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IN THE LIMELIGHT: Students from Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) performed *Almost, Maine*, written by John Cariani, at the CDDHS cafeteria on the evenings of May 8 and 9. Parents, friends, and supporters turned out to watch the play.

Shelburne pushes back against phasing out free well-water tests

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

Shelburne Town Council is joining forces to call on the provincial government to not phase out free well-water testing for private wells.

During their meeting on Monday (May 13), Shelburne Town Council addressed communications received from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) regarding Public Health Ontario's (PHO) proposal to discontinue free well-water testing on private wells.

"I would like us as the council to not only support the conservation authority but also support our neighbours within town. We want to push the Ontario government to not discontinue free testing of well-water. It's important in my mind that everybody should have their water tested, but if you start making them pay for it, likely they're just not going to. Having it as a free water testing is something that is more likely to be done on a regular basis and something I think that should be supported," said Councillor Kyle Fegan, who is an appointed member of the 2023 NVCA Board of Directors.

Concerns around the discontinuation of the free well-water testing program have come from a recommendation in the provincial Auditor General's 2023 Value-

for-Money Audit of Public Health Ontario (PHO), which was released in December.

The report recommended that the PHO and the Ministry of Health (MOH) move to implement a modernization plan within the next year. The modernization plan is similar to one proposed in 2017, which suggested shuttering six out of 11 provincial health labs and scaling down the types of testing publicly offered, including a gradual phase-out of free private well water testing.

Ontarians who get their drinking water from municipal sources are protected by the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act, but residents on private wells don't have the same legislated protections and are responsible for monitoring their own drinking water.

Water quality tests conducted on private wells by PHO check for bacteria contaminations such as E. coli in order to prevent gastrointestinal illnesses from drinking water.

Fegan pointed to the May 2000 outbreak of E. coli in Walkerton, Ont., as a reason why Shelburne Council needs to support the NVCA in their advocacy to continue the private well water testing program free of charge.

An inquiry into the Walkerton E. coli outbreak, which resulted in the deaths of seven people and made over 2,000 people sick, found that privatization of municipal



well water testing was a factor in the direct outbreak.

"Free well-water testing is a critically important public service and a vital public-health measure for rural residents across our watershed," said Jonathan Scott, vice chair of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority. "The NVCA board urges the provincial government to maintain free well-water testing. It's the right thing to do to ensure equitable access to safe drinking water."

According to the NVCA, a large portion of residents in the Nottawasaga Watershed rely on private wells for drinking water.

A motion to support the NVCA in calling on the provincial government to not phase out the free well-water testing program was passed unanimously by Shelburne Town Council.

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REMEMBERING

PAMELA ANNE CLARIDGE

BORN JAN. 1, 1944 • DIED MAY 9, 2024

Former owner and publisher of the Shelburne Free Press passes away

Written By Sam Odrowski

A community-focused woman who impacted countless lives in the region recently passed away.

Pamela Anne Claridge, who led a life dedicated to her passion for music and enhancing the community, passed away at Headwaters Health Care Centre at the age of 80 on May 9.

She is survived by her four grandchildren, three children and husband Tom Claridge.

As a trained vocalist and soloist, she performed with countless choirs throughout her life and did many solo performances in her early years.

"In the later years, it was more about piano and organ – teaching people piano and accompanying choirs and other singers," said her son Alan Claridge.

"She did a lot of outreach through the church to seniors homes, and that sort of thing. A lot of times it had to do with music, playing songs during services."

Over the years, Pam has played for countless funerals with Dods and McNair. She was an organist and choirmaster at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Shelburne and later at St. Mark's Church in Orangeville. For over 40 years she organized music programs in senior homes.

Pam was still accompanying devotionals in Montgomery Village Retirement Home up until two weeks before she passed.

"Her passion for music was carried through her work in the community. She was involved with the Rotary [Club of Orangeville Highlands] for a long time. She was just somebody that gave back to the community."

Alan added, "I always appreciated that about her and have tried to do what I could in the community myself because of her."

Pam was involved with a local school breakfast program for a number of years.

"I know that was really important to her," Alan said. "She just couldn't stand the fact that there were kids starting off their day without food."

When it comes to community newspapers in the region, the Claridge name is well-known.

