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YOU HAD TO BE THERE TO REMEMBER – Centre Dufferin District High School student, Ewan Matthews, places a poppy on Etsel Cook's grave in Beny sur Mer.

CDDHS students make moments to remember

BY LYNN CODD

On Tuesday, November 5, 34 students and 14 adults left Toronto for Paris to begin the 2013 Centre Dufferin Battlefields Tour.

A pleasant surprise was the fact that the captain of the flight was Bruce Earle who not only grew up in Shelburne but was also the brother of one of the chaperones, Pauline Lloyd.

This trip had been in the planning for two years and students had been preparing for it by researching Dufferin veterans, buying bricks to commemorate these veterans at Juno Beach in Normandy, France as well as researching various sites that the participants of the trip would be visiting along the way.

The trip began with two full days in Paris where students experienced a coach tour of Paris to get their first glimpse of sights such as Notre Dame Cathedral, the Louvre, and the Arc de Triomphe and a trip up the Eiffel Tower at night to see the lights of Paris.

On the agenda for the second day was a boat tour of the Seine and then a choice of excursions to Notre Dame, the Louvre, the Catacombs, Montmartre and Sacre-Coeur. The day ended with a night at the Lido, a famous Parisian nightclub on the Champs-Elysees.

After a stop at Versailles, Louis XIV's opulent palace the next day, the group then headed north to Bayeux, which is situated in Normandy

the site of the D-Day landings in World War II. From their base at the Hotel Churchill in Bayeux they would have the opportunity to visit many sites that they had been learning about for the last two years.

Their first stop was Beny sur Mer, the Canadian War Cemetery where many of the Canadian soldiers who died during the Normandy invasion were buried. Then on to Juno Beach where Canadian soldiers landed on June 6, 1944. Here they had a tour of the beach, the bunker and the only Canadian World War II museum. Despite it being windy and cold, the students and adults enjoyed their first experience at Juno Beach.

The afternoon included a trip to Arronanches, the site of the artificial harbour that was a key component to the success of the Allies, the Guns at Longue Sur Mer, and the German Cemetery, La Cambe.

Sunday, Nov 11 was the highlight of the time at Juno Beach. This was the day the students presented their veteran's story and the unveiling of the bricks they had purchased to commemorate their veteran. It was a very emotional and moving ceremony. The pride these students felt as they saw the bricks they had purchased was evident.

The afternoon was just as emotional as they travelled to Pegasus Bridge and to L'Abbaye d'Ardenne where pictures of Canadian soldiers hang in the garden where they were shot.

Remembrance Day had an early start as the group headed first to Neuville Dieppe for a WWI ceremony and then to

Dieppe for a WWII Remembrance Day ceremony. At each ceremony students laid a wreath and following the ceremony at Dieppe John McMurray, our veteran spoke a few words which were translated by our guide, David Godfrey at the mayor's reception. Before they left students were given a Dieppe bag by the citizens to thank them for coming. Next stop was the rocky beach at Puy where so many Canadian soldiers came ashore in 1942. The bus then headed for Ypres, Belgium which marked the start of the WWI part of the tour. Upon arrival at Ypres, everyone hurried to Menin Gate and the Last Post Ceremony. This ceremony takes place every night at 8 p.m. and has been happening since July 1927 except when Ypres was occupied by German forces during WWII. Traffic stops and the Last Post is played by buglers from the volunteer Fire Brigade. CDDHS students and John McMurray laid two wreaths. Because it was Remembrance Day there were hundreds of people there from countries around the world.

The next day meant a visit to Essex Farm, now a World War I cemetery where John McCrae wrote "In Flanders Fields" and 15 year old Joe Strudwick the youngest soldier to die in WWI is buried. The group then visited In Flanders Fields Museum and after lunch headed to Brugge, Belgium, often called the "Venice of the North" because of its canals. Here everyone went on a canal cruise, and indulged in Belgian waffles and French fries.

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Centre Dufferin Students proudly holding a Canadian flag at Vimy Ridge.

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County supports Food & Water First

BY WES KELLER

Following a presentation by Shirley Boxem, county council last Thursday moved to support the Food & Water First Campaign, an initiative of North Dufferin Agriculture and Community Taskforce.

NDACT was originally formed a few years ago in opposition to approval of a mega-quarry application that would have permitted the destruction of 2,400 acres of prime farmland in Melancthon and placed the source water of four river systems in peril.

Food & Water First was formed in the hope that the Aggregate Resources Act review would lead to stronger protection of farmland and source water than the present Act and Provincial Policy Statement do.

NDACT believes the review has failed in that respect. Ms. Boxem, in presentations to the council and, earlier, at Shelburne has stated in effect that the campaign is not opposed to aggregate extraction but only what is viewed as a provincial preference to aggregates over agriculture.

Although the mega-quarry application was withdrawn in light of public opposition, "there is nothing to prevent a new application (being made)," she said.

The council's approved motion by deputy mayors Darren White of Melancthon and Walter Kolodziechuk of Amaranth reads: Whereas only 5% of Ontario's land is suitable for farming; and whereas only half of one percent of Canada's soil is Class 1; and whereas Ontario, with over 56% of Canada's Class 1 land has lost, in the two decades between 1976 and 1996, 18% of its Class 1 land; and whereas prime farmland is a non-renewable finite resource; therefore be it resolved that the County of Dufferin endorse the Food & Water First campaign.

Dufferin is the first county to have supported Food & Water First initiative in the province.

In other land use issues, the council approved a motion by Melancthon Mayor Bill Hill and Mono Deputy Mayor Ken McGhee to "declare the entire County to be an 'Unwilling Host' for any future industrial wind farm development."

Although the motion notes that the townships of Amaranth, Melancthon and Mulmur had previously declared themselves to be unwilling hosts, the county motion might be largely symbolic as the county itself does not have an official plan, and does not have any land-use control.

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Highlights from the 2013 Shelburne Remembrance Day Service



Photos by Alex Sher



County opposes turbines

Continued from FRONT
 As well, it isn't clear where the province stands on renewable energy approvals in unwilling host municipalities. The stated policy appears to be only that preference would

be given to projects within "willing host municipalities," as was the apparent case with the recent, major Samsung approval in Haldimand County.

Also with respect to farming issues, the council approved the suggested predator control bylaw.

The bylaw would permit hunting or trapping of, primarily, coyotes (or coywolves) following a livestock kill but only within a restricted area and for a limited period of time.

A Dufferin Federation of Agriculture delegation pointed out that the aim of predator control is not to exterminate coyotes but only to apply a lethal method of control where all other means have failed.



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CDDHS students get their first look at the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

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Left to right, Marc Godbout, John McMurray and Thomas Hall-Hale prepare to lay a wreath at the Last Post Ceremony at Menin Gate.



Kayla Noble, Riley Kirsten and Liam Seston pose with the buglers from the Last Post Ceremony at Menin Gate in Ypres, Belgium.



Left to right - Samantha Hurst, Michi Hallifax, David Godfrey (guide) and Taylor Green at Joe Strudwick's grave in Essex Farm Cemetery.



Centre Dufferin students get their first look at the commemorative bricks they purchased for their veteran at Juno Beach.

High school students visit Vimy Ridge, Europe

Continued from **FRONT**

Vimy Ridge was next on the itinerary and it did not disappoint.

The tour of the trenches and the walk to the monument itself gave everyone time to reflect on just how much our Canadian soldiers went through during the war.

The next stop was Nuremberg, Germany, the unfinished remains of the Congress Hall of the former Nazi Party. Then back on the bus to head to Munich, the last city on the tour.

Friday saw the departure of Mr. Orford, the organizer of the trip who had to head back to Toronto to receive his Governor General's Medal for

Excellence in Teaching History. The group went on a walking tour of Munich and then travelled to Dachau, the first Nazi concentration camp. For many, this site brought home the horrors of the concentration camps of WWII.

Saturday was the last full day of the trip and the destinations were the Documentation Centre at Obersalzberg and Salzburg, Austria.

