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Together, we will recognize 25 local heroes in Dufferin-Caledon as good news stories which serve to bring positivity, hope, and celebrate the wonderful community spirit of Dufferin-Caledon.

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SPLASH PAD FUNDRAISER Members of the Rotary Club of Shelburne and employees of Shelburne Ford Trillium celebrated the installation of a fundraising thermometer last Thursday (March 25). The fundraising meter will mark the progress of donations for a splash pad project that the local rotary club has been working on over the last few years. The meter will be housed at Trillium Ford for the next two weeks, before making its move to another local business.

Rotary Club starts 2021 campaign for Splash Pad

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Rotary Club of Shelburne has officially started their 2021 fundraising campaign to bring a splash pad to the Shelburne community.

Members of the local Rotary Club marked the launch of the 2021 campaign last Thursday (March 25), with the installation of a fundraising thermometer at the Shelburne Trillium Ford Lincoln dealership. The local dealership is the first business to display the fundraising meter, which will track the progress of donations made to bring a splash pad to the community.

"We've been putting a real push on for this, our 2021 campaign," said Shelburne Rotary member Sandra Gallagher at the thermometer installation. "Trillium Ford have stepped up as our first business, and we're very happy with that. We've visited other businesses in the area and it looks really positive that the

thermometer is going to move pretty quickly, we're very positive about that."

The first business to host the fundraising meter, Trillium Ford is also making a donation to the splash pad.

"Trillium Ford Lincoln Ltd. in Shelburne is so very pleased to provide support for the Shelburne Splash Pad," said Wendy Gabrek, Marketing Manager for Trillium Ford. "We hope our gift will inspire others to give generously to this worthy project, and we can't wait to see families splashing and having fun next summer."

The Shelburne Splash Pad has been an ongoing project for the local Rotary Club over the last few years, with a Splash Pad Committee established to work on the project. In October of 2019 the Splash Pad Committee met with Town Council to present the project and outlined a draft of the projected design, locations, costs and fundraising. The committee met with council again in early 2020 where the location of the splash pad

was decided to be Greenwood Park.

"A splash pad is for everybody in the community," said Gallagher. "It's getting families and kids out, being active, having fun and communicating with each other, and that's why we wanted to bring a splash pad to Shelburne."

The Rotary Club of Shelburne has a fundraising goal of \$300,000, and as of Thursday has raised \$131,000 through bottle drives, car washes, private donors, community donations, and the Rotary's own promise of \$30,000.

"We want it to be a community project, everyone feels like they're all part of this fundraiser," said Gallagher.

The fundraising thermometer will stay at the local dealership for two weeks, and the will make its move to another business in the community. Trillium Ford will have a donation jar for customers to donate.

The Shelburne Splash Pad is scheduled to open summer of 2022.

Shelburne Council condemns anti-Asian racism

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Shelburne is once again making its stance on racism clear.

The Town issued a statement last Thurs-

day (March 25) condemning hate, racism, misogyny, and violence in the community in response to the March 16 mass shooting in Atlanta, Ga, which saw eight people killed, including six women of Asian descent. In the statement, the Town also recognized

the extreme rise in anti-Asian hate crime as well as the increasing violence against women during the pandemic.

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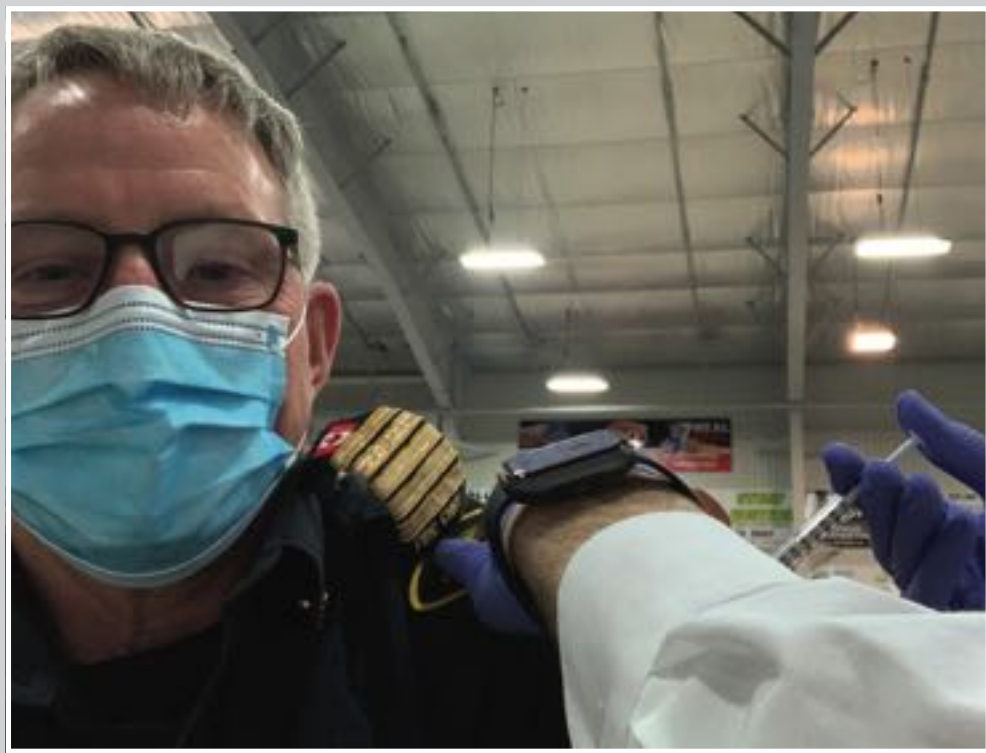
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GETTING THE JOB: Shelburne and District Fire Department Chief, Ralph Snyder received his vaccine at the Alder Recreation Centre in Orangeville on Wednesday (March 31). Shelburne firefighters started receiving their first vaccine shots on March 31.

Province considers keeping online learning as a permanent option

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter



The Upper Grand District School Board (UG) says they've received no information or direction on online learning becoming a permanent option for students, as the Ontario government considers its implementation into the education system.

Reports of remote learning becoming a permanent option for students came after a Ministry of Education presentation was obtained by the Globe and Mail.

"If introduced and passed, beginning in September, 2021, parents would continue to have the ability to enroll their child in full-time synchronous remote learning if they choose going forward. School boards would also be required to provide student with remote learning on snow days and in the event of an emergency that results in a school closure," reads the document.

