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MAYORS MEET: Shelburne Mayor Wade Mills (pictured above, centre) was one of the featured speakers at the Dufferin Board of Trade's annual New Year's Levee, held at Monora Park on Jan. 17. Mr Mills was joined by his counterparts in Mono, Melancthon and Orangeville and discussed some of the more pressing issues prevalent across the region. For the full story, see Page 2.

Dufferin County brothers strike gold at Karate Canada National Championships

Written By **MARNI WALSH**

As the Karate Canada Senior National Championships came to a close last weekend in Gatineau, Quebec, two Dufferin County brothers packed up their gear and headed home with gold medals.

The 18 year old twins, Nicholas and Daniel Mustapha from Amaranth Township, saw their hard work and dedication pay off, when they competed against the best athletes from across the country - and won.

The boys' parents, Graciela and Max Mustapha, said the twins had qualified for Team Ontario for the last two years, but this year they had qualified for both the Senior and the Junior teams.

Daniel, who has Cerebral Palsy, qualified for two Para Athletic categories: the Mobility Impairment Division, where he earned a silver medal; and, the Intellectual Challenges Division, where he earned the title of National Champion for 2019, and his gold medal.

The intricate and intensive sport of Karate requires a grace and focus that presents additional challenges for Para Athletes such as Daniel. However, like his brothers, Daniel has been home schooled for much of his life, and

says, that choice played an instrumental role in his development as a visual artist, as well as in Karate.

"I started the sport when I was five years old and have worked hard for thirteen years to get where I am," he said, "Karate has taught me honesty, integrity, loyalty, time, patience and focus."

This was Nicholas' first year qualifying to compete in Men's National Kata. Remarkably, he placed 7th in Canada with a 22.48 score. He also competed in Team Kata with two other members, where he and his team received the gold medal.

Nicholas is also an accomplished pianist. He plays piano in a jazz trio, performs solo for private events, was the accompanist for Theatre Orangeville's Young Company productions for the last two years, and teaches at Pamela Scott-Demetriou's music school in Orangeville. Next month he will play for a musical cabaret in Toronto.

He has acquired his grade nine Royal Conservatory qualifications, and is applying for a career in music performance and education in the Jazz Degree Program at Humber College.

In Quebec, Daniel and Nicholas received their medals from the president of Karate

Canada, and were supported by their Senseis Veronica Ramos de Lugo and Eduardo Ramos from Dojo Seienchin, as well as, Sensei Khalepanah from Go Ju Do.

Both Mustapha boys express their gratitude to all the coaches of the Ontario Karate Federation for their amazing support and dedication, as well as the Karate Canada staff who made the Championship successful.

His gold medal win qualifies Daniel to represent Canada internationally, at the 33rd Panamerican Karate Federation Championships in Panama City, Panama, this March.

Nicholas will be competing again in May at the Junior National Championships in Edmonton. The brothers are training hard, in hopes of, once again, bringing home medals, but financial sponsorship is vital to reaching their goals and representing Canada in the sport.

It is hoped that local businesses and individuals will step forward to help cover the expensive cost of traveling, food, accommodations and equipment for the two local athletes. Interested sponsors may contact the Mustapha's at 519-925-2742 or 416-708-9817 or by email: gracielamustapha@yahoo.com.



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FEATURED ITEMS

Key issues now facing Dufferin aired at Board of Trade levee

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

A large audience was on hand at Monora Park Pavilion last Thursday for the Dufferin Board of Trade's annual New Year's Levee, which featured an exchange of politicians' views on key issues facing the county.

The event began at 8 a.m. with a tasty breakfast prepared by Lavender Blue Catering followed by a stirring rendition of O Canada, performed by Maddy Rose.

After Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson provided some opening remarks, Board Chairman Pete Renshaw introduced all of the municipal councillors present.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones was a penultimate. He mentioned the new Town of Orangeville website and also the Town's social media footprint as ways to keep the public in the loop.

Shelburne Mayor Wade Mills felt that a comprehensive Strategic Plan was a key tool in keeping the public informed and County Council on track. It would act as a road map for the Council and allow progress to be tracked by the residents, who would then

see what was being accomplished.

Warden Darren White, mayor of Melancthon, voiced the opinion that a solid Economic Development Plan has led to greater transparency, while Mono Mayor Laura Ryan was keen on citizen engagement. She felt that the more involved the public were in the governmental process, the more they would understand what was happening. She suggested taking councils "on the road" rather than remaining in council chambers and possibly putting council meetings on YouTube.

Question three posed by the Chair was dear to everyone's heart, dealing with the implementation of High-Speed Broadband Internet in Dufferin.

Mayor Ryan stated that the lack of upper-tier governments' support is a major stumbling block. There appeared to be a disconnect with no one working together on this staple requirement. She stated that high tech is not coming to Dufferin County and this is hurting the region. Adding to this was the exorbitantly high cost involved.