Obersalzberg, offered the students a chance to visit the bunker complex begun in the summer of 1943 and houses over 16 km of tunnels.

Salzburg offered some free time for last minute shopping and relaxation after a very

busy trip.

This trip was truly a once in a lifetime experience! Each and every participant holds a special moment that they will remember for the rest of their lives, from the girls who got up at 6 a.m. to go find their veterans' name on Menin Gate, or

the students who were able to present a brick in a relatives' honour at Juno Beach or perhaps the feeling of pride they had when they marched down the street in Neuville Dieppe to the WWI Memorial.

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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.

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All I want for Christmas...



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This Christmas, it's my turn to give back – even if I'm only coordinating the effort.

Through the three papers that I edit – The Times of New Tecumseth & Adjala-Tosoronto, The Innisfil Scope and the Shelburne Free Press – we have launched "The Giving Back Project".

The goal of the project is to match local families (or individuals) in need, with families (or individuals) living in abundance.

Not that long ago, I was the person at the receiving end. I used the food bank and I also accepted Christmas presents from local people who knew I would struggle to give my son a proper Christmas. I knew one day that it would be my turn to "give back" thus, the name of our new initiative.

I remember feeling guilty about accepting "charity" from other people at the time, but my son didn't know the difference – Santa had arrived on Christmas morning, and I was glad I could still pay my rent.

So far, we have had three people step up and offer to sponsor a family, and only one person "nominate" a friend as a recipient. I'm glad that if no one else steps forward that we helped even one family this holiday

season. They have no idea we're coming on Christmas Eve, my son and myself, to make their Christmas exciting. The worst thing that could happen is they feel depressed about being a "charity case". That would be bad, and defeat the purpose of this project. I hope that doesn't happen, and I hope all of our recipients can see that their chance to "pay it forward" will one day come.

On the lighter side, I was sharing a tale from Christmas past with my co-workers the other day. I think you'll find it amusing...

When I was about 7 years old, all I wanted for Christmas was one of those hairdressing heads on a platform. The platform itself had various receptacles to store clips, elastics and other do-dads to hold your hairstyling masterpiece in place. The doll head had thick blonde hair that was all one length. You could comb it, braid it, put it in a ponytail, cut it – whatever you wanted to do with it.

I needed this toy. I had to have it. My parents got the message too – perhaps it was the endless whining and crying, or the pictures cut out of the Sears Wish Book and the local flyers (posted in obvious places, like the fridge and their bathroom mirror).

Sure enough, on Christmas morning my doll head was under the tree. Wrapped in shiny paper with a bow and everything. The problem was, it had my sister's name on it. You see, it appears that "Santa's little helpers" had a few cocktails while wrapping gifts the night before and forgot to label as they went.

My sister, who never wanted or asked for the doll head with hair from the heavens refused to give it to me, even though my parents explained that Santa had made a mistake.

All day, she brushed the dolls hair and changed its look, running to show my parents with each new achievement. I spent Christmas devastated. The world would never be the same.

The next year, I asked for an Easy Bake Oven. My mom told me it was too messy and the cake mixes – which mysteriously baked using only the heat from a low-watt light bulb – were too expensive. I never got that either.

Now, even as an adult, I will stop in toy stores and look at the doll head – which they still sell by the skid load – and at the beginner oven, with lust.

Of course I'm over it (I think) but it's funny how the moments of Christmas past always stick with you.

Now, Christmas for me is watching the faces of my children as they tear open paper and screech with delight at what Santa has brought for them – properly labelled, of course.

It's about the twinkling tree, the smell of baking in the oven and the look of satisfaction on the faces of my loved ones, after eating a turkey dinner.

As of this year, Christmas will also mean giving back to those I care about in my extended family – the community that has always supported me.

The Giving Back Project is as exciting to me now, as that ridiculous doll head was when I was 7. It's the same feeling. Pure joy.

If you know of someone who needs a little help this holiday season, please let me know. Call me any time at 905-729-2287 ext. 109 or e-mail me at: wendy@simcoeyorkprinting.com. I'd be glad to put the connection together for you, and make Christmas a little brighter for the people you care about. Without participants, this is only a good idea.

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– Crystal Breyer



"No, they shouldn't. The tax payers are paying for those benefits. Definitely not."

– Diane Bagin



"If they are not coming back I don't think they should keep their pensions. None of the rest of us can if we aren't coming back to work."

– Gail Criebe

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DUFFERIN WIND POWER



Community Liaison Committee

We're Listening!

Dufferin Wind Power Inc. is making long-term investments in Ontario's green energy future and is seeking your participation. DWPI received Renewable Energy Approval from the Ministry of the Environment on June 10, 2013 for its wind power project in Dufferin County. The project will generate 91.4 megawatts of wind power, enough to power between 20,500 and 28,000 households per year. This notice is the first step in establishing a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) to provide a venue for meaningful and ongoing discussion between the project team and community members.

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:

- Exchange information
- Listen to community suggestions to minimize impacts; and
- Assist with identifying and resolving community concerns

The CLC will seek representation from Dufferin County residents & landowners, agricultural & business communities, aboriginal communities, municipalities, government agencies, local organizations, and special interest groups.

Become a member of the CLC

Interested in representing your community and discussing the Dufferin Wind Farm? CLC members will be responsible for attending a minimum of four (4) meetings over a two-year period. Meetings will take place on a weekday evening for approximately two to three hours each. Membership selection will be based on balanced representation from the various groups listed above.

Apply Today!

An application form is available at the DWPI project office and on the project website: www.dufferinwindpower.ca/community. If you are interested in volunteering for the CLC please apply in writing by December 15, 2013 using the following contact information:

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Community Commitments

Local history teacher, Orford, receives Governor General History Award



PHOTOS BY CANADA'S HISTORY MAGAZINE

David Johnston, Governor General of Canada (right) with award winner, and local history teacher, Neil Orford.

His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, honoured teachers, along with other outstanding Canadians, and understanding of Canadian history and heritage, at the Governor General's History

Awards ceremony, at Rideau Hall, on Tuesday, November 19, 2013.

The 18th Governor General's History Awards honour exceptional achievements in five areas: teaching, scholarly research, popular media, museums, and community programming.

Amongst those receiving The Governor General's History Awards for Excellence in Teaching was Neil Orford from Centre Dufferin District High School, Shelburne.

Also receiving this prestigious award was: Rachel Collishaw – Glebe Collegiate Institute, Ottawa, Ontario; Romy Cooper and Graeme Cotton – General Gordon Elementary School, Vancouver, British Columbia; Matt Henderson – St. John's-Ravenscourt School, Winnipeg, Manitoba; Lucie Jean-Mercier – Académie Lafontaine, Saint-

Jérôme, Quebec; and Catherine MacDonald – Fr. L.J. Austin Catholic Secondary School, Whitby, Ontario.

The Governor General's History Awards were first established in 1996, by Canada's National History Society, to recognize excellence in teaching Canadian history. Since the creation of the awards, over 100 teachers have been honoured at Rideau Hall and at the Residence of the Governor General at the Citadelle of Québec. In partnership with Canada's leading national history organizations, including the Begbie Society, the Canadian Historical Association, the Canadian Museums Association, and the Historia-Dominion Institute, the Society has worked to expand the awards to recognize the many different ways history is taught, communicated and

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Dufferin Wind Power would like to correct some serious errors in letter from John Wiggins, published Nov. 14th

Dear editor:

Firstly, the decision to form a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) was not made in order to simply "put a good face on the project." It is a condition of the Renewable Energy Approval given to DWPI by the Ministry of Environment. Dillon Consulting is proceeding with forming the

CLC to help Dufferin Wind Power fulfill this obligation.

Secondly, Dufferin Wind Power Inc. has committed to decommissioning the project and has guaranteed it by posting a decommissioning security with the Township of Melancthon as part of the agreement made with the Township. The project will not

be abandoned.

Thirdly, the concrete foundations for each turbine are between 16 and 18.5 meters in diameter, not 30 as stated in the letter.

