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PUMPKIN FESTIVAL: A young attendee sticks to the velcro wall during the Shelburne Pumpkinfest 2023 at Natasha Paterson Park on Saturday, Oct. 7. The event was held by the Rotary Club of Shelburne and Team Apex Real Estate to bring an afternoon full of fun to the community. The event featured inflatables, carnival games, a 28-foot obstacle course, slides, balloon animals and train rides. A magic show, pet show, and pie eating contest was also enjoyed by those who attended the Pumpkinfest. See more photos on Page 10.

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Shoes4Shelburne: A step forward for low-income families

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

Shelburne Family Chiropractic & Wellness Centre is working to ensure those in need have good and reliable shoes with their 7th annual Shoes4Shelburne campaign.

"It's not the most positive thing that we have to have a program like this, but we're happy to do this for the community and give back to those in need," said Alexandra Georgie, co-founder of Shoes4Shelburne. "We do anticipate with how challenging it is with the cost of living and inflation that there's going to be a larger need this year."

Started six years ago by local chiropractor Dr. Richard Magder and Alexandra Georgie from Shelburne Family Chiropractic, Shoes4Shelburne is an annual initiative focused on providing new and gently used shoes to Shelburne and Dufferin County residents in need.

The inspiration for the campaign came after a pair of Dr. Magder's shoes were stolen when left outside to dry.

Last year, the initiative aided roughly 50 families, including multiple members within those families.

Speaking with the Free Press, Georgie explained the role that quality footwear can have on an individual's overall physical health and well-being.

"It's so important for people to have good footwear from a wellness perspective because that's where a lot of problems can start to happen. If you're not wearing good footwear, it can change what is called the gait, which means the positioning of your foot," explained Georgie. "This can start to create knee pain, which then can lead up to hip and back pain that can lead to tension and stress causing migraines and headaches; it's all interconnected."

Having organized the initiative for seven years, Shelburne Family Chiropractic has seen a shift in the demand for shoes – specifically, the need for children's shoes and winter boots.

To help combat the growing need for children's shoes, Shoes4Shelburne is working with the local schools to help provide children in need with a pair of quality shoes. To address the need for winter boots, the group is focussing their efforts on collecting winter boots.

"It's becoming more and more challenging for families to be able to afford shoes for their little ones with the general cost of shoes going up and they're growing so quickly," said Georgie. "Boots as well are becoming so expensive so that's why our focus is so much on boots this year."

This year, Shoes4Shelburne has teamed up with Coats for Dufferin, an annual initiative organized by relators Go With Crowe

and Jacqueline Clement that looks to provide Dufferin residents with coats. They've also aligned their pickup schedule with the Shelburne Food Bank and Christmas Hamper program.

"It's really about collaboration to make it as easy and seamless as possible for people who may need these items," said Georgie.

From Nov. 1 to Dec. 15, every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Shelburne Family Chiropractic & Wellness Centre will be holding an open house event, located at 228 Andrew Street, where people in need of shoes can browse the donation collection.

They will also be open on Dec. 16 in alignment with the Christmas Hamper pick-up day.

Looking ahead to the future, Shelburne Family Chiropractic is looking to continue providing footwear to those in need throughout the year by having a once-monthly shop open for families and individuals.

"If they need any type of shoe, they could come in and get it and we'll be doing that every month," said Georgie.

Donations of new and gently used shoes can be left in a 24/7 drop-off bin at Shelburne Family Chiropractic & Wellness Centre, located at 310 Main Street E. Shelburne Family Chiropractic & Wellness Centre will be collecting donations for Shoes4Shelburne until Oct. 31.

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Dufferin Film Festival opens screenwriting contest

Written By **James Matthews**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Shelburne and surrounding municipalities will have its own place in celebrating independent filmmakers next fall.

The lights will go up on the Dufferin Film Festival (DFF) on Aug. 9-10, 2024.

Kelly McDowell, the festival's director, said the event will celebrate Canadian independent filmmakers through a curated selection of films, educational opportunities, industry forums, and networking events.

The festival will foster filmmakers, film enthusiasts, and audiences while raising the profile of Canadian talent. Filmmakers can enter their films through FilmFreeway.

"DFF will be showcasing the best of Canadian films of all genres," McDowell said.

She has an ambitious program for the two-day festival but is inspired to bring the best film experience possible to the community.

"Dufferin County is not only full of many talented artists and art lovers, but is also an incredible landscape for film production. It is the perfect community to launch a film festival and continue to put Dufferin County on the map for filmmakers and film enthusiasts," said McDowell.

The festival will host a myriad of creative forums, workshops, and networking opportunities. The opening night will include a presentation of the Screenwriting Competition winners' films and an evening feature film,

followed by a question-and-answer session with the filmmakers.

The night will commence with a red carpet, complete with filmmakers and photographers. The celebration continues at the opening night social, hosted at the Bluebird Cafe and Grill, which will be transformed into a Filmmaker and Film Enthusiast Hub, complete with entertainment, networking opportunities, and food.

The second day of DFF includes more film programming from prominent and emerging filmmakers.

More information on the schedule, films and events will be available in the weeks leading up to the festival.

As part of the launch of DFF, the festival

is hosting a Headwaters region community-wide screenwriting contest. Applicants can submit their microfilm scripts of five minutes or less, and two winners will be selected, one from a youth category of ages 12 to 18 and the other from an all-ages category.

