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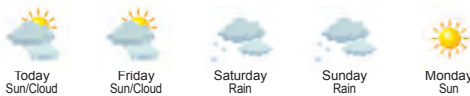
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**HAVING A BLAST:** Pirate Don Allison, an Elder from Compass Community Church, was a colourful part of Kids' Zone and great fun for the Barrow Family of Shelburne at Saturday's Street Festival. Hundreds of residents came out over the course of the day to check out one of the community's most popular warm-weather events. For more photos, see Page 7.

## Shelburne Council quashes plan to sell Fiddle Park to housing developer

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

Shelburne Council unanimously voted to rescind the proposed sale of Fiddle Park Monday evening, to the applause of those assembled.

After a tumultuous month of protest and recrimination from residents, it became clear to Council that the sale of the park was not in the least way a favourable road to where the Community at large was expecting to go. Although undoubtedly there were residents who might have been in support of the proposal, they never appeared, either at the scene or on the radar, as the issue progressed to Monday's end result.

In discussions after the meeting, those councillors who chose to speak presented several possible reasons for the failure of the proposal, but perhaps the most prevalent was poor communication and approach, from many sides.

Councillor Wayne Mills opined that had the entire process been more public and transparent, the outcome may have been different. In his mind, had the Town entered into early conversation with the industries

involved and had they, possibly, presented an option of relocating the park, as had been done on all previous reincarnations of Fiddle Park, then the public perception might have been more favourable.

In the end, it was not and what was originally perceived as a, "walk in the park" project, suddenly and surprisingly developed into an all-out confrontation, with the Council unanimously on one side and residents resolutely on the other.

Despite rumours of back-room deals and dubious inter-personal dealings, no confirmations of either were ever presented. It was suggested by some that the Town's ex-CAO was involved from the beginning with the proposed purchaser, Tribute Communities, but again no proof was ever presented and no solid evidence brought forth to confirm it. Considering that the past CAO was actually retained by the Town to maintain a smooth flow of communications with the various developers and developments in Shelburne, while the newly hired one, Denyse Morrissey got up to speed, would indicate that such would not have been the case at all.

After all was said and done, it is an elec-

tion year and the residents voices were heard by Council and the decision to not sell the parkland was unanimously supported, in a recorded vote. Prior to that, several members of Council chose to speak to the sale, with the Mayor being the first to explain that with sober contemplations come sobering decisions.

Mayor Ken Bennington explained that in his 18 years on Council, he has always intended to serve the community for which Council existed and that after all was said and done, he had heard the people who elected him and he could and would no longer support the proposed sale.

Councillor Walter Benotto concurred and added that he felt that the community that would have risen there would have been isolated from the rest of Shelburne, due to its location on the very eastern edge of town.

Councillor Mills added that the role of leadership always involves the necessity for hard choices, but also requires that those who lead would also listen to those they serve.

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# Shelburne Council quashes plan to sell Fiddle Park to housing developer

Sometimes, and this being one of them, what appeared to be right, may well be wrong and a change of attitude would become necessary. He noted however, that with all decisions come consequences and that this too would bear some, as time progresses.

Councillor Dan Sample stated that this was by far, perhaps, the most difficult decision that Council has faced and he commended the townfolk for speaking out and making their views apparent to Council!

Council is preparing legislation to revoke the designation of Fiddle Park as "surplus land" and will amend the Town's Official Plan to remove the residential zoning provisions from the land. Although, a future Council could reverse this action, for the present the park cannot be used for any purpose other than a recreational facility.

Since the park is seriously under-used at present, it will now fall to the residents who supported it remaining a park to see to it

that it becomes everything that they want it to be and is fully utilized as well. In the future, this could see the tax rate rise in order to allocate monies from the budget to facilitate improvements to Fiddle Park and other town recreational facilities.

In other business, Council heard an update from Sharon Morden as to the progressions of the Feral Cat Rescue, since last it was heard from and to ask Council for a donation towards its move to Melancthon. She reported that all was moving ahead and that the required re-zoning had been approved. Construction would now begin and several items would require additional monies over and above that which has already been raised. Mayor Bennington presented a motion to allocate \$1,500 towards this effort and it was unanimously carried by Council.

Next up, the long-standing issue of sewage lines for two homes on Owen Sound Street was re-visited. The homes, 501 and 503 do not currently have sewage service

from the Town, but rather connect to Town sewer mains via inadequate lines which travel through private property, without an easement to allow the Town to service the lines as necessary.

Apparently, this was done by the Town in the 1960's, when rules and regulations were less strict. The current owners, Bruce Lemcke and son Carl, were unaware of this situation when they purchased the homes, as no records were in evidence nor were there any apparent documents placed with the Town. When they were informed of the problem, they approached the Council for relevant solutions. At this point, after several studies and reports, it has been determined that new service lines would have tombs provided in order to service the properties and that these could be accomplished by only one or the other of two options, neither of which were economical solutions.

