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International success for Sohayla Smith Band

Written By MARNI WALSH

Shelburne musicians in the Sohayla Smith Band garnered more success recently when their song "Bridges" qualified as a semi-finalist in the UK Songwriting Contest.

The band's song "Make-believe" was also in the semi-finals and another "The Break-down" received "special mention" in the same competition.

2017 has been a year of successes for the band. Earlier in the year they were nominated for "Best in Country" at the Toronto Independent Music Awards (TIMAs) an annual competition supporting independent musicians across Ontario. Following the nomination and becoming a Roots Grand Final Winner on "Ourstage," the group performed a full band concert at Collingwood's Simcoe Street Theatre.

Well known in Shelburne as the owner of Troupe-Adore and founder of Soup Haus, Sohayla Smith says she has been writing

songs since she was 12 years old. From 1995-2008, Sohayla played a large number of open mics, little venues all over the GTA, weddings, festivals, and busked, releasing her first CD in 2008.

In 2009, Sohayla formed a trio with the Smith Brothers - guitar players and singers Adrian and Nathan from the band "The Pedestrians." Together, they began recording more original music, and in 2017 added Nick Ovington, a drummer from Orangeville to the band, along with Shelburne bassist Devon Eichhorn.

In 2016, their song "Bridges" qualified the trio for the Collingwood Live & Original songwriter showdown, where they took 4th place and recorded a CD with Red Room. Sohayla says "Bridges" was recently released for world wide distribution, and is "expected to go up on itunes, apple music, spotify, and deezer and other digital retailers over the next few weeks."

The band performed an acoustic set for the

Dufferin County Museum & Archives Christmas Concert in Corbetton Church, performing traditional tunes and "Sweet Remembers," an original by Sohayla Smith which has an accompanying video up on Youtube.

Currently, Sohayla Smith and the band are working on a full album, as well as a new single that stands apart from the Americana music she is best known for. The single "Walls," a piano ballad, will be released along with a music video this winter. The band members, Adrian Smith, Nathan Smith, Nick Ovington, and Devon Eichhorn have all been laying down tracks for songs such as "This is Who I Am", "Kettle Corn Kisses" and "Burn it to the Ground."

Plans are in the works for the group to play a full band concert at Grace Tipling Hall, as well as an intimate acoustic concert at the Corbetton Church on Dufferin County Museum grounds in 2018. For more information, or to sample their sound visit: sohaylasmithband.com.

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Fifty years of giving and gratitude in town



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WAITING ON DELIVERY: The Mel Lloyd was filled with community good will last month as the Service Clubs of Shelburne worked hard to pack and distribute Christmas Hampers to Shelburne families in need.

Written By **MARNI WALSH**

Once again, the residents and service clubs of Shelburne stepped up in 2017 to embrace the work of the Christmas Hamper Program. Together they brought joy to over 200 people, half of them children. "I am so proud," said Hamper Chair Bobbi Ferguson. "It is nice to see a program that has been going for well over 50 years still doing great work within our community."

Bobbi Ferguson says she has so many folks to thank that it is hard not to miss someone, and that many people give anonymously. "I feel badly that I can't thank them each personally," says Bobbi, "they are all so appreciated." She says anyone wanting a personal note or update can contact her at "shelburnechristmashampers@gmail.com."

The Hamper Program is organized and run by the Shelburne Rotary Club, the Shelburne Lion's Club (special mention to Lawrie Rutledge,) the Shelburne Kinsmen and the Shelburne Kinette Clubs.

"The Kinettes donated a portion of the proceeds from their Christmas Craft Sale to the Hamper Program," and Ms. Ferguson sends special thanks to them, the Shelburne Legion, and Dufferin New Horizon's for their very generous donations."

Special mention goes out to the Town of Shelburne for the advertising on signs and social media and for filling the collection "Reindeer" many times over. Thanks to the Free Press for their advertising and coverage, and to Country 105 for donating free advertising for the Program.

A huge thanks to Centre Dufferin District High School for raising over \$600 to purchase gift cards for kids aged 12 to 18, and helping with the heavy lifting and sorting the toys and food at the Mel Lloyd Centre collection site. "We really don't know how we would do it without Ms. Senese and her students," says the Chair.

Thanks also to Downey Potato Farms for donating at least two bags of potatoes for every family; Lennox Farms for enough crates of clementines, cabbages and rutabagas for every family; Compass Church in Shelburne for enough milk, cheese, butter and eggs for all 60 families. "Jay Wagstaff

from Compass sat outside from 8am to 2pm distributing the dairy products to families out of the back of a pick up truck on a very cold, very snowy day," says Bobbi Ferguson, "and the smile never left his face."

"Thanks to Deb Wagstaff, Claudia Castaneda, Debbie Besley and all the Kinsmen volunteers who helped on distribution day to make the experience pleasant at a time that can be very challenging for families," says Bobbi.

"One of my favourite things is that all the churches in Shelburne selected a personal care item and donated enough for all families," she says, shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, floss and brushes, dish soap, toilet paper, hand soap, bar soap, deodorant, kleenex. Wool & Lace and many private donors gave hand knit hats, scarves and mitts.

For a sweet treat the Service Clubs donated enough boxes of chocolates for each family. Primrose School asked all the audience members who came to see their production of Annie to bring a toy. "We had one of the best collections of toys ever and all the mom's and dad's were very happy to select some great gifts for their children."