Lastly, Ontario needs clean, renewable energy for today and for the future and it needs to have more than one source for reliability. Wind energy is

a natural partner with hydro, another valuable energy asset. The wind blows strongest in winter when water reservoirs are lowest; water reserves are often highest when wind resources are typically lower.

Connie Roberts
Corporate Communications
Dufferin Wind Power Inc.

Combining festivities is a bad idea

Dear editor:

I am writing to comment on the article "Shelburne organizes ahead for 2014 events" written by Wes Keller in the November 14 Shelburne Free Press newspaper. This article was the topic of several heated discussions I had last week with business owners and residents. Several points brought up were:

The various festivals and activities are part of what make Shelburne fun for residents and visitors alike. Combining events into one at the arena would be a huge mistake. Parking alone would be a nightmare. The BIA recently voted to leave the Car Show where it was and when it was. Part of the reason for the car show was to bring outsiders

to the downtown core so they could see what stores we have to offer and they could come back at their leisure. Vintage automobile owners aren't going to be too happy about a car show that doesn't start until 1 pm and lasts through to dusk, most will stay for a few hours and want to have their vehicle home safely well before the sun sets, especially those travelling from afar. Car show people don't like parking their vehicles on grass and, if as in the past you get over 100 vehicles, where would they be situated? At the arena? Then where would parking for the open air markets and people attending be? Where would the Heritage exhibits be? In the arena? Free swimming? Then more paid staff would be

required.

On a holiday weekend people tend to have a BBQ at their home and then at dusk go to watch the fireworks, not spend all day and evening there and if they have young children they are not about to go back and forth. Has the Fair Board been asked their opinion? Lawn mower races, farm animals and hay rides etc. belong at the fair where people look forward to that activity. Beer gardens are at the Fiddle festivities so by having another beer garden actually increases the need and expense for policing.

An Easter Egg Hunt at Fiddle Park in April? Either a foot of snow or a mud bog so, no bouncy castle and no stage and again, a parking is-

sue. What costs \$1,300 and whom would sponsor this event? Sponsors give money to events that would advertise and benefit their business. So you wouldn't get the Chinese restaurant or Postman Antiques or Jelly Craft Bakery or the veterinarians for example. How would this combining save the town \$6,000? It would in fact lower sponsor dollars. Sponsors, both small business and corporate, choose which events to sponsor, many sponsor more than one event. Where does the 15 per cent ticket sales increase come from as all the events in town now are free except for the fair and that money is used for prizes etc.

If Ms Crouse is concerned about all the events taking too much time and effort to organize then have a volunteer committee for each event. Similar to how the fair is run, each division has a few people that organize and set up etc.

Louise Morfitt,
Shelburne

Seriously! The editor's note – my letter titled: 'The Rob Ford Era'

Dear editor:

Seriously? Rob Ford has saved the taxpayer millions of dollars! I think we're dealing with smoke and mirrors when looking at Toronto's finances.

Not seriously! Sometimes I write tongue-in-cheek and my comment on the police chiefs was one. However, next time I'll draw a smiley face after similar comments or opinions.

As to moral value – we're plagued with men and women within our elected system, and that includes federal, provincial, county and municipal, who do not have moral values. This is indicated by the Quebec inquiry into paybacks in the awarding of construction contracts. As I've said countless times, "honesty indicates high moral values". Have we had continuous honesty at Toronto City Hall?

I know some people continue to believe that the Ford Nation is in full bloom – I don't.

Listening to the radio, read-

ing the newspapers and watching the TV indicate to intelligent people that the Rob Ford era hasn't been Canada's finest hour!

The saddest aspect of the fiasco in Toronto is the fact it may continue for just under

another year. It could go on for another four years if the electorate doesn't look for high moral standards. Studying carefully every candidate is a must!

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Ask a psychotherapist

Question: I'm the mother of a teenage girl (just turned 16) who up to a while ago has been a great kid – good student, cooperative, friendly. About a year ago, her marks suddenly started to drop and she stopped hanging out with her usual friends. She got very withdrawn, even from us and her sisters and started spending all her time alone in her room. She's lost a lot of weight and she refuses to come to the dinner table with the rest of us. She won't talk to anyone in the family about what's going on and I'm getting pretty worried. What should I do?

Answer: The teen years are a time of much growth and change and sometimes of turmoil for kids of both genders. It's natural to begin to want more privacy from parents and siblings in the later teen years but I think that you are right to be concerned that your daughter's degree of withdrawal may signal the presence of deeper, potentially serious issues.

A change of friendship group is an important indicator that something significant is happening in your child's life. She may be the victim of bullying at school or on-line and be too ashamed of the situation to want to share it with her family.

Weight loss and a change in appetite can be a sign of depression and/or an eating disorder. Your teen could be depressed for any number of reasons (bullying, boyfriend issues, drug use, unresolved family conflicts, to name a few). With the relentless pressure from media these days to present a particular body type (slim, sexualized, etc.), she may be experiencing dissatisfaction with her body image and secretly dieting in order to change it.

In any case, it's necessary to get a dialogue going with your daughter quickly somehow so that you can find out what's going on. Sometimes teens will open up more readily to a therapist than to family.

Alison Kerr, Ph.D., Psychotherapist can be reached at 905 936-2400 or at allikerr@rogers.com

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This week in police news...

Shelburne Police Service responded to 65 calls for service between November 10th and November 17th.

Man charged with uttering death threats, intimidation of judicial participant and criminal harassment:

Back in July 2013 Shelburne Police executed drug search warrant on Main Street East resulting in two adult males and a youth facing numerous drug and criminal related charges. This matter is currently before the courts.

In relation to that matter Shelburne Police initiated an investigation after allegations of threats and threatening behaviour were made. As a result of that investigation 47 year old Glenn Halfyard of Shelburne was arrested on Tuesday November 12th and faced three criminal charges.

The charges were Uttering Death Threats, Intimidation of a Judicial Participant and Criminal Harassment. Halfyard was held in custody awaiting a bail hearing.

Veteran's short changed – two callous youth steal poppy donation box:

Two days before Remembrance Day a couple local youth callously stole a Poppy Donation Box from Pete's Donuts at the corner of Main Street East and County Road 124 and then spent the money on themselves.

Both youth were arrested a few days later. They have both been charged with theft under \$5000 and possession of property obtained by crime. They have been provided court dates in December.

The youth cannot be named under the provisions of the

Youth Criminal Justice Act.

Report of suspicious pet death, no poisoning can be confirmed:

Shelburne Police launched an investigation after a citizen reported what the person believed to be a suspicious death of a beloved pet.

The police investigation included consultation with local veterinary offices. Police have been unable to confirm that any animals have been poisoned.

Shelburne Police is continuing its investigation and would like to assure all pet owners that any suspicions of animal cruelty will be investigated fully. The Shelburne Police is appealing to pet owners to contact them with any concerns about a pet. Please call us at 519 925-3312 or visit us at our station.

OPP thanking motorists in advance of Festive RIDE season

The OPP is taking the rare step of thanking Ontario drivers ahead of their 2013 Festive R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) campaign for not driving impaired over the holidays and for helping them get impaired drivers off our roads.

The reason for the early thank you is because the OPP knows that the vast majority of drivers do understand that enforcement is only part of the solution and that driving sober is the single most important factor in ending the numerous impaired driving related deaths that occur on Ontario roads every year. The OPP

considers these drivers to be among their most dedicated road safety partners because they share the responsibility of saving lives on our roads through responsible driving behaviour.

The campaign runs from November 23 to January 2, 2014. According to the OPP, the public can expect to see as many OPP Festive R.I.D.E. stops as ever during this year's campaign, in order to deal with the relatively small number of drivers who choose to get an impaired driving charge over the simpler and less costly solution of not getting behind the wheel after consuming al-

cohol. Unfortunately, the irresponsible behaviour of one driver can negatively affect the lives of many.

