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BIG UNVEILING: Representatives from the Shelburne Legion were on hand last Thursday (May 17) to officially reveal the local Legion building's brand new sign. The Shelburne 164 squadron has been operating for 43 years and this marks the first time the organization has had a sign on the building they call their home. The sign was donated to the Legion by McCarthy Signs.

School award set up in commemoration of the late Tom Egan will recognize community spirit

Written By **PETER RICHARDSON**

When Councillor Steve Anderson first learned he had been chosen by Council to fill the seat left vacant by the sudden passing of the late Councillor Tom Egan, he knew he had huge shoes to fill.

Tom Egan was a virtual legend in Shelburne, even before he ran for and was elected to the Town Council. Tom was active in his community and always spoke up concerning issues that were important to him, but always without fanfare.

A Councillor for over 20 years, Tom was known to work diligently behind the scenes to get things done. He believed strongly that the rate payers of Shelburne deserved not to be burdened with unnecessary by-laws, legislations and tax increases and to this end he could always be counted upon to be the voice of reason at Council.

He was a devoted Kinsmen, who would

always be available to help out in any way he could with community projects and celebrations. Tom was also a veteran of the Fire Board and it's Chairman from 2012 until his passing.

It was with this legacy in mind, that Councillor Anderson approached Mr. Egan's family with his idea to launch an annual award, to be given to a local student who best exemplified the qualities and determination of Tom Egan. With the family's blessing and the support of Council, that goal has been achieved.

Beginning on June 1, The Councillor Egan Community Service Award will be given out at Centre Dufferin High School, in Shelburne, to a deserving student chosen by the school

The award will consist of a framable certificate and a cash award for the recipient and a plaque, which will be displayed permanently, in a place of honour, in the

school.

The latter, was an addition to Councillor Anderson's original concept, that was suggested by Councillors Walter Benotto and Wade Mills. The annual award, may be given to a student, from any grade, that the school feels best exemplifies the spirit of community service displayed by the late Councillor Egan.

Councillor Anderson expressed his desire, that in future years, the award will be presented in each of the Town's various schools and in this way give a greater cross section of students the opportunity to be recognized.

Tom Egan always wanted to have Shelburne retain it's small town atmosphere and feeling of community and Councillor Anderson hopes that these awards will help to encourage those values and see them flourish into the future.

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Decision to sell Fiddle Park slammed by Rotary, Shelburne residents

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

As the 70's Motown hit song says, "and the beat goes on."

The proposed sale of Fiddle Park, announced at the last Shelburne Council meeting, is still resonating strongly with the town's citizenry.

Letters are being written and social media is alive with comments, few of which are complimentary and many of which are ill-informed. However, the message is very clear, the people are not pleased.

Rumours abound as to who is actually behind this sale, but to date no concrete evidence exists as to who actually did all the ground work and orchestrated the sale. One thing that is known is that the sale was in the works for a considerable time and no one was the wiser. The fact that the identity of the developer is being kept a secret is not a surprise, but it certainly is a bone of contention with residents. As can be expected, allegations of back-room deals and profiteering are being thrown about, with relish, but no real facts exist to confirm or

deny them.

What is known is that the sale is not going to solve any of the Town's financial burdens, but it may help to lessen one or two. CAO Denyse Morrissey stated that since no plan has currently been submitted to Council for its consideration, the specific economic benefits of the sale cannot be determined. However, in general she expects that there will be numerous jobs, both full- and part-time, created in the local economy, primarily, but not wholly in the construction industry and affiliated services. New homeowners will support local businesses and alternatively attract new business to the town and hence new jobs. The population base is often one of the criteria for determining the viability of locating a business in a new area. Naturally, the expanded taxation base aids the Town coffers and development charges pay for related services in the development. More residents, especially families will also support the educational system in Shelburne.

Several of the other players in this discussion, have not been forthcoming. In partic-

ular, KTH has so far declined to comment on the issue, despite numerous attempts to contact upper management. Their lack of comment does little to enlighten the public as to the disposition of the largest employer in Shelburne, who according to earlier sources, may well have an agreement in principle with the Town that no residences were going to be constructed within a certain radius of the plant. It has been noted that both the truck noise and the ground vibrations associated with the KTH operations are noteworthy in Fiddle Park.

Sandra Gallagher, president of Shelburne Rotary Club, says the club "is very disappointed that the Town of Shelburne Council doesn't feel that Fiddle Park is worth saving as a park."

Noting that as a service club "we put in \$25,000 originally for this park with the understanding that this property is protected and designated by the town as 'Special Tourism.' We trusted at the time that the Town would preserve both our heritage as the Fiddle Park and maintain a recreational component for use by all the town's residents."

She added that every year the park is being used more and more for events. "The Rotary's Heritage Music Festival/Canadian Open Fiddle Championship that is in its 68th year is having a Bands and Brew Festival after the parade this year in the park. There are also a number of campers that enjoy coming that weekend and camping out. We hope with our new venue this year in the park that we can attract more campers."

She said this will not happen once the park is sold. "As council says, 'they will move the park to existing parkland in town.' The existing parks cannot handle this amount of people, nor do they have room for camping and most [parks] are in residential areas. I would like to see a more concrete plan before anything is sold."