Hyland Heights and Glenbrook Schools challenged their classes to bring food donations and who ever brought the most food got to wrap their teacher or principal in Christmas wrap at the holiday assembly.

"Thanks to the collection locations at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Centre, Turn it Out Dance Studio, Town Hall, RBC, Pace Credit Union, Shelburne Public Library, Wool & Lace, Caravaggio Pharmacy, the Mel Lloyd Centre and to all the businesses who gave money and gift cards," says Bobbi Ferguson.

"Although, I'd love to name every person, business and organization who contributed to the success of this program, there are many who wish to remain anonymous and far too many to mention by name," says Bobbi Ferguson. "That's an awesome thing to say about an amazing town. Literally hundreds of people contributed to the Hamper Program's success and I sincerely thank you all."

Orangeville & Area SBEC opening satellite office in Shelburne

Written By **MIKE PICKFORD**

Starting next week entrepreneurs in Shelburne will have professional, local support system they can use to make the most of their business.

The Town of Shelburne announced back in late December that it had struck up a partnership with the Town of Orangeville and its Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC) in an attempt to assist the local business sector.

Opening up a satellite location in the community, the Orangeville & Area SBEC will have a small business consultant on site every Tuesday afternoon between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to offer support to local entrepreneurs as they endeavour to start or grow their business.

According to the Town of Shelburne website, the satellite office will offer the same services, support and resources that are currently provided in the main Orangeville office, including: one-to-one meetings with a qualified business consultant, business planning support, on-site business registrations, assistance with Starter Company Plus applications.

The office will be located at the Shelburne Employment Resource Centre, located at the Mel Lloyd Centre, Entrance E at 167 Cen-

tre Street.

"Although the Orangeville & Area SBEC has always served the area, this new location will provide convenient access for many entrepreneurs outside of the Town of Orangeville," the notice reads.

The office will open effective Jan. 9. Both start-up and existing businesses are welcome to take advantage of the services. Entrepreneurs are invited to drop in between the centre's opening hours, or make an appointment in advance by calling 519-941-0440 Ext. 2270, or 519-942-6334.

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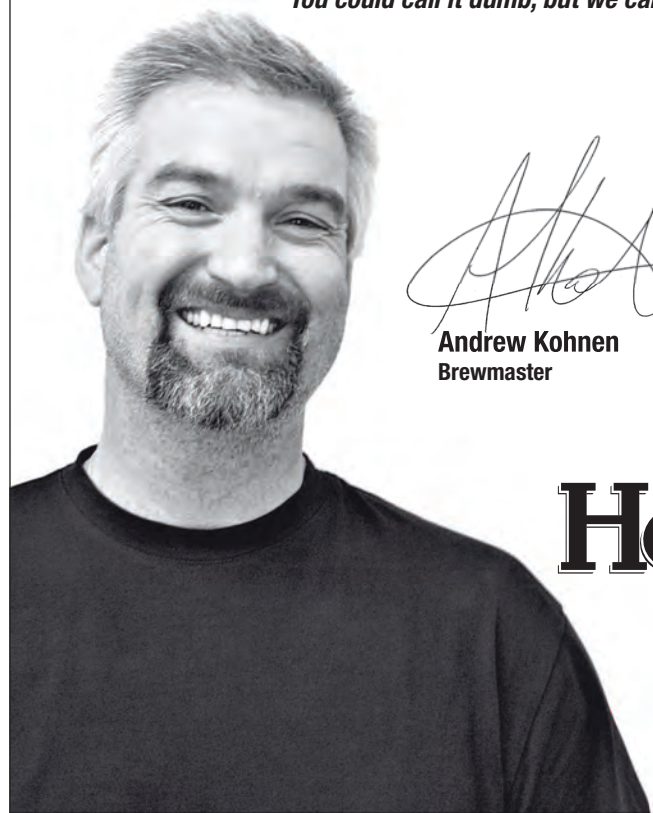


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Christmas trees in the rest of the County (Amaranth, East Garafraxa, Grand Valley, Melancthon, Mono, Mulmur, and Shelburne) will be collected during the week of **January 15th.**

Residents in **rural areas** must call 1.888.941.3345 ext. 1 a week in advance to be put on the list for collection the week of **January 15th.**

Do not bag trees for collection and ensure that decorations are removed. Trees that are buried in snow will not be collected.



Please note: If you have any yard waste left over from the fall, you may put it out beside your tree for collection.

Orangeville Music Theatre's 40th year opens with My Fair Lady

Written By MARNI WALSH

Orangeville Music Theatre President Lucinda Silva announced that the community theatre company will kick off its 40th year with *My Fair Lady*. The classic favourite from the golden age of Broadway will open at the Orangeville Opera House this month.

Lucinda Silva, who is proud to have been a part of OMT for more than 10 years, says, "More than 70 talented, local actors, directors, music directors, choreographers, stage managers, set, prop and costume designers are working hard to make these productions extra special in honour of this milestone."

Based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*, with book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe, the timeless tale of a flower girl who learns to become a lady and makes fools of the upper crust in the process, has often been called the "perfect musical." Some of its most popular songs, made memorable by renowned, lyric soprano Julie Andrews, include "I Could Have Danced All Night," "All I Want is a Room Somewhere," and "Show Me."

