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70-year-old man left without home following Amaranth blaze

BY MICHELLE JANZEN

Another fire last week has left a 70 year old gentleman without a home, after a blaze destroyed his house just outside of Shelburne on Sunday afternoon.

The two-storey farmhouse which was located just south of Highway 89 at the 4th Line in Amaranth collapsed when flames ripped through

the home. We are told that the occupant was outside of the home when the fire broke out.

Shelburne and District Fire Chief Brad Le-maich told the Shelburne Free Press in an interview, "For this fire we needed to bring in crews from Grand Valley, Mulmur/Melancthon and Orangeville for tanker support and manpower."

Fire crews say the man has several dogs, one of which perished in the fire. He also has a goat

which has since been relocated.

Damage is pegged between \$200,000 and \$250,000 and Investigators are looking at a woodstove or portable heater as a possible cause.

We are told that no one was injured and victim services were brought in to help the homeowner.

The investigation is ongoing.

Tilson not moving aside for O'Leary, or anyone

BY BILL REA

In terms of his political career, Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson is staying put for now.

Rumours have been circulating this week that Conservative Party leadership hopeful Kevin O'Leary is eying Tilson's seat.

It was reported on the blog theribbon.net that there were rumours that executives in the local Conservative riding association have been discussing a possible bid by O'Leary to replace Tilson.

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MARCH BREAK MADNESS – Children happily display their tickets for the exciting March Break event with Cosima Grunsky at Grace Tipling Hall. Shelburne Public Library is sponsoring three events this week with two already Sold Out! More inside on March Break fun!

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FEATURED ITEMS

Students from CDDHS help to make quilts for Ronald McDonald Houses across Canada

BY MICHELLE JANZEN

Recently, Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) students in Ms. Darlings' Grade 11 and 12 Fashion class donated quilt blocks to go to the Canadian Quilters Association (CQA) Big Quilt Bee.

In conjunction with Cobwebs and Caviar, the students created the blocks using at least one piece of Northcott's gorgeous OH CANADA line.

AJ Cavey, owner of Cobwebs and Caviar, tell us, "Last year, we held our own quilting bee for Quilts of Valor and received 114 blocks, which were made into quilt. So far, to date, we have surpassed last year's number of blocks and currently have 127 blocks that were made and donated for this year's CQA Big Quilt Bee."

Ms. Cavey tell us that to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday the CQA is looking for 12 1/2" blocks to be made into quilts for kids at Ronald McDonald Houses across Canada, with

their goal being enough blocks to make 1,000 quilts.

Formed in 1981, the aim and objective of the CQA is to promote a greater understanding, appreciation and knowledge of the art, techniques, and heritage of patchwork, applique and quilting, to promote the highest standards of workmanship and design in both traditional and innovative work, and to foster cooperation and sharing between quilt makers across the country.

This years the Big Quilt Bee will be held June 14-17, 2017 at Quilt Canada 2017 in Toronto where they will have sewing machines, long arms, mid arms and an army of volunteers ready to work on quilt tops and stacks of slab blocks made by hundreds of Canadian quilters.

For more information on the CQA you can go to their website at www.canadianquilter.com and for more information about Cobwebs and Caviar, drop by at 147 Main Street, Shelburne, or call 519-306-3000 or you can find them on Facebook.



Students from Ms. Darling's class at CDDHS proudly display the quilt blocks they made and are donating to the Canadian Quilters Association to be made into quilts for Ronald McDonald Houses across Canada. PHOTO BY MICHELLE JANZEN



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Bella and Sadie stopped by the Games on Wheels XL Party Trailer at Dufferin County Museum and Archives (DCMA) on March 13 to kick off their March Break fun and celebrations. The mobile video game truck visited DCMA equipped with the latest gaming technology, multiple HDTV screens, programmable LED lights, premium audio and comfortable bench seating, and a full library of games for up to 28 kids. Family fun activities continue throughout the week at DCMA including a presentation by TV personality George Stroumboulopoulos on Sunday, March 19 at 2 pm. Promotions Coordinator Nanci Malek says "the host of The Hour on CBC and Hockey Night in Canada, will talk about his life and his work interviewing everyone from Prince Charles to Kermit the Frog. An event for the whole family." Pre-register by phone: 1-877-941-7787 or email: info@dufferinmuseum.com. Cost: \$20.00 / DCMA Members: \$15.00 / Kids: \$5.00. PHOTO COURTESY OF DUFFERIN COUNTY MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES.

Tilson not moving aside for O'Leary, or anyone

Continued from FRONT

"I don't know how these things get going," Tilson declared. "I'm not giving up my seat for Mr. O'Leary or anyone. That's definite." Tilson, who will be marking his 76th birthday Sunday, said he hasn't made up his mind on whether he will be a candidate in the next federal election, expected in the fall of 2019.

"I haven't decided what I'll do," he said, adding that decision likely won't come until some months before the actual election.

Tilson said he had heard nothing about the rumour until a colleague from eastern Ontario asked him about it.

"I've never even met Mr. O'Leary," he said. He seemed almost amused that the idea had been raised.

"It's a delicious story, of course, if Mr. O'Leary wants to come and represent this riding," Tilson observed. "He's going to have to wait for me to leave."