Observing that there is "a lot of passion to keep this park," the Rotary president said, "We hope that Council will reconsider their decision or come up with an alternative plan. The town will grow since we are so close to the GTA, but does it make sense to sell off parkland?"

When contacted for comment, Greg and Heather Holmes, the most well-known of those with a vested interest in the park, since they organize and run the Pickin' in the Park Festival, had several insights to add. It is well known that they raised some \$125,000 for the building of the pole barn

in the park and Greg had a number of comments concerning that.

His and Heather's original idea in building the festival was to show the service clubs in Shelburne that you could organize and build an event such as this and bring recognition and income to the town, by utilizing the existing infrastructure to its fullest. In Greg's opinion, the idea that Pickin' in the Park could just be moved somewhere else in town is unrealistic. He feels that if the festival were severely downsized it could be hosted at the fairgrounds, but it would be a shadow of its present self. This year alone, the festival is expecting over 300 travel trailers to arrive in the park for the event. There is no other place in town that can accommodate that many trailers and RVs and especially not the fairgrounds. Greg went on to outline the contributions of many of the supporters of the project, noting that the Kinettes, who originally contributed \$25,000 to the purchase of the park, also contributed an equal amount to Pickin' in the Park and were responsible for installing the kitchen facilities in the snack bar, on site, in Fiddle Park. He estimated that their total contribution to the park might exceed \$100,000.

For their part, the Holmes intend to run the Festival this year and perhaps next, but after that Greg can't see a future for it in its present incarnation, in Shelburne. He also cannot see his building being moved to another location, where the festival could utilize it. For him, the logical thing would be for the Town to give him back his investment and for him to then return that money to the people and organizations that donated the funds, for the pole barn to be built.

The public outrage over the sale has materialized in various forms, from letters and social media, to petitions to demand that the sale be scrapped. The largest of these, an effort from resident Wendy Simpson, currently has over 800 signatures and counting. The Holmes say that they have some 200 names on one of their own and there may be others as well. This accounts for a minimum of 1,000 angry citizens and it does not stop there. One letter to the editor, from Sharon and Edd O'Gorman, titled "Note to Shelburne Council Members," expressed their outrage at the proposal and at Council for voting unanimously to support the sale. They feel that the decision was underhanded and question both the integrity and the ideals of the current council members.

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Dufferin County Museum & Archives to re-open August 1

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART**

After closing its doors in December of 2017 for renovations, the Dufferin County Museum and Archives is slated to once again welcome the public during the opening of a new exhibit on August 1.

However, the opening will only include the main floor and lobby area as renovations on the mezzanine level are still being completed.

The museum closed to the public in December after wrapping up its Holiday Treasures arts and crafts sale as the final event of the season.

The \$150,000 project is the first major renovation to the facility since it opened in 1994. The funds were made available through a Canada 150 Infrastructure grant.

Most of the funds will be used to create a new exhibit space for the museum's renowned Corn Flower glass collection that is housed on the museum's second floor mezzanine.

The lobby and gift shop area are also getting a facelift.

"The mezzanine level will hold the entire Cornflower exhibit," explained Museum and Archives marketing and events coordinator, Nanci Malek. "The mezzanine had the exhibit but not the entire exhibit. Now it will have the entire exhibit including space for storage, enhanced lighting and audio, and new exhibit cases. Things are being built, it's now a matter of putting things in order."

The entire gallery is changing including the lobby and visitors will see a fresh appearance when they enter the main exhibit area on the main floor.

The Corn Flower glass collection, the largest of its kind in Canada, is a main permanent feature at the museum and has quite a following of collectors with an appreciation for the glassware with the distinct floral design.

"Once we started to see the calibre, quality and beauty this Corn Flower exhibit will bring, we went back and started to take stock of the entire visitor experience, from the very moment people turn onto our driveway. We're going to be out in the grounds, putting up signs for all of our features around the site. We'll be freshening things up on the inside too – it's an exciting time for everyone with ties to DCMA," said DCMA General Manager Darrell Keenie.

When the museum is again open to the public, the first exhibit will be called Temperance and Temptation and will chronicle the history of illegal bootlegging in Dufferin County.

The Museum and Archives is also now hosting the Mulmur Farmers' Market in the parking lot every Sunday from noon until 4:00 p.m.

The full museum will not be open to the public during the August exhibition as the renovations to the mezzanine area are still underway.

Currently plans indicate that renovations should be completed and the new Cornflower exhibit area ready to welcome the public in October.

"We are looking forward to having people back here, joining us and having fun" Malek said.

The Museum and Archives hosts several fun events each year.



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FALL REOPENING: The Dufferin County Museum & Archives is set to reopen on August 1, with a brand new 'Temperance and Temptation' exhibit.

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Both the O'Gormans have been very active in community activities, including the Co-op Nursery School, the Kinsmen Club and the Block Parent initiative in Shelburne, and ended their letter by saying: "All we can say is that it must have been one hell of a deal for someone, but not the taxpayers."

It is clear from these types of comments and reactions, that a large segment of the population in town, are far from pleased with their Council's decision and want an-

swers and explanations. Council may feel that they are making the best fiscal choices for the future of Shelburne and its growing population, but they are treading on sacred ground for many residents and may be doing so at their peril.