Tom and Pam Claridge founded the Orangeville Citizen and took ownership of the then Shelburne Free Press and Economist in the early 70s. They also owned the Grand Valley Star-Vidette and Caledon Citizen.

After a career as a professional singer in Toronto, Pam turned her focus to the family-owned community newspaper business. But music was never left behind.

"She simultaneously had the title of publisher and was a music teacher that taught both piano and voice," said Tom.

Pam's role at the Orangeville Citizen changed over the years, but she was primarily focused on publishing and the business side of things, while Tom focused on taking photos, editing, and writing. During the early days of the newspaper, she helped put pages together, wrote articles, and provided guidance to reporters.

Alan said as with most entrepreneurial ventures, both Pam and Tom had to wear many



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REMEMBERING PAM: Pam Claridge is remembered for her dedication to music, teaching young performers and keeping the community informed. She passed away on May 9 at the age of 80.

hats when getting the paper off the ground.

"They had to be responsible for a lot of things for a lot of years, and I learned everything that I needed to know about how to run a newspaper from mom. Dad was more involved in the writing and editing, and I learned that from him," said Alan, who worked for decades in various roles at the Claridge-owned newspapers.

"While it was maybe not her life's ambition to be a newspaper publisher, I think that it allowed mom to be in the community in a really constructive way, and get things accomplished that she wanted to see accomplished for the town and Dufferin."

Pam's focus in the community was around music, outreach and publishing quality newspapers to keep residents informed

"Getting what was happening in the community out to the community was important to her because she understood that if people wanted to be active in the community, they had to be informed about it," Alan explained.

Tom's grandfather purchased both the Shelburne Economist and Shelburne Free Press before merging them in 1928, just

before the stock market crash in October of 1929 that triggered the Great Depression.

Pam and Tom took ownership of the Shelburne paper at the start of 1972, but with the Orangeville Banner taking up what little advertising there was in the community, he came up with the idea for Orangeville Citizen.

"We determined the only way of saving the Shelburne paper was to compete with the Banner, so I opened the Orangeville Citizen in September '74. We moved from our lovely little home in Etobicoke to Orangeville in February of '75," Tom recalled.

"I never thought 50 years later we would be the only game in town."

Tom met Pam when covering the legislature for the Canadian Press in Victoria, B.C. While living there he came across the Victoria Choral Society.

"I showed up for a practice, and the beautiful young lady who was the soprano soloist, I happened to bump into her," Tom said. "She happened to persuade me to switch churches. I'd been raised in the United Church – she was Anglican."

"We became engaged about a couple of months later... and we were married in August '65."

Pam achieved many significant accomplishments throughout her life. She was a founding member and president of the Orangeville Concert Association and a director, as well as chorister, in many productions for the Orangeville Music Theatre.

Pam also chaired the steering committee to establish Theatre Orangeville back in 1994.

She was recognized as Woman of the Year by Family Transition Place in 1995 and installed into the Order of Niagara for her contributions to Shelburne's St. Paul's in 2000.

A funeral service for Pam Claridge will be held at St. Mark's Anglican Church (5 First Ave.) on Friday, May 17, at 2 p.m. Visitation begins at 1 p.m.

Memorial donations to the Orangeville Food Bank or St. Mark's Anglican Church are appreciated by the family.



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REUNITED AGAIN: Pam Claridge (left) and Tom Claridge (right) celebrate Sheila Duncan's retirement from the Town of Orangeville at The Hatter in July of 2022. Sheila previously worked as an editor at the Orangeville Citizen with Tom and Pam from 1990 to 2003.

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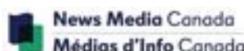
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There are few things that are dreaded more when you're in elementary school, than when a teacher glares at you and says, "That is going to go on your permanent record!"

Oh no! Not your permanent record! You'll be carrying the mark of Cain like a neon sign bolted to your forehead, or maybe you'll have to wear a scarlet letter on all your clothes so everyone knows you have a blotch on your permanent record.

My Grade 7 homeroom teacher – a lovely woman, who would have fit in nicely as a guard in a Second World War internment camp – told us a blotch on our permanent record meant we would never get into university, or get a decent job, and we would be life-long losers. Yes, she really said that.

The blotch on your record meant you were doomed for eternity.

She would threaten you with adding something to your record every chance she got.

I'm pretty sure my permanent record is collecting dust somewhere in a school archives, or more likely was shredded and put in the trash years ago.

