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REMEMBERING THE HUMBOLDT BRONCOS: Many residents across Canada have placed hockey sticks on their front porches to remember the 14 members of the Humboldt Broncos and the bus driver that tragically died in last weeks collision with a truck in Teeswater. News of the tragedy has travelled the world and this Thursday many schools across Canada have asked students to wear a hockey jersey in memory of those that lost their lives.

Fiddle contest championed by the past

Written By MARNI WALSH

The future of the Canadian Open Fiddle Championship was in jeopardy recently as the Shelburne Rotary Club wrestled with the difficult, but perhaps inevitable question of whether or not to move away from the 67 year old tradition as part of their Heritage Music Festival (HMF.) The Rotary's main objective has always been to raise money for charities, organizations and causes within the community, and when an event no longer raises the much needed funds it can mean hard choices must be made.

The recent decline in contestants, smaller audiences, and a lack of volunteers to organize the big event were among the reasons for the dilemma. "When some of the Championship participants and winners learned of the possibility of cancellation, they requested a meeting with Rotary," says Co-Chair Bobbi Ferguson. "On March 29th fiddler Scott Woods, who had been consulting with our committee previously, Linsey Beckett, Tyler Beckett and Kendra Norris attended our meeting and told us how important the contest was to them and many other musicians who make their living by fiddling. They got their start at the

Shelburne Canadian Open Fiddle Championship, calling it world renown, and the contest that all others are modeled after. They said it was prestigious to have won at Shelburne and important for a fiddler's resume," Bobbi Ferguson told the Free Press.

"Both Linsey Beckett and Scott Woods make their living entirely from their art and the contest played an integral part in their success," says Bobbi Ferguson. "They both grew up playing the fiddle circuit and say Shelburne was the one to win. They want future generations to experience the thrill of the Shelburne Championship as they did - like their fathers and grandfathers before them."

"The contest has always an important part of our heritage and we want it to grow," says Ms. Ferguson. "Sometimes we lose sight of what is important because of the amount of effort, and we focus on the few negatives rather the many positives. The Fiddle Contest put Shelburne on the map and it doesn't matter where you go in the world, people recognize Shelburne as the home of the Fiddle Contest. I, for one, do not want to lose this part of our rich heritage and I am hoping that this year we will see familiar faces and welcome

many new ones," says the Rotary Co-Chair.

The Rotary will now be working with past fiddle contestants and winners to promote the Fiddle Championship to new audiences and contestants to revitalize this part of the Heritage Music Festival. Scott Woods, Kendra Woods, Linsey Beckett and Tyler Beckett have all committed to play an active role going forward with promotion, as well as physical participation at the HMF.

"Whether fiddle music is your first choice of entertainment or not, I can tell you that when they started to play it sent shivers up my spine and put a smile on my face," says Bobbi Ferguson.

The Championship will take place all day Saturday, August 11, starting at 10 am and finishing up with the Finals and entertainment in the evening. Everyone is invited to come out to the Heritage Music Festival August 8th to 12th to enjoy Country, Folk and Rock, and - as is the traditional in Shelburne Ontario - the sweet sound of the fiddle at the 68th Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship.

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Local journalist remembered for his humour and integrity

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

The sudden passing of veteran newsman Bill Rea has sent shockwaves across Caledon and much of Dufferin County.

Serving as editor of the Caledon Citizen for more than 30 years, Mr. Rea was a true journalistic pillar of the community.

"Bill was one of the last true gentleman journalists," noted Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson, who has spent many a moment on the other end of a phone line over the years with a man many have declared, posthumously, as 'Mr. Caledon'.

News first broke of Mr. Rea's death on Sunday (April 8) morning. His wife, Beth, found him unresponsive at their Bolton-area home. It was suspected he had suffered a fatal heart attack in his sleep.

Tributes flooded in from across the community as locals remembered the man behind the camera. Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was one of many politicians to pay homage to Bill's legacy.

"The community of Caledon lost a friend this week. By today's standards, Bill would probably be called a workaholic, but I'm pretty sure he was doing exactly what he wanted to do. What he loved," Ms. Jones said.

She added, "We were lucky that Bill chose Caledon as the place he worked and eventually called his home."

David Tilson, our federal representative in Ottawa, noted Mr. Rea's longevity, stating Bill had been at the centre of journalism in the Caledon area for as long as he could remember.

"His fairness and objectivity were always a hallmark of his reporting, giving his readers the news with balance and insight," Mr. Tilson said. "Bill's great sense of humour was infectious. He always made such an outstanding effort to be at everything taking place in the community, which was easy to see in his reporting."

Former MP for Halton and, more recently, Halton-Peel, Garth Turner, remembered Mr. Rea's tenacity as he took him to task on several issues throughout the late 90s.

"Bill was a thoroughly professional



A RARE SHOT of longtime Caledon Citizen editor Bill Rea on the other side of the camera. The 30 year veteran of the business passed away on April 8 after suffering a suspected heart attack. Here, he is pictured interviewing Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones.

journalist who shadowed me for much of my career - always cheerful, always accurate and always fair," Mr. Turner said. "He embodied what local journalism is all about - probing and uncovering without subjective filter or prejudice."

He added, "In an age where social media has distorted so much, a guy like Bill Rea stood out as a pillar of common sense, ethical conduct and dogged perseverance. It is hard to imagine Caledon without this man in his rumpled vest, camera slung over his neck and creased notebook in hand. What a profound loss."