"I am calling on all road users to help us keep everyone safe over the holidays. Never allow yourself to drink and drive, never allow someone you suspect is impaired by alcohol or drugs to drive and if you are out on the road and suspect that a driver is impaired, call 9-1-1. I would like to thank in advance the hundreds of thousands of drivers we know we can count on to take these simple but important measures to help us get everyone through the holiday

safely," said Chief Superintendent Don Bell, Commander, OPP Highway Safety Division.

"Our most recent national statistics tell us that there were 90,277 impaired driving incidents in Canada in 2011 and I am proud to say that Ontario had one of the lowest impaired driving rates among all of the provinces that year. We attribute this to a combination of targeted police enforcement and education efforts by all safety partners, combined with the motoring public's generally favourable compliance with impaired driving laws, their awareness of the risks and

their willingness to be a part of the solution," said Deputy Commissioner Larry Beechey, Provincial Commander, Traffic Safety and Operational Support.

The OPP is also reminding drivers that there is no safe amount of alcohol consumption when driving. This is evident every year in the number of Warn Range Suspensions the OPP issues to drivers whose Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) falls within the 0.05 to 0.08 range. Over the last two Festive R.I.D.E. campaigns (2011 and 2012), OPP officers issued a total of 1,208 Warn Range Suspen-

sions over and above the 1,375 impaired driving charges they laid throughout the province. Those who are issued a Warn Range Suspension immediately lose their licence at the roadside and are not allowed to drive from that point on for a minimum of three days.

The OPP is asking the public to join in on the conversation on Facebook during the campaign. Share your thoughts, stories and personal experiences with impaired drivers/driving, as well as any positive stories and decisions about drinking and driving contribute to a safe holiday season on our roads.

It's flu shot season – get yours soon!



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

(L to R) Registered Practical Nurse, Nancy Mach provided approximately 60 inoculations to Shelburnites who took advantage of Caravaggio's Pharmacy's first Flu Shot Clinic. No shortage of humor as this gentlemen who refers to himself as CAL, A.K.A. 'Cute And Loveable', received his shot announcing he had never had the flu since he started receiving shots.

BY ALEX SHER

Caravaggio Pharmacy on Main Street in Shelburne hosted its very first Flu Shot Clinic on November 13th.

Registered Practical Nurse, Nancy Mach from Bayshore Health Care based in Kitchener arrived prepared to inoc-

ulate approximately 60 people with the intention of helping people avoid this year's concoction of influenzas A, B, and H1N1.

"I recommend those who are elderly, those who work in retail, in the public, in the health care fields to get the shot as a

precaution. Basically anybody who comes into contact with a lot of people on a regular basis should consider getting inoculated. Though you can't prevent everything, it's comforting to know you can protect against some flu virus," commented Mach.

A topic becoming more and more controversial as debates around the world try and hazard a guess, and that is exactly what it is - a guess, as to which virus' are likely to surface each year.

Gail Brown, Pharmacist at Caravaggio's noted, "Really it is a guess as to which virus's will be a concern each

year, so including the most common virus' in the shot could help prevent serious illness if something could hit," and mentioned,

"The Mel Lloyd Centre will offer their Flu Shot Clinic on December 3."

Notably important is a simple fact for all procrastinators intending on getting a shot, sooner is better, as on occasion there are simply not enough vaccinations to supply demand.

Pharmacy owner, John Caravaggio commented, "This is our first year offering this and it's our way of giving back to our community."

OPP charges Borden man with Child Luring

Members of the OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit (Project "P") have arrested and charged a Borden man following on-line undercover child luring investigation.

On November 13, 2013 a Borden man drove to Barrie for the purpose of meeting whom he thought was a 15 year old girl and a 15 year old boy that the man met and communicated with online. When the Borden man arrived at the Barrie location, he was arrested by police officers who were waiting for him.

On November 13, 2013 police arrested Bradley Stevenson, age 43 years, of Borden. He is charged with two counts of luring child via a computer.

On November 14, 2013 police executed a search warrant at a Borden residence. As a result of this investigation, three computers were seized that are believed to contain evidence of child luring.

The accused was remanded into custody and is scheduled for a bail hearing on November 18, at the Ontario Court of Justice in Barrie.

Police are seeking the public's assistance with anyone having dealings with this individual that was using an on-line identity as "mohito_man" to please contact the OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit at 705 330-3240. The investigation is continuing.

Did you unknowingly buy a stolen chainsaw?

Grey County OPP would like to hear from the person who purchased a Stihl M5441 chainsaw from Kijiji (Owen Sound) on or about Friday, October 25, 2013. The asking price was \$400.

The buyer likely did not know that the chainsaw had been stolen and police would like this individual's assistance in solving this theft.

Anyone with information which may assist is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

B&E leaves many without Internet access

Crime Stoppers of Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka along with the Barrie Police Service are requesting the assistance of the public in solving this crime.

On November 4th, at 6:26 a.m. police were called to 520 Bryne Drive to investigate an attempted break and enter and mischief at a commercial building complex.

Police learned that an unknown suspect broke into the electrical room and deliberately cut the main fibre optic cables for Compu-SOLVE. Compu-SOLVE is a company that provides Internet access and communications to major businesses throughout Simcoe County.

As a result of this mischief, all of Compu-SOLVE's clients were without Internet access and regular business operations were effectively shut-down for much of the day. The financial loss is unknown.

Police are continuing their investigation with the assistance of Forensic Identification experts and are requesting anyone with information about the person responsible for this crime to please call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or go to www.tipsubmit.com to send a web tip.

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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!

Women's Showcase coming to town

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.

Brenda Horan, Board chair of My Sister's Place says, "You are sure to enjoy yourself as you browse and shop. Come and support local female entrepreneurs as they showcase their talents in many areas."

Horan adds, "You can have your photo taken with Mrs. Claus, bid at the Silent Auction and enjoy the Tea and Lunch Room offered by Chilli N Ice."

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. For more information, please call or email Brenda Horan at 905 936-9200 or brendahoran@on.aibn.com or visit www.mysisters-place.ca

Breakfast with Santa

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. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there for visits and pictures. There will be local crafts, food and baked good vendors, as well as lot's of free sampling and our famous Treasure Trays! Lot's of kids activities and an outdoor hockey clinic from our special guest pro Hockey player Shannon McKay! Skate exchange, bring your old skates and exchange for a new pair! African jewellery and crafts will also be on sale, all proceeds go to The Bahati Project in Tanzania.

"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

2nd Annual Headwaters Food Summit and Local Trade Fair: Nov. 25th

The 2nd Annual Headwaters Food Summit and Local Trade Fair presented by the Headwaters Food and Farming Alliance will be held on Monday November 25th at the Royal Ambassador Event Centre in Caledon.

The day-long event will feature keynote speaker Dr. Ralph Martin, Loblaw Research Chair of Sustainable Agriculture at the University of Guelph. Dr. Martin's keynote "Does it Make Sense to Build a Local Food System in a Globalizing World?" will cover a breadth of information on how local food systems can increase resilience of a community in light of the challenges associated with a global food system.

The event will offer 4 breakout sessions that will bring together experts to address topics such as;

1. Building the Business Case for Local Food Systems with Janet Horner, Executive Director of the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance
2. Engaging Community: Food Education, Access and Literacy featuring a panel discussion with local experts
3. Policy Challenges for a Local Food System with Jamie Reaume, Chair of the Ontario Food Terminal
4. Local Food Promotion and Culinary Tourism with Executive Director of the Ontario Culinary Tourism Alliance, Rebecca LeHeup

The event will be followed by a Local Food Trade Fair featuring food and spirits purveyors from Headwaters including the 100 Acre Bakery and Woolwich Dairy from Dufferin County and Albion Orchards and Spirit Tree Cidery from Caledon. This will be an excellent networking opportunity bringing together producers and purchasers to build new business relationships.

The day will be sponsored in part by Dufferin.biz, Foodland Ontario, Ontario Trillium Foundation, Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health Unit and The Hills of Headwaters Tourism Association as well as other local sponsors.