In terms of the leadership race, Tilson con-

firmed that he's backing Michael Chong, from Wellington — Halton Hills.

"Michael's a long-time friend of mine," Tilson said. "He's a bright young man."

The matter was news to the local federal Conservative riding association.

"I have no idea where the rumour originated and had never heard of the blogger who tried to breathe life not it," association President Steve Cavell said in a statement. He also pointed out Tilson was elected MP and has served the riding well.

"And he does this with the full support of the riding association board of directors," Cavell stated. "That support extends to the end of the current term and beyond if he wishes."

And the O'Leary camp doesn't seem interested in moving Tilson out.

"It's a rumour," O'Leary's Press Secretary Ari Laskin said, adding their effort is completely focused on the leadership race. "We're not focusing on any riding."



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Due to a couple of unexpected vacancies the County of Dufferin is currently looking for Public Members to volunteer on the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the 2014 to 2018 Term of Council.

Terms of Reference and a Guide on Accessibility are available on our website for those interested in serving on the Committee.

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If you are 18 or over, a resident of Dufferin County and interested in volunteering with staff and County Council to identify and break down barriers for people with disabilities, let us know. Access Dufferin advises County Council on the programs, policies and services provided to persons with disabilities and provides direction regarding the identification and prevention of barriers for persons with disabilities.

The Committee meets approximately four times a year. All committee agendas are distributed via email.

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Hearts Wide Open mystery evening sets \$7,500 goal for Autism

BY MARNI WALSH

Hearts Wide Open for Autism is raising the bar for their second annual fundraiser this April.

Last year, the organization raised \$5,200 for the Upper Grand Learning Foundation with the funds distributed to elementary schools in Shelburne.

The funds helped to provide essential tools children with Autism and other special needs use throughout their school day.

This year, Deanna Avison, a Shelburne grandmother of twins with Autism, joining forces once again with Megan Young of the Shelburne Golf and Country Club, is hoping to up that amount to \$7,500 with another murder mystery and dinner evening.

On Saturday, April 1, Hearts Wide Open will host a Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre and Silent Auction at the Shelburne Golf and Country Club, with the new fundraising target. Tickets are \$100 each, or a table of eight for \$700.

The driving force behind the evening, and the founder of the organization, Ms. Avison, who is also known as “the autism Grandma,” says “there is a substantial number of children in our community with Autism and other special needs who will benefit from the funds we raise through this event.”

“It helps supply essential tools and other necessary items the children need to help them through their day at school,” she says. “With our growing community, the number of children with special needs is only going to increase.”

Murder for Hire, an interactive performance company out of Kitchener-Waterloo, returns again this year to present “A Fright to Remember” as the evening’s entertainment April 1st. The theatrics take place among the guests over

the course of a meal.

“There may be a murderer amongst the guests,” they say, “perhaps even a victim, or two.” Guests also have the opportunity to participate in some aspects of the event, if they wish.

The evening will begin with cocktails and a silent auction at 6 pm, followed by a delicious chicken dinner and the Murder Mystery at 7 pm. The evening finishes with music by DJ Master Mix with Michael Roberts. There will be a shuttle bus graciously donated by Stock Transportation which will pick up patrons at 5:30 pm at the CDRC arena in Shelburne, with drop off times back to the CDRC at 9:30 pm and again at 11:30 pm for those who wish to stay for the music after the mystery.

“Again this year we have amazing sponsors,” says Ms. Avison - including: Greg Patton of GP Carpentry; Shelburne Royal Bank; Stock Transportation; Chris Reed of IPRO Realty who is a generous sponsor of the theatre performance; and photography sponsored by Lana Pullen Photography.

Ms. Avison says she “personally got to view some of the purchases that were made from the money and was amazed at the number of items they were able to purchase for the children.”

“It touched my heart so much to see what the community helped do, and the difference we made for children to have the necessary tools they need in order to help them through their day at school,” she says.

If you would like to support this great cause or buy tickets, please visit their Facebook page with all the information at 2ndAnnual-HeartsWideOpenforAutism or call Deanna Avison at 519-925-9326.



Murder for Hire actors from last year’s very successful Hearts Wide Open fundraiser. Murder for Hire will return this year for another evening of fun and fabulous food at the Shelburne Golf and Country Club April 1 with a goal to raise \$7,500 for special needs equipment for the elementary schools in Shelburne. PHOTO COURTESY OF HEARTS WIDE OPEN



Mayor Ken Bennington is pictured Monday night with a certificate of appreciation the Town of Shelburne received for its support of Hearts Wide Open for Autism.

PHOTO BY PETER RICHARDSON

Mayor, Council declare Autism Awareness Day an annual event in Shelburne

BY PETER RICHARDSON

National Autism Awareness Day will be recognized annually by Shelburne, following a decision by Mayor Ken Bennington and Council on Monday.

Shelburne Council heard a request from Deanna Avison, the “Autism Grandma”, to proclaim April 2 as National Autism Awareness Day in Shelburne.

This is the third consecutive year that Deanna has requested this of the Town, and Council granted her request – going one step further in a separate motion by declaring it a permanent occasion.