Following the release of the Ministry's reports on online learning, the Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario (ETFO) released a statement last Thursday (March 25).

"The move to virtual learning was never intended to be permanent; it was a temporary measure intended to deliver emergency instruction during a global health crisis. But this was never the Ford government's plan. It's now clear that, throughout the pandemic, they've been working on a virtual learning plan that will divert funds from publicly funded education to private companies," said Sam Hammond, President of ETFO.

"To be clear, this plan will negatively affect students, increase inequities, lower standards in publicly funded education, and put us one step closer to the privatization of public education."

UGDSB spokesperson Heather Loney said in an email to the Free Press the move

would have "significant implications" on many areas of school board operations including funding, staff logistics, student supports, and planning for the school year.

"Without further information or direction from the Ministry, it is very difficult for us to speak further as to the possible impacts a move like this could have," said Loney.

Students in Ontario have been working through both online learning and in-person learning for more than a year now with the COVID-19 pandemic.

The statement from the ETFO also noted that students thrive in an in-person environment for learning where they can learn collaboratively and can be assessed daily.

According to a document from SickKids' they state that, "full-time remote learning is insufficient to meet the needs of the majority of Ontario children and youth, leads to increased screen time and is likely detrimental to overall health. The document also says that the daily in-person school model is best for the educational and developmental needs of children."

"We do believe that online learning can be suitable for some student but does not meet the learning and well-being need of all students," wrote Loney to the Free Press.

A decision on implementing online learning permanently in Ontario school boards is expected from the government in the coming weeks.

NO HOLIDAY INTERRUPTION FOR WASTE COLLECTION

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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April 4	EASTER MONDAY	April 6	April 7	April 8	April 9	April 10
April 11	April 12	April 13	April 14	April 15	April 16	April 17

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Public Health warning residents of potential COVID-19 text scam

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter



Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health (WDGPH) is warning residents in the region of a COVID-19 booking text scam being used to gather personal information.

According to a news release issued last Friday (March 26) from the Public Health unit, some residents have received text messages encouraging them to call a number similar to the COVID-19 booking help line and to provide their driver's license and other information to confirm their identity for their vaccination appointment.

"Public Health only contacts individuals with vaccination appointments to either remind them of their appointment or to advise them of a cancellation or change to the appointment," said WDG Public Health in the news release.

The number being used in the fraudulent calls (1-844-480-0202) is one digit off of the

correct number to contact WDG Public Health for COVID-19 vaccination appointments (1-844-780-0202).

Danny Williamson, communications specialist for WDG Public Health, said at this time to the best of public health's knowledge there is no specific groups being targeted or reports of residents falling victim to the scam.

"If you receive a text like this, please contact your local law enforcement or the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre and do not respond to the message," states WDG Public Health.

For more information on Covid-19 vaccines, go to www.wdgpUBLICHEALTH.ca/vaccine.

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Shelburne condemns anti-Asian racism

"As we collectively process and grieve this tragic loss of life, we stand in solidarity with families and communities who experience violence, including those who are living within our community. We reaffirm that we will continue to name and take action and will not tolerate hate, racism, misogyny, and all forms of discrimination and violence that affect our community. No one should feel unsafe, harassed or that they do not belong," reads the statement issued from the Town.

According to live data from Fight COVID Racism, a website dedicated to tracking self-reported or witness-reported incidents of anti-Asian racism and xenophobia, there have been 977 incidents of anti-Asian hate crimes across Canada reported as of March 30.

A recent report released by the Chinese Canadian National Council's Toronto Chapter titled "A Year of Racist Attacks: Anti-Asian Racism" detailed a surge in anti-Asian hate crimes over the COVID-19 pandemic. The report looks at 1150 cases of racist attacks across Canada spanning from March 10, 2020 to February 28, 2021 and

found that 40 percent of attacks and incidents were reported in Ontario, while 44 percent were reported in British Columbia.

According to the report, 11 percent of the attacks contained a violent physical assault and/or unwanted physical contact, 10 percent included a form of assault including being coughed or spat on, and that close to 60 percent of the incidents involved those who identify as women.

The Town of Shelburne, earlier this year, established a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee as part of the recommendations given to Council on October 5 from the Anti-Black Racism, Racism and Discrimination Task Force. The mandate of the committee is to provide insight, advice, and recommendations to Council.

"We are defining our role and response to ongoing and systemic racism and the current rise in racist incidents. This includes publicly naming and standing against racism and hate, working with partners to do the same, and advocating for changes across all sectors of society, including our own ability to receive and respond to racist incidents," reads the Town's statement.

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In rural areas yard waste is collected on a monthly call-in basis. To be added to the list, contact GFL at 1.888.941.3345 ext. 1 or dufferin@gflnv.com at least one week in advance.

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Shelburne dentist found guilty in sexual assault case

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

A Shelburne dentist accused of sexually assaulting a minor at his dental office has been found guilty.

Muthanna Gewarges, a dentist who practiced at Small Town Family Dental on Main Street in Shelburne, was convicted on charges of sexual assault and touching for sexual purposes following a trial in Orangeville earlier this month.

A resident of Mono, Gewarges was arrested in May of 2019 following a lengthy investigation from the then Shelburne Police Service (SPS). According to Shelburne Police Sgt. Mark Bennett the collective incidents occurred between November 2018 and February 2019. At the time of Gewarges arrest, investigators reached out to the public for assistance with the belief that there may be additional victims.

Gewarges was charged with several sexual-related offences including one count of

sexual assault, one count of sexual exploitation, and one count of communicating with a person under 18 for sexual purposes. He was also accused of offering money to the individual and other rewards in return for performing sexual acts.

A publication ban has been put in place prohibiting the release of any information that could identify the victim or any witnesses.

A three-day trial was originally agreed on by the Crown and defence to be held on

Sept. 29, Nov. 30, and Dec. 8 of 2020, but was delayed with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Gewarges had provided dental care to residents in Dufferin County since 1998 and opened Small Town Family Dental in 2014.

According to Orangeville courts, a presentence report (PSR) has been ordered, which is used to help the court make sentencing decisions.

A sentencing hearing has been scheduled for a later date.

Streams Community Hub launches monologue competition for youth

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Local creative arts organization, Streams Community Hub is giving youth in the community an opportunity to express their voices, with the launch of their inaugural monologue competition, Word Of Mouth.

"The whole competition is really designed to get youth engaged, give them an opportunity to express their creative voice and develop some self-confidence and self-esteem," said Juli-Anne James.

