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TWO TIME WINNER: For the second year in a row, this year's Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Champion at the Heritage Music Festival was Diana Dawydchak of Etobicoke," reports Rotarian Caroline Mache. "The Open Class was again dominated by women," says Ms. Mache, "with only one man among the four competitors." Accompanying Ms Dawydchak is Shelburne Mayor Wade Mills and Doug Scott, sponsor of the monetary first prize for the Open Class in memory of his father, fiddler Bob Scott. Diana also won the Canadian Tune of Choice trophy and award with Maytime Swing by Graham Townsend. The Junior Championship (13-18 year olds) was won by Lucas Candelino of Barrie, Ontario. Photo courtesy of the Shelburne Rotary. For more, see Page 3.

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An old solution to a new problem, can trees really save the planet?

Written By MARNI WALSH

In their August news letter, the North Dufferin Agricultural and Community Task Force (NDACT) presented studies on mass tree planting as one possible part of a campaign to combat global warming.

There has been growing global enthusiasm for this 'new' solution to the looming issue of rising temperatures in recent months.

"Experts suggest we may need to plant one trillion trees on one billion hectares of land, the size of the US, and let them absorb the vast amounts of carbon dioxide we produce," noted the grass roots organization. NDACT also shared studies that shed light on a global approach to the concept of mass tree planting to garner the best results.

NDACT Chair Karren Wallace told the Free Press, "This is a 'new' idea as old as time, or at least as old as farming." She says, "For generations farmers have known that trees help lessen soil erosion. Wind and rain are two of the main forces that erode bare

soil. Bare areas exposed to strong winds can lose significant amounts of soil if the ground is dry and there are no roots present to hold the soil in place; the leaves and branches of trees create coverage reducing the force of wind and rain. As you drive north of Shelburne on County Road 124 you will see most of the farms have bush lots for this very reason."

Additionally, Ms. Wallace says, "Trees remove carbon from the air at an astonishingly high rate. One tree can absorb as much as 48 pounds of carbon dioxide per year and can sequester one ton of carbon dioxide by the time it reaches 40 years old. NDACT knew the importance of trees and were the first to raise the alarm when the Highlands Company began clear cutting bushes on lands with the intent to establish a 200 foot below the water table open pit mine."

In its July 2019 issue, the American Association for the Advancement of Science posted: "The restoration of forested land at a global scale could help capture atmospheric

carbon and mitigate climate change." The article suggested a 25 percent increase in forestation could potentially cut the atmospheric carbon pool by about 25 percent. This makes restoration of trees among the most effective strategies to date for fighting climate change in a world where, currently the tree canopy continues to shrink at an alarming rate.

Writer Crawford Kilian, a contributing editor of the online site The Tye, states in a recent article entitled, 'Yes, Planting Trees Can Fight Climate Change — If We Do It Right', that "planting trees as a solution to climate change requires a thoughtful global approach."

He writes, "Reforestation will be futile if we continue to increase our emissions at the same time as we plant trees. And it matters where we decide to plant these trees - reforestation would be more effective in the tropics."

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A GOOD FIT: Shelburne CAO Denyse Morrissey has brought a lot of experience and expertise to the municipality since assuming the role in early 2018

Shelburne CAO helping to guide municipality into fruitful future

Written By PETER RICHARDSON

As part of a new series, the Free Press will take an in-depth look at some of the community's most important and fascinating characters. First up is the municipality's CAO Denyse Morrissey.

Denyse Morrissey's office is more like a sitting room than the official residence of the Chief Administrative Officer of Shelburne.

It reflects the woman who occupies it, warm and inviting, but somehow still forthright and very much a place of decisions. On one of the few filing cabinets, reside a collection of magnets. They reflect the values and beliefs that drive Denyse's day-to-day approach to life and to her job. They appear colloquial and yet are perfectly insightful.

This is the business home of a very multi-faceted problem solver. A woman who has a dog and a husband and two rescue cats and the innate ability to rise to every problem that crosses her desk. She is hands-on in her approach and is the first one to tell you that she has the best staff imaginable behind her.

Denyse may decide the priorities, but her dedicated staff provide the source of her successful outcomes. The Mayor and Council may provide the direction the Town will follow, but it is the CAO and Staff who make it happen. Council may present their wish lists, but it is those behind the scenes who try to guide the progress in the intended direction and who provide the guidance and advice as to the overall feasibility of each endeavour. They provide the pros and the cons and how much it will cost, not only the Town, but the taxpayers. Guiding all this and the day to day affairs of governance, is the CAO.

Denyse came to Shelburne from Meaford and before that from Oshawa, Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, the Ontario Parks Association and initially, The City of Dartmouth. She holds a Bachelors from Brock University and a Masters from Dalhousie and, along the way, a whole lot of experience in municipal governance. She has a strong grasp of what is important to a small town, but a deeper understanding of small town limitations and how to work within and around them, to try and achieve the goals placed before her. She understands the limitations of a very limited tax base and of the high costs of overextending one's debt load. Shelburne has both and this will need to change if the Town expects to realize it's potential.