The Lemckes feel that this is a Town problem, since they have unearthed first-hand testimony and Provincial records that indicate that it was done by the Town in the first place and is therefore not the owners' fault. The Town sees things from a different light. Councillors Steve Anderson and Randy Chambers feel that it is a Town problem and that the homeowners should not be paying to update the Town sewage infrastructure,

but rather only the actual costs of connection to the sewers. Mayor Bennington, although sympathetic, worried that the Town could be seen to be supporting a loss of development fees, since the son had intended to demolish one home and build a semi-detached unit instead and then sell that. In the end, Council asked Staff to prepare accurate costings for installing the mains in each option and present this for a final decision at the July 9th Council meeting.

Finally, the long-awaited OPP costing, was to be presented at a special Council Meeting on July 16th, but due to the upcoming municipal elections in October, Councillor Mills suggested that the meeting be postponed until early January 2019. This would then allow the new Council members, if there were to be some, a chance to hear the presentation before having to vote upon it, as the OPP indicated that they would postpone, but would not repeat the presentation, to the new Council.

In addition, Council could find themselves in a lame-duck situation before the election and would, by law, not be allowed to vote on the matter, until after the election. Council saw the reality of this possibility and the relevance of postponing and a motion to so inform the OPP was accepted and Staff so instructed.

## Search for missing man ends in sadness after OPP confirm D.J. Ardis found dead

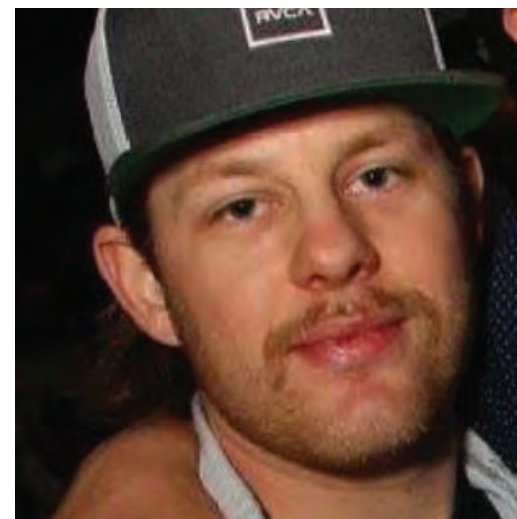
The community was saddened to learn that the urgent search for local man, 24-year-old Doug 'DJ' Ardis was called off last Thursday.

Police reported they had found the truck, trailer and body of a deceased man at around 9:30 p.m. on June 14.

While the OPP have not as yet confirmed the body recovered is that of Ardis, his brother Sean took to Facebook on Friday to break the news.

"It's with a heavy heart that I announce the passing of Douglas Joseph Ardis," the release read. Sean would later go on to thank the community for all of their help in trying to locate his brother.

His disappearance was first reported to police on June 8. DJ was last seen at an LCBO in Dundalk prior to his death.



A service is to be held on Saturday at 4 p.m. at the Dundalk arena.

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# Former tenant backs Early family in dispute with Shelburne Worship Centre

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

The former tenant of the space now occupied by the Shelburne Worship Center has publicly offered her support to local landlord Ron Early following accusations of racism in a bitter dispute over the unit, located on Steeles Street.

Maxine McLellan, who previously rented the site for 13 years under the guise of Joy Center of Learning, noted she never once had a problem with the Earlys and finds it hard to believe any issue between the family and Rev. Vincent Sterling, head of the Shelburne Worship Center, are based upon racism.

"From my experience, the Earlys are truly wonderful people. They do not deserve what has happened to them (this past week)," Ms. McLellan told the Free Press.

In last week's edition of the Free Press, we reported Mr. Sterling's belief that the Earlys want rid of the Shelburne Worship Center strictly because of their race. He claims the

landlord has attempted to change the locks at the site on two occasions, first on April 6 and again on June 6, for, in his opinion, no legitimate reason.

In a release to media last week, Paul Early, Ron's son and primary operator at Early's Machining Ltd. based in the same plaza as the worship centre, stated unequivocally that his family was the furthest thing from racist.

"Our lawyers have asked us not to speak about the actual case, but we feel it's important to make a statement. We'd like to say that we are, under no circumstance, racist. Our family has always supported diversity in the community and we strongly believe in human rights," Paul Early said. "Further, we would never behave in the manner that Mr. Sterling is suggesting."

Last week's story makes note of conversations Mr. Sterling claims to have had with Ms. McLellan regarding Mr. Early's supposed cold treatment. In his conversation with the Free Press, Rev. Sterling indicated those

conversations had taken place well after Shelburne Worship Center had taken possession of the building, while Ms. McLellan claims she hasn't spoken to the reverend in close to 18 months.

"I'd like to make it clear that the reverend has not spoken with us about the Earlys, certainly not recently," Ms. McLellan said. "I don't think we've spoken to the reverend since we moved out in 2016."

Ms. McLellan also sought to clear up the argument regarding the terms of the rental. In her case, the agreement with Mr. Early was always month-to-month, just as it is with many of his other tenants.

"None of the tenants in that building rent on a fixed-term lease, I know for a fact that's not how the Earlys (do business)," Ms. McLellan said. "In the 13 years we rented it was always very clearly stated the agreement was month-to-month and I know it was the same for other tenants too."

