

Merry Christmas!

from
Kyle Seeback, M.P.
Dufferin-Caledon



Kyle and his volunteers participate in the 2021 Orangeville Santa Claus Parade (November 13, 2021).

A Message from Kyle:

It's Christmastime in Dufferin-Caledon!

You can already feel the tremendous Christmas spirit everywhere you go. It's my favourite time of the year and not just because of the beautiful lights and decorations or the lovely, festive music. It's my favourite time of the year because it's the season of peace, joy, and goodwill. The season brings out the best in everyone, as we share in the hope and optimism this magical season brings this time each year. It's an opportunity to catch up with family and friends and to remember those who are no longer with us. We fondly reflect back on the beautiful Christmas memories we made with them and the lasting happiness they brought and continue to bring to our lives.

It's also my favourite time of the year because it's the season of giving. Few holidays compare to the generosity that's witnessed at Christmas. When we spread joy, we receive joy back. As we look forward to spending time with loved ones again this Christmas, it's important to remember those who are less fortunate and needing a little extra help. Dufferin-Caledon is known for its generous heart and supporting each other. Let's ensure everyone may have a Christmas to remember!

I encourage anyone who has the means to do so to make a contribution to any of the many outstanding local charities and community groups we're so fortunate to have in Dufferin-Caledon. They work incredibly hard year round to ensure the needs of our community are always met.

From my family to yours, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy 2022!

Sincerely,
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SOME OF THE AMAZING CHARITIES & COMMUNITY GROUPS IN DUFFERIN-CALEDON

Here's just a few of the exceptional charities and community groups serving Dufferin-Caledon. If you're able to make even a small contribution this Christmas season, it can help ensure critical services are delivered in our community.

Caledon Community Services & The Exchange

Salvation Army New Hope Community Church

Shepherd's Cupboards Food Bank

Orangeville Food Bank

Family Transition Place

Caledon Animal Shelter

Headwaters Health Care Foundation

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SANTA RETURNS: Santa Claus made a special visit to the Shelburne community on Saturday (Dec. 4), taking part in the annual BIA Shelburne Santa Claus Parade, which returning after a 2020 hiatus. Turn to Page A6 for more photos from the parade.

Santa Claus makes trip to Shelburne for yearly parade

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

Shelburne families braved the cold temperatures on Saturday evening, lining the streets to catch a glimpse of the man in the red and white suit as the local BIA Santa Claus Parade made a return after a hiatus last year.

Melissa Hooper, treasurer for the Shelburne BIA, said ahead of the event residents were excited to see it's return and the response from the community has been positive.

"We were excited and pretty happy to see it turn out the way it did. A lot of the responses we got on Facebook were that the parade was really well enjoyed," said Hooper. "It's nice to see after trying to pull it together as quickly as we did, that it worked out."

Starting from the Shelburne Agricultural Community Centre, a total of 26 floats decked out in holidays themes were lead by the Shelburne Fire Department. The floats made their way down to Robert Street, passing in front of the long-term care homes and making a loop through Jelly Street, Main Street, First Avenue back to William Street.

The Borges family has been attending the Shelburne Santa Clause Parade for around 30 years, and said they were glad to see the parade back.

"It's nice to have some normalcy back and to be able to see people out. We missed it last year, it was hard for the little ones," said the family.



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

WAVING TO SANTA: Adam, Amber and Claudia Langeraap waved and greeted Santa Claus as he made his way past them on his sleigh pulled by horses, during the Shelburne Santa Claus Parade on Dec. 6

Local resident Craig Hutchings has also been a past attendee of the local event and watched the parade with family and friends. Despite the chilly weather, as the spectacle of floats rolled by he told the Free Press "it's beautiful and great to see everybody out."

While adult attendees indulged in the social experience, for many of the children the big moment was catching a glimpse, a wave, or a hello from family, friends and even the guest of honour himself - Santa Claus.

Chase and Oliver Crawford stood at the front of the Santa Clause Parade with excitement as

they told the Free Press they were waiting to see their grandmother walk by in the parade. The duo said their Christmas list to Santa included a hockey net and a new mini-stick.

Rachel Gawthroup, 8, shared a similar sentiment at seeing her brother participate in this year's Santa Claus parade.

"This is my brother's first parade he's ever been in," she said.

Five-year-old Aria Fontes had at the top of her list to Santa Claus, a baby Elsa doll and also gave the Free Press the scoop on Santa's favourite cookie; oatmeal.

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FEATURED ITEMS



MONTREAL MASSACRE VIGIL: Representative from Family Transition Place (FTP) commemorated the 14 victims of the École Polytechnique Massacre and the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women, in a vigil outside the FTP offices on Bredin Parkway in Orangeville on Monday (Dec. 6). The day marked the 32nd anniversary of the Montreal Massacre.



PAULA BROWN PHOTOS

TYING A RIBBON: Family Transition Place staff, David Nairn of Theatre Orangeville, and local Councillor Joe Andrews tied white ribbons on a weeping tree outside of the FTP offices following a memorial ceremony in honour of the 14 École Polytechnique Massacre victims and all victims of gender-based violence on the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women (Dec. 6)

Family Transition Place honours victims of Montreal Massacre

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Representatives of Family Transition Place (FTP) joined with members of the local community on Monday (Dec. 6) to commemorate the victims of École Polytechnique, on the 32nd anniversary of the massacre.

“We’re here to recognize that on Dec. 6, 1989, 14 women got dressed and went off to school, to never return home again,” said Norah Kennedy, executive director of Family Transition Place, to the crowd gathered outside the FTP offices on Bredin Parkway in Orangeville.

The École Polytechnique, also known as the Montreal Massacres, took place on Dec. 6, 1989 when lone gunman, Marc Lepine, separated the men from the women students inside the engineering school before opening fire; killing 14 women and injuring others.