Shelburne resident Bobbi Ferguson says, "Some of OMT's most iconic actors jumped at the chance to perform in *My Fair Lady*. Des Baxter, who is always an OMT favourite, is Henry Higgins. Des and his team are also constructing a beautiful set that will take us back in time. Kat Anderson, of OMT's *Mary Poppins* fame, is our Eliza Doolittle. Her enchanting voice and beautiful acting never fails to make me emotional."

Bobbi Ferguson's daughter Raeburn who studied theatre at York University, found inspiration in her CDDHS drama teacher Tanya Oomen, and connected with OMT before there were any musicals being produced in Shelburne – soon Bobbi joined her daughter

as costume designer for OMT productions. "Theatre forms bonds that are difficult to break, and moving to another theatre would be like leaving family behind," says Ms. Ferguson.

Orangeville Music Theatre is a non-profit amateur theatre company formed by local thespians and singers in 1978. They began by performing Gilbert & Sullivan shows once per year. Although there have been ups and downs over the years, the group says OMT is alive and well and has gone from performing one show per year to four shows per year, and have added a youth program along with the main stage shows.

OMT has been nominated for and won awards given by The Association of Community Theatres of Central Ontario (ATCO) for exceptional community theatre. "Considering OMT is often adjudicated against theatres in large cities, this is high praise," says the group.

"Not only is OMT's goal to entertain our audiences, but also to include organizations within our community," says the group. Recent productions included dancers from the Academy of Performing Arts on Broadway and the Orangeville Chorus Sweet Adelines opened each production of *Calendar Girls* last January. In conjunction with the play *Calendar Girls*, OMT produced a calendar helping to raise \$7,000 for the Music and Memory program at Dufferin Oaks Retirement Home in Shelburne.

Orangeville Music Theatre's 40th Anniversary production of *My Fair Lady* opens on January 12th with special guests and celebrations and will run for two weekends: January 12th, 13th, 14th, 19th, 20th and 21st. Tickets are available at the Orangeville Opera House box office at 87 Broadway or by calling 519-942-3423, or on line at orangevillemusictheatre.com.



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MY FAIR LADY director and choreographer Shelburne's Raeburn Ferguson (far right), Shelburne actress Kelly McDowell (far left), Kat Anderson in the title role of Eliza Doolittle (centre right) and set designer and actor Des Baxter in the role of Professor Higgins (centre.) Behind is Joseph Seebok seen at Grace Tipling Hall in LP Stage Production's *Spamalot*. The show runs for two weekends at the Orangeville Opera House, starting Jan. 12.

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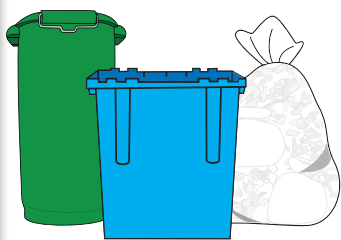
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ALL 'WRAPPED UP FOR CHRISTMAS' Intermediate teacher Mr. Hamilton and primary teacher Ms. Bax from Glenbrook Elementary School in Shelburne enjoyed being wrapped by their students last month. The fun was a reward for their students bringing in the most amount of food for the Shelburne Christmas Hamper food drive. Youth Counsellor Tara Bernard-McCabe says the Glenbrook "Me to We" group is proud of the students for giving back to the community with a carload of non perishable food items for the hampers.

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Ottawa Journal: A year in review of the Liberal government

Written By DAVID TILSON

Another year has passed for the current Liberal government. Sadly, 2017 didn't amount to much for this government except for scandals, more broken promises, growing deficits, and increased taxes for ordinary, hardworking Canadians and their families. Looking back on the last year for this government, there is little to celebrate leaving Canadians concerned about what 2018 will bring, given the current government's track record to date.

In March, the Finance Minister, the Honourable Bill Morneau, delivered Budget 2017 in the House of Commons. The current Liberal government enthusiastically claimed that it was "a long-term plan to create jobs and strengthen the middle class." However, it was anything but. The only thing that was consistent in the Budget was more reckless spending, no results, and higher taxes. The tax hikes contained in Budget 2017 only make it harder for struggling families to make ends meet. Furthermore, the Budget confirmed that the Prime Minister broke his promise to keep deficit spending under \$10 billion a year and to balance the budget by 2019. It puts the deficit for 2017-18 at \$28.5 billion and shows Canada running deficits into the foreseeable future.

Budget 2017 also hiked taxes on: public transit users Uber and ride sharing; beer and wine; donated medicines; child care; small business owners (farmers, fishermen, doctors, lawyers, accountants, etc...); oil and gas companies; and tourism. It also hurt seniors, including: scrapping the Public Transit Tax Credit; eliminating the Family Caregiver Tax Credit; and the Prime Minister's continued refusal to appoint a Minister for Seniors.

During the summer, the Prime Minister went out of his way to explain that hard-working fishers, farmers, and small business owners weren't really paying their fair share of taxes and were, in fact, tax cheats. The Trudeau Liberals are targeting them with a massive tax hike, threatening jobs and the communities that are sustained by our local businesses. The Finance Minister has been looking for additional tax money, as it's needed to pay for the Prime Minister's out-of-control spending. They have not only been targeting small businesses for that tax money, but also Canadians with type 1 Diabetes, mental health issues, and autism. While at the same time, their well-connected friends have been avoiding paying taxes

here in Canada, as was revealed in the Paradise Papers this fall.