It has been another interesting week on-site, with Mr. Sterling claiming the unit's

hydro was turned off on Thursday evening. The locks to both the front and back entrance way were changed on Wednesday, with Mr. Sterling once again up in arms at his apparent mistreatment.

Speaking to the Free Press briefly on Wednesday afternoon, Paul Early shared that his father was under orders to keep the site locked down.

"The unit is locked up now and it will stay that way as long as it remains a major fire hazard," Mr. Early told the Free Press. "The fire chief (Brad Lemaich) has been in and found how unsafe the area is and has recommended we do not use the building. Nobody is allowed in and it looks like the unit is going to need to be rewired. This is the second time we've had this sort of issue with (Mr. Sterling)."

Paul suggested the Ontario Electrical Safety Authority would need to conduct a full inspection before anyone is allowed back inside the unit.



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## Inclusiveness running wild

I attended a rather large outdoor concert this past weekend featuring some top Bluegrass performers.

It was a fun weekend if you like that style of toe-tapping, head-bobbing, down home fiddle, banjo, and mandolin that makes Bluegrass what it is.

The opening ceremonies featured the usual remarks by organizers followed by the singing of both the American and Canadian national anthems.

The Star Spangled Banner was sung to acknowledge the presence of several American bands who were taking part in the festival.

When it was time to sing O Canada, a local vocalist took the stage and sang a Bluegrass style of the anthem accompanied by a man on guitar. It was really well done.

Then she came to that dreaded line. It has been a while since I've heard the anthem performed live since the hockey season is over but I deliberately focused on the wording of the anthem – and yes, she sang "in all thy sons command."

This is the single line that caused such grief to so many. Forget the veterans living in poverty, forget world tensions, forget

the deficit, forget about the fact that are drowning under a heavy tax burden, they saw fit to gain national attention because of one word.

I turned to watch the crowd as this was happening and saw a lot of smile and nods of approval. I wasn't the only one to pick up on the fact that the vocalist chose not to sing the words 'officially' changed in the anthem to reflect the desire for inclusiveness – the politically correct word meaning "I don't like it so you have to change for me."

Actually this line in the national anthem did NOT cause grief to many. In fact it was very few that were even concerned, but in this day and age, once you are offended and make the news, the media jumps on the band wagon. No need for research, someone has been offended so we must change something.

If you search media outlets, message boards, any place where people voice their opinion, it was clear the majority of people, both men and women, did not want that line changed. They want to sing the anthem as it was written and the way they learned the words and melody. It is our tradition and part of our culture.

**BRIAN LOCKHART**  
 FROM THE SECOND ROW



Most people realize that 'sons' does not refer exclusively to males – it is a word meaning everyone, the population, men, women, children, all of us. 'Sons' refers to the collective people and those that will come after us. Used in that correct context, the word is indeed inclusive.

Over the past couple of years, certain groups have latched onto the trend that everything must be inclusive – that no one should be left out, of anything, at any time. Of course that only applies to other groups or organizations of which they don't belong. The ones screaming for 'inclusiveness' are usually part of a group that automatically excludes others for various reasons, usually based on some misguided political or similar reason or agenda.

These groups always want things to be 'inclusive' unless, of course, you don't agree them, in which case you are excluded.

Yeah, well sorry, but you won't and can't be included in every group, club, organization, and clique in the world just because you want to be a part of it all.

There's all sorts of groups that don't want you around for a lot of reasons.

There are plenty of cultural groups out

there that have clubs for members of their ethnic background.

Sorry, if you have an Irish surname, you probably won't be very welcome at the local Dutchy of Grand Fenwick Cultural Centre who pride themselves on speaking Fenwick behind closed doors and revel in weekly Fenwick culture and debauchery.

There are country clubs that don't want you around because you aren't wealthy enough to pay for club and green fees, and frankly, they don't particularly like 'common' people messing up their fairways.

There are religious groups that don't want you around because you don't follow their beliefs. Are you going to demand to be included?

We are all going to be excluded from things in life, and you will also exclude people from things.

Changing the words of a national anthem doesn't change the way things are.

It's just another reason for some people to be offended.

## Dark clouds in Trudeau Grits' future?

JUST WHAT, IF ANYTHING, should we make of two big Liberal losses, in the June 7 Ontario election and last Monday's byelection in the Quebec riding of Chicoutimi-Le Fjord?

In the Ontario election, the Grits almost disappeared, winning just seven of the 124 seats, while in the byelection Conservative candidate Richard Martel captured 52.7 per cent of the vote, more than 5,000 votes ahead of Liberal Lina Boivin, who took 29.5 per cent.

One reason for the Ontario result was the 15-year reign of the Liberals, which left them seemingly tired and out of appealing new ideas, but a lot may have been due to the populist tactics of Premier-Designate Doug Ford, who managed to promise a lot without saying how he could do it without ballooning the province's future budget deficits.

As for the byelection, some of the reason may be the personal popularity of Mr. Martel, coach of the fabled Chicoutimi Saguenéens.

