaster, and Miss Sutherland, of Linton, appointed to the third division.

• George Shepherdson and Mrs. Breeze, of Eramosa Township, were tried last week at Guelph on the charge of murdering the illegitimate child of the latter, by drowning it near the house of its reputed father in Garafraxa. The child was drowned in the river and then buried in a piece of bush near the village of Belwood. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty on the plea of insanity, but recommended that both prisoners be confined in the lunatic asylum.


100 YEARS AGO
Thursday, November 13, 1913

At a Shelburne Council meeting held Wednesday night of last week, a deputation of Main Street ratepayers appeared to discuss the opening of a drain on Owen Sound Street for a new post office septic tank overflow emptying into the drain. Rev. J. A. McKenzie, architect, and Mr. Green, contractor, assured the ratepayers that the only water to run into the drain was surface water and the Council decided to take no action.

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SCOTT WOODS CHRISTMAS SHOW HUGE SUCCESS - The Scott Woods Christmas Show performed to a sold out, standing room only audience at Grace Tipling Theatre on November 10th. For those of you who would like to get a sample, go to the Shelburne Free Press Facebook page and watch amateur video taken featuring the youngest member of the show, Amanda MacInnes, singing White Christmas. This talented group of musicians are a prime example of just why the fiddle is such an enduring and endearing instrument. Peaceful, smooth, uplifting and sometimes haunting with emotion, the Scott Woods Christmas Show fiddling level of professionalism is really a treat for all ages whatever your musical preference is and it's a treat not to be missed! Go to www.scottwoods.ca for upcoming performance dates.



NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

Crossroads Community Church



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Crossroads held a special service in Honor of our fallen Soldiers and those who still valiantly fight for our Freedom, Dillon is here thanking Mr. Alan Lamb for his service in the Korean War.

On this weekend to remember, anticipation drew us in. Pastor Don welcomed us smiling and prayed. After sharing announcements we prayed for safety on the roads as the sleek season is upon us, also for young teens suffering depression that loving people would surround them with love and understanding. Bob, Barb, Shayna and Brian lead beautiful choruses and scriptures were read; 1John 3:16, John 15:12-15, Psalm 143:8, 1John 4:14, and Ecclesiastes 3:11. Many tributes were shared from an original poem shared by a mother and son called "Crown of Poppies" to a school teacher reciting "In Flanders Fields", a woman sharing the pain and joys of war brides culminating with our guest of honor Mr. Alan Lamb of the 38th Regiment Convoy sharing stories of the Korean war with humility and a flare of humour.

Prayers of gratitude and protection for our troops are important not only on Remembrance Day but every day of service away remembering also the families who sacrifice their loved ones for our freedom. Chaplain Major Neil Parker from Meaford sent us a video tribute to our past and present Canadian Armed Forces. We thank God for their sacrifices and heroism to preserve freedom and peace.

After all this excitement Pastor Don came to present a message about a different kind of war. If we are followers of Jesus, we are all fighting an invisible war, it is constant, the battle between good and evil, life and death, freedom or slavery, God against the devil. Like any battle it requires training and preparation. You wouldn't send a soldier you love into battle without the proper training and armor. The same can be applied to the

spiritual war taking place in the lives of anyone professing Jesus as Lord. As a Christian we inevitably became enemies with the devil. So for such a fight the Bible says this; "A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil..." Ephesians 6:10-18.

After reading this passage you will notice there are 6 vital parts to the armor, a belt of truth which brings us to repent and receive Jesus as Savior, the breast plate of righteousness to protect our hearts, the shoes of peace to share the good news, the shield of Faith to protect us from despair and look beyond our problems, the helmet of salvation to strengthen our minds and protect against doubt and the sword of the Spirit which is God's word able to decipher

every scheme of the devil. The Soldier listens to his commanding officer, for believers it is God himself we listen to and follow, if a soldier fails to follow the commands he hears he puts himself and others in harm's way. Abraham is a great example of hearing and listening, he heard God say pack up and go and he did, had he not done so many people would have never been blessed. (Genesis 12:20). So as a follower of Jesus we put on the armor and strength he provides, we fight from His victory, not for victory and as any good soldier we stand firm on a rock to withstand the evil attacks of our enemy, if we sit and do nothing we are vulnerable and weak. Jesus said to Peter "all the powers of hell will not conquer it," Matthew 16:18. To be able to carry the full armor we need the one thing that holds it all together, the Belt of truth, every other component of the armor hangs from it.