For the last 30 years, the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women (Dec. 6) has been observed on the anniversary of the 1989 massacre, honouring the women who were murdered.

“As a nation we lost a bit of our innocence that day. It was a hate crime against women

and we had never seen anything like that before, and we can’t allow ourselves to forget that that is what extreme misogyny and hatred can look like,” said Kennedy in an interview with the Free Press.

As part of this year’s recognition, Kennedy made the point of changing the language often used when speaking about the women’s murders, noting that it was pointed out to her as being misleading.

“We usually use it to say that they were killed because they were women,” said Kennedy. “They were not killed because they were women, they were not killed because of anything they were or anything that they did. They were killed because of a man who hated women.

“This was not because they were women, this was because he was a man steeped in anger, hatred, and misinterpreted privilege.”

During the memorial ceremony, attendees read out the names of the 14 victims, and were given the chance to speak about how they connected to the vigil.

Lyn Allen, who has worked with Family Transition Place for 34 years, recalled the day of the massacre.

“I remember being a young person similar in age to a lot of the women that had been killed, and it just profoundly impacted me. I was already doing this work, but it felt so big and I think I kind of lost my innocence at that time,” said Allen.

She also shared how each year she hopes the vigil will be the last that’s needed, with the world being a kinder and safer place for women.

While the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women honours the École Polytechnique victims, it is also a day of action for gender-based violence; recognizing the women who have been killed through femicide since.

Femicide is a term used to describe the act of a man murdering women because they’re women, and who is often intimately well-known.

According to the Ontario Association of Interval and Transition Houses (OAIITH), thus far in 2021 there have been 58 women and girls who have lost their lives to femicide. This is a 47 per cent increase from last year. The oldest victims were in their 80s, killed by a husband and another resident at a long-term care facility. The

youngest victim was three-years-old.

“[She] was having a sleepover at a friend’s house. The friend’s mother’s ex-boyfriend poisoned her and her little friend, who survived,” said Kennedy.

Over 50 other names are on the femicide list including teenagers, university students, middle-aged women, women in the height of their careers, and grandmothers added Kennedy.

“All killed by intimate partners, incredibly and horrifically many killed by sons or grandsons,” she said.

Concluding her speech, proceeding a moment of silence in memory of the École Polytechnique victims Kennedy said, “We remember those girls. We remember the young women that they were and we grieve and mourn the older women that they were never allowed to become. Who would they have been now?”

“They were engineers at a time when engineering was dominantly male. They were trailblazers, they would have been the directors of companies, they would have been manager, and laid down new paths for young women to follow. They never got the chance.”

Headwaters declares Code Grey ‘All Clear’ following security breach

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Headwaters Health Care Centre declared its Code Grey (Loss of Essential Services) “All Clear” yesterday (Wednesday), with all of its systems now restored.

Headwaters COVID-19 Assessment Centre reopened last Wednesday (Dec. 1), after being closed due to the Code Grey being declared on Nov. 25, following unauthorized access to the hospital’s systems.

As a preventative action, Headwaters shut down all of its internal systems and access to internet on Nov. 25 after the Headwaters Information Technology (IT) System and team noticed suspicious email activity.

Kim Delahunt, Headwaters President and CEO had several suspicious emails come from her account to hundreds of contacts, primarily being staff members of the hospital on Nov. 25. The email’s header reads “Welcome to Lorenz” and the email says all the files across Headwaters entire system has been encrypted, which includes private medical data.

The email continues, “We will publish all the contents of your company on our site,” noting that this includes, “All your confidential medical history, employers information, documentation, catalogs, reports, configs, mail, database’s, invoice’s, signature’s etc.”

The email says to prevent the publishing of this data, visit its website and follow

its instructions which entails downloading a TOR browser and paying money to recover the files.

Lorenz is a new variant of Sz40 ransomware, which is designed to encrypt data and demand ransom for decryption. This means Lorenz renders affected files inaccessible and then asks for payment to regain access.

In a press release from Dec. 8, Headwaters said cybersecurity experts continue to support the investigation into what happened and whether any sensitive data was exposed.

“This process is complex and will take some time. We are committed to being transparent and will notify individuals if we learn that any personal information

has been exposed,” said the press release.

Access to Headwaters’ health information system and reports have been delayed to community partners and primary care physicians as a result of the security breach.

The hospital continues to provide excellent patient care despite the recent challenges, said Delahunt in a press release from Headwaters on Dec. 3.

Surgeries and outpatient clinics have continued as scheduled at Headwaters and Emergency Department remains open 24 hours a day, seven days a week for urgent care.

Now that the Code Grey is declared over, the hospital will not be providing any further updates on the matter.

Shoebox Project, supporting unhoused women, returns for sixth year

The holidays are a time to give back, and with an ongoing housing crisis that has only been worsened by COVID-19, giving back this holiday season is more important than ever.

On Monday (Dec. 6) The Shoebox Project announced its partnership with Allstate for the sixth consecutive year, to raise funds and

support those affected by the housing crisis — specifically the thousands of Canadian women impacted by homelessness.

Continuing its mission to fill shoeboxes with gifts, basic essentials and messages of support for women, this year The Shoebox Project will also be offering ‘virtual gifts’ in

the form of donations and gift cards. In fact, for this week only (Dec 6 - 12), all donations will be matched by Allstate (up to \$25,000), with funds directly going to local chapters including Orangeville and shelters serving Indigenous women in remote regions.

Locally, Family Transition Place, Catholic Family Services Dufferin-Peel, and Salvation Army Family Resource Centre will be receiving the shoeboxes to distribute to women in need.

