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**PARKING PROBLEMS:** Shelburne Fresh Variety owners Brent and Collette Gray say their business has been impacted significantly since installation of no parking signs outside their store, located at 640 Jane Street, last month.

## Local store owners impacted by no parking signs

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

A Shelburne small business says it is seeing significant impacts in sales due to the town placing multiple no parking signs across their store front.

"This is hurting our business; people are coming around the corner, seeing the no parking signs and driving away," Brent Gray, owner of Shelburne Fresh Variety tells the Free Press. "I'm not saying it will shut us down, but we've already looked at our April sales compared to last year and we're way down."

Brent and Collette Gray have owned Shelburne Fresh Variety, an independent grocery store located at the corner of Jane Street and Owen Sound Street, for 22 years. In early April, the Town of Shelburne placed six no parking signs outside the store front, which was renovated nearly a decade ago by the Town for parking purposes.

In June 2021 a report was brought to Shelburne Council, after concerns were raised regarding congestion on the street resulting in traffic back ups on Owen Sound Street.

"We did go over to look at it, and we did notice that there was congestion," said Jim

Moss, director of development and operation for the Town of Shelburne. "There were people parking in the lane of traffic on the road because they couldn't get into the parking apron."

In a follow up report to Council in October 2021, the Shelburne Fresh Variety owners suggested creating a "no parking zone", which would utilize no parking signs as well as hash marks on the town owned portion.

Staff said the "hash marks" through the section would create confusion for drivers, and recommended placing six no parking signs along the store front "to be affective". The signs were installed on April 11.

"Council did not want to impact the business, and it was the feeling that this was the best option to go with," said Moss.

While the Grays don't dispute the occurrence of congestion on the street in recent years and the need for no parking signs in the area, they say the number of signs placed outside their business is "overkill".

"To me it shows people we don't want their business," said Brent about the sign placement.

For comparison, the number of no parking signs located on Willow Street (from Jane Street to Susan Street), a distance of roughly

240 metres, is similar to those placed in front of Shelburne Fresh Variety, roughly less than 50 metres.

According to Moss the minimum requirement for no parking signs in urban settings is a warning every 50 metres.

He said based on the frontage of the store, which is only 40 metres long, one no parking sign would not be affective.

Not only concerned about the possible impact on their business, the owners are also concerned with how the signs have affected road safety outside their store.

Collette and Brent both said they've witnessed customers doing U-turns to park on the opposite side of the road since the signs have gone up.

Both said they believe the spot to be more dangerous now.

Moss told the Free Press that a request sent to the former Shelburne Police Service (SPS), before their disbandment in 2021, for reports on past incidents or accidents at the store corner showed there had been none prior.

With the no parking signs installed, the only option for the owners of Shelburne Fresh Variety to have them removed or changed is to return the matter back to Town Council.

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FEATURED ITEMS

# CDDHS students recognize mental health week

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

Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) students celebrated Mental Health Week this past week with a variety of events focused on education, wellness, and connection.

"It's really important that our students know that mental health is health, it's just as important as physical health, and without that they're not able to do as well in all other areas of their lives," said Julie Senese, CDDHS guidance councillor. "We're trying to really highlight the importance, let them know about resources that are available to support their mental health, and also to have some fun as well because they need balance in their lives."

The various events scheduled for the week were planned by students from the school's Jack Chapter, a student run advocacy group associated with Canadian mental health charity, jack.org.

"We have a really great group of kids part of Jack Chapter who have been doing initiatives throughout the year to highlight the importance of student mental health," said Geer Harvey, social worker at CDDHS. "There's many different ways to meet our emotional health, it's about taking care and meeting our needs."



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

**MENTAL HEALTH WEEK:** Students at Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) kicked off their recognition of Mental Health Week on Monday (May 2). The students are hosting various events over the week to bring education, awareness, and connection towards student mental health.

To kick off the week of mental health awareness, students gathered over their lunch period on Monday (May 2) to participate in a "Jack Talk" where they learned about resources and tangible tools, they can use to better look out for themselves and their fel-

low peers. Other events held have included a community cares day with booths from local agencies, and two days where dogs visited the students at the school. Their last event will take place on Friday (May 6) and will see ice cream from the Canadian Creamery and local food trucks brought in for the students.

Student leaders from CDDHS's Jack Chapter spoke with the Free Press about recognizing Mental Health Week at the local high school.

"We're trying to promote positive mental health, and we want to remind people that they're not alone. If they need help, they can talk about it," said Naomi Cameron, Grade 10.

"It's destigmatizing it," added Callista Daly, Grade 10. "The main thing about Jack Chapter is its youth supporting youth, and this week is really showing the initiatives Jack Chapter has done."

"It shows that you don't need to just talk to adults, but that kids your own age can really connect with you and are able to be there to help you through," said leader Quinn Millsap, Grade 9.

Mental Health Week is also being recognized across the Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) with this year's theme being "Moving Forward Together: learning, wellness, and connection".

## Local school getting new addition

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

Hyland Heights Elementary School has been approved for a new addition.

The provincial government announced in a press release on Tuesday (May 3) that the new addition to the local elementary school would be supported by an investment of \$3.3 million including an additional funding of \$600,000.

The Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) had been approved to award the tender for the addition.

"The funding for a new addition to Hyland Heights Elementary School is great news for our community," said Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon. "This investment will ensure families and students have access to a quality learning environment as the school population continues to grow."

The province said the addition will provide more student spaces in a new, quality-learning environment for the growing stu-

dent population in Shelburne.

According to the press release, the newly announced addition will create 92 student spaces at the elementary school, which currently has a student population of 478.

"Our government is taking action to ensure young people can reach their full potential in the classroom that leads to good jobs," said Minister of Education, Stephen Lecce. "By building a new addition to Hyland Heights Elementary School our government is preparing Shelburne students for the jobs of tomorrow."

The investment into Hyland Heights is part of the provincial government promise to provide \$14 billion to support school constructions over 10 years. Since 2018, nearly 200 projects have been approved, with more than 300 childcare and education building-related projects in development, and more than 100 actively under construction.