It is, after all, an election year and without there being adequate explanations and transparency concerning this matter, the residents may well speak with their votes rather than their voices.

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Shelburne... which direction home?

As many will know, census figures show that the Town of Shelburne is the fastest growing community of 5,000+ in all of Ontario, and the second fastest in Canada. Town council has been grappling with many issues, and two of these at the forefront are policing and development / infrastructure.

Our current Police station, built in 1994, requires either an upgrade or a new facility altogether, due mainly to substandard holding cells and interviewing facilities. Other issues to do with policing include financial concerns, and council has sought out a costing from the OPP as to the feasibility of their taking over the policing of the town. This is still pending.

If Shelburne is to retain its own Police force, there appear to be three options: Upgrade the present facility, move into a larger existing building (yet to be found), or build a new station. The figures heard at council range from \$5.3 million to \$6.4 million. It's unclear what, if any, effect this would have on property taxes.

Finances aside, many people have expressed concerns about losing our town police force in favour of the OPP. Long

time residents especially feel that Shelburne Police know the community and have built up long standing relationships within it. It's felt that they could respond more quickly than officers coming from Primrose, and that we would have a more consistent Police presence if we retained our own force. It's also unclear whether any or all of the current Shelburne Police would retain their jobs by transitioning to the OPP if the changeover were finalized. Mayor Ken Bennington has expressed surprise that the OPP feel they could service our town from their Primrose station.

Mayor Jeremy Williams of Orangeville has put forth the idea of having Shelburne Police amalgamate with Orangeville, stating that their facilities could house any police needs that we have. He has also said that a County Police force would, in the end, be more efficient and less costly. The Shelburne Police Board has asked council if this is being considered, and have received the answer that it will not be considered until the OPP costing is in.

As for the growth of our town, it seems that Shelburne is moving rapidly toward becoming a community of close to 10,000

people. The new Fieldgate Homes development is under review, proposing 320 new homes and commercial space. Construction could conceivably begin next spring. In addition, the recent bombshell that Fiddle Park lands could be sold to a developer has created quite an outcry. There's a perception in council that the land is underused, and that its sale could provide significant revenue to the town, presumably some of it going to policing, infrastructure, and public use lands for parks etc. Many will miss the current Fiddle Park, as it provides space for two major events: Trailer parking for the Heritage Music Festival and for Pickin' in the Park. It's not clear how these events would be housed without it.

A number of service clubs and individuals have contributed their time and money to the park, and it seems to me that it is just getting off the ground in its value to the community. There's a lot of town spirit invested here. I do hope we are not to become just another suburb of the GTA, packed with matchbox houses, and with negligible public use lands thrown in as an afterthought.

Lastly, there's been quite a "stink" raised lately about the nasty odours coming from our sewage treatment plant, and questions raised about its capability of handling the developments previously mentioned. I've heard opinions from several sides. One states that the matter has been discussed by Council and is well in hand. Another quotes people who work there who say that the plant is having trouble keeping up with even the current demand. Then there are those of us who let our noses tell the story.

As for my own feelings, I will say that my family moved to Shelburne nearly 30 years ago from Brampton. For a couple of reasons: to escape the noise, traffic, and congestion, and of course for housing affordability. Back then; it was a pretty sleepy village. To us, it seemed close to paradise. The one-hour drive to work was even worth it. Now, it feels like we're living in the suburbs again.

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Politicians and the media

IN RECENT YEARS, the relationship between governing politicians and the media seems to have been changing.

Gone are the days when presidents, prime ministers and premiers routinely held press conferences at which accredited members of the Fourth Estate could pose questions that might not be easily answered.

Instead, the leaders all too often shield themselves by having a press secretary do what often are described appropriately as "media briefings", which do little more than provide oral explanations of what the appointee thinks his or her boss wants said.

The extreme example today is in Washington, D.C., where the sitting president prefers to communicate through "tweets" and staged events such as the signing of executive orders or the introduction of visiting foreign luminaries.

Rather than seeing the media's role as including a sometimes critical look at governmental actions, Donald Trump sees investigative reporting by such newspapers as the New York Times and Washington Post as portraying "fake news" and the publications themselves as "enemies of the people."

Thankfully, we haven't as yet seen anything approaching that in Canada. In fact, the Parliament Hill press corps has found Prime Minister Justin Trudeau far more approachable than his predecessor. Having held far more press conferences in Ottawa's National Press Theatre in his two years in office than Stephen Harper held during his 10 years as prime minister, Mr. Trudeau also routinely succumbs to media "scrums" even when he or his government are in trouble.

However, traces of hostility to the media are showing up in the current Ontario election campaigns.

With the June 7 election now just a few days away, only two of the leaders of the province's three main parties seem to be interested in taking questions from the reporters covering their campaigns, one of them going out of her way last weekend in

stressing the importance the media plays in informing the public on the issues. On that occasion, Liberal Leader Kathleen Wynne took time to answer a few questions and stopped only when it started to rain. NDP Leader Andrea Horwath has taken a similar approach, even trying to answer questions about the apparent \$1.4-billion error committed by those who costed out the party's election platform.