Warden White pointed out that the County has been deeply involved with the SWIFT initiative and has commitments from the federal and provincial governments for the initiative. Unfortunately, the provincial government had recently backed away from SWIFT, stating that they are going to bring in their own high-speed plan.

Although Sylvia Jones had told him the Ford government took the action because SWIFT was a long way from arriving in Dufferin, the Warden said his understanding is that SWIFT would be implemented here in a year barring any upper-tier delays.

Mayor Mills said the importance of this can not be ignored and that the lack of it is negating the other benefits of life in Dufferin County.

Mayor Brown pointed out that the railway corridor through Orangeville could potentially be used as a tech corridor as well.

Next dealt with was the question of attracting talented workers. The opinions were varied as to the responsibilities of the municipalities. In Mayor Ryan's mind, training is the big stumbling block. Supply was simply not keeping up with the demand, causing employers to have to search out workers, and the lack of local transportation only exaggerated the problem.

Warden White said finding qualified workers is the number two problem in Dufferin County and larger training facilities locally are needed.

Mayor Mills saw education about the value and opportunities of trades as a key component and said that the time to reach young people and their parents was in secondary school. Mayor Brown agreed, stating that skilled trades are in huge demand and are extremely well-paid members of the community. One of the advantages of tradesmen was that they could not be easily outsourced like tech can. No one can have their plumber or electrician living in India or Southeast Asia. However, to retain these workers, the communities must be desirable places to live and work in.

This led to the question of creating "Live / Work" communities and what can be done to facilitate them.

Mayor Brown spoke to looking at the

Town's Official Plan as a means of attracting business as well as maintaining the cultural and heritage aspects of a community. One solution would be to lower tax rates for business so as to attract larger corporations to the area.

Mayor Mills said Shelburne, as people knew, was the fastest growing community in Ontario. With a 39% growth in recent years, the town was becoming simply a bedroom community due to the lack of high-paying jobs available. Most people were looking for a Live/Work/Play environment, but could not find it at present. He stressed the need to seek a balance between residential growth and business proliferation.

Warden White says that public transit is high on the importance list, along with affordability and a lower cost of living. He noted that kids today are not moving out, but are staying at home due to the high cost of housing and the high cost of living. They simply can not get ahead on their own. He says the County and its municipalities need to address affordable housing.

For Mono, said Mayor Ryan, the issue is one of its seniors leaving for larger centres in which to retire. They were finding their homes too hard to maintain in Mono. One solution, to keeping residents working, was a home-based business, something the

Mayor was well familiarized with as she has one and a very successful venture as well. She also noted that as our communities' residents age, the need for better health care is rising. Having to travel outside their communities

to visit aging parents or other family was a source of stress which could be eased with more locally based care facilities.

During the public question and answer period that followed, a number of issues were addressed by the panel. One was how to scale up small businesses, and several suggestions came forth.

Mayor Brown suggested new technologies, such as mobile apps, offering new networking opportunities.

Mayor Mills said that although the Town of Shelburne cannot help financially, it provides other opportunities such as Boards of Trade, Economic Development Committees and Business Improvement Associations.

Next up was transit. Warden White proposed that, as a start, existing local resources could be amalgamated to provide bus service to and from Orangeville for Shelburne and Grand Valley. This could be done using the existing Orangeville buses.

Mayor Mills felt a multi-faceted approach between local partnerships and Metrolinx/Go Transit was the ultimate solution, while Mayor Brown said that Orangeville would need some upper-tier assistance to expand its services.

One point of contention from the attendees concerned an assertion that wages are on a par with those in the municipalities surrounding Dufferin. The comment was made that a regional paralegal could earn \$30-40,000 a year here, whereas in Toronto the starting wage was between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

“Strategic Plan a key tool in keeping the public informed and County Council on track”

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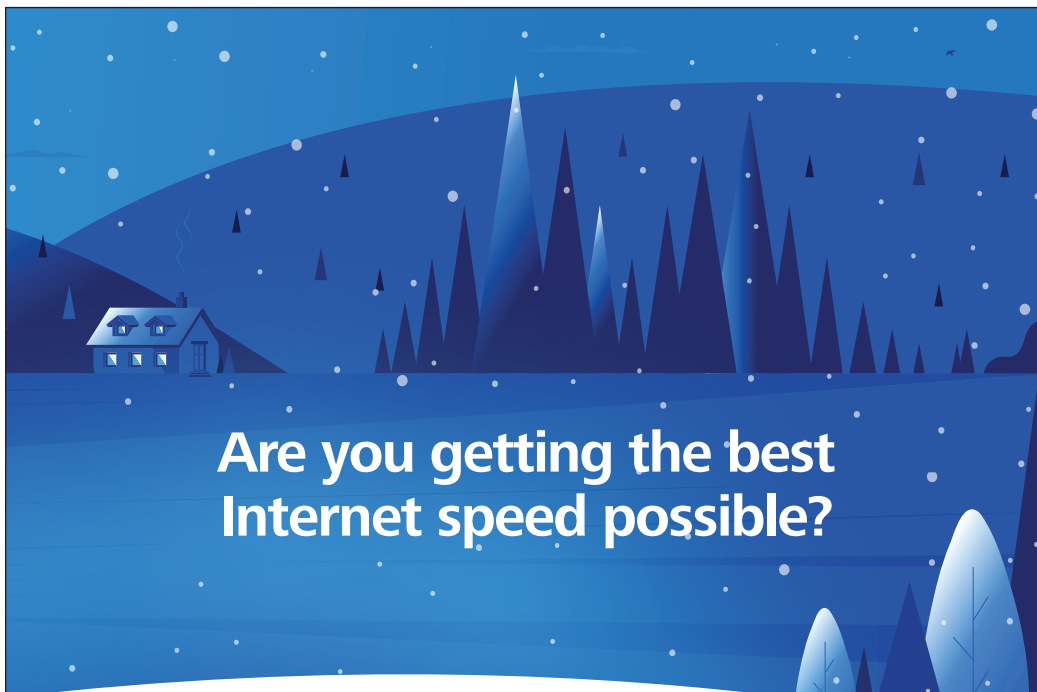
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'Soldiering On', Dufferin County veteran publishes fourth book