Rose Digital Media Group, in partnership with DFF, will acquire the scripts and work with the writer on-set in the production of the screenplay. The films will debut at DFF as part of the film selections.

The application portal opened on Oct. 10 and will close on Dec. 31.

Winners will be announced in February 2024.

OPP's Dufferin Detachment receives \$207,850 for mental health crisis support

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

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police is receiving funding from the provincial government to provide specialized support to people experiencing a mental health crisis.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones announced in a press release issued on Monday (Oct. 10) that the local detachment would be granted a total of \$207,850 in fund-

ing. The funding is being delivered through the Mobile Crisis Response Team Enhancement Grant program and looks to enable police to utilize trained crisis workers when responding to calls involving mental health.

"Our government is continuing to take action by providing the OPP's Dufferin Detachment with the tools and resources they need to support those experiencing a mental health crisis in our community," said Jones. "By continuing to invest in OPP Dufferin's Mobile Crisis Response Team,

our government is expanding their ability to deliver appropriate services to those in crisis situations."

The Mobile Crisis Response Teams consist of police officers and crisis workers, who work together to respond to complex calls where mental health or addictions may be a factor. Supported by police officers, crisis workers can assess if an individual should be sent to an emergency department for treatment or provide referrals to community programs that support both mental and physical well-being.

"Police are called up to respond to thousands of mental health calls a year," said Thomas Carrique, OPP Commissioner. "The integrated Mobile Crisis Response Teams approach, with officers and crisis workers attending calls together, supports de-escalation at the time of crisis and connects indi-



viduals with the right community resources, at the right time, to better meet their needs and reduce future police interactions."

In 2023-24, the provincial government is allocating more than \$4.5 million to 39 municipal and First Nations police services, as well as Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), to help strengthen Mobile Crisis Response Teams across the province.

Dufferin Community Foundation offers first-time grants this fall

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



Dufferin Community Foundation (DCF) is providing two new funding opportunities to local charities this fall.

The foundation will be offering grants from two new funds – the Arts, Culture and Heritage and the Environmental Fund – for the first time.

"We're thrilled to be able to give grants from these two funds for the first time, and that our donors have contributed this money that is allowing us now to be able to give annual grants that are only going to grow in size and scope," said Michele Fisher, executive director for Dufferin Community Foundation. "It's incredible to be able to give this gift to our local charities and the people who use these services because we know how urgently this funding it's needed."

Dufferin Community Foundation will be dispersing four grants valued at \$2,500 each through the Art, Culture and Heritage Fund. The fund provides grants to organizations that advance the public's appreciation and awareness of the arts, community heritage and cultural traditions taking place within Dufferin County.

The committee selecting the recipients for the 2023 granting cycles will focus on funding initiatives or collaborations that foster a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion through arts and culture.

Through the Environment Fund, Dufferin Community Foundation will hand out one grant valued at \$3,000.

The Environment Fund grant is aimed at organizations taking innovative approaches to community-based environmental management, including technological advances, environmental education and stewardship of land and natural resources. The grant may be used for programs, projects and research in Dufferin County.

In order to distribute the grants to local charities, the Dufferin Community Foundation must receive more than \$25,000 in donations to produce enough income to provide each grant. The foundation's goal is to raise \$10 million in donations in its first 10 years, allowing it to distribute \$400,000 in grants annually to local organizations.

"The grants are only going to continue growing in size, number and scope as the funds build and we get more donations over time," said Fisher.

The deadline to apply for the fall grants is Oct. 16 at 5 p.m. For more information and to access the application forms, visit www.dufferincommunityfoundation.ca.

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Dufferin County Paramedic Service honoured with prestigious awards

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Members of the Dufferin County Paramedic Service (DCPS) have been recognized for their contribution and commitment to the field of paramedicine by receiving prestigious awards from the Province and Canada.

“We are incredibly proud to have the Dufferin County Paramedic Service as part of our team at Headwaters Health Care Centre,” said Kim Delahunt, president and CEO of Headwaters Hospital. “Their dedication and unwavering commitment to providing exceptional healthcare services truly makes a difference in the lives of people in our communities.”

Eight members of the DCPS were granted the Governor General of Canada’s Exemplary Service Medal for Emergency Services for their dedication and service to the community. The award recognizes pre-hospital emergency medical service members who have served for at least 20 years with at least 10 years of service in high-risk positions. Exemplary Service Medals were awarded to:

- Stacey Becker, Superintendent



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RECOGNIZING LOCAL PARAMEDICS: The Dufferin County Paramedic Service had several members recognized for their contributions and commitment to the field of paramedicine with Exemplary Service Medals. The award recognizes pre-hospital emergency medical service members who have served for at least 20 years with at least 10 years of service in high-risk positions

- Mike Chambers, Advanced Care Paramedic
- Brian MacIntyre, Superintendent
- Heather McNab, Primary Care Paramedic
- Shawn O’Donnell, Advanced Care Paramedic
- John Posavac, Advanced Care Paramedic
- Gary Staples, Deputy Chief, Performance Quality Development

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- Dave Tyler, Superintendent, Community Paramedic Program

Dufferin County Paramedic Chief Tom Reid was also awarded the Richard J. Armstrong Leadership Award, which recognizes exceptional leadership and significant contributions to paramedicine in Ontario.

