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## Town of Shelburne hosting movie night with drive-in theatre at Fiddle Park

Written By PAULA BROWN

Movie Night is coming to Shelburne with the town preparing to host a drive-in theatre on Saturday (Sept. 12) at Fiddle Park.

With the cancellation of many events in town as a result of COVID-19, including Canada Day celebrations, the Town of Shelburne and Party Cinemas partnered to bring a family friendly drive-in theatre for a night to the community.

"The idea was to create something that was family friendly that would give people the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and enjoy the fireworks, which will be virtual, and a movie," said Carol Maitland, Economic Development and Marketing Coordinator. "The idea was just to have something for the

town residents."

The movie that is scheduled to play is Toy Story 4 and will start at 8:15 p.m. The event, which sold tickets by the carload, is already sold out.

"We sold out," said Maitland, "We had 120 ticket and we sold out in basically a day and a half."

Leading up to the movie, the Town has also partnered with Tiffany McCabe, a local art therapist, to have a rock and glass painting session starting at 5:30 p.m.

"Anyone can come out and participate in painting the rocks and also painting glass, which will be part of the glass installation that's going to go into the gazebo," said Maitland.

The Town is also hoping to have a food

truck vendor at the event to provide food such as hotdogs and popcorn.

With the quick sell out for the drive-in, the town is already hoping to plan for the movie night to happen again starting in 2021.

"We're hoping next year that we will be able to have a weekly drive-in movie night," said Maitland. "That is still up in the air, it will also depend on COVID-19 and what happens in the future, but it is something that the town is certainly considering."

With the event free, the Town is asking that the people attending bring a donation of a non-perishable food item for Shepherds Cupboard Food Bank.

Admission for the movie at Fiddle Park will start at 6:00 p.m. with early space booking available.

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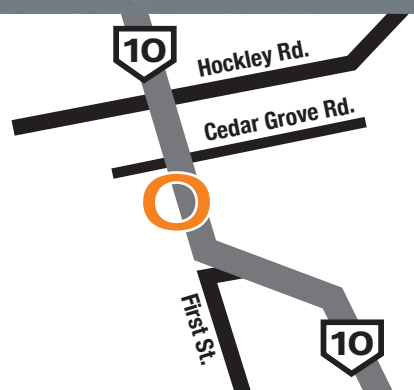






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**BREAKING GROUND:** Construction for a community garden started on Sept. 3, at Fiddle Park. The garden is planned to be finished by May 2021.

## Work begins on new Shelburne Community Garden at Fiddle Park

Written By PAULA BROWN

A community garden is on its way to the Town of Shelburne, with the official breaking of the ground from construction starting last Thursday (Sept. 3).

"We thought that it would be a good idea to allow our community to have access to fresh food," said Carol Maitland, Economic Development and Marketing Coordinator at the Town of Shelburne.

The community garden, which will be located at Fiddle Park, has been in the works for around two years and was unanimously supported by Town Council.

The community garden has around 27 beds planned to be built, with about one third of them raised and with others ranging in size. The construction that started on Thursday is the laying of the pathways and the garden beds themselves. A gazebo at the garden will also have solar lighting and a water irrigation system for rain barrel water that can be used by the gardeners. The community garden will also have a "relaxation garden" that Maitland says will have rocks, flowers, and herbs.

"We're going to be also planting quite a substantial number of fruit trees, which will hopefully be good for pollinators and any of the wildlife," said Maitland. "We're trying to keep the garden as natural as possible."

A study done by Dufferin County and

Dufferin-Wellington Guelph Public Health, which discussed food insecurity in the Shelburne area, was the reason Maitland says that the Town decided to start a local community garden.

"It gives people the opportunity to grow their own food, I did mention the food insecurity issues, but it also allows people to have a place where they can hopefully meet other community members," said Maitland.

Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson is a big fan of the community garden idea.

"During the 2018 elections there were a number of things that people had on their wish list as to what they wanted to see in the town and near the top was a community garden," he said. "It allows the community to come together whether you're young or older or in between, it's a great hub."

Addressing food instability in the community Maitland said that one of the garden beds will be used to grow fresh produce for Shelburne's local food bank, Shepherds Cupboard.

The community garden was originally planned to open this year but was set back by COVID-19. Maitland says that the plan now is to open in May of 2021.

Spaces for the garden beds are sold out, but those interested can go to [www.shelburne.ca](http://www.shelburne.ca) for openings.

"The idea behind the community garden is just a place for gathering," said Maitland.