Those looking to create a virtual shoebox can visit: shooboxproject.ca/virtual/ca-en/

home or if you want to make a physical shoebox and drop off it in person, go to shooboxproject.ca/ways-to-give/make-a-shoobox

Correction

A story with the headline “Senior’s Santa Christmas Stockings Program returns” on Page 3 of the Dec. 2 edition of the Shelburne Free Press incorrectly stated that Marg McCarthy’s Real Estate office is located on 98 Church Street. The Shelburne office is located on 110 Centennial Rd.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REMOVE A HOLDING PROVISION
UNDER SECTION 36 OF THE PLANNING ACT

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Shelburne has received an application for removal of a Holding Provision (File No. Z17/05) from Zoning By-law 38-2007 and intends to consider passing By-law 71-2021 to remove the Holding Provision on:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021

The Council meeting is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m., or as shortly thereafter as possible, and will be held in an online virtual meeting format, as outlined below.


The subject property is located at the northwest corner of Main Street West and Gordon Street, at the westerly terminus of First Avenue West and Second Avenue West and along the easterly limit of the former railway right-of-way. The accompanying map illustrates the location of the subject property.

The purpose and effect of By-law 71-2021 is to remove the Holding Provision from a portion of the subject property, including Blocks 1 to 6, 8 and 9 on the related Draft Plan of Subdivision (File No. DPS 17/02) to allow for 33 townhouse dwellings to be developed in accordance with an approved Draft Plan of Subdivision and Draft Plan of Condominium. The removal of the Holding Provision is conditional upon the Owner entering into a Subdivision Agreement with the Town which has been authorized by Council, reports and plans which have been submitted, servicing capacity which has been allocated, winter maintenance requirements for the proposed private condominium road and parking areas which is addressed in the Subdivision Agreement, and a permit from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) which has been issued.

A by-law considered by Council to remove a Holding Provision under section 36 of the Planning Act is not subject to the requirement of a public meeting and cannot be appealed by anyone other than the applicant. Comments may be submitted in writing via email and will be considered by Council if the submission is received no later than 4:30pm on the date of the Council meeting.

Further to the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Provincial Orders that limit public gatherings, the Council meeting will be held electronically through Zoom video conferencing and will be livestreamed. Should you wish to view the proceedings, you will have the opportunity to view a live stream of the meeting on the Town of Shelburne’s YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsar-MwF8CXrQpBe2EVxh-w>.

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Dufferin County installs 24 electric vehicle chargers

Written By Sam Odrowski

Electric Vehicle drivers across Dufferin County are in luck.

The region's electric charging network, called "Charge Up in Dufferin", has massively expanded, with 24 electric chargers recently installed, in Orangeville, Shelburne, East Garafraxa, Mono, Mulmur and Melancthon.

A press conference was held for the announcement of the chargers on Tuesday (Dec. 7) behind the local courthouse, where speeches were shared by dignitaries and a representative of Plug'n Drive, which installed the 24 chargers locally.

"This is an important stepping stone on our path to net-zero by 2050 in Dufferin. We are gearing up for the future of electric transportation," said Dufferin County Warden Darren White.

"Dufferin County is in a strong position to contribute to climate mitigation efforts, as municipalities are on the frontline of the climate crisis, and can influence 50 per cent of greenhouse gas emissions in Canada."

Warden White noted that 49 per cent of the county's emissions are from transportation so building up a more robust electric charging network is important for moving consumers towards electric vehicles (EVs) and mitigating local emissions.

"We do know through consumer interactions, consumer research, that one of the primary barriers to EV adoption is access to public charging infrastructure," said Dav Cvitkovi, chief operating officer of Plug'n

Drive. "It creates what we call that 'range anxiety'. Well, if I have an EV, where am I going to charge my car? So, efforts such as this goes a long way in building consumer confidence towards purchasing an EV – plain and simple."

Cvitkovic shared a positive outlook for the future of EVs, noting sales increased through the COVID-19 pandemic, proving it to be a resilient economic driver around the world with no signs of slowing down.

In addition to the 24 EV chargers recently installed, 20 more chargers will be installed throughout Dufferin County by the end of 2022. This was made possible through a second phase of funding through the Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) for \$100,000 from the Department of Natural Resources Canada. This funding is in addition to \$289,000 provided through ZEVIP to install the first 24 EV chargers.

In the years ahead, Dufferin residents can expect to see more EV chargers, according to Warden White.

"As the number of electric vehicles on the road grows every year, the county looks forward to expanding our charging network as we race towards the net zero future," he said.

The Charge Up in Dufferin project is an important move for the county, as the federal government is requiring 100 per cent of car and truck sales to be zero emission vehicles by 2035, said Warden White.

He added that one out of three automobiles are anticipated to be electric by 2030.

"Here in Ontario, we're fortunate to have



SAM ODROWSKI PHOTOS

EV CHARGERS LAUNCH: Dufferin County Warden Darren White cuts the ribbon to unveil one of 24 new electric vehicle charging stations that have been recently installed in the County during a small press conference in the parking lot of the local courthouse on Tuesday.

94 per cent emissions free electricity supply. This means that we can make a significant reduction in our greenhouse gas emissions when we shift away from gas powered vehicles to electric ones," Warden White noted.

When looking at the evolution of vehicles, he commented on the location of EV chargers in Melancthon, where he serves as mayor.

"Our charger stations are set up right next to our Mennonite hitching post, which is a great dichotomy to show the past, the present and the future coming together," Warden White remarked.

A map of charging station locations and additional information about the electric vehicles and charging can be accessed at dufferincounty.ca/chargeupindufferin.

Council approves fund transfer for second replacement water truck

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Shelburne Town Council has approved a transfer of funds to purchase a new water truck.

During a special budget framework meeting on Monday (Nov. 29), Council received a report from treasurer, Carey Holmes, to transfer just over \$120,000 from development charges into a water reserve to purchase a second new water truck.