Reid has been in a leadership role for over 35 years of his 40-year career with DCPS and its predecessors.

He currently leads a team of over 60 paramedics and support staff at stations in Orangeville, Shelburne, and Grand Valley.

“On behalf of Dufferin County, I extend our sincerest congratulations to Chief Reid and his dedicated team members at Dufferin County Paramedic Service for being recognized at the Governor General of Canada’s Exemplary Service Medal for Emergency Medical Services,” said Sonya Pritchard, Dufferin County chief administrative officer.

“The recipients’ longstanding commitment to supporting our community has truly made a difference in the safety and well-being of our residents. We thank them for their service.”

Heidi’s Walk for Hope raises \$28,000 for Family Transition Place

Written By James Matthews
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Non-profit groups across Canada have been struggling post-pandemic, and that dip in monetary support has extended to some charitable efforts in Orangeville.

The Family Transition Place held its annual Heidi’s Walk for Hope on Sept. 24. It’s a fundraiser to support FTP’s emergency shelter program, counselling, and educational initiatives.

This year’s event generated more than \$28,000 from participants who participated in a five-kilometre walk through Island Lake Conservation Area’s trail network. It’s in memory of Dufferin County resident Heidi Ferguson. She was killed in September 2009 by her estranged husband soon after she filed for divorce to end the marriage.

The memorial walk began in 2012, started by Heidi’s parents, Gus and Penny Bogner, as a way to honour their daughter’s legacy.

FTP hosts the walk each year as a means to raise awareness and money towards ending violence against women.

Kelly Lee, manager of fund development and communication strategies at FTP in Orangeville, said funds raised through annual FTP fundraisers support unfunded programs, particularly youth education.

“Our youth education programs are designed to teach kids about what healthy relationships look like with the goal of ending the cycle of violence before it begins,” she said.

Programming is offered to students in Grades 5 through 12 in schools throughout Caledon and Dufferin County.

They “rely heavily on fundraised dollars,”

she said. “Available funding streams have changed significantly in the last several years and fundraised dollars are also used to support other essential programs and services for women who have experienced domestic violence and/or homelessness and their children.”

This year’s walk drew a little more than half of the fundraising goal. Last year, FTP raised more than \$30,000.

“The community responded well to the walk this year, but we have seen a decrease in fundraising support in the last year or so,” Lee said.

“This seems to be a challenge non-profit organizations are experiencing across Canada, and likely on a global scale.

“Our goal was to raise \$40,000 but we understand that times are difficult for many in our community right now and truly appreciate the support we received from those who donated, sponsored and participated.”

Indeed, it’s something that’s being experienced by many organizations and charities operating in these difficult economic times brought about by the coronavirus pandemic.

Non-profits have been affected by high inflation, the rise in interest rates, and increased demand, according to Imagine Canada, an organization that strives to strengthen Canadian charities and non-profits so they can better serve individuals and communities.

Basically, the same ripple effect caused by the pandemic that’s restricted household finances has reached many charitable efforts.

“While Heidi’s Walk for Hope is certainly a fundraising initiative, it also provides with an opportunity to raise awareness about the prevalence of domestic violence in our com-



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SUPPORTING A GOOD CAUSE: Heidi’s Walk for Hope raised over \$28,000 for Family Transition Place on Sept. 24, in support of the womens’ emergency shelter’s programs, counselling and educational initiatives.

community,” Lee said. “Many of the participants who attend this event attend our other annual fundraisers as they are very committed to the work we do.”

She said organizers were heartened to see some new faces at the walk, and she hopes drawing new people will continue to shed light on the prevalent issue of violence against women.

“For some, it may have been an eye open-

er, but the reality is it is very likely that everyone in this community has either experienced domestic violence themselves, has familial experience with domestic violence or knows someone who has been affected by domestic violence,” she said.

“The more our community is aware that this is happening to friends, family, and co-workers, the more we can do to change the narrative.”



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Be thankful for three oceans

We have celebrated the Thanksgiving weekend, and I hope many people appreciate this holiday for what it is meant to be.

It is a time when you should reflect on your good fortune and be thankful for the many blessings you have in life, including good health, a decent job, family, and the fact that you live in a peaceful and tolerant country.

We should also be thankful we live in a country that has only one border and is surrounded by three oceans. Apparently, having neighbours is not a good thing because, eventually, they will start lobbing bombs at your houses.

Once again, there is war in Europe and the Middle East. Wars seem to be getting even uglier as the years go by.

War has never been a pleasant experience, but in the past, for the most part, combatants faced combatants – although that was never a hard-fast rule. There have always been civilian casualties and outright murders.

Most soldiers, at least those that are dedicated professionals, know their job, and during conflict, will display at least some respect for innocent civilians caught in a cross-fire or simply in the wrong place

when an armed force enters their town, village, or city.

This recent attack on Israel shows just how despicable people can be. They chose to attack a music concert. It was a concert filled with unarmed people who were there to hear music and enjoy a weekend. People were gunned down and murdered as they tried to flee.

Some of those killed were foreigners who had nothing to do with either side. Other civilians have been taken hostage or had their broken bodies openly displayed on the street for the enjoyment of others.

Retaliation was swift and very destructive – and it's not going to stop. Bloodshed breeds bloodshed, and a lot more people are going to die or lose their homes in the next few weeks.

Our time to remember past conflicts is coming up in November.