## Amaranth Coun. Mark Tijssen storms out of meeting, announces resignation

Written By PAULA BROWN

Problems within Amaranth Council continued last week, with Coun. Mark Tijssen suddenly announcing he was resigning during the township's most recent meeting last Wednesday (Sept. 2).

With Amaranth Council prepared to enter closed sessions to discuss a workplace harassment report and the possible consequences regarding Amaranth Mayor Bob Currie, Coun. Tijssen walked out of the meeting, and announced his resignation from council.

"I didn't know what was happening because we had entered a closed meeting and Coun. Tijssen just got up, gathered his papers and left. He didn't say anything," said Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits in a recent interview with the Free Press. "Council wasn't aware of anything or the reason until the Mayor came back and said that Coun. Tijssen had called him and said that he was resigning."

In mid-May a workplace harassment complaint was received by the Ministry of Labour, who then advised the township to bring in a third party investigator to explore the complaint that was brought forward.

"The situation I was aware of where certain members of staff had had negative interactions with some members of council," said Gerrits, who initiated the complaint to the Ministry. "My official complaint was against two members of council and their interactions in the past couple of year with members of staff."

The third party investigator provided recommendations to Amaranth CAO Nicole Martin, disclosing that one of the recommendations was to revoke the powers of Mayor Bob Currie and to restrict him from attending the township offices.

Deputy Mayor Gerrits and Coun. Gail Little voted in favour of restricting the powers of the mayor, while Coun. Heather Foster

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Chris Gerrits  
Amaranth Deputy Mayor

and Tijssen both voted in opposition leading to the request being defeated in the 2-2 vote.

"I voted in favor of restricting the ability of the mayor because I wanted to see some control put in place," said Gerrits, who alleged numerous phone calls and attendance to the township offices was impeding the ability of staff's ability to work.

Internal problems within Amaranth Council have become increasingly apparent.

"We don't agree on everything, we probably shouldn't, there's always a debate and sometimes it gets heated," said Gerrits. "I think the public is aware and sometimes certain members cross the line, in my opinion."

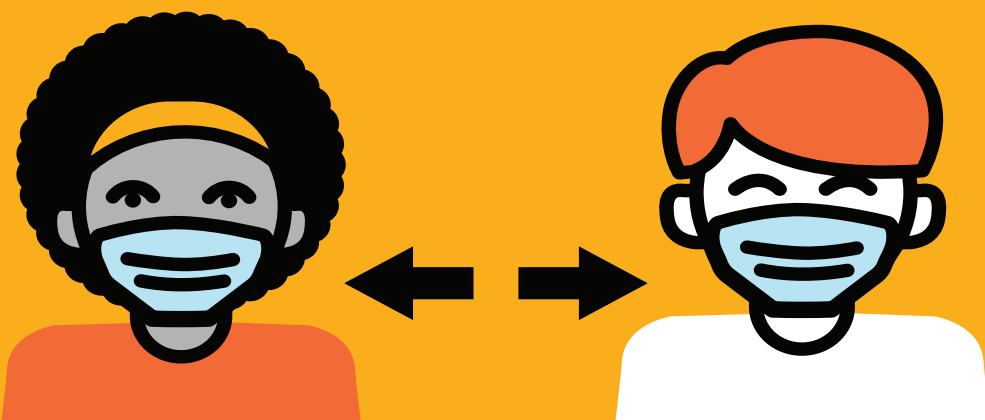
Despite Tijssens' sudden announcement of resignation last Wednesday, Gerrits said that over the last two years Tijssen had mentioned various times that he had considered resigning. The timing of his resignation said Gerrits is what was surprising.

Mark Tijssen has not responded to several requests for an interview. To follow through with his resignation, he must now submit official documentation outlining his intentions to CAO Martin. As of press time, that written resignation has not been received.

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Working from home

"Get well, get well, we wish you get well soon!"

That was the song that drove Elaine Benes over the edge when it came to office relationships.

Later in the same show she quipped, "I had to take a sick day, I'm so sick of these people!"

Working in an office environment can be a happy place away from home with people you like, an okay place where you're just there to make a living and like half the people, or a living nightmare if you happen to work in a place with a micro-managing boss who blames others for his incompetence and an office manager who has been there for 40 years and demands you do your job her seriously outdated way because 'that's the way we've always done it.'

I heard a radio commercial the other day with a voice-over that started "By now, most of you are probably working from home."

It followed up with some statement about working at home being the 'new normal.'

I don't know where this whole idea of everyone now working from home started, but in the long run it simply won't work.

GOING to work is half the job.