The third leader, whose Progressive Conservatives have a commanding lead in the polls and seem assured of a majority government, is taking a different approach, which bears some resemblance to those followed by Donald Trump and Stephen Harper.

Doug Ford, the most populist Tory leader since John Diefenbaker, has been making a series of pronouncements as he crosses the province, and his troops are underscoring the process with daily emails headed: MEDIA ADVISORY. In a typical one concerning the party leader's visit Monday to Nobleton, recipients were advised that his itinerary included a visit to Cappuccino Bakery and Nobleton Fair. Both would include a "photo opportunity" but "no media availability."

We've seen no explanation as to why even local media aren't given access to the person who almost certainly will be Ontario's next premier. Nor do we have a costed platform that would expose the Progressive Conservatives to the same risks faced by the NDP and Liberals of a serious financial miscalculation being exposed.

If nothing else, we would like to see Mr. Ford tell the public what his plans are, if he has developed any, for dealing with the media as premier.

Will he commit himself to at least a monthly press conference at Queen's Park, and if so, what would the rules be? Will all the accredited journalists get chances to pose difficult questions, or only those from newspapers and other media with a reputation of being friendly to his administration?

It happened today

In this week's offering, we take a look back through history and note some of the interesting happenings from May 24 over the years.

1543- Nicolaus Copernicus, Polish mathematician and astronomer who theorized that planets revolve around the sun, not the earth being at the centre of the universe, (Heliocentric theory), dies at age 70.

1738- John Wesley is converted, launching the Methodist movement. The day is celebrated annually by Methodists as Aldersgate Day.

1819- Queen Victoria is born. She became the country's then-longest reigning monarch, and her period of change and growth became known as the Victorian Era.

1830- Mary Had a Little Lamb, a famous nursery rhyme by Sarah Joseph Hale, is published.

1883- The Brooklyn Bridge opens, becoming

an iconic landmark of New York City.

1915- World War I: Italy declares war on Austria-Hungary, joining the side of the Triple Entente (the Allies).

1941- World War II: The German battleship Bismarck sinks the then-pride of the Royal Navy, HMS Hood, killing all but three crewmen. The German battleship was later sank by British forces three days later.

1943- World War II: German physician Josef Mengele arrives at the extermination camp Auschwitz. Mengele became known as "the Angel of Death," for his human experiments on the inmates. He later fled to South America, where he successfully avoided capture.

2000- Israeli troops withdraw from Southern Lebanon after 22 years of occupation.

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Busy Victoria Day long weekend for Shelburne Police Service

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- 82 Speeding
- 9 No validated permit
- 8 fail to surrender insurance card
- 1 careless driving
- 1 fail to stop-red light
- 1 cell phone
- 1 fail to yield
- 1 fail to move over
- 1 G1 driver unaccompanied by qualified driver
- 1 passenger fail to wear seatbelt
- 1 driver fail to surrender licence
- 1 having liquor in an open container
- 1 fail to sign permit in ink

As well, 3 drug related charges were laid over the course of the weekend.

The Shelburne Police Service would like to remind everyone to drive carefully and remember that they are sharing the road. Please leave yourself extra time this summer to arrive at your destination and arrive alive.

OPP nab impaired driver speeding in Mono

On Saturday May 19, 2018 at 7:34 am Dufferin OPP Officers were conducting speed enforcement on Highway 10 Northbound near Monora Park road in Town of Mono.

Officers observed a driver traveling at a high rate of speed southbound. The vehicle was clocked at 105 km per hour in a posted 60 km per hour zone. A traffic stop was ini-

tiated. The male driver failed Roadside Approved Screening device and was arrested for impaired driving and taken to Orangeville Police Station for breath tests

As a result of this investigation a 47-year-old of Brampton, Ontario is charged with Stunt driving and Drive While Under Suspension (2 counts) under the Highway Traffic Act. He was further charged with Operate Motor Vehicle over 80mgs of alcohol under the Criminal Code of Canada and Fail to Surrender Insurance card under the Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act. His driver's license suspended for 90 days under the Administrative Driver's License Suspension and vehicle impounded for 7 days under remedial measures program.

The accused will appear in Orangeville Ontario Court of Justice on June 12, 2018 to answer to the charge.

Boating season

Boating fatalities on OPP-patrolled waterways reached an eight-year high in 2017, with 31 people dying last year compared to 23 deaths in 2016.

With falling overboard being the lead contributing factor both years, the outcome could have been different for the 42 victims who were found not (or not properly) wearing a personal floatation device over the two-year period.

With the launch of Safe Boating Week (May 19-25, 2018) this weekend, the OPP is partnering with the Canadian Safe Boating Council to promote safety on the water.