This fall, Canadians also became aware of the Finance Minister's vast assets and his failure to properly disclose, divest, or place them in a blind trust as required by the Conflict of Interest Act. This was Liberal hypocrisy at its best, as the Finance minister was making the most important financial decisions for our country and trying to place tax hikes on those he calls tax cheats, while at the same time, standing to personally benefit from those very tax changes.

The fall did not end well for the current Liberal government either. The Auditor General tabled his Fall 2017 Reports which examined the bungled Phoenix Pay System, Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Call Centres, Settlement Services for Syrian Refugees, Oral Health Programs for First Nations and Inuit, Preparing Women Offenders for Release, and the Royal Military College of Canada. His reports confirmed a number of concerning issues that are plaguing the current Liberal government. The Auditor General estimates that because of Liberal inaction, the Phoenix Pay System will cost the taxpayer more than half a billion dollars to fix and more than 150,000 public servants still have outstanding pay requests waiting to be processed.

The Auditor General's report on CRA call centres highlighted that the Prime Minister's tax collection agency only answered 36 per cent of incoming calls, while blocking 29 million calls from Canadians. Worse still, 30 per cent of the time the Agency couldn't even provide an accurate response! The Prime Minister's adding insult to injury when he hikes taxes on middle-class Canadians and then allows his tax collectors to ignore or mislead the very people forced to pay for his \$100 billion deficit.

Throughout 2017, Canadians became increasingly and understandably frustrated by the mounting scandals, tax hikes, and hypocrisy displayed by the current Liberal government. We, the Conservative Opposition, have a simple message for Canadians – you cannot trust Justin Trudeau. He and his government created the problems of the last year. Real leadership and vision are required to fix the problems they've made. In 2018, we will continue to be the voice of ordinary, hardworking, taxpaying Canadians by holding the current Liberal government accountable.



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Next on the agenda, a ring road for Shelburne perhaps?

EDITORIAL

FIFTY YEARS AGO, Orangeville had only recently got its long-awaited Highway 10 bypass, and the road's through traffic no longer had to use Broadway and First Street.

It wasn't until much later that the equally long-awaited southern bypass for Highway 9 was built, and then only as a county road, the Mike Harris government having unceremoniously dumped part of Highway 9 onto the property taxpayers of Dufferin and Wellington counties. Thankfully, then-premier Ernie Eves managed to come up with a portion of the cost for the new arterial road that allowed the Town to ban trucks on Broadway and construct an attractive median that helped bring new life to the downtown area.

Unfortunately, the same problem of heavy trucks and high volumes of through traffic ruining the downtown area continues unabated in Shelburne, which now has about the same population Orangeville had when work began on its Highway 10 bypass.

Why is this the case? We see several explanations, the main one being transfer of highway planning in this part of Ontario from the transportation ministry office in Owen Sound to one in London.

Before that happened, the Province built a Highway 24 bypass around Horning's Mills, widened Highway 10/89 between Shelburne and Primrose and began widening 10 north of Orangeville.

Today's the MTO's West Region office in London has no plans for improving Highway 10 anywhere, with the sole exception of a left turn lane at Mono's 20 Sideroad. That office either has no knowledge or couldn't care less concerning the unique need of Dufferin's north-south highways to accommodate the huge weekend traffic volumes created by Greater Toronto Area residents heading north to places like Wasaga and Sauble beaches and the Blue Mountain skiing area.

Assuming that the needed transfer of authority to MTO's Central Region office in Downsview will never happen, it's going to

be up to Dufferin County Council to deal with the situation by creating two bypasses/truck routes for Shelburne at a small fraction of the cost of Orangeville's two bypasses.

The Highway 10 bypass/truck route will obviously have to go from the cemetery corner north of town east a little more than a kilometre to Dufferin 124 (formerly Highway 24). It will be roughly half the length of Orangeville's Highway 10 bypass and won't require building over a landfill site.

Similarly, the Highway 89 bypass/truck route will require only about three kilometres of new pavement along Amaranth's 30 Sideroad and Fourth Line – a tiny fraction of the cost of Orangeville's south bypass with its huge bridge over the Credit River.

As we see it, there should be no need for the county's politicians to delay action on the two bypasses, and every need for Dufferin-Caledon candidates in next June's provincial election to take stands on the issue, ideally winning commitments from their party leaders to at least provide aid through the government's infrastructure fund and ideally cover the whole cost of the long-needed Highway 10 bypass.

A good starting point would be for the outgoing County Council to start the ball rolling by approving purchase of a right-of-way between Melancthon's second and third lines and setting a target date for the 10 bypass's completion.

And we think Dufferin and its neighboring counties of Wellington, Grey and Simcoe should join in pressing the province on the need to relieve their property taxpayers of at least some of the cost of maintaining County 109 between Orangeville and Hariston and County 124 between Shelburne and Collingwood, neither of which are used mainly by traffic generated locally.

One thing for sure is that the Shelburne bypasses and their elimination of trucks on Main and Owen Sound streets would lead to a rebirth of the town's downtown area.



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2017: A year in review from Queen's Park

Written By SYLVIA JONES

Well, there it is. Another busy year at Queen's Park and in Dufferin-Caledon in the books.

Value for Money

Every year the independent non-partisan officer of the Legislative Assembly, the Auditor General writes a report outlining if Ontarians are getting value for money for government programs and spending. This year, in her largest report totaling 1,079 pages in two volumes, the Auditor General found over a billion dollars of waste in just 14 government programs. This includes nine energy companies billing ratepayers \$260 million in ineligible expenses like raccoon traps and scuba gear.