Local food is an important component of the local economy; it brings together food production, distribution and consumption with benefits generated to all parties along the supply chain. Headwaters has strong agricultural roots and farming is still a major economic driver in the region and a valued cultural component of the community. In fact, Headwaters includes some of the best agricultural land in the country. Its close proximity to markets in nearby cities and the second largest North American food processing economy in the Greater Toronto Area makes the land a valued resource both for food and economic development.

The Headwaters Food and Farming Alliance is a collaborative initiative which oversees and supports activities across multiple Working Groups with a vision to support a food system in the Headwaters that is productive, sustainable, transparent, and fair; supports the health and well-being of our residents and food providers; and contributes to the prosperous and equitable economy. The primary objectives of HFFA are to grow a stronger local economy through the development of a local food system that includes residents who have access to healthy food and have the skills needed to support healthy eating, a diverse and sustainable farming system and local leaders who embrace the development of a local food system through development of supportive policies.

For more information on Headwaters Food and Farming Alliance or to register for this event visit www.headwaterscommunities.org

Shelburne's auto care providers come together in the spirit of giving



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

In the true spirit of giving, local business owners of Shelburne Auto & Cycle, Niels Pearson, Byers Auto & Collision, Debbie and Guy Byers, Tru-Tek Automotive Service, Dan Trudgeon, Napa AutoPro Auto Centre, Steve Bowles gathered as Shelburne's team of auto service providers collectively and generously donated \$500 to Reverend David Howes on behalf of Shelburne's Food Bank – The Shepherd's Cupboard on November 14th.

BY ALEX SHER

While many this time of year are busy shopping and wishing about what they will receive for Christmas, some are very busy thinking of new and innovative ways to help others.

In the spirit of giving on November 14th, Napa AutoPro Auto Centre was the neighborhood gathering place as fellow Shelburne Auto Service providers, Tru-Tek Automotive Service, Shelburne Auto & Cycle, and Byers Auto Body And Collision, united in generosity presenting Reverend David Howes with \$125 each for a grand total of \$500 do-

ated to Shelburne's Food Bank, The Shepherd's Cupboard.

There are many interesting facets to this particular statement of generosity where otherwise business competitors see themselves united under one front as Shelburne's Auto Service Providers and actual neighbors, becoming a team of sorts with one goal in mind, helping others. When businesses 'team' up in this manner, great things happen. Reverend David Howes was very surprised and grateful for the donation.

"I think it's amazing! I love the fact that everyone is

working together helping their community to run better. This is admirable. It says a lot about the four businesses making a stronger impact working together," commented Howes adding,

"I hope this will become incentive for local businesses who share a common interest to collaborate and work together."

And where did the idea of gathering fellow business neighbors in the spirit of giving come from?

Yet another brain child of Napa AutoPro Auto Centre's owner, Steve Bowles had this to say, "I called my business neighbors. Presented the idea and they were quick to respond. We are business neighbors and we service our community. It's important to recognize we are a group of Auto Service Providers and we can get a lot accomplished when we work together and pool our resources, and it's our way of giving back to our community as a united front."

The Shepherd's Cupboard is in ever great need of support

as the rising costs of living force more and more to seek help. Reverend Howes is astounded at today's society and is working hard to try and close the poverty gap.

"Thirty years ago I worked in Montreal and directed an inner city mission. Poverty is as real a concern today," explained Howes, "There are so many in need. The Shepherd's Cupboard also supplies more than just food, we offer resources to help in many family and crisis situations. This money will really help especially at this time of year."

Yet another facet to this story, poverty and the growing numbers of those in need and the many different ways one might find themselves in any number of situations where the Shepherd's Cupboard can provide a non-judgemental support system.

For other businesses eager to join forces and follow in Shelburne's Auto Service Provider's lead, group donations are welcome and Reverend David Howes can be reached at 705 428-0751 or 519 925-2233.

"The Giving Back Project"

BY WENDY SOLODUK

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".

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.

Interested families can submit their request to be matched by e-mail to wendy@simcoeyorkprinting.com. Deadline for entry is November 29th. Feel free to call me with any questions at 1-888-559-2287. Allow me to wish you all a Merry Christmas.



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Headwaters Health Care Auxiliary's House Tour Committee announced a record \$74,344 donation to Headwaters Health Care Foundation from its 19th Annual House Tour held September 14th. This year's House Tour offered over 800 participants the opportunity to explore seven outstanding private homes located throughout the Hills of Headwaters, enjoy a gourmet lunch buffet prepared by local chefs, and place bids on an extensive list of 269 silent auction items at the Orangeville Agricultural Society Event Centre (OAS). Over 300 loyal corporate sponsors, donors and contributors can be thanked for making this year's House Tour such a memorable and huge success. A special thank you also goes out to the over 100 volunteers who helped to make it a perfect day. Proceeds from the House Tour contribute to Headwaters Health Care Auxiliary's \$750,000 pledge to the Foundation's Commitment to Care Campaign, launched in October 2012. In partnership with Headwaters Health Care Foundation, the Auxiliary helps to raise funds for hospital equipment purchases through a number of events and activities. The House Tour Committee comprised of approximately 30 volunteers has already started to prepare for the 20th Annual House Tour and promises some surprises to honor this milestone year. For more information, visit www.headwatershousetour.com or contact info@headwatershousetour.com

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Wolves Bantam LL1 squad poised for top finish

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

After eight games into the season, the Shelburne Wolves Bantam LL1 team figures they have a good shot at taking the championship this year.

The squad lost 3-1 to Wasaga Beach on Saturday (Nov. 16) – only the second loss for the team this season.

“It was a tough game,” said coach Shawn Cavey. “Their goalie kept them in it today for sure. That was only our second loss out of eight games.”

The team may have taken hit on Saturday, but that doesn’t tell the story of the season.

Defensively the squad excels at break up the on coming rush.

“Our goalie (Joe Woolett) is playing really well,” Cavey said.

The big story for the Bantam team is in their goal scoring ability - and that’s what is keeping them on top this season.

After eight games team has put 68 goals to the back of the opponent’s net. That’s an average of 8.5 goals per game - enough to make any opposing goalie nervous.

The team executes well and takes the shot at the right moment.

In Saturday’s game they played up to their standard and have several opportunities to score, but they faced a hot Wasaga goalie who didn’t let anything past.

Despite the loss, the squad seems confident in what they can do with the remaining 12 games in the season and the goal is to finish in the number one spot.

The Bantam LL1 team will be back on home ice this Saturday at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex when the host Midland.

The game will get underway at 2:10 p.m.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

DOING WELL – The Shelburne Wolves Bantam LL1 team take on Wasaga during minor hockey action at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Saturday. The Wolves came up short taking a 3-1 loss to the visitors. It was only the second loss for the team this season.

Royals squeezed out in home game



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART

A LOSS TO THE VISITORS, THIS TIME – The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals hockey team hosted Our Lady of Lourdes from Guelph at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex. The Royals played a stellar game but just match the goals and came up having to settle for a 3-1 loss to the visitors.



BY BRIAN LOCKHART

A strong defence can make a good offence, and that made a big difference in Tuesday’s (Nov. 12) game when the Centre Dufferin District High School Royals hockey team hosted the squad from Our Lady of Lourdes at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.

The Royals were behind 2-1 in the second period and bat-

tling hard to keep the puck out of their zone.

The Royals single came from Michael Fuller on the assist from Ty McCallum.

The OLOL team got the edge when they notched number three with 13:04 left on the clock.

Neither team could find the back of the net for the rest of the game and the Royals had

to settle for the loss.

At three games into the season the Royals have a 1-2 record with eight games left.

“I don’t think we played as good as we could have,” said coach Rob Scott. “They had some systems, we noticed they were good at pinching in at their blue line and making up for that. If we caught them pinching, their forwards were still coming back. We didn’t adjust to that too well. They had us looking behind a lot in the second period.”

Offensively the Royals looked strong but they had a lot of trouble getting through the OLOL defensive line and getting the puck out to the front of the net.