It's hard to read much from a byelection result, but in this case the one thing that came loud and clear was that the New Democratic Party is in trouble in Quebec. After coming within 600 votes of winning Chicoutimi-Le Fjord in the 2015 federal election, the NDP candidate garnered only nine per cent of the votes.

The Liberals may well have been hoping they would benefit from the hard line they have been taking in the face of Donald Trump's imposition of tariffs on Canadian steel and aluminum, with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau having won opposition praise for his tough stance against them.

But while recent public opinion polls show that roughly 50 per cent of Canadians approve of the PM's conduct, they also show the Conservatives and Liberals in a virtual tie nationally.

As we see it, the federal Liberals should be more than a little concerned at the possibility they won't win a second term in the October 2019 vote, and should immediately look seriously at Mr. Trudeau's pledge that

the 2015 election would be the last in which all those elected would have been simply the "first past the post."

As matters stand, the government is almost certain to lose seats in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia, with the Conservatives beneficiaries in the East and the NDP in B.C., thanks to local opposition to the Trans-Mountain pipeline expansion and the Liberals' lack of hope for any compensating seats in Alberta.

However, the overriding factor determining the election result will undoubtedly be the state of Canada's economy.

If the bullying demagogue in Washington has his way and the architect of America First proceeds with tariffs on Canadian-built cars and trucks (and who knows what else), Canada's economy will obviously be in a shambles and the Liberals will take the blame.

On the other hand, if Trudeau & Co. can somehow manage to preserve some semblance of free trade from either a renegotiated North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) or a new bilateral agreement of the sort now being proposed by the Trump administration, the steel and aluminum tariffs should disappear and our economy should prosper.

With so much uncertainty, the Liberals should be taking a close look at both the federal electoral map and the Ontario election results to see the benefits that might result from a change in the electoral law designed to ensure that every riding is represented by someone supported by a majority of the voters.

That would be possible if the law required run-off votes in any riding where the candidate who finished first failed to secure a majority of the votes, the run-offs being between the top two finishers.

Our suspicion is that such run-offs would have resulted in a few more seats for Ontario's opposition parties in the new legislature, which together won about 60 per cent of the popular vote but only 48 of the 124 ridings.



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Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) laid a total 697 charges against transport truck drivers and took 63 trucks out of service during its Operation Corridor enforcement initiative on June 13 - 14. In partnership with the Ministry of Transportation, the OPP stopped a total of 1,692 trucks during the 24-hour blitz.

Speeding led the list of offences, with 226 charges being laid. Defective equipment ranked second at 176 charges (see complete list of charges below).

Other charges ranged from unsecured loads to distracted driving, reaffirming the OPP's commitment to its Commercial Motor Vehicle Collision Mitigation Strategy with the goal of saving lives on Ontario roads.

The OPP thanked the many safe transport truck drivers and other motorists who drove safely and helped keep our roads safe during the campaign.

The results: distracted driving charges, 28; speeding, 226; speed limiter charges, 38; following too close, 18; unsafe lane change, 10; move left charges, 4; other hazardous moving violations charges, 30; seatbelt charges, 107; equipment charges, 176; insecure load charges, 28; hours of services charges, 31; impaired driving charges, 0; other criminal offences, 1; number of out-of-service vehicles, 63; total number of vehicles stopped, 1,692.

### Camper trailer stolen in Mulmur

On Tuesday, June 12, at 11:30 p.m., Dufferin OPP were dispatched to a residence on Jeffery Drive in Mulmur Township to investigate the report of a stolen camper trailer.

Further investigation by police revealed that the trailer was stolen between 7 p.m. Monday, June 11 and 2 p.m. June 12. It is described as a 2009 "Rockwood ROO" brand camper trailer white in colour with Ontario Trailer plate #H2067A.

If any person has any information in relation to this theft they are asked to contact the Dufferin OPP at (519)-925-3838.

### OPP explains CRA scam

Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) want you to confirm who you're dealing with before sending any money anywhere for any reason.

The ever-popular Canada Revenue Agen-

cy (CRA) and other agency-related extortion threats have continued to sustain significant financial losses by unsuspecting victims in recent weeks. In 2017, the Extortion and Phishing Scam claimed 1,544 victims in Ontario, with about \$3 million being lost by 8,576 victims who filed complaints. Police believe only 5 percent of the crimes are actually reported.

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Cases of fraudulent communication could also involve threatening or coercive language to scare individuals into paying fictitious debt to the CRA. Other communications such as texting, urge taxpayers to visit a fake CRA website where the taxpayer is then asked to verify their identity by entering personal information.

Before you respond to any type of communication, think first that this is a scam. Individuals should never respond to these fraudulent communications nor click on any

of the links provided.

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To avoid becoming a victim, police advise you to hang up, check and verify the information with CRA by calling a trusted phone number in which you have found and not the number provided by the caller.