Written By MARNI WALSH

Merv Parker says he has had "an amazing life journey," and despite a devastating cancer diagnosis, the local veteran is determined to "soldier on."

He is staying focused on what he loves and has just published his fourth book, *Anxious to Serve*. The book is a tribute to his father, "based on his extraordinary life journey, including his wartime service in WWI."

The youngest of three children, Merv Parker was born in 1942 in Middleton Nova Scotia, in a rural farming community. Upon graduation from high school, at age 18, Merv was recruited by the town's police chief to serve as his replacement during a one month holiday.

After one month's training by the chief, Merv became the town cop. He went on to become the first campus Police Chief of Acadia University in Wolfville, N.S. In his previous book, *Chief Constable*, Merv writes a tribute to the men and women who served on Middleton police force from 1910-2000. *Chief Constable* is available on the reserve shelf of the Shelburne Library.

From 1964-67, Mr. Parker spent time as a surveyor building a railway line from Peace River to Hay River in the North West Territories, before returning to Acadia University and completing degrees in History and Education.

Influenced by his policing experiences, after graduation, he enlisted in the RCAF Security Police Branch where he was awarded a permanent commission. Two years later, he met his wife Beverly when

serving as an instructor at the Military Police Academy at CFB Borden.

"After two dates in two years, I proposed and was accepted by Beverly and her three children, who I adopted. We were married in 1970 when I was given my first posting commanding the 75-man police security force at the Bomarc nuclear missile base at Lamazaza, 100 miles north of Montreal," he said.

Merv went on to serve a total of 14 years in the Military Police with assignments in CFB Borden, Quebec, Ottawa, Vietnam, and Germany. He and Beverly arrived in Dufferin County in 1987, when two years previously, Merv was hired as Superintendent of Security for Pearson International Airport after the Air India bombing off the coast of England.

Merv retired from public service in 1997, but was soon asked to teach aviation security at Georgian College in Barrie. Even in retirement, Merv remained professionally active as a volunteer advisor for the Canadian Executive Services Organization.

He completed assignments as a security advisor in several parts of the world, including Bolivia, Russia, Armenia, United Arab Emirates, and Jamaica. In 2002, Merv was presented with the Queen's Jubilee Medal, in recognition of his outstanding professional and volunteer service to his community and country.

Merv says his newest book release, *Anxious to Serve*, is the story of "a young man's determination to serve his family and country in peacetime and war." He told the Free Press, the historical fiction is based on the life and adventures of his father, Claude Edwin

Parker (1891-1968) as related to him. Claude, or 'Eddie', was both 'anxious and willing to serve,' whether at home doing family farm chores, venturing to the unknown Canadian prairies in response to the national call for harvesters, or his volunteer enlistment in the Canadian army for overseas service during WWI."

"Like my father, I too felt a desire to serve and found my niche in law enforcement," says Merv Parker. "I have worked or visited six of the seven continents...I didn't need to visit Antarctica, but I have been to the North Pole to conduct a police investigation at our

military base at Alert."

Now, Merv is staying focused on personal goals, which will include a fifth book, humorously entitled, 'When the Wheels Came off my Wagon'. He is also looking forward to family events, including "a cruise through the Panama Canal, in June 2020, with my loving and supportive wife, Beverly, to mark our 50th wedding anniversary."

Merv Parker's book *Anxious to Serve* is now available at the Shelburne Public Library at a cost of \$15. Mr. Parker says three dollars from every book sold will be donated to the Shelburne Library fund.



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ANXIOUS TO SERVE: Local veteran Merv Parker's fourth book is now available at the Shelburne Public Library.



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Presumption of innocence

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The new laws regarding impaired driving have placed your presumed innocence in a state of peril.