The province is providing school boards with \$1.4 billion in funding for 2022-23 to renew and maintain existing schools.

## Agreement in principle made with Strada Aggregate

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

North Dufferin Agricultural and Community Taskforce (NDACT) has provided an update on the development of a community agreement with Strada Aggregate, a company proposing to quarry below the water table at a gravel pit near Honeywood.

In an email issued on April 28, NDACT community liaison Carl Cosack reported that an agreement in principle had been put in place, which could be signed once three key schedules to the agreement are finalized.

The three key schedules include a water and natural features protocol, a communication protocol, and a community recreation fund protocol.

Cosack noted both the water and natural features protocol and communication protocol have been received by Strada, and

are awaiting feedback. The community recreation fund protocol has been finalized to be reviewed by the NDACT Board before being sent to Strada.

"In all our discussions, Strada has generally responded favourably to our approach," said Cosack in the email. "We will continue to work together on reaching a consensus on the schedules over the next couple of weeks."

The agreement in principle is a foundation step to the final community agreement.

NDACT added once signatures are on the agreement in principle, the document will be published on their website for review. NDACT is planning to host an open house with Strada to answer community questions on the agreement.

Cosack said their hope is to continue working with the Strada management team to finalize the agreement before haying season, a timeframe that falls within the summer months.



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# Headwaters celebrates 25 years at Rolling Hills Drive

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) marked a significant milestone in the hospital's history on Tuesday (May 3), celebrating the 25th anniversary of their site on Rolling Hills Drive.

"Over the past 25 years, Headwaters has continued to grow and evolve to meet the changing needs of the communities we serve," said Kim Delahunt, president and CEO of Headwaters Hospital. "We are so proud of our history of providing health care services close to home for our community and we will continue to adapt as we look ahead to the next 25 years."

While celebrations were low key this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Headwaters brought together key figures from its history both past and present on Friday (April 28) at the hospital's main entrance in a reunion to honour the quarter century anniversary.

Among the attendees at Friday's reunion were three instrumental people in developing the Rolling Hills Drive site; Nancy Ross, former president and CEO; Dr. Gord Willans, former hospital chief of staff; and Lynn Gibson, former mayor of Mono and hospital board chair.

Speaking with the Free Press, Ross affectionally refers to their trio as the "three legs of the stool".

"I haven't been back; this is the first time. It's very heartening that I was able to be part of this, and then see that it grew and became this amazing facility," said Ross. "It still is what we hoped it would



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

**CELEBRATING 25 YEARS:** Headwaters representatives both past and present gather with local leaders on Friday (April 28) outside the hospital's main entrance to celebrate the 25th anniversary since the opening of the Rolling Hills Drive facility.

be. I'm very grateful that I was a part of it along with Dr. Willans and Lynn Gibson."

A medical specialist with Orangeville's original hospital, Dr. Gord Willans helped develop many of the early services that are now staples within Headwaters. Services he's credited with helping bring to the local hospital include out patient services, cancer care, and the intensive care unit.

"I'm very proud of what our community has done health wise, both professional

and as a patient," said Dr. Willans.

The Orangeville-based hospital has had a long history that now spans over a century.

The first hospital in Orangeville opened in 1912 as the Lord Dufferin Hospital and came into existence after 53 women founded the Lord Dufferin Chapter of the IODE charitable organization and raised over \$7,000 that was need to set up the hospital. During this time, they also

established a training school for nurses.

While the IODE transferred governance of the hospital to a board of local community members in 1954, 42 years after originally establishing it, the charitable group to this day continues to fundraise for the hospital.

"We have been raising money and helping the hospital any way we can as well as other organizations locally," said Jessica Cerveny, president of the Lord Dufferin IODE Chapter. "It's been an amazing pleasure being around for so long and being involved in the community."

In January of 1993, Shelburne District Hospital voluntarily amalgamated with the renamed Dufferin Area Hospital becoming known as the Dufferin-Caledon Health Care Corporation.

A new hospital opened at 100 Rolling Hills Drive on May 3, 1997 and in October 2002 was official changed to Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC).

Since opening in 1997, Headwaters has undergone various upgrades. Most recently, it saw the construction of an 8,000 square foot Ambulatory Care Centre, which opened in 2017 to provide high demand clinics and programs such as dialysis, chemotherapy, minor procedures, orthopedics, and plastics.

Headwaters is keeping with the celebration of their milestone anniversary with "Cheers to 25 Years" content including videos, stories, and baby photos from the last quadranscentennial.

The public is encouraged to continue sharing their stories and photos with the hospital.

## Shelburne Farmers Market accepting vendor applications for 2022 season

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Shelburne Farmers' Market is back for the 2022 season and is now on the lookout for vendors.

The Town of Shelburne announced on April 26 that they are accepting vendor applications for the weekly local market, which is set to begin in early June. The Town will be using the Manage My Market platform to accept applications from interested vendors as well as to manage the market.

This year, the Town of Shelburne will be providing direct administration and management of the market taking over from the group of volunteers who ran it during the 2021 season. The town has hired Matthew Webb as the Shelburne Farmers' Market Co-ordinator to manage the market.

All applications will be reviewed by market management to determine the best fit for the market. The Town said a preference will be given to vendors offering locally grown and hand made products that are not resold from a wholesaler.

"When applying, please be as specific as possible with your product list. Be sure to include that variety and other descriptive detail for each product. For example, if you are applying to sell pies, please indicate description of the variety of pies you wish to sell," wrote the Town. "These details could be what sets you apart from existing vendors."

Multi-level marketing businesses or mass-produced goods will not be accepted as vendors.

The Shelburne Farmers' Market will also be providing an opportunity for community groups to inform and educate shoppers about important local issues or initiatives with its Community Table. Community groups can apply for the subsidized space through Manage My Market.

Specific details on how to apply for a vendor spot and season fees can be found on the town's website, [www.shelburne.ca](http://www.shelburne.ca).

The 2022 Shelburne Farmers' Market season will kick off on June 9 and will take place every Thursday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. The weekly market will run until Oct. 6.