If you or someone you know suspect they've been a victim of the CRA scam, check with a Canada Revenue Agency official, and contact your local police service and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), or online at <https://www.tipsubmit.com/start.htm>

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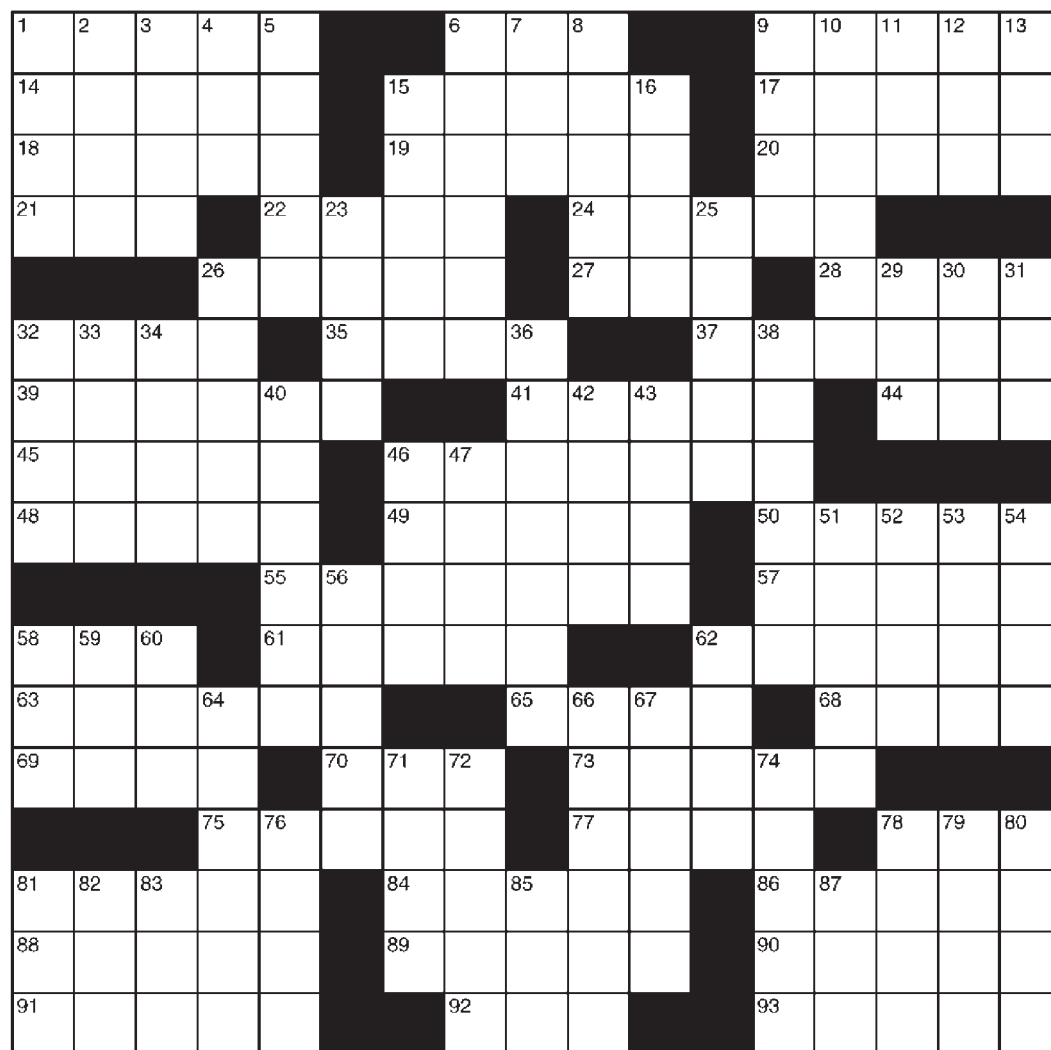
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6. "The \_\_\_ Seed"
9. Turkish title
14. Gush
15. Nose parts
17. Hate
18. Flavor
19. Caper
20. Babble
21. Porter or stout
22. Bit
24. Chocolate bean
26. Wrapping film
27. Make a misstep
28. Venerable
32. Skedaddle
35. Thunder sound
37. Modernize
39. Pretentious
41. Fray

44. Tiny amount
45. Like sheep
46. Come before in time
48. Church plate
49. Rabbit fur
50. Overhead
55. Put apart
57. Term of endearment
58. Female swine
61. Take in or let out
62. Withdraw
63. Southwestern Indian dwelling
65. Fencing implement
68. Terrible smell
69. Geographical belt
70. Night hooter
73. Zinc \_\_\_
75. Indian money
77. Desert or beach hill
78. Drench

81. Despots
84. Shun
86. Raccoon's kin
88. Lofty abode
89. Musical show
90. Fess up
91. Furnishings
92. Battering \_\_\_
93. Sponger

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1. Butte's kin
2. Of a time
3. Hoodwink
4. Wall St. event
5. Skylit courtyards
6. Monkey's fruit
7. Rembrandt's specialty
8. Thaw
9. "\_\_\_ Don't Preach"
10. In a foreign country