The Word Of Mouth competition officially opened its virtual doors for submissions in mid-March, and sees local youth learn and perform a variety of monologues from Canadian playwrights with the chance of winning a grand prize of \$1,000.

Juli-Anne and Andrew James, who are the co-founders of Streams Community Hub, spoke with the Free Press and said the organization created the competition as a way to continue their work with youth, as their in-person programming continues to be on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's really forced us to get creative. We're an arts organization dealing with youth, it's very difficult to try to do that at a point in time where there's so many people doing online tutorials, how do we keep our com-



munity of youth engaged in creative arts," explains Juli-Anne.

"We're concerned with what's happening to the communication skills of you people as they are going through this challenge, and so we wanted to just create some space for them," she continued.

The competition has been divided into two age categories, 8-12 and 13-17, and requires participants to video their performance and submit it to be seen by a panel of judges. Judges for the competition include Theatre Orangeville's David Nairn, Kristen Gamache of LP Stage Productions, and playwright/actor Jermaine Ransom.

Streams Community Hub has curated a list of monologues, sourced from the work Refractions Solo, that address a variety of subjects specific to youth including mental health, immigration, LGBTQ+, ADHD, anxiety, and the environment.

"We wanted to make sure that we did reflect diversity, we did reflect the work of Canadians, and we did reflect issues that youth are facing," said Juli-Anne.

Three finalists will be selected from the submissions and will do what Juli-Anne describes as an "American Idol" style final performance, with first place awarded \$1,000, and second \$500. Community members will also have the chance to vote on fan favourites.

While the competition will be the first one of its kind for the local arts organizations, the duo says they are excited to bring it to the community, and hope to continue with it.

"It's really refreshing, in spite of everything, being able to utilize online platforms and using that tool for something positive and to engage the community, it really is pretty cool," said Andrew.

Submissions for Word of Mouth will be open until June 15. Participants can find details on requirements, the monologues, and submit at www.streamshub.org.

Dufferin-Caledon Liberals Voice Opposition to Highway 413

The Dufferin-Caledon Provincial Liberal Associations continues to voice its opposition to the building of proposed Highway 413.

If the plan to build a new GTA West Highway (better known as Highway 413) proceeds, it risks destroying the beauty of Dufferin-Caledon's sensitive wetlands and river valleys, in addition to hundreds of acres of protected Greenbelt lands - protected lands for which the Ford government has previously shown no remorse. This will lead to reductions in Ontario's critical farmland that feeds our growing population and supports local economies.

"This highway that will cut through Caledon will destroy the environment in that area, separate and destroy well-established communities, and, in the end, give very little relief for commuters," stated Josh Loeffler, President of the Dufferin-Caledon Provincial Liberal

Association. "The Ford government is betting that taxpayers won't mind footing the bill for a highway that will destroy the Greenbelt. It's the responsibility of the residents of

Dufferin-Caledon to make sure this doesn't happen."

The previous Liberal Government, under then Minister of Transportation, Steven Del Duca, cancelled the project citing that there was no economic or social benefit to the pro-



posed Highway. As current Ontario Liberal Party Leader, Steven Del Duca has pledged to once again cancel plans for Highway 413 if elected in 2022. Del Duca told the Toronto Star that "It has become even more clear that this proposed highway would have a catastrophic impact on the Greenbelt, prime agricultural lands and our natural habitat".

While local municipalities are recommending a further environmental assessment process, our Association believes that there is already enough evidence to demonstrate that the proposed Highway 413 is a poor solution for the commuter issues our communities are facing in Dufferin-Caledon.

We ask the residents of Dufferin-Caledon to make their voices heard to all political leaders - including Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, who currently supports the 413 proposal. And we urge all residents in Dufferin-Caledon that oppose the development of Highway 413 to participate in the Ontario Liberal Party's Take the Mic policy development process!

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Adapting to change

There is a scene in the movie Amadeus that takes place after the debut of Wolfgang Mozart's newest composition at the opera house in Vienna.

It is set in the late 18th century amid the pagentry, powdered wigs, and nobility of Central Europe.

Mozart was an innovator in his time. He explored new possibilities in music.

This new piece was whimsical, lively and full of life.

While those in the audience appreciated the new piece, the style was new to them.

After the performance, the Emperor greeted Mozart back stage to congratulate him on this newest work.

He had but one criticism.

There were in some parts, he said "too many notes." He followed that up by saying "There are only so many notes an ear can hear in the course of an evening."

It seems the piece had broken new ground and was unlike anything the royal court had heard before.

Mozart is stunned at the ridiculous criticism of his work.

He responds, "I don't understand – there are just as many notes that I require, your Majesty,

neither more nor less."

It just shows that no matter how hard you work on something, or how good it is, there is always some person that will see fit to criticize.

Currently we are in a situation that is frustrating, challenging, and possibly life threatening.

There has been a lot of criticism recently over things like vaccines and who will get them first.

There are complaints about shortages and why some groups are being served first when getting the shot in the arm.

So lets take a step back and take a look at this entire situation.

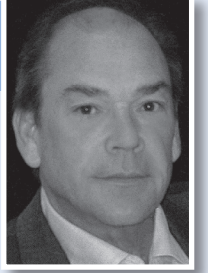
A year ago, nobody even knew what COVID-19 was. It started out as some kind of virus that seemed to be affecting people in one city in China.

Of course, we all know the story from there. However, this pandemic is unprecedented. It has not happened before with the current generations alive on this planet.

Putting plans into gear to combat a virus that was making its way through the population wasn't easy.

It certainly has caused some hardships, but most people with few exceptions have followed the program with little complaint.

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



No, we don't like wearing masks, and no we don't like that fact that we haven't been to a restaurant, a movie, a party, or concert in over a year.

This will be our second Easter where families are discouraged from getting together.

Many sports teams will be losing their second full season.

The provincial government has taken a lot of heat lately, especially from certain groups.

However, the government has done what they were supposed to do in a case like this. They took advice from the experts, and relied on that advice.

Ontario Premier Doug Ford must have been quite shocked when he first received the news that this virus was making its way to our country and the seriousness of the situation was explained.

His response was immediate. He didn't delay, he didn't get into political debates, and he didn't waffle on decisions.

In a case where something is going to affect the population's health, there is no time to debate or ask for opinions. You can only rely on the current data and the expertise provided by those who are experts in the field.