Whether you are a boat operator or a passenger, consider these facts when heading out on the water in any type of watercraft:

Wear a personal floatation device or life-jacket, don't operate any watercraft while impaired obtain relevant licencing, ensure you have all the required safety equipment, ensure your watercraft is water ready be wary of the dangers of cold water immersion (especially

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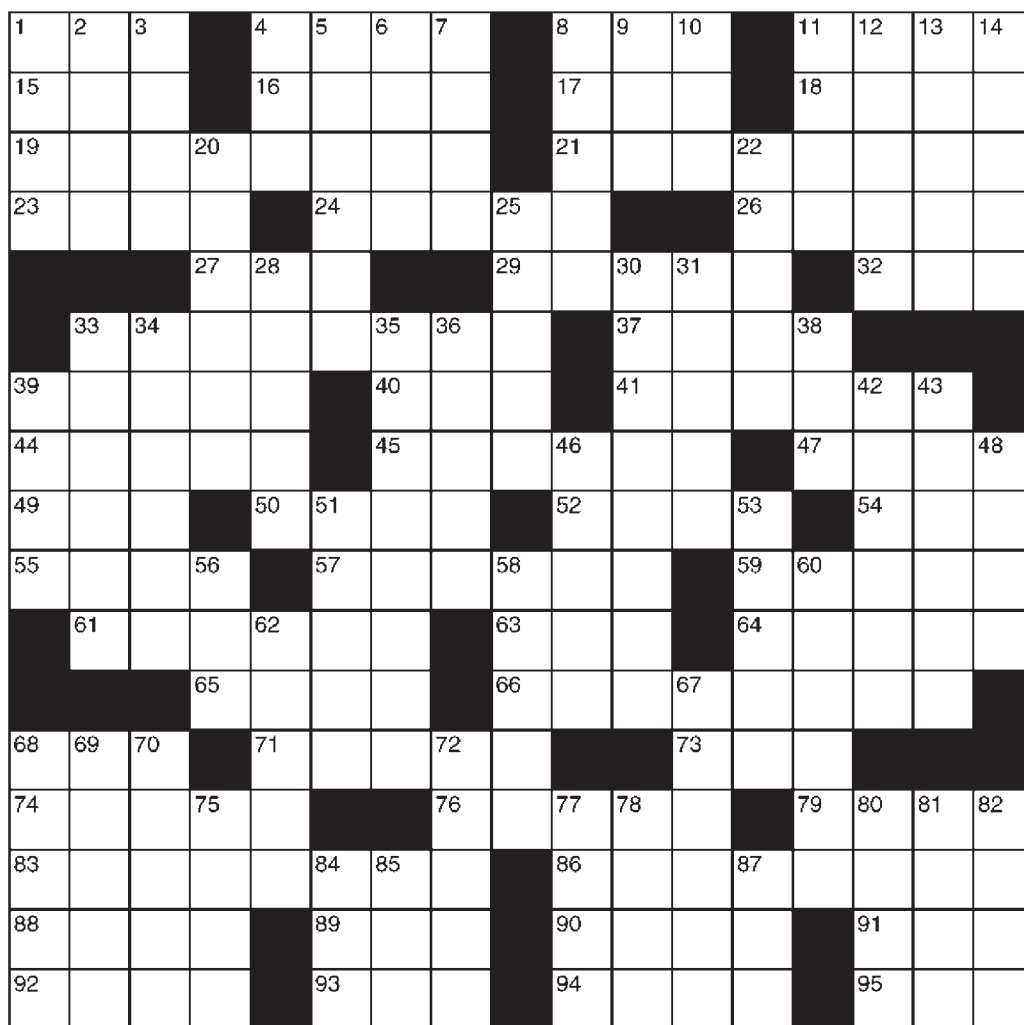
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- 30. Easy chair
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- 39. Mama's man
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- 46. ___ and beyond
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- 51. Basketry material
- 53. Swedish moolah
- 56. Like Mother Hubbard, e.g.
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- 60. Good for farming
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Green candidate Laura Campbell says D-C riding “ready for change”

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

If there's one thing Laura Campbell hopes to accomplish ahead of the June 7 provincial election, it's the notion that a vote for Green does not represent a wasted ballot in Dufferin-Caledon.

It has been a hectic six-month period for Ms. Campbell. While running a successful downtown restaurant, continuing with her PhD in international economics and raising two young children would be more than most people could handle, Laura has accepted even more responsibility, taking on the mantle of Green Party candidate for Dufferin-Caledon. And she's taken it completely in her stride.

Considered to be one of three or four “great hopes” for the Ontario Greens, Dufferin-Caledon, a Conservative stronghold for so many years, appears to be ready for change, says Ms. Campbell, who has had the opportunity to speak with hundreds of local residents as her campaign picked up speed in recent weeks.

“I've been to a lot of doors in our community and I'm hearing a lot of the same thing – that people do not know who to vote for, that none of the candidates, locally or provincially are really satisfying,” Ms. Campbell told the Free Press. “More and more people seem really open to voting Green.”

Such is the confidence that the Green Party could gain some traction in Dufferin-Caledon, leader Mike Schreiner has made a point of visiting the riding on several occasions over the past few months. During one of those visits Mr. Schreiner told media that there had always been “massive” support for the Green Party in this riding.

In the 2014 provincial election, local Green candidate Karren Wallace received 7,518 votes, good enough for third place ahead of the New Democratic candidate. The party having received 16.6 percent of the popular vote four years ago, Ms. Campbell is hoping to do even better this time around and truly make a mark on the provincial political arena. Acknowledging the lack of support for Premier Kathleen Wynne and the apparent skepticism around electing Doug Ford to lead the province, Laura was keen to remind locals there are always other options come election time.