Beyond the Auditor General's report, I was raising awareness about other instances where the government failed to spend taxpayer dollars with the respect Ontarians deserve. This includes \$17.4 million on partisan government advertising. The issue of taxpayer funded partisan advertising is something I have been raising consistently through 2017. Ever since the government

watered down the Auditor General's oversight of government advertising the government has spent millions on advertising that would not have been acceptable under the old rules. That is why I introduced, in March, legislation that would have restored the oversight the government advertising by the Auditor General. Unfortunately the Liberals voted against this important measure.

Other examples include \$54,000 on luxury Canada Goose jackets for staff; and over \$14 million on the incomplete environmental assessment of the GTA West Corridor. Ontarians deserve a government which spends tax-dollars wisely and strives to ensure value for money. The PC Caucus and I will continue to hold the government to that standard in 2018.

My Proposed Legislation – Sewage Bypasses and Organic Products

In addition to value for money, I have been proposing legislation at Queen's Park on important issues that the government is ignoring. I proposed Bill 141 – Sewage Bypass Reporting Act, 2017. Bill 141 will ensure that Ontarians know when untreated

or partially treated sewage is bypassed into local waterways, by requiring the Ministry of Environment to publish instances of sewage bypasses to the public. We have learned that in 2016, 6.5 billion litres of partially treated sewage was bypassed into Ontario waterways. While the Minister has not committed to prompt reporting of sewage bypasses, I have received widespread support from municipalities, environmental organizations and stakeholders across the province including Lake Ontario Waterkeepers and the Region of Peel. I will continue to pressure the government to make this necessary change.

I have also been active in supporting the organic industry. Despite a federal standard which applies to products sold between provinces, there is no restriction on what can be called organic within the province of Ontario. This inconsistency in the use of the term organic erodes consumer and producer confidence in organic products. That is why I proposed, Bill 153, the Organic Products Act, 2017 which proposes to work with Ontario farmers and producers to create a Made-in-Ontario organic standard. On

November 23rd, I was pleased that Bill 153 passed second reading with all party support, and the Ministry of Agriculture is now consulting with producers and consumers on this important legislation.

Canada 150

Finally, the end of 2017 brings to a close a year of celebration of Canada's 150th birthday. It was a year filled with special events and celebrations. Volunteers and organizations across Dufferin-Caledon embraced the spirit of celebrating Canada's sesquicentennial. It was a wonderful reminder of how blessed we are to call Canada home.

I wish you and your family a happy and safe 2018.

Bitter cold bonus: Ice fishing at Island Lake

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

The record-breaking cold that has lingered in this part of Canada since well before Christmas finally produced a bonus for Orangeville area residents.

The temperatures 10 to 20 degrees below normal for this time of the year, ice

has long since formed on Island Lake and Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) has decided it's safe to permit ice starting today (Thursday).

A check of the CVC website Wednesday confirmed that in addition to allowing folks to fish through the ice today, heated huts will become available on Saturday.

Heated hut rentals are \$26.00 per person for a half-day (4.5 hours) and \$36.00 maximum per day per person weekdays or \$55.54 on weekends and holidays, plus a \$1.77 per-person reservation fee. (HST is added to all transactions.)

CVC members receive a 15% discount on all rentals, and seniors qualify for a 20% discount.

Reservations are available by phone or online up to 3:30 p.m. the previous day.

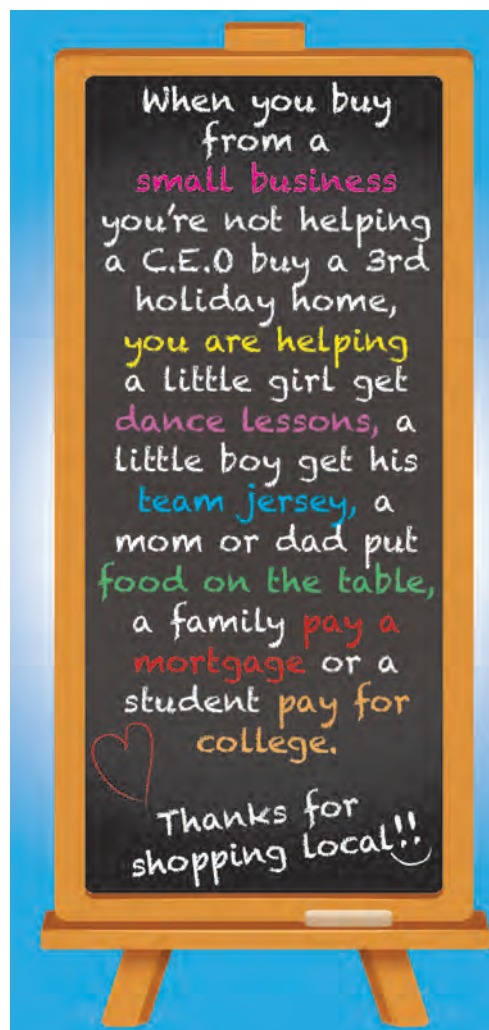
After that rentals are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. You can check for hut availability by calling 1-800-367-0890.