Now we have the vaccines arriving. And

people are still complaining we aren't getting them fast enough or there isn't enough of a supply to get everyone vaccinated.

Let's look at the numbers. Canada's current population is close to 38 million. If everyone needs two doses for it to be effective, that's 76 million doses needed – and just in our country.

Considering the speed which with this vaccine was created, we're off to a good start.

I don't know how vaccines are produced, and most people don't – but producing 76 million units of anything is one giant undertaking. Then add in another 600 million doses needed by our neighbors to the south, several hundred million more needed in Europe, and continue counting.

That's a huge undertaking.

So if you don't get your dose in the next week, maybe consider the logistics of just having this huge amount created and given out to the population.

Sometimes you just have to appreciate the effort for what it is rather than criticize for what you think it isn't.

Shipping: worse than aviation

"We're waiting on food goods like coconut milk and syrups, some spare parts for motors, we've got some fork lift trucks, some Amazon goods on there, all sorts," said Steve Parks of Seaport Freight Services in England, who is awaiting twenty of the 18,300 containers aboard the 'Ever Given'. Which of those things cannot be sourced from somewhere closer than Asia?

Oh, all right. Coconut trees don't grow in Europe, where 'Ever Given' is bound. But at least 80% of the cargo on that gigantic container ship blocking the Suez Canal and the 320 vessels backed up behind it (of which a third are container ships and car-carriers) didn't really need to be moved halfway around the world. The stuff could be made a lot closer to where it is wanted. In fact, that used to be how things worked.

Now that the delinquent megaship has finally been freed from the bottom, normal service will resume and 50-odd ships, bearing one-eighth of all the world's international trade, will once again pass through the Suez Canal each day. Egypt will doubtless reconsider its decision to leave the southern third of the canal single-lane, and everybody will live happily ever after.

Well, no. Putting huge amounts of dispensable, low-value stuff on massive container ships only makes sense to accountants. The life cycle of most of the goods that the con-

tainer ships carry is to be dug out of a hole in the ground, turned into consumer goods, shipped halfway around the world, and eventually buried in another hole in the ground.

The sole justification for this most extreme manifestation of globalisation is that the wage rates are lower on one side of the world than on the other. But it's murder on the crews, mostly poor people from poor countries who aren't even allowed ashore when the ships stop briefly in ports. And it's hell on the environment, because almost all these ships are burning bunker oil.

Bunker (Heavy Fuel Oil - HFO) is the tar-like residue that remains at the end of the process of distilling and 'cracking' petroleum, after the lighter hydrocarbons like gasoline and diesel have been removed. Most cargo ships burn bunker, and it's so polluting that 'Ever Given', steaming along alone, produces as much pollution per day as fifty million cars driven the average daily distance.

A more relevant comparison, perhaps, is between the shipping and the aviation industries. Each accounts for about 3% of total emissions of human origin, they are both growing fast, and they are both very hard nuts to crack.

Their shared basic problem is that you can't easily electrify ships and planes. Electricity produced from nice, clean sources like solar or wind or hydro-power is little help because

of the deplorable lack of very long extension cables, and batteries are too heavy for planes and not long-lasting enough for ships that spend weeks at sea.

That is why both seaborne trade and commercial aviation were excluded from the start from the emissions quotas that countries have signed up for. Instead, the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) were given the job of reducing the emissions of their own industries. With exactly the results you would expect.

The IMO promised an actual reduction in carbon dioxide emissions from shipping for the first time in 2018: a 50% cut by 2050. Not 'net-zero' emissions by 2050, like 110 countries have pledged, but just half that. It's a start – or it would be except that the IMO is not going to start enforcing emissions reductions until 2029 or 2030.

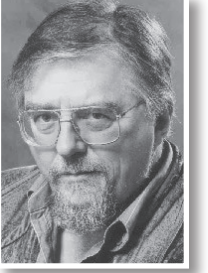
There are two ways to limit the damage from marine fuel emissions. One is to burn low sulphur bunker (an extra \$15-20 per metric ton),

which cuts harmful sulphur dioxide emissions but doesn't lower CO2. But what most ships are actually doing is burn the cheapest bunker oil, install 'open-loop scrubbers' to bring the emissions down to 0.5% sulphur instead of 3.5% – and dump the excess sulphur into the ocean.

The one way to cut maritime carbon dioxide emissions fast is to lower the speed of the ships: reducing a large ship's speed by 10% cuts its CO2 emissions by 27%. But the best measure of all, until a new generation of wind-driven cargo ships matures, is to cut the sheer volume of trinkets travelling by sea.

You can still have your cheap garden furniture, brand-name sneakers and plastic Easter eggs if you want, but make them closer to home and pay a little more. And put at least as much pressure on the world's shipping industry for emissions cuts as popular opinion is already exerting on the aviation industry.

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Dufferin Paramedic Services receives \$2.9 million in funding

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Dufferin Paramedic Services will be seeing an expansion to its current Community Paramedic Program, after receiving new funding from the Ontario government.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, Dufferin County Warden Darren White, and Dufferin County EMS Chief Tom Reid announced the over \$2.9 million in funding, which will span over four years, virtually last Friday (March 25).

The funding will go towards offering more care to seniors in the community who are on waitlists for long-term care homes or in need of extra assistance through the Community Paramedic Program.

"If you take a look at long term care, we're starting to see a movement to not making them as densely populated as what they previous had been, so there's a lot of people in the community that either are waiting for long term care or they are close to going to long term care," Dufferin EMS Chief Tom Reid tells the Free Press. "A program like this is targeting, making sure, our most vulnerable and those that are at higher risk, are support and cared for on a very consistent and reliable basis."

"This is positive news for many seniors and families throughout Dufferin County," said Jones in a press release.

"The paramedicine home visiting program was a pilot project in Dufferin, and because of that success we now have an expanded program, and more communities across



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IN THE COMMUNITY: Dufferin County community paramedics, Cara Burleigh (left) and Josie Hudasek (right) welcome the \$2.9 million in funding, as it will better equip them when providing care directly to seniors in their home, which reduces visits to the hospital.

Ontario to support vulnerable seniors living at home."

The Dufferin County Community Paramedic Program was launched in 2015 and serves clients with high-risk or complex

medical issues such as congestive heart failure (CHF), diabetes, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), as well as providing services including wellness-checks, in home blood work, urine tests, and

helping clients connect with health care practitioners.