Having worked alongside Bill for much of his 35 year career in the business, Mark Pavilons paid respect to the reporter and, later, editor, who quickly became a friend. The current editor of the King Weekly Sentinel shared an office with Mr. Rea in Bolton

five days a week.

"Bill was meticulous, incredibly intelligent, dedicated and committed to a fault. He would do anything for you," Mr. Pavilons remarked. "The office is not the same at all and I don't know if it ever will be 'business as usual'."

He continued, "Bill Rea was one of a kind in many ways. He made the world a more interesting place and for that alone, I will miss him dearly."

Having also worked closely with Bill for much of his tenure in Caledon, Orangeville Citizen editor Tom Claridge lauded his continued commitment to the community.

"Bill Rea took over the Caledon Citizen not long after the paper opened its first office in Bolton. From that time on, Bill became the Caledon Citizen in every way

imaginable," Mr. Claridge said. "He will be sorely missed."

Friends are invited to attend Egan Funeral Home on Friday (April 13) afternoon between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and in the evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. to pay their respects. A funeral service will be held in the chapel on Saturday (April 14) at 11 a.m. Following a reception at the funeral home, burial will take place at Brampton Cemetery.

Bill's family listed the Toronto Daily Food Bank and the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario as the two charities locals can donate to if they wish to make a contribution in Bill's name.

From all of us here at the Shelburne Free Press, it is with great sadness that we bid a final farewell to a friend. To a member of our family. Rest easy, Bill Rea.

Sylvia Jones endorsed by GreenPAC in 2018 election for environmental leadership

Written By JASEN OBERMEYER

GreenPAC, a non-partisan group seeking to support environmental leadership of candidates from all political parties, has endorsed Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones.

An expert panel selected the endorsed candidates. Ms. Jones is one of seven endorsed candidates from all major parties across Ontario.

"I am proud to be a positive voice for the environment in the Progressive Conservative Party and in Dufferin-Caledon. I would like to thank GreenPAC for recognizing my work supporting environmental causes," said Ms. Jones. "I believe that this endorsement shows my commitment to working with residents in Dufferin-Caledon, local municipalities, community organizations and my fellow Members of Provincial Parliament to create positive change."

Sabrina Bowman, executive director of GreenPAC, says Mr. Jones has consistently brought forward environmental legislation, including bills on Ontarian's right to know about sewage in local waterways, and a bill to promote recycling.

"In 2016, she co-sponsored a bill with Liberal MPP and GreenPAC endorsee Arthur Potts to promote local farming and craft cider production. In 2017, she co-sponsored the Organic Products Act with New Democrat MPP and GreenPAC endorsee Peter Tabuns, to establish a provincial organic standard and expand the market for organic food."

GreenPAC has been endorsing candidates since the 2015 federal election. This is the first time they have endorsed in Ontario.

Ms. Bowman explained that their endorsements are based on the leadership records of the endorsees, not on campaign promises. "As a result, MPP Jones' demonstrated leadership on is essential to ensuring the environment is considered both within her own Progressive Conservative party, and in the provincial legislature as a whole, as it indicates she is willing and ready to take action on the environment."

To learn more about GreenPAC and their selection process, and to pledge a donation, visit their website at www.greenpac.ca.

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Hospice Dufferin preparing for busy couple of weeks with two fundraisers

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

With old man winter seemingly on his way out, the community's primary palliative care provider is gearing up for its biggest fundraiser of the year.

Hospice Dufferin has provided support and assistance to thousands of families dealing with a life changing diagnosis. Each and every year, the local not-for-profit reaches out to the community for help in the shape of its 'Hike for Hospice' fun run and barbecue. Celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, the hike serves as the main fundraiser for an organization that is there 365 days a year for our region's most vulnerable people.

"The hike is coming up once again and, of course, that means we're starting to get out there in the community and make people aware," Hospice Dufferin's Executive Director Maureen Riedler said. "It's such a big event for us. Because of our fantastic community we always bring in at least \$10,000, which goes an incredibly long way for an organization responsible for fundraising 75 percent of its budget."

Ms. Riedler will be hoping for something of a rebound this time around, with last year's event largely ruined because of bad weather. Taking place at Monora Park on May 6, the event will feature three different walk routes - one kilometre, three kilometre and five kilometre options - with a barbecue and a clutch of other family-friendly activities planned.

"We want this day to be something that families across Dufferin County can be excited to attend, whether they're familiar with Hospice Dufferin and its services or not," Ms. Riedler said. "We're going to have face painting, we'll have the parachutes out, hula hoops, lawn games... It will be just like an old fashioned picnic that everyone can enjoy."

Also planned is a special scavenger hunt in the park, which Ms. Riedler noted is always a huge hit with the kids.

Hospice Dufferin is classified as a visiting hospice and offers a wealth of programs and

OPP policed municipalities report they're happy with service provided

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

Council Monday night offered a moment of silence for the families of Humboldt, Saskatchewan, following the dreadful crash there involving their Junior hockey team's bus and a transport truck, before hearing a number of issues concerning the Town and an impassioned plea from one resident regarding the planned new development at 600 Main Street, and the number of transport trucks and heavy goods carriers currently rumbling through town on Hwy. 89/ Main Street.