Deanna is the grandmother of three autistic grandchildren who live in Shelburne. There are

actually many such children living in the community and, as the fastest growing community in Ontario, their numbers are likely to increase.

Deanna held the Hearts Wide Open for Autism fundraiser last year in support of providing autistic and other children with challenges with the necessary learning tools in their schools through the Upper Grand Learning Foundation. All of the proceeds went to Shelburne’s four elementary schools for their Special Education Programmes

Last year they raised \$5,200 and this year, on April 1st, at the Shelburne Golf and Country Club, Deanna hopes to surpass that total, all fooling aside!

The Mayor was presented with a plaque in appreciation of the Town’s support of the cause.



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Ottawa Journal: Liberal Government's Changes to Mortgage Rules Raises Concerns

BY DAVID TILSON, MP
 DUFFERIN-CALEDON

Home ownership is something to which thousands of Canadians aspire. It's also something the Conservative Party of Canada believes should be supported.

However, last October, the current Liberal government introduced changes which make it more difficult for hard-working Canadians to qualify for a mortgage. The changes are removing the dream of home ownership from thousands of first-time home buyers and, what's worse, is that the current government is now considering further changes.

Such changes would have negative implications for rural communities and underscores this government's one-size-fits-all approach is not working, raising concerns for Canadians across the country.

In October 2016, the current Liberal government introduced changes that were meant to reinforce the Canadian housing finance system, including changing eligibility criteria for high-and low-ratio insured mortgages, including a mortgage rate stress test.

The changes were designed to deal with rising housing prices in Toronto and Vancouver and were implemented without consultation. The results have not been successful. Sadly, these changes have made it much more difficult for first-time home buyers to obtain a mortgage. Moreover, they have hurt local mortgage brokers and credit unions in small towns and cities across Canada.

In early February, Parliament's Finance Committee heard testimonials from concerned groups across Canada. The message was clear: the mea-

asures introduced by the current government aren't working and should be rolled back. The measures were intended to address high prices in Toronto and Vancouver; however, this one-size-fits-all approach is instead hurting housing markets across the country.

It is regretful that Finance Canada is now considering further changes which will change the risk-sharing arrangements between lenders and the CMHC.

Such changes would make it more difficult for small financial institutions to compete and make it more difficult in rural communities to obtain a mortgage.

Canada's mortgage rules are already considered amongst the strongest in the world, a fact that helped our economy weather the 2008 Recession.

Throughout that time, the Conservative government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Stephen Harper, took steps to encourage, rather than discourage, home ownership.

It is interesting the current Liberal government, which professes to represent the interests of the middle-class, has placed considerable obstacles to this stratum of Canadian society in realizing the dream of home ownership and is now considering further obstacles.

The Conservative Party of Canada believes the current Liberal government should roll-back their October changes and abandon plans to change risk-sharing in the future.

I encourage you to register your own concerns about the current Liberal government's changes to mortgage rules by contacting Finance Minister Bill Morneau. Minister Morneau may be contacted by e-mail at bill.morneau@canada.ca

Government is abandoning families in need: MPP

BY SYLVIA JONES, MPP
 DUFFERIN-CALEDON

On February 27, I spoke in the Ontario Legislature and called on the Minister of Community and Social Services to address the tragic instances of "abandonment" in Ontario.

According to the Select Committee on Developmental Services, "abandonment" refers to parents surrendering care of their child, "in a desperate, last-ditch attempt to enable their children to access services."

I was a member of the Select Committee in 2014, and heard stories from parents who were forced to make this excruciating decision because it was the only way to get service.

The unfortunate reality is that there are many families in Dufferin-Caledon waiting for service that they need. In some cases, the needs of a child are too much for a family, and even respite care or other in-home supports are not enough to ensure the safety of both the children and the family.

For many families going through such a difficult circumstance, the long term solution for their child is to place them in a group home. However, group home availability is limited and there are long waitlists.

So, while a family may have been striving for years to keep their child at home, some are left in extremely desperate situations where there is no alternative. A common instance in these scenarios is that the child will end up being put into hospital or another institution not meant to care for a person with

complex developmental needs.

This creates a tragic cycle of the child being in and out of hospital because both the home and the hospital are not the proper place for them to be.

In the end, the system in Ontario essentially encourages parents in the above situation to abandon their child, because the government will be forced to take care of the child.

Parents come to realize that the only way they can keep themselves and their child safe and get the care their child needs is to relinquish care of their child or "go into crisis"; giving up all parental rights for their child.

The government knows about this issue; it was in the 2016 Ombudsman report and the 2014 report from the Select Committee on Developmental Services, yet the government still fails to stop these tragic cases from occurring.

I am aware of nine cases of abandonment and seven cases of threatened abandonment in the Region of Peel in the last two years alone.

It is unbelievable that in Ontario today, parents who are trying their best, have to give up their children just to get the service they need. I firmly believe that it is time for the Minister to address this issue and ensure that no parent has to make this heart-wrenching decision in order to receive the service they need.

As I said in my question to the Minister, "Abandonment is the last option for families who have been looking for help from your government. It's your government that is abandoning these families."

Shelburne Legion News

BY LESA PEAT

The Home Town Heroes project for 2017 is now underway.

