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**AFTER THE STORM** – This farmers' field shows the significant rainfall that hit parts of Southern Ontario, including Mulmur, Monday. The storm damaged several area buildings and even the ground had a hard time absorbing the significant rainfall.

## Mulmur sustains storm damages

BY WES KELLER

While most of us were glancing to see whether or not tornadoes were about to strike last week, the folks in Mulmur were experiencing the effects of what meteorologists are describing as a "microburst."

It wasn't a tornado that struck the north of Dufferin, but Mayor Paul Mills described it Monday as having been something closely akin, and as having wreaked similar damage.

"It tore a roof clear off one barn, and even damaged the roof of Honeywood United Church," he said.

"It took a wide swath out of

a cornfield. It looked like the corn had been planted (back and forth through the field, missing wide sections) or that a different kind of corn had been planted (in swaths)."

Dufferin County Emergency Measures Co-ordinator Steve Murphy said there had been extensive agricultural damage. An estimate wasn't available.

There were no reports of injury to persons or livestock.

For persons affected by the storm, it doesn't much matter whether it's being called a microburst or a tornado. What, exactly is a microburst?

Wikipedia describes it thus: "A microburst is a very local-

ized column of sinking air, producing damaging divergent and straight-line winds at the surface that are similar to, but distinguishable from, tornadoes, which generally have convergent damage.

"There are two types of microbursts: wet microbursts and dry microbursts. They go through three stages in their life cycle: the downburst, outburst, and cushion stages.

The scale and suddenness of a microburst makes it a great danger to aircraft due to the low-level wind shear caused by its gust front, with several fatal crashes having been attributed to the phenomenon

over the past several decades.

"A microburst often has high winds that can knock over fully grown trees.

They usually last for a duration of a couple of seconds to several minutes," Wikipedia says.

I continues to says that the term is defined "as affecting an area 4 km (2.5 mi) in diameter or less, distinguishing them as a type of downburst and apart from common wind shear which can encompass greater areas."

Microbursts are recognized as capable of generating wind speeds higher than 75 m/s (168 mph; 270 km/h).



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## KTH Shelburne Mfg. Inc. celebrates 15th Anniversary by giving back

BY ALEX SHER

One of the largest employers in Dufferin County, KTH Shelburne celebrated its 15th Anniversary on Saturday July 20th and they celebrated by giving back to their community, honoring their associates, and remembering those who are no longer with them.

For those of us who may be unfamiliar with the company, Assistant Vice President, Tom Cunningham provides an overview. "We make chassis for Honda Canada Manufacturers, Honda Civic and CRV Models," said Cunningham. "This is a great company. We've evolved a lot with the introduction of new models to the North American market place. We have grown substantially. We always try to promote a family type of atmosphere. A number of associates have been with us a very long time and we appreciate that."

In appreciation of its 430 highly valued associates it's not surprising KTH made the decision to donate to a hospital all could benefit from, thus supporting their community further, ensuring a bright future. Headwaters Health Care Foundation's Commitment to Care Campaign was the proud recipient of a \$15,000 donation.

The celebration included face painting, a petting zoo, snow cones, kids jumping balloon, and guided tours of the company which were then open to the public. Amongst all the festivities, the new flag raising, the excitement and general air of pride and well deserved accomplishment, KTH stands apart from most companies as it also unveiled the beautiful Memorial Garden dedicated as a tribute to employees who have passed away but will never be forgotten. This company stands in a league of its own and sets a standard for community appreciation and excellence.



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

KTH's AVP/Administrator Tom Cunningham, Vice President, Ikeda Nobuo, AVP/Production/ Plant Manager, and President Arthur Anzai present \$15,000 to Commitment to Care Campaign Chair Bob Burnside, Campaign Manager Catherine Matzig and Hospital Board Member Bill Roy.

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**FEATURED ITEMS**

# Familiar faces at ERT pre-hearing

BY WES KELLER

The Environmental Review Tribunal (ERT) will consider only whether the Dufferin Wind Power project and its transmission line pose serious risks to human, animal and plant health or would cause irreversible damage to the environment, among similar considerations, the preliminary hearing was told Monday.

The actual hearing is set for Aug. 20 in Grace Tipling Hall, Shelburne. There'll be a few familiar faces participating

along with several lawyers of note who'll be acting for some parties to the hearing.

Toronto lawyer Eric Gillespie is representing Dennis Sanford of Melancthon in opposition to the project. Mr. Gillespie gained turbine recognition in Chatham-Kent proceedings a couple of years ago, and is currently waging a multi-million battle over turbine leases near Stayner, among other actions.

Mr. Sanford has opposed turbines from the beginning of

the Melancthon developments in 2006-07, and might be remembered for having repeated his 15-minute on them for the Amaranth Citizens Coalition in opposition to Phase 2 of that wind farm.

Joan Lever, also an opponent of turbines since the development of Melancthon Phase 1, is representing herself as a participant. In a somewhat lengthy and impassioned presentation Monday, she made 17 points and outlined nine questions she said remained unanswered.

Not all of her points fall within the purview of the ERT. Lawyer Frederika Rotter, representing the ministry of environment, had no objection to Ms. Lever's participation provided that she would be limited to the issues with which the ERT is mandated to deal.

Mayor Don MacIver is to appear for Amaranth. By motion, he said, his township council wants the rail-corridor transmission line to be underground the entire distance across the township. He said the township "has had experience with overhead wires" and has insisted that power lines be buried.

His stance is that there is no need to have a 230kv line from the wind farm to the Orangeville substation when a twin 69kv one would suffice. DWP is expected to counter that the 100MW transformer is to be built within the wind farm and not at the substation, thus the requirement.

(DWP began as Farm Owned Wind Power, a partnership be-

tween a group of farm owners and 401 Energy of Markham. The wind farm would be on property owned by members of the group. The transformer within the farm is intended to avoid any noise problems such as have occurred at CHD/TransAlta's substation in Amaranth, according to earlier reports.)

A Niagara Escarpment Commission manager appeared Monday to lodge an objection to the proximity of the wind farm to the escarpment. In part, the NEC's opposition is to visual impact.

Amongst the heavy hitters, DWP is represented by Tory's LLP, and Conserve Our Rural Environment (CORE) by Davis LLP.

Davis lawyer Laura Bisset made representations for Dr. Crysdale of Mulmur whose property adjoins that of the most northerly farm within the DWP area at issue. She didn't outline the doctor's credentials but said his concerns are for human health.

Ms. Rotter objected to Dr. Crysdale's participation on the basis, among other things, that he had previously withdrawn his appeal of the ministry's issuance of a Renewable Energy Approval.

ERT chairman Paul Muldoon will outline his decisions on participation on Tuesday. From there, he is expected to enforce strict deadlines.

Mr. Muldoon told Monday's pre-hearing that tribunal's final decision on the REA would be "six months to the day" from the start of this proceeding.

These babies, born at Headwaters Health Care Centre in Orangeville, share their birthday with the Royal Baby, His Royal Highness Prince George of Cambridge (George Alexander Louis) born to Prince William and his wife Duchess of Cambridge, Kate Middleton on Monday, July 22 at 4:24 p.m., weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Prince George may be third in line for the thrown, but we think our local princes are just as cute! Congratulations!



PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Janice & Kyle White of Beeton welcomed their baby boy, Maximilian Thomas White, on July 22, 2013 at 9:55 p.m., weighing 7lbs 3oz. Maximilian is the first child for the family. He is named after his grandfather.



Paty & Brian Hayes of Caledon welcomed their baby boy, Brandon Rene Hayes, on July 22, 2013 at 5:11 p.m., weighing 7lbs 6oz. Brandon has a big brother Nolan, and his middle name is for his grandfather. Pictured: Hayes Family (mom, dad, Nolan, grandmother Maria de Lourdes Negrete and uncle Antonio Castaneda).



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3 WEEKS UNTIL THE SHELBURNE FIDDLE CONTEST! - The 63rd Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship takes place August 7 - 11, 2013 in Shelburne, Ontario. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Shelburne, the event features Canada's top fiddlers in competition for thousands of dollars in prizes! Community events in conjunction with the Championship include camping, a giant fiddle parade, an open air market, Cape Ceol fiddle and stepdance show, fiddle jam sessions, concert by Everything Fitz with special guests Nate Douglas and Emily Flack, Black Family entertainment, beer garden, Battle of the Bands, non-denominational church service, 24 hour meals and entertainment at the Legion, and community pork BBQ. Local bands, That 60s Show, and Glory Days - Bruce Springsteen tribute will perform at the Entertainment Gardens. Proceeds to support charitable work of Rotary and other community groups. More info at 519-925-8620 or www.ShelburneFiddleContest.com

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**FUN AT THE SHELBURNE LIBRARY** – Eric Nagler delights the parents and youngsters with an impromptu singalong session during our TD Summer Reading program.



Emily at the Keyboard and Lindsay with her fiddle lead the youngsters in some rollicking boating songs during our TD Summer Reading activity.



CEO, Rose Dotten admires the boat created by one of the youngsters in our TD Summer Reading craft program.



## Shelburne Library news

BY ROSE DOTTEN

Our programs are really gaining in popularity... Cross Canada "train Rides" with the Tipling Stage Company on Saturday provided an educational, fun and interactive activity for our young explorers.

**TD Summer Reading:** On Monday, it was a cooking fest with Chef Heather Hayes-McIntosh and all the young chefs creating strawberry shortcakes from scratch and then enjoying them with delicious berries and whipped cream. Not only was it fun to eat the treat but it involved all sorts of lessons on baking, making healthy snacks and generally how to work carefully and efficiently in the kitchen. You can't beat that when you top it off with whipped cream and berries! Surprising how literacy activities can be embedded in a simple cooking class. At the next cooking activity on August 12, we'll be making healthy Granola bars. There are a limited number of spaces for the cooking session so please sign up.

This week we had a movie day, with Finding Nemo and lots of popcorn and fun, followed by a sing song and craft session tomorrow (Wednesday, July 24) at 10:30 a.m.

Speaking of sing songs, last week's boat craft, and sing song combination was a really fantastic session. The children were so proud of the boats they made and decorated. Later, Emily playing the keyboard, Lindsay playing the fiddle and Mrs. Jeanne directing all the songs led the group of children and parents in some rousing boat themed songs. We were delighted to have Eric Nagler finish off the morning with an impromptu song accompanying himself on the fiddle and everyone joining in.

### Teens at Random:

This week at the Pizza & Pages Book Club, the teens will be voting on the first book they'll be reading as a group! This is very exciting, since the teens themselves have asked to do this. After being presented with 4 options, the book with the most votes will be discussed at the August meeting.

Next Thursday's activity will be a Yoga night with Julia Petrisor switching from Mondays so we can host a larger group. Do come out and check out this activity.

**Adult & Senior Programs:** Rose's Book Club will be meeting at 2 p.m. this Thursday. Please bring some of the books you have been reading to share with the group. You will be delighted with the number of new books that we have for your next read!

Although we are not wishing the summer away, we are starting to plan for our Sunday Library Literary Events. We have several authors confirmed and are looking to plan for several more. Those of you who have attended in the past will remember Barry Gough, Allan Wargon, Terry Fallis and Marian Press and the great social time we had after their presentations discussing their works. I think you will be equally excited by the line-up for the fall.

Just check our web site for updates on all our events. Now for this week's new books.

### Fiction:

The Heist by Janet Evanovich and Lee Goldberg  
Instructions for a Heatwave by Maggie O'Farrell  
The Other Typist by Suzanne Rindell  
Accidents Happen by Louise Millar  
The Illusion of Separateness by Simon Van Booy  
Sweet Salt Air by Barbara Delinsky  
The Last Summer of the Camperdowns by Elizabeth Kelly  
Close Knit Killer by Maggie Sefton  
The Mystery Woman by Amanda Quick

### Non Fiction:

The Attacking Ocean by Brian Fagan  
After Auschwitz by Eva Schloss  
Magic health remedies by Joey Green  
Answering the call (the remarkable story of Albert Schweitzer – large print) by Ken Gire  
Teaching to diversity by Jennifer Katz  
Help you kids with English by Stewart Savard  
Saving the CBC by Wade Rowland  
Jack Layton: art in action, edited by Penn Kemp  
The lost whale by Michael Parfit  
Manitowapow: Aboriginal writings from the land of water

## Five days of Fiddlin' around

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Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship

The Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship starts with the playdowns on Friday August 9 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex (Shelburne Arena). Classes that will compete in the afternoon include the young (9 and under, 12 and under) and the young at

heart (56 and over). The evening features the remaining classes.

The Black Family Returns for Saturday Night Entertainment

The contest finals happen on Saturday, August 10 at 6 p.m. with the best fiddlers competing for over \$17,000 in prizes. The evening will also feature entertainment by the Black Family, as well as the judges' showcase. The judges for this year's competition are renowned fiddlers Ian Hamilton, Brian Hebert, and Doug McNaughton.

The Black Family consists of ten children ranging in age from 21 down to 5. They have made music a large part of their family life. They started with piano as young children, and were inspired to get a fiddle when they saw Leahy in concert for the first time. Now, aside from two pianos and ten fiddles, their Markdale, Ontario home also has guitars, a mandolin, an accordion, a banjo, step dance shoes, and an assortment of other instruments. Their music has taken them to many small towns in Ontario. Their music, ranging from old-time fiddle tunes to vocal favorites from years past, has added many happy times, memories and laughter to their family life. They are

sure to get your toes tapping and your hands clapping!

Everything Fitz Steps Up With Special Guests Nate Douglas and Emily Flack

On Thursday, August 8 at 7:30 p.m., the Rotary Club of Shelburne is pleased to welcome Everything Fitz – a six piece family band featuring four of Canada's finest young musicians. With roots in the Canadian old-time fiddle tradition and Ottawa Valley step dancing, their high energy stage show combines a variety of musical styles – everything from traditional jigs and reels, bluegrass, swing, Celtic, and gospel to novelty numbers and choreographed dance routines.

The group features Julie Fitzgerald, the 2009 Canadian Grandmasters Fiddle Champion and 2010 Canadian Grandmasters and Canadian Open winner, as well as her brother Tom, who won both the 2012 Canadian Open Fiddle Championship as well as the Canadian Grandmasters. The family group will be joined by special guests Emily Flack and Nate Douglas. Emily, a multi-talented performer has been a guest artist with Leahy and Natalie MacMaster and will provide vocal numbers as well as piano and step dancing. Nate is a graduate of the music programs at Western Univer-

sity and Humber College. He is a much sought-after guitar player and recently toured with Natalie MacMaster.