11. "\_\_\_ Na Na"
12. Steaming
13. "Bells \_\_\_ Ringing"
15. From birth
16. Cut reminder
23. Humpback's kin
25. Vinegar bottle
26. Fishing net
29. Flit about
30. Athenian letter
31. Coming-out gal
32. Broadway bomb
33. Molten rock
34. Polish copy
36. Get ready
38. Satisfy
40. "No," e.g.
42. Door to ore
43. Windmill part
46. Evil plan
47. Chest sound
51. Dough
52. Double curve
53. Wash out
54. Difficult journey
56. Sailing craft
58. Health farm
59. Your and my
60. Diminutive
62. Control
64. Latin quarter
66. Lectern
67. Ooze
71. Erode
72. Voting-machine component
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*by Deb Freeman*

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## Street Festival a huge success

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Written By MARNI WALSH

Mayor Ken Bennington told the Shelburne Free Press this week, "I would like to tip my hat to the organizers of the 2018 Shelburne Street Festival, on yet another amazing event. It was an unbelievable day...Mother Nature was on our side and gave us a beautiful day to gather as a community. The streets were filled with people and music, and it was very nice to speak with so many residents, new and old, about our great Town of Shelburne. It is truly community events like the Shelburne Street Festival that brings a community closer together."

Families and friends had a great day at the Festival last Saturday as Main Street was transformed into a feast of sound and colour for kids and adults alike. Rain held off, and temperatures never reached the uncomfortable heights of Sunday, making for a festive time for all.

The giant Open Air Market was just one of the many highlights of the annual Street Festival and Classic Car Show, and it provided more than enough to see and discover to keep a buyer busy all day long. Vendors were out in force with baking, gifts, clothing, handmade crafts and jewellery, photography, art, and lots of fast and delicious food.

On the stage at the corner of Owen Sound Street, Rod West the "Morning Guy" from Country 105 took on the job of emcee for the event, starting things off with some great music by "The Burne" before 11 am. Crowds were also entertained by Roller Girls, Jay Kips Band,

and Drop Top Alibi, as well as Jungle Justin for the kids.

As one of Dufferin County's top festivals, Shelburne streets were lined with every style and shape of classic cars and trucks imaginable. Bikes lined the west end of Main Street drawing enthusiasts from around the area and beyond for the Motorcycle Show and Shine sponsored by Missie Ink Tattoos.

Compass Church did an excellent job with the Kids' Zone in front of Town Hall with face painting, physical activities, bubbles, crafts, and a small stage with talent performing throughout the day. Shelburne Community Hub was there with their booth, letting families know about their fantastic summer camp programs. Meanwhile, kids and their soap box cars lined up on Second Avenue East and raced for the chance to win a trophy.

The Shelburne and District Fire Fighters and their Fire truck were a big draw for kids and families. The Fire Fighters were available for open discussion on fire and public safety throughout the day.

"On behalf of Town Council, I would like to personally thank Shelburne Councillor and Street Festival Chairman, Dan Sample, and the organizing committee on the success of Shelburne Street Festival 2018," says Mayor Bennington. The Festival Committee included: Dan Sample, Jamie-Lee Higginson, Lindsey Baker, Lindsay Wegener, Kyle Fegan, Missie Powers, Taresa Fawcett, Jay Wagstaff, Leoni Petrasthuk, Steve Anderson, and Ken Bennington.

STREET FEST: Families and friends gathered in Shelburne last Saturday as Main Street was transformed into a feast of sound and colour for kids and adults alike. Classic Cars, trucks and motorcycles lined Main Street, vendors spread through William, First and Owen Sound Streets, and the Kids Zone filled Victoria in front of the Town Hall with a variety of other activities spread throughout the downtown core making for another fantastic day of com-

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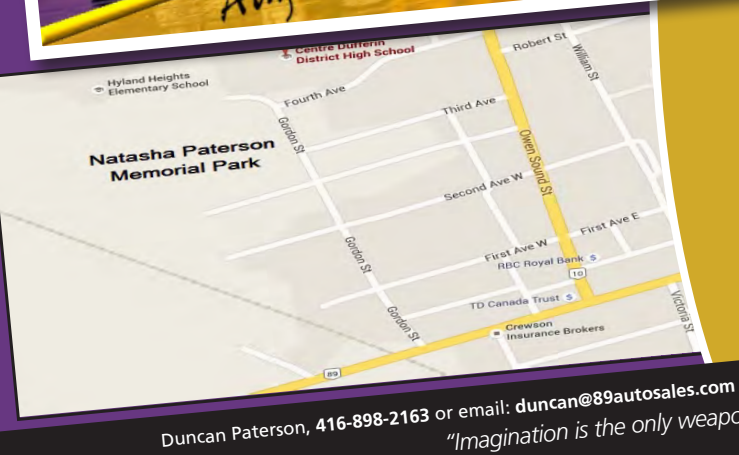
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**BATTLING BACK:** The Mansfield Sr. Cubs hosted the Ivy Leafs at the diamond in Mansfield on Wednesday, June 13. It was a wild high scoring game that saw the Cubs battle back from seven run deficit in the first inning. Mansfield's Devon Caldwell slides into home plate and scores during the second inning.

## Sr. Cubs show character in loss to Ivy Leafs last week

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

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It was win number ten for the Ivy team who have taken only one loss so far for this season.