Potential is what Denyse talks about frequently. Though small geographically, Shelburne occupies a mere 6.6 square kilometers, the Town offers almost all the amenities that a resident might require and is a shopping hub for many of it's surrounding communities. There are two banks, a Trust Company, two grocery stores, a pharmacy, several doctors, dentists and even a large hardware store, not to mention Tim Horton's, optometrists, agricultural retailers and several restaurants, with more retail expected soon. Residents can walk from one end of town to the other in under an hour.

Shelburne has several parks, good recreation facilities, a library and a Legion, as well as several varieties of churches. It has been a growing town and will soon reach the magic population number of 10,000 people, which is the get-to point for most larger retailers and commercial enterprises. All of this, says Denyse, bodes well for making Shelburne a go-to, come-to destination, for the future. She points out that what Shelburne may not have, is readily available close by, in towns such as Orangeville and Alliston.

But getting back to her responsibilities, the challenges are tremendous and, well, challenging. Denyse came from a much larger community, where many services that Shelburne contracts out, were in-house. In Shelburne, there is also the problem of multi governmental jurisdictions to be con-

sidered. Residents have long complained of the truck and tourist traffic through the main street. They want a bypass and therein, lies one of the biggest problems. Shelburne's main street is actually, Hwy 89 and it's northbound thoroughfare, Owen Sound Street, is Hwy 10, both of which are owned and controlled by the Province. Similarly, the roads which would be considered for the bypass, are not owned or controlled by Shelburne, but rather by the County of Dufferin and surrounding municipalities, like Amaranth and Melancthon.

As a result, the building of a bypass requires not only provincial approval, but also the approval of all the other parties involved. Add to this that none of these roads were constructed for sustained heavy traffic and the complications grow and grow.

For Denyse and her staff, this all presents an ongoing and frustrating debate with the realities on one hand and the residents wants and wishes on the other. For now, the Town will have to suffice with lowering the speed limit, on the connecting link, to 40kph and hoping that strict traffic enforcement will reduce the level of traffic or at least slow it down and reduce the noise and safety issues. Even this small change, took several years of negotiation, with the provincial authorities, to achieve. It is all a balancing act and The CAO is the lead acrobat.

Dealing with other governments, dramatically affects other aspects of Shelburne's day-to-day functioning. With it's limited tax base, the Town must borrow for a lot of it's budgetary needs, or apply for grants to offset the costs. In the past, these grants have been easily accessible and in some cases guaranteed. This is no longer the case.

The Provincial Tories have reduced and in some cases cancelled many grants and others are much harder to receive. This year, Shelburne and communities across Ontario were informed that the expected OCIF top ups would not be provided as the program was being cancelled. Instead, the Town received a one-time grant of less than half of what had been expected. In addition they were refused, for the third time, the connecting link grant, which would have allowed the municipality to repair and upgrade the Main Street/ Owen Sound Street corridors, which have been in desperate need of attention for several years.

All of this required considerable rethought and reallocation of funds to try and achieve the Town's priorities.

With the continued reduction in available funds, Shelburne's debt requirements over the next five years are going to be substantial. Past Councils had adhered to a zero tax increase policy approach and in so doing, created, at least in part, the current debt problems. This approach relied on the Town's reserves, or savings, if you will, to make up the shortfalls. Now, these reserves are low, and the only recourse is to raise taxes or borrow.

Taxes will go up, but because of the population base and the geographical size of Shelburne, a 1 percent tax increase on an average assessment, equates to an additional \$69,000 dollars. Compared to the amounts of money required, this is a drop in the bucket. By comparison, in larger municipalities, that figure would perhaps be in the region of \$1.5 million dollars.

It is clear to see, that to raise the funds through only taxes, would not be an acceptable answer. For Denyse, the solutions will be formidable. The Town cannot borrow beyond it's means, by law, it must present a balanced budget, it cannot run a deficit and it cannot tax it's residents to the point of moving on. The solutions will have to be a mix of responsible borrowing, grants and tax increases with a realistic approach to meeting expectations.

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Successful HMF already looking ahead to 70th fiddle anniversary

Written By MARNI WALSH

Heritage Music Festival (HMF) Co-Chair, Bobbi Ferguson says Shelburne Rotary Club is very pleased with this year's festival.

"The calibre of talent was top notch," she says. "Attendance was up from last year at most events, and all comments from those in attendance were very positive and complimentary."

She added, "All events went off without a hitch. Friday night's band, The Washboard Union was an absolute hit. From the moment they arrived they made themselves at home. They chatted with all the volunteers, thanked us for having them and even played some impromptu soccer on the arena floor. Their concert was one of the best, if ever, attended. After the concert, they stayed for at least an hour to chat, take pictures and sign autographs for their fans. They were a real class act."