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## Impaired driver rolls over in Mulmur

Dufferin OPP investigated a single-vehicle motor vehicle collision Friday (April 29) night in Mulmur Township and as a result of the investigation, it was determined that the collision was due to impaired operation.

The driver lost more than traction, they lost their driver's license for 90 days and had their vehicle impounded for seven.

The collision was not fatal.



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**MONDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**

The public 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 purpose of the meeting is to consider the following planning applications:

**COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT**

- Application for Consent B22/01** – Owen Bennington and Sarah Thompson have submitted an application for consent for a property located at 250 Main Street East. The subject property is legally described as All of Lot 10, Block 10, Plan 6A. The property has an existing total area of approximately 682 square metres with approximately 15 metres of frontage on Main Street East and 45 metres of flankage on James Street North. The purpose and effect of the application is to sever a portion of the property to have a land area of 303.25 square metres to create a new residential lot for a single detached dwelling on the subject land. The retained land will have an area of 379.26 square metres and is to be used for an existing single detached dwelling. The applicant has also submitted an application for Zoning By-law Amendment (Z22/01) concurrent with this application.
- Application for Minor Variance A22/05** - Valiuddin Mohammed on behalf of the owners of the property located at 246 Irwin Street, has submitted an application for a Minor Variance to request relief from Sections 3.4.1(ii) and 5.68 of Zoning By-law 38-2007 in order to construct a converted dwelling with a second dwelling unit in the cellar of the existing single detached dwelling. The application is seeking relief from the regulation which states that a dwelling unit shall not be located in the cellar of a dwelling.

Maps showing the locations of the subject properties are provided below.

Further to the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Provincial Orders that limit public gatherings, the Committee of Adjustment meeting will be held electronically through Zoom video conferencing and will be livestreamed. To participate in the meeting electronically through Zoom video conferencing, please contact the Secretary-Treasurer at [jwilloughby@shelburne.ca](mailto:jwilloughby@shelburne.ca) to register in order to have access to the public meeting, no later than Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. 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>.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, email [planning@shelburne.ca](mailto:planning@shelburne.ca) or visit the Town's website at [www.shelburne.ca](http://www.shelburne.ca).



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# An election already?

I can't believe there is a provincial election coming up next month.

It feels like only a couple of years since Doug Ford was placed into the premier's office as the 26th person to hold that position.

The new campaigns have not really started yet, at least not in a full blown, get your message out there, type of campaign, which I am sure is yet to come.

So far, I have seen only one campaign ad – and I was not impressed. I'm not sure what it was really supposed to mean with regards to running for an election.

The ad was about his family struggles, and at the end he compares it to the struggles of Ontarians through the pandemic. The two are not related, and I thought the entire ad was a cheap, sentimental sympathy ad which I don't think will garner much sympathy at all considering the person is running for political office, not as spokesperson for a support group.

It doesn't matter though – if that's what the campaign managers came up with, that's what they can go with.

I think overall, Doug Ford has done a decent job as premier. That's not an endorse-

ment, just an opinion. We've had worst premiers in office.

He's a bold figure, and a big personality. I did notice that his way of speaking and phrasing changed dramatically once he was elected. I guess it was part of developing his image, and he is a decent public speaker.

Much of his tenure in office has revolved around the pandemic that we've have collectively suffered through over the past two years.

It was just one of those things that was not predicted, but happened, and affected the entire province, and indeed most of the world.

Premier Ford took a lot of heat regarding his handling of the entire pandemic situation.

However, I don't think it would have mattered who, or which party was in power at the time, they would have all handled it the exact same way.

As a politician, and leader of the province, the Premier had no choice but to follow the direction and advice of the medical community and health units in the province.

Did you really want the premier to disregard the advice of the medical professionals

and come up with his own strategy to fight the pandemic based on the advice of his cabinet?

Would you have felt better if the Minister of Francophone Affairs (yes, that's an actual cabinet position) provided the information on vaccines, or the Minister of Finance explained what you should do to protect yourself during a pandemic?

I decided to go back over the Premier's time in office to see what he has accomplished. But I decided to come up with a list without researching notes or looking up news stories.

The truth is, I can't come up with much. He has skated along doing what premiers do. No big scandals that I recollect, although I'm sure many people will come up with 'well what about this?' type of thing that he has done that made people angry or outraged.

The one thing I do disagree with was the elimination of license plate sticker fees. Of course I enjoyed getting a cheque in the mail, but at the same time, I also like having potholes fixed and bridges that receive routine inspections and maintenance.

Those license plate sticker fees paid for

the roads and maintenance of those roads to the tune of around \$900 million each year. The typical \$120 fee to renew your plates is not much in exchange for having decent highways.

The thing is, although you won't be paying the sticker fee each year, that \$900 million is still going to fix the roads – it just means it will be coming from some other fund, that you will be paying for, so it's not like you're getting a deal or coming out ahead.

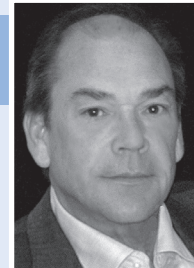
Ontario seems to be on the right track as far as attracting business and investment. For the most part we all live very well, although inflation is getting out of control, but that is really more of a federal issue.

The important thing this election, is to go out there and have your say in who makes the decisions for the province for the next few years.

Cast your vote.

It is your right, and I think, your responsibility as a citizen to make your voice known when determining who will represent you and your community for the coming years.

**BRIAN LOCKHART**  
FROM THE SECOND ROW



# China and Covid: The Cost of Infallibility

Even the Pope claims to be infallible only on matters of faith and doctrine. On the chance of rain or the speed of a racehorse he will freely admit that he is just as fallible as you and I. Whereas secular dictators, and especially ones who are building a personality cult, are implicitly claiming to be infallible about everything.

This is quite a burden, although it helps that dictators can deny things have gone wrong, and punish anybody who says otherwise. Nevertheless, sooner or later people are bound to notice that things really have gone wrong. That is President Xi Jinping's main problem at the moment, but it is also China's.

For more than two years now, Xi has loudly proclaimed that China's zero-Covid policy has been a brilliant success that demonstrates the superiority of the Chinese system and of his own leadership. And for a while there, the evidence was on his side.