Alec Coles, who resides at 626 Main Street east is extremely concerned both with the size of the proposed new development and with the entrance and exit strategies outlined by the developer. Mr. Coles, who wants to see the town retain its small village flavour, feels that no more than half the proposed residences would be more appropriate than the current 58 homes. He argued that the entry and exit plans for the residences were potentially an accident waiting to occur and that congestion on what is already a congested corridor, would be increased by the current plan. Mr. Coles also indicated that he had spoken with many of the other existing residents, all of whom held similar views. In their collective minds, the Town should use some of the land to build a roadway along the back of the properties on Main Street, those being numbers 600 through 636, to provide safer access to these properties and reduce the proposed development to half its current size. It is worth noting, at this point, that although possible, both these options would likely make the development unprofitable for the developer, which would potentially scuttle the project.

Moving on, Mr Coles opined, that Shelburne should become a hub for everything north of the town, and not become a bedroom community for the GTA. He would like to see major industry and infrastructure come to Shelburne to service the growth north to Georgian Bay. Unfortunately, this idea would fly in the face of keeping Shelburne's small town atmosphere and only increase congestion and growth.

Mr. Coles' second plea was for the Town to provide a bypass for all the truck traffic currently travelling through Shelburne along the Hwy. 89/Main Street/Owen Sound Street corridor. To his mind, the traffic is excessive and destructive to the town roads and the safety of it's residents. Noting the horrendous tragedy in Humboldt, Saskatchewan recently, Mr Coles felt that it was only a matter of time before a similar fate befell residents of Shelburne. He would like to see Council set up an immediate bypass, utilizing County Roads 124 and 17, to reroute the trucks around town and back onto Hwy.89 west of Shelburne. This route, would add minimal time to the travel and prevent the traffic from travelling town roads, he says. Naturally, provisions would have to be made for trucks delivering goods to Shelburne itself, but otherwise would alleviate what Alec proposes is a serious problem, that is only getting worse. In response, Councillor Walter Benotto stated that the Town will be meeting with the Ministry concerning this matter in August, but that all previous attempts to have a bypass, have fallen upon deaf ears.

Despite being an excellent idea, the plan has several major problems, not the least of which, is jurisdiction. The MOT has jurisdiction over all designated Ontario Highways and it would be up to them to determine the route of any bypass. As well, having a continuous line of heavy trucks trying to make turns onto and off of the proposed roads, would create traffic nightmares of epic proportions and would add lengthy wait times at all the affected intersections.

Council received the results of their survey, concerning how other municipalities had fared, following a switch to OPP

policing services, from a local force. Across the board, the responses were overwhelmingly positive and in the area of costing, the response to the question, as to whether or not the OPP had adhered to their budget proposals, was a resounding 100 percent YES. Councillors did note that the survey was vague as to details, however they pointed out that Staff had presented exactly the survey that Council had outlined and so the fault lay solely with Council and not Staff. It was also noted that as the process evolves, there would be ample opportunity, for Councillors, to fill in these details.

Of note, were the written comments from several of the survey participants. Two in particular, stood out. The first, concerned a major event in a similar sized community. "OPP provide an excellent service and address adequacy and efficiency as required by the Act (Police Services Act). During the Tornado of 2011, over 500 officers attended in Goodrich, for an extended period of time." The second directly addressed an important issue for citizens of any community. " My experience with the OPP service level has been very good. Policing will always cost, but OPP's ability to solve and look after policing issues will always exceed the ability of a local police force. "

Still dealing with policing issues, Council heard two presentations from Len Mikulich, the Chair, of our Police Services Board. The first, was an announcement that in Honour of Shelburne's longest serving Chief of Police, Carman Lemcke, a Bursary was being set up, in his name, to assist a deserving student who wished to pursue post secondary education in policing studies. Although financial details are not available, at this time, the Bursary will be of a substantial nature and may be available as early as this years graduating classes.

The second agenda item, was a Resolution from the Police Services Board, concerning support for a potential amalgamation, with the Orangeville Police Services. By presenting this to Council, the Board was in essence, asking for Council's approval and support, however this was rejected by several Councillors and the Mayor, on the basis that it was an inappropriate time, as the Town was engaged in an OPP Costing and that it represented a potential if not an actual conflict of interest with the rules of that costing. It was noted, by the Board Chair, that this was merely a fact finding, data collection exercise. Regardless, Council passed a motion to not entertain any other avenues of exploration, pending the outcome of the costing process.

As a self regulated entity, the Police Services Board remains free to pursue this, if they so desire, without Council's consent or blessing.

In other business, Council has adopted the new Street Naming Policy, as outlined by staff and will now be able to refer residents and developers to an official procedure for proposing street names within the Town borders. Councillor Benotto presented a motion requesting that staff prepare a plan outline, to suggest ways to better deliver recreational services to the residents. This in response to numerous requests made to the Councillor.

The Reverend Stephanie Pellow, of St Paul's Anglican Church has been nominated as a recipient of a Town of Shelburne Community Excellence Award, for her work with the Shepperd's Cupboard Food Bank. The Council has agreed to purchase the earlier recommended Valve Exerciser, at a cost of \$89,976.32. This equipment will service and maintain the Town's over 450 water main valves and will go a long way in preventing water main Breakages, such as those that happened early this year. Considering those cost the Town about \$50,000.00 each, it could potentially pay for itself by simply the prevention of two such mishaps.

support mechanisms for people suffering with an illness, regardless of what stage there are. The organization typically serves over 400 families each year - working primarily out of its main hub inside the Edelbrock Centre in Orangeville. Hospice Dufferin also conducts home visits, Ms. Riedler said.