Ms. Ferguson also says other highlights included, the fiddle contest, which was a success, once again, with some classes having more than 20 entries for a total of over 60 fiddlers competing at the arena on August 10.

"The Scott Woods Show was also highly entertaining," she says, "Scott just keeps getting better."

The Rotarians were also pleased that live streaming allowed those far from Shelburne, or unable to attend, to enjoy the event from the comfort of their homes.

Rotarian, Caroline Mache reported, "For the second year in a row, this year's Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Champion at the Heritage Music Festival was Diana Dawydchak of Etobicoke."

She says, "The Open Class was again dominated by women, with only one man among the four competitors." Ms. Dawydchak was presented The Fiddler portrait by Shelburne Mayor, Wade Mills, and Doug Scott, as sponsor, presented the monetary first prize for the Open Class in memory of his father, fid-

ler Bob Scott. Diana Dawydchak also won the Canadian Tune of Choice trophy and award with "Maytime Swing" by Graham Townsend.

Bobbi Ferguson says her only wish for the festival, going forward, is to get more local people out to the events. Rotary has been advertising since May 1 on all platforms, other than TV, "but still we hear local residents say they don't know about it," she says.

"Next year will mark the anniversary of our 70th Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship," says the Co-Chair, "and we are already throwing around some ideas to mark this incredible achievement." She says, Bands and Brews, which featured great local talent, had an excellent turnout for its second year. "I am looking forward to growing this event with more and varied activities," she says.

The Rotary Club thanks "our sponsors, without whom, our festival would not be possible; also, all the volunteers who worked tirelessly and service clubs who have supported us along the way, and of course, all those who attend our events."

A reminder from Caroline Mache and the Rotary Club of Shelburne, that proceeds of the Heritage Music Festival support Rotary's many charitable projects, including: a splash pad for Shelburne, Music and Memory Programs at Dufferin Oaks' Home for Seniors, a major contribution to the digital imaging department at the Headwaters' Health Care Centre, breakfast clubs at local elementary schools, Shelburne Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, a variety of minor sports, and Dufferin County Meals on Wheels, Hospice Dufferin, Shepherd's Cupboard Food Bank, PolioPlus - a program to eradicate polio worldwide...and many more.

The 2020 Heritage Music Festival will run August 5th to 9th, 2020, celebrating 70 years of fiddle competition in Shelburne. For more information visit www.HeritageMusicFestival.ca.



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FANTASTIC FIDDLEFEST: Well known local fiddler Alex Alcorn and his daughter Donna played for the judges, entertaining old time fiddle fans at the Fiddle Championship on August 10th at the CDRC. Fiddle competitors started as young as five years old at the internationally known event.



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Crusty old codgers

I pulled into a gas station the other week to put fuel in the truck and get a coffee for the road.

While I was filling up, a pickup truck pulled into the spot on the other side of the fuel pump.

The windows were open and I heard the driver say, "Do you want to get a coffee Dad?"

The older man in the passenger seat barked out "rarr rarr rarr rrrrrr!" or something to that effect.

I couldn't really understand what he said because it came out as more of an angry growl than a reply to a question about whether he wanted to get a hot beverage.

After fueling I went inside, paid for my coffee, and got in line at the Tim Hortons On the Run counter.

The two men from the truck were in line ahead of me looking at the baked goods displayed behind the glass.

"Do you know what you want Dad?" The younger man asked.

The father replied "rarrrrr rarrrr rarrrr rarrrr rarrrr rarrrrrrr!" or something to that effect.

At this point I was kind of amused. That guy is what a lot of people would call 'crusty.' That seems to be the best word that describes these guys who are apparently angry at the

world.

It was what happened next that really caught my attention.

The son leaned over to his father and quietly and politely, but firmly said, "I asked you a simple question. There's no need for you to respond like that."

The older man replied "rarr rarr," but now a lot quieter and with less of a bark than before.

The question is, who are these guys, and at what point in life do they go from being that smiling freckle-faced kid sitting beside you in the next row in your grade five class to being a 'crazy old codger?'

I have never understood how people enter into a certain age and slip into an eternally grouchy state of mind.

Was this man a crusty, miserable man when he met his son's mother? If he was, why would she take up with such a person? Or was he a nice guy and at some point the switch was flipped to 'geezerhood?'

A good friend of mine had four children, the oldest being university age.

Unfortunately they had a crusty old guy as neighbour living across the street. He was loud and abusive to most people on the street, although his wife barely said a peep and rarely

ventured outdoors.

The neighbours mockingly referred to him as the 'mayor' of the street. He made it his business to patrol the area looking for infractions.

My friend's son would quite often have his friends over to the house. They would sometimes park in front of the house and decide what they were going to do.

This would prompt the neighbour to come out of his house, yelling for them to disperse as he figured three for four guys together would apparently be plotting to rob a bank or cause civil unrest somewhere.

The thing was, they were all nice guys. They were all employed or going to school and planning careers.