Recently a man in Mississauga was pulled over after a police officer observed him returning what the cop thought was an excessive amount of empties to the beer store. Apparently the thought process was that if the guy was returning what was apparently three dozen beer bottles – a case and a half – and 10 wine bottles, he most likely had drunk them all immediately before taking the empties to the store.

Other than that, the vehicle driver had committed no offences at all while driving.

Well, news flash – go to the Beer Store on Broadway in Orangeville and watch people bringing in their empties. They don't bring them in one bottle at a time and get their dime and return the next day

with one more bottle.

The citizen was ordered to take a breath test under threat of arrest if he refused, even though there were no reasonable grounds to assume he had broken any law. The citizen said he felt 'violated' and I don't blame him one bit.

The problem here is that under the new legislation police do not have to have 'reasonable suspicion' to stop a person and request a breath sample. In other words, arbitrary detainment is now allowed.

Make no mistake here – I'm not saying anyone should get away with driving while impaired. It's against the law for good reason and the police do a pretty good job of enforcing the laws and responding to impaired driver complaints.

However, stopping people without reasonable suspicion opens the door to a huge potential for abuse by those that don't really have the public's best interest in mind.

As it is now, you could be arbitrarily stopped and told you are being detained because that red bow tie you are wearing fits the description of many people who drink martinis before 11:00 a.m.

Minister of Border Security and Organized Crime Reduction, Bill Blair, a former police chief in Toronto, referred to the

new rules as police having 'new tools.' Arbitrary arrest (yes, arrest means stop, detainment, halt etc.) isn't a tool.

The really scary part of this new legislation is the statement 'commits an offence who has within two hours after ceasing to operate a motor vehicle.' This is a wide open opportunity for an innocent person to wind up in jail.

Imagine this – after a long day at work, you invite some friends over to watch a football game and as host you pass out some beers or drinks while you watch the game. If you're in your own home it's up to you if you want to have a drink or get black-out drunk if that's what you like to do.

However, your ex-spouse who holds a grudge, or a neighbour who just doesn't like you for some reason calls the police and tells them you were driving drunk.

The police could potentially show up at your home, give you a breathalyzer, and if they determine you were behind the wheel of a car within the previous two hours, charge you with impaired driving, even though you never left your house after cracking open a bottle. The onus is now on you to prove you weren't driving your car impaired.

In response, a government spokesman

from the ministry of the attorney general said 'mandatory alcohol screening only applies at the roadside, nowhere else.'

While some may argue the old 'if you didn't do anything wrong, what are you afraid of' excuse, they are missing the point.

Rights are rarely taken away in one big sweep unless your government has just been usurped by Fidel Castro and Che Guevera.

I went through several RIDE spot checks this past holiday season where police set up their stops at good locations. The RIDE checks are effective, quick, and work well, and are tolerated by the public as an effective means to combat drunk driving.

For now, I will have to assume that police departments will exercise extreme caution with this new legislation, knowing full well that arbitrary detainment isn't good for anyone.

And if you're in Mississauga, take your empties back one at a time.



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

Editorial

Reconciliation

Here in our neck of the woods, we are not blind to the fact that we are surrounded by Indigenous Canadians.

They are a part of our communities. They contribute more than they are given credit.

When Trudeau was running for prime minister, one of his leading promises was healing the rift with our aboriginal brothers and sisters by fixing the sources of their complaints and bring their input into the decision-making process.

He has now blown it all with the appointment of his private-island-travelling friend, Seamus O'Regan, as Minister of Indigenous Services.

He was a disaster in veteran affairs, and he will be a disaster in this equally-sensitive portfolio.

O'Regan, once again, is in way over his head.

It could not have started out better for Trudeau. He named the extra-capable Jody Wilson-Raybould as the first indigenous woman to become Justice Minister. And he placed indigenous affairs under the solid governance of Jane Philpott, an understated but among the most respected in cabinet.

Then the wheels came off. In his recent cabinet shuffled, instigated by the resignation of Treasury Board Pres-

ident Scott Brison, Trudeau took B.C. MP Wilson-Raybould out of justice, possibly to save her from being the lightning rod in her province when the Trans Mountain pipeline and indigenous protest reach their suspected fever pitch, and replaced her with the dim bulb that is Seamus O'Regan.

For the first time, and despite all the peace-pipe prelude touted by the Liberals, our First Nations leaders finally saw where they stood in the eyes of Trudeau.

And they weren't very high on his list. Veterans should be pleased with Wilson-Raybould as their minister, their hope being she will finally treat them right and quickly get over her demotion to Veterans Affairs, an afterthought in previous governments.

Our vets need out support, so let's hope Wilson-Raybould serves them as well as they served us.

There is no much upside, however, when it comes to Seamus O'Regan, his sole claim to fame in being sued for libel by veterans' advocate, Sean Bruyea.

O'Regan should not be in cabinet at all, let alone serving as Minister of Indigenous Services.