These spirited young performers are noted for their polished performances and will provide captivating entertainment for a diverse audience.

Ticket Prices and Information

Note new start times for the Saturday afternoon and Saturday evening show.

Event Package  
(Thurs. eve., Fri. all day, Sat. aft. and eve.) adults: \$45, children: \$22 (12 Years and Under)

Everything Fitz: Thurs. Aug. 8, 7:30 p.m., adults: \$20, children: \$10 (12 years and under)

Competition Playdowns  
Fri. Aug. 9, 1 & 7 p.m. adults: \$10, children: \$3 (12 years and under)

Fiddle/Stepdance Show  
Sat. Aug. 10, 3:15 p.m. adults: \$7 children: \$2 (12 years and under)

Fiddle Championship: Sat. Aug. 10, 6 p.m. adults: \$20, children: \$10 (12 years and under)

Tickets: By phone at 519-925-8620 or in person at Holmes Appliances, 135 Main Street West, Shelburne, 519-925-3037. www.Shelburne-FiddleContest.com

## Centre Dufferin New Horizons Club For Seniors

The club meets at the New Horizons Lounge, 167 Centre St. Shelburne, the last Friday of the month at 7 p.m. for a social get together of Euchre and Crokinole, refreshments will be served after the games. Everyone is welcome.

Our weekly activities include: Bridge – Monday & Thursday at 1 p.m.; Art – Friday at 9:30 a.m.; Bid Euchre – Tuesday at 7 p.m.; Shuffleboard – Tuesday & Thursday. New members are welcome at these activities.

There is an upcoming trip to see the Toronto Blue Jays at the Bay Rays on September 28th at the Rogers

Centre. There are still some seats available on the bus. Call Bernice Cunningham for more information at 519-925-5700.

Congratulations to all participants who represented our club at District 27 Senior Games.

Five members are eligible to compete at the South West Regional 55 Plus Games in the London Area in August. Good luck to all!

The Horizons Club will be donating two digital cameras and an overhead projector to

The Dufferin Oaks for use in the residence.

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## The countdown to the Shelburne Fiddle Contest is on!

### THE SHELBURNE SPEAKER



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Music lovers and square dancers are chomping at the bit as they await the 63rd Annual Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championships, otherwise known as the Shelburne Fiddle Contest – set to take place in Shelburne Aug. 7 – 11, 2013.

This year you can expect the same heart pounding and jaw dropping performances that you've come to expect from an event of this magnitude, which draws audiences and participants from all over North America, without ever leaving your lawnchair.

Over the coming weeks, look to the Shelburne Free Press for in-depth coverage of the event that has put Shelburne, or 'Fiddleville' on the map.

In this edition, turn to PAGE 11 for a look back at the history of the Shelburne Fiddle Contest, which started in 1951.

In the weeks to come, we are working on a cross-section of articles to give our readers, and the tourists that will no doubt soon flooding the area, a deeper understanding of what it takes to pull off this world class event. Our reporters, in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Shelburne, The Town of Shelburne, the Dufferin County Museum & Archives and event organizers, have already begun to gather information that we hope you, our dedicated readers, will find enlightening and deepen your appreciation for this event in all aspects.

We are covering: the judges – who are they, and what are they looking for?, the winners – who has won multiple times and what gives them an advantage?, the organizers – what does it take to pull this event off, the sponsors – how do they keep this event going and what do they do with the proceeds?, the Town – what is its involvement and how does the Shelburne Fiddle Contest coincide with the Master Plan?, the history – how did the event begin, and what makes it popular until present day?... and much, much more.

In our next edition, due to hit shelves August 1st, you will find many of these articles, plus the local news coverage you've come to expect from the Free Press.

In the August 8th edition, our keepsake 'All things Fiddle' edition, look for additional in-depth articles covering everything from the fiddle itself – how is it made, played and stored – to how Shelburne maintains its Fiddleville image throughout the year. The centre pull out section of the paper will also contain a colour coded map and full events listing. Extra copies of this edition have been ordered to ensure everyone gets their very own copy. Find your paper in our newsstands, at the entrance to Fiddle Park and at the arena. This commemorative edition of the Free Press will also be a great place for autographs from your favorite fiddlers.  
 Happy fiddling Shelburne!

## Shelburne area Veterans still perplexed by loss of hospital



PHOTOS BY ALEX SHER

Be not mistaken, this Motley crew of Veterans and volunteers even casually dressed are still on duty, keeping an eye on important matters and Shelburne is fortunate as heroes walk among us. 'Lest We Forget.' A rare occasion when Veterans and volunteers are photographed in their civilian attire. Pictured front row, from left: Don Kole, Norma Wallace, Ken Wallace, Pauline Bayton, Ken Bayton. Pictured back row, from left: Reverend Gord Horsley, Lilly Norris, John Flannery, Ed Allain, Linda Bowman, Ken Mesuire, Merv Parker, Jack Mason, Ross Warman, Pauline Mikol, Dave Barr, Bill and Pat Bulnes, Bill Hanna.

### BY ALEX SHER

By definition, a motley crew is defined as a group of people of various backgrounds, appearances, and character. Usually seen in uniform at public venues, these dedicated Veterans and volunteers arrived in the sweltering heat right on time at the Legion 220 Branch for their regular Wednesday meeting on July 17th at 10 a.m.

Take a moment to imagine these fine people who risked their lives when they were younger to ensure a peaceful way of life and look at them today: minds sharp as tacks, vital, and still as dedicated to the "Big Picture" working as hard as ever to enhance and support their community. The level of commitment to the greater good is astounding and recognizably reveals strength of mind and character few can boast.

Most of us can only hope to be as relevant well into our 90's.

These heroes amongst us could have just as easily "retired" in the way of regular civilians and never had a further thought of politics, taxes, new buildings coming, old

buildings being demolished, fund raisers for those in need, but not these amazing people. These people remember fighting when the world was in upheaval, watching friends lose their lives, and not one among them is made with the kind of stuff that would allow them to walk away from what is right and just.

Most recently publicized, and further discussed at the meeting, Retired MP Capt., Merv Parker mentioned, "The Veterans of Shelburne area, of which I am one, are still perplexed and disappointed with the loss of the Shelburne hospital, which we attempted to save but now face the prospect of not only the loss of that facility to an affordable living facility, but expansion of the Mel Lloyd Medical Clinic to accommodate the sudden arrival of doctors, the cost of both to be passed on to the residents of Shelburne and Dufferin County through their taxes for years to come. This, is spite of the fact that the Shelburne Hospital was built and paid for by donations from local residents including many veterans and their families, past and present. 'Lest We

Forget.'

Another matter which weighs heavily on the hearts and minds of the Veterans', concerns donated hospital beds and other items that had been donated to the Shelburne Hospitals by local families as name sakes to the dearly departed. With the items now removed and gone forever, so are the name sakes and intentions of remembrance. This lack of consideration is a blatant outrage, a reflection of modern life and avoidable general disregard for those whose very lives ensured our future as a country.