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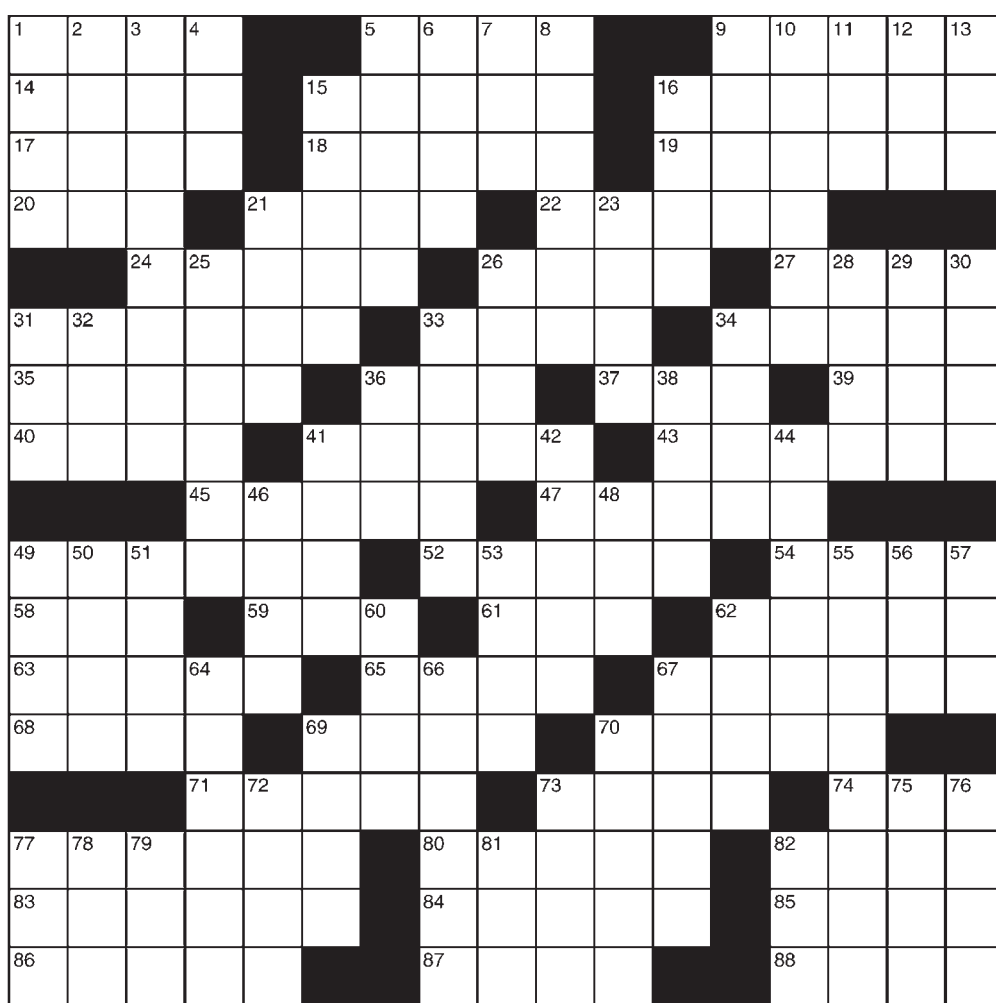
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- "Take ____, She's Mine"
- Partridge's tree?
- Brownish gray
- Bit of land
- Waist accessory
- Plate
- Revolver
- Storm
- Therefore
- Bypass
- Young grizzly

- Unclose, poetically
- Salt
- Harmony
- Violin's kin
- Nut variety
- Prepare to pray
- Soul
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DOWN

- Write with acid
- Dissolute fellow
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- Trick or ___!
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- Put in order

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- Fish basket
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- Goosey
- Newborn
- ___ thin air
- Scrutinize
- Grazing group
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- Wall clinger
- Spend it in Moscow
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- Twosome
- Landlord's income
- Provide food for
- Plaid cloth
- Naught
- Not used
- Asking price
- Not pro
- Modern gaslight
- Light carriage
- Traitor
- Remark further
- Extinct bird
- Hearty's partner
- Tooth point
- Purify
- Graze
- Daft
- Mound
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Shelburne Muskies put to the sword in weekend fixtures

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART**

With five games left on the schedule the Shelburne Senior A Muskies are in fifth place in the WOAA League standings – right in the middle of the top eight teams vying for a berth in the playoffs.

Two losses over the weekend didn't help the Muskies chances of getting a higher seed, but they are still in a good position going in the final weeks of the regular season.

The squad was stinging from a 4-2 loss to the Elora Rocks on Friday, December 22, in which the Muskies failed to score in the second and third periods.

The return to the Centre Dufferin Recre-

ation Complex on Saturday (Dec. 30) saw the Muskies hosting the Tavistock Royals. The Royals are in the number 12 spot in the League.

The Royals went ahead 2-0 at just over six minutes into the game.

Shelburne responded with Nick Glassford scoring at the 8:17 mark, and Todd Greer following up with the tie goal three minutes later.

Tavistock went ahead by two goals in the second period but again the Muskies fought back to tie the game at four to have the game come down the final period to decide the winner.

Shelburne's Doug Costanzo scored at

14:33 into the frame. Trevor Vanalstine hit the back of the Tavistock net on a powerplay at the 17:30 mark.

In what finished off as a fast and furious game, the Muskies were trailing by two when Tavistock scored on a powerplay then notched a short handed goal at 4:26 into the period.