Despite the threats, I realized that no school, employer, or police agency, has

ever requested a copy of my permanent record. In fact, no one has ever even requested an actual diploma to prove that I even graduated high school.

I would like to think, that girl who sat next to me in Grade 5, and eventually went on to become a teacher herself, realized what a nasty thing it is to threaten a kid with writing something bad about them on their permanent record - and that girl who is now a teacher, has decided not to be that kind of teacher.

But I'm sure it still happens. There is an online forum that I am active on, and it occasionally has posts about school nightmares.

One parent told her story. Her young daughter had been having a difficult time in school for several years. She complained the teachers picked on her and always gave her a hard time.

The kid started a new year, and was suddenly enjoying school, getting good marks, and was a lot happier.

The parent was determined to find out why things had changed.

During a parent/teacher conference, the parent asked a lot of questions. The teacher finally admitted he did not read reports on kids coming into his class.

He reasoned that the reports were only someone else's opinion, and he did not want to judge one of his new students by what another teacher said about them.

They pulled the kid's record. Sure enough, the original teacher labelled the daughter as trouble. The next year, the new teacher saw this report and treated the daughter as if she were going to be trouble. The trend continued for several years all because one teacher didn't like the student.

The current teacher, the one who did not pre-judge his student by reading the opinion of others, said he found the daughter to be pleasant and polite in the classroom, and a good student.

There seems to be very little forgiveness when it comes to writing down some people's wrongdoings.

When it comes to criminal or anti-social behaviour, you have to keep a record. A guy who has a long rap sheet and continues to be a menace to society needs to be kept on a short leash.

However, some people make mistakes and never make another one.

The TV show Border Patrol, documents border crossings and focuses in on people who did ridiculous things, like bringing

in a dozen chickens in a suitcase, but declaring they are not carrying any kind of meat. Those circumstances never end well.

There was one fellow trying to enter the U.S. to attend a sporting event. He was denied entry, because they discovered he had an assault charge – 40 years earlier – as the result of a street fight.

The customs people determined he was a threat, because of that incident, which he said he could barely remember.

Think back to a time you have done something, probably in your youth, that now, you are not proud of.

Would you be happy if someone brought it up at a social event in front of other people decades later?

"Hey Bob, remember that time you got drunk, and drove your car over the neighbour's dog, and we buried it in the back forty, and the neighbour asked you the next day if you had seen his beloved pet?"

Think back – for many people, that's not all that far-fetched, is it?

Sometimes letting bygones be bygones is the best course of action.



BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW

Restoring universities the original mission

About a month from now, hundreds of thousands of students in cap and gown will attend graduation ceremonies on university campuses across Canada.

The students will graduate with a lot of knowledge regarding topics such as philosophy, sociology and political science.

The one topic they won't have explored, however, might be the most important one of all – and that's the question of what constitutes an ideal society.

The Greek philosopher Plato founded the Academy around 2,400 years ago, regarded by many as the first university in the West. At the top of the curriculum at Plato's Academy was the subject of what constitutes an ideal society.

Plato's ideal state included features such as justice, harmony and the greater good of society.

But what about our society? What do we believe are the essential building blocks for creating a more civilized society, one that brings the greatest amount of freedom, peace and prosperity to its citizens?

Universities are the ideal place to explore these sorts of issues. After all, advancing knowledge and exploring new ideas are a fundamental part of a univer-

sity's DNA.

Over the years, I've had dealings with many universities around the world. I've funded research centres related to entrepreneurship and technological innovation and given guest lectures on campuses in Canada, the US and Europe.

But until recently, it never occurred to me to consider what was the overriding purpose of a university. In conceiving and drafting the framework of an ideal society, universities should look at all aspects – everything from the arts and sports to business and medicine. They should also consider the ideal structure of government – one that ensures individual liberty and places certain checks on the power of elected officials.

One of the ways we currently do that is through our charter of democratic rights and freedoms. But what about other rights, including, most importantly, economic rights? Why has no society ever enshrined an economic charter of rights, and what should those rights be?

My belief is that economic charters of rights will help create economic democracies, and economic democracies – where the greatest number of people enjoy the greatest amount of wealth – are

the foundation for democracy itself. I also believe that an economic charter of rights would be one of the cornerstones of any ideal society.