One particular day, his friends arrived and the three of them were standing in the driveway talking.

The crusty old neighbour came out of his house and demanded they disperse. They smiled and waved and continued talking.

The crusty old guy got louder.

At this point my friend had just enough of this crazy old guy. She marched out front and asked him why he was yelling.

He told her he didn't like gangs hanging

around on the street and they should leave.

She firmly told him they weren't a gang, they were on her property, and she had no problem with her son and his friends carrying on a normal conversation. She told the 'mayor' to get lost and stay in his own house.

He retreated rather quickly, while his wife peeked at the action from behind the curtains.

I worked with a woman who entered the 'crusty' phase rather early in life. Seems she had some young new neighbours.

One day at lunch she was complaining that these people had a party every weekend and they should be doing something else with their lives.

Finally, one of the other women at the table said, "Lets see, young couple, early twenties, enjoying life? What do you expect them to do? Have quilting bees and listen to Lawrence Welk music?"

I've never understood how some people seem to wallow in misery.

As a wise man once said, "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



Editorial

The possibility of a coalition government taking office in Ottawa?

IF RECENT POLLING is any indication, the October 21 election will result in, for the first time since 1867, no one party having a majority in either the House of Commons or the Senate.

The polling has both the governing Liberals and the Conservatives in a virtual tie, enjoying the support of roughly three in 10 eligible voters. The New Democratic and Green parties are running neck and neck for third place, with Bloc Québécois and Maxine Bernier's new People's Party of Canada (PPC) well behind.

With a little more than two months remain-

ing before election day, it's anyone's guess as to the outcome, but for some reason all the pundits seem to be portraying the issue as simply whether we'll wind up with a minority government.

However, there should be some thought given to the alternative of our being governed by a coalition of at least two of the current six parties.

Although virtually unknown anywhere in North America, coalitions are almost routine in Israel and some European countries with a

multiplicity of political parties.

As matters stand, three of our six parties (Liberal, NDP and Green) are currently seen as centre/left on the political spectrum, with the Conservative and People's parties well to the right and Bloc Québécois only in Quebec.

If the Conservatives wind up with the most Commons seats they might well look at bringing Mr. Bernier back into the Tory fold if that produced a majority.

On the other hand, a Liberal minority government would be assured a much longer life if it garnered a majority by forming a coalition with the NDP and/or Greens.

One thing that seems fairly obvious is that the Conservatives need a majority more than the Liberals, if only because their platform will likely be markedly different from all the other parties save for the PPC.

Although none of the parties has disclosed its election platform, we suspect the Liberal, NDP and Green ones will all promise tougher gun controls and tough action to combat climate change.

The Conservatives will likely be alone in promising an end to carbon pricing, portraying the carbon tax as anti-business and harmful to families in provinces where the tax is being imposed.

We wouldn't be surprised to see all six parties commit themselves to reducing or eliminating the federal deficits, although it's unlikely any of them would wipe them out in a single term in office.

It will be interesting to see whether any of the parties commits to electoral reform, the Liberals having failed to take actions that

might well have benefited them.

Certainly, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau must see irony in the other parties reminding him of the broken promise when some observers have noted the Liberals' likelihood of benefitting from an end to the "first past the post" system.

Although a pure proportional representation system would merely guarantee that no party would ever get a majority of seats, the alternative of a preferential ballot would seemingly benefit a middle-of-the-road party.

That would be because both conservative and left-wing voters would tend to list the local Liberal candidate as their second choice.


Whatever the case, there would clearly be benefits in coalitions beyond the prospect of greater longevity.

Any coalition would obviously involve the top people in all the parties being in the federal cabinet, which might well have gender parity and more easily feature more visible minorities and indigenous members.

Another possible benefit would be the insistence of the smaller party in the coalition demanding a reduced role for the Prime Minister's Office, which has turned out to be a challenge for both the current government and the one that preceded it.

And related to that demand would be one for a greater role for individual MPs and more free votes on controversial measures.







It would be interesting to see whether, in the event a minority government loses a vote of confidence, the Governor-General refuses to permit an election being called before an attempt is made to form a coalition.



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On July 1, 2019 the annual Shelburne Police Service Canada Day bicycle draw was held at the Canada Day festivities at Fiddle Park. Jaz White and Christina Casamento were named as the male and female winners respectively.

Every June, Shelburne police officers watch for children who are exhibiting safe cycling habits such as wearing a bicycle helmet. Officers issue these young cyclists "Safe cycling tickets" and their names are entered into the Canada Day draw. This initiative aims to promote cycling safety amongst children through positive reinforcement of safe cycling habits.

Dufferin Mutual Insurance is the generous sponsor of this annual event and their generosity is very much appreciated by the Shelburne Police Service.

Event coordinator PC Andrew Fines stated that "we are thankful for the generosity of sponsorship shown by Dufferin Mutual Insurance Company. We are fortunate to have such a giving community partner".