“We’ve got some guys that flat-out work their butts off on every shift,” Scott said. “I’m never going to challenge our guy’s work ethic. Our goalie (Bryce Dillman) played very well today. I don’t want to take anything away from OLOL but that’s our poorest of the three games this season.”

The Royals will be away for their next game on Friday, November 22.

They will return to home ice on Tuesday, November 27, to host John F. Ross CVI at the CDRC. Game time is 2:00 p.m.



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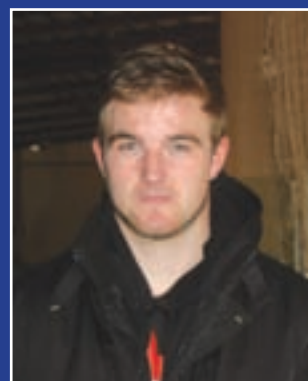
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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Name: TREVOR BELL
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Sport: HOCKEY
Position: DEFENCE

In his third year on the Royals hockey team, grade 12 student Trevor Bell is a veteran on the CDDHS squad.

“I just love playing hockey with my friends,” he said of what he likes about the game. “It’s good hockey.”

He has been playing hockey “as long as I can remember,” starting out when he was just at the Tyke level. “I think I

started skating when I was around two years old.

Originally he started out as a forward but switched to defence in his Peeewe season.

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Outside of high school sport, Trevor plays on the Midget team with the Grand Valley Twisters.

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Saturday, Nov. 23rd

Atom LL1 vs Georgian Shores.....11:45am – 12:50pm
Pewee LL2 vs Essa.....1:00pm – 2:00pm
Bantam LL1 vs Midland #32:10pm – 3:25pm
Bantam LL2 vs Stayner.....3:35pm – 4:50pm

Sunday, Nov. 24th

Atom LL2 vs Creemore2:00pm – 3:05pm
Atom rep vs Midland2:15pm – 4:20pm
Pewee rep vs Penetang.....4:30pm – 5:35pm
Midget LL1 vs Wasaga Beach #15:45pm – 7:25pm
Bantam LL2 vs Bantam LL17:35pm – 9:20pm

Monday, Nov. 25th

Pewee LL1 vs Creemore7:00pm – 8:00pm
Midget LL2 vs Georgian Shores8:10pm – 9:50pm

(Schedule and game times are subject to change.)

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Pictured above is a male Northern Cardinal. Red Bellied woodpecker (male) pictured top right, and a Carolina Wren bottom right.

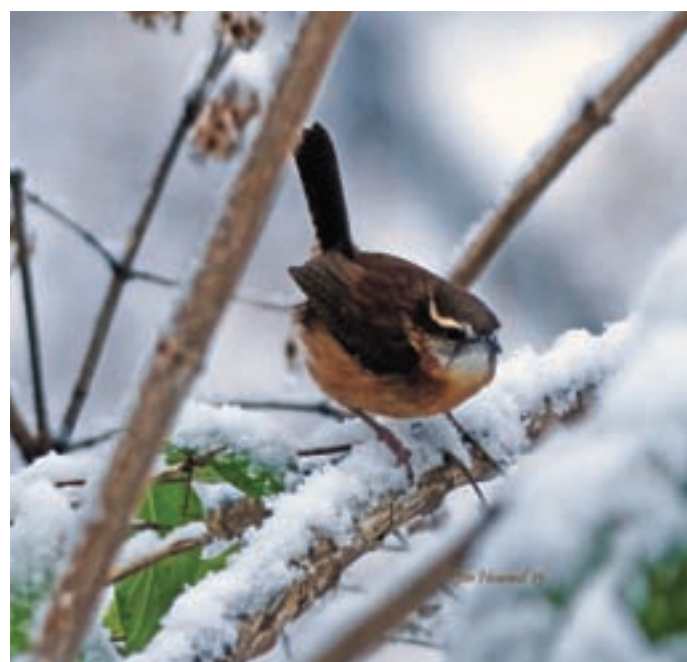
BY JENNIFER HOWARD

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County will grant \$2 million to Headwaters

BY WES KELLER

County council is expected to approve a Committee of the Whole resolution to grant Headwaters Health Care Centre \$500,000 yearly for the next four years for a total of \$2-million toward the hospital's \$14-million equipment campaign at its inaugural meeting Dec. 14.

Despite the commitment to the hospital, the council has been able to reduce the rise in levy to about 3.4%. Treasurer Alan Selby said in an interview outside the council that the hike would be offset by about 1.1% of new growth, so the average net increase to existing properties would be about 2.3%.

He said the average levy is about \$1,100, so the average increase for 2014 would be \$25 – but that is an average, and would vary according to assessments.

The Committee and the council met in back-to-back

sessions last Thursday.

The \$500,000 for the hospital hikes the operating budget but other approved changes partially offset that by \$250,000. Among the operating changes, by increasing the liability insurance deductible by \$15,000 a claim – to \$25,000 from \$10,000 – the premium for coverage is reduced by approximately \$100,000.

The downside is that the increase in deductible means the county has budgeted \$52,500, up from \$27,500, for insurance claims expenses which reduces the premium savings to about \$75,000.

As well, it reduced repayment of reserves borrowed to cover a \$4-million health unit share by \$125,000, from the previously budgeted \$250,000.

On the capital side of things, approximately \$1.5-million was removed from planned roads projects, and a budget

item of \$250,000 for Stanton Hotel relocation was reduced to \$50,000.

The roadwork deleted for now comprised a \$900,000 Gas Tax reserve meant to cover costs of access to Dufferin Eco Energy Park (DEEP) and also about \$600,000 for County Road 12 resurfacing. The \$900,000 is actually being transferred to roads capital, so it will be spent.

Mr. Selby notes that "because this (Gas Tax) action will reduce the amount in the Public Works

Capital Budget, Roads, that is coming from Development Charges, some necessary minor adjustments will be made by Treasury staff to Development Charges amounts, and to the Gas Tax amount, so that a net budget change to the Tax Levy of exactly \$900,000 is realized."

Other deletions and reductions lowered the capital levy by more than \$400,000. The largest item among those was a budgeted \$113,000 for improvements to the Primrose Works building, followed by deletion of \$75,000 for the trails program.

Also, the contribution of \$100,000 toward a reserve for Dufferin Oaks roof replacement was halved to \$50,000, and replacement of the Oaks vehicle was deferred for a savings of \$20,000 in 2014.

With respect to roads, Mr. Selby said outside council that the budget is approximately the same as it was in 2010, so there's no headway being made.

Where the county stands on infrastructure will be known in March 2014 when the Asset Management Plan accounting becomes public.

Wolves win some, lose some

The Shelburne Wolves Midget Local League #2 team has had a very busy start to the 2013-14 season and are currently sitting with a record of 4-2-0.

On October 29th, Creemore came to town to face off with the Wolves. Brian Burke put the Wolves on the score board first on a great set up from Jordan Metz. This was the lone marker until well into the third when creemore scored twice to take a 2-1 victory.

The following night, the team travelled to Collingwood and once again had another close match. Burke scored for the Wolves assisted by Rhett Flemming and Chris Garrett. Flemming added another on a set from Darren Taylor and Kyle Tomlinson. Collingwood managed to tie the game and in the dying minutes. Burke scored from Flemming and Garrett to give the Wolves the win.

On Saturday, November 2nd the Wolves hosted Flesherton and were handed a 6-3 loss.

The following evening Shelburne traveled to Midland looking for redemption. The Wolves came out strong and skated to a dominate 9-0 win. Scoring for Shelburne was Burke (4) Rachel Fazackerley with her 1st career hat trick, Taylor and Metz. Picking up assists were Nate Fealock-Cole (2), Metz (2), Taylor, Fazackerley, Burke and Matt Cameron.

Assuming the goal tending duties this season is Tristan Galka and Eric Johnson.

Bantam 1 succeeds in Midland

On Monday November 25th Shelburne Wolves Bantam 1 succeeded in winning against Midland 5-1 after fighting against the weather to make the long journey to the Midland Arena for their 7:30 p.m. game.