Having raised a total of \$14,000 through last year's hike, the organization is hoping to breach the \$20,000 mark in 2018. That goal appears manageable when you consider the fact that Sara Rose, a long-term post-secondary intern and summer employee with Hospice Dufferin, is bringing her Hope Through Harmonies fundraiser back for a second successive year. Last year's inaugural event was a huge success, with more than 100 local residents cramming into Fionn MacCools to support the initiative. Such was the success of the concert, the event will take place at Black Wolf Smokehouse this year in an attempt to accommodate more people.

"Last year's event was just an overwhelming experience. We went into the night a little nervous, not exactly sure what we were going to be able to do, but in the end we managed to raise over \$2,300 for Hospice Dufferin, which is fantastic," Ms. Rose said. "We're looking forward to getting back out there again this year and, hopefully, doing even better."

Sara will be joined on stage by local group The Campfire Poets, with talented singer-songwriter Sarah Pearson also making the trip up from Kitchener to perform. Tickets to the event are \$20 and can be purchased at Hospice Dufferin or Black Wolf Smokehouse.

All money raised through the two events will go towards funding Hospice Dufferin's day program.

"Both events are going to be a whole lot of fun. We really can't wait - hopefully the community shares in our enthusiasm and can help make Hope Through Harmonies and Hike for Hospice our big success stories of 2018."

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Playoffs loom following historic Toronto Maple Leafs season

Written By JASEN OBERMEYER

The Toronto Maple Leafs' 2017-18 season may go down as one of their finest, most interesting in franchise history.

Starting off this season, Leafs Nation felt a sense of excitement and doubt. After finally clinching a playoff spot last year in a full season since before the 2004-05 lockout (2012-13 was a half season, for a reminder) and putting up a strong fight as the underdogs, the Leafs seemed to be on the right path.

With an offensive group spread amongst Nazem Kadri, James Van Riemsdyk (JVR), Patrick Marleau, Auston Matthews, Mitch Marner, and William Nylander, a blue line led by Morgan Rielly and Jake Gardiner, goalie Frederik Andersen, coach Mike Babcock manning the bench, and GM Lou Lamoriello behind the desk, Leafs Nation had every right to feel proud to cheer on the Leafs, but still doubtful. Were they just a fluke? They climbed to the top, but would they tumble back down?

No! They stayed on course, burning an entertaining path to a playoff spot, smashing records left right and centre, but hit a few bumps along the way.

October was a good, but concerning effort. They won and lost games in crazy, high scoring fashions; 7-2, 8-5, 6-3. They could clearly score, but couldn't protect the net, or stop pucks getting between the pipes.

November was a much better effort, which saw lesser wins in a crazy fashion, including a six game winning streak where they outscored their opponents 22-8.

Come December, Babcock began tight-

ening up the team defensively, and though they were on the right track, their offence stifled.

The Leafs carried that dark cloud over into the New Year, and by the halfway point of the season, were third in their division, but won only 2 of their last 10. By the midway point of January, a bright cloud took over.

This part of the season, the part that counted, the Leafs didn't falter. They chased goalies from the net, sent whole teams skating away with their heads down. They regained that spark, which even saw them win 9 out of 10 games.

The team finished third in their conference, staying in the same spot for over two months, achieving this through the calibre of talented players.

The first line consisted of youngsters Matthews, Nylander, and Zach Hyman, all playing in their sophomore seasons. Nylander and Matthews continued as a pair similar to Malkin and Crosby, or Messier and Gretzky. Hyman would fight along the boards, creating space for Nylander to set up a goal for Matthews.

Despite missing 20 games due to injuries, Matthews was as sharp as ever, registering a total of 34 goals and 63 points, second overall in both. Hyman accumulated a personal best 15 goals and 40 points. Nylander ended up with 61 points, same as last year, and though he did struggle mainly throughout the first half of the seasons, his play was still consistent.

The second line was the most exciting, consisting of Kadri, Marner, and Marleau. All three brought something different to the ice; Kadri provided a scoring ability mixed with a knack to battle opponents, Marner

brought speed and playmaking skills, and Marleau added the veteran depth.

Kadri put up another 60-point season, but saw him held pointless throughout December, though decreased his overall penalty minutes by half to 42. Marleau, 37 years old, put up an impressive 27 goals and 47 points. Marner was by far the strangest, but most impressive Leaf this seasons. The first half saw his offence non-existent, scoring only 5 times by the halfway mark. Eventually, using his speed and creativity, he began increasing his chances, which soon turned into goals and points. Beginning February, he led the Leafs in scoring – and finished as the team's point leader – and by seasons end, he amassed a personal best in goals, assists, and points, at 22, 47, and 69 respectively.

The third line of JVR, Tyler Bozak, and Connor Brown wasn't the fastest or most entertaining, but still had chemistry to drive many pucks behind the net. Brown was the subtle player; Bozak was the faceoff wizard. When Matthews was injured, JVR stepped in to fill the skates, leading the team in scoring with 36 goals, a personal best. An unrestricted free agent this summer, and in his prime, the Leafs better sign him back.

The fourth line wasn't as stable, but saw Leo Komarov, grinder Matt Martin, speedy Kasper Kapanen, and veterans Dominic Moore and Tomas Plekanec all fight for a spot to provide further depth.

The Leafs' weakest part is their defence, but has improved. Gardiner and Rielly provided the blue line offence, combining for 11 goals. Both reached the 50-point mark, and achieved personal best in assists and points. Veteran defensive defenseman Ron Hainsey, along with Nikita Zaitsev, provided

a safety net for the forwards.