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Third annual Health and Wellness Expo doubles attendance

Written By MARNI WALSH

One of the organizers of the Shelburne Health and Wellness Expo, Amanda Phillips, says attendance more than doubled last Saturday at their third annual event.

Held in the cafeteria at Centre Dufferin High School, the Expo hosted registered practitioners, alternative healers, fitness professionals, health and wellness products, and nutritious food vendors.

"When I chatted with the vendors, and visitors, there was definitely a common theme heard throughout the day," Ms. Phillips says. "People are surprised to find out what is available in Shelburne. They come to the event and can't believe the health and wellness options on their doorstep."

She added, "I think it's important for the community to know that there really is no reason to leave town to get the majority of their health, wellness, and fitness needs met. Everything is right here," says Ms. Phillips.

"If I noticed any trends," she says, "It's that people seemed most interested in alterna-

tive healing and meditation. Residents are seeking holistic healing, as well as emotional healing and nutrition."

Organizers have said their goal is to give practitioners and professionals in the health, wellness and fitness community a way to reach the people in Shelburne, and an opportunity to engage people, share their knowledge, explain what they do and how their products or services can benefit residents.

Besides the 36 vendors that the Expo included, talks and workshops were also featured at the event. Ms. Phillips reports those were all well attended, with walk-ins joining in with pre-registered guests.

The day's events also included physical demonstrations from martial arts studios in Shelburne, yoga instructors, and "movement as medicine" dance instructors. Healthy Cravings Holistic Kitchen and Shine Baking Co. were on site with delicious and nutritious food choices.

Ms. Phillips says the Health and Wellness Expo will definitely be back next year with more vendors and new workshops.



PHOTO: MARNI WALSH

SMILING FACES: The proprietors and friends of Shine Baking Co. and Healthy Cravings Holistic Kitchen brought a welcomed and delicious element to the 3rd annual Health and Wellness Expo at CDDHS last Saturday.

Local non-profit organization Streams Community Hub secures charity status

Written By MARNI WALSH

"Becoming a charitable organization was always our goal," says Streams Community Hub director Juli-Anne James, who founded the non-profit organization with her husband Andrew in 2016.

"We believe charity status is key to increasing our capacity. When you can fundraise at a broader level, it goes a long way toward helping you to address the needs of more people in the community."

The Shelburne organization applied to the Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) in January 2017, after completing just over a year of operation as a not-for-profit (NFP) organization. Ms. James says the Streams' Board heard back in August, and the CRA had a lot of questions - with only 90 days to answer them.

"It was our first time in this sort of process," she said, "and to be honest, it was discouraging."

The Board considered withdrawing their application, continuing as an NFP, and trying again at a later date. However, their accountant suggested that there would be no harm in responding. "So we buckled down and responded with 19 pages of our own," says Ms. James. "It was a true team effort. The board was fully committed and involved in ensuring we were thorough in answering what was asked of us."

"Our response went back in October, and we heard back again in December. Following the review of our application and our responses, the CRA suggested some adjustments to our articles of incorporation, after which they said they would be able to approve us," says the director. "We made those adjustments on Dec. 28, and shortly after were granted charitable status."

"Needless to say, we are all very happy that we did not throw in the towel," says Juli-Anne James. "There is some satisfaction in knowing that what you are doing, and hope to do, makes sense to more than just you. So we are excited to have the opportunity to make that a reality."

Streams Community Hub has a mandate to "provide an engaging environment to educate, inspire and encourage youth development,

community involvement and leadership" in Shelburne. They want to empower youth to build a better community.

Streams Community Hub is offering two streams this March Break: Art Adventure (visual arts) and Broadway Bound (performing arts). Ms. James says, "Registration opened on Jan. 8 and Art Adventure was sold out and waitlisted within 24 hours."

She added, "Thankfully, we were able to open up another block of 15 spots because we were able to find another artist/educator to teach." There were a few spots left at the time this was written. Broadway Bound is sold out and waitlisted. Streams Hub encourages parents to sign up their children for the waiting list.

Streams Community Hub is actively planning their summer session. "We are adding a new stream that we are all very excited about," says Juli-Anne James. "I won't say too much about it, except that it will be "delicious." Summer registration will open in April.

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- Watch out!
- Apart
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DOWN

- Mind
- Punctuation mark
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- Make tea
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- Cut one's choppers
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- Kind of room, shortly
- Beguile
- That thing's
- Bird that gives a hoot
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- Bald eagle's kin
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- Quilter's gathering
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- Talking bird
- Lemur's cousin
- Call forth
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- Extremely small
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 Public Meetings: Island Lake/Fieldstone Park Developments
 The Town is holding two public meetings where residents can view some draft concept ideas for Island Lake Family Park and where residents will be asked to express their options to Council. These public meetings will be held at Monora Park Pavilion on the following dates:
Wednesday, January 30, 2019
 from 7:30-9pm
Saturday, February 9, 2019
 from 9-10:30am
 The public meetings are only about future park developments in the Island Lake/Fieldstone community. The existing park facilities in this area are the most under-developed in the town. Council wants to proceed as quickly as possible to remedy this situation. Other developments in other town parks will be considered in the future.