The Shelburne Police Service reminds all

cyclists to practice safe cycling habits and to always wear a bicycle helmet.

OPP nab driver speeding impaired driver in Melancthon

On August 7, 2019 at 9:15 Dufferin OPP conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle was stopped after travelling Northbound on Highway 10 just South of County Road 17 in Melancthon Township. The grey Volkswagen Jetta was observed on radar to be travelling at 140km/hr in a posted 80 km/hr zone. Police also received a traffic complaint about the same vehicle weaving all over the road. On the traffic stop OPP officers detected a odour of an alcoholic beverage. The driver failed a roadside test and was arrested for Operation of Motor Vehicle over 80 mgs and Dangerous Driving and taken to Dufferin Detachment for breath tests.

As a result of a thorough police investigation Ryan Pollard, 29 years of age and a resident of Dundalk, was charged with Impaired oper-

ation of a motor vehicle, 80 plus, dangerous operation and preform stunt - excess speed. Issued a court date at Orangeville courthouse. His vehicle was impounded for 7 days and his driver license was suspended for 90 days.

He will appear in Orangeville Ontario Court of Justice at a later date for first appearance

OPS investigating sexual assault

Orangeville Police Service is investigating a sexual assault that occurred at a retail business on Broadway last Thursday evening (August 8, 2019).

On Thursday, August 8, 2019, at approximately 8:50p.m., an unknown male entered the business known as The Happy Place, located at 172 Broadway, and committed an inappropriate action to a female in the store.

The male suspect is described as being in his mid-40's with a heavy build and salt and pepper buzz-cut hair. He was wearing a grey short sleeved button up shirt and brown pants and glasses. The suspect was clean shaven



SUBMITTED PHOTO

BICYCLE DRAW: Leanne Doig from Dufferin Mutual Insurance Company, Althea and Christina Casamento, PC Andrew Fines and Jaz White.

and was also described as smelling like alcohol and body odor.

Police are continuing their investigation and would like to hear from anyone who can assist with further information to identify the suspect.

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Can trees really save the planet?

Kilian writes, "Efforts are already under way to reforest Central America. Mexico is spending \$100 million US dollars in El Salvador and Honduras on reforestation projects."

He suggests the best way for Canada to help reduce CO2, may be by financially supporting the reforestation of Central America, Haiti and other tropical countries, as well as our own temperate regions.

Meanwhile, here in Ontario Premier Doug Ford and the Conservatives cut an approved planting program for 50 million trees in the province. Karren Wallace says, "It shows the Ford government does not really believe in climate change and the importance of protecting our fragile eco-system to support farming initiatives or climate change."

Dufferin County Warden and Major of Melancthon, Darren White says as the Ford government was elected on a mandate to cut, he "was not surprised to see cuts coming swiftly and in many directions." But, he says, "One can only hope that in some cases, sober second thought, public input and data can bring some common sense to some of these cuts."

Warden White told the Free Press, "The County currently owns and manages almost 1,100 hectares of forested property with a varying assortment of tree types and habitats, and actively looks for opportunities to increase the tree canopy in the area." He says, "Much of this is encouraged with partnerships with various conservation authorities and other groups like the Upper Grand Watershed Committee."

"The County is also actively trying to convince landowners to add trees for things like the living snow fence program, other windbreaks and fence rows to prevent soil erosion, and increase winter safety while lowering associated costs," he says. "These programs rely on landowner participation and therefore are working in places and not in others."

Currently, the Warden says, "There is no plan to implement a large scale tree planting program in the County, likely for a number or reasons. Cost would be one and organizational capacity would be one as well. As

lower tiers hold the planning power in their jurisdictions, retaining trees on properties being developed or redeveloped would fall to them."

When asked if he would support the County providing free trees as an incentive for individuals to plant, the Warden said he could not really answer that without seeing a costing, but, in principle, he noted "I would, providing we could quantify the results."

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- 22. Chintzy
- 25. First Hebrew letter
- 28. Crucial inning
- 30. Easy chair
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- 55. Exchange fee
- 57. Sunday speech
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- 61. Rich pastry
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- 65. Passing grades
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Sr. Cubs compete in annual tournament in New Lowell

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The New Lowell Knights came out as the winners in the August long weekend tournament they host every year.

Ten teams from around the province signed up for the three-day event that got underway on Saturday morning at the New Lowell Recreation Park diamond.

The Mansfield Cubs were up against the

Orangeville Giants in their first game of the tournament.

Mansfield came out with a win even though the teams played to a tie.

According to tournament rules, if a tie occurs the win is awarded to the team that had the most runners on base during the game.

In the second game the Cubs lost to the Niagara Expos 6 - 4. That knocked the the

Mansfield team out as the the tournament features a championship final for teams that won every game.

The New Lowell team won their first game 12 -3 over the Creemore Braves.

In their second game they knocked the Niagara Falls Expos out of competition with a 5 - 1 win.