For starters, I would imagine the majority of people can't work from home even if they wanted to.

I don't think I would want to visit a dentist office where the dentist works from home. What is he going to do? Give you instructions on how to put a filling in by remote camera and hope your nickname isn't "Shaky" for a reason? Same with the dental hygienist.

In fact the entire medical world has to be at the job site, to do their job. You can't give a tetanus shot by telephone. That's also why we call them essential workers.

Every person working in the trades must show up on the job. Plumbers, electricians, carpenters, bricklayers, paving guys, roofers, and landscaping guys, can't send their work in over the internet.

Truck drivers, who deliver the goods that keep the economy and indeed the country, running, can't phone in their delivery, and neither can the people who offload the trucks, drive the fork trucks to store it in a warehouse, or put the fruit in the baskets for sale at the grocery store.

The people who work for the towns and cities can't work from home. Do you want a water plant manager, city work crews,

or police officers calling it in from home?

Obviously the reference to 'working from home' is geared toward people who have desk type jobs and can use their home computer and telephone to do business. That does make sense for some people if you can actually complete that task at hand in your home office.

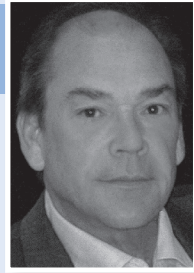
Some people do have jobs where their entire work performance is based on what is done on a computer screen, however spending five days a week working from home - well that would just drive you nuts.

You will never be as productive just working at home - no matter what people tell you. Even the most driven people can be distracted by a telephone call, a travelling sales person at the door, the next door neighbour who decides to drop by for coffee, or the dog that decides it's time to play fetch.

I would think that the majority of people who do considerable work from home, have had enough time in with a company that they know their co-workers, their supervisors, and other people who do business at the office.

That social interaction is a big part of office life, and for many people a part of their social bubble as well.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



Would an employer really feel comfortable hiring a new associate, welcoming them to the firm, then plan on not seeing them in person again? Planning a once per week video conference is not the same as interacting with co-workers when working on a project together.

I've read quite a few stories about the lost employee who started working from home.

"Say, is Ollie Kerplutnick still on payroll?"

"Lets, see.... yes, he's working remotely on the Johnson Rod project."

"Didn't we finish that project five years ago?"

Finally, there's something to be said about getting up, getting dressed and going out into the world rather than spending your morning wearing pajamas, staring at your computer and drinking copious amounts of coffee.

There are definite advantages to doing some of your work at home, but the 'new normal'?

I hope not.

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We need to find that middle ground

Just how much responsibility does a government, or we as a society, have when it comes to ensuring our poorest and most vulnerable individuals are sufficiently taken care of?

The answer to this question will almost certainly differ depending on who you talk to. It's the sort of loaded issue that will garner 1,000 distinctive responses, each jam-packed with personal biases, and a spin on statistics and expert opinion that fits whatever narrative the person you are speaking to is trying to push.

Just this past weekend, with this column firmly in mind, I posed that very question to ten of my closest friends and family members. While there very much is a fence dividing stances on the issue - one being that our most vulnerable should, essentially, be propped up by society, and the other being that they should be left to fend for themselves - it's clear that each of the fields on either side of that extremely polarizing fence are separated by dividers of their own.

From my teeny tiny polling pool, I had, from my perspective, nine positive responses, and one incredibly discouraging reply. Most of the comments centred around the belief that yes, we do have a responsibility to help those in need. There were specific references to people with physical and developmental disabilities, the unemployed, and the elderly. Presently, the Ontario government offers financial assistance by way of programs such as Ontario Works, and the Ontario Disability Support Program. The Canada Pension Plan takes care of individuals that have contributed to the federal pool over the course of their working life.

Now, onto the real purpose of this column, do those supports go far enough?

According to advocacy group Canada Without Poverty (CWP), there are nearly five million people in Canada currently living in poverty. Given that our national population, as of 2019, is slated at around 37.5 million, that would mean approximately 13 percent of all people presently residing in Canada are living under the poverty line. That's an astonishing number, but is it really that surprising?

The federal government published an official poverty dashboard in February of this year, shining a light on issues that affect literally millions of Canadians. That particular report states that 12.7 percent of Canadians, as of February, had unmet housing needs, 11.2 percent reported having unmet health needs, and 8.7 percent faced issues surrounding food security. Interestingly, the report also noted that only 51.2 percent of Canadians reported having enough savings to maintain their well-being for a period of three months in the event of a

sudden job loss, illness or injury.