"Ross Warman, Service Officer for Branch 220 added, "While all veterans are welcome, anyone can come to our meetings. We'd love to see everyone, shoot the breeze, have a few cookies."

Even when this Motley crew of Veterans and volunteers are not on duty, they are still on duty, dedicated to their community. Heroes walk among us in Shelburne!

For more information regarding the Veteran Meetings at the Legion Branch 220 call 519-925-3800.



Mary Warman of the Ladies Auxiliary was hosting the meeting with an elaborate array of tasty treats and coffee providing sustenance during discussions.

## Shelburne Legion news – golf tourney set for Sept. 22nd

A special general meeting will be held on August 6th at 7 p.m. The topic is regarding the repaving of the First Street Parking Lot. This meeting will be in casual dress.

Thank you to The Bentley's and to Shari Pell for such a wonderful day on the boat cruise.

This Friday July 26th is another wing night, with entertainment by High and Low. Wing Nights are now being held in our back Warrior's Hall.

Just a reminder on those hot days, our Legion is a cooling station. Everyone is welcome. September 22nd will be

our annual golf tournament at Dunadel, sign up as a single, double or foursome. 9 Hole, shot gun start at Noon, dinner to follow back at the branch for 5 p.m. We will provide the steak and potato and if the ladies playing could bring a side dish that would be most appreciated.

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While growing their retail business, Greg & Heather juggled their family life, and raised two daughters, continually volunteering, and helping many clubs, organizations and churches when needed. With Community involvement, and support in events, Greg & Heather feel they help to make Shelburne and the surrounding communities stronger. Supporting our own local businesses, families, and organizations is how Shelburne continues to grow and be the best! This weekend, July 26-28, Greg & Heather have organized and funded "Pickin in the Park". On Friday and Saturday evening, open mic sessions will feature entertainers from all over Ontario. Saturday morning is the Trailer Trash Yard Sale. If anyone would like to join with their "trunk sale treasures", you're welcome. With regular admission you can be part of this exciting event! Dan Clark, a local guitar builder, will be showcasing his hand-made guitars at 1pm. He will also be available to an-

swer any questions you may have. Saturday afternoon will highlight Shelburne's local talent - a conglomeration of three local country bands entertaining from 2pm - 3:15 pm. On stage at 3:30 will be the Sentimental Swing Band, playing the oldies! All are welcome on Sunday morning, 10am, for gospel favourites featuring the Aldcorn family and friends. All musical events will be held under "The Lion's Club" tents. A large dance floor will be there, so don't forget your dancing shoes! And bring your own lawn chair! Food will be available at the Kinettes concession booth all weekend. Daily admission is \$10. Per person. Camping is available \$25. Per person for the weekend.

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# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## Junior C Vets need a win to stay alive

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Shelburne Caravaggio IFA Junior C Vets need to win their home game this week to stay alive in their series against the Hamilton Bengals.

Hamilton is currently leading the series 2-1 after winning 5-3 over Shelburne in game three on Sunday (July 21) night in Hamilton.

The series got underway on Tuesday, July 16, with game one in Hamilton and a loss for the Vets that let the Shelburne squad know that this was going to be a tough one.

The Bengals dominated that game shutting out the Vets in the second period and allowing only one goal from Brett

Snell in the third period.

The return to Shelburne for game two on Friday, July 19, saw the Vets dig deep and pull out a 7-6 win in overtime when Charlie McCannell scored the only OT goal on an unassisted effort at 5:51 into the extra period.

First period Vets goals came from Quinn Fraser on a powerplay, and Darren Mick on a short handed effort.

Shelburne's Connor Early scored another short handed goal in the second period followed by a second Vets goal from Doug Derbyshire with :51 seconds left in the period.

After coming within reach of a tie in the third period on a

goal from Brett Snell, the Vets benched pulled the goal and went with the extra attacker.

The strategy worked when Quinn Fraser scored his second of the match to tie the game at six with :27 seconds left on the clock.

The win made it an even series and the teams returned to Hamilton for game three on Sunday night.

In what turned out to be a low scoring game, the Vets opened the scoring early in the first period on a goal from Charlie McCannell.

The Bengals tied it up and went ahead by one but the Shelburne response turned in two more goals by the time the

buzzer sounded to end the first frame with the Vets leading 3-1.

With no Vets goals in the second period and a pair from Hamilton, the pressure was on the Shelburne squad going into the final twenty minutes, but the clock ran out before they could get in the game.

The teams will return to the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Wednesday, July 24, for game four of the series.

The Vets will have to win this game to stay alive - a loss means they are done for the season.

Results of Wednesday's game were not available at press time.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Shelburne Junior C Vets battle against the Hamilton Bengals during game two of their playoff series at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne. The Bengals are leading the series 2-1 after winning game three in Hamilton on Sunday, July 21.

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## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Name: ROB KINSLEY  
Sport: BASEBALL  
Team: MANSFIELD CUBS  
Position: CATCHER

The stats speak for themselves.

After 16 games with the Mansfield Cubs this season, Rob Kinsley has posted a .462 batting average.

That includes six home runs - five of them knocked out of the field in the first four games of the season.

Kinsley has been associated with the Cubs for seven years after playing Bantam and Midget division ball then moving up to the senior leagues.

After playing baseball for a couple of seasons he moved to slo-pitch for a few seasons

before the lure of the 90 mph fastball brought him back to the Mansfield diamond.

In his position as catcher for the team, he said he likes being able to "control the game" from his position behind the plate.

The Shelburne resident has been one of the most consistent and solid player on the Cubs roster this season.

When asked why he likes playing this particular sport, his answer was pretty typical when it comes to ball players.

"For the love of the game," he said, "I just love the sport."

## SMHA Fall Craft Show

The Stevenson Memorial Hospital Auxiliary 'Christmas in October Bazaar' evolves to the new 'Auxiliary Fall Craft Show' and debuts Saturday October 19. It will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion hall in Alliston. They will be renting tables to a variety of vendors including those who have participated in 'Autumn Leaves' in the past. Anyone interested in renting tables may contact the auxiliary office for details.

The auxiliary will serve lunch as well as selling preserves and baking. They will also have a table with fine knitted, crocheted and sewn items. There will be tables of fine china and local vegetables but they will no longer accept items for attic treasures or used books. We appreciate the support of people donating these items to us in the past for the bazaar but please consider the Restore or the other Thrift stores in or near Alliston for such items. All funds raised will be put towards purchasing a new operating table for the OR. For more information, please contact the Auxiliary office at 705 435-6281 Ext 1281 or email auxiliary@smhosp.on.ca

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The soccer pitch at Hyland Park in Shelburne saw some fast and furious action this past week. The Shelburne Minor Soccer U14 division had four teams playing on Wednesday evening.

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# Cubs on the short end in Bolton

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

A two run lead going into the final frame of Wednesday night's game in Bolton evaporated for the Mansfield Cubs when the Bolton Dodgers drove in three runs on a single in their last at-bat to leave the park with a 3-2 win.

It was a disappointing loss for the Cubs who needed the win to get into contention for a spot in the playoffs.

Only the top eight teams in the 14 team senior division of the North Dufferin Baseball League make the playoffs.