The final matched up the Knights with the Welland Chiefs.

It was the second year in a row these two teams have met in the tournament championship game.

New Lowell opened the scoring with a run in the second inning, then plated two more in the fourth and one in the fifth to take a four run lead.

Welland scored two in the fifth inning.

The Knights brought in another run in the sixth then finished off with four in the seventh inning.

The Chiefs scored a single run in the seventh inning.

The final was a 9 - 3 win for the Knights who claimed the tournament trophy.

In the tournament consolation championship, the Creemore Braves met the Merriton Alliance.

Both teams scored a lone run in the first inning. Merriton took the lead with a single in the third.

Creemore answered with three runs in the fifth inning to take the win.

The final was 4 -2.



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

WEEKEND BALL: Mansfield's Emmerson Pendleton gets a mouthful of dirt as he slides into base during the Cubs game against the Orangeville Giants during the annual New Lowell Civic Holiday tournament. The teams played to a 3 - 3 tie with the Cubs taking the win based on tournament rules on tie games.

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Shelburne CAO helping to guide municipality into fruitful future

Many things on residents' want list will not happen in the next decade. Things like indoor pools and splash pads are hugely expensive, as are basketball courts and sports fields. However, other amenities are not and members of the community have always been generous with their time and efforts to provide events and opportunities. As CAO, Denyse sees a lot of possibilities materializing for Shelburne. She emphasizes the trail networks and the road share initiatives as examples and the Town's ongoing efforts to provide access, to information, for the residents, through things like the new website. There needs to be a Master Plan established for Fiddle Park, which is still highly under used and the professional level theatre inside Town Hall, could become a major community focus if it were maximized.

Presently, the Town lacks a large commercial tax base with which to offset residential taxes, but it is coming. Residential taxes will always constitute the majority of Shelburne's tax revenue, but all available commercial land, in the community, is currently in the hands of developers.

The largest of these is Fieldgate, in the east end, where over 11 acres is slated for retail/commercial development. Several retailers have already expressed interest and Fieldgate intends to develop the commercial side ahead of the close to 400 homes in the development. To Denyse, this is the tip of the iceberg, that will eventually see Shelburne rise above its current fiscal dilemmas.

However, to facilitate this and other developments on the horizon, Shelburne's infrastructure must be brought up to appropriate levels, with water and waste water treatment being the biggest issues. Quality of life is a touchstone in Denyse's strategic planning approach for the town. Her approach is governed by what she perceives as essential services, as opposed to extraneous benefits. Having a flexible plan and following it, regardless of its popularity is a key component to the sustainable future of Shelburne. No one is going to get everything they want, but everyone is going to get a Shelburne that is affordable, livable, vibrant and a place to call home.

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ATHLETE

OF THE WEEK



JORDEN VANAMELSVOORT

As a first year player on the Outlaws, bantam middle linebacker / running back Jordan Vanamelsvoort said he enjoyed the season.

"It's fun. I enjoy tackling and hitting guys out there," Jordan said of why he likes playing football.

He was a key member of the team that went to the league semi-finals this year.

Jordan said he plans to return to play another season.

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New Food and Music Festival hopes to draw hundreds this weekend

Written By MARNI WALSH

The first ever Family Fun Food and Music Festival, presented by Alethia Stephenson, Max Lewis, and DJ Cool from 102.7 FM, will take place at Fiddle Park in Shelburne this Saturday, August 17. The group says they are anticipating between 500 and 800 guests.

Alethia Stephenson told the Free Press, "The multicultural family event will feature music artists from Shelburne, Barrie, Kitchener, Brampton, Toronto and Montreal." Musical styles at the festival will include Country, Indie Rock, Soft Rock, Pop and Reggae.

The inspiration for the Food and Music Festival came from "the need to have a fun family activity in town that everyone can enjoy without having to leave Shelburne," says Alethia Stephenson.

Ms. Stephenson has lived in Shelburne with her family for the past five years. "When we assessed the size of the park, we realized this was the perfect location to host something that the entire community could get behind and participate in."

A committee began to mobilize with an initial meeting in February, and the group finalized the performer line-up in early summer.

Alethia Stephenson says, "The committee is made up of individuals with different backgrounds and experience." Shelburne resident, Max Lewis, for example "has several years of experience working with entertainers, as well as DJ's and promoters, and he brings a wealth of industry experience to the table." He played a key role, along with DJ Cool, in securing a number of artists for the event, she says.

"Dj Cool, from 102.7FM, is a graduate of McGill University and a multi-award winning radio host who brings 20 years of experience hosting events both on and off the air, as well as working with international and local entertainers," says Ms. Stephenson.

Lead volunteer and activities coordinator, and Shelburne resident, Martina Breunig McLennon, "brings community experience to the table as well as help with marketing and promotions," says Alethia Stephenson. Ms. Stephenson, herself, brings "years of leadership experience to the table to coordinate logistics and planning of the event." Organizers are grateful to their many behind the scenes volunteers, as well as Town staff and Public Works, for all their help.