Again, this document was published in February. We all know what happened in March. This theoretical problem of having to support one's self and family without an income became a reality due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The federal government was quick to

jump in, creating the Canada Emergency Response Benefit to assist working Canadians impacted financially by the coronavirus. The program certainly has its detractors, but it has prevented several million from falling into poverty. CERB provides up to \$2,000 per month to eligible applicants, and will run until Sept. 27. Approximately eight million Canadians have accessed CERB at some point since March, with roughly four million still relying on the program. In total, the federal government is anticipating the final cost of CERB to run north of \$100 billion.

In contrast, the Ontario government currently pays out around \$5.4 billion to support around 475,000 individuals through ODSP, and around \$3 billion assisting a further 450,000 people on Ontario Works benefits. There are many ins and outs of each of those programs, although a colleague of mine, Kira Wronska Dorward, reported in a story in this week's Caledon Citizen that the maximum monthly stipend under ODSP sits at \$1,169 - a little more than half what people have been bringing in through CERB.

This has led to many, many people nationwide advocating for the introduction of a basic income program. Of course, the Ontario government, then led by the Liberals under Kathleen Wynne, dipped their toes into the water on this back in 2018. Around 4,000 people residing in Hamilton, Thunder Bay, Brantford and Lindsay were enrolled, with individuals told they would receive approximately \$17,000 annually over a three-year period. Following that year's provincial election, where Doug Ford's Conservatives toppled Wynne's Liberals, the program was cancelled. Final payments were made to those enrolled in March 2019.

It has been difficult to gauge whether or not the basic income pilot was a success given the extremely limited time that people actually benefitted from it. Given that I lived in Lindsay for several years, I knew many people who were involved in the pilot. Over the course of the year these people received money, I know of someone who was able to completely clear a mountain of credit card debt left behind by a former partner that they otherwise would have had no way of paying off.



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# It was curtains for Inistioge when major railway passed it by

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

If there was one thing that could stop development of a town in the mid to late 1800's, it was the fact that the railway chose the next town over as a stopping point.

When the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway, later the CPR, decided to make a stop at the small nearby village of Proton Station, it pretty much put an end to future expansion of the hamlet of Inistioge.

Located near Highway 10, about six km north of Dundalk, settlers began arriving at Inistioge in the 1840's.

As a travel route, a hotel called George Johnston's hotel was built in Inistioge around 1843 and served as a stopping point for travellers looking for a meal, a bed, and a drink.

Around 1849, George Armstrong and his family arrived in the area. Armstrong wasted no time in investing his time and money in the area.

Armstrong's first project was the building of a local church. It came to be known as Armstrong's Church. There was a cemetery on the property with the first burial taking place in 1852.

The post office was opened in Armstrong's home in 1851, and as they needed an actual town listing for the post office, Armstrong named it Inistioge after his hometown in Ireland.

As people moved to the area a log school house was built around 1865.

A tavern stand was built to dispense alcohol, and a small court office was erected.

Like just about every town in the area, an Orange Lodge, chapter 737, was built in the

1850's.

Another small hamlet called Victoria Corners sprang up right beside Inistioge. They were so close that the two settlements became intertwined in business, family, and commerce.

One family of note, was the John Moore family, who created the "Moore settlement" which became Victoria Corners.

Apparently the Moore family were of a different breed than most of the local settlers. They were well read and apparently well educated. They kept up with scientific developments in the world. They would speak to their neighbors about advances in science and predicted the use of 'flying machines' and 'horseless carriages.'

They were considered oddballs, but were well liked by the townsfolk, who considered most of their ideas to be ridiculous fantasy.

A couple of stores opened up in the town. One of the stores was owned by the Ward family.

To give an example of how tough a life it was in the early pioneer days, when the store need to stock up on supplies, Ms. Ward would walk to Orangeville to catch a stage-coach to Toronto. From there she would return by boat to Collingwood with her supplies. From there, her husband would pick her up and they would return the 50 km to Inistioge by ox cart.

The Armstrong family opened a dry goods store. Other businesses sprang up around it.

There was a blacksmith shop, and a hotel called the Jordan Hotel.

In 1871 a new Methodist Church was built. Although somewhat crude in construction, it boasted three stained windows of which



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

A TOWN NO MORE: A small cemetery and sign are all that remains of the once thriving small town, Inistioge. The town lost out when the railway decided to stop in Proton Station. After the turn of the Twentieth Century, the town slowly faded away.

the locals were quite proud.

During the 1880's, the hamlet had two sawmills, a harness maker, a shoemaker, and a stone mason.