Andersen is proving himself to be one of the best goalies in the league. Calm under pressure, with eagle vision, he is the Leaf's MVP. Finishing with 2.81 goals against average (which should decrease) and a .918 save percentage (which should increase), he set a Leafs record of most wins by a goalie in a season with 38 (and fourth league wide.)

The defence needs to tighten up a bit, relieve some pressure off Andersen, as the team gave up the 3rd most shots on goal.

Remember those franchise records smashed? They include most points in a season (105), most wins (49), and most home wins (29). Other impressive stats include being tied for second overall in goals for with 277, 11th in goals against (down from 22 last season) 2nd overall on the power play, and 11th overall on the penalty kill.

Through all this, the records, the games, individual performances, and team cohesiveness, the Leafs have found something they've been lacking: an identity. They wear the jerseys proud, they know what it means, and they care now. For fans, the feeling is mutual. The city feels alive again.

Our playoff opponent is the Boston Bruins. Just saying the team's name sends a chill up Leaf Nation's spine. The last time we faced them in the playoffs, they pierced our heart with a knife, after we gave up a 4-1 lead with half a third period to play, then lost in overtime.

But this Leafs team is a different machine, an animal hungry for success, that will fight, and skate every which way for victory. This season has been one for the record books, but the playoffs will test these players. They have smelt success, but can they taste it?



Laws have role in road safety

EDITORIAL

SADLY, HIGHWAY SAFETY was in the news in recent days, and the news was not good.

Last Friday, at about 5 p.m. local time, a horrific crash at a Saskatchewan intersection took 15 lives, all passengers on a chartered bus carrying the Humbolt Broncos junior hockey team to a playoff game in far-off Nipawin, SK.

Then came a release from the Ontario Provincial Police reporting that 343 people had died in OPP-patrolled roads last year, marking a 18-year high as well as showing an increase from 307 deaths in 2016.

Clearly, Saskatchewan and Ontario both have failings when it comes to road safety, and we think a study would support our contention that more than driver fault is at work here.

Initial reports indicate that the Saskatchewan crash occurred at the intersection of provincial highways 35 and 335 and that at the time the weather was fine.

However, photographs of the scene show that all the wreckage was northwest of the intersection, suggesting at least two things: first, that the westbound tractor-trailer carrying a load of peat moss for an address in Alberta had not slowed for the intersection, which had stop signs for the 3356 traffic adorned with flashing red lights. The driver, who was not injured, may contend that he was unfamiliar with the intersection and didn't see the signage because of a bright late-afternoon sun.

As for the bus driver, who was among the dead, he probably didn't see the transport truck because of some trees at the southeast corner.

A probable conclusion of a corner's inquest would be that both vehicles were moving at about 100 km/h, the normal speed limit on the province's rural highways.

Clearly, the crash would not have occurred if the intersection (the scene of previous fatal-

ities) had been signaled with advance warnings of the type found at all such intersections in British Columbia. Nor would it have been likely if the intersection had been made a four-way stop, since that would require two inattentive drivers.

Are there to be lessons to be learned in Ontario, where virtually all such intersections have signals? The main one would be that every such intersection should have BC-style advance warnings that signals are about to change – something we now have at some junctions in Dufferin and Peel (among them at Dufferin 109 and 11 and on Airport Road and Charleston Sideroad) but not on provincial highways, even where it's the first signaled intersection for traffic leaving a freeway, such as at Highway 10 and Schoolhouse Road.

As for the more general issue of combatting Ontario road deaths, we think the main requirement is laws and spending aimed at achieving a situation where all traffic is moving at the same speed.

The first step toward achieving such a harmonious situation would be the replacing of all politicized speed limits with maximums based on speeds actually driven by a majority of drivers (ideally 85 per cent of them), and stiff penalties for anyone who breaches them by going more than 5 km/h above or below the posted limits, with slower speeds obviously permitted (and encouraged) during bad weather.

As matters stand, we suspect that on a five-lane roadway such as Highway 10 between Orangeville and 410, virtually no one observes the 80 km/h speed limit which also exists on any narrow gravel or dirt road that isn't posted.

Such a change in speed laws should be accompanied by a "Go with the Flow" campaign designed to avoid any need for drivers to overtake other vehicles.

As well, all busy two-lane highways should have intermittent third lanes and paved should

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The incident took place on the morning of Saturday March 17th. Surveillance video indicates that a GMC pick-up truck pulling a trailer backed into the building. The driver gets out of the truck and assesses the situation, then returns to the truck and leaves the area.

Damage to the building is estimated to be in the thousands of dollars.

Shelburne Police is seeking the public assistance to identify the owner and/or driver of the vehicle.

The vehicle is a black GMC 1 ton pickup truck, with dual tires on the back. The truck is pulling a black flatbed trailer, carrying an orange or red tracked skid steer with pallet forks on it. The driver is a white male wearing a black jacket.

If anyone has any information in relation to this case or any other matter, they are encouraged to contact the Shelburne Police Service at 519-925-3312 or anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.crimestoppersdm.com.