So the foundation of our spiritual armor hangs on the first step to becoming a Christian; the truth that we are sinners needing to repent and to receive Jesus, if we don't acknowledge Him as our savior, as our "commanding officer" we will not stand a chance in the face of the enemy. Beloved once we place our trust in Him he will train us daily to face every trial and battle in order to obtain the goal of our faith which is eternal life.

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." John 14:6. Without Jesus to show us the way we will be lost and will fall prey to the enemy, so let us persevere in prayer, let us keep our communication open to hear the Lord's voice, it could mean saving a life today...

Have a wonderful week in Jesus Name, Asherey Shalom!

An interlude of peace



REVEREND STEPHANIE PELLOW

On Remembrance Day, as we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice of their lives, we also honour those who sacrificed their peace of mind and lived on as best they could to the benefit of our nation as well. My father, a gunner and dispatch rider in the Canadian army was one of those.

Here is one of Dad's many stories. I only remember a few now. Time has had a way of preserving the ones with the most important messages.

Early in the summer of 1943, a platoon of Canadian soldiers had been marching through the countryside of southern Italy. They came to the banks of a broad lake. Putting down their packs they gazed out over the clear and shining waters. A river flowed into the lake at one end and out again at the other. The hills around were baking in the hot sun. The soldiers were hot and tired and dusty. The water looked clear and cool and inviting but they had been told the enemy was on the other side of the lake so they kept hidden.

They waited and watched for several days. Each morning the sun rose in the East with such brilliance that it turned the lake to gold. When the Canadian soldiers looked towards the rising sun they were blinded. Each evening when the sun set brilliantly in the west, the lake was once again turned to gold but only if you were looking at it from the enemy's side.

One evening, a Canadian soldier, fed up with being hot and dusty, desperately wanted to swim in the lake. He waited until he knew the sunset had turned the lake to gold and then ran boldly out of cover and into the lake. That first dip was short. What if he was seen by the enemy? What if they began to fire? But they didn't. When the enemy soldiers looked west into the sunset, they were completely blinded. The next evening the soldier took a quick swim in the lake. After a couple of days he was joined by his comrades. They began to look forward to the fun every evening. It was pretty boring to stay there day after day waiting for orders to come from the higher ranks.

Meanwhile, on the opposite side of the lake, the enemy soldiers had noticed how brilliantly the sun set over the lake each evening. They supposed that the sunrise must be equally as bright from the other shore. Eventually one or two enemy soldiers decided to risk it and take a bath in the lake in the morning. Pretty soon they were all turning out bright and early so they could get in a quick swim before the sun rose too high, for then they could be seen from the other shore.

Things went on that way for about a week or so - the Canadians enjoying their evening swim and the enemy soldiers starting their day with a refreshing bath in the golden sunrise.

Then one morning some Canadian soldiers on guard duty thought they heard shouts and splashes in the distance on the other side of the lake.

"By Jove," said one, "Darned if they aren't having a swim over there!"

"Son-of-a-gun," added another.

Those probably weren't their exact words but you get

the idea. One soldier got really excited.

"Get the guns!" he called. "Boy can we surprise them! We'll blast them outta' the water."

"Hold on!" "Wait a minute!" The others stopped him.

"Don't you see? All they want is a little fun and a chance to clean up in this dust and heat. I bet they sit around over there just like we do, wishing they were home with their wives or moms and dads. It can't be any better for them than it is for us."

Another soldier chimed in, "Yah. They haven't bothered

us all this time, have they?"

Say....you don't suppose they've figured out we swim in the lake at sunset, do you?" Now, that was a sobering thought!

No shots were ever fired there, but the evening swims and the morning baths came to an end. Each side discovered how much alike they really were. But, somehow, knowing that didn't help. They couldn't trust that the other side would not fire first.

So you see, understanding goes a long way towards bringing enemies together but only trust can make peace.

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Winners

The winners of the October 25th Euchre Night were as follows:

- Blue cards - 1st Ron Clarke, with 75 points; 2nd Marg Ferguson, with 72 points; 3rd Al Rideout & Arnold Townsend, tied with 70 points.
 - Pink Cards - 1st Lois Allen with 81 points; 2nd Bernice Cunningham with 73 points; 3rd Nina Townsend with 70 points.
- Our next Euchre night is on November 29th starting at 7 p.m. in the New Horizons Room.. Everyone is welcome.