With no luck in scoring the Muskies had to settle for a 6-4 loss.

The Muskies will be back on home ice at the CDRC on Friday, January 5, when they will host the Elora Rocks.

Game time is 8:30 p.m.



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

THE SHELBURNE MUSKIES hosted the Tavistock Royals at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Saturday, December 30. The Muskies gave up a 6-4 loss to the Royals – their second loss of the weekend.

Stayner leading Jr. C race

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART**

With a month left on the Ontario Junior C schedule, the Stayner Siskins are still in first place in the North Carruthers Division of the PJHL with 64 points.

That's 15 points ahead of the second place Alliston Hornets.

The Siskins have taken only two losses this season and are easily the dominant team in the League.

The squad is led by forward JD Falconer who is leading the League in points with 89 to his credit.

Over 34 games this season Falconer has scored 49 times and is credited with 40 assists.

Right behind is teammate Ben Hughes who is leading the League in assists with 52, and has 29 goals so far for the season.

The Siskins are backed with some solid goal tending.

Starter Marcus Semiao has a goals against average of 1.73 after playing 23 games.

Zach Levac has played 11 games for the

Siskins and has a GAA of 2.09.

The second place Alliston Hornets are in second place in the League with 49 points. They have taken 9 losses after 33 games.

The team's top scorer left the organization in December and is not expected to return. Other Hornets players will have to step up and fill that void.

The Penetang Kings are in the number three spot with 39 points and an 18-16 record including three overtime losses.

The Caledon Golden Hawks are in the middle of the pack with a 15-16 record.

Three points behind, the Schomberg Cougars have 29 points and a 13-19-1 record.

The Midland Flyers and Huntsville Otters take up the number six and seven spots in the standings.

Orillia is in the basement with only three wins so far for the season.

With seven game left on the regular season the Siskins have already claimed the regular season title and will now ramp up for a successful playoff run for the championship.

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SPIKE THAT: The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals junior girls volleyball team take on Norwell District Secondary School during an all day tournament at Westside Secondary School in Orangeville on Wednesday, December 20. The District 4 junior girls teams played a series of games as part of the season schedule.

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"I like being around the rink and the speed on the ice," Marcus said of why he likes playing hockey.

When the ice melts Marcus steps on the soccer with his team in Shelburne Minor Soccer.

Marcus said he plans on continuing playing through the Midget division.

Another year, another collection of celebrity deaths

Written By **JASEN OBERMEYER**

2017 is over, and it was certainly an interesting year. From a series of devastating hurricanes and tropical storms, the seemingly never-ending coverage of United States President Donald Trump, the circus that is North Korea, and yes, even celebrity deaths.

Though 2017 didn't have nearly as many celebrity's pass on as 2016, there were still several prominent men and women in several forms of entertainment who passed away, some tragically and young, others peacefully and old.

In the world of movies, Bill Paxton died at the age of 61. He was famous for his appearances in high profile films such as Predator 2, Aliens, Titanic, Twister, and Apollo 13, and starred in the television miniseries Hatfields and McCoy's.

Whether you just like the original James Bond actor Sean Connery, or the newest incarnation with Daniel Craig, one can't deny

the hole Roger Moore left in the hearts of many die hard Bond fans. He starred in seven Bond films, with Live and Let Die, and The Spy Who Loved Me ranked as some of the finest Bond films.

George Romero, 77, was called "the father of the zombie film," pioneering the horror film genre, and bringing zombie films to the mainstream with his movie Night of the Living Dead.

In the world of television, Mary Tyler Moore, 80, pushed the boundaries of stereotypical images and women and helped push gender norms, through her roles in the Mary Tyler Moore Show, and The Dick Van Dyke Show.

Some may know him for his portrayal as Batman in the 1960's television show, others for his eccentric fictional portrayal of himself in Family Guy. Adam West died at the age of 88 from leukemia.

The music industry took a severe toll this year, leaving a big hole with several musicians

dying from tragic deaths.

Chris Cornell, frontman for the Seattle grunge band Soundgarden, one of the genres' pioneers, committed suicide in May, hours after performing a concert, joining fellow grunge icons Kurt Cobain and Layne Staley in drug and suicide related deaths.

Only a few months later, Linkin Park's co-lead singer Chester Bennington killed himself, at the age of 41.

For Canadians, Gord Downie's death was expected, but never accepted. The singer for The Tragically Hip succumbed to his cancer at the age of 53. An icon in his own right, he touched the hearts of many, inspiring countless others to go into the music industry.

Malcolm Young, the co-founder and guitarist for the rock band AC/DC, died at 64. He was part of one of the biggest, most popular bands in the world, releasing hit albums like "Highway to Hell," "Back in Black," and "The Razor's Edge."

Another musician who passed away was

Chuck Berry. Though he was 90, and hadn't released new material since the early 70's, he kept touring and playing. Berry was essentially one of the pioneers of rock and roll, with classics like "Maybellene," "Rock and Roll Music" and "Johnny B. Goode," being etched into any rock lover's heart.

With sports, former Toronto Blue Jay's pitcher Roy Halladay died when his seaplane crashed into the Gulf of Mexico. He was a beloved Jay's player, and was known for pitching the 20th perfect game in MLB history. Another Toronto sports team player that passed away was Johnny Bower, the Toronto Maple Leafs goalie during the Original Six era, and one of the most famous and beloved Leafs players. He was 93.