The composition of an ideal society isn't just something for ancient philosophers to ponder. It's a noble quest that we should likewise pursue – and our universities should be leading the way.

Universities can get the ball rolling by inviting some of the world's best minds and accomplished people to talk about the framework necessary for building an ideal society. They should convene symposia and open forums and begin mapping out a blueprint for what that society would look like and what we need to construct it. And they should create new faculties solely dedicated to this topic.

That doesn't mean throwing out many of the features that have made our soci-

ety a magnet for people from around the world. Instead, it's a chance to make our society greater yet – to add new elements that would enrich the lives of its citizens while shoring up many of the shortcomings that are currently holding us back.

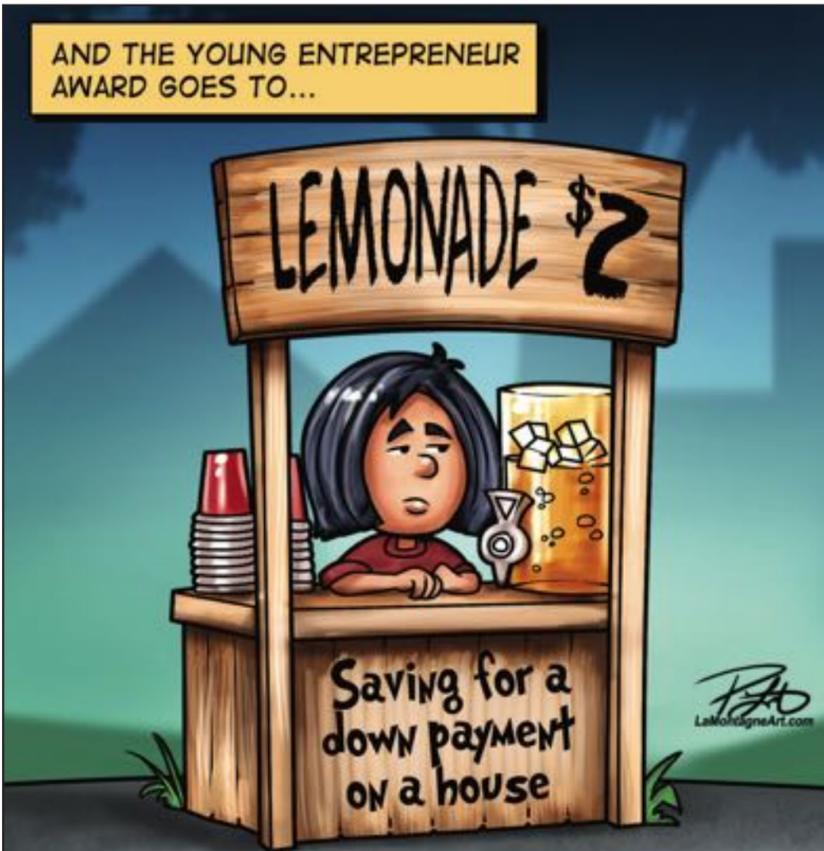
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Dufferin County council considers future Shelburne bypass

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

Plans for a bypass around the Town of Shelburne were an area of focus during Dufferin County Council's most recent meeting.

During their meeting on May 9, Dufferin County Council received a report seeking approval for a specific route for the Shelburne bypass in order to advance the project.

According to the report, the preferred routing option for the Shelburne bypass connects to Highway 10 North of the Town using 4th Line Amaranth/Melancthon to the west and connects to Highway 10/89 east and west of the Town using County Rd. 11

and 30 Side Road, Amaranth.

Dufferin County Council adopted its Master Transportation Plan, which included the recommendation for a Shelburne bypass, in October of 2023 and submitted the document to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH).

The need for a bypass in Shelburne has been a much-discussed topic in the community for a number of years. In 2019, representatives from the Town of Shelburne presented truck bypass options to the Minister of Transportation at the annual Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference in Toronto.

According to the report, the County of Dufferin has received comments from the

Ministry of Transportation indicating that the bypass around Shelburne is not considered a priority for the province and is not part of any future enhancement plans.

Several councillors also noted that the MTO has indicated that a bypass in Shelburne will not be considered until a specified route has been given.

The Shelburne bypass includes the involvement of three municipalities – Shelburne, Melancthon, and Amaranth. Concerns were raised by the neighbouring community regarding the route decision.