A fellow by the name of William Haines would later open a cheese factory.

In 1889, a new school house was built at at cost of \$1,239.45. It boasted some modern conveniences, most notably a furnace to keep the kids warm during the winter months.

When the railway decided to make Proton Station its stop in the area, businesses start-

ed to gravitate in that direction.

By 1900, the town started to fade away as people moved to other locations.

The Orange Lodge lasted until 1940 and the cemetery was still taking burials until the same year.

The schools are still standing but are now private homes.

The only remnants of the village now, is an wrought iron arch in front of the cemetery with the name of the town and the dates 1851 - 1871.

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## We need to find that middle ground

I know someone who was able to go back to school, and has since transitioned into a new career. I also know of someone, who was on the cusp of being evicted from her home due to unpaid rent, that turned her living situation around and was able to provide a more stable home life for herself and her two children.

In essence, the basic income pilot did a lot of good. It also had its flaws, and was abused by some who found a way to cheat the system. Would a more permanent program, rolled out nationwide help to reduce poverty in Canada? Many experts believe it would, but it'd come at a considerable cost.

Back in 2018, the Office of the Parliamentary Budget Officer estimated that a national basic income program modelled on the Ontario pilot would cost around \$76 billion annually, and would benefit 7.7 million Canadians. That is an incredible cost for a social assistance program, and would surely be up there with the most expensive anywhere in the world. Even taking into account the estimated reduced costs across other federal programs, a basic income initiative would still come at a price of around \$43 billion per year.

Given that total expenditures in 2019, as per that year's federal budget, came in at \$355.6 billion, adding another 12 or 13 percent to that total for a basic income program may not be feasible long-term. While some will point to the \$100 billion investment in CERB as proof the federal government can afford to take on such an endeavour, it should be noted this is being considered a one-time expense, and is one that Canadians will be dealing with, and paying off, for many, many years.

So, while yes, I believe we do have a responsibility to help those who are most in

need, there is a limit to what that responsibility could and should be. We do not live in a perfect world. Money does not grow on trees. Assistance should be provided to those who need it, but not at the cost of bankrupting the whole system. There is a middle ground there that our politicians need to find.

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- 13. Lesotho monetary unit
- 21. Lots
- 23. Jewish address corresponding to "Sir"
- 25. Male parent
- 26. A way to get
- 27. Body part
- 28. Seam in an organ
- 29. Landlocked African country
- 32. Process for producing ammonia
- 33. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
- 34. Bugged down
- 36. Native American tribe
- 37. Unfashionable person
- 38. Female grunts
- 40. Well known
- 41. Gurus
- 43. Norse mythological site
- 44. Tell on
- 46. \_\_ Farrow, actress
- 47. Cotton fabric
- 49. Reciter of Scandinavian poems
- 50. Clouds
- 51. Satisfies
- 52. Shuttered Air Force base in Germany
- 53. Phil \_\_, former CIA
- 54. Japanese seaport
- 57. Female horse or zebra
- 58. First month of ancient Hebrew calendar
- 59. Trigonometric function
- 61. Fashionable knowledge (Slang)
- 62. Insecticide

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- 1. Aurochs
- 5. Central Dravidian language
- 10. Split pulses in Indian cooking
- 14. Tropical starchy tuberous root
- 15. Well known constellation
- 16. About aviation
- 17. Bowfin genus
- 18. Proper
- 19. Expression of annoyance
- 20. Cabbies
- 22. Bro or sis
- 23. Spiritual leader
- 24. Where football coaches work
- 27. Old TV part
- 30. A way to color
- 31. Touch lightly
- 32. Surround

- 35. Breached
- 37. Aristocratic young woman
- 38. Dry ravine
- 39. Hebrew measurement units
- 40. Supporter
- 41. Type of sword
- 42. Influential Irish playwright
- 43. Witch
- 44. Flower cluster
- 45. Mark Wahlberg's animal friend
- 46. Psychedelic amphetamine
- 47. Actors' group
- 48. Cool!
- 49. Salts
- 52. Group of SE China
- 55. Illuminated
- 56. Semitic Sun god
- 60. Water (Spanish)
- 61. Employed

- 63. Japanese ankle sock
  - 64. Fishing fly
  - 65. Some pheasants are this
  - 66. Literary name for Ireland
  - 67. Must have
  - 68. A way to write
  - 69. One point east of southeast
- DOWN**
- 1. American state
  - 2. Hindu model of ideal man
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  - 4. Drenches
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# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## Ontario Soccer recommends local clubs design return-to-play plans

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

Ontario Soccer, the governing body of the sport in Ontario, has modified its Return to Play guide with the latest release coming out on September 1.