Speaking with the Free Press, Chief Reid explained how the program was previously handled by one community paramedic, who managed service for all individuals in the program. The funding he said, will help to increase staffing in the program, as Dufferin Paramedic Service sees significant increase in its workload with the pandemic.

"We will now have three paramedics working, trying to support people in their home so it's a significant enhancement to our program," said Reid.

With the Community Paramedic Program, Reid added that there has been a significant decrease what he calls "default 9-1-1" calls to Dufferin EMS.

Cara Burleigh, a Dufferin Community Paramedic, in the press release for the funding announcement also noted how the program helps reduce the number of unnecessary visits to local emergency departments.

The paramedicine program takes a preventative approach to healthcare, addressing smaller issues before they grow into larger ones.

Seniors eligible for the program can be referred by community partners including LHIN, a primary care physician, and hospital staff.

A referral form can be found at the Community Paramedic Program page of the Dufferin County website.

To contact Dufferin Paramedic Services for more information call 519-941-0509 or email communityparamedic@dufferincounty.ca

COVID-19 numbers locally this week

March 25 (Thursday)

WDG Region: 16 (New cases), 134 (Active cases), 12 (Newly Resolved)
Dufferin County: 5 (New cases), 49 (Active cases), 6 (Newly Resolved)
Shelburne: 4 (Active cases)
Orangeville: 34 (Active cases)

March 26 (Friday)

WDG Region: 14 (New cases), 131 (Active cases), 17 (Newly Resolved)
Dufferin County: 1 (New cases), 45 (Active cases), 5 (Newly Resolved)
Shelburne: 4 (Active cases)
Orangeville: 31 (Active cases)

March 29 (Monday)

WDG Region: 61 (New cases), 149 (Active cases), 43 (Newly Resolved)
Dufferin County: 15 (New cases), 43 (Active cases), 17 (Newly Resolved)
Shelburne: 6 (Active cases)
Orangeville: 25 (Active cases)

March 30 (Tuesday)

WDG Region: 9 (New cases), 140 (Active cases), 18 (Newly Resolved)
Dufferin County: 5 (New cases), 42 (Active cases), 6 (Newly Resolved)
Shelburne: 11 (Active cases)
Orangeville: 22 (Active cases)

March 31 (Wednesday)

WDG Region: 16 (New cases), 140 (Active cases), 16 (Newly Resolved)
Dufferin County: 1 (New cases), 36 (Active cases), 7 (Newly Resolved)
Shelburne: 12 (Active cases)
Orangeville: 17 (Active cases)

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- 14. Tag, e.g.
- 21. Rock star?
- 26. Longing
- 28. Sweeny Todd's sharpener
- 31. Voice disapproval
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- 36. Doctrine
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- 68. Dewlap
- 70. Basil sauce
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- 77. Hymn ender
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- 84. Big diamond?
- 85. Gettysburg Address word

ACROSS

- 1. Cod or Horn
- 5. Remove sand
- 8. Temp
- 11. Urban haze
- 15. Out of range
- 16. Pride
- 17. Use poor judgment
- 18. Hindu philosophy
- 19. Brood of pheasants
- 20. Feathers
- 22. Average
- 23. Ref. work
- 24. Split
- 25. Ousted tenant
- 27. Pipe-joint type
- 28. Weaned pig
- 29. Angler's dipper
- 30. Money owed
- 32. Be introduced to
- 34. Palmlike plant

DOWN

- 39. Public speech
- 42. Fortified wine
- 43. Level
- 45. Frolic
- 47. Beach bird
- 48. 7th Greek letter
- 49. Dickinson work
- 51. Fabric weave
- 53. Female deer
- 54. Cooped up
- 56. Type of tide
- 58. Yellowish
- 60. Certain engine valve
- 62. Slip
- 64. Raccoon's kin
- 65. Scarf
- 66. Munch
- 69. Major hwy.
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ACROSS

- 80. Mixture
- 81. Enjoyed brunch
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- 83. Ingest
- 85. Higher than tenor
- 86. Default result
- 87. Private eye
- 88. Fruity beverage
- 89. Midas's metal
- 90. Was aware of
- 91. Colliery find
- 92. Animation unit
- 93. Architectural curve

DOWN

- 1. Hiawatha's vessel
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- 3. Ping-Pong need
- 4. Prior to
- 5. Distance downward
- 6. Nanook's house

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SHADOWY HILLS FARM: Left to right, April LeBlanc, Breanna Conley, Alyssa Losonski, and Ryan Lloyd shared some smiles from Shadowy Hills Farm.

Centre Dufferin’s Co-op Corner series featuring Shadowy Hill Farms this week

Written By Breanna Conley

Local business/education partnerships provide students with a transitional opportunity to experience the world of work while still completing high school and provide employers with a platform to address some of their immediate and long term human resource needs. Locally many of our community businesses have been involved with this partnership.

This week Breanna Conley from Centre Dufferin District High School shares a little bit about their experience and how Shadowy Hills Farm is contributing to our community's future.

Shadowy Hills Farm is a horse farm in Mono and has been a business for about 30 years now. This business cares for horses by offering riding lessons, Thoroughbreds for sale, boarding, breaking and lay ups. Throughout each day, tasks are completed so that the horses can live in a safe, clean, and healthy environment where the Thoroughbreds are also given the opportunity to train for the racetrack. April LeBlanc is the owner of Shadowy Hills Farm where she has help running the farm from her friends and employees including Ryan Lloyd who commits time every day to come and help

ensure everything runs smoothly.

I am a Farm Hand where I was provided with on the job training from April LeBlanc, Ryan Lloyd, and Alyssa Losonski to learn the farm's rules and procedures. My responsibilities include refilling water buckets, cleaning and preparing stalls, transferring hay to be accessible to all of the horses, sweeping and raking, grooming, tacking up and removing or putting on blankets. The daily equipment I use is a pitchfork, wheelbarrow, horse brushes and a hoof pick.

While working at Shadowy Hills Farm I have become aware of careers that are associated with this place of work. These careers include a Farrier who trims and shoes horses' hooves, an Exercise Rider who exercises horses to prepare them to compete in races, a Jockey who rides the horses in the races and a Horse Trainer who cares for horses as well as coaches them for events and other riding activities.

To contribute to the community Shadowy Hills Farm participates in a Pony Race Fundraiser for the Youth and Women's Shelter at the Woodbine Race Track in Rexdale. Shadowy Hills Farm opens their home and hearts to rescue and board horses and ponies as well as find homes for retired race horses.