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LOSING BATTLE: The Shelburne Muskies host the Clinton Radars at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne on Saturday, January 19. The Muskies battled hard but a tough first period had them trailing early in the game. The Radars left the ice with a 5-2

Muskies suffer losing weekend

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The Shelburne Muskies stumbled a little in their quest to move up in the WOAA Senior rankings after taking losses in both of their weekend games.

The squad travelled to Kincardine on Friday, January 18, to take on the Saugeen Shores Winterhawks.

After a hard fought battle, the Muskies were squeezed out with a 4 - 3 loss.

Returning to Shelburne the following night the Muskies hosted the Clinton Radars at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.

After tough first period that saw the Radars score four goals, the Shelburne squad was trailing 4 - 1 going into the second frame.

That first period was the deciding factor in the game as the Muskies managed to keep the Radars down to one goal for the rest of the game while scoring one of their own.

The final was a 5 - 2 win for the Clinton

team.

With only five games left on the regular season schedule the top seven teams are already decided in the standings.

The Clinton Radars lead the pack with 41 points and a 20-2 record.

They are followed by the Ripley Wolves in second place with 17 wins after 20 games.

The Durham Thundercats are in third place followed by the Saugeen Shores Winterhawks, Petrolia Squires, Mapleton-Minto 81's, and the Tavistock Royals.

The Muskies have not been guaranteed a playoff berth yet. As the number eight team they are in the running but will need to win their final game to stay ahead of the Huron East Centenaires who are one point behind. The Tilsonburg Thunder are also a threat with 19 points.

The Muskies will meet the Thunder for road game on Friday, January 26, for their final game of the regular season.

Royals basketball teams enjoying undefeated start to the season

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

Senior Team

The Centre Dufferin District High School Royal senior basketball team remains in first place in the District 4 standings.

The squad has played six games so scoring 383 points while allowing only 126 against for the season.

The Royals have averaged 57 points ahead of their rival over five winning games.

Their latest match scheduled against Erin District High School didn't take place when the Erin school forfeited the game at the last minute for reasons unknown.

With two games left in the regular season the Royals seem to be unstoppable.

Behind the Royals, Emmanuel Christian High School is in second place with a 5-1 record and 10 points

In third place, Erin District High School has a 3 - 4 record so far.

The Royals will be in Fergus on Monday, February 4, to take on EDHS.

Their final regular season game will have

the Royals up against Wellington Heights Secondary School on Wednesday, February 6.

Junior Team

The CDDHS Royals junior boys basketball team continues to steamroll through the season going undefeated after eight games.

The juniors have scored 355 points while allowing only 154 against.

Like the senior team, their last match against Erin was recorded as a win after Erin forfeited the game.

Their last time on the court on January 16, they met up with the second place Westside Secondary School Thunder from Orangeville and left the court with their record unbroken after securing a 65-34 win over the Orangeville team.

After the Royals, Westside is in second place in the District standings with a 6-2 record, followed by Wellington Heights in third place with a 3-5 record.

The juniors have two more games on the regular season schedule before heading into the playoffs.

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When he's not on the ice, Owen plays baseball with the Creemore Braves and also plays summer ball hockey.

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LP Stage's 'Shout' deserves an audience for final shows

Written By MARNI WALSH

"Baby it's cold outside," but there is a 'hot' show on stage at Grace Tipling Hall this weekend and it deserves an audience.

For anyone who loves the music of the 60's and 70's, LP Stage Productions' Shout will be a fun, musical romp down memory lane. The show opened last week with good music, tight choreography, cool costumes, a very groovy set, and an excellent cast. What's missing? A full house.

LP Stage Productions has been consistently producing Shelburne's best community theatre for nearly a decade. Their many youth productions have gained a stellar reputation by packing Grace Tipling Hall with school classes, and the young cast members' friends and families. Now, Shelburne is invited to come out and see what some of the core members of LP's artistic team can bring to the stage. But hurry, the lights shine on Shout, for the last time, this weekend.

The five female characters in the show are known by their "mod colours of the rainbow" names. They travel in time from 1960 to 1970, taking the audience on a historical tour

of trends, as they share their problems with advice columnist "Gwendolyn Holmes." An era of awakenings, when the "antiquated world of frippery was dying," Gwendolyn ends... thankfully... in obsolescence. (The show does have a little mature content so parental discretion is advised.)

Shout's cast of performers includes, LP's mother and daughters' trio, director Alison Port as the hilariously randy "Green Girl," LP's resident choreographer Kristen Gamache as the romantically confused "Blue Girl," and LP's Danielle Gamache as the youthfully insecure "Red Girl." All three strut their singing, dancing, acting and 'loving it' abilities throughout the show. LP regular, Sarah Alexander brings her soprano voice and comedic talent as the "Orange Girl," and new comer, Jennifer Payne shines with her compelling stage presence and lovely, deep, vibrato vocal tones as the "Yellow Girl."