The Covid death toll in China is still under 6,000, while Covid fatalities in the United States, with only a quarter of China's

population, are nearing the million mark. However, China achieved this miracle only by almost completely shutting its borders and imposing draconian shut-downs on entire cities at the first sign of an infection.

That succeeded for a while, just as it did in Australia and New Zealand, two geographically isolated countries that followed essentially the same policy. But their governments knew that this could not be a permanent policy, and as soon as the great majority of their populations were fully vaccinated, they began to release the restrictions.

Happily, by then the Omicron variant was taking over, making Covid even more infectious but far less lethal, especially for vaccinated people. Xi Jinping seems to have missed that memo, and has pressed on with the zero-Covid policy even at great cost to the Chinese economy and in the face of growing resentment among ordinary Chinese people.

At the moment, 340 million people, around one-quarter of the population, are under full or partial lockdown in 46 different

cities. The 25 million residents of Shanghai, China's commercial capital, are in their fifth week of lockdown.

Guangzhou, the southern industrial hub, has ordered the mass testing of 5.6 million people after the detection of one suspected Covid case. Even Beijing is teetering on the brink of lockdown, with schools already closed and people panic-buying provisions for what could be another long confinement to their homes.

Given the huge infection rate of Omicron – in both the United States and the United Kingdom around 70% of the population have had Covid at least once – this policy cannot logically have a long-term future.

The ceaseless lockdowns are hitting China so hard that second-quarter growth in an economy that used to boast of 10%+ growth rates is forecast to be only 1.8%. This means not only unemployment and potential unrest, but Chinese customers elsewhere shifting away from dependence on supply chains originating in China. The shift could be permanent.

And yet Xi Jinping perseveres with the policy. His regime has not even speeded up vaccinations in China, although fewer than half the over 60s have even had one booster shot. Nothing must be allowed to suggest that the zero-Covid policy is failing. Why?

Because an absolute dictator must appear infallible. Xi has boasted so much of the 'success' of his victory over Covid, made it so much his own signature

achievement, that no doubt can be admitted – especially at a time when he is planning to make his dictator-for-life status official.

This autumn marks the end of the two five-year terms that Xi would have been permitted under the Communist Party's post-Mao rules, which were designed precisely to thwart other would-be absolute dictators from gaining powers.

His plan was to be elected to a rule-breaking third term at the 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party next October or November, and even a year ago he looked like a shoo-in.

Xi has purged and/or jailed a great many senior officials on corruption charges, and those who were still in office seemed thoroughly cowed. Nevertheless, there are still a lot of senior Party people who think that one-man rule is always a mistake.

Xi's complicity with the Russian invasion of Ukraine and his continuing Covid blunder also count against him with many important people, and the Party Congress, normally a choreographed, almost ritual event, could theoretically turn against him.

You'd still be unwise to bet against Xi's chances of a third term (and as many more as his lifespan allows), but he himself is now running scared. Which probably means that there will be no change in the current, crazy Covid policy at least until the end of the year.

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# Dufferin County resident helps investigative journalist uncover alleged coverup by RCMP in 2020 Nova Scotia mass shooting

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

When a gunman in Nova Scotia went on a two-day killing spree in April of 2020, murdering 22 people in cold blood, there were many unknowns left in the wake. What was also unknown is how an Orangeville resident months later would help an investigative journalist uncover an alleged coverup by the RCMP.

Paul Palango had been retired from journalism for 30-years when the events of April 18 and April 19 unfolded in Portapique, N.S. Having worked for the Globe and Mail for 13 years and in the years since his retirement written three books on the RCMP, Palango said he knew there was something wrong with the initial reports.

Originally looking to help other journalists

look deeper into what was being reported to the public, Palango eventually began covering the Portapique killings himself. His articles would be published in several publications including Maclean's magazine, the Halifax Examiner, and Frank magazine.

"I felt that no one else was going to do it," said Palango. "I know how it works so I have to do it."

In his most recent novel, "22 Murders: Investigating the Massacre, Cover-up, and Obstacles to Justice in Nova Scotia", Palango breaks down the intricate details leading up to and after the massacre, and his reporting following the event.

He also tells how a Facebook message from an Orangeville resident became a turning point in his investigation.

After months of writing articles on the Portapique massacre and the RCMP, Palango received a message on Facebook on Dec. 30, 2020. The message was from an Orangeville resident who had heard him speaking on Nighttime, a podcast created by Jordan Bonaparte. In the message the Orangeville resident asked Palango if anyone had contacted him regarding what had been heard through police scanner the night of the massacre.

In back and forward messages, the Orangeville resident described what they heard broadcasted over the Pictou County Public Safety channel on April 18, and noted how the timeline from the RCMP didn't match what they'd heard over the police scanner.

Palango began work on corroborating the tip, and eventually found the archived audiotapes through a U.S based website.

"I tracked it down and there were the tapes of what was going on. Exactly, a perfect replica of what [they] remembered nine months before."

Palango told the Citizen the find was a significant turning point.

"What it did was allow me to write stories now challenging the RCMP narrative, and once I started doing that with conclusive proof, then the whole story opened up," said Palango "All kinds of people started cooperating because now I was onto a real story and it's wasn't just speculation anymore."

While there are more than 1,700 kilometres between Orangeville and Portapique, N.S., the distance between the two communities shortened across the airwaves the night of April 18.

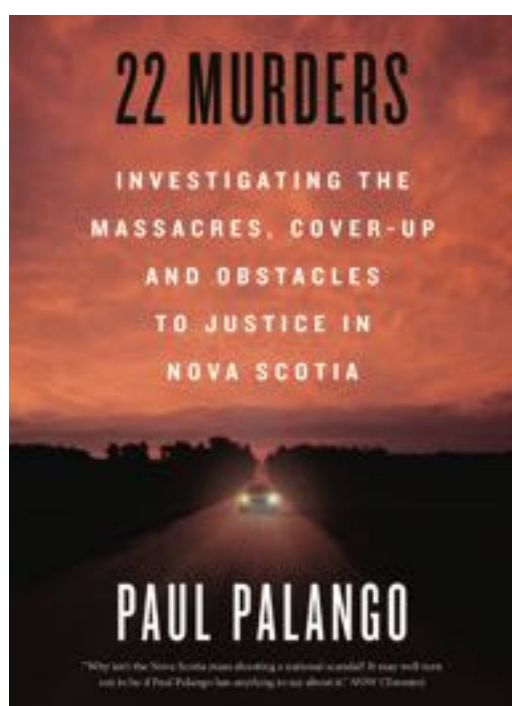
"There was a lot of activity on the channel at the time and that's what caught my attention. Once I realized it was something really horrific happening, I was freaked out. I listened

for about two hours and I was surprised how much information I was hearing," the Orangeville resident told the Citizen.