The new water truck will be replacing the town's current 2008 model.

"In the 2022 budget, we have included the purchase of another replacement truck for the 2008 truck," Holmes told councillors

at the Nov. 29 meeting, adding that once replaced the plan is to sell the 2008 model.

The Town of Shelburne purchased its first replacement water truck in 2019, which was at the time intended to replace the existing 2008 truck. After taking possession of the 2019 Ford F550 in February of 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2008 water truck, which was intended to be sold, remained in service.

"We ended up keeping that old water truck in order to allow staff to work independently, and with social distancing protocols. That still remains the case today," said Holmes.

Holmes noted as part of the 2022 budget the Town will be seeing realignment with

staffing, including the movement of a public works operator moving to the water and sewer department full-time.

With Shelburne experiencing high growth, and the water and sewer department growing to three staff members, Holmes said going forward the Town will need two water trucks.

The original replacement vehicle was forecasted in the 2019 water budget to cost \$106,000, with the actual cost being \$121,104.59. The purchase, considered not eligible for development charges, was funded through the water reserves and the water and sewer rates.

According to the Nov. 29 report, the replacement vehicle is included in the 2022

draft budget in the amount of \$132,000.

With two new water trucks, the town plans to sell its 2008 truck and declaring it surplus. The vehicle can be sold through a used vehicle auction or advertised for public tender for bidding.

Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson questioned how other municipalities have handled the selling of surplus equipment to maximize returns.

"If they feel they've had better returns in one form or the other, then maybe that's what we should be pursuing," said Anderson.

Staff noted that it will likely be at least a year before the Town receives the new water truck after ordering it.

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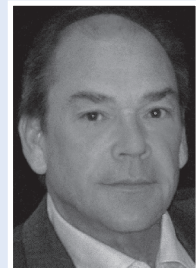


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BRIAN LOCKHART
 FROM THE SECOND ROW



The 2022 Olympic Winter games are approaching and set to take place in Beijing, China in February. Athletes have been preparing for years for this event. They train and hone their skills to become the best athletes in their sport so they can wear their national colours with pride. The Olympics are the ultimate event in the sporting world. Even if an athlete doesn't win a medal, there is still the prestige of being good enough to make your national team. Athletics is about competition. It's about breaking records and striving to be the best in your field. It is about a lot of hard work and personal sacrifice. With some exceptions, Olympic athletes don't get rich from competing. Most will never sign a contract to be on a box of Wheaties or sign their name on a custom brand of running shoes. The Olympics should be about sport, and politics should never be part of it. It is the international level of the event that draws world leaders to somehow push politics onto a sporting event. U.S. President Joe Biden is now pushing for some kind of ridiculous diplomatic boycott of the Beijing games. It doesn't mean

U.S. athletes won't compete; it means there won't be any American government officials involved in the games. Big deal! Why would you want government officials involved in a sporting event anyway? The Olympics have always had some political garbage tossed into the games. From fists raised in protest on the podium to countries withdrawing from the games because of other political reasons, there has always been some kind of nonsense that keeps runners off the track and bobsledders off the course. In the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne, less than 67 countries competed after several armed conflicts caused other countries to withdraw in protest. In 1980, 66 countries chose not to attend the games in Moscow in protest of the Soviet Union's war in Afghanistan. That's some real irony isn't it? Four years later, the Soviets started their own protest and led a bunch of Eastern bloc countries in a boycott of the 1984 games in Los Angeles. What did all these boycotts and protest accomplish? Well, nothing, other than having some athletes watch the games from home and see their spot in the track and field events filled by someone else.

The Olympic games are rarely successful financial events. They don't generate a lot of money and are filled with cost over-runs. If you google former Olympic venues, many did not become a lasting sports centre for high level competition. Many sites are now in ruins and falling apart. I don't know why a city would want to go to the expense of hosting a one-time event that will cost billions of dollars but not produce a return on investment. Maybe it's time to scrap the whole idea of different cities hosting the event. It's time to select a permanent place to host the summer Olympics and a separate location to host the winter games. Once you build the entire venue that can host all the sports, have each country contribute a yearly fee for maintenance. Split by over 200 competing countries, it wouldn't cost that much to maintain one sporting venue. It would eliminate the political aspect on many levels. For starters, it would eliminate the politics that goes into the bogus IOC selection committee that determines which city will host the next Olympics. Secondly, if no country in particular is hosting the event, why would you protest the Olympics because Bermuda has finally

invaded Australia? The problem with this idea is of course, the massive political crap that would be involved in determining a single location for a sports venue. There isn't a chance in the world you could come up with a committee that would search out appropriate sites and come to a logical conclusion without a bunch of in-fighting and political interference. The IOC is already a massive political disaster on its own – trying to get them to make a sound decision would be next to impossible. It would be a decision based on politically manoeuvring, national pride, and bribes. Once built, however, a permanent home for the Olympic game would provide a stability that is needed to have the competition without all the political nonsense that goes with a single country hosting every four years. It would also provide an international venue for other athletic meets between Olympics. Politics should not be involved in sports. Let the athletes have their moment in the sun without the interference of government leaders and bureaucrats.