If you would like a Veteran you know, or would like to sponsor, displayed on the light posts in the Town of Shelburne, please come into the Legion and pick up an application. A photo and proper information is required and the \$200 payment is not due until the banner goes into print production.

If you have not had the opportunity to see these banners displayed, they are now hanging in the Warriors Hall of the Legion until October 2017 and then they will be put back up on the streets of Shelburne.

On Thursday, March 16, the Ladies Auxiliary will be having a Jigs Dinner for their luncheon from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm.

This Friday, March 17, is St. Patrick's Day,

and we will be having a good old fashioned "Pub Crawl" in the upper lounge. We will be offering stew with a tea biscuit and 6oz Draft of your choice for \$7 each. Sassy Sandra will be spinning the Irish tunes. So come on out and put your Irish on from 7 pm - 12 midnight.

Bingo is going strong on Monday evenings. Doors open at 6 pm and play begins at 7 pm. Darts is coming to an end in April. Thank you Denis, Janette, Bill and Midge for all your hard work this past year.

On Thursday nights we have euchre in the Museum Room starting at 7 pm.

On March 25 at 1 pm we will be having a Drill Seminar hosted by Orangeville Legion.

Good luck to the children of Shelburne who have advanced to District Public Speaking on March 26 in Beeton.

Happy Birthday to all of our Comrades born in the month of March!



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Shelburne Library News

BY ROSE DOTTEN

WALK THE WALL CHALLENGE

Congratulations, steppers! We are still waiting on a few members to report their steps, so we don't have an exact total yet, but we are projecting we stepped between 11.5 and 12 million steps!

This is a little short of our goal to walk the length of the Great Wall of China, but is absolutely outstanding given the wintery conditions.

In celebration and to further our healthy habits, we will be hosting the Headwaters Food and Farming Alliance programmers at the Library on Thursday, March 23 at 6 p.m. to talk about healthy, local food options. Spoiler alert—they're bringing samples! Call the library at 519-925-2168 to let us know you're coming!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

March Break:

LEGO Club will be cancelled the week of March Break. Please join us next week Wednesday, March 22 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. for a fun time building and creating.

Paws to Read will return Wednesday, April 5 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. If you would like to join Mac and read to him, please call the Library to sign up. There are a couple of times available for that afternoon.

StoryTime is this Friday March 17 at 10:30 a.m. The theme this week is the colour green. Wonder why?!

Remember, we have the Forest of Reading books available as well as new books that have arrived. For more information, please call 519-925-2168 or drop in for a visit.

TEEN SCENE

We have a GREAT line-up of events for Teens the rest of this week:

Thursday, March 16: String Art (registration required)

Saturday, March 18: YA Movie- 11 am 1 pm.

NEW BOOKS

I read several really interesting books this week, both with great characterization and deeply poignant and disturbing family relationships.

Always by Sarah Jio paints the picture of an idyllic situation...a young couple, Ryan and Kailey, deeply in love and planning their imminent wedding. Both have the perfect careers and the perfect life. One night after a special dinner at a local French restaurant, Kailey spots a homeless man and is shocked when she senses that she recognizes him as an old lover. Her confusion and the complexity of the events leading forward, make for an intriguing read.

The Good Daughter by Alexandra Burt is a heart wrenching and deeply moving story of a young girl, continually on the move with her mother. There is no explanation for the sudden upheavals in the middle of the night or the psychological turmoil both mother and daughter experience. To resolve the deep feelings that linger in her adult life, Pet decides to go back to where her mother now lives. She uncovers hidden secrets throughout this compelling and eerie story that will pull you right in.... you won't be able to put it down.

Finally, for some levity, I am reading The Little Old Lady Behaving Badly. You might remember the Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules and The Little Old Lady Strikes again. Read them in order, as the Company of Pensioners try out their bank robbing skills one more time. These quirky folks come up with the most unbelievable and outrageous schemes to get their hands on money to help out the underprivileged. However, there isn't much evidence of that distribution as they drink their champagne to celebrate their successes.

Fiction:

- All Our Wrong Todays by Elan Mastai
- The Shimmering Road by Hester Young
- Son of a Trickster by Eden Robinson
- Racing the Devil by Charles Todd
- Gunmetal Gray by Mark Greaney
- The Turn by Kim Harrison
- The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware


Non-fiction:

- Age of Anger by Pankaj Mishra
- You Are the Universe by Deepak Chopra
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Lyme disease in Dufferin: MC2 sponsors April 1 presentation

BY MARNI WALSH

In December 2014, the Lyme Disease Act came into force in Canada, committing the Minister of Health to develop a strategic plan to deal with the issue.

A conference to outline a framework took place last spring and public consultation on the draft closed last week.

According to the framework, Lyme disease is an illness caused by the bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi* that is spread to humans and animals through the bite of certain types of ticks.

The disease can have serious consequences, including recurring attacks of arthritis and neurological problems. Risk of exposure to Lyme disease is highest in parts of southern and southeastern Quebec, southern and eastern Ontario, as well as in southeastern Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and much of southern British Columbia.