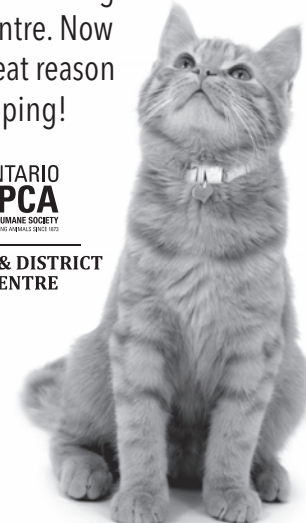


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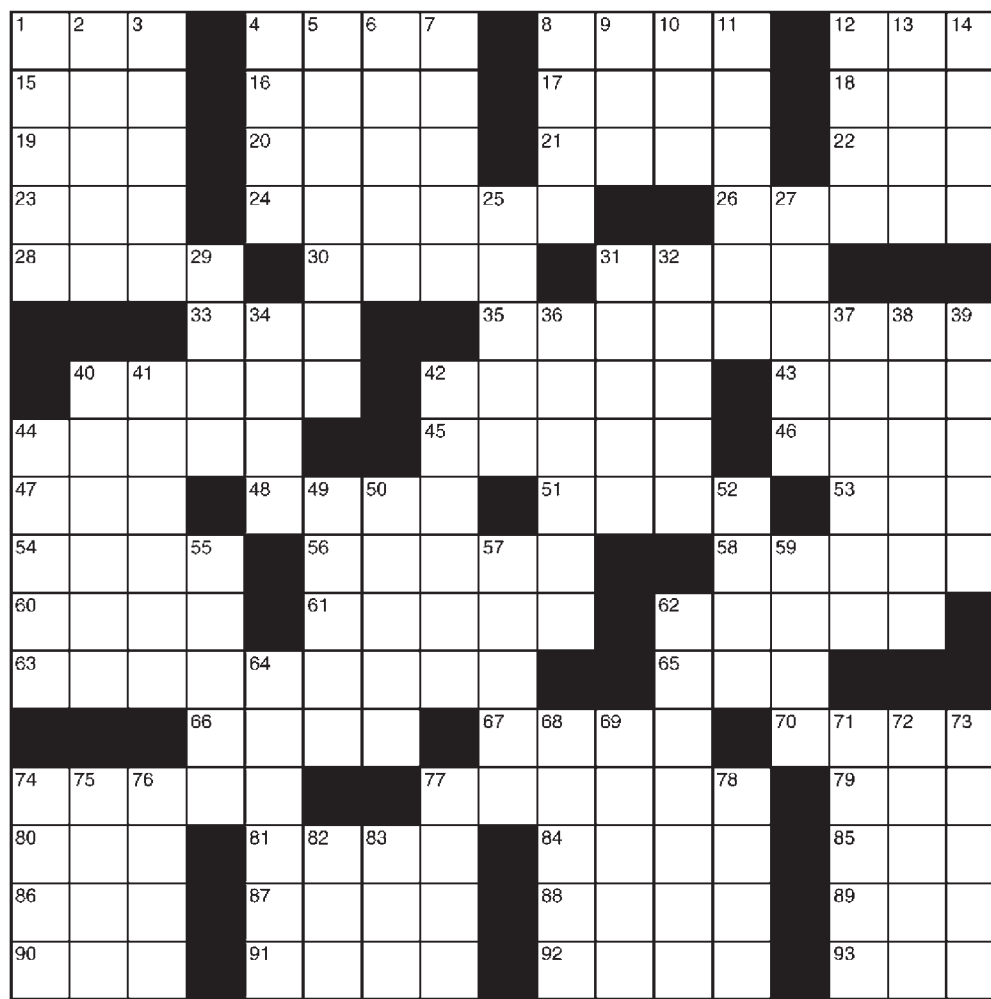
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Local leagues sign up players for spring / summer sports

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

There is no shortage of spring and summer activities for kids in Shelburne and the surrounding area.

With a variety of sports to choose from, any young person who wants to stay active and competitive can take part in a number of programs on the sports fields around town.

A special sign up day – the fourth of five events – took place at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Thursday, April 5, with several local sports represented.

Representatives from lacrosse, slo-pitch, fastball, soccer, ball hockey, and golf, were on hand to give out information and sign up players for the coming season.

“This is the fourth event and there is one more,” explained Megan Young, who was on hand representing the Shelburne Golf and Country Club. “This is a central registration for the community.”

Many of the sports have programs that start players at a very young age and give them a chance to learn the sport and develop their skills so if they choose to continue with it, they will learn the basics and move on from there.

Megan brought two pint-size golf putters that very young players use on her golf course.

“We start them at three years-old,” she explained. “They learn the basics like hand / eye coordination. They actually learn really well at that age. The learn putting,” she said, and showed the putter designed for a child that age. “They’ll end up swinging the club. They learn swing fundamentals. They’ll hit drivers, they’ll hit wedges.”

While quite often kids are steered



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

LOCALSPORTSLEAGUESHELDSIGN-UPDAYattheCentreDufferinRecreationComplexonThursday, April 5, to give local youngsters an opportunity to get registered for spring and summer sports. Shelburne Golf and Country Club GM, Megan Young, shows one of the pint-size putters used by young players on the course at the local Club.

toward a sport because one of their parents played it, other times the child will be attracted to a sport all on their own.

“We do get some kids who just really

like the sport – they’ve seen it on TV, they have a favourite golfer, and they will come out to play,” Megan said.

Several of the sports leagues in town

are filling up fast and space is limited so if you want to sign up junior for the summer, make sure you act fast so you don’t miss out.

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Half-ice hockey for OMHA youngsters

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

Anyone who started out playing hockey as a very young participant knows just how big a hockey arena really is when you’re only half the size of a Junior age player.

It’s a long way from one end to the other. Receiving or delivering a pass or just making it down to the other team’s zone requires a lot of effort.

The Ontario Minor Hockey Association in partnership with Hockey Canada and the Ontario Hockey Federation has formally announced a transformation which includes the implementation of a cross / half-ice game roll-out for Novice and younger players.