"This council supported not designating one route as part of our transportation master plan and since we made that decision there has been no further information coming forward," said Amaranth Coun. Gail Little. "I felt that to designate one route at this time is not appropriate."

"We have some concerns as well, but we're also trying to bring forth some suggestions on how to address our concerns," said Melancthon Mayor Darren White. "Shelburne needs a bypass, that's a fact – like it or not."

Shelburne Mayor Wade Mills explained the town's need for a bypass.

"This is by far one of, if not, the top priorities in our municipality. When we hear concerns from members of our community, truck traffic congestion in our downtown ranks at or near the top of any list," said Mills.

Mills also expressed concerns about delaying the process for long-term discussion as well as making changes to the route

based on preference rather than facts.

"I'm not prepared to defer this indefinitely, but I am prepared to defer it on a short-term basis to allow some discussion to take place," he added. "I don't think we can stray entirely from something that has already been demonstrated as having technical merit. I prefer that we can find a route that all three municipalities that are subject to this, are happy with and can live with in the long term. This is something we're going to have to live with for a while so let's do it right, but let's make sure that we're basing this on technical facts and not just on personal preferences."

Amaranth Mayor Chris Gerrits noted that the suggested route does not take into account future transportation plans for the Township of Amaranth. According to Gerrits, a Transportation Plan has been budgeted to be included in the municipality's 2025 budget.

"I don't think that we have the time to wait until Amaranth does a transportation master plan in 2025. I don't think that's a reasonable expectation," commented Orangeville Mayor, Lisa Post. "The data has been done that tells us what the best route would be and I understand that to Amaranth that's not what your preferred route is, so I'm happy to do additional consultation. I think that makes sense, but I think we have to have a firm timeline on it."

A motion was passed to defer the matter until Dufferin County Council's next meeting in June.



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TEATIME: The Shelburne Legion Branch 220 Ladies Auxiliary hosted a traditional "High Tea" with a twist for Mother's Day on Saturday, May 11. Attendees enjoyed a specially selected soup, sandwiches, decorated cookies, scones and cupcakes, prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. Attendees of the event were asked to wear their "fanciest" hat, making for a festive atmosphere.

Dufferin Oaks looking for volunteers

Are you interested in getting involved in the community? Dufferin Oaks is currently in need of volunteers to assist in the hair salon on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 pm.

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Anyone interested is welcome to contact Angie Matthews, Program and Support Services Manager, Dufferin Oaks, at 519-925-2140 extension 5242 or amathews@duffer-

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Credit Valley Conservation vehicle stolen at Island Lake

Officers working out of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are currently investigating a theft of a Credit Valley Conservation vehicle from Island Lake Conservation in Mono.

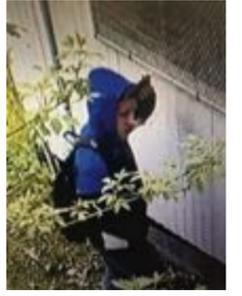
Dufferin OPP received a call for service at Island Lake Conservation for the report of a stolen vehicle on May 10. Officers secured video surveillance where the suspect is observed between 6:40 p.m., and 7:40 p.m., on May 9.

The stolen vehicle is described as a 2012 Dodge Caravan, white in colour, with a Credit Valley Conservation logo on the driver's door.

If you have any information or video surveillance footage in relation to this theft, please call the Dufferin OPP Detachment at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122.

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

Dufferin OPP is committed to enforcement initiatives targeting this issue and will continue to educate residents on crime prevention strategies to minimize victimization.



Police lay several impaired driving charges

Two women and one man were recently charged with impaired driving related offences.

Officers from the Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a vehicle in the ditch in the area of 10th Line and 20 Sideroad in Amaranth on May 3, just before 8 p.m. Officers located the driver and were quickly led into an impaired operation investigation.

Theresa ERDENBERGER, a 52-year-old female, from Aurora 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

Dufferin OPP officers conducted a traffic stop in the area of County Rd. 109 in Mono on May 8, just before 3 a.m.

Officers spoke with a driver at the side of the road and were quickly led into an impaired operation investigation.

Leah KING, a 52-year-old female, from

Grand Valley has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs
 - Failure or refusal to comply with demand
- Officers from the Dufferin OPP were conducting a RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) spot-check in the area of Centennial Road in Orangeville on May 8, just after 11:45 p.m. A driver entered the area, and officers were led into an impaired operation investigation.