Remembrance Day isn't a statutory holiday, and it isn't a day of celebration. It is exactly as the name implies – a day to remember.

You've probably seen the war movies depicting battles of the Second World War. There's always a big movie star in the lead role. There's always the quirky guy,

the tough guy, the inner city guy, and, of course, the fresh-faced kid from Iowa, who always dies in the movie.

While the movies are usually relatively accurate and, for the most part, entertaining, there's one thing that Hollywood usually gets wrong.

John Wayne was 42 years old when he was in the film Sands of Iwo Jima as Sgt. Stryker. He was 61 when he starred in The Green Berets.

Tom Hanks was 42 when he took on the role of Captain Miller in the movie Saving Private Ryan. Brad Pitt was 47 when he starred in Inglourious Basterds as Lt. Raine and 51 when he portrayed a tank commander in the film Fury.

These are all great films, but at those ages, these guys were already too old to be in a platoon marching across Europe.

John Wayne, himself, had reservations about making Iwo Jima at his age because he knew he was too old.

German actor Jurgen Prochnow was 40 when he played a submarine commander in the classic film Das Boot. Critics of the movie said that even if he were only 30 years old, he still would have been considered an 'old man' among sailors of the day.

The truth is, if you went to a local high school and pulled out 20 Grade 12 students and put them in a group, they would more accurately resemble the men who stormed the beaches on D-Day.

This is why it is so important to remember on Remembrance Day.

It is a time to remember sacrifice, duty, and a willingness to step up and do your part.

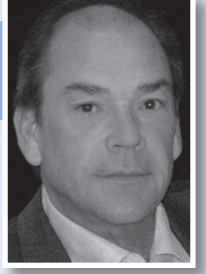
It is a time to remember that many of those men did not return. It is a time to remember that for many of those men, no one even knows what became of them. They could have been taken prisoner and executed or buried in a field by an exploding artillery shell.

In the eyes of their comrades who survived, they are still 20 years old.

On Remembrance Day, do your part and participate in a ceremony at the cenotaph in your town.

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BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



Giving workers a piece of the action

Do Canadian workers have the right to get a share of the profits they help generate?

I would argue that they do, and what's more, I believe that profit sharing should be one of the cornerstone principles in a new Canadian Economic Charter of Rights and Responsibilities.

Profit sharing is one of seven key economic charter principles I highlighted in last week's column. It would require all large companies in Canada with more than 300 employees to share annual profits with their workers.

At Magna International Inc., the Canadian auto parts company I founded, profit sharing was a core principle in the economic charter of rights that we enshrined in our governing Corporate Constitution. The economic rights contained in the Corporate Constitution made every employee a partner in profitability.

Because our employees knew they would get a portion of the profits we generated, they put their heart and soul into making quality products at a competitive price. With profit sharing in place, revenue and profits skyrocketed in the years that followed and placed Magna on the path of phenomenal growth and expansion.

Harvard Business School labelled our profit sharing philosophy, "Magna's success formula". And that formula was based on the belief that all of the company's key stakeholders should share in the success of the business – or what we described as "getting a piece of the action."

When Magna celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2007, the company had shared more than \$1 billion in profits with employees – and it has shared hundreds of millions more since then.

I believe we should implement the same profit-sharing principle on a national scale through a Canadian Economic Charter of Rights & Responsibilities.

A company can't make a profit without the hard work, creativity and resourcefulness of its employees. And when companies are making record profits, they should have to share some of those profits with their employees.

Sharing profits with workers would not only benefit employees, but it would also benefit companies and governments. Companies would see an increase in productivity and generate higher profits. Employees would get to pocket more money. And governments would bring in more tax revenue.

We would end up creating a system

where wealth is distributed more evenly and fairly throughout the economy, rather than remaining concentrated in the hands of a relatively few wealthy individuals. One thing is for certain: if we fail to find a way to allow workers to participate in sharing some of the profits they produce, our living standards will continue to erode.

Creating an economic right of sharing profits with workers would basically be a recognition that our economy is driven by three forces: smart managers, hard-working employees, and investors.