“If the people want to send a message to



PHOTO: MIKE PICKFORD

GAINING TRACTION: Green Party candidate for Dufferin-Caledon, Laura Campbell, wants to implement change in the region. Ms. Campbell is pictured above with Green Party leader Mike Schreiner at an event in Orangeville on May 10.

the Liberals, they can do that in a way that doesn't necessarily mean ‘I have to vote Conservative’,” Ms. Campbell said. “They can send a message to the Liberals by voting Green just as much as voting Conservative.”

While the Green Party is still stuck with the stigma that they're a party purely for environmentalists, Ms. Campbell was keen to share key ideas from the party's platform with the Free Press, while discounting what she's seen thus far from both the Liberals and the Progressive Conservatives.

She touched on affordable housing, noting that so many people in our riding are finding it difficult to enter the market with prices still at all-time highs.

“While the Liberals, NDP and Conservatives talk about a provincial housing plan, the Green Party is the only party talking about an actual strategy,” Ms. Campbell said.

The Greens' plan would look to tackle homelessness, moving those in need into permanent housing. It also establishes a guaranteed livable income to ensure that no Canadian falls below an income needed to live with dignity. And, most importantly, the government would look to subsidize

private developers to include a percentage of affordable housing in their housing projects.

It's an ambitious plan, and one that is likely to set any government back a considerable amount of money. So, how exactly would the Green Party pay for such a plan? “(By) revamping our energy sector,” says Ms. Campbell.

Which takes us to hydro. Rates in Ontario have spiralled to eye-watering levels over the past decade, with much of the blame falling on previous Conservative and Liberal government, says Ms. Campbell. The decision to borrow billions to construct the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station back in the 1980s is looking to be a poor one at present. With the province still paying off a portion of that near \$15 billion debt, we learned recently that the facility requires a multi-billion refurbishment. Enter the Green Party, who think it irresponsible to maintain one of Ontario's cleanest sources of energy.

“We can't afford it. It's nice that we want to have a nuclear plant, but the province just doesn't have the money. Experts have predicted, if we go through with the rebuild, that hydro prices will increase by roughly 180 percent over the next 20

years. That's not manageable, it's not sustainable,” Ms. Campbell said.

“We are still paying for building those nuclear facilities and now we're finding out we have to upgrade the reactors. The Green Party views this problem as an opportunity... We know the solution, and that is buying hydro power from Quebec. It's cheap, renewable, relatively clean power at a fraction of the cost. It's certainly more efficient than anything that is being proposed right now,” Ms. Campbell added.

Any such deal with Quebec would lead to the decommissioning of the Darlington plant under the Greens, something Ms. Campbell says would help to drive the Ontario economy, creating significantly more jobs than any refurbishment would bring.

Child care, transportation and mental health services were also mentioned as Laura explained her vision for a better Dufferin-Caledon. She is adamant the community requires much more in the way of child care services, while commenting on the need for public transit between Orangeville, Shelburne and Grand Valley. She also called on GO Transit to increase its runs between Orangeville and Brampton.

Regardless of the result on June 7, Ms. Campbell indicated she was in it for the long haul in Dufferin-Caledon. In one final offering of advice, or pitch for votes depending on which way you look at it, Ms. Campbell implored locals to vote for the party and candidate they believe in.

“People tell me ‘you would be my top choice, but I'm concerned voting Green would be a wasted vote’. I tell these people the only wasted vote is the vote you don't believe in,” Ms. Campbell said. “When you vote for Green, you are voting for a true local representative. We don't have a party whip. We don't have a party line we have to adhere to. What you get is someone who genuinely benefits the community and a party that works directly for you.”

Ms. Campbell will be in attendance at tonight's provincial candidates' forum at Orangeville District Secondary School from 6:30. to 9 p.m. She faces competition on June 7 from incumbent PC MPP Sylvia Jones, Liberal Bob Gordanier, NDP Andrea Mullarkey, Libertarian Jeff Harris, Trillium Andrew Nowell and Ontario Consensus's Stephen McKendrick.

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Our Readers Write

Shame on the Shelburne Farmer's Market board!

Shame on the board of the Shelburne Farmer's Market.

In March I was approved for a stall at the local Market and set happily about investing and financing my venture. Then ten days before Market opening I was informed that the board's word is not worth the electronic paper it is printed on.

I received an email saying they were "So sorry" but they had made a mistake and approved two honey vendors when it was only their intention to approve one; they didn't "believe" their small market could support two. They offered to refund all my money and as compensation, they would give me two free days at the community table. I could choose any two of the three peak-season weeks that the preferred vendor would not be attending the market. No further reason or explanation was given as to why Mulmur Hills Honey was excluded or any historical or hard evidence provided to back up their "belief". Nor was I invited to attend a board meeting to debate the issue. All communications were conducted by email with that irksome lag in conversations.

I was willing to compromise but no capitulate and suggested three possible solutions that would accommodate all parties. Firstly, the other vendor be given the opportunity to withdraw, as I was being forced to do. Secondly that we split the season into alternate weeks and thirdly, they do nothing and consider two honey vendors at the market a research project. Their benefit would be to gain insights and information into the demographics and preferences of the mar-

ket's customers as well as an opportunity to gather evidence to support or refute their "belief".