"It was a one inning game," said Cubs coach George Linger. "There wasn't a lot of big hits. It kept the game reachable," he said of how close the Mansfield club came to winning. "There was a lot of base hits and a lot dropping into the gloves."

The game turned into a pitchers duel in the early going with a few singles but not much else happening.

The Cubs opened the scoring in the top of the third inning when Brad Pendleton hit a double to drive in Logan Wallace to score.

A sacrifice bunt in the sixth inning by Pendleton advanced a runner to second base.

Tyler Linger crossed the plate for the second Cubs run on a single with two men out to give Mansfield a two run lead going into the final inning.

The game fell apart for the Cubs when the Bolton squad came out for their last at-bat in the bottom of the seventh inning.

After getting runners on first and second base, an infield hit and a slight delay on the decision cost the Cubs the game when the Dodgers loaded the bases with one out.

The next Bolton player hit a drive to deep left field and with nothing to lose, all Dodgers base runners made the play for home.

The game was over when the third Bolton player crossed the plate to make it a 3-2 game.

"Our fielders were good," Linger said. "They covered a lot of ground tonight, they took some hits away from them. Our infield played tight, there was good pitching, it was a good solid game. A few more

hits would have been nice, but it was a good defensive game from both teams. It just took a few lucky breaks to break it open, and they got them."

The loss means it will be difficult for the Cubs to land a spot in the playoffs.

Mansfield, Barrie, Bolton Dodgers, and Midland are all hovering around the eighth position in league but with the loss, the Bolton squad will move up two points in the standings meaning the Cubs will have to win their final five regular seasons games to have a realistic chance of finding a playoff berth.

That would mean winning over the two top teams in the league including a scheduled double header against the Bolton Brewers.

It's not an impossible task, but would certainly take some serious concentration to get the job done.

The Cubs final home game of the regular season is slated for this Sunday, July 28, at the Mansfield Community Park diamond.

The first pitch is scheduled for 5 p.m.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

Mansfield Cubs third baseman Ryan Galbraith reaches for the ball while Bolton Brewers base runner Brett Chater slides for the plate in Saturday's (July 20) game in Mansfield. The game turned into a home run hitting challenge with the Cubs leaving with a 17-10 win over the Brewers.



Mansfield Cubs base runner Rob Kinsley slides to second base while Bolton Brewers baseman Shawn Chalmers waits for the throw in the second game of a double header in Mansfield.

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## In police news...

Shelburne Police Service responded to 79 calls for service between July 14th and July 21st 2013.

**• B&E at new elementary school under construction:**

On Wednesday July 17th the Shelburne Police was notified by construction workers of a break and enter at the new school under construction at Fiddle Park Lane and Greenwood Crescent. Damage to the interior of the building is extensive and numerous tools were stolen. The final value is expected to be over \$25,000.00. The investigation continues into this criminal event. If anyone has information in regards to this incident, please call the Shelburne Police at 519-925-3312 or leave an anonymous tip through Crime Stoppers.

**• Increase in calls for dog's left in vehicles during hot weather:**

With the extended heat wave Shelburne experienced during the past week, Shelburne Police had a significant increase in calls for service in regards to dogs being left in parked vehicles. The Shelburne Police would like to remind everyone that it takes only a few minutes for excessive heat to build up in a car which could endanger your dog's health or even its life. Be sure to keep this in mind before travelling with your dog for any reason. If you must travel with your dog be sure to have a plan in place for the dog in case you must park the vehicle unattended for any reason. The plan should include having someone available to look after the dog as well as having water available for it. In fact, the OSPCA on its website recommends dogs never be left unattended in a vehicle. Under certain circumstances charges could be laid under the criminal code, the dog owner's liability act or the SPCA.

## Drugs discovered

On Tuesday July 16th at 11:10 p.m., Dufferin OPP members were conducting routine radar patrol on County Road 11 in Amaranth Township in Dufferin County. At 11:43 p.m., police stopped a Honda Civic vehicle for the offence of speeding, 113 km per hour, in an 80 km/hr zone. Police detected an odour of marijuana in the vehicle. Police searched the vehicle and seized drug paraphernalia. Police also seized hash oil and cocaine. The male driver was subsequently placed under arrest for possession of the illegal drugs. He was transported to the Dufferin OPP detachment, booked and later released with an upcoming court date in Orangeville.

## 16 year old charged

On Thursday July 18, at 7:15 p.m. Dufferin OPP were conducting radar enforcement on Airport Road near Hockley road in Town of Mono. Officers observed a south bound vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed. This vehicle was clocked at 145 km per hour in an 80km per hour zone. Police stopped the vehicle and charged the 16yr old male driver from Fergus, Ontario with stunt driving. His drivers license and vehicle were impounded for 7 days. He will make a court appearance at a later date in Orangeville.

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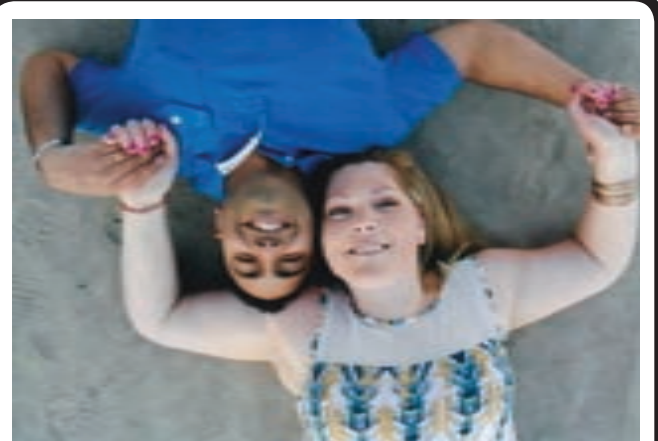
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**NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES**

**Crossroads Community Church**

It was a perfect sunny day for a baptism, praise the Lord. As we prepared for the event we rejoiced in exuberant worship. Pastor Don was delighted as he came forth to congratulate the Baptismal candidates and many shared what God is doing in their lives. Pastor Don prayed and read "For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom," 2Corinthians 3:17. Freedom is Contentment and then he asked, "Are we content?"

Now that we have Jesus we should be increasingly more content for we are being perfected. Scripture says "Contentment is great gain," (1Timothy 6:6-7). So how do we become content, by praying to God, (Matthew 6:33). It comes down to our relationship with God, not things that decay and don't last. There is nothing wrong with enjoying nice things but they will not satisfy if they distance us from God who provides all things. (Proverbs 10:6, Proverbs 13:21). DL Moody once said we can stand affliction better than prosperity because one makes us call out to God while the other makes us forget Him. Sadly it is all too true in our society today, even amongst believers. So what makes us righteous isn't anything we've done rather it is because of all what Jesus has done.

during the dating phase, such as snoring or grumpiness in the morning. How about your dream house, did you think that once you got it, it would remain the same? No wear and tear takes its toll so do children and pets and your home may not be as dreamy as before, not without some maintenance. How about becoming a Christian? Many may have the impression that they have it all together, or that we will never suffer hard times again, but realistically life still affects them, but because Jesus has overcome the world they have hope and assurance that things do get better, (John 16:33). Other barriers are "Unfair Comparisons" and "Uncontrolled Ambitions", both lead to discontentment, the first because there is always someone that seems to be better, smarter or richer than us, the other is a trap, a never ending circle of wanting and getting more and it never seems to be enough. In our efforts to get ahead for selfish gain we may adopt methods that hurt others and that is never fulfilling, (James 3:16, Deuteronomy 5:21). Our primary ambition should be to gain a greater and deeper relationship with God through Jesus just as our baptismal candidates are seeking to do this afternoon. We are the culprits of these barriers that keep us apart from God, we let greed and envy rob us of joy, fulfillment and contentment, these cannot come from ourselves alone they only come when we make Jesus our All in All. God is our sustainer, our provider, he promises it, (Hebrews 13:5). The Lord provides our every need and in His wisdom

withholds what will harm us. Disbelief is also a deterrent to contentment; when we don't believe God will provide and protect us.