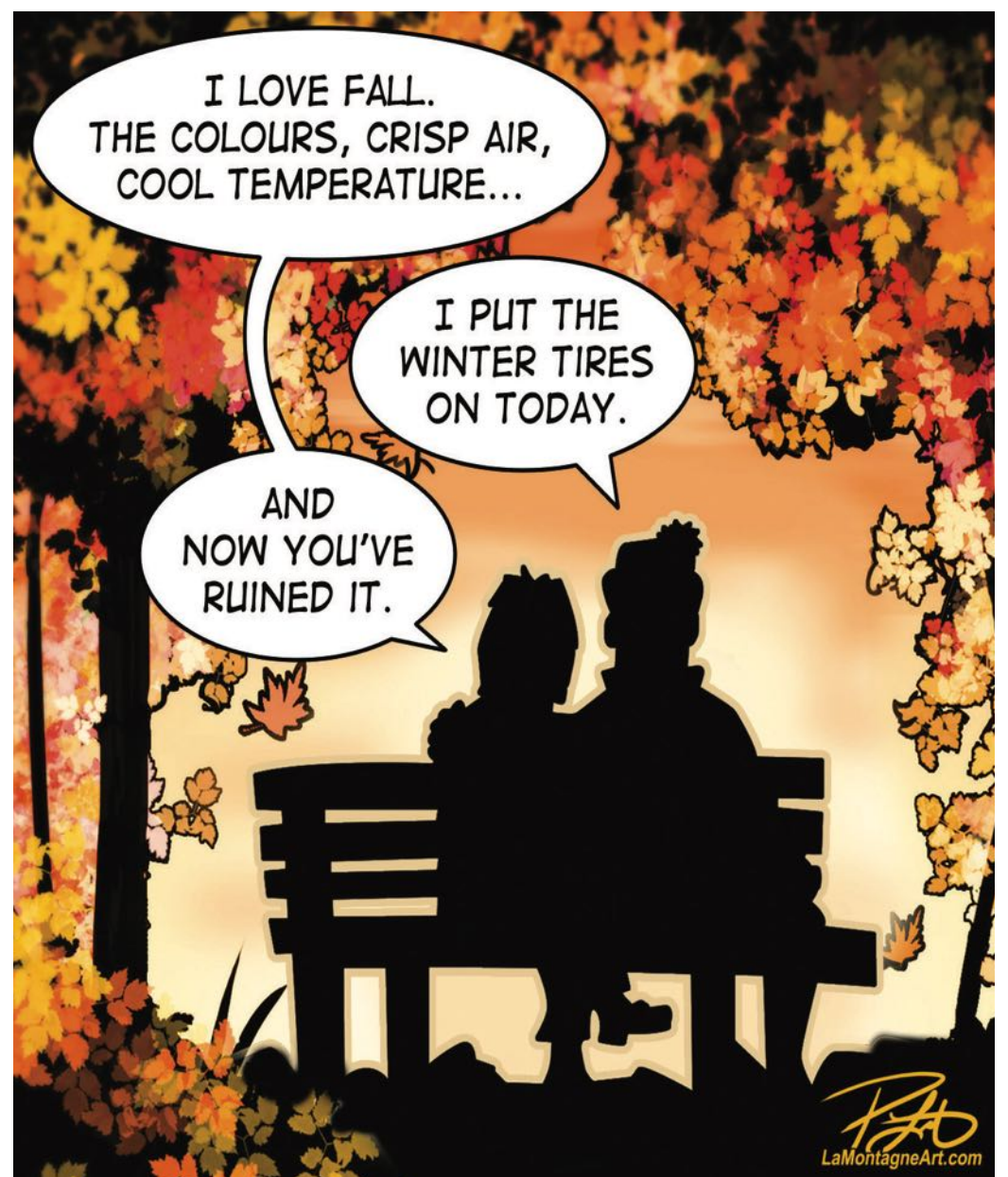
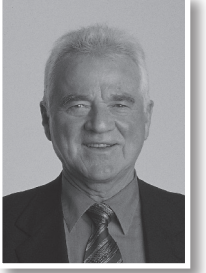
All three have the right to share in the profits of the business.

With profit sharing as a core right in a new economic charter, more Canadian workers would begin to reap the benefits of having a financial stake in their place of employment, and Canadian businesses would become much more productive and competitive.

That's a win-win scenario that's difficult to ignore.

If you would like to learn more about how a Canadian Economic Charter of Rights can improve Canadian living standards, please email info@economiccharter.ca.

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Shelburne Cricket Club moves closer to Dufferin Cup Final

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Shelburne Cricket Club is nearing the end of the season as the cooler weather is here, and they play out the final few games of the Dufferin Cup Tournament.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, the Orangeville Tigers were up against the Mono Might in a premium T20 showdown on the pitch at KTH Park in Shelburne.

The Might won the toss and chose to set the tone of the game by batting first.

Mono Might's strong batting performance saw them get a total of 111 runs. A standout performance by Ravi Gill contributed 44 runs, and Garry Gill batted for a solid 24 runs. This played a pivotal role in securing the Might's competitive score.

When it was the Orangeville Tigers' turn to

chase, they showed exceptional batting prowess.

A brilliant knock by 16-year-old Muhammad Raza scored his maiden half-century to amass 50 runs. Raza's effort proved to be a turning point for the Tigers, and the Orangeville team won the match.

Raza was named Man of the Match. He earned the distinction for his remarkable batting, which ultimately proved to be the decisive factor in this game.

The game showcased the spirit and talent in the Dufferin County cricket scene. With athleticism, teamwork, and sportsmanship, this weekend's game turned out to be one to remember in Dufferin Cricket.

As the tournament progresses, fans are ready for some action as the final game gets closer.

The Dufferin Cup final is scheduled for Oct. 15 at KTH Park.



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FINAL: The Orangeville Tigers take on the Mono Might in Dufferin Cup cricket held at KTH Park in Shelburne on Sunday, Oct. 1. The Tigers came out on top in this game. Weekend matches were scheduled for Oct. 7 and 8, but had to be postponed due to inclement weather. The Dufferin Cup tournament continues with the final scheduled for Oct. 15.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

SEASON OPENER: The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals senior boys soccer team host the Westside Secondary School Thunder from Orangeville on the pitch at CDDHS on Wednesday, Sept. 20, during the first match of the season. The Thunder left the field with a 3-2 win in their first game of the year.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO:

UNDEFEATED: The Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) Royals senior boys' volleyball team takes on the Wellington Heights Secondary School Wolverines during tournament play at CDDHS on Wednesday, Oct. 4. Four schools took part on tournament day, playing three games each. The Royals won this match 2-1. In their other games for the day, they won 3-0 over Erin District High School and 3-0 over Emmanuel Christian High School. After the tournament, the Royals are undefeated and in first place in the District 4 standings.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

CHRISTIAN MACRAE

Playing volleyball since Grade 3, Christian MacRae brings a lot of experience to his CDDHS senior boys' team.