The organization worked with Canada Soccer, the Canadian Sport Institute Ontario, and the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism, and Culture Industries to put a plan together to get players and teams out on the soccer pitch.

The principles outlined in the document apply equally to recreational, competitive and high performance level soccer and it is recommended that Clubs use the document to design their own return to play plans.

Soccer is currently in 'phase 2' of the plan to get back to competition.

Phase 1 included a return to modified training with no league or exhibition games, and no festival or tournament games.

Phase 2, is a return to training and modified games.

Some games can be played between clubs and inter-squad play is allowed between teams from the same region.

For outdoor games, teams from the same

region can play while forming bubbles of no more than 50 players in keeping with current restrictions and regulations. The number of spectators at a game must be limited to the number that can maintain a physical distance of at least two metres from every other person in the facility, and cannot exceed 100 spectators for an outdoor game and 50 spectators for an indoor game.

When it comes to tryouts, players can only participate in one region only. A contact tracing log must be completed for each seminar.

Each age level of the sport has its own unique guidelines to assist coaches, parents, and players, to make sure the protocols are followed. Age is taken into consideration especially for the younger players who may have difficulty following social distancing guidelines.

Sanitizing of equipment will take place.

There are also rule changes. To avoid the transfer of bodily fluids, heading of the ball will not be allowed and throw-ins will be replaced by kicking the ball into play.

The currently rules and restrictions will remain in effect until it is deemed appropriate to move into phase 3.



FILE PHOTO

RETURN TO PLAY: Ontario Soccer has modified its provincial Return to Play guide, and is now encouraging soccer clubs to design their own return to play plans following the months-long COVID-19 pandemic.

## Local sports writer predicts outcome of NHL Stanley Cup conference final match-ups

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

It's finally now down to four team's in this year's NHL playoffs.

All four clubs will be playing their final

games of hockey in Edmonton.

Sometimes, you wonder it's crazy how the league got here. The league battles a pandemic, plans hub cities, structures out a new playoff format all in the span of a few

months and so far, knock on wood, it has all been successful and every player in the bubble is coronavirus free.

In this year's final four, the Las Vegas Golden Knights will be taking on a tenacious Dallas Stars squad in the west, while the pesky and resilient New York Islanders go up against a stormy Tampa Bay Lightning club, looking to get back into the Stanley Cup finals since 2015.

If you had it scripted any other way then it's not your fault. But two of the favourites are here and two of the non-favourites have it made this far.

Let's take a look at the matchups.

**Dallas Stars vs Vegas Golden Knights**  
Off of the stick of defenceman John Klingberg, the Stars took game one. This club has been itching to get back into the Stanley Cup finals since their infamous victory in 1999 against the Buffalo Sabres.

Now, the Stars have been surging towards another appearance and after falling short of the finals last season, losing to the St. Louis Blues for the western conference title, there's no question Tyler Seguin and captain Jamie Benn want to get in there.

Sophomore defenceman Miro Heiskanen leads the way for the Stars with 21 points; the most among any defencemen.

In front of them, is a Golden Knights team, juggling goaltenders and a mighty offensive prowess at the fore.

Defenceman Shea Theodore leads the way with 17 points and forward Mark Stone isn't behind with 15. The key to this series is going to come down to goaltending. After starting game one, can Marc Andre Fleury

and/or Robin Lehner carry Vegas and can Anton Khudobin be consistent for the Stars? It's a tough pick.

Prediction: Golden Knights in 7.

### New York Islanders vs Tampa Bay Lightning

Tampa Bay, the moment is finally here. The Lightning have seemingly dominated the NHL for years and only to fall short of expectations. They can't be proud of that.

What they can be proud of, is an 8-2 victory to open up the series against the Islanders Monday night, chasing Thomas Greiss, who got the go-ahead to start this one.

Brayden Point has amassed 23 points in these playoffs, including a five-point night in game one.

He will look to go head-to-head against Matthew Barzal of the Islanders in an interesting tilt to look out for.

In this series, the Lightning have a few advantages on defence and goaltending. The Islanders don't have a sure-fire number one stud on the back end and the Lightning, have Victor Hedman, Mikhail Sergachev, Ryan McDonagh, Kevin Shattenkirk and Zach Bogosian.

The reigning Vezina Trophy winner in goal, Andrei Vasilevskiy has just three losses in the playoffs.