The Lyme Disease Act requires the implementation of national medical surveillance to track rates and costs of the incidence of Lyme disease; best practice guidelines on prevention and treatment; and standardized education and awareness to enhance identification, prevention and treatment of Lyme disease.

In support of this effort, the MC2 environment committee will be sponsoring a free presentation on Lyme disease on April 1 from 9 am – 12 noon at Monora Park Pavilion in the Township of Mono.

There will be presentations, displays, handouts on identification, removal of ticks, and the course of Lyme disease.

“This is an important issue that concerns all of us,” says MC2 Board Member Arnold DeGraaff. “As the climate continues to change, the number of infected ticks is increasing in Ontario and our region. The consequences of undiagnosed Lyme disease can be disabling for decades and, at times, can result in an early death.”

It was Elizabeth May, leader of the Green Party of Canada, who successfully put the bill through Parliament and the Senate, committing the Government to the National Strategy on the disease.

Mr. DeGraaff says progress since the National Conference has been slow.

“It is a complicated disease,” he says, “difficult to diagnose and a political hot potato amongst health regulators and physicians making diagnosis and treatment far from optimal.”

The key note speaker for the April 1 presentation will be Dr. Melanie Wills from the University of Guelph. Mr. DeGraaff says, “She is in the department of cellular and molecular biology and has presented before on behalf of CanLyme, a national group working on educating the public and patients about preventing and coping with Lyme disease.”

Local Veterinarian, Dr. Barb Lewars, will speak to the animal side of Lyme as well. Additionally, two guests who have struggled with Lyme disease for many years will be on

the discussion panel to help the audience understand the serious effects of the disease.

After the MC2 presentations and a refreshment break, there will be a panel of all the presenters and time for the audience to engage with them in questions and comments.

The event is free and all are welcome: April 1 from 9 am – 12 noon at Monora Park Pavilion, 500 Monora Park Rd, Mono Township. For more information visit: www.monomulmur.com.

On-street parking permits proposed for downtown core

BY PETER RICHARDSON

Shelburne By-Law Enforcement Officer Vanessa Albonese made a presentation to Council on Monday night concerning proposed changes to parking facilities in the downtown core.

Presently, there are 257 available spaces in the core, including all municipal parking lots and many of those, especially along Main Street, are being occupied by various business owners, which prevents customers from being able to park close to shops and businesses.

Under the proposed changes this will be alleviated, to a large degree, by the addition of Permit Parking spaces in the Municipal Lots.

Since most of the Main Street, and many side street spaces, have a three hour maximum, business operators are forced to move their vehicles every three hours or risk a ticket. With the new plan, this would be eliminated by the use of the all-day permit spaces.

Under the new arrangement, the majority of the spaces in the Victoria and the William Street lots would become Permit Spaces while a significant number of others

would become three hour spots.

In addition, there would be overnight parking allowed in the permit section of the Wellington lot.

The plan would not only result in a 15 per cent increase in the number of overall spaces due to the re-organization of the municipal parking lots, but permit fees would become an additional source of revenue for the town.

Council will now send the proposed plan to both the BIA and EDC committees for their input before coming to a final decision.

In other news, the Council approved a Committee of Adjustment recommendation to allow the new Blue Mountain Plastics/Ice River Springs building to exceed current height restrictions, for a portion of the structure, in order to accommodate a state of the art piece of recycling machinery for plastic water bottles. Approval was also given for the severing of two lots currently considered as one at 428/430 Main Street West.

Plans are also going well for the upcoming Canada 150 Celebrations and the Heritage Music festival, according to Councilor Dan Sample.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters needed in Shelburne

BY MICHELLE JANZEN

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Dufferin and District are looking for adults who are interested in mentoring children in need in Shelburne.

Kids are in need of positive adult role models who can help them with homework, take them to community outings and be a friend.

By volunteering, you will have the opportunity to help shape a child's future for the better by empowering him or her to achieve. And the best part is, it's actually a lot of fun.

You and your Little can share the kinds of activities you already like to do: Play sports together. Go on a hike. Read books. Eat a pizza with extra anchovies. Or just give some advice and inspiration.

Whatever it is you enjoy, odds are you'll enjoy it even more with your Little, and you'll be making a life-changing impact.

For just a few hours a couple of times a month, you can help a child succeed. Big Brothers Big Sisters is different from other mentoring organizations in that it seeks volunteers who are committed and consistent, willing to serve at least a year, but they hope the relationship continues on until a child graduates high school.

In a telephone interview, Executive Director Nancy Stallmach the Shelburne Free Press, “Right now there is a need for Big Brothers and Big Sisters in the Shelburne area with the recent and continued growth of the town.”

“Studies show that our mentoring services is making kids happier, helping to keep kids in school and move onto post-secondary education,” she says. “It has also been proven that children with difficult backgrounds are the ones that show the greatest benefit from having a Big Brother or Sister.”

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the child and the family throughout the course of the mentoring relationship to provide necessary training and support, with the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Mentoring program providing boys and young men, girls and young women with a role model and a friend to talk to and share the experiences of growing up.

Through regular outings, a relationship is developed between the mentor and the mentee that is built on trust and common interests, and is supported by their experienced case-workers. The result is a life-changing experience for both the mentor and the mentee.