With musical direction by Shelburne's talented Noni Thomas, Shout features harmonized songs by Lulu, Petula Clark, Dusty Springfield, Sandy Shaw, and Cilla Black including fantastic tunes like Downtown, Don't Sleep in the Subway Darlin', You Don't Have to Say You

Love Me, These Boots are made for Walkin', To Sir With Love, and many more.

New this year, a dinner and show deal is available for \$45.00 with the Dufferin Public House, right across the street from Grace Tipling Hall. Dinner includes soup or salad, entree, and dessert (drinks, gratuities, and taxes are not included.) To make a dinner and show reservation, call the Dufferin Public House at (647) 393-2102.

If you are attending the Saturday evening performance, the cast invites you to "dig out

your best 60's costume for the chance to win a groovy prize." Last week's winner was Krista Harley. Tickets to Shout are available online through Eventbrite, or at Grace Tipling Hall box office: 519-925-2600, or by cash-only payment at the door on performance dates. Final show dates are this Friday, January 25th at 8pm, Saturday, January 26th at 8pm, and Sunday, January 27th at 2pm. Show tickets are \$18.00 for adults and \$12.00 for students and seniors. Support the dedicated LP Stage team in Shout - it will "make you want to shout!"

County to study request for GO service in town

Written By JASEN OBERMEYER

Dufferin County's councillors have directed staff to assist in gathering information that can form part of the basis of a request for GO bus service expansion into Shelburne.

The motion was put forth by Shelburne Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson, and unanimously approved by council last Thursday, Jan. 10. County staff will also work with local municipal staff, being referred to the County's Strategic Planning process.

"We certainly feel that there would be strong ridership and use," said Deputy Mayor Anderson. "It's obvious that there's an explosion of growth in Shelburne, and Grand Valley is experiencing the same thing as well."

Despite previous lobbying efforts made by Shelburne, there has been no indication of a commitment by Metrolinx, GO bus's operator, to expand or improve service within Dufferin County.

Mayor Wade Mills explained the current GO Transit line from Brampton to Orangeville has one of the lowest ridership in the prov-

ince, and argues that riders from Shelburne will not only be beneficial for those commuting from the town, but bolster ridership on the line. "If we can help to support the ridership of that existing line, I think that's a win for everybody involved. It makes the existing line for sustainable in the long run."

A transit survey and study was previously done in town. "The results that came back were encouraging. There was an indication that there were enough people in town that would use the service on a regular basis if we charged appropriate rates," recalled Mayor Mills.

Recently, the Ontario government announced plans to help 107 municipalities across the province expand or improve their public transit systems with Ontario's gas tax program, by providing \$364 million in gas tax funding.

"It's obvious that the government sees the importance of having transit," said Deputy Mayor Anderson, noting transit service was one of the main concerns for residents voiced during the election.

Centre Dufferin's Co-op Corner

Student: Gabrielle Wettlaufer
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Benjamin Moore has their own platform for training and ordering in items such as colour chips and brochures. When training, we rely on the Access Moore website that provides further product knowledge. When ordering in the items we use the order front where you can order every colour chip brochure and fan deck that is available.

Jobs that are associated with my placement would be Contractors, Painters and Home Stagers. Benjamin Moore also donates all of the mis-tints we do not sell at the end of the year to Habitat for Humanity.



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FOCUS ON DECORATING: Pictured above, Ken Eppenberger, manager at Benjamin Moore in Orangeville, and Gabrielle Wettlaufer, CDDHS co-op student.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF DUFFERIN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Dufferin Mutual Insurance Company will be held at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, 200 Fiddlepark Lane, Shelburne, Ontario, on Wednesday March 27th, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. to:

- Receive the Annual Reports (Chair, President & CEO, Financial etc.)
- Appoint Auditors
- Ratify the Acts of the Board of Directors
- Elect Directors (two for three years)

The Corporation's annual statement will be available on the Corporation's website (www.dufferinmutual.com) 21 days prior to the Annual General Meeting. A member of the Corporation may also obtain a copy by sending a written request to the Secretary of the Corporation at 802 Main Street East, Unit 4, Shelburne, Ontario, L9V 2Z5 at least 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

An application for a Director's position may be picked up and then dropped off at the Head Office of the Corporation at 802 Main Street East, Unit 4, Shelburne, Ontario, L9V 2Z5. It must be received by the Secretary of the Corporation no later than close of the business day, 4:30 p.m., on February 27, 2019.

There are currently two candidates who have qualified (as of this date), to stand for election to the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Those who are currently qualified and endorsed by the nominating committee are: Frank Barretto and Kevin Greer.

The Company By-Laws may be reviewed Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Company's Head Office, including the portion of the By-Laws that relate to Qualifications of Directors.