Although this, is the first time since 1993, the New York Islanders are making it to the conference finals, the Lightning just might be too much to handle.

Prediction: Lightning in six.

All statistics were written as of Tuesday of this week.

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## EMPLOYEE of the week

### SANJAY LEKHI

"We find ourselves to be in the fortunate position of being to help people when they are in need, and we take pride in the fact that we are on the front line and if someone needs something, we are there for them," explained Shelburne Town Pharmacy pharmacist, Sanjay Lekhi, of why he enjoys his job.

Sanjay has been a pharmacist for 16 years and helps many people in Shelburne and the surrounding area with their medication needs.

Outside of the job, he keeps very active playing a variety of sports and is hoping to try skydiving as his next adventure.

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# BIA chair says lack of downtown businesses 'absolutely' an issue

Written By PAULA BROWN

Travelling up and down Main Street in Shelburne lately and it is hard not to notice numerous units with empty store fronts, old business signs, ply wood protecting windows, and "for rent" advertisements.

"It's fair to say that we have fewer businesses on Main Street than we had last year at this time," said Ed Crewson, Chair of the Shelburne BIA.

On the main strip of the downtown of Shelburne, seven units now remain empty without businesses occupying them.

So, are there concerns about the number of business no longer in the downtown?

For Crewson, who has been a business owner on the strip of road since 1985 and is

also chair of the BIA, he says there's never not been concerns about businesses on Main Street, but that this time it is "absolutely" more serious.

"There was never a time that we weren't concerned about the state of Main Street," said Crewson. "Main Street has always been a concern, it is hard to compete with the big box stores that tend to locate outside of town or on the edge of town, in Orangeville or wherever."

Second Fiddle is one of the shops on Main Street that now remains empty, closing their doors back in May. Owned and operated by Diana Buckley, Second Fiddle, was an eclectic shop that sold items such as pottery, jewelry, crystals, and books.

In March, prior to the shop's closing, Buck-

ley spoke with the Shelburne Free Press saying that an increase in rent for the storefront was why they chose to close and return to online sales.

"This time when the lease was due, the present landlord said he wanted the rent to reflect the standard of other Shelburne stores, even though quite a number remain empty," said Buckley. "It meant an increase of half what we had been paying."

With the numerous units still remaining empty Crewson says he doesn't have the answers for the future of businesses of Main Street.

"It's very tough, I don't know," said Crewson. "I don't have any solutions."



FILE PHOTO  
NO SOLUTIONS: Shelburne BIA Chair Ed Crewson admits the downtown business area is struggling, with 7 units presently va-

# Flato Developments makes \$100,000 donation to Streams Community Hub

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

With plans to build a permanent space in Shelburne to house their programs, Streams Community Hub received a major financial boost from Flato Developments last week to help make their new building become a reality.

Flato donated \$100,000 to the organization which, provides programs for youth in the Shelburne area.

Currently, Streams Community Hub operates out of Centennial Hylands Elementary School.

The Town of Shelburne, has 'in principle' provided a building space on town land next to the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.

Flato Developments is well known for their participation in the communities where they are working. Flato is currently building a new development in the west end of Shelburne.

"I was informed about the Streams Community Hub by our deputy mayor, Steve Anderson," explained Shakir Rehmatullah, president of Flato Developments. "It's our philosophy to become engaged with the community in which we work. We look for opportunities where we can interact with people and the Streams Community is a good example. I believe it will be a good introduction to the community for Flato

Developments. We want people to know we believe in the community where we are going to work."

Mr. Rehmatullah, has a personal interest in the arts. Flato Developments has a theatre named after them in Markham. They are also a huge supporter of health care centres.

"I enjoy the arts," Mr. Rehmatullah said. "My philosophy has been to support the hospitals - that's a major thing - or anything we can find that will bring us closer to the community."

Streams Community Hub founders, Andrew and Julie-Anne James, have created an amazing program for youth in the area since the organization was started in 2017.

"We are an arts based, youth focused charity in Shelburne serving youth through seasonal camps during March break and summer camps and we are working towards year long programming," Andrew explained. "We do things like photography, videography, visual arts, acting, and circus camps. In January of this year, the Town of Shelburne, in principal, donated land for us to actually build on next to the CDRC."

Andrew has a background in the arts having studied acting in New York and Los Angeles and has performed on television in Toronto. He also studied and has extensive experience in behind the camera work.