Gut love

CHELSEA SPACKMAN, M.SC., R.H.N
 HEALTHY WITH CHELSEA



Your gut is your entire digestive system. It starts at your mouth and ends at your bottom, and includes your esophagus, stomach, intestines and colon. It is in constant movement throughout the day, helping you chew, swallow, break down, process and expel your food; cool, right? This system effects everything in your body; gut-brain connection, hormones, skin health, hair health... you name it, I guarantee that there is a connection back to your gut. So, is it any wonder that when something is wrong in the body we look to the gut for more answers? Your gut is made up of a menagerie of bacteria – good and bad – and it is where your health starts. Healthy gut = healthy you. A lot of trendy articles and fast diets will have you believe that you must clean out your gut, or detox your body, or rid yourself of bacteria in order to regain control over your flora (you've heard that word before, right?). Well, what if I told you that if you eat the right foods and take care of yourself, your body will (in many cases, however, not the case if you have a parasite or severe bacterial overgrowth*) rebalance its own flora, naturally. Without

any cleanses or detoxes. Amazing, right? Let's get into it. Your gut microbiome (good bacteria) is something that you want to feed daily. These little guys are what keep your bad bacteria in check and act as security, so that the bad bacteria don't over-populate and run wild. More than anything, your microbiome loves fiber, especially a variety of fiber. Adding berries (raspberries and blackberries are highest in fiber), chia and flax seeds and legumes and lentils to your daily diet will significantly boost your fiber intake, and therefore boost the happiness, and efficacy, of your microbiome; protecting your gut health, and the health of your body and mind. Focus on relaxation, engagement with your food and chewing. I cannot stress this enough. Enjoying your food, relaxing while you eat, engaging with your food (not watching tv, scrolling through Instagram or Facebook, or watching your favourite YouTube channel) and therefore spending the time to thoroughly chew your food, makes for a much better, healthier and happier digestive process. Digestion doesn't start when you eat, it actually starts before food even

hits your lips. It starts when you look at/ smell food. Have you ever been cooking and felt your mouth start to salivate because the food smells so good? That's your body gearing up for digestion! Those juices in your mouth are beginning to stimulate your stomach to start gearing up for incoming food to breakdown. The more responsive we can make our stomach (ie. By sending clear signals that food is coming by being engaged with food), the more efficiently our stomach will process that food, and the easier it is to digest and eliminate without distress. Switching out raw fruits and veggies for cooked can make a huge difference for your digestive health. Cooked fruits and veggies are much easier for our gut to process, and easier for our bacteria

to enjoy, too. Contrary to popular belief, cooking these doesn't actually strip away any nutrients. Instead, roasting veggies and stewing fruits can break down hard to digest fibers that can cause digestive distress. Lastly, listen to your body. All foods can be a part of a well-rounded, healthy diet, but if any food is causing you anxiety, pain or intolerance, it is important to remove it and dig deep to find the reason it's not working with your body. Health is not a one-size-fits-all definition. Health is going to look and feel different for everyone. However, health will always feel good. So, it is important to recognise what is working for your body!

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Multiple charges laid following R.I.D.E check in Melancthon

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) charged a driver for impaired operation and several other driving related charges while conducting R.I.D.E in Melancthon Township.

On Saturday (Dec. 4) at approximately 1:00 p.m., Dufferin OPP officers were conducting R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) in Melancthon. The officers stopped a vehicle and were led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Richard SCOTT, 50-year-old, from Grey Highlands, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Driving while under suspension - while suspended under HTA sec 41/42
- Driving motor vehicle with open container of liquor
- Fail to surrender insurance card
- Fail to surrender permit for motor vehicle
- Use plate not authorized for vehicle

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville in February 2022, to answer to the charge. Their driver's licence was suspended for 90

days and the vehicle impounded for a period of seven days.

Thank you to the concerned citizen who called police. If you suspect an impaired driver, call 9-1-1.



Citizens often ask, why police conduct R.I.D.E. programs during daytime hours. Officers make impaired operation arrests at all hours of the day, seven days a week.

The Dufferin OPP reminds motorists to plan ahead when consuming alcohol or drugs. Use a designated driver, cab, ride-share, public transit or stay overnight. Any amount of alcohol or drugs can impact your ability to make sound judgements. In a split second you could ruin your future, injure or kill others, and tear a hole in the heart of everyone who loves you.

Dufferin OPP lay charges following theft of vehicle from business

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in relation to a theft of vehicle from a parking lot in the Town of Orangeville.

Last Wednesday (Dec. 1) at approximately 1:00 p.m., Dufferin OPP attended a business parking lot on Centennial Road in Orangeville for the report of a stolen vehicle. The complainant advised that he parked his delivery vehicle in the parking lot. A few minutes later he heard the screeching of tires leaving the parking lot and observed his vehicle exiting the lot.

The vehicle is described as a grey Toyota Corolla.

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the

OPP located the vehicle a short time later. The vehicle left the roadway and came to rest in a ditch on Highway 10.

As a result of the investigation, Sukhjinder Singh RAI, 34-year-old from Orangeville was charged with:

- Possession of proceeds of property obtained by crime - over \$5000
- Possession of property obtained by crime - under \$5000
- Failure to comply with undertaking
- Driving while under suspension - while suspended under HTA sec 41/42
- Driving while under suspension

Dufferin OPP is asking business owners in area of 195 Centennial Road to check their

security cameras for any suspicious activity or a vehicle matching the above description. If you have any information or video surveillance footage in relation to this theft, please call the Dufferin OPP Detachment at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122.

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit your information online at <https://ontariocrimestoppers.ca/>.

Dufferin OPP reminds residents to:

- Always lock your vehicles and close the windows
- Remove everything from sight leaving nothing in your vehicle to steal
- Remove garage door openers from your

car, and

- Never leave the car running and unattended

What to do if someone steals your garage door opener?

- Immediately disable the remote and reprogram the unit
- Get a deadbolt lock for the door between your garage and the inside of your house and always keep it locked
- Keep the garage door remote with you at all times - look into getting a mini-remote that fits on your key chain, or a smart-phone App
- Hide your vehicle registration showing your home address

Dufferin OPP searching for suspect of vehicle theft

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in relation to a theft of vehicle from a parking lot in the Town of Orangeville.