Rider seriously injured in ATV rollover

Dufferin OPP is currently investigating a single-vehicle collision involving an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) on private property that resulted in serious injury for the rider.

On March 25, 2021, at approximately 4:06 a.m., officers responded to a report of a 43-year-old driver from Southgate, who reportedly rolled his ATV and was ejected from the vehicle. The driver was not wearing a helmet and sustained serious injuries in the collision. He was taken by EMS to a local hospital and later transported by Orange Air Ambulance to a Toronto-area trauma centre.

The investigation is continuing and charges may be pending. More information will be provided when available.

Please remember to treat all vehicles the same when it comes to driving responsibly.

Impaired driving legislation is applicable when operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drug, including ATVs, Boats, Jet-skis, snowmobiles and other recreational vehicles. Learn more about impaired driving penalties in Ontario! io by visiting <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/impaired-driving.shtml>.

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Shelburne councillor Walter Benotto shares his path to politics

Written By PETER RICHARDSON
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Born in Italy, Shelburne councillor Walter Benotto was raised in Melancthon, on a dairy farm that at its height, included 1,000 acres and some 80 milking cows! Walter recalled that one summer, they took 17,000 bales of hay off for the cattle.

He moved off the farm in his early 20's, after deciding that he did not really want to become a dairy farmer. It was also about this time that he met the woman who would become his wife. They are still married today, 42 years later and have two grown sons.

After graduation from high school, Walter worked at Domglas in Brampton and he would have stayed there too, but the company wanted him to become a long haul trucker.

The idea of being away from home for extended periods of time don't sit well with Walter, so he quit and went to work for his dad, in construction. He worked all over southern Ontario, from Peterborough to all over the now, GTA and down to Cambridge. Meanwhile, his mother and aunt were still running the dairy farm. It was late 1970's, when the family finally sold the dairy farm and concentrated on the construction business.

In 1986, things were to change for Walter, in dramatic fashion. He had a nasty work-related accident, on the weekend that his wife was due to deliver their first child! He fell some 18 feet off of a roof and suffered severe injuries. He dislocated his right hip, completely, broke a piece out of it, damaged his sciatic nerve and several discs in his spine. Unable to return to construction work, Walter retrained, at Sheridan College, after a lengthy fight with the WSIB to allow it, as an electronics technologist, fixing VCRs and related equipment. However, after some time, the repeated operations and the pain forced Walter to accept that he could not work any longer and he made a claim for long term disability from the Province.

Jumping ahead to the early 90's, Walter became interested in municipal politics when he attended a council meeting to ask about raising development charges, so as to relieve the tax payer of some of the costs of things like water and sewer rates. He was told that if they raised the charges, the developers would simply not build in Shelburne, which Walter saw as shortsighted, since the developer simply passed the development charges on to the home buyers. So, in 1996, he ran for Council and lost. However, fate



PETER RICHARDSON PHOTO

was on Walter's side. Alex Sawyer, who was a councillor, decided to retire in 1999 and Walter being the next highest vote total, was chosen to replace him. He ran after that in the 2000 election and the rest is history. Walter has been a Councillor ever since.

Looking at the growth patterns in Town, Walter noted that growth at first came in spurts to Shelburne. When he was young, Shelburne was about 1,500 people, then in the 70's there was a spurt and several more as time went on. Now, the growth is almost steady and the infrastructure has not kept pace. Without growth, the Town cannot thrive, however without the infrastructure it cannot grow. Looking south to Orangeville, one sees how as the population grew, industry and commerce began to arrive. Based upon population, Orangeville began to see the arrival of big box stores, like Walmart and industries too. There has to be the population to support the businesses and supply a ready workforce. Walter was quick to point out that Blue Mountain Plastics and KTH Manufacturing would not have come to Shelburne without the availability of a steady workforce.

Shelburne is a bedroom community and Walter acknowledges that. People are willing to commute to the GTA for work, but when

they come home, they expect the same amenities as living in Toronto or Mississauga. To provide this, Shelburne needs growth and for the growth, infrastructure. Water and sewage treatment have been a thorn in the Town's side for years and Council is hard pressed to see an end to it.

Nevertheless, change is coming and Walter sees Shelburne as still being in a good position to attract more commercial and industrial growth and to see the populace continue to grow.

Shelburne has a large senior population and Walter has always spoken for the seniors, insisting that developers need to look at senior's needs when it comes to housing. Presently there are few options for those who want to downsize, but that may change with a newly proposed 93-unit apartment building designed for seniors. It will have balconies and a commercial/retail mall nearby. That is, if the Town can provide the, required, sewage capacity. Walter says that Council has plans for an upgrade to the existing treatment plant. While it's not the cost of a new plant, even an upgrade will not be cheap. Council is looking at a \$32 million dollar budget for the plant.

Walter has served on practically every board and committee in the Town. He has

chaired the CDRC and is the current chair of the Fire Board, He has been on the Library Board and the EDC. The only board he has not served on is the Police Services Board, though he did serve on the committee to amalgamate the Orangeville and Shelburne police forces several years ago.

Walters take on the recently proposed closing of the Gravenhurst Fire College and the training of the firefighters in the individual halls is positive. He says the initial information from the Fire Marshalls Office was incomplete, however, subsequent updates show the new policy will be beneficial.

Of more concern to Walter is the new agreement being proposed by the County of Dufferin concerning the make up of the Fire Board. Shelburne has yet to sign the agreement, as they have a problem with the representation. Currently the Town pays 54 per cent of the costs, yet has the same representation as the other municipalities involved. At this time, Council is planning to look at the situation, before deciding whether or not to sign on to the new agreement. If they do not sign, the only other option would be to terminate the agreement and the Fire Service would be solely a Shelburne entity and free to negotiate agreements with other municipalities accordingly.

When asked his opinion on the Black Lives Matter movement and recent upswing of Black and People of Colour's involvement in Shelburne, Walter feels it is a good thing.

Contrary to some popular conceptions, racism definitely exists in the community. He said he encountered it growing up, being called a wop or a displaced person and he said it hurt. He feels that there has not been enough outreach between the older community and the newer one and Shelburne has started a committee to facilitate that.

Walter noted that racism exists but people do not realize it. They do not see that some of the things they are doing or saying may hurt other people. Shelburne, until recently, has always been a white community, with no noticeable people of colour in it. That has changed and an effort must be made to recognize these people and cultures and accept them as the norm, not the abnormal.