"I like how competitive it is," Christian said of why he likes the sport. "I built a lot of friends through it. It's my outlet away from other things."

He has played on the Centre Dufferin team all the way through high school, and is the captain of the CDDHS senior boys' volleyball team.

Christian also plays volleyball at the club level in Barrie.

TEAM: CENTRE DUFFERIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

Alliston in first place in North Carruthers Division

Written By Brian Lockhart

It's still early in the season, but there are already some front-runners in the North Carruthers Division of the Provincial Junior Hockey League.

The Alliston Hornets have moved into first place after a decisive win over the defending champion Stayner Siskins on Friday, Oct. 6, on Alliston home ice.

The two teams have had a huge rivalry over the past few seasons, and the arena was packed for their first match-up of the season.

All the scoring in this game took place in the second period when the Hornets notched three goals before the Siskins could respond. Neither team scored in the third period, and the Alliston squad left the ice with a 3-1 win and first place in the standing.

It was an unusually low-scoring game for the Stayner squad, who consistently had five or six goals per game last year.

The Hornets now have a 6-2 record and 12 points after the weekend. The Siskins are close behind with 10 points and a 5-2 record.

The Schomberg Cougars are tied with Stayner with a 5-2 record. The Cougars had a good season last year, finishing third overall at the end of the regular season.

In fourth place, the Orillia Terries have four wins after five games. This makes the top four teams in a very competitive battle this year.

The Penetang Kings are in the number five spot with a 3-4-1 record, including one overtime loss.

The Huntsville Otters are in sixth place with a 3-3-1 record so far this year. They are followed by the Caledon Golden Hawks in seventh place. The Hawks have a 3-5-1 record.

The Midland Flyers are having a difficult start to the season, having won two games out of six.

In the basement, the Innisfil Spartans have yet to win a game after seven times on the ice this year.

With a 42-game schedule, there is a lot of Junior C hockey action still ahead for this season.

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Dufferin OPP collision investigation leads to multiple charges

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) charged a driver with impaired operation along with multiple other charges.

On October 8, 2023, at approximately 9:00 p.m., officers from Dufferin OPP responded to a single vehicle collision on Blind Line in the Town of Mono. Officers located the vehicle wrapped around a light post. Offi-

cers conducted an investigation with the lone driver and entered into an impaired driving investigation. The officers seized a bottle of liquor, marijuana, and prescription drugs as evidence of the offence.

As a result, a 51-year-old female from Shelburne, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

- Drive vehicle or boat with cannabis readily available

- Driving motor vehicle with open container of liquor

The accused is scheduled to attend the Ontario Court of Justice in the Town of Orangeville in October 2023.

Their driver's licence was suspended for 90 days, and the vehicle impounded for a period of 7 days.

Dufferin OPP continues to conduct R.I.D.E spot checks daily as drivers who are impaired by alcohol or drugs continue to

pose a threat to Ontario roads.

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.

If you have information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS) or www.crimestoppersdm.com.

Dufferin OPP charges two people with impaired driving

Dufferin OPP officers have charged two individuals with impaired operation.

On September 20, 2023, at approximately 8:00 p.m., a Dufferin OPP officer conducted a traffic stop on Centennial Road in the Town of Shelburne. The officer was led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Lisa FRIZZELL, 36-year-old female, from Toronto has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus

On September 20, 2023, just before 9:00 p.m., a Dufferin OPP officer attended a call for a single vehicle into a ditch. The officer located the vehicle on County Road 18 in the Town of Mono and was led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Lee AUSTIN, 53-year-old male, from Markdale has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus

The accused individuals are scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville, to answer to the charges in October 2023. Their driver's licence was suspended 90 days, and their vehicles impounded for 7 days.

These charges have not been proven in court.

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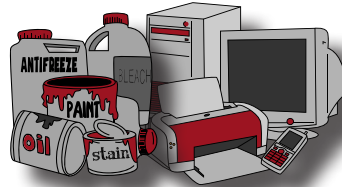


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ACCIDENT: Dufferin OPP responded to the scene of a serious single vehicle collision on Sunday (Oct.8) on County Rd. 21 at 4th Line in Melancton. Four people were transported to a local hospital, while one person was air-lifted to a Toronto trauma centre with serious injuries.