Musical headliners for Shelburne's newest event include: one of Canada's most engag-

ing musical artists, Dufferin's own award winning and critically acclaimed singer-songwriter Ed Roman. Also on deck, Tasha T., Devon Irie, Elle Trema, Empress Divine, Jimmy Reid, Laza Blaza, Glory Empire, and many more, including local band, Visual Negative. There will be a selection of food trucks on site, from both Shelburne and Toronto, ready to serve hungry patrons, and the event promises a variety of fun activities for children as well.

Alethia Stephenson says the main goal is simply to ensure that everyone has a good time. She says a portion of the funds raised at the Food and Music Festival will be donated to a local charity. Students will have a chance to win a free backpack, compliments of Faith Believers Fellowship, and door prizes will include a LED TV, a gift certificate, and dinner for two.

Organizers invite everyone to "bring a lawn chair and prepare to have fun." The Family Fun Food and Music Festival will take place at Fiddle Park 515677 Dufferin County Road 11 in Shelburne on August 17th from noon until 10 pm. The event is alcohol free and smoke free.

Early bird tickets can be purchased for \$20/person at the following locations: The Town of Shelburne office: 203 Main St. E, Shelburne; Blavish Hair and Beauty Supply: 104 Main St. E, Shelburne; online at Eventbrite.com: Family Fun Food and Music Festival Shelburne 2019; or call Alethia at 647-210-1939. Tickets purchased at the gate on event day are \$30. Children 12 and under are free. An official after-party will be held at The Dufferin Public House, located at 214 Main Street, starting around 10 pm, August 17th.

Shelburne Library News

Written By ROSE DOTTEN

TD Summer Reading Club Finale

Please join us at 11 am on Saturday, August 16, 2019 for the Awards ceremony. All participants will receive a small prize and certificate. Participants with most books read, most programs attended, and most overall points earned will receive special recognition.

Authors in the Hills of Mulmur

For the fifth year, this event held in a barn in the beautiful hills of Mulmur was outstanding. The capacity crowd of 150 was lavish in its praise of the authors, the food and the lovely venue, saying it was the best ever! It certainly was a beautiful afternoon for this special Mulmur township community literary event. With funds raised last year, the committee had a special elevated stage built which could be used for future Mulmur Township events.

Teen Scene

It's hard to believe our TSRC is almost over for the year! As of the time we're writing, our Teens have read about 150 books, earning 1 point for each book, and there is stiff competition for the prize for most books read. They've also completed a variety of weekly challenges, including trying to cook a meal using just the sun and some ingenuity, which earned a lot of laughs. Come check out the wide variety of games we will have in the parking lot between 11am-3pm at our Finale on Friday, August 16th. Our Finale will feature entertainment from Troupe Adore (face painting, Henna, balloon animals, and music) as well as light refreshments! We're going to wrap up this year's Teen Summer Reading Challenge with prizes being awarded on Friday, August 16th @ 2pm.

We're also looking to add a few new members to our Teen Advisory Board. This group meets monthly and helps plan our Teen events while earning community service hours. If your Teen is interested, please fill out an application (found at www.shelburnelibrary.ca/TAB.html) and return it in person to the Library c/o Jade Noble, or email it to jnoble@shelburnelibrary.ca!

Upcoming Events:

- Friday, August 16th, 11am-3pm- Summer Reading Finale (TDSRC & TSRC)
- Tuesday, August 27th, 4:00pm-5:00pm- Fresh Ink
- Tuesday, September 10th, 4:00-5:00pm- TAB Meeting
- Thursday, September 12th, 4:00-5:30pm- Teen Scary Movie

Children's Programs

Our award-winning TD Summer Reading Program is coming to an end; we will be wrapping up the summer fun with our yearly

TD SRC Finale Party on Friday, August 16th, 2019 @ 11 am for our awards ceremony, and to distribute the TD SRC Certificate of completion.

- Friday, August 16th - TD SRC FINALE PARTY 11 am - 3 pm
- Tuesday, August 20th - Books & Babies @ 10 - 11 am
- Wednesday, August 21st - PAWS to Read, by appointment only
- Wednesday, August 21st - Tween the Pages Book Club @ 12 - 1 pm, Ages 7-12
- Wednesday, August 21st - LEGO Club @ 3 - 4 pm
- Thursday, August 22nd - Sleepy Story Time @ 6:15 pm - 7:00 pm
- Friday, August 23rd - Story Time @ 10:30 am *This will be our last Story Time before our September break in programming.
- August 26th - September 19th: All Children's programs on break.

Need more information about any of our programs? Call us at 519-925-2168, or email children@shelburnelibrary.ca.