So will Walter run for re-election? He is cautious in his answer. If he feels that things are in good hands and his voice is not needed, he may not. But if he perceives a need to continue on, he says he is proud to do so. For now, he just wants to get through this session of Council and then perhaps look towards his political future.

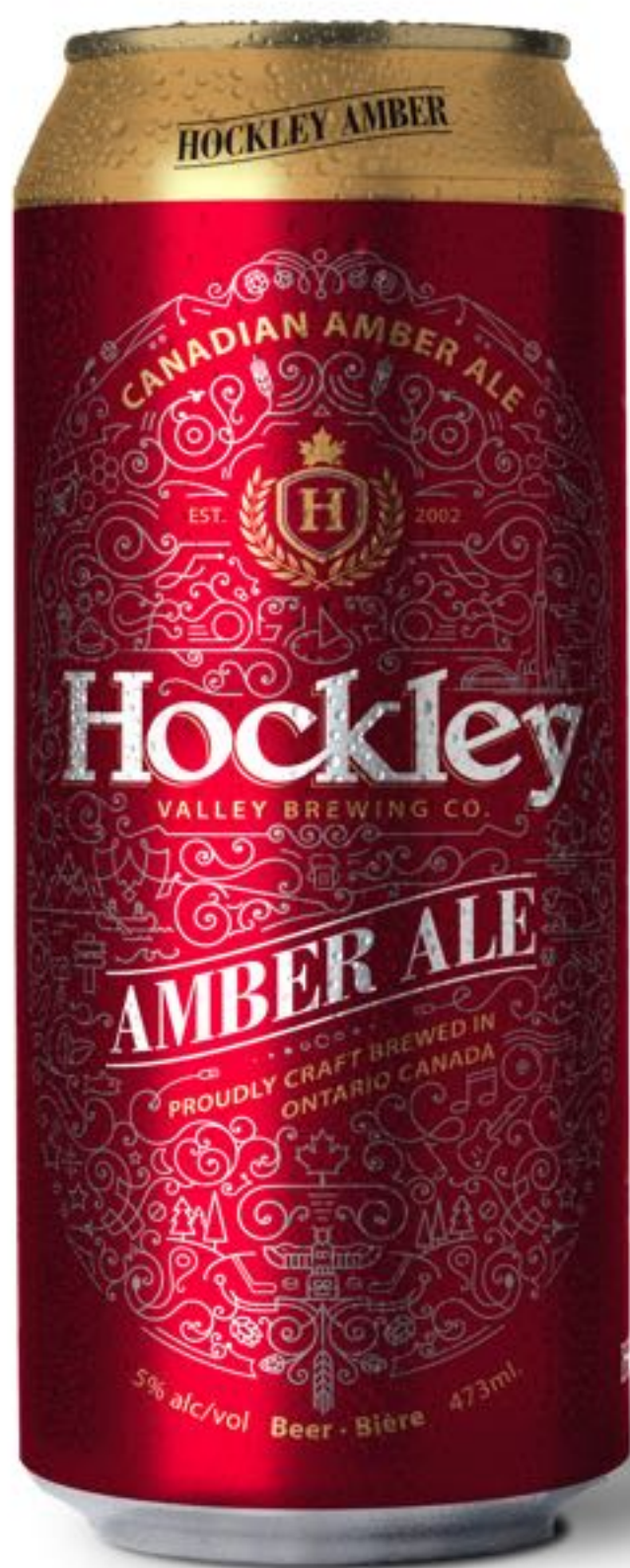


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Locally sourced food club continuing with healthy meals for students

Written By **Alyssa Parkhill**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

A local program is providing healthy and local meals for students through various programs in the community of Dufferin and Caledon.

The Headwaters Local Food Club is one of the Headwaters Food and Farming Alliance's (HFFA) Farm to School programs. Parents as well as staff can sign up for a membership which will allow them to receive a "meal-in-a-bag", which are delivered to the students at their school for them to take home.

HFFA is supported through their registered charity, Headwaters Communities in Action.

All meals are locally sourced from different distributors in the Headwaters region.

"It encourages families to explore nutritious, local and often novel foods together, helps get kids in the kitchen to learn essential food skills and connects families directly with the people who grow their food," says Allison Whitten, registered dietitian and Farm to School coordinator.

The Local Food Club was developed shortly after HFFA. Members of the community sought a program that would provide their children and families with healthy food options, while strengthening the local food system in Headwaters as well.

Additionally, educational programs and workshops followed after to teach children where food comes from, how to grow and cook it in a way to connect to the farming communities in Dufferin-Caledon.

"We started providing Education Workshops, where farmers visited classrooms and students experienced hands-on food and farming activities. The Local Food Club extended the learning and farmer connections to the home and brought parents and caregivers into the conversation," said Jennifer Payne, Executive Director, Headwaters



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Communities in Action.

According to the Local Food Club they aim to "create connections between families and the food growers, value-add processors and retailers in their neighbourhoods, to make healthy local foods more accessible to busy families in Headwaters, to grow food literacy in our communities and to promote awareness about our local food system."

The standard price is \$25 per bag, with the opportunity to pay more to donate towards the program and memberships. Members are able to select a price that works better for them if unable to pay the full standard amount.

The Local Food Club runs all year round, and provides one healthy family meal along with recipes, nutritional information about

the ingredients, information about where the food came from and the locally sourced ingredients. Each bag has enough food to feed a family of four.

"Local Food Club, and cooking with foods literally grown in our backyards, has such a positive impact on children's relationship with food. When they see where the food comes from and have the education and skills to grow it and then use it to make a meal, they are much more interested and open to trying new foods and exploring the bounty of what is available here in Headwaters," says Whitten. "It really is an all-round win."

The program is funded through revenue made from the Farm to School programs, but additionally from a grant provided from the province called the Local Food Grant

and fundraising through the Headwaters Communities in Action, The Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington and other fundraising efforts.

The Local Food Club continues on amid the COVID-19 pandemic, with the necessary adaptations to follow the provided safety guidelines.

"Now more than ever, local food and food skills are a vital part of our community. Even within the pandemic – and, to a degree, because of it – there has been a substantial growth in interest and concern of where our food comes from," explains Whitten. "People are simply looking to buy locally and to be more conscientious with their food purchases."

"Not only does eating local promote economic stability within our community, but it has an impact on our ecological footprint, not to mention our health," she says.

The program has seen significant growth since the beginning. From one or two schools, they continued to expand to 13. Through supporting and creating relationships with local farmers and schools, the Local Food Club has been able to expand their platter and develop and encourage food activities, education and fundraisers.