Last Thursday (Dec. 2) at approximately 7:04 p.m., Dufferin OPP attended a business parking lot on Broadway in Orangeville for the report of a stolen vehicle. The complainant advised that he parked his vehicle in the parking lot while he attended a store. When he returned a few minutes later the vehicle was gone.

The vehicle is described as a 2007 Ford Edge, white in colour.

There is no suspect description at this time.

Dufferin OPP is asking business owners in area of 489 Broadway in Orangeville to check their security cameras for any suspicious activity or a vehicle matching the above description. If you have any information or video surveillance footage in relation to this theft, please call the Dufferin OPP Detachment at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122.

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- 29. Give a view
- 30. Ornamentation
- 31. Jazz or Magic
- 32. Along the middle
- 33. Spaghetti or linguine
- 34. Entirely
- 37. Dairy-case selection
- 41. Declare
- 43. Go-between
- 44. Mesa
- 47. Own up to
- 48. Wry
- 50. "Blue ____"
- 52. Sign of crying
- 54. Ship's crane
- 56. Neckline style
- 58. Sit a spell
- 60. Shooting star
- 62. Alum
- 64. Consider
- 65. Pass by
- 66. Alliance
- 68. Last Greek letter
- 69. Guitar's relative
- 70. Brace
- 73. Relay
- 74. Design
- 75. Singing voice
- 76. "The ____ Hunter"
- 79. Likewise not
- 80. Had a snack
- 82. Steep flax
- 83. Strong rage

ACROSS

- 1. Slapping noise
- 6. Top
- 10. Tattered cloth
- 13. Educated
- 15. Batting order
- 17. Holiday night
- 18. Dry creek bed
- 19. Esoteric
- 20. Diaper fastener
- 21. Command to oxen
- 22. Zoo creature
- 24. Pledge an oath
- 26. Facial expression
- 28. Gradual
- 31. Pudding
- 34. Desire for food
- 35. Glorify
- 36. Fa's follower
- 38. "Yes ____" (Sammy Davis, Jr. autobiography)

- 39. Seat request
- 40. Treeless plain
- 42. Shoot the breeze
- 45. Scatter rug
- 46. Burden
- 49. Active word
- 51. Kind of feeling
- 53. Lass's counterpart
- 55. Type of chisel
- 57. Alpine ridge
- 59. Cartridge-box contents
- 61. Unit of energy
- 63. Busybody
- 64. Bugle call
- 67. Hen's mate
- 69. Demean
- 70. Entire range
- 71. Chalcedony
- 72. Notwithstanding
- 74. Sketch ____
- 77. Brief doze

- 78. Asian wild ass
- 81. Grating
- 84. Some sons: abbr.
- 85. Plump
- 86. Supply with oxygen
- 87. "The Bard," e.g.
- 88. Bamboo, e.g.
- 89. High male voice

DOWN

- 1. Buck
- 2. Whittle
- 3. Fishing implement
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More photos from the Shelburne BIA's Santa Claus Parade



PICTURES WITH SANTA: Araiah (left) and Savannah (right) Newfield enjoyed taking photos with Father Christmas on Saturday (Dec. 4) at Jack Downing Park, prior to the Santa Claus Parade starting.



WAITING FOR SANTA: Kids in Shelburne bundled up and braved the cool weather as they lined the streets of the community to catch a glimpse of the man in the red and white suit on Dec. 6.

Upper Grand District School Board starting kindergarten registration on Jan. 4

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

Parents looking to register their children for kindergarten next school year will need to start the enrollment process next month.

The Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) has announced they will begin registration for new junior kindergarten (JK) and senior kindergarten (SK) students for the September 2022 school years on Jan. 4 and will run until Jan. 21.

The local school board has provided a step-by-step guide for parents as they introduce a "hybrid" registration process.

1. Pre-register online at www.ugdsb.ca/Kinder-

garten between Jan. 4 and 21.

2. Once you have registered, make sure that you have received a confirmation email to your inbox (check your spam folder if you do not receive it in your main inbox folder).

3. Make an appointment with your school to provide the required documents (this appointment can be either in-person or online).

4. If applying for French Immersion, you must complete the application process, including submission of all required documents by 4 p.m. on Jan. 21, 2022.

"The online pre-registration process allows families to fill out the pre-registration form when it's convenient for them," wrote the school board in a press release. "If parents

and guardians require assistance pre-registering online or do not have access to technology, they are asked to contact their child's home school."

Families looking to enroll their child in French Immersion at the junior kindergarten level need to be aware of the enrolment cap at all UGDSB schools that offer the program. Parents and guardians wishing to apply for junior kindergarten French Immersion must complete their pre-registration and a French Immersion application by Jan. 21 at 4 p.m. to be considered 'on time'.

More information on the junior kindergarten French Immersion application and the selection process can be found at

www.ugdsb.ca/jkfi.

English Track families have been asked by the school board to complete their registration during the same time window.

The school board said all registration for the 2022-2023 school years is currently for in-person learning.

For families whose first language is not English, the UGDSB website is available to be translated into a preferred language by pressing the 'select language' button on the top right-hand side of the website. There are over 90 languages to choose from.

For more information about kindergarten registration visit the UGDSB website - ugdsb.ca.

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The 'steaks' are high for Dufferin County to grow agricultural stability

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

Dufferin County is looking to beef up the local meat supply in 2022 through its first-ever meat processing plant, and is seeking the support of local farmers.

The plan to establish a meat processing plant within the county is part of an effort to bring Dufferin's farm-to-table system closer to home and create a more sustainable agricultural sector.

Karisa Downey, manager of economic development for Dufferin County, said the project was born out of the numerous con-

cerns and challenges the County was hearing from local farmers about processing meat, especially during the pandemic.