Sitting on the what they'd heard months before, the Orangeville resident said they were compelled to share the information with Paul because of the lack of updates and information being shared with the public and the victims' families.

"I felt compelled at the time that Paul should have this information. I was just filtering a piece of information over to him that would shed light on his investigation, I didn't think it would have an impact it has," said the resident. "There was still so much information that the victims' families were not aware of, it was justice for them."

Palango's book "22 Murders: Investigating the Massacre, Cover-up, and Obstacles to Justice in Nova Scotia", was published April 12.



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**UNCOVERING COVER-UP:** Paul Palango, author of "22 Murders: Investigating the Massacre, Cover-up, and Obstacles to Justice in Nova Scotia", looks at an RCMP cover up in the book.



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- 46. Come before in time
- 48. Church plate
- 49. Rabbit fur
- 50. Overhead
- 55. Put apart
- 57. Term of endearment
- 58. Female swine
- 61. Take in or let out
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- 69. Geographical belt
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- 7. Rembrandt's specialty
- 8. Thaw
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- 10. In a foreign country

# Ice River employees clean up litter in Greenwood Park

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

Spring has arrived and along with it the need for a deep clean.

Employees from Ice River Sustainable Solutions gathered at Greenwood Park last Thursday (April 28) to help collect litter in the park as part of their annual community cleanup initiative.

"We have the Ice River team out to do a cleanup of Greenwood Park, it's our Earth Day event which got cancelled last week due to weather," said Crystal Howe, director of sustainability for Ice River Sustainable Solutions. "We're out in the sunshine and really excited to help clean up an area in the town."

The community cleanup has been an annual tradition for Ice River Sustainable Solutions since its inaugural event in 2016. Around 20 employees from Ice River Springs

took part in the cleanup efforts.

"We love Shelburne. We've been here now for 12 years and we want to show that we care about our community. A lot of the people here live in Shelburne so it's important to us, but also as a recycler we want to make sure that we're using this material not necessarily as waste but as a good raw material for what we could become in the future," said Howe. "It's important to do your part and being part of a healthy community means coming out and picking up garbage sometimes, and we're willing to do it."

According to the Town of Shelburne, public works staff would later collect the bags of litter from the cleanup and dispose of them.

Howe said any "good" recycling items found during the cleanup would be taken by them and recycled through their recycling plant at Blue Mountain Plastics (BMP).



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

**ANNUAL CLEAN UP:** Employees from Ice Rivers Sustainable Solutions took part in an annual community cleanup initiative last Thursday (April 28) as they picked up litter at Greenwood Park.

## Province investing \$6.6 million in Headwaters Hospital, adding 13 beds

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) will receive additional funding this fiscal year and an increase to add more patient beds, according to an announcement made by Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones on Tuesday (May 4).

In the plan to stay open, the provincial government is investing more than \$6.6 million to add 13 new patient beds to HHCC.

These new beds are part of a capital plan expansion with more than 50 major projects that will add 3,000 new beds over 10 years and support the continuation of over 3,100 acute and post-acute beds in hospitals and alternate health care facilities, and hun-

dreds of new adult, paediatric and neonatal critical care beds.

Since the outset of the pandemic, the government has added 777 more intensive-care unit hospital beds with the capacity to now handle 2,448 critical care patients.

Additionally, HHCC will receive an additional \$1.4 million starting in 2022/23, which represents an increase of 2.5 per cent to funding in the last fiscal year.

This is part of the Ontario government's \$827 million additional investment to hospitals across the province, representing a four per cent increase from last year.

This will ensure all publicly funded hospitals receive a minimum two per cent

increase to their operating budgets to help them better meet patient needs, while building a stronger, more resilient health care system.

"Adding 13 new patient beds to our hospital is a significant investment in our government's commitment to ensure we have the capacity to care for patients locally," said Jones. "This new investment and an increase in funding for our hospital is one more example of how we are working towards ensuring residents in Dufferin-Caledon have the health care services they can depend on."

Over the last four years, the Ontario government has made significant investments in

Ontario's hospitals as part of its plan to build a stronger, more resilient health care system that is better able to respond to crisis. This includes overall sector increases four years in a row, representing a total provincial investment of \$2.5 billion since 2019.

Kim Delahunt, President and CEO, HHCC noted her appreciation for the province's investment in the local hospital.

"We are grateful for the much-needed investment," said Delahunt. "Like all hospitals, we continue to adjust to meet the increasingly complex needs of the people in our care and the additional funding will go a long way to support us in meeting their care needs."

## Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones shares 2022 budget highlights

Written By **Zachary Roman**

Dufferin-Caledon's Member of Provincial Parliament, Sylvia Jones, says she is pleased with her party's 2022 Budget.

Announced on April 28, the Conservatives' "Ontario's Plan to Build" budget document outlines a five-pillared plan for the province that Jones is happy with.

"Our budget focuses on building a province that invests in people, infrastructure and the economy," said Jones in a media release. "This is a plan that puts people first, plans for the future, and invests in critical infrastructure and programs that

residents in Dufferin-Caledon rely on every day."

The five pillars the budget is based on are the following: Rebuilding Ontario's economy; working for workers; building highways and key infrastructure; keeping costs down; and planning to stay open.

Ontario's Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy said the budget is Doug Ford's vision and will "cut through the excuses and act right away on the priorities of the people of Ontario."

"...the work is not over, and the job is not done. We are ready to get it done for the people of Ontario," said Bethlenfalvy.