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- The bookshop on the shore by Jenny Colgan
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This position offers between 6-16 hours per week. Wage range: \$14.30-\$15.05 per hour dependent on experience and qualifications. Full details for this position is available on the Town of Shelburne website at www.shelburne.ca

Resumes for this position will be received until Friday, August 23, 2019 at 2:00pm by email or in person. Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, 200 Fiddle Park Lane, Shelburne, ON L9V 3C9
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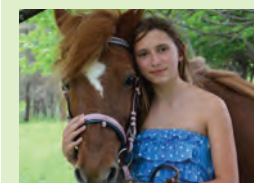
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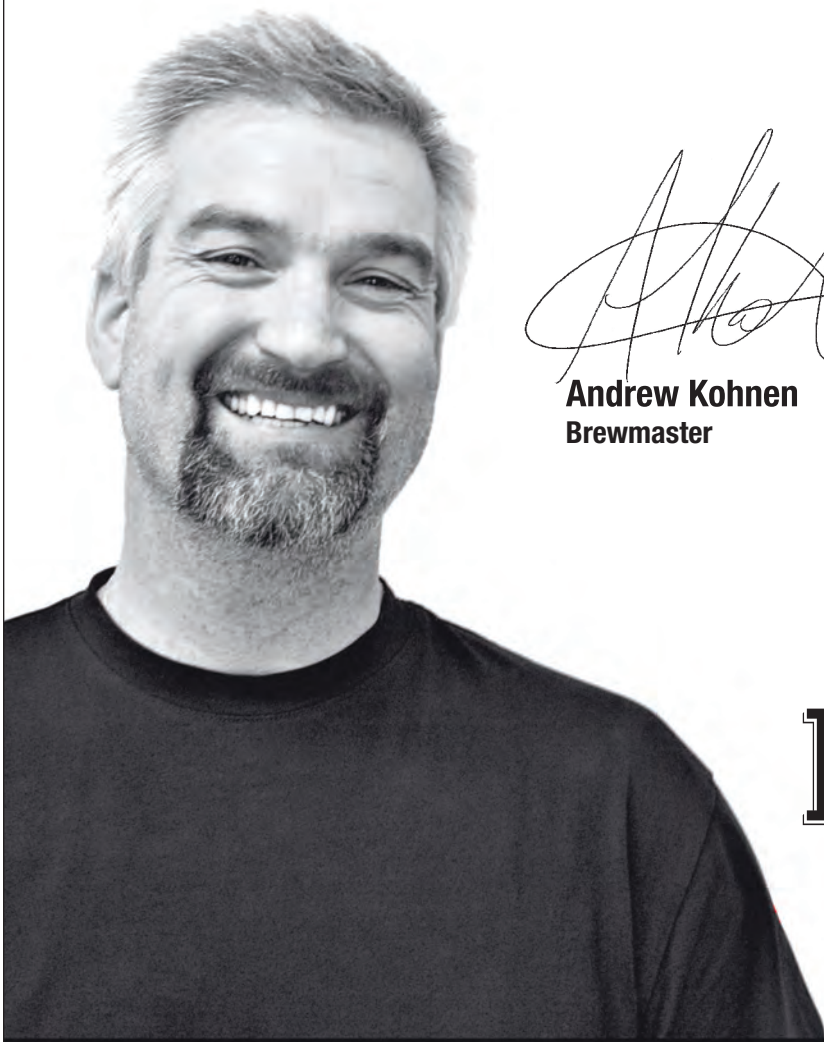


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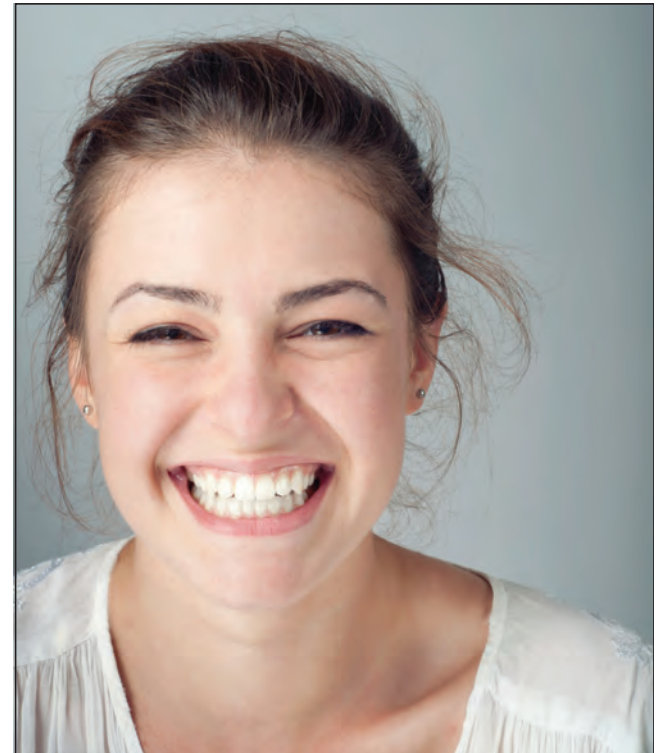
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