The Mentoring program usually requires two regularly scheduled outings a month of several hours each, and a minimum of one year commitment. With the program, striving to provide a role model for the Littles, while promoting the importance of staying in school and healthy relationships with family and peers, is very important. Instilling trust and self-confidence in order to make healthy decisions and encouraging leadership skills and independent thinking but above all, making a difference while having fun is key.

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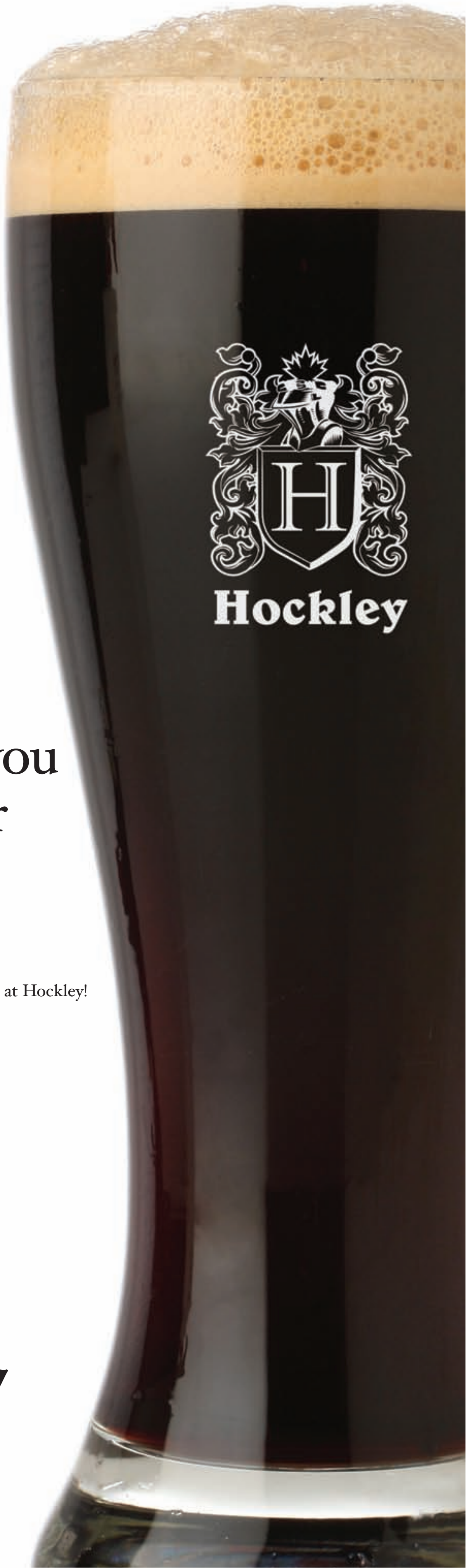
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Wolves Atoms LL1 end season with loss to Eagles

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Shelburne Wolves Atom LL1 team wrapped up the season on Tuesday night, March 7, with a home game against the Essa Eagles during playoff action at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.

The Wolves had a good playoff run finishing with a 4-2-2 record for the round-robin style tournament.

Coming out for the final game, the squad played a tough two periods of end-to-end action, giving up a single goal to trail 1-0 at the end of two.

The Atoms played a smart game with both the offence and defence putting out a good effort and working hard to keep the Eagles to the outside in the defensive zone.

It was the third period that cost them when the Essa squad hit the back of the net five times to take control of the game and end the night with a 6-0 loss for the Wolves.

Overall, the squad had a stellar season winning 15 games, taking eight losses, and ending five games in a tie.

The players were satisfied with their final effort on the ice.

“We played hard,” said Wolves centre Noah Sherer. “We passed a lot. We played good, but I think we need to work a little harder. It was a good season. At the start of the season, we were all individuals and we worked as a team as the season went on.”

Wolves left wing Logan Leonardo said he thought the squad put a lot of sweat equity on the ice in the final game.

“They (Essa) were a hot team, they were really good,” said Logan after Tuesday’s game. “We tried – and that mattered – they were just a really good team. I think we did really good for the season.”

The final few games of minor hockey in the region are now being played out as the season comes to an end.



The Shelburne Wolves Atom LL 1 team host the Essa Eagles at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Tuesday, March 7. The Wolves battled hard but had to take a loss in this game. Minor hockey is in the final stretch of the 2016/17 season. PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

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“It’s fun because I can play with my friends and it’s a good sport,” said Shelburne Wolves Novice rep left win, Ben Wauchope of why he like hockey. “I like the rough-housing in the sport.”

The Centennial Hylands Elementary School student has only been playing hockey for two year and has already made a rep team.

Ben has been a key member of his team helping them get through a tough season with success. When the hockey season is over he trades in his skates and plays ball hockey with the Shelburne Shooters.

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Honeywood Juveniles leading OMHA series

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Honeywood Norduff Juvenile squad is leading in their series against the Arthur Vipers in the quest for the OMHA DD-D championship.

The Hurricanes had a stellar year, taking only one regular season loss, then going on a 14 game winning streak before heading into the playoffs.

In their semi-final series against the Douro Dukes, Honeywood opened with a 7-4 win on February 18.