The Conservatives plan to spend \$4 billion to bring high-speed internet to every community in Ontario by 2025. They also plan to spend \$114.4 million over the next three years in "Skilled Trades Strategy" as they look to break down any stigma associated with the skilled trades and simplify the process for Ontarians getting into them.

The Conservatives have also committed to investing \$1 billion each year in employment and training programs for workers who are looking to upgrade their skills.

The Conservatives' budget accounts for the proposed Highway 413 being built, as part of a \$25.1 billion investment in highway projects across the province over the

next 10 years. Projects included in that investment are: Highway 413; the Bradford Bypass; the first steps to the future widening of Highway 401; improvement of the QEW Garden City Highway; the next phase of the construction of Highway 7 between Kitchener and Guelph; and reconstructing Highway 101, the Timmins connecting link. The budget also includes a planned \$61.6 billion investment in public transit over the next ten years.

Ontario's 2022 budget includes plans to provide an extra \$300 in personal income tax relief for low-income families.

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## Co-op Corner: D&C Vander Zaag Farms

Written By **Cameron Leskey**

D&C Vander Zaag Farms was created after Harry Jacob Vander Zaag came to Canada from Holland to take on a farming opportunity in the Alliston area.

After years of potato farming in Alliston the farm became known as HJ Vander Zaag Farms and was later bought by his two sons Homer and David.

Homer and Dave later bought a potato dealership together. After many years of working together and purchasing and farming land in Melancthon and Alliston, the Vander Zaag's decided that it was best to split up and run separately. The farm in Melancthon became known as D&C Vander Zaag Farms. D&C mainly farms potatoes but other crops include wheat, barley, and canola. The farm is run by David's son Adam Vander Zaag (Farm Manager), along with many others like Ron Breadner, Marc Coe, and James Hoover.

My job title is currently a Shop Hand which means that I shadow the mechanic in the shop (James Hoover).

We work on and repair all the potato trucks for harvest and also many other small machines like pumps for irrigation, generators, servicing chainsaws and weed eaters.

James and I take care of the irrigation program which means we setup and maintain all the pivots, and we also run them when crops need watering.

Some special equipment we use a lot on the farm is the potato harvesting machines including the harvesters and windrowers, as well as skid steers and potato pilers a lot on the farm. They have trained me to use a

forklift, skid steer, different tractor applications, and even a little on how to drive a tractor trailer.

Since I started at the farm I have learned of many jobs that have to do with agriculture. You can be an Agricultural Technician and work full time on, service, and repair all types of equipment such as tractors, combines, harvesters, windrowers, and skid steers.

Another occupation is a salesman for agricultural equipment. In this career you sell new and used equipment to farms across the province, as well as showing the customer how features work on the piece of equipment.

Another job you can pursue in the agricultural industry is an equipment operator. People in this career run all of the farming equipment throughout the year in planting and harvest and other small jobs all year long. Some equipment you may run on a farm is combines, tractors with tillage equipment, and planters pulled by tractors.

Another related career would be truck driver, hauling loads of new equipment or livestock. This does require an AZ license for tractor trailers. Overall, there are many job opportunities in the farming industry.

D&C has had quite a few co-op students throughout the years. They have an amazing facility with very supportive co-operators and great learning opportunities. They train and show you how to use everything and the work you do is always fun and safe.

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**STARTING HER OWN BUSINESS:** Rachel Doney (left) of Rachel's World sells her jewelry, scrunchies, candles, wax melts, incense holders, and tote bags, alongside her helper Madi, at the Dream Big youth marketplace at Westminster Church on Saturday (April 30).



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**THE LITTLE QUILTER:** Rabekah Naeem of The Little Quilter shows off her display of quilling art and crafts at Westminster Church on Saturday (April 30) for the Dream Big youth market. Behind her to the left is her sister Parisa, who is doing Henna art.

# Youth vendor market sees great support from community

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

The Dufferin Board of Trade's Dream Big Market at Westminster Church, featuring young entrepreneurs, saw great success over the weekend.

The youth market, which featured vendors as young as nine years old, was held on Saturday (April 30), and they sold a variety of handmade, recycled and upcycled products, including crocheting, jewelry, woodworking, pet treats, candles, crafts, and art.

There was a total of 30 vendors and roughly 150 people turned out to support youth in the community.

"For many of our young vendors, even more valuable than the sales they made on Saturday was the connections they made and the learning experience they had. Many vendors secured custom orders, lined up future work, and gained valuable followers on their social media," said executive director of DBOT, Diana Morris.

She told the Citizen the youth who participated really enjoyed learning more about entrepreneurship and operating their own business.

"Vendors I spoke with were very pleased with the event," she noted. "Just prior to the doors opening for the public, we held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the vendors with our MP Kyle Seeback, Orangeville Mayor Sandy Brown, and Orangeville Councillor Joe Andrews."

After the ribbon cutting, Seeback and the Town representatives went around the room to speak with each young entrepreneur and present them with certificates, congratulating them on their business success.

DBOT also supplied each vendor with a package of information and resources to help with guide them.

"They received information from our sponsor, Georgian College, as well as info on other upcoming vendors markets, details about the Summer Company program managed by the Orangeville and area Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC), info on local youth programs happening this summer, and informa-



PETER RICHARDSON PHOTO

**TEACHING ART:** Young entrepreneur Harley Duck of Eraser Tip art classes advertises his services at Westminster Church in Orangeville on Saturday for the Dream Big youth marketplace held by the Dufferin Board of Trade.

tion on how the Dufferin Board of Trade can help them promote and grow their businesses," Morris explained.

Upon entry to the Dream Big Market at Westminster Church, shoppers were handed a "Vendor Directory" with details on each of the young entrepreneurs' businesses.

Morris said DBOT was able to keep costs low for vendors, offering booths at \$20 each, giving them a greater opportunity to turn a profit.

Admission for shoppers was free but DBOT accepted donations for the Orangeville Food Bank. In the end, they collected two boxes of food and are making a \$150 cash donation.

The idea behind the Dream Big Market is to help local young entrepreneurs start or grow their business, according to Morris.