“Station based practices, small area games, lightweight blue pucks and age appropriate ice size ensure players are engaged and have the right start in their hockey experience,” said OMHA executive director, Ian Taylor. “Scaling the game to match the age group allows young players the opportunity for more puck-touches which promotes greater opportunity for skill development in puck handling, shooting, skating, coordination and decision making.”

Hockey Canada has established national guidelines to help ensure optimal development for players at a crucial introductory stage which the OMHA began implementing this season.

These include cross-ice play for initiation age players – five and six year-olds, and half-ice play for Tykes effective in the

2018-19 season.

The following season, games for Novice age (8 years) will start with half-ice and transition to full ice over the second half of the season.

“This program was developed to allow kids to have fun, learn skills, and develop confidence,” said Paul Carson, vice-president of membership development for Hockey Canada. “Their field of play now matches their size and these players will be able to hone in on their skill development in a way that larger ice surfaces just aren’t conducive to.”

The age appropriate programming will include an increased emphasis on skating skills, increased number of puck battles, passing, shooting, ice awareness, and an overall elevation of their hockey sense.

Phil McKee, executive director at the Ontario Hockey Federation, said “This fresh direction demonstrates that organizers are thinking about long-term goals that include short-term benefits.”

When researching the proposed changes, it was discovered that when playing age appropriate ice sizes, there are two-times more puck touches, pass attempts, shot attempts and change of direction play.

There are also five-times more passes received. The study showed there are 1.75 shots per minute verses .45 shots per minute when playing on a full size ice surface.

The changes should provide a better hockey experience for younger players and enable coaches to help players hone their skills on the ice.

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Carter has been playing lacrosse for several years and enjoys being a part of his team.

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Dreaming 'Beyond the Gate' - chef Freddy becomes a Canadian citizen

Written By MARNI WALSH

"Beyond the Gate," the new eclectic French restaurant at the west end of Shelburne is a dream come true for Chef Frederic Chartier. "I have always wanted to open a restaurant and make a difference in the culinary world," he told the Free Press. Last month another dream came true for Mr. Chartier when he officially became a Canadian citizen.

Frederic Chartier, or Chef Freddy as area residents have fondly come to know him, was raised in the small village of Tours France from the age of five. He left France in 2005 and says he is glad to be part of this great country. "Each time I go back to France it doesn't feel like home anymore. I am now happy to be Canadian and to call Canada home."

His citizenship process took about six months from start to finish. He studied hard, scoring 100%, and on March 26th he recited the oath of citizenship. "The judge's French was absolutely terrible, so I felt like I had to speak louder to make sure the French version was heard properly by everybody," Frederic joked.

Frederic started his culinary apprenticeship at a renowned restaurant near his hometown called "La Mere Hamard." In 2001, he obtained a Bachelors Degree in Culinary Arts, and worked in England, and then in Paris at the Four Seasons Georges V, a three Michelin stars restaurant. He joined the Ritz Carlton in 2005 in Grand Cayman Island, where he met his wife Jodi who was raised in Orangeville.

Subsequently, Frederic was promoted twice to other Ritz Hotels including one near Washington DC. Here, he ran a successful restaurant for two years, obtained leader of the year in 2011, and made two appearances on DC TV. In

2012, Frederick and Jodi moved to Canada to be closer to her family, and he took a break from the hotel world and started working for Pickering College in Newmarket.

His next step was to launch Freddy's Crepes at the Orangeville Farmers' Market. With the success of that pilot project, he put all his energy into his dream by expanding the crepe stand into a free standing restaurant which opened in Shelburne in 2017.

"Shelburne is the perfect town for me as the culinary scene has room for growth," said Mr. Chartier, who recently moved his family, including three year old twins, to Shelburne. "It is a new vibrant town, and I look forward to the coming businesses and others restaurants. I am very proud to be part of the changes happening and opening the first refined dining restaurant in town. I always meet customers when I am out shopping or going to the post office, and I always enjoy chatting with them. My wife and I are very excited for the kids to create memories in this new forever home."

Beyond the Gate is located at 138 Main Street West serving assorted crepes and other French delicacies using fresh produce which is sourced locally as often as possible. "I am excited of being part of this great country and community, and I am excited to be able to vote again. When I left France, I was young and didn't pay much attention to politics at the time; now that I am a small business owner, and have matured a bit more, I am happy to be able to help make a difference." Reservations at "Beyond the Gate" are recommended. Call: 519-306-3600 or visit the website at www.beyondthegate.ca.



FREDERIC CHARTIER proudly displays his newly earned Canadian Citizenship at 'Beyond the Gate', his dream restaurant in Shelburne.

Conciliatory conclusion reached over Mulmur library fee issue

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

A Tuesday, March 20th delegation by Mulmur Council representatives at the Shelburne Public Library Board was cancelled last month following a meeting with Mulmur Mayor Paul Mills and Library Board Chair Geoff Dunlop on Monday, March 19th. Their library agreement, specifically the accounting of Mulmur residents accessing the library and the resulting user fees to Mulmur, had been an on going point of contention for many months and both parties wished to bring the issue to a close.

To address Mulmur Council's concerns about possible overpayments to Shelburne Public Library (SPL), a new funding formula, based on the average number of active library household patrons, over three years, according to the library computer circulation system, was completed in 2016 for all surrounding Townships. The review revealed Mulmur Township actually had 537 households as active users rather than the 298 as previously calculated. SPL then present Mulmur with a new registration form containing a waiver to release patron's names for funding purposes. SPL agreed to update all Mulmur cardholders with the Township as they came in or their memberships expired.