After ending the top of the second inning with a double play, the Cubs were back in the fray after scoring five runs in the second to make it an 8-5 game.

Emerson Pendleton started it off with single to centre field that put two men on base. Another Mansfield hit brought int a run to put the Cubs on the scoreboard.

The Bolton Brewers are in the number one spot in the senior division of the North Dufferin Baseball League going undefeated after 11 games.

The New Lowell Knights are in third place, followed by the Orangeville Giants and the Bolton Dodgers.

The Clearview Orioles are currently in the number six spot with the Ivy Rangers in seventh place.

Loading the bases, the play at second base allowed another Mansfield run to close the scoring gap.

Two more Cubs runs were recorded when Brad Pendleton hit to the hole in the outfield and Mansfield base runners turned up the speed round the bases and score.

The Cubs will be back on their home diamond in Mansfield on Wednesday, June 27, when they will host the Creemore Braves.

The first pitch is slated for 6:30 p.m.

The bases were again loaded when Tyler Linger singled.



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

**BRINGING HOME THE GOLD:** The Dukes of Hazard coached by Norm Burke came out on top during the Shelburne Shooters ball hockey peewee championship on Sunday, June 17. The final took place at the Centre Dufferin Recreation complex with the Dukes of Hazard winning 5-1 over the Forecheck Backcheck team to win the title.

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## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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Position: FORWARD

"I like to move around and be open to take a pass and do a layup," said Centre Dufferin District High School athlete Emmanuel Depaah of why he likes playing basketball.

Emmanuel plays the forward position on his team.

He has been playing basketball for four years and enjoys the sport.

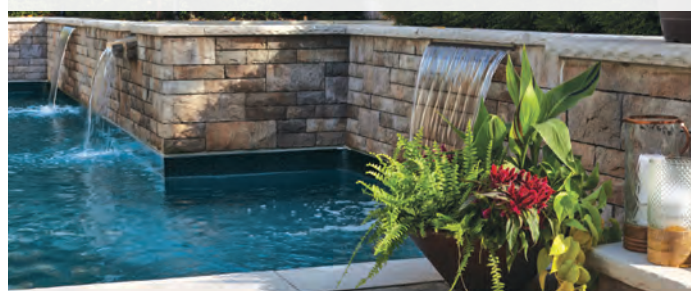
A well rounded athlete, the grade 12 student also plays soccer and takes part in track and field competing in running events and the long jump.

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# Melancthon celebrates 165th with free event for the community

Written By **MARNI WALSH**

Melancthon Councillor and Chair of the Horning's Mills Community Park Board, James Webster says there is a lot of excitement surrounding the upcoming 165th Birthday Celebrations for Melancthon Township on June 23rd.

"The Park Board decided to hold the event a week before Canada Day to avoid competing with other events in the area, while celebrating Melancthon Township's Birthday and enjoying historic Horning's Mills Community Park," says the Councillor.

Incorporated in 1853, the agricultural Township of Melancthon is best known for its potatoes, 167 wind turbines... and spunk. Local farmers and residents banded together and defeated the "Mega Mine" proposal by the multi-billion dollar American Hedge fund Baupost in 2012, in what was widely seen as a David and Goliath standoff.

Inspired by the concerns of area farmers, residents from Melancthon and surrounding townships came together and founded the

North Dufferin Agricultural and Community Task Force (NDACT.) Together they began the fight for the valuable food and source water lands to protect the province and future generations.

Advised that the mega mine was "a done deal," residents refused to give up, fighting with hearts that would not be denied, even in the face of sparse political support. NDACT and the Food & Water First movement gained international recognition and still continues to lead with passion to protect the Province's ever shrinking agricultural land.

Mayor of Melancthon Darren White is proud of his township and says, "I welcome and encourage everyone to come out to the Horning's Mills Park on the 23rd for good food, great friends and a fun family event. This year we celebrate the 165th birthday of an amazing Township with fun for the kids, Country 105, Shelburne and District Fire Department, and food all topped off by fireworks at dusk."

As Chair of the Horning's Mills Commu-

nity Park Board and Melancthon Township Councillor, Mr. Webster says, "This free event brings Township residents, family, friends and neighbours together for a fun evening to enjoy this special place we call home," says the Councillor. "It's a totally volunteer-run event by the Park Board, and a lot of work, but worth every effort for the good times it brings."

This will be the third year of "Fireworks in the Park", and Councillor Webster says, "We see that each year is more popular than the last, and much anticipated by folks in the local and surrounding areas."

Councillor Webster is also preparing a treat for the community with plans to serve his "top-secret" BBQ Rib recipe, served with a Melancthon baked potatoes and Janet Burke's famous coleslaw. Residents are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or picnic blanket, some cash for the BBQ and pay-what-you-wish donations towards next year's celebrations.

Councillor Webster says, "The 165th Anniversary celebration in Melancthon is a free volunteer-run event to celebrate our luck of living in such a beautiful place and awesome community." Fireworks begin at dusk.