"We started hearing more and more from our farming community that meat processing was getting to be more of a challenge, in that farmers were struggling to get animals booked in to be processed with timelines being extremely long in some cases a year, and they were having to drive long distances," said Downey. "Our local producers have said they're having trouble expanding their existing operations because they simply can't obtain the meat processing capacity required to grow."

To make the plant, Dufferin County needs at least 50 local farmers to commit to utilizing and investing in the new producer-owned facility before March 2022.

Downey said while they don't have any formal commitments, there are 10 farmers who have already shown interest in moving forward as investors.

Bill McCutcheon, president of the Dufferin Federation of Agriculture (DFA), had been farming on his own in the community since 1986, working primarily with sheep, and is a supporter of the meat processing plant initiative.

"It just makes more sense we having something a little more local and predictable, that we could respond to our customers in a timely fashion," said McCutcheon. "We're really doing a pretty poor job of capturing local demand that is there because we can't respond fast enough. It's a pretty poor business model."

While COVID-19 had partly fueled the problems farmers in the community are seeing now, McCutcheon says the struggles have been growing over the last 10 years.

"We've seen how vulnerable our meat processing system could be if there was a problem," he said.

McCutcheon added that a meat processing facility would connect the local identity of producers with consumers.

"There's a demand out there from consumers to know where their food comes from, to have a relationship with a local producer. At this point it's difficult to do, I mean it's still possible, but the producer has to do a lot of work to make that happen because there's nothing local to help."

Dufferin County, after hearing the trou-

bles from farmers, shifted a project they were working on with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), to focus on the concern. A feasibility study was completed to determine if a processing facility would be beneficial to the community. The final report completed in spring of 2021, supported the need for the facility.

From the report it was recommended that the facility be located within an urban center. If built in an existing industrial building, Downey said the rough estimate cost is around \$1 million. The meat processing facility would not be a kill facility.

What is unique about the meat processing plant is that the majority of it would be owned by local-producers.

"The producers are able to take ownership of it and run it in a way that works for them and is suitable and to the advantage of their own business. It's providing them with an opportunity to take the lead on this and create a facility that meet their goals," said Downey. "It's also another potential income and revenue source for our local farmers."

Another aspect that is being looked into at the facility is a retail component for farmers to sell their meat directly to consumers.

Downey said bringing the facility to Dufferin County would require eight people to run it, and would be creating eight good paying jobs in the local economy.

McCutcheon also noted that bringing a facility to the community could draw business from outside of the county.

Dufferin County will be hosting a public meeting for more information on the project on Dec. 15 at 1 p.m. at the Grand Valley and District Community Centre.



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MAKING DONATION: Mari-Anne Tate (left), who is president of RCOH, along with RCOH member and Taste of Autumn Chair Lori McHenry (right), presents FTP executive director Norah Kennedy (middle) with a cheque for \$10,000 on Dec. 1.

Family Transition Place receives \$10,000

Family Transition Place (FTP) was the major beneficiary of this year's Taste of Autumn event, organized and hosted by the Rotary Club of Orangeville Highlands (RCOH).

FTP recently received a very generous donation of \$10,000, sourced from the Taste of Autumn event, to be used to support FTP's Youth Education programs.

FTP's Youth Education program strives to teach youth the importance of healthy, respectful relationships that are free of violence in interactive and engaging ways.

FTP relies largely on fundraised dollars to offer these programs, but amongst

many other challenges, the last 18 + months have created barriers for fundraising initiatives.

FTP's youth educators have had to move to a virtual format to accommodate ongoing COVID-19 protocols, which has been challenging, but has also provided them with new and exciting opportunities.

FTP said it is so grateful to have the ongoing support of our community and from groups like RCOH. Generous donations like this are needed to help FTP continue providing Youth Education programs, which help in the organization's work to end violence against women.



PETER RICHARDSON PHOTOS

CELEBRATING ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY: (Left picture) Bruna Zarlenga, owner of Village Refillery celebrated the store's one year anniversary on Nov. 28. (Right picture) Chloe Carleton paints Alec Gilberts, at the Village Refillery for its one-year anniversary celebration. In addition to hand and face painting, there were also several gift giveaways. The Village Refillery helps customers reduce waste by reusing bottles for household cleaners and personal care products, as well as food.



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SHELBURNE SPORTS

PJHL delivers a couple of upsets over the weekend

Written By Brian Lockhart

Anything can happen in Junior C hockey, and it did over the weekend with a couple of surprising upsets in the Carruthers Division of the Provincial Junior Hockey League.

The first place Stayner Siskins were handed their third loss of the season when they went to take on the Alliston Hornets on Alliston home ice on Sunday, December 5.

The Hornets came to the ice as a fourth-place team with an 11-6 record.

The Siskins took an early lead in the game and were leading 3-2 going into the third period.

That's when the real action started. The Hornets tied it up then went ahead by one. Then Stayner tied it up and went ahead by one.

Both teams again tied the game with a goal each.

Alliston scored with less than five minutes remaining to make it a 6-6 game.

The Hornets got the upset win when Dun-

can Grube scored with six seconds left on the clock to give the Alliston team a 7-6 win.

The other upset happened when the fifth place Penetang Kings took the highway up to Orillia to take on the second place Terriers.

The Terriers had lost only three games this season.

Penetang managed to get a one goal lead in the first period of that game.

They went ahead 3-1 in the second, before Orillia scored to make it a 3-2 game with one period left to go.

Both teams scored a single in the third period with Penetang leaving the ice with a 4-3 win.

After the weekend, the Stayner Siskins remain in first place in the division with a 14-3 record and 28 points.

They are followed by Orillia with 27 points, and the Schomberg Cougars who also have 27 points.