I am curious to know how they justify a double standard. A honey vendor is protected from competition while vendors selling seasonal fruits and vegetables (of which there are a few) or baked goods are left to sink or swim at the discretion of the buying public's choice.

The incumbent vendor is not a threat to my livelihood nor I to theirs. They are targeting an upscale clientele with beautiful modern packaging; secondary products such as vinegars and a webpage with buzz words like "naturally occurring," "beneficial enzymes" and "artisan". My group will not be buying from them whether I am at the market or not.

I do not have a webpage. My target is the people in and around Shelburne who appreciate a quality product in a no frills jar like the ones Gerald McConnell sold to their parents and grandparents. The upscale market would not give me a second glance. Mulmur Hills Honey is out of the Market but not down and out. I will sell honey from my front porch just like a garage sale. Surely the people who work tirelessly to protect agricultural land in this area will support an operation that is known to advocate for the health and protection of local pollinators. Luckily the front porch is located just three doors west of the market on First Avenue.

Sharon Holmes
Shelburne resident

Our Readers Write

Note to Shelburne Council

After hearing of the secret plans to sell off Fiddle Park we have been totally shocked. Shelburne has been our home for 46 years and we are (or were) very proud to be a part of a wonderful friendly community, but this kind of underhanded move from our council has put a very hurtful spin on our feelings. We cannot imagine what kind of deal has been put on the table to have all seven of you voting for this. In our opinion, your credibility has gone out the window and if we were in your shoes, we would feel very ashamed. Greg and Heather have put their heart and soul into making that park work, and along with the service clubs it was actually turning into something we could all be proud of, but we have seen little or nothing from the town to contribute to their efforts.

For sometime now, we have felt that this council has forgotten the old town and especially the south end with the swampy walking path between Simon and Jelly and the green slimy ponds. It seems like all you are interested in is bringing new people in and to hell with the rest of us.

Yes, seven million dollars is a lot of money, but it won't even pay for the new police

service that we will need with all the new people, so the thought that we MIGHT get better parks is totally ludicrous.

We have both taken our turn to make this a good town by joining Kinsmen, being on the first executive to start the Co-op Nursery School, joining the hospital auxiliary, starting the first block parent group, volunteering at Centennial Highlands School for ten years, volunteering at Dufferin Oaks and Edd being on council, but in in one fell swoop, you have turned this town into a shallow hole of a place to live.

We can honestly say that you have joined the ranks with the Federal and Provincial governments for dishonesty and lack of transparency.

You have all lost our vote and quite frankly our respect.

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Hawks North Shelburne team repeat as champs at Ontario Cup

For the second year in a row the Orangeville Hawks North Boys U15 basketball team travelled to London for the Provincial Championships on May 11 - 13, returning undefeated and with a gold medal.

The team trains out of Shelburne and is coached by Chris Sales and Jane Godbold.

This year the U15 team competed in division 13.

The Hawks faced tough competition in Pool A but defeated the Orillia Lakers (72-65) and Collingwood Trailblazers (64-53) in two 'barn-burner' games, claiming top spot for Orangeville.

Highlights from pool play included a clutch rebound by Adam Gill late in game two to secure the win. Alex MacMillan had relentless fast breaks that led to 23 points over the two games.

Sebastian Perreault had a key three-pointer to keep the score close early against Orillia. Kane Jacques also had two strong games pouring in 29 points including a clutch three pointer to put the game out of reach for Collingwood.

This put the Hawks North team up against the North York Avengers in one semi-final game.

The Avengers took an early lead and stretched it to double digits before Nathan Williams stepped up to shut down North York's best player allowing the Hawks to narrow the margin and eventually come away with a 62-55 win. A clutch rebound and put back by Gabe Hennin helped spark the comeback.

This set up a gold medal game against the South Simcoe Sonics

"They never stopped," said coach Sales, "It was facing a buzz-saw!"

The pressure from South Simcoe was nearly overwhelming and when a key Hawks player fouled out late in the third quarter the Hawks were down by 13 points.

"We could have given up right then," said Sales, "I was down to seven players and three others were playing with four fouls. I told the guys 'just hang in there, whittle away at the lead and you never know what might happen.'"

The Hawks North played a lockdown defense and generated enough offense to tie the game at 72 and send it to overtime.

An exhausted Hawks team found extra reserves of energy and pulled out an incredible 79-73 OT win and captured the Gold Medal.

"In the final quarter and then 4 minutes of

overtime we scored 32 points." Sales said. "And all but one of them were scored by Nate (Vanderkolk) and Abel. They put on a clinic," he added.

Vanderkolk (who averaged 23 points per game) and Sales (who averaged 19) were named tournament co-MVPs.

"I could not have been more proud of the way this team played this weekend," Sales. "To come here with only eight players, face the kind of adversity we did, play as a true team by trusting each other and depending on each other, and never giving up, even when we had lots of excuses to do so...well that says a lot."

Another season of Hawks North basketball comes to an end with four straight wins and a Gold Medal.