## Christian Perspectives: Small struggles in my spiritual journey

My grandchildren stayed with us for a few months while their housing was in transition. Since they had always lived in the country but were moving to a much more urban setting, I thought it might be helpful to teach my 7 year old grandson Silas how to pick up the mail by himself, since it is about 4 blocks away in our country subdivision. He could learn about road safety and it would give him confidence, since he'll soon be having to walk to school in a new town.

For the first few days I walked with Silas down to the mailbox. I showed him the route, which box was ours, and we talked about safety on the streets. He did very well. The second day I let him carry the key himself, and the third day I let him try opening the box alone. It was a proud moment for him when we had a stack of mail (very unusual) and I asked him to carry them back to the house himself. We turned onto my street, and started up the long hill towards my house. As I walked, I noticed Silas was starting to lag behind a bit. That's not unusual; he notices birds and flowers and sometimes will stop to watch a butterfly. I kept going, and as I got to the second block I turned around to see how he was doing. I was surprised to see he was quite far behind me, clutching the mail like it weighed 20 pounds and labouring to step as if he were climbing one of the Rockies (he's very melodramatic). I called to him to come on, and continued to watch him as he walked painfully slowly towards me. When he finally reached me he breathlessly asked, "Why do we always have to climb this big hill?" Without laughing I answered him, "Because Nana's house is at the top!". (I must confess, there are times when my legs hurt climbing that hill too; especially when I haven't been exercising very often)

It wasn't until the next morning, when I was journaling about the current struggles in my spiritual journey, that I realized a parallel to my walk with the Lord. Many times Scripture talks about 'walking' with the Lord, and we are never promised that it's going to be a straight path. There are many times when it seems uphill, and I don't feel like I can keep going. There are obstacles that seem insurmountable to me at times, and at other times I feel like I'm in a dark tunnel with no light at the end. Can you relate to this?

At these times, it's important to remember that God promised, "never will I leave you, never will I forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5) and that He's always with us even when we don't feel like it. It's also important to remember where this journey is headed: to our Father's house! We know that our ultimate destination will be heaven, where we will live with Him forever. There will be no more pain or sorrow once we're there.

I think it's also important that we remember to keep walking. In Psalm 23, David says "even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil". We have to keep going, especially when we don't feel like it. We know God won't leave us, and that He will give us strength for the journey. Have

faith in Him and rely on His promises. Psalm 121 was written for the pilgrims travelling to Jerusalem, who ascended the hill to worship at the temple. "I lift up my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from? It comes from the Lord, Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip- He who watches over you will not slumber." Trust God to guide you and protect you on your journey to the home He has prepared for you.

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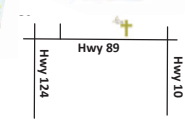
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He was an equally proud great grandfather to 7 great grandchildren. He had a huge impact in the lives of his family and he will be dearly missed. He led a full and busy life and now waits in confident hope of the resurrection and of God's Kingdom.

A memorial service will be held at the Shelburne Christadelphian Hall, #215330 10th Line, Amaranth, Ontario on Friday, June 22, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. If desired, donations to the Christadelphian Meal-A-Day Fund or Agape In Action would be appreciated by the family.

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# Unique experience at Lines That Bind showcase in Shelburne

Written By MIKE PICKFORD

Dufferin County's poet laureate is encouraging local residents to stop by the Shelburne Public Library sometime over the next 10 days to take in a "unique collection" of art and poetry put together by area artists.

Harry Posner has worked hard over the past several months building the Lines That Bind art show. It opened on June 17 at the Shelburne Public Library with a special meet and greet with some of the participants, including Larry Kurtz, Paul Morin, Andrea Trance, Linda Jenetti, Jenee Gowing, Sharon Wadsworth-Smith, Andrea Bird,

Liz Zetlin, Kirby Beneventi, Judy Zarowny, Josh Cameron, Amy Dennis and Mr. Posner himself. The show runs for two weeks, closing on June 30.

"About ten years ago, I did something similar to this in Collingwood and it was very successful," Mr. Posner told the Free Press. "I just had this idea of having poets and artists collaborate in some form, which is exactly what we've done again here with Lines That Bind."

The show boasts seven artists, ranging from musicians to dancers and painters, and six poets. The idea of the show centres around one of the participants producing a piece of work and then passing it along to another participant, who inter-

prets the piece and then produces something of their own. This 'line' continued until, eventually, Mr. Posner had 13 individual pieces.

"People should find an interesting flow from the original idea of the first painting, which started it all off, through to the poets and other artists. Each one puts their own spin on the piece they've seen and it gets passed on," Mr. Posner said. "Nobody knew the order, so they didn't know whose work they were getting, or who they were following. It was a totally blind experiment."

The show is completely free to the public and is offered through the Dufferin County Poet Laureate initiative. While Mr. Posner says he'd like to

see the show hit the road and tour other facilities in Dufferin County, the timing just wasn't right for a number of locations.

The project took eight months to complete from start to finish and Mr. Posner says he couldn't be happier with the final product.

"I've very pleased by how it came together. It's a very interesting show. It's a lovely gem of a show that really highlights the way artists and writers can collaborate in unique ways to create an experience that is interesting and engaging for visitors," Mr. Posner concluded.

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