They left the ice with a 4-3 win the following day, before taking a 4-3 loss on February 26.

The Norduff team finished off the se-

ries with a 6-2 win on March 3, to earn the right to advance to the final.

Game One of the final series against the Arthur Vipers got underway at the North Dufferin Community Centre on Friday, March 10.

The Honeywood squad left with a 5-3. Back in Arthur for Game Two, the Honeywood squad came out on top with a 2-0 shut-out to lead the series by two games.

Game Three will be back in Honeywood at the North Dufferin arena on Friday, March 17.

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



The Shelburne Wolves Bantam LL 2 team take on the Midland Centennials at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Tuesday, March 7. The Wolves took an early lead then held on for the 4-1 win. PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART




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Christian Perspectives: How do you respond to the success of others?

BY REV. BOB MCLELLAN
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A very powerful, negative, insidious emotion that will damage and destroy your life from the inside out is envy.

Envy eats away all that is positive and productive and turns it into feelings of anger, jealousy and despair. In the end, you ooze through your very being the stench of that which you have become.

In case you do not understand, this is not something which attracts others into your life.

You might want to consider what James has to say about the source of such a quality of life. He writes in James 3:13-16, "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. {14} But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. {15} Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, of the devil. {16} For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice."

How do you feel when someone you know succeeds or advances? Do you perceive their success as a diminishment of yours? Do you

allow negative feelings to rise up within you as a result? Remember you will reap what you sow.

The expression of genuine gratitude, recognition and well wishes to others in their successes and achievements is a part of the process of eliminating envy. In so doing, you will feel better about yourself. Such action will also attract into your life positive reciprocal responses towards yourself as positive people will be drawn towards you.

Remember the Apostle Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. {5} It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. {6} Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. {7} It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."

Your willingness to seek to actively choose to live from a place of love protects you from the danger and damage of envy, because love automatically is and does, or doesn't act in certain ways. This is a universal principle in the world in which we live.

You get to choose what you do and are therefore 100% responsible for your outcomes.



Suk and Ashley lead March Break kids in the Mix Dance Party at Dufferin County Museum and Archives on Tuesday, March 14. The kids learned hip-hop moves and grooves and had the opportunity to choreograph their own dance creation in a music video. The video is created on the spot and a polished version is made available to participants after the dance party. Mix Dance Party was just one of many fun activities provided by the Museum during March Break for families to enjoy and experience together. Other activities included Party Safari, Games on Wheels and TV personality George Stroumbouloupoulos.

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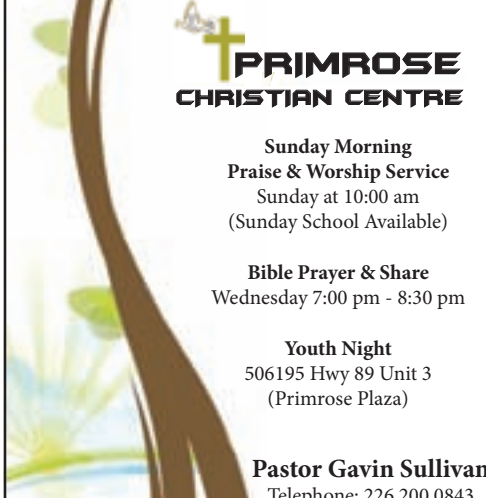
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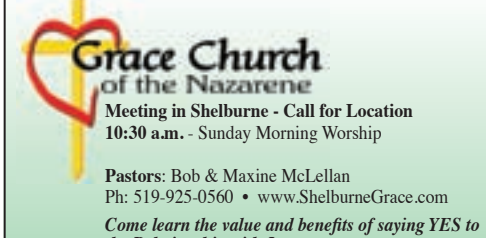
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DATED this 9th day of March, 2017.

Robert Charles Bruce Scott
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 **Town of Shelburne
 Notice of Special Council Meeting - Closed Session**

Take notice that the Council of the Town of Shelburne will be holding a Special Closed Session Council meeting Monday March 20, 2017. As per section 239(2) subsection (b) of the Municipal Act - to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. The meeting will commence at 5:00 pm and is being held in Council Chambers – 203 Main Street East, Shelburne

John Telfer,
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AUCTIONS

Auction Sale

of
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Saturday March 25, 2017 at 11:00am
 to be held at **554447 Mono Amaranth Townline**

Directions: Go west through Orangeville on Hwy 9 to County Rd 16 (Veterans Way at Greenwood Cemetery), turn north 5 miles to farm on East side. OR From Shelburne go east on Hwy 89 for 2 miles to Mono-Amaranth Townline, turn south & go 5 miles to farm on East side.

25 Cows: 11 Red & RWF (1/2 Simm); 14 Blk & BWF (1/4 Simm, 3/4 Angus). Bred to Reg Blk Angus bull - First Line Angus. Vacc Triangle 10, Scourgard, Preg ck'd mid-Feb (by OVC). Start calving Apr 1st. **25 Cows:** 25 Xbred cows. Preg ck'd by Cheltenham Vet Clinic prior to sale.