The Apostle Paul discovered the secret of contentment. (Philippians 4:11-13). Contentment is the cry of every human heart, it longs for peace in knowing it will always be loved and cared for, and God provides it, (Philippians 4:19). By trusting in Christ our attitude of discontent and complaint will change into one of contentment and gratitude because our perspective will be that of Christ Jesus.

The first step to contentment is a humble spirit, putting others needs above our own, when we do we begin to love and appreciate them and what we have, (Philippians 2:3-4, James 4:10). We become increasingly grateful for what God has done and is doing in

our lives through good or bad situations, we begin to see his hand at work and it causes us to be joyful despite our circumstances knowing God is with us, (1Thessalonians 5:16-18). The ultimate step to contentment is faith in God, believing in His constant goodness and control, trusting in his power and considering Him as a treasure beyond compare (Philippians 3:8, 9).

Beloved friends, do we truly believe that He is incomparable? Do we value knowing Him above all things? When we do it does not mean we will never have sad moments and trials, but it does mean we will not give in to discontentment which robs us of a truly fulfilling life, instead we will be filled with perfect peace and full joy amidst it all, and in Jesus is true contentment! Asherey Shalom! [www.shelburnecrossroadschurch.ca](http://www.shelburnecrossroadschurch.ca)



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"BAPTISM SUNDAY" - 9 fellow believers made a public declaration of their Faith in Jesus Christ through the waters of Baptism, left to right are Fred MacDonald assisting Lori Balogh coming out of the water and Pastor Don Hume. The 9 candidates were Brian Bell with his wife Terri, Alan Lamb, Lori Balogh and her brother Alan, Neliza Balbin, John Whale with his wife Sheila and Nancy Priddle. We give God all the glory for this wonderful day!

**Bethel Bible Camp Week ends in song**

**BY ALEX SHER**

After a week of fun activities, memory verses, games and bible stories, the Bethel Bible Camp for children concluded on July 19th with song and treats. The Bethel Bible Camp was free to anyone who wished to attend. Even parents were welcome to sit in on the action and join in the festivities. A volunteer organizer, Sheila Rintoul provided a look into the program and what the church has to offer saying, "The stories for bible camp incorporated summer analogies around the campfire. The camp itself was only in the evenings

and is run by volunteers and won't roll around again until next year." Volunteers Andrew and Melissa Porter were on hand to provide song, music and instruction.

The benefit of attending the camps is in Rantoul's opinion, a noble one. "We hope the children learn some of the memory verses and parts of the bible so they can take that knowledge with them throughout their lives and have fun doing it," says Rintoul.

Summer camps are not the only activity the Church offers. "Throughout the school year we have Kids Club on

Wednesday evenings," says Rintoul. Sunday mornings include Sunday school for kids as well, where fun, songs and crafts are offered. Bible Study Mondays offer a venue of Bible discussion and the Church even offers a Mom and Tots Wednesday morning session.

Rintoul mentions that the Bethel Church located in Shelburne for the past 50 years was originally in Amaranth and is rooted in Plymouth. "It's an independent Evangelical Church where members simply try to follow the bible," says Rintoul.

Approximately 45 members

strong, members meet each Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

A valued part of her daily life, Rintoul had this to say about the Church, "This church is a very important part of my life. I attended Vacation Bible Camp when I was a child and so did my own children. We've learned to love the Lord. It's almost like another family to me."

Rintoul went on to mention that everyone is welcome at Bethel Bible Chapel located at 419 Main St. E. Shelburne.

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**PHOTO BY ALEX SHER**  
Volunteers Andrew and Melissa Porter instruct and entertain children who attended the Bethel Bible Camp marking its finale with song, followed by their famous Fireplace Cupcake Snacks!

**Respecting taxpayer dollars**

**BY DAVID TILSON, MP**

Canadians know that in order to be prosperous, you have to live within your means. You can't spend more than you take in and you have to make sure every dollar is used responsibly. Our Government knows this too. This is why we're ending our temporary stimulus spending and enacting our plan to balance Canada's budget and return to surplus by 2015.

However, we're not going to do this by cutting transfer payments to services like healthcare and education, as previous governments have. Our plan to help secure Canada's long-term prosperity is focused on closing tax loopholes and making government more efficient with taxpayer's money.

One of the ways we're doing this is by reforming the way the public sector operates,

making it more in tune with the private sector. For example, our Government recently shed light on the fact that the federal public service had an annual absentee rate of 18.2 days per year. This number is two and a half times the number of absentee days found in the private sector. To put it in perspective, 18.2 days per year means that on any given day roughly 19,000 public sector workers are off sick. This number is unsustainable if we are to have a modern, 21st century public service.

Our Government is tackling this problem by reforming and modernizing the current disability management system. As it stands, this system has been untouched for 40 years and fails to both properly support employees and respect the taxpayers who end up footing the bill. One of the major reforms we'll be enacting is the

creation of a short-term disability insurance plan. This plan is a more cost-effective method that will cover employees through illness while ensuring taxpayer money is used effectively.

We also announced a rigorous management system that will track public service employees' performance. This government-wide policy will help boost productivity, al-

lowing us to help good workers become great workers and deal with poor performers effectively.

Ensuring that everyone is pulling their weight is a common sense approach that will help make sure the public service is working to its full potential.

Another reform we've undertaken to overhaul the public service is to introduce

50/50 cost-sharing model for pension holders. This measure will save taxpayers roughly \$2.6 billion by 2017, while still providing a generous pension system that protects employees.

In addition, we're also eliminating voluntary severance for public service employees. This practice paid severance to those who quit or retired and is a measure that is not found

in the private sector due to its overwhelming cost. In fact, this measure is expected to save taxpayers \$500 million per year.

Our Government respects taxpayer's hard-earned money. We're focused on making sure that each dollar is used efficiently and effectively so that we can keep taxes low and Canada can continue to prosper.

# The Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship: a history



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For the residents of Dufferin County, summer is an enjoyable time of the year.

It is the season for family outings, holidays, and outdoor activities in the beautiful natural landscape of this part of Ontario. During the second week of August, however, a major transformation occurs in the normally quiet and peaceful town of Shelburne. Almost overnight, the town's population of 4000 swells approximately three-fold, as visitors arrive from all corners of North America and beyond. Suddenly, cars, trucks, and recreational vehicles of all sizes and shapes line the streets. New faces appear in the grocery store, on the sidewalks, and in the local restaurants. There is a buzz of activity at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, with groups coming and going at all hours of the day and night. The appearance of Main Street, decked out with its brightly coloured flags and festive decorated storefronts, signals that something special is about to take place: the annual Canadian Open Championship Old Time Fiddle Contest!