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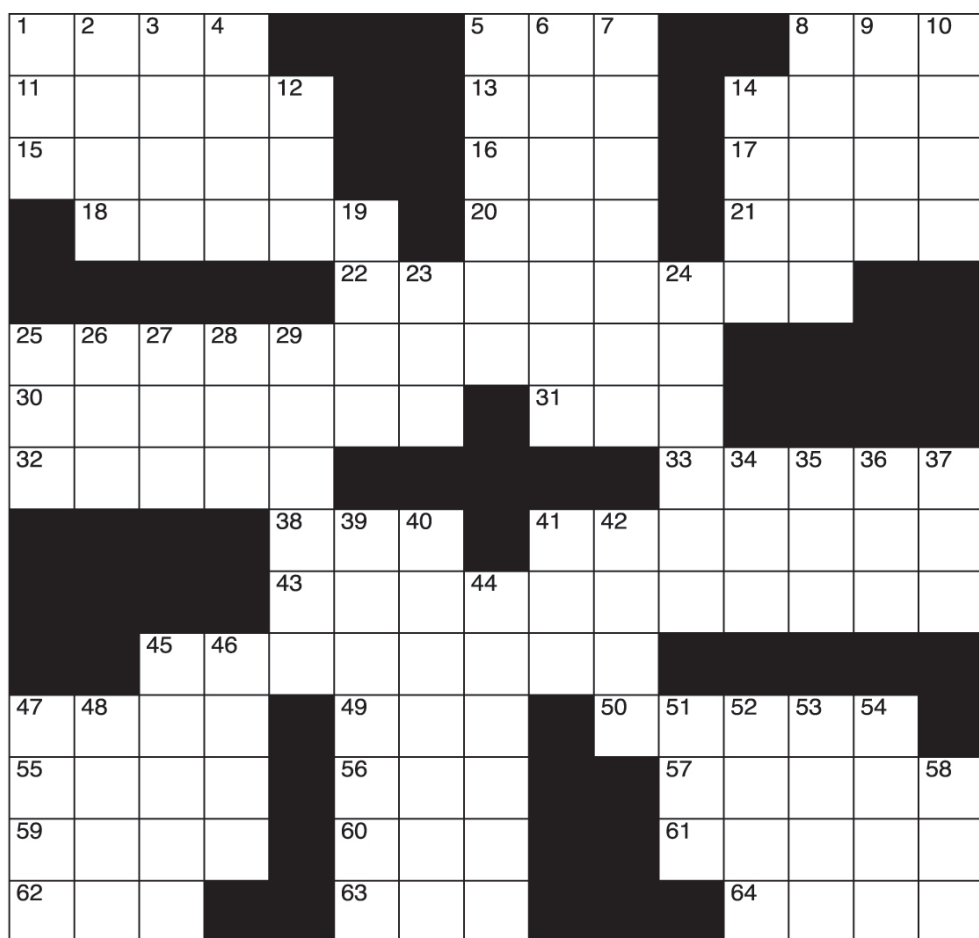
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Centre Dufferin surpasses fundraising goal with Terry Fox Week

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

For the 43rd Annual Terry Fox run, Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) students took part in a week's worth of activities.

"The overall purpose is to raise money for cancer," said Matt Barlow, CDDHS teacher and head organizer of the school's Terry Fox Run. "Anytime you bring a group of people together to work for something that's a good cause, it builds positive culture and a stronger community."

After having a slowdown during the COVID-19 pandemic with a single day to raise funds for the Terry Fox Run, this year, the school hosted a week full of activities. Over the past three years, CDDHS has done lunch hour sales, set daily donation goals, and created events to support the Terry Fox Run with donations. After surpassing their 2022 goal of raising \$5,000, organizers decided to set an ambitious goal of \$6,000 for this year.

Once again surpassing their goal, by

about \$1,500 this year, CDDHS, Matt Barlow and the leadership class now have high expectations for the years to come.

The run itself took place during the last two periods of school on Thursday, Sept. 28. While most students walked, others actually ran.

"We try not to put too much emphasis on being out there running as much as we do being out there and just being part of the cause," said Matt Barlow. "Running isn't for everybody, and we want them to feel like they're still contributing even just by being out there walking laps around our track."

One of the main events for Terry Fox Week is Centre Dufferin's week-end pie to the face auction. Students come together to bid on the opportunity to pie a teacher in the face. The event alone has made around \$2,000 in the past two years in a half-hour timespan, leaving CDDHS proud of its participation.

"Everyone has a person they know who has cancer," said Charlotte Miller, a member of the leadership class. "Whether it be a

friend, a family, just a coworker, anybody, we all know someone."

She added, "The emotional connection we all have to try to end cancer I think, relates to everybody."

On April 12, 1980, 43 years ago, Terry Fox set off on his Marathon of Hope. With the goal of curing all cancers, he decided to run across Canada after receiving a bone cancer diagnosis and having his leg amputated.

He travelled a total of 5,373 kilometers, close to 42 kilometers a day, but unfortunately, on Sept. 1, 1980, Terry was forced to stop his run.

After 143 days of running, cancer appeared in his lungs. He then passed away the following year, June 28, 1981.

Carrying on Terry's dream of finding a cure, CDDHS continues to contribute to the Terry Fox Foundation, which has raised over \$850 million for cancer research since its inception in 1988.

CDDHS wants to say a big thank you to all the sponsors of this year, as well as those who sponsored past runs.



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SUPPORTING A GOOD CAUSE: Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) student Mya Rickerby (left), teacher Adrian Brown, student Bryn Rutledge, and teacher Shane Trainor, all took pies to the face at the high school on Thursday, Sept. 28 during a "Pie in the Face Auction." During the auction the highest bidder was given the honour of pieing their teacher or fellow classmates in the face. The auction was one of several events during Terry Fox Week that led to CDDHS raising over \$7,500 for the Terry Fox Foundation.

Empowering Indigenous voices: Centre Dufferin District High School observes National Truth and Reconciliation Day

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

At Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS), a significant commemoration unfolded as the school observed National Truth and Reconciliation Day, fostering a deeper understanding of Indigenous history and the path to reconciliation.