Other celebrity deaths include Don Rickles, at the age of 90, one of the most well known insult comics, and for his appearances on various talk shows, and the voice of Mr. Potato Head in the Toy Story franchise; and Hugh Hefner, the founder of the Playboy magazine.

Christian Perspectives: Finding balance in this strange life

When I was a child and teen growing up in a small Ontario city, the place to go for after school programs was the YMCA. They offered gymnastics, folk dance, swimming and lifesaving instruction and social/charitable groups like High Y. The first Y in town was built around 1920 in a downtown location. Most of its facilities like the gym and pool were undersized and out of date so a new Y was built in 1962 with beautiful new facilities and expanded programs. However, it did not adhere to the original purposes of the YMCA as it was founded in London England in 1844. There was no longer the third floor that provided room for single boarders.

Mid 19th century England was the product of the Industrial Revolution. Young people from the farms and villages flocked to the cities to take jobs in the factories. There were few suitable places for them to live. George Williams saw the need and gathered volunteers around him to form the Young Men's Christian Association. The purpose of each location was to provide temporary affordable housing, teaching and support in the Christian religion, physical recreation to counter a reliance on alcohol and gambling for entertainment, to develop new skills and to foster humanitarian charitable citizenship. The formula was a huge success as it took less than a half century for the Y to become a worldwide organization. Now, many cities have regular Y facilities and there are

also Summer Camps, Day Camps and conference facilities like Geneva Park on Lake Couchiching at Orillia Ontario.

In its over 150 years of existence, the Y has changed considerably. At one time in North America, there were YMHA's, Young Men's Hebrew Association and YWCA, Young Women's Christian Associations. Nowadays, the Y, based in Switzerland, prides itself in being open to all regardless of religion, social class, age or gender identity.

If you drive past a Y today, like the one in Guelph that is just along the Hanlon Parkway, you will see the International Logo which is a large Y formed of the left arm in black with a red triangle as the upper right side of the letter. As a member of High Y, I learned the significance of the symbolism of that triangle. The points stand for Mind, Body and Spirit and the fact that it is an equilateral triangle indicates that those aspects of life should be kept in balance.

The message of the triangle can be a lesson for all of us. We benefit from paying attention to all three aspects of the triangle. If we neglect to care for and develop our bodies through appropriate exercise and recreation our bodies will not be healthy. And we will also miss out on some fun which feeds our spirits and our minds as we learn new skills.

If we stop using our minds, stifling our curiosity and neglecting to engage in life long

learning, our minds will atrophy and become less healthy. It reminds us to pay attention to our mental health, to recognize the signs of depression and other conditions and to seek professional help and support from our families and friends.

In today's world many fail to recognize the importance of developing a spiritual life. That may look like adherence to a specific religion such as Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, Bahai, Judaism and so forth. Sometimes those who reject the organized religions of history have never really explored them. It takes more than one visit to a church or mosque to find out what that group values

and promotes. Six months is probably a fairer trial. Spiritual development can also include contemplation, meditation and other purposeful practices. It is not retail therapy, getting your nails done or visiting a spa for a day. Those are breaks in the routine life but seldom offer the deepening value of true spiritual practices.

So, as you are making your resolutions this new year, I suggest you think of the points of the YMCA triangle and think of ways in which you can balance mind, body and spirit in your life.

Rev. Stephanie Pellow

Shelburne Library News

Happy New Year to all of you!

We are back and looking forward to having you drop by and see us. Today, our first day back has been a busy one and we love exchanging New Year's wishes with all of you.

Check our website and this column for updates on all our programming which will start up again the week of January 15th.

Coffee, Conversation & Books: We are starting a new monthly program, Coffee, Conversation & Books which is a monthly program hosting a local author at one of the three Dufferin County libraries, Grand Valley, Shelburne, and Orangeville. More information will be posted shortly. It is an evening meant to have informal discussions with an author over a coffee or tea and enjoy getting to know them a little more personally in a relaxed setting. Follow us on Facebook (/shelburnelibrary) to stay up-to-date

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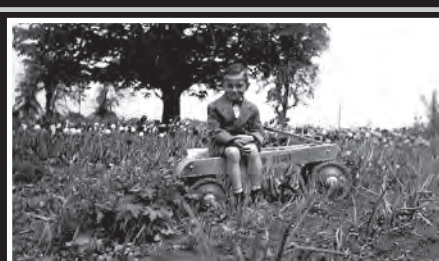
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Oldfield, Maurice

 Entered into rest at his home in Melancthon Township, Ontario on Sunday, December 24th, 2017, Maurice Oldfield in his 91st year. Maurice was the beloved husband of 61 years of Jean (Proctor), loving father of Robert (Laurie) Oldfield, Anne (Bert) Hanna, Lynn (Brent) Dobson, Gary (Mary) Oldfield and Gail (Roger) Hannon. Loving grandfather of Brendan Dobson, Erin (Caleb) Light, Brittany Hannon, Zach Hannon, Lauren Oldfield and Evan Oldfield and great-grandfather of Jonah and Hunter Light. Resting at McMillan & Jack Funeral Home, 291 Main Street, Dundalk, Ontario where visitation will be held on Friday, December 29, 2017 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Funeral Service will follow at 2:00 p.m. in the Funeral Home chapel. Spring interment at Shelburne Cemetery.

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