"COVID has made us rethink how we can run Local Food Club. Without access to schools, it actually presented an opportunity to partner with the Orangeville Food Bank as our base, which allows us to serve to the broader community and offer add-on donations to OFB through our order form," says Payne.

She adds, "We look forward to seeing our school friends again when that is possible, but for now, we feel we are feeding an even bigger and growing appetite for local food."

Packs for February are completed, but those scheduled for April, June and August are available. For more information or to place an order, please visit hffa.ca.

Player Assist Program set to help hockey families in need of support

Written By **Rob Belardi**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Ontario Minor Hockey Association has introduced a player-assist program for the first-time, helping families across Ontario financially impacted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Basically, mirroring the goalie program, is this player assist program. Now what we

would do is provide player kits to the association," Executive Director of the OMHA Ian Taylor says.

"Players can try the sport and sample the sport without having to put all that investment in all that equipment. The goal for us is eliminating another one of those barriers to entry."

The goalie-assist program, introduced 10 years ago, supplements the cost of goalie

equipment for parents by providing rental equipment for children between the ages of five and seven. As per the OMHA's statement, 480 sets of equipment have been rented out since the program's inception.

The same concept will be applied in this player-assist program. Players at or under the age of seven will be given equipment to borrow.

To qualify, minor hockey associations around the province must apply to the OMHA by March 28. If approved, that association can provide the equipment at their discretion.

Depending on the demand it is highly unlikely minor hockey associations will receive equipment in consecutive seasons.

"I don't think we've duplicated anybody yet in the goalie assist, but I guess it all depends on the demand and how many applications we get," Taylor said.

"We want to spread the wealth. We want to give as much opportunity across the board."

Taylor recognizes children don't just walk into playing hockey; there are plenty of external factors preventing families from signing up their children that are far beyond registration fees. He hopes this program will

have an excellent impact moving forward for families across Ontario. It could be the gateway for children coming into the sport or simply, spending a year trying it out.

The OMHA noted over 350 families through 10 minor hockey associations will have costs eliminated.

Assisting the OMHA with this program is their loyal sponsor since 2018, the Egg Farmers of Ontario.

Historically, they have only been a sponsor during the playoffs, but with the post-season having been cancelled, they found another way to help out minor hockey.

"They could have easily stepped away. They just didn't want to do that. They said, how else can we make an impact in the community?" Taylor said.

"They stepped up, in fact. It will impact kids. It will impact directly and...this might be a more important way to be involved. It's just great."

For more information, contact your local minor hockey association to find out if they have been approved and how to qualify for either of the assist programs offered.



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Galaxy Cinemas reopens under Orange

Written By **Sam Odrowski**

There's some good news for Dufferin County residents who've missed going to the movie theatre.

Galaxy Cinemas at the Fairgrounds Shopping Centre in Orangeville welcomed back moviegoers last Friday, March 26, following the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health region's move to the Orange (restrict) zone of

the Province's COVID-19 Framework on March 22.

The last time Dufferin residents could visit the movie theatre to watch a film was last August to December, and prior to that was last March, before the pandemic.

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Shelburne Public Library shares new books, upcoming events

The Shelburne Public Library is open 24/7 online, however, curbside will not be available from Friday, April 2, 2021 to Monday, April 5, 2021 inclusive.

Staff will be back on Tuesday to fill all your holds and other requests.

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Teen Scene:

Teens painted gorgeous cherry blossom paintings this week by following along with our instructional video on our YouTube Channel. We still have space left in our Spring Break events, but register soon to avoid disappointment! Register here: <https://forms.gle/vXkYCpzyUmfw4b5NA>

Spring Break Activities

April 12th- Virtual Escape Room- Help free the librarian by getting a message to the King by solving riddles and puzzles! The link for this activity will be posted to our social pages on April 12th!

April 13th- Among Us Group Game- Registered Teens can meet via Zoom to get the code to play Among Us. Crewmates can work together to complete tasks while trying to figure out the Imposter!

April 14th- DIY S'more Cookie Dough- We will give you the non-refrigerated ingredients, you follow along with our video to make edible cookie dough! A sweet treat for the middle of Spring Break.

April 15th- Galaxy Painting- Learn how to paint a galaxy of your very own by following along with our instructional video!

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Passed away at Headwaters Health Care Centre in Orangeville on March 22nd, 2021 at the age of 88. Son of the late Ivan and Etta (Tindale) Potter, Willis was born on October 3rd, 1932 on the home farm, known as The Potter Homestead, located on the 8th line in Amaranth Township, Dufferin County. He is predeceased by his sister Lila Lane (2001) and his infant son, Leonard Steven (1961). Willis is survived by his son, Michael Earl Potter, his sister, Lorna (Harold) Pratt and his brother Donald (Jeanette). Uncle of Deborah Judge, Richard Lane (deceased), Barry Lane, and George Lane (deceased); Sheila Pratt, Heather (Pratt) Penrose, Gary Pratt, and Stephen Pratt; Donalee Potter and Dale Potter.

Willis attended Bowling Green Public School and completed Grade 9 at Laurel Continuation School. He left school to work on the home farm from 1947 until 1954. He later worked at Canada Wire and Cable in the mid fifties. Upon the death of his father in 1961, Willis bought the home farm and farmed until 1974 when he sold to the Bergers. Having severed 50 acres off the home farm on the 8th line, he built a house and barn and farmed until 2002. During this time he also worked for Canadian Westinghouse Company in Orangeville for a few years. After retiring from this farm in 2002, he moved to Listowel until August, 2011 when he again sold his home and moved to Shelburne where he resided until his death. Willis loved living in Shelburne where he had a very active social life

and many friends. He so enjoyed playing euchre with his friends and visiting with his comrades at the Shelburne Legion enjoying their many activities, and going to cribbage and euchre tournaments. Willis has been a staunch member for many years and we thank the Legion for all they have done for him during these past few years. Willis, at the age of 22, joined the Lorne Scots in November, 1953, as a Pte., his specialty as rifleman. He served in the Reserve Force of the Canadian Army Militia from March 22, 1960, completing his annual training each year until his release in 1965.

The family would like to thank all those who have generously brought him food during these past few months and those who have been able to visit him during this past pandemic year. Willis missed his social activities with friends and family.

Respecting his wishes, cremation has already taken place with a Celebration of Life planned to take place at The Shelburne Legion when Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

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