Orange Shirt Day and National Truth and Reconciliation Day took place on Saturday, Sept. 30. CDDHS spent the prior week engaging in activities and lessons to honour the survivors of residential schools and commemorate those who went through residential schools.

"This is a day to recognize Indigenous voices, look at Indigenous history and actually what I think it should be about is more about making significant changes and steps forward to the way we approach those voices and people in general," said Damon Ealey, CDDHS principal.

This year's goal was to give the high school students more time to reflect and discuss what happens during the week of activities. Given Truth and Reconciliation Day took place on a Saturday, CDDHS organized a variety of activities and subjects for each period block over the school week leading up to the day.

The week started with a Canadian activist, Cindy Blackstock, and an interviewer discussing what Truth and Reconciliation Week is all about, as well as watching a video about the residential school timeline.



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ORANGE SHIRT DAY: Teachers and students wore orange shirts on Friday, Sept. 29, the day before Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation Day on Sept. 30. Students and faculty engaged in a full week of activities and lessons learning about the residential school system leading up to the day.

"There was an activity that was optional, that teachers could do with their students that involved highlighting Indigenous heroes in their community," said Lela Mckee, CDDHS vice-principal. "Although the week is a sombre week and we honour survivors and families afflicted by the residential school system. We also want to recognize the strength and resiliency of Indigenous Peoples."

Throughout the week, students were provided with various videos and facts that gave

informative and enlightening insights into the experiences of residential school survivors, with an extra focus on Phyllis Webstad, the founder of Orange Shirt Day.

Phyllis Webstad's story involved the loss of her new orange shirt upon entering a residential school, which sparked the annual commemoration of Orange Shirt Day on Sept. 30. When the shirt was taken and never given back, it marked the beginning of Webstad's traumatic separation from her family, culture and heritage.

Phyllis's traumatic experience inspired Orange Shirt Day, raising awareness about residential school harm and reconciliation. It serves as a reminder for Indigenous children who have experienced similar suffering.

Canada's residential school system operated from 1867 to 1996. Orange Shirt Day was started in 2013, and Truth and Reconciliation Day was officially recognized in Canada in 2021. This remembrance day highlights the suffering endured by over 150,000 Indigenous children during the residential school era.

The National Truth and Reconciliation Commission, set up by the Government of Canada in 2008, heard from 6,750 witnesses over six years and estimates at least 4,100 children had died or gone missing in the schools. In a 2015 report, the commission concluded that the residential school was a form of "cultural genocide."

"I can't imagine a situation where ten people are sitting around a table coming up with residential schooling," said Ealey.

Ealey stated a wish for the school to develop continual participation rather than relegating Indigenous problems to just one day of the year – on Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Throughout the week leading up to National Truth and Reconciliation Day, CDDHS made a sustained dedication to recognizing Indigenous Peoples' strength and resilience, as well as their ongoing journey towards a more inclusive future.



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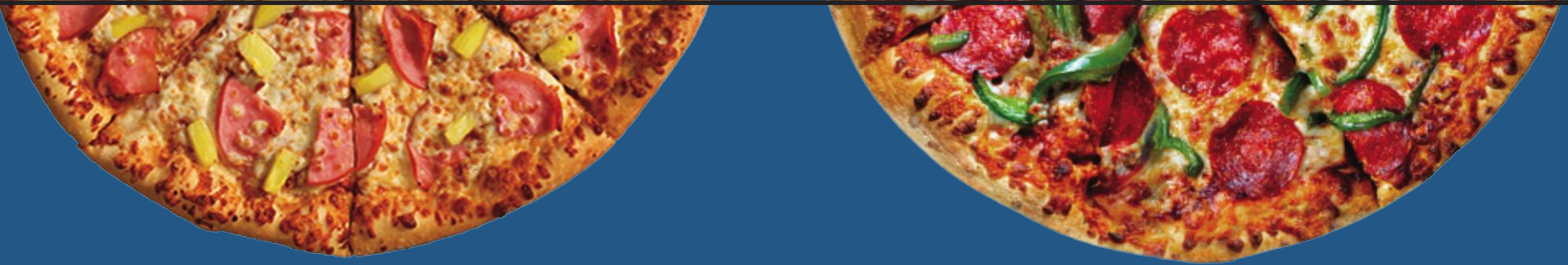
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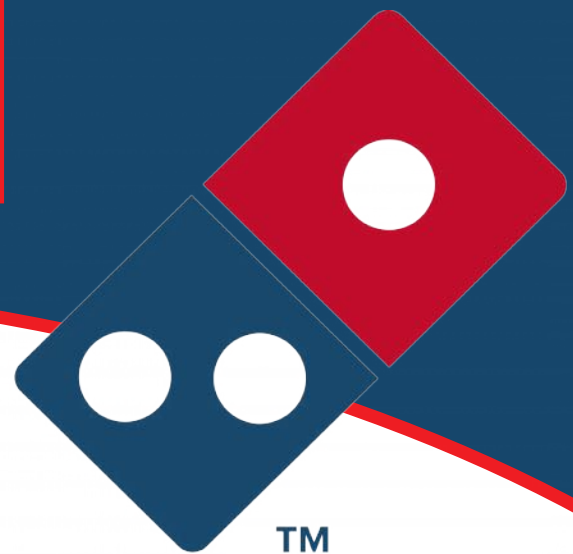


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