Bradley BARTLETT, a 35-year-old male, from Orangeville has been charged with:

- Failure or refusal to comply with demand
- Drive vehicle or boat with cannabis readily available
- Driver fail to surrender licence

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville to answer to the charges. Their driver's licence was suspended, and the vehicle was impounded.

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

OPP launches Canada road safety week

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will once again participate in this year's Canada Road Safety Campaign.

Canada Road Safety Week, running from May 14 to 20, aims to increase compliance with safe driving measures in order to save lives.

"Its focus is on behaviours that put drivers, passengers, pedestrians and other vulnerable road users at risk, including the "big four" contributing factors for injury and death on our roads: impaired driving, distracted driving, speed or aggressive driving and lack of seatbelt use," said Dufferin OPP in a



press release.

Sadly, 2023 was a historically tragic year on OPP-patrolled roads, with 411 people killed in collisions. The year marked the first time the number of fatalities exceeded 400 since 2007. What has not

changed are the behaviours and actions linked to these deaths.

"While this public safety initiative is part of a national effort, our local efforts are always to make the roads in Dufferin County among the safest in the world," said Dufferin OPP.

"You can expect that Dufferin OPP Officers will be highly visible during this campaign to ensure your safety."

OPP lay charges through aircraft enforcement

Written By Sam Odrowski

A recent motorcycle safety initiative that used the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Aircraft Enforcement Program (AEP) resulted in 26 driving-related charges for local motorists.

Members of both the Dufferin and Caledon OPP Detachments took part in the initiative on May 4.

"OPP officers and pilots prioritized road safety for all motorists through aircraft surveillance along Highway 10 in Caledon

and Dufferin," explained the OPP in a press release. "The initiative aimed to proactively prepare for the upcoming increase in motorcycles due to improving weather conditions, as well as target aggressive driving, speeding, passing on the shoulder, and failing to stop."

The 26 charges included three for stunt driving, four for improperly displayed plates, and numerous for speeding.

Out of all the charges, a little less than half were for motorcycles. The OPP laid 11 in total.

"The OPP is committed to reducing and preventing injuries on roads, highways, waterways, and trails, while enhancing safety for motorists and all other road users through public education and enforcement," said the OPP in a press release.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Geological time
4. Ooze
9. A set of eight
14. Obstruction
15. Swiss mathematician
16. Philosophy
17. The night before
18. A timid person
20. Unifies
22. Gangs
23. Alternative name
24. Acumen
28. Cathode-ray tube
29. Tantalum
30. Soluble ribonucleic acid
31. Humiliate
33. Earthy pigment
37. Air Force
38. Adult males
39. Stiff untanned leather
41. Before
42. Atomic #18
43. Beer mug
44. Nostrils

46. Type of chef
49. Midway between north and east
50. They __
51. Splits
55. Walk in a timid manner
58. Preserved animal skin with hair
59. Popular donut shop item
60. You smear it on bagels
64. Don't know when yet
65. Equal to 10 amperes
66. Synthetic acrylic fiber
67. One point south of due east
68. Of mixed ancestry
69. Home of the Pyramids
70. A way to change color

CLUES DOWN

1. Excessive fluid
2. Untangle
3. One from the U.S.
4. Academic terms
5. San __ Obispo, in California
6. Not healthy
7. Self-assessment questionnaire (abbr.)
8. Arugula genus
9. VIII
10. Makes a monarch
11. Tormentor
12. Commercials
13. Sprinkle
19. Make a mistake
21. Freshwater fishes
24. Vermont town
25. Man-made device
26. Entrap
27. Places to store important things
31. Accumulate
32. Greek mythological nymph
34. Gregory __, American dancer
35. Denotes past
36. Becoming popular again
40. Indicates position
41. Came before
45. An extra seed-covering
47. Cheerful
48. Deli sandwich staple
52. Skateboarders love them
53. Mandela's party
54. Sierra lake
56. Nickname for Elizabeth
57. Remove from record
59. Employee stock ownership plan
60. Former NFLer Newton
61. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
62. Work unit
63. Town in Cambridgeshire

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THE STUDY

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THE PROCESS

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Further information can also be obtained from the Town's consultant for this project:

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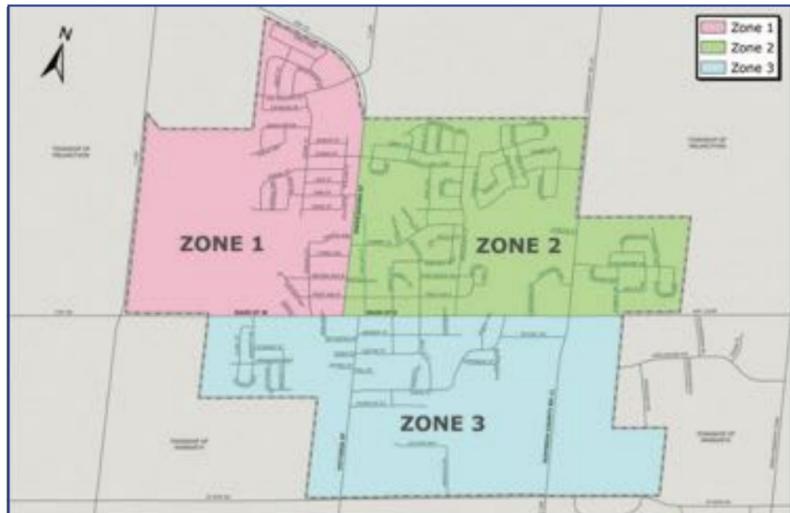
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The Town of Shelburne will be gin hydrant flushing May 13 - May 31, 2024 during the hours of 7:00am - 3:30pm (Monday-Friday).

- Zone 1: May 13 - May 17 (West of Owen Sound St)
- Zone 2: May 20 - May 24 (East of Owen Sound St/North of Hwy 89)
- Zone 3: May 27 - May 31 (South of Hwy 89)

Flushing releases the buildup of iron and minerals from Town's watermains, keeping sediment building up. This process may cause discolouration your water due to higher mineral content. If you notice in water, run a cold tap laundry tub or bathtub for 5-10 minutes clear water. If you have any questions, please contact us! 519-925-2600 ext. 231 or water@shelburne.ca




Campfire Safety

- Before setting up a campfire, be sure to read the Town of Shelburne's By-Law # 22-2003
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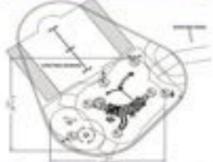
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Streams Community Hub has taken over the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery to showcase the work of local artists, including both youth lead and practicing artists from the community.

Exhibit Dates: May 6 to May 31, 2024

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Location: 203 Main Street East, Shelburne

SHELBURNE BIA BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

NOTICE OF MEETING REGARDING BIA EXPANSION

How exciting! The BIA executives are actively working expanding the current BIA boundaries and are offering an information session meeting.

This meeting is an opportunity to learn what the BIA's vision for the expansion will be, and an opportunity for the local building owners and business tenants to let us know how they want to see the BIA support the community.

Please see the below date and time for the Shelburne BIA Information Session.

Date: Monday June 10, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: Grace Tipling Hall, Second Level
 Shelburne Town Hall, 203, Main Street East, Shelburne

Please RSVP to mkenney@shelburne.ca, before June 6, 2024.

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Shelburne Cricket Club kicks off 2024 season

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Shelburne Cricket Club is getting ready to start the 2024 season with an exciting line-up of matches and other events ready to go for the summer.

The Club held an opening ceremony, meet-and-greet, and a question and answer forum at Grace Tipling Hall in Shelburne on Friday, May 10.

This gave players a chance to meet and get acquainted with their teammates for the upcoming season.

The Club has four house-league teams this season.

"We doing our 2024 season opening today, it's the official launch for cricket as well as other sporting events such as soccer," explained Club president Ahsen Siddiqui.

"Today, the main thing is a meet and greet because we have a lot of new recruits. This is important to understand the strategy of our upcoming season. We have some improvement in the field and some very competitive players this year. We will have our T-25 house league, which is our major

league, and we'll be doing a soccer tournament with a best-of-seven series between the Shelburne Titans and Dynamites. We are doing a Tyro tournament."

A Tyro allows new players to learn the sport.

"It's for the newer players and introduce them to cricket help them learn the game," explained Club operations manager Anang Ramavat. "They'll playing with some of the experienced