The Alliston Hornets are close behind with 25 points and have been getting stronger as the season goes on.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

HUSTLING TO PUCK The Alliston Hornets take on the Caledon Golden Hawks on Friday, December 3, at the New Tecumseth Recreation Centre. The Hornets won this game 8-0 then went on to defeat

Shelburne Muskies pick up overtime win in Milverton

Written By Brian Lockhart

It took a tough three periods and overtime, but the Shelburne Muskies finished the weekend with a 7-6 win over the Milverton 4 Wheel Drives on the road in Milverton on Saturday, December 4.

The Muskies had a good start in the first period jumping out to a three goal lead on markers from Jamie Bennett, Nick Hodgson, and Josh MacDonald.

That big lead got a little smaller when Milverton responded and scored two to make it a 3-2 game going into the second period.

Returning to the ice, the Shelburne squad put a big gap in the scoring when they hit the back of the 4 Wheel Drive net three times to make it a 6-2 game.

Muskies goals came from Justin Graham, Blake Lovell, and Jamie Bennett.

With a big lead, fans were sure the team could finish off the third just by keeping Milverton out of their zone.

However, the Milverton squad poured it on and had a huge third period that saw them score four unanswered goals to tie

the game at six.

When the buzzer sounded to end the period, the teams re-grouped for overtime to decide the game.

The Muskies got the win when Blake Lovell scored in OT and the Muskies got the two points for the game.

Malcolm Young picked up his second win in a row in net.

The Muskies remain in the number eight spot in the league with a 6-7 record and 12 points.

The Seaforth Centenaires are in first place with 20 points, followed by the Ripley Wolves, the Saugeen Shores Winterhawks, and the Clinton Radars.

The Muskies have two games this coming weekend.

On Friday, December 10, they will travel to Clinton to take on the Radars.

They will be back on home ice at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, the following night, Saturday, December 11, when they will host the Creemore Coyotes.

Game time is 8:00 p.m.

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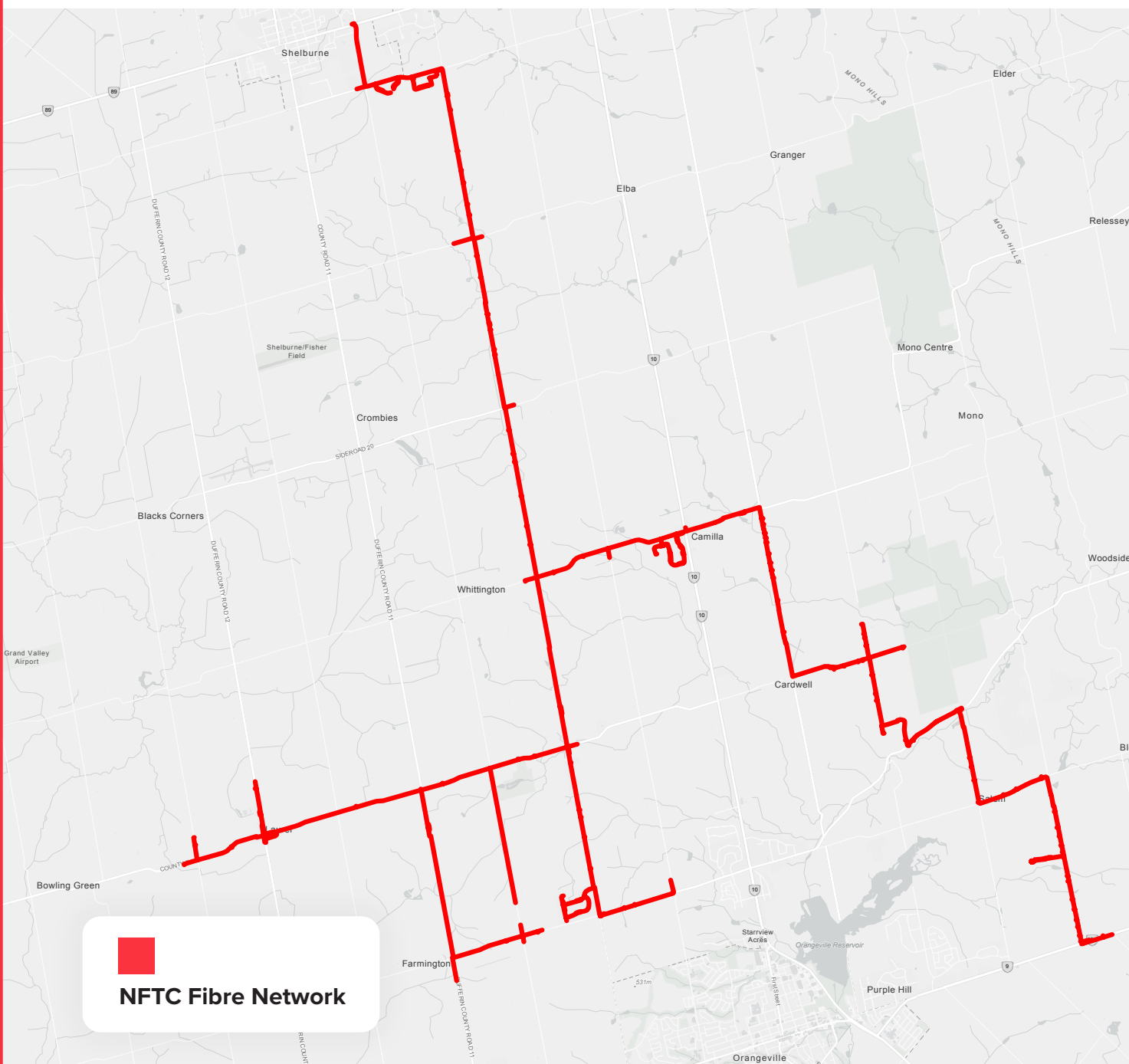
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