"We are working towards having a perma-

nent space where we can have our programming year round," Julie-Anne explained. "The plan for our building is online on our website. It includes classroom space, studio space, a performance hall, a cafe, recording studio, and a dance studio. We want to give kids access to a state-of-the-art facility where they can come and explore and be involved in the arts."

Since it's inception, Streams Community Hub has received an enthusiastic response in the community.

Youth appreciate the unique programs and the opportunity to take part in something that they create under the guidance of Andrew and Julie-Anne and others involved in teaching the kids and running the programs.

# Shelburne Library News

Written By ROSE DOTTEN

Starting next week, we will be featuring a Community Reader for our Monday night Story Time! These Community readers are great friends of our library and have chosen some excellent stories to read to you. Check at 7:00 pm on our YouTube channel, Facebook, and Instagram pages to see who is reading this week!!

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LEGO Club: We miss hanging out with our LEGO Club members so much. But since we aren't able to have LEGO as a group yet, we are posting build challenges every Wednesday. Did you build something really awesome? Share a picture with us by tagging us on social media, or email it to children@shelburnelibrary.ca.

Sleepy Story Time: Each Thursday evening the Shelburne Public Library has a fun addition to your bedtime routine - our livestream Sleepy Story Time! Join us at 7:00 pm and listen to four new stories every week.

Story Time: Friday mornings, 10:30 am - Each Friday a brand new Story Time video is released. These videos are great to watch on their own, but are even more fun when you've picked up your bag full of take-home Story Time crafts! Each week we sing songs, listen to a story, and then follow the instructions for the crafts in our craft bags. For the month of September, we will be reading about school and making friends.

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### OBITUARIES

### Catherine Lavender



Catherine passed away on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at Dufferin Oaks, Shelburne. Catherine was born in England on the 4th of May, 1945. She married Brian Lavender in 1966 and they had a daughter named Teresa. She worked at York University for 34 years and took early retirement at 55. The family wishes to extend a deep appreciation to the nursing staff at Dufferin Oaks for their loving care, especially on the Mono floor. A funeral service was held in St. Andrew's Church, 17621 St. Andrews Road, Caledon on Friday morning, September 4 at 11 o'clock. Interment in St. Andrew's Cemetery. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

### COMING EVENTS



Provincial Service Officer Sherry Culling will be at the Shelburne Legion Branch 220 on Wednesday September 16th 2020 at 10:00am

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# Shelburne Police investigating more thefts from vehicles

On September 6, 2020 the Shelburne Police Service received multiple reports of thefts from vehicles that occurred in the early morning hours that same day. All vehicles that were entered were unlocked and a variety of smaller items were taken. This occurred in a subdivision in the north end of town.

The suspect in this incident appears to be acting alone and photos are attached to this release. The Shelburne Police Service is aware that residents have captured footage of two people walking around this area at approximately the same time. These individuals are not suspects and it is hoped that this statement by police will discourage and

discontinue any further online discussion regarding them.

The Shelburne Police Service is actively investigating these incidents and is canvassing for witnesses and home security video. If you witnessed anything on September 6th, or you have captured a suspect pulling on car doors on your home video, please contact Shelburne Police at 519-925-3312.

Media Relations Officer PC Jennifer Roach reminds residents to lock their vehicles. "This is a completely avoidable crime and it is very rare for someone to access a locked vehicle. Please lock your vehicle doors and keep your valuables out of sight. Locking your vehicle is the best defence to this type

of crime".

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



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**ATTEMPTED THEFTS:** The Shelburne Police Service are on the lookout for a man who attempted to break into multiple vehicles across the community on Sunday evening (Sept. 6).

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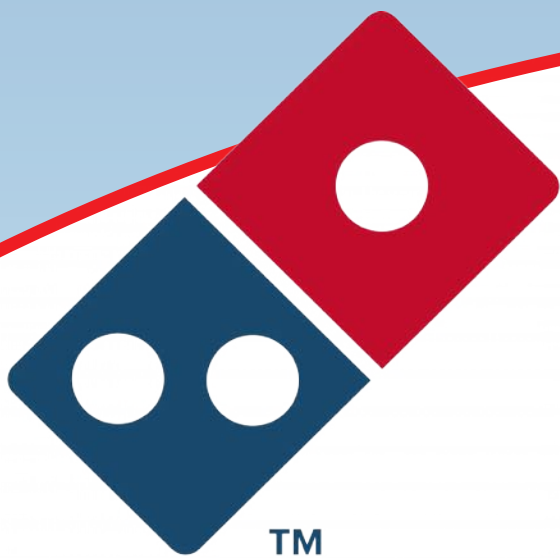
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