The Fiddle Contest has been at the centre of community life in Shelburne for the past 63 years. Everyone has his or her own memories of the event and its related festivities. Those who owned houses bordering on the camping park would probably remember the crowds' partying that carried on through the night until the early morning hours! Workers with the police force, the hospital, and the downtown stores, will likely recall their chaotic schedules and overtime hours. If you were a member of a Shelburne service club, you were busy setting up the arena, selling food, or organizing the parade. If, as a child, you watched the parade and indulged in treats at the park, you would have fond memories of the juggling clowns, live music, and the fun atmosphere.

In a small community like Shelburne, everyone is affected to some degree by the Fiddle Contest, because so many of the town's residents dedicate their time and efforts towards the event's success. Whatever the memory, it is surely linked to the familiar, sweet, and beautiful sound of fiddle music. Whether it was wafting from the large speakers set up downtown on Main Street, or played live by talented musi-

icians in the camping park and at the arena, fiddle music has been at the heart of the popular annual festivities in Shelburne since 1951.

By 1951 the fiddle and fiddle music were traditions of Dufferin community life.

The fiddle continued to be the instrument of choice at community dances. Don Messer's Jubilee was a radio staple and the CKNX Ranch Boys became favourites from the moment television arrived, outshining the popular radio. Every community had its local fiddle star. The popularity of fiddle entertainment in this part of Ontario may help explain why the Fiddle Contest found such a good home in Shelburne; but the success of the fiddle contest involved more than just finding a suitable location. Another important factor was that the Rotary Club of Shelburne developed and promoted the idea of a Fiddle Contest and worked diligently to see it come to fruition.

The Rotary Club had been contributing to community life since its inception in 1938, fundraising to support community groups, health care, and children's charities. The fundraising projects they had sponsored were of the usual type - fun-fairs, suppers, sales of various kinds and all the other money-making schemes that were common in the 1930s and '40s. The main difficulty with all these projects was always the same; they all required a great deal of work for a small number of people and they never seemed to raise enough money to make the effort worthwhile. Some innovative ideas had been tried, such as a hog-calling contest in 1950, which was extremely popular with the community, but again failed to bring in much money. Another difficulty that had been discussed was that many of the fairs involved games of chance, which, though popular and good fund-raisers, brought criticism from some members.

The idea of a Shelburne Fiddle Contest was introduced by then Shelburne Royal Bank Manager Cliff McIntosh, who had attended fiddle contests while in Western Canada. He suggested the idea to Shelburne newspaper publisher Fred Claridge, who in turn spoke to one of Dufferin County's early 'weekenders' in Mulmur, Don Fairbairn.

The idea stuck long enough to be given careful consideration. Of course there were those who thought it would never work. The Rotary Club was organized into committees and there has yet to be a committee that agreed on everything! The main objection seemed to be that no one would pay to listen to a bunch of fiddlers playing when you could hear it at home for free! Others wondered who in the world would they find to act as judges and how would they provide prize money? Where would they hold the competition and who would want to enter? Despite some dissent, eventually enough Rotarians supported the idea to carry the day and the first Canadian Open Old Time Fiddlers' Contest was on its way.

Most of the men first involved were not only Rotarians, but were also very busy and active men in their communities. And from year one until today, when someone got involved, you automatically got the spouse and kids too! Don Fairbairn had been one of the judges at the hog-calling contest, and was a radio broadcaster with the CBC. His program "Neighbourly News", was heard on Sunday mornings and highlighted stories of rural activities.

When he heard of the new Rotary project, he was most supportive and suggested that the CBC might be interested in broadcasting the show.

Fairbairn's support resulted in the CBC's decision to work with the Shelburne Rotary Club to broadcast the Saturday night finals program and to provide guest artists to fill out the half hour of the broadcast. The CBC's involvement in the Fiddle Contest certainly contributed to a large degree to the success of the whole venture. Radio was a popular form of entertainment around the world in the 1940's and '50's and having a live broadcast here at home in Dufferin County was truly exciting.

Hard working as they all were, the Rotarians were not musicians and it was a big job to find people capable of setting out rules and regulations. The fact that many of these regulations are still in force is a credit to those early planners. One of the first decisions made was to hold the event each year on the first weekend after the Civic Holiday in August.

The reason why this date was chosen was because the committee and Don Fairbairn set the date of the first contest for August 11, 1951, a date when the CBC had an open half hour in their program schedule. The committee henceforth decided to designate that weekend for the contest.

The competition would be held in the old Shelburne arena. The playdowns would be held on Friday afternoon and evening, with the finals taking place on Saturday night, for the CBC broadcast. A contestant entry fee of \$2 was charged, with the proceeds donated to the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. (This contestant entry fee was discontinued in 1983.)

At the first contest, there was an admission charge for open seating on Friday evening of .75 cents for adults and .35 cents for children.

Reserved seats for Saturday night were sold at George Albrecht's store on Shelburne's Main Street for \$1.00 and .75 cents for seats farther back from the stage. The admission collected by Rotarians contributed towards the rental of the hall, the contestants' prizes, judges' fees, and all other miscellaneous costs.

When the first fiddle contest was finally planned and the contestants had gathered together (all 44 of them), few suspected this event would become an annual tradition. That first year, local fiddlers included third place winner Lome Donaldson of Orton, Charlie Dyer of East Garafraxa, Annie Webster from the Maples, and Albert Mews of Mulmur Township.

The old arena, (located where the Shelburne Fire Hall now stands), was the scene of the event for many years, although it was not altogether suitable as a concert venue. If it rained, the noise of the rain on the roof drowned out the sound of the fiddles. Not that the fiddlers cared! They were used to playing in all sorts of conditions, and prided themselves on being able to play through anything. The very first tune played, they say, was "The Victory Breakdown" and as one member of the audience put it, "With that as a beginning, this contest will be a success." He was a true prophet. Stan McPherson of Amaranth Township recalled driving with his wife and son along the

roads to Shelburne in their 1915 Model T to attend the first Fiddle Contest.

A fiddle player himself, McPherson was curious about the event and wanted to see what all the talk was about!

All in all, over one thousand people attended the Friday evening playdowns, and on Saturday, a crowd of approximately 3000 came to hear the eight finalists chosen to play from the play downs on Friday. The event was a tremendous hit. The first Friday night M.C. was Don Steenson, a Rotarian. On Saturday night, Don Fairbairn was M.C., with producer Reid Forsee. Vince Mountford (born in Mono Township) filled in as M.C. during intermissions and as everyone knows, did not stop at that! Vince served as M.C. for the next 34 years. After the finals on Saturday night, while the judges were making up their minds, the contestants were all invited up on stage for a jamboree, part of the festivities that became special for many guests over the

years. And after the winner, Mel Lavigne of Honey Harbour, had been declared, the chairs and benches were pushed back, and the audience began dancing to more toe-tapping music provided by volunteers, many of them contestants.

It was well into the wee hours of the morning before the last notes died away and the tired participants had left for home. The very first Old Time Fiddler's Contest was over.