She said the idea came from Jackie Irwin, who's daughter Hailey operates "Hailey's Cookies for a Cause", which sells pet treats while fundraising for local charities.

Jackie approached DBOT to see if the organization would support her idea for a youth marketplace, and they were fully on board.

The Dream Big Market was similar to

DBOT's Think Local Market held at Fiddle Park in Shelburne last year but with a focus on vendors under the age of 25.

"In comparison with the Think Local Market, the Dream Big Market had a smaller venue and vendor capacity, but had a huge spirit and a great turnout," Morris noted.

She told the Citizen, based on the positive feedback DBOT's heard about the youth market event, it's hoping to run it annually. Morris said next year they can try to expand it to include some vendors on the lawn at Westminster Church, which would allow for more vendors to participate.

Meanwhile, in other news, DBOT is going to be focusing on the upcoming June 2 provincial election for the duration of May and will be hosting an Election Forum live on Rogers TV and online on May 18.

The DBOT's AGM is being held virtually May 26 and in mid-June the organization will host the Dufferin's Business Excellence Awards.

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## Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones shares 2022 budget highlights

A media release on budget details also outlines big plans for Ontario's hospitals, with the Conservatives saying they'd be "Investing more than \$40 billion over the next 10 years in hospital and health care infrastructure, supporting more than 50 major hospital projects that would add 3,000 new beds over 10 years."

The release also said the government would be "making historic investments in hospitals with an additional \$3.3 billion

in 2022-23, bringing the total additional investments in hospitals to \$8.8 billion since 2018-19.

The Government is also investing \$3.5 billion over three years to support the continuation of over 3,000 hospital beds put in place during the pandemic and \$1.1 billion over three years to support the continuation of hundreds of new adult, pediatric and neonatal critical care beds added during COVID-19.

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The public 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 purpose of the meeting is to consider an Amendment to the Town of Shelburne Zoning By-law No. 38-2007. Take notice that the application has been deemed complete so that it can be circulated and reviewed.

The property subject to the proposed Amendment is municipally known as 250 Main Street East. The property is designated as Downtown Mixed Use in the Official Plan and zoned Mixed Use Commercial (C2) in the Zoning By-law. The accompanying map illustrates the location of the land subject to the proposed zoning amendment.

The purpose and effect of the Amendment is to rezone the property from Mixed Use Commercial (C2) Zone to a new site-specific Mixed Use Commercial Exception (C2-#) Zone. The applicant has also submitted a Consent application (B22/01) for the purpose of creating a new residential lot to be severed from the existing property. The proposed Amendment applies to both the severed and retained land. The application is proposing site-specific provisions for the retained lot to recognize the existing front yard (5.06 metres), interior side yard (0.89 metres), exterior side yard (3.23 metres), lot frontage (15.08 metres), reduced rear yard setback (5.28 metres) and lot area (379.26 square metres). Site-specific provisions requested for the proposed severed lot include a reduced front yard of 3.8 metres whereas 6.0 metres is required, a reduced rear yard of 3.8 metres whereas 7.5 metres is required, and a reduced lot area of 303.25 square metres whereas 464.0 square metres is required.

Further to the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Provincial Orders that limit public gatherings, the public meeting will be held electronically through Zoom video conferencing and will be livestreamed. To participate in the meeting electronically through Zoom video conferencing, please contact the Clerk at [jwilloughby@shelburne.ca](mailto:jwilloughby@shelburne.ca) to register in order to have access to the public meeting, no later than Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. 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>.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, email [planning@shelburne.ca](mailto:planning@shelburne.ca) or visit the Town's website at [www.shelburne.ca](http://www.shelburne.ca).

# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## High schools return to rugby pitch after two-year delay

Written By Brian Lockhart

The champion rugby team column in the District 4 / 10 records for 2020 and 2021 are blank – thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic that kept schools from playing the sport.

This year, high schools are once again fielding teams on the rugby pitch with both boys and girls teams battling it out for the District title.

Spectators are now allowed to watch these outdoor games, after indoor sports were off-limits during the winter months.

A good crowd of both students, parents, and grandparents turned out to watch Centre Dufferin District High School teams play their first games of the season on April 26.

The CDDHS Royals girls' varsity team were first up on the field with a 2:30 p.m. start in their game against the Orangeville District Secondary School Bears.

It was a cool and windy afternoon that had spectators bundled up, but on the pitch, the teams played a good solid match.

The Royals managed to come out on

top with a 22-17 win in their first game of the season.

Other teams in the girl's A Pool included Centre Wellington, and Erin District High School.

In the senior boys division, the Royals were up against John F. Ross CVI from Guelph.

The Royals played a good game but were blanked by the Ross team and had to settle for a 33-0 loss.

The senior division has a four game schedule this year before going into playoffs.

The Royals junior boys team finished the day, taking on John F. Ross with a 4:30 p.m. start.

At the end of the game, the Royals failed to score and took a 36-0 loss in their first outing of the season.

The Juniors have a four game schedule before going into playoffs.

Junior playoffs will get underway on May 9, with the semi-finals and the District championship game taking place on May 12.



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**RUGBY'S BACK:** The Orangeville District Secondary School Bears girl's rugby team take on the Centre Dufferin District High School Royals in Shelburne on Tuesday, April 26. It was a well-played game by both teams. The Bears had to settle for a 22-17 loss in their first game of the season.

## North Dufferin Baseball League announces schedule for 2022 season

Written By Brian Lockhart

Boys baseball is back and the league for North Dufferin is getting ready to play the 2022 season with a full line-up of teams this summer.

The North Dufferin Baseball League (NBDL) has the Mansfield Cubs returning with teams in both the senior and junior divisions.

The NBDL season gets underway on May 7, with three games on the schedule in the senior division.

Junior teams begin their season on May 8.

"The 2022 baseball season for the North Dufferin league begins May 7," the NBDL said in a statement. "The league is excited for the return of a full-fledged year and complement of games."

In the senior division, the loop will feature 13 teams hitting the diamond this summer.

The Ivy Leafs have asked for a leave of absence for this season, which was granted and they are expected to return next year.