With a slow start and 0-0 in the first period, Midland took the first goal against Shelburne. Activating the adrenalin in these young players the next two periods brought home a win for Shelburne – with the first goal scored by Cole Timmins, two more goals came from Sean Appleton, the fourth from Liam McCleod and final goal scored by Sawyer Kirsten.

The Bantam 1 started a great season winning their first 5 games, and after taking a couple of losses, this puts them back on their winning streak. Having played 3 games in a row last weekend, all the players exceeded to their full potential and showed no signs of tiring in this tense game against the tough Midland team.

Bantam 1 are playing their next game against their own Bantam 2 this weekend which will be very tense, at their home arena in Shelburne.

We appreciate the support of our team sponsors Petro Canada, Shelburne.



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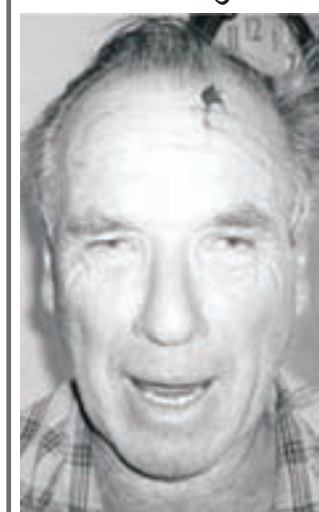
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Bugsy Malone - Don't miss it at Grace Tipling Hall!

BY ANNE RITCHIE

Midst silhouettes and strobe lights, Bugsy Malone Junior takes to the stage. Shelburne's Tipling Hall is filled with light, sound and action when a troupe of wonderfully youthful gangsters hit the stage.

You will see the smooth-talking ever-loving Bugsy (Jameson Saleta) who joins up with suave and fancy Dandy Dan (Harry Russell) and the power-hungry Fat Sam (Thomas Lynch/Hannah Hamilton). The riotously entertaining performance features a fast-paced song and dance chorus starring a misty-eyed Blousy Brown (Jocelyn Glenday), the wistfully sweet Tallulah (Rejean Ghanem), sultry and sensuous Louella (Julia Herzberg) and an aptly named Fizzy (Kyra Seymour) and Razzamataz (Carleah Rose), brimming with fun. The roles are well-played, and sparkle with talent; each character claims the spotlight in enthusiastic song and dance, stunning solos, and mad scrambles with silly string and pie fights as two rival gangs compete for top spot on the streets of New York. When the gangs gather, be they a chorus line or in animated small grouping, they set the scene for an exciting evening offering the lights, sounds, and the fast-paced action of the Roaring Twenties.

With an amazing energy, Knuckles (Hope Petican), Snake Eyes (Walker Rae), Shake Down Louis (Megan Hamilton), Ritzzy and Roxy (Kayla Dollimore and Molly Russell) line up behind

Fat Sam and give it their all. With equal enthusiasm and talent, Dandy Dan's Gang, Bronx Charlie (Darcy Baker), Doodle (Gabriella Iusi), Benny Lee (Sarah Dos Santos), Yonkers (Farrah Ghanem), and Laughing Boy (Hannah Hamilton) match up against them. The result is a show that transforms their full-blown talents and energy into a highly entertaining evening well worth the visit to Shelburne's Tipling Hall. They all deserve a huge round of applause.

Kudos also go to the backstage cast that brought out the best in the young actors. Under the direction of Alison Port and Josh Priess, choreography by Kristen Gamache and Alison Port, and in Dale Lundy's delightfully complex setting where bookcases becoming entryways to speakeasies the cast plays out a story that will delight young and old alike. Sarah Scroggie's flickering lighting calls for split second timing as quick as the actor's lines and antics that punctuate each scene. The costumes chosen by Alison Port, Ang Hamilton and Michelle Steele are as authentic as the Roaring Twenties, brought to life amidst a chorus line of Grand Slam girls.

For tickets to the razzle dazzle show, call the box office at 519-925-2600 or 519-939-1038. It's an evening you won't want to miss! Bugsy Malone Junior plays at Shelburne's Tipling Hall, situated in the town hall, November 14-17 and 22-24. Be there if you know what's good for ya'!

Shreddies continues its Search for Goodness, local pastor nominated

BY WES KELLER

If there's someone in your community that quietly goes about volunteering continuously to do things to make life better for those surrounding him or her, Shreddies wants to hear about them.

Shreddies is one of the cereals made by Post Foods Canada Inc. It is repeating its Search for Goodness campaign that it initiated in 2011. In that initial campaign there were so many good news stories accompany-

ing nominations that Product Manager Melissa Marchesano says it "proved that we really are a nation that strives to do good."

"When we do good, we feel good, and for the second year in a row we're looking for someone who embodies genuine goodness and deserves recognition for their selfless commitment to their community."

In all probability, the persons nominated would be the last to acknowledge that they

are sacrificing something of themselves to bring cheer to others.

Such was the case with last year's winner, Greg Epp of Saskatoon, who said in a phone interview from his home that he was pleased to see the campaign repeated because, "there are many out there who are more deserving than I."

Mr. Epp more or less shrugged off the suggestion that the voluntary work he

does every winter would be deserving of special recognition.

And maybe it wouldn't seem that way for anyone who has not experienced outdoor activity in a winter on the bald Canadian Prairies.

But Mr. Epp, for the past "seven or eight years" has been managing an outdoor ice rink. Neighborhood kids, including three of his own, have learned to skate and to play hockey on the often frigid outdoor surface, but Mr. Epp has also maintained a "warming shack" at the community rink where temperatures can exceed minus 40 plus wind chill. "It's a lot of fun," he said but also acknowledged that "it's a bit chilly at times."

This year's campaign has been happening since the beginning of October. And nominations close on Nov. 24, but can be made online at www.searchforgoodness.ca until that date.

So far, the only known local nominee is Pastor Gord Horsley of Shelburne, who was surprised when he got a call from the media.

"I've been nominated?" he said with obvious shock in his voice. "I don't know a thing about it."

Similarly to Mr. Epp, the pastor didn't that he would be

as entitled as many others for his community involvement.

But others evidently view it differently.

From the nomination, Shreddies has this to say: "Pastor Gord Horsley gives tirelessly to many of the needy in the area and is a shining example of selflessness. He is the parson for the local Legion, ministering to a large group of veterans and regularly visits the seniors' residences in town. He often fills in for other ministers that have been scheduled to hold a service for the elderly but are unable to fulfill the obligation. When the need is greatest the seniors will call on Pastor Horsley. He is the chair of the ministerial group for the town - added responsibility when arranging special multi-denominational events. Many other events benefit from Pastor Horsley's personal time. He has been a judge for Shelburne Idol, sits on panels for public speaking competitions and assists in countless civic activities. His selfless commitment is an inspiration, making him a worthy nominee in our 'Search for Goodness'," Shreddies says.

"Well, yes. I do a lot of work at Dufferin Oaks but a lot of us (ministers) do that. Yes, I often fill in for others, but so does everyone else," he said.

Nonetheless, he was grateful for the nomination. If he is one of five nominees short-listed by Shreddies, his story will be posted for a public vote. If he wins the vote, he will be featured in a Shreddies television spot, as has Mr. Epp for the past year.

Pastor Horsley and his wife and fellow pastor, Kate, founded Abiding Faith Ministries in Shelburne nearly 10 years ago. Their Sunday worship services are at 10 a.m. in the Dufferin Oaks auditorium.

The website for the fellowship says this: "Pastor Gord and Kate have ministered for the Lord for over 23 years."

"They have been involved in missions, youth pastoring, inner healing, deliverance, prayer counseling & church planting."

"Their hearts are for the broken-hearted and those who need Jesus. Religion is not where it's at...it's about a relationship with Christ and seeing people truly touched by God." Gord is the Senior Pastor of the Fellowship in Shelburne and is also the founder of Abiding Place Ministries.