However, in September of 2016, Mulmur Township passed a motion withdrawing from its library partnership and the Shelburne Public Library Board, beginning January, 2017. The Township opted to go forward with "a non-resident fee to be charged to the Township on a quarterly basis, (\$100 per user household) with the provision of receipt of user names and addresses."

At the Monday meeting, Geoff Dunlop says he and Mr. Mills worked on "the frame-

work that would enable us to continue to provide quality services to Mulmur residents." He says Rose Dotten, CEO of the Shelburne Library, then met with Mr. Mills and Mulmur staff and finalized formula and the numbers to be used in the financial agreement. "Hopefully this allows us to move forward together and offer all of our members the opportunity to access our many outstanding programming opportuni-

ties and resources," says Mr. Dunlop.

"Contrary to some rumours that Mulmur Township does not want to fund Shelburne Library, nothing is further from the truth," says Mulmur Mayor Paul Mills. "But, Mulmur Council has a duty to its ratepayers to ensure that accounting is accurate."

Rose Dotten stated, "Our most recent meetings with Mayor Mills and Treasurer, Heather Boston on March 19th, provided

the opportunity to move forward to end the funding discussions in a collaborative and collegial way—in everyone's best interests."

The CEO told the Free Press, "We sincerely look forward to working together with Mulmur Township and the many loyal patrons we have, in an ongoing, positive, and collaborative relationship that will continue the services, the good will and the friendships we have built over many years."

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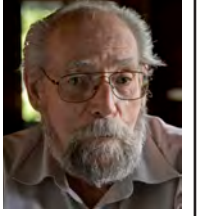
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We are deeply saddened to announce that Jim Baufeldt, beloved father, respected entrepreneur, master millworker and dear friend, passed away on the afternoon of April 4th, 2018, at his home surrounded by family, just as he had wished. He was 81. Jim is survived by his daughter Heidi Baufeldt, the light of his life, and her husband Roman Altmann as well as siblings Joan Zinn, Lois Howieson and Richard Baufeldt. He is predeceased by his wife Maureen, who passed away in 2011. Jim will be deeply missed as a local craftsman and entrepreneur, an amusing story teller and patriarch of the family that put Violet Hill, Ontario on the map through several local family-owned-and-operated businesses, including Canadian Country Folk Art, Mrs. Mitchell's Restaurant and Granny Taught Us How. The family would like to thank all the caregivers who made it possible for Jim to stay at home for his final months. A private celebration of Jim Baufeldt's life will be scheduled by the family at a later date. "Donations in support of research and treatment of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) at the Lung Association are appreciated and can be made through Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, 318 Main Street East, Shelburne Ontario. 519-925-2830 jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com

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COMING EVENTS

Roast Beef Dinner and Musical Evening

Featuring Greg Holmes and friends
Trinity Centennial United Church

Located on Hwy 89 east of Rosemont
Saturday April 14, 2018
Dinner Served 4:00 to 7:00 pm
Traditional Roast Beef Dinner & Homemade Pies for Dessert
Music at 5:30 in the Sanctuary
Adults \$15 Children (under 6) \$6

MEMORIAM

Henderson – George

April 16 1978



*You're not just a memory
Or part of the past,
You're ours to remember
As long as life lasts.*

*There are no tomorrows
For us to share,
But yesterday's memory
Will always be there*

We love and miss you so very much
Blanche, Ken and Beth.

Richardson, Carl



Passed away peacefully at Saugeen Valley Nursing Centre on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 in his 75th year. Loving father of Edwin, Lynn and John and grandpa of Jessie, Aeden, Kieran, Brennan, Brodie and Amelia. Dear brother of Doug and the late Reg. Carl will be lovingly remembered by his nieces, nephews and friends. Friends and family were received at the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne on Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. The funeral service was held in the funeral home chapel on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at Shelburne Cemetery. If desired, donations to the Alzheimer Society or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated. Online condolences may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com

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Thank you - Hilliard Family

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To our extended families and our many friends and neighbours who visited, provided kind words, support, meals...you reminded us of how very fortunate we are.

From our family to yours, thank you!
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We would like to send out a huge thank you to the Town of Shelburne, Shelburne Public Works, members of Shelburne Police Service, Orangeville Police Service, Ontario Provincial Police, Peel Regional Police and Barrie Police Service, Ed Crewson and Don Hume. Also we would like to thank Shelburne Fire Department, Brampton Fire Department, Dufferin EMS, Peel EMS, The Shelburne Legion, The Masonic Lodge, Sandra Cormier, The United Church for lunch and Shelburne Air Cadets for all your efforts at Carman's funeral to give him the ultimate send off. Not a doubt in our minds he was looking down with a big smile on his face and proud to see everyone gather to celebrate his life.

It's not what he expected but what he deserved.
Sincerely
The Lemcke Family.

AUCTIONS



Auction Sale estate of Jeff VanZoelen

Saturday April 21st at 10:00am

Green# 5729 Wellington Cty Rd 23, Erin (Hillsburg) From the lights at the Tim Horton's at the north end of Erin on Cty Rd 124 take Shamrock Road west. Follow the curve around onto Sideroad 17 and very shortly take Wellington Cty Rd 23 North, go 2.6km to sale on East side of road. OR From the town of Hillsburgh take Trafalgar Rd south to Wellington 22. Go East on Wellington 22 to Wellington Cty 23. Come south 750m to sale on east side of road. **PARKING ON SITE/ROAD**

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