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Edward Forbes
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- Good oral and written communication skills
- An understanding and willingness to perform preventative maintenance on equipment, to keep equipment operating efficiently while minimizing downtime
- Willing to work seasonably long hours as required
- Valid DZ or AZ with good driving record
- Customer service oriented and willing to work in a fast-paced environment both as an individual and part of a team

Duties will include:

- Safe operation of delivery truck for bulk fertilizer, bagged/toted fertilizer, seed and liquid deliveries within 80 mile radius.
- Daily Inspection and Maintenance of delivery unit
- Provide a high level of customer service
- Assist when required at the facility. Duties may include filling tote bags, operation of forklift to load and unload shipments and deliveries
- Maintain good Housekeeping in Plant and Yard

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Production Worker / Shipping & Receiving

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- Willing to work seasonably long hours as required
- Agricultural background and Forklift experience is considered an asset
- Customer service oriented and willing to work in a fast-paced environment both as an individual and part of a team

Production Worker / Shipping and Receiving will involve the following responsibilities:

- Filling, palletizing, & shipping 25kg bags
- Operating Forklift
- Filling and shipping 1000kg tote bags
- Assist in Receiving Fertilizer – Bags, Totes and Bulk
- Provide a high level of customer service
- Maintain good Housekeeping in Plant and Yard

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TOWN OF SHELBURNE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

The Town of Shelburne will receive applications with resumes for relief crossing guard positions for the 2019 school season. You must be able to work school days, Monday to Friday at 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

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 Resumes for the **Seasonal Assistant Head Lifeguard, Lifeguard/Instructor and Day Camp Leader** positions will be received until 2:00pm on Friday, February 15, 2019 by email or in person, addressed to: Kim Fraser, Facility Administration Manager
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OBITUARIES

Jacob James Lein

October 25th 1985-
 January 14th 2019

Jacob James Lein, age 33, passed away tragically while at work - doing what he loved and providing for his growing family. Jacob was the definition of a family man, loyal, loving, with a heart of gold. Jacob would take the shirt off his back for anyone in need, no questions asked. He was always the first to help anyone, always the man with the answers... a true jack of all trades. Jacob, born in Orangeville Ontario, a bouncing baby boy, full of life - lived his life fast and full of excitement. Fearless through and through, always ensuring everyone was having a good time. He was deeply passionate about his machines, the outdoors and finding new trails to roam. The loved ones he leaves behind, father Bryan Lein, mother Debra Willcocks, brother Joshua Lein (Krista and boys Colton and Emmett), sister Jessica Lein, daughter Ella, spouse Emily McFaul and child, grandparents Harold and Phyllis Willcocks, a large extended family, friends and a community who will miss him forever. A Celebration of Jacob's life will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 2-6 p.m. in the Warriors Hall at the Royal Canadian Legion, 230 William Street, Shelburne – casual dress please. If desired, donations to a trust fund set up for his children would be appreciated – Royal Bank, Shelburne Transit #04642, Account #5091178. Online condolences and donations may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com

Stephen A. McKelvie (Steve)

Stephen A. McKelvie (Steve), 67 of Franklin (originally of Shelburne, Ontario) passed away unexpectedly on January 16th. He was the devoted husband of Shanna (Ruteck), beloved father of Laura (Johnson)/father-in-law to Mike, and adored Baba to his granddaughters Eliza and Huntley. He was a loving son to Helen and her late husband Allan, brother to Mary (Jones) and her late husband Patrick, Joanne (Jerome) and her husband Cliff. He will be missed by his nieces and nephews: Claire and her husband Fadi, David and his wife Ashley, Alex and his wife Chantal, and Sam and his wife Leanne. Steve, an engineer by trade and heart could navigate you through the pipes of cities across the globe by day, and by weekend, through some of the best driving roads in the world with the auto rally community he cherished. He will be greatly missed by many, but his legacy and memories of an inability to retell a funny story without keeling over and laughing before it got funny, will stay with us forever. Service was held on Wednesday January 23rd at 11 am at Franklin Federated Church, 171 Main Street Franklin, MA, followed by a burial at St. Mary's Cemetery, and a celebration of life. Arrangements were under the care of the Charles F. Oteri and Son Franklin Funeral Home 33 Cottage St. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Franklin Federated Church.

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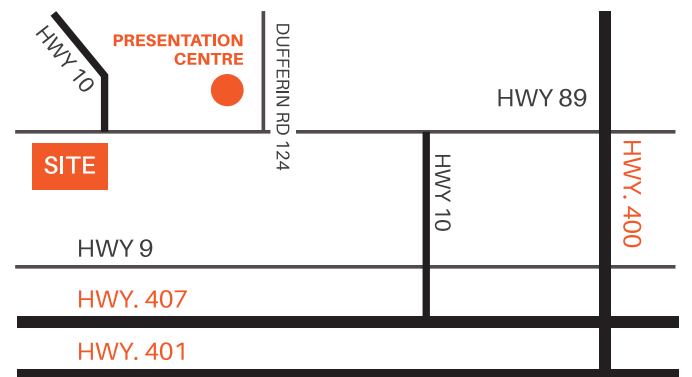
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