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and tell them they're from me
Tell them that I love them miss them
and when they turn to smile.
Place a kiss upon their cheeks
and hold them for a while.
Because remembering them
is easy I do it everyday
But there is an ache within my heart
that will never go away.*

Sadly missed and loved by
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Natasha**

EINBODEN Chris

In loving memory of a dear brother who passed away March 24th 1991.

*What moves through
us is a silence, a sadness,
a longing for one more
day, and we may not
understand why you left us,
but little by little we begin
to remember not that you are gone but
that You Lived! And that your life gave
us memories too beautiful to forget.*

Loved and always remembered
**Teresa, Duncan and our Angel
Natasha**

EINBODEN Chris

March 21, 1986

In tears we saw you sinking,
We watched you fade away.
Our hearts were almost broken.
You fought so hard to stay,
but when we saw you sleeping,
So peacefully free from pain,
we could not wish you back, to suffer again.
Until we meet again,
Your wife Charlotte

EINBODEN Ted

In loving memory of a dear father who passed away March 21st, 1986.

*You left us beautiful memories your love
is still our guide, and though we cannot
see you your always by our side.*

Sadly missed and loved by
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EINBODEN Chris

In loving memory of my son who passed away suddenly March 24, 1991.

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Distracted driving continues to be cause for alarm

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are reporting that 2016 marked the fourth consecutive year that inattentive drivers were behind the highest number of lives lost on OPP-patrolled roads over the other main causal factors in road fatalities, known as the "Big Four."

In total, 65 people died in OPP-investigated collisions last year in which an inattentive driver was either a contributing factor or the primary cause of the death. In comparison to the other Big Four categories, 2016 ended with 55 speed-related, 53 seatbelt-related and 45 alcohol-related deaths.

As officers get set to conduct their annual province-wide Distracted Driving Campaign, the OPP is looking to Ontarians to help with the educational component of the campaign - a role that remains critical to helping keep Ontario roads safe.

"Road deaths linked to distracted drivers will not let up unless every road user says 'enough is enough' and shows a complete intolerance for what continues to be the most life-threatening driver behaviour on our roads," said OPP Commissioner Vince Hawkes. "Starting with this campaign, we want to see every Ontarian, especially passengers of all ages, take a firm stand against those who endanger their lives by using their cell phones or engaging in other forms of distractions behind the wheel."

Added Marie-France Lalonde, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services: "When young people are needlessly injured or killed as a result of distracted driving, my heart aches. Losing a loved one, losing a child, is one of the worst things imaginable - the text can wait. The OPP's Distracted Driving Campaign is an important reminder to put the phone away and focus on driving. Keeping our roads, communities, and

families safe starts and ends with each of us."

**ALWAYS CONFIRM WHO
YOU'RE DEALING WITH: OPP**

As part of the annual Fraud Prevention Month awareness campaign, the OPP want you to confirm who you're dealing with before sending any money anywhere for any reason.

The Emergency Scam - also known as the "Grandparent Scam" - the more recent Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), and other agency-related extortion threats have increased the financial losses sustained by unsuspecting victims. In 2016, the Emergency (or Grandparent) Scam claimed 474 victims in Canada from more than 1,100 complaints who lost nearly \$2.5 million. The CRA fraud drew 15,091 complaints, resulting in 751 identified victims who lost a combined \$2.49 million. Police admit 95 per cent of the crimes go unreported.

In the typical Emergency Scam, the victim will receive a frantic phone call from someone claiming to be a grandchild or loved one. The caller will explain that they are involved in some sort of mishap or are having trouble returning from a foreign country and need money "right away."

In the CRA scam, the criminals extort money from their victims by telephone, mail, text message or email, a fraudulent communication that claims to be from the Canada Revenue Agency requesting personal information such as a social insurance number, credit card number, bank account number, or passport number. Fraudsters impersonate the real CRA by telephone or by email. Fraudsters are either phishing for your identification or asking that outstanding taxes be paid by a



money service business or by pre-paid debit/credit cards. They may insist that this personal information is needed so that the taxpayer can receive a refund or a benefit payment. Cases of fraudulent communication could also involve threatening or coercive language to scare individuals into paying fictitious debt to the CRA.

Other communications urge taxpayers to visit a fake CRA website where the taxpayer is then asked to verify their identity by entering personal information. These are scams and taxpayers should never respond to these fraudulent communications nor click on any of the links provided. Here are some warning signs:

- Urgency - The scammer always makes the request sound very urgent, which may cause the victim to not verify the story.
- Fear - The scammer plays on the victim's emotions by generating a sense of fear. For instance they may say, "I am scared and I need help from you."
- Secrecy - The scammer pleads with the

victim not to tell anyone about the situation, such as, "Please don't tell Dad or Mom, they would be so mad."

- Request for Money Transfer - Money is usually requested to be sent by a money transfer company such as Money Gram, Western Union or even through your own banking institution.

To avoid becoming a victim, police advise you to first check with another family member or trusted friend to verify the information BEFORE sending money or providing credit card information by phone, e-mail or online.

If you or someone you know suspect they've been a victim of the Emergency Scam or someone posing as a Canada Revenue Agency employee, hang up and contact your local police service. You can also file a complaint through the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), or online at www.tipsubmit.com/start.htm.

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