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CHAMPS ARE HERE: The Orangeville Hawks North boys U15 team captured gold in London on during the provincial championships on May 11 - 13. The squad went undefeated in the tournament and won the final 79-73 over the South Simcoe Sonics in the final game. Team members, Nathan Vanderkolk, Nathan Williams, Adam Gill, Abel Sales, Sebastian Perreault, Kane Jacques, Alex MacMillan, Gabe Hennin, and coaches Chris Sales and Jane Godbold celebrate the win.



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

SOLID EFFORT: The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals girls varsity soccer team take on the Thunder from Westside Secondary School in Orangeville on the pitch at Westside on Wednesday, May 16. The Royals played a solid game but had to settle for a 2-0 loss.

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Shelburne Library News

Written By ROSE DOTTEN

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One project is our Shelburne Market bags... YOUR Library Supports Green Thinking! We are supporting the Farmer's Market and green thinking by making reusable shopping bags. So pick up your bag outside the Library, and fill it with wonderful fresh produce, baking etc., at the market. Our volunteers are busy sewing up the bags with fabric donated by community members. YOU can get involved... by donating some fabric or a few hours to help with sewing, cutting out, or pressing a few seams; we'd love to have you become part of this community initiative. The sewing group will be meeting and sewing at YOUR library on Thursdays after 12:00pm. Help us reduce the number of plastic bags that are adding to the pollution of our environment. YOUR library is the heart of the community.

Poppy Garden for Remembrance

Our second project is our Poppy Garden for Remembrance. For this initiative, we are partnering with our local Legion and other community members to knit and crochet beautiful poppies. They will be mounted on green stems and then planted in special portable display planters that can be used anywhere that there is a service of remembrance of our veterans. We are thinking to have them at the Cenotaph, schools, Seniors' Residences, churches and the Museum. We are really hoping to get everyone involved. As soon as we source the right materials, we will distribute them and the patterns. So check with us and share YOUR Library's excitement as we move forward with both these exciting initiatives.

Dufferin Reads

Start reading, Hum if You Don't Know the Words! This is our Dufferin Reads: One Book One Community selection. It is a great read! At the same time sad and emotional, it is also a story of love and redemption. The Grand Finale will be at Grand Spirits Distillery in Grand Valley on September 13th at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$45.00 each and include dinner, taxes and gratuity and of course, Bianca Marais, the author will be there. Check YOUR Library for other themed events relating to the book.

Spring Steps Challenge

Our Spring Step Challenge has come to an end, and although we are waiting on a few more people to let us know their step count, it's safe to say we can celebrate success! At this time, we have a cumulative step count of 10,434,850 steps, which works out to roughly 8348 km. We beat our original goal several times over, and should be proud of the level of activity we achieved. We are also still working with the Dufferin Hi-Land Bruce Trail Club to organize a group walk, so keep watching here for a final total, and details on our next challenge and group walk.

Archivist on the Road

The Archivist will be with us on the third Tuesday of the month and we have some educational sessions lined up. This month's session is on June 19th at 2:00pm where they will feature Dufferin County's agricultural, culinary, and prohibition roots.

Teen Scene:

Teens had a messy, but fun time experimenting with tie-dye this week! Shirts and shoes were exposed to explosions of colour, leaving us with a bunch of groovy attire!

Writer's Café will continue Thursday, May 24th & 31st, 3:30-4:30pm.

Upcoming events:
TAB Meeting- Tuesday, June 5th (4:00-5:00pm)

Writer's Café- Thursday, June 7th, 14th, 21st (3:30-4:30pm)

Study Hall (for exam prep)- Tuesday, June 19th (3:30-4:30pm) & Thursday, June 21st (3:30-5:00pm)

Book Club- Thursday, June 28th (6:00-7:00pm)

Children's Programs:

Our TD Summer Reading Club start date is just around the corner! If you would like to be a part of the TDSRC, visit the library and sign the early registration list located in the Children's Department. Make sure to leave us your email as this year we will be keeping parents updated with a weekly electronic newsletter.

On Tuesday, May 28th, Books and Babies will be cancelled. Thank you for allowing us this one week break. We will have our regular sessions begin again on Tuesday, June 5th.

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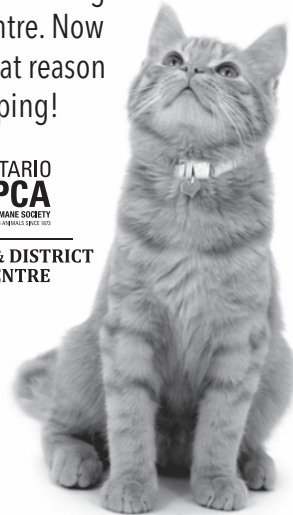
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CDDHS celebrates 17th-annual Hair Off for Headwaters in style

PHOTOS: BRIAN LOCKHART

SHAVE IT OFF: Some of the students at Centre Dufferin District High School in Shelburne were looking a little different at the end of the school day on Wednesday, May 23. The school's 17th annual Hair Off for Headwaters event raised funds for cancer care at the Headwaters Health Care Centre in Orangeville. The students raised \$6000 for the Centre and are still expecting more donations to come in. Some students received a new haircut at the event while members of the boys rugby team underwent a leg waxing.



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Polonsky, Jackie Donald

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