The Ivy Rangers have returned to the list this season.

The senior division has two new teams in the line-up. With the addition of the Owen Sound Baysox and the Orillia Majors, the senior loop is quite wide-spread this season.

Returning teams in the senior division include Barrie Angels, Bolton Brewers, Bolton Dodgers, Clarksburg Blues, Clearview Orioles, Creemore Padres, Lisle Astros, Mansfield Cubs, Midland Mariners, and the New Lowell Knights.

The senior division will play a 24-game regular season before heading into the playoffs. In the Junior division there are eight teams

entered in this year's competition. This includes a new entry – the Barrie Baycats. The Orillia Royals are also returning after taking a year off.

Returning teams include the Caledon Nationals, Creemore Padres, Georgina Bulldogs, Mansfield Cubs, Midland Twins, and the Orangeville Bengals.

The North Dufferin Baseball League has a long and storied history beginning with the League's start back in 1930.

This makes the League one of the oldest continuous leagues in the country.

## Donation gives Headwaters nurses a mental health break and technical training

As part of National Nursing week, the RBC Foundation has donated \$10,000 to provide the nurses at Headwaters Healthcare Centre with continued training, and additional funding to provide mental health support.

Anna-Marie Sutherland, VP, Patient Experience, Health Integration at Headwaters, said the donation is particularly timely.

"Professional development and life-long learning are fundamental to nursing, particularly in this currently challenging and changing health care environment," said Sutherland. "We are incredibly grateful for this support, which we'll use for specific and technical nursing education throughout the year."

Additional funds will also be allocated to support activities and guest speakers specifically designed to support the mental health needs of nurses.

"We recently had a great planning meeting about Nursing week and when I shared that RBC had donated additional funds to support the nursing team in the area of mental health everyone was thrilled," said Sutherland.

According to data released by Ontario Health's COVID frontline wellness program, nurses are seeking mental health help more than any other frontline healthcare worker. Recent data released by Mental Health Research Canada also shows that healthcare workers, and nurses in particular, have been profoundly impacted by the pandemic.

"The pandemic has proven not only how important nurses are to our community, but also how important it is for us to continue to take care of these local heroes," said Melanie Renon, regional vice-president, central shores, RBC. "Our goal with these donations is to help ensure our nurses – who always

answer the call - not only feel appreciated, but also have the resources and supports they need to continue the great work they do for all of us."

The donation to support the nurses at Headwaters is part of the RBC Foundation's overall donation of \$120,000 to 13 local hospital foundations this year to support nurses in Halton, Grey, Bruce, Huron-Perth, Oxford and Dufferin Counties.

Over the past 13 years the RBC Foundation has donated more than \$1.2 million to local south western Ontario nurses to access education & training.

Held in honour of nursing pioneer Florence Nightingale, National Nursing Week is designed to increase the awareness of the many contributions nursing makes to the wellbeing of Canadians. National Nursing Week runs from May 9-15, 2022.



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**RECOGNIZING OUR NURSES:** The day nurses at Headwaters Hospital share some masked-up smiles during National Nursing Week. The nurses have a good reason to smile, with the RBC Foundation donating \$10,000 to the hospital for continued training and to provide mental health support.

## Lord Dufferin IODE's Geranium Sale is back

Written By Sam Odrowski

It's time to roll up your sleeves and plant your garden – spring has returned!

A wonderful addition to any garden this season is the Lord Dufferin IODE's red, white, pink, salmon, and citronella geraniums, which are currently available for pre-order.

Pick up days are May 26, 27, and 28 at 10

& 10 Garden Centre from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and orders can be placed by emailing lord-dufferiniode@gmail.com or calling Lord Dufferin IODE president Jessica Cerveny at 519-307-2088 or long-time member Dori Ebel at 519-941-1865. The price is \$40 for a flat of 10 plants or \$7 each, with all of the money raised being donated to non-profit organizations in the community, such as Headwaters Hospital, Orangeville Food Bank, and the local library.

Unlike a greenhouse or big box store, customers who support the Lord Dufferin IODE's Annual Geranium Sale know that their money is going to a good cause.

"We keep all of the funds local, so it benefits people here in our town, and makes it a better place to work and live," said Cerveny.

The geraniums are locally grown at 10 & 10 Garden Centre and this year a new colour was introduced – orange. The orange geraniums sold out quickly and are no longer available, but since they were a big hit this year, the Lord Dufferin IODE plans to offer more of them next year.

Cerveny said the Lord Dufferin IODE is hoping to sell all 4,300 plants in total this year and raise \$7,000, as it has in past years.

The organization is always looking for new volunteers and anyone interested can reach out to Cerveny or Ebel by phone or contact the group by email.

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Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:00p.m.

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Meeting Link:

In order to provide sufficient information to the public, a draft copy of the By-law is available on the Township website at: <https://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/By-Laws.aspx>. Copies of the draft By-law will also be available in hard copy form at the Township office. Interested persons may express their comments at the public meeting, or in writing or via e-mail to the Municipal Clerk prior to the meeting. Such written comments will be brought before Council at the meeting.

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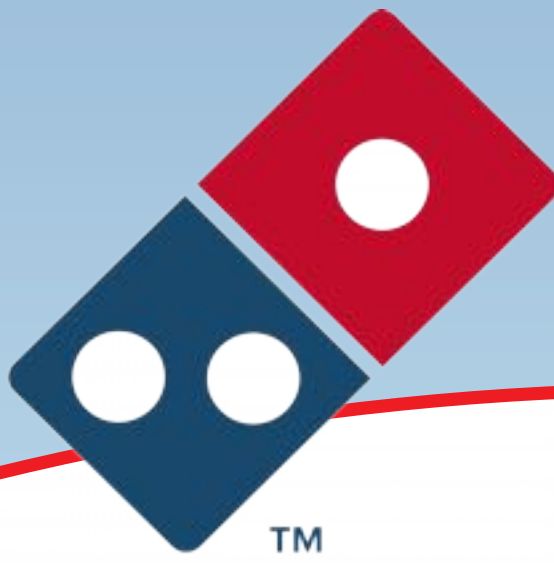
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