"Kate moves in the prophetic and intercession, she also has a heart for worship, and brings wisdom and balance to the leadership of the ministry," the Website says.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

John Riley speaking about his book, The Once and Future Great Lakes Country: An Ecological History at the Shelburne Public Library on Sunday Nov. 17th. This marks the 5th Library Literary event... Off the Page held at Shelburne Public Library.

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TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON WINTER MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE REQUIRED

The Township of Melancthon requires Winter Maintenance Employee for Snow Removal and Winter Duties. This position requires the applicant to be able to work flexible hours, and be available for weekends and evenings, as weather and circumstances dictate.

This position is based on a forty-hour workweek.

Applicant must possess a Valid DZ Licence (minimum), and have a clean driving record. Applicant must be available to be on call from December 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014.

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NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

Crossroads Community Church



"Today we gathered shoe boxes filled with heartfelt gifts to bless children of the world, a tangible way to show God's love"

On this solemn morning warmth welcomed us in God's sanctuary, Pastor Don began with prayer and worship was heartfelt, Bob read Joshua 1:5-6, Isaiah 55:1-2, and John 15:33. Prayers for healing and guidance were lifted up to God. Pastor Don came forth with the next part of last week's teaching; Putting on the Full Armor of God and read this week's scripture, Hebrews 11:1. We learned last week that the first component to the Armor is the Belt of truth on which the whole armor holds from, coming to God with confession and repentance is that first component to begin warfare against the enemy of our souls the devil. This week we look at 3 other components of our Armor.

To be a strong soldier as we learned last week we need to be protected and the best protection is obedience to our commanding officer Jesus Christ.

So let us read Ephesians 6:14, "Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place," The Breast plate of Righteousness is like a bullet proof vest able to protect us and give us confidence to go into battle. This breastplate of righteousness is God's moral and spiritual standard, we receive it from Him when we submit to His command, it isn't from anything we have done but from everything Christ has done. We all have sinned so we all need to come under Christ's protection and authority, (Romans 3:10, Romans 3:23). We were made sinners through Adam who disobeyed God but we are made right through the perfect and complete obedience of Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:6), and Jesus did this at the right time for each and one of us, (Romans 5:6). We can leave our old attitudes behind

and not let it haunt us, we have the Holy Spirit in us and our new changed

Behavior is a by-product of Christ's righteousness flowing through us. This will defend us against the accuser of us all, the devil will not be able to penetrate our hearts or destroy our confidence because it is rooted in Christ's perfect obedience. (Ephesians 4:22-24). Another vital part of the armor is our footing, the sandals of peace. (Ephesians 6:15). Sandals of peace are like snow tires that give peace of mind on uncertain winter roads. When we have been made right with God through Jesus we will walk securely at peace knowing Jesus will guide us, pick us up if we fall and keep our faith steady. When we are at peace with God we have no guilt or shame for the devil to use to trip us up. This peace comes from humble repentance and believing in the Gospel of Jesus. (John 3:16). This peace causes us to rejoice because it brings hope and it means we have a flowing relationship with God (Romans 5:1). His peace is beyond what we can conceive or comprehend but we can be sure that He is in control and is able to protect us, (Philippians 4:7).

Once we are made right with God and have His peace, He gives us Faith and God requires action from us, we need to use it! (Ephesians 6:16). A

Soldier's shield needs to be cared for, doused in water and oil daily to be ready for battle; our shield of faith also needs daily dousing of Bible reading and Prayer to strengthen it, spending time with God gives us the daily encouragement to face the battle ahead. A well cared for shield repels the flaming arrows of deception and lies of the enemy, (Romans 10:17).

Beloved The Bible, which is God's command book for battle, tells us clearly to be persistent in prayer, to pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, to be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people, (Ephesians 6:18). So this week let us be confident in the Armor the Lord provides, let us cherish it, care for it as a precious gift for it is the ultimate protection and defense we have in our daily struggles, we may not all have a PHD in Theology but God has given us all His spirit which enables us to walk firmly before him, no matter at which pace we are moving, God is with us, He will lead us and have our backs every step of the way, let's suit up for God has already won the battle...have a blessed week filled with peace and joy, Asherey Shalom!

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Christian Perspective: What do you know

BY JACK GAULT, BETHEL CHAPEL, SHELBURNE

We've all heard this phrase when someone is surprised about some fact that they have just heard, read or seen and they exclaim, "Well, what do you know? ...", and they then describe what it is all about. We live in an information age where knowledge is readily available to anyone with an Internet connection!

I recently heard it said that "The Internet knows everything and what it doesn't know it makes up!" Not everything one reads on the Internet should be believed as being true without knowing that the information's source is reliable and can be trusted since anyone can write anything they want.

In contrast, newspaper reporters adhere to a code of ethics while trying hard to diligently ask all the right questions from reliable sources for the story. Their editor also has a final say about whether the article with its sources are worthy to be published.

Have you heard the expression that "knowledge is power"? It is powerful because we usually make our decisions based on the facts we believe.

Here's a true saying: "It is very dangerous to reason and decide with insufficient data."* If we don't know all the pertinent facts there is a strong probability that we'll be coming to an erroneous conclusion that may lead to failure later, during the implementation stage.

Beware of overconfidence. We may think we know every-

thing we need to know but our senses can be tricked and deceived so we may not see the hidden traps laid out before us. That's why we often ask for advice from someone who has experience - a person who has successfully "been there and done that". But, only God knows everything and He is trustworthy. If we ask Him, He will tell us the truth we need!

Often we want to see things with our own eyes before we believe. But another quote I found says, "Some things have to be believed to be seen."* Furthermore, some beliefs have to be acted upon before any results can be seen!

I'll explain using an incident that happened in our Lord Jesus Christ's life while He walked and taught people here on earth (i.e. during His earthly ministry). In the Bible, John 7:15-19, the Jewish leaders were amazed that Jesus knew how to read and write when, as far as they knew, He had never been formally taught.

Where did He get the knowledge and doctrine that He was teaching? Jesus claimed to have received it from the One they worshipped as God! He told them how they could determine if this was true [and I'm quoting from the Amplified Bible]: "If any man desires to do His will (God's pleasure), he will know (have the needed illumination to recognize, and can tell for himself) whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking from Myself and of My own accord and on My own authority."

Jesus is saying that if we're willing to DO what pleas-

es God then we will KNOW that what Jesus was teaching is from God and can be trusted. These Jews were trying to kill Him so obviously they were not doing the will of Father God and therefore they wouldn't be given knowledge about where Jesus' words came from.

Making a broader application I can say that those who are cultivating a personal relationship with God, who also love Him and who desire to OBEY Him, will KNOW in themselves that the Bible IS true.

There are other strong proofs that the words written in the Bible are true but I haven't space to discuss these.

This article gives us something anyone can do: Just honestly ask the author of the Bible, we believe that is God, and He will show you all the proof you need. Trusting and obeying God as the ultimate "good source" of the information we read makes His Word trustworthy enough to build our life's winning decisions on. What do you know?

*The two quotes I've marked with an asterisk were taken from our sign book, "701 Sentence Sermons: Attention-Getting Quotes for Church Signs, Bulletins, Newsletters, and Sermons" by L. James Harvey, published by Kregel Publishing, Grand Rapids, MI.]

Volunteer knitters needed

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church is looking for volunteer knitters to make children's hats and/or mittens to donate to charity during this Christmas season. Prior to being delivered to charity, these items will be used to decorate St. Catherine's Christmas tree, showcasing the hard work and generosity of the volunteers. If you have the needles, wool, and a big heart this is an opportunity to "give back" to the less fortunate. The items can be dropped off at the church on Sundays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. For more information, or for additional drop off times, please call Donna at 905-775-6144. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and support.

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Town of Shelburne Notice of Public Budget Meeting

On November 25, 2013, a Public Budget Presentation will be held in the Council Chambers at 7:00 pm or shortly thereafter. All Shelburne businesses and residents are invited to attend to ask questions and provide input on the Draft 2013 Budget.

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