All that remained were the hundreds of paper fiddles, designed by John Reid, a local historian and farm equipment dealer.

Some contestants and fans had been attracted to the contest from far and wide across Ontario. Over the years, contestants from every province and territory of Canada, and several American states, have come to Shelburne, not to mention performers from overseas. The first 'influx' of the now familiar tourists in the beginning of August had begun, and with them came their stories and their music! The excitement in Shelburne was magic!



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Mel Lavigne, Champion of the 1951 Fiddle Contest.



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Vince Mountford, Fiddle Contest M.C.

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## Dipping into the past

100 YEARS AGO

Thursday, July 24, 1913

Some person or persons unknown, placed poison in the out boxes of two valuable stallions belonging to Mr. R. Woods, of Masonville, Saturday night, as a result of which both horses died Sunday afternoon. Although after Mr. Woods got home from Shelburne Saturday night, while unharnessing his horse to turn it loose in a field, he saw a man stealing away from his stable and gave chase for a short distance, he had no idea of the dastardly intent of the prowler until the illness of the two valuable stallions Sunday morning led to an investigation and the discovery of unmistakable evidence of Paris Green in the out boxes.

Country Crown Attorney W. J. L. McKay was up from Orangeville on Monday to look into the matter and it is probable that a government detective will be called in to make a thorough investigation. It was lucky for Mr. Woods that a third horse was not in his own stable at the time, being at Mr. Stinson's, Melancthon.

It would appear after all that the CPR has not forgotten the shifting of the cattle yards to a position that will be better for public health and olfactory nerves. It was understood some little time ago that the pens were to be shifted to the flats between the tracks. This week, however, surveyors have "measuring up" in the fields west of the tracks. This would involve opening a street

from Main Street and bringing the stock in for shipment by that way, but would be the most satisfactory and permanent solution to the problem that could be found for all parties concerned. Says the Economist: "We hope the railway people will make real progress this time and keep at their job of moving until they get the work completed."

50 YEARS AGO

Wednesday, July 24, 1963

Mavis Hill, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Hill, Rock Hill Park, Whitfield, is scheduled to go on tour as an entertainer with Deluxe Entertainment Productions, accompanied by her mother as chaperone. Mavis has been working on rehears-

als with Tommy Shields and The Sterlings, of Collingwood and other well-known artists, who will make a tour taking them to Sault Ste. Marie, Winnipeg, Brandon, Calgary, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge into British Columbia, Alaska and down to the States. On her return Mavis will work with the group on nightclub engagements in Canada and the U.S., followed by a trip to Nashville, Tennessee, to make her first recording; then home to continue her school studies and work weekends.

Special attention will be paid to former area residents at this year's National Fiddle Contest. Arrangements have been made to provide a comfortable meeting place for boys and girls, old and young, to permit informal reunions and get-togethers.

The eclipse of the sun,

scheduled for last Saturday afternoon, was a washout in Dufferin, any danger to the eyes being eliminated by a blanket of wet clouds. However, it is understood that about 50 miles to the south the skies did clear enough to get at least a partial view.

10 YEARS AGO

Friday, July 25, 2003

Orangeville Police Chief Rod Freeman says organized crime is making its way into the area. After uncovering more than two marijuana "grow houses" in 2003 and six in the last 12 months, Chief Freeman feels these operations are the work of criminal organizations. Staff Sgt. Wally Koloziechuk, of Dufferin OPP, said the detachment has uncovered about six grow houses this year and that they were operated primarily by Asian

organizations. "It is organized crime," he said.

Chief Freeman said organized crime entering the community is something residents should be concerned about. "That is something we, as a community, should be shocked about, and guard very vigilantly the safety and security of our community."

Ian Williams, a resident of Camilla hamlet, has made an appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board regarding the zoning bylaw amendment for the second phase of a subdivision at Highway 10 and Mono's 15 Sideroad. The bylaw amendment was approved at the June 24 meeting of Mono Council.

Just when it looked as though the smoke had cleared on the issue of Dufferin County's No-Smoking bylaw, Council has decided to reconsider it again.

## New parking lot saves old store

BY WES KELLER

Dufferin County's recent decision to enforce parking regulations, especially on Airport Road near Mulmur's 5 Sideroad, has resulted in an illustration that the pioneering spirit of co-operation and good neighbourliness is alive and well in the township.

The parking enforcement could have presented serious problems for the 1860s-era Olde Stanton Store as owners Marie and Len Swiderski didn't have space on their property to create a parking lot for customers, and there was virtually no room to park on the roadway.

But "for once there is a happy fairy-tale ending to what seemed to be a problem at The Olde Stanton Store!! In this case we had a few unhappy neighbours and then - the country neighbours to the north came to the rescue!

"When Ben and Marianne McIntosh/Kazimier heard about the 'problems' at the century store (built in the 1860's) and that it was being pushed to close its doors- they came to the rescue. 'Take a piece of our land to the north - no charge- and put in a parking lot.'

"It was hard to accept such a gift, but thankfully, a parking lot that can hold at least twelve cars has been created. For us, it was a miracle - something so generous and kind that it was very hard to accept. We really do have great country neighbours in Mulmur and many more that have supported our store over the years," Marie said in an e-mailed account of what happened.

The historic store is almost all that is left of what used to be the thriving community of Stanton, except for the pre-confederation hotel that is soon to be moved to the museum grounds.

## Carriage House Antiques celebrates 34th Anniversary in business

BY ALEX SHER

Carriage House Antiques is located at 119 and 121 Adeline St and September 4th, 2013, marks 34 years in business!

Business owner, Bryan M. Harris has been involved in the antique business all of his life, following in his father's and grandfather's footsteps. While in England at the age of four, Harris can recall polishing silverware for his grandparents. "It was their way to keep me busy and is probably the reason I still use a tooth brush to polish silver to this very day," Harris recalls with a fond chuckle.

Harris remembers the population of Shelburne being only 1,750 when he arrived and sites over the years there were many antique shops then and notes the decline in antique stores in the surrounding area is likely due to lifestyle changes that coincide with subdivision living, sparking different preferences in furniture choices. According to Harris, furniture is only worth one eighth

what it was ten years ago.

Harris shared a bit of history surrounding the building his store is located in, "When I bought this building I was told it was built by a one-legged man and his young son who later grew up to be a surgeon! It's built with re-claimed material," said Harris.

Antiques helped Harris put himself through university. Having been a teacher, a farmer as well as an antique dealer has provided Harris with countless experiences, including having travelled back to England a staggering 81 times over the years to visit with family and friends and also to scout out the next find.

"This is a hobby that pays. A person can always find time to do what they want to do," said Harris, "Every year, I try to do two new things. This year I might focus on porcelain and glass wear."

Married fifty-one years and a father of two, this once native of Leicester, England, can add to his own uniqueness when

admitting, "I'm not a collector of anything. I am a dealer. The main thing is to enjoy it!"

Carriage House Antiques is open on Saturdays and by ap-

pointment only.

Contact Harris to peruse through an eclectic collection of unique antiques by calling 519-942-8862.



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

Brian M. Harris, Antiques Dealer and owner of Carriage House Antiques happily greets and speaks with customers outside his shop on Adeline St. and will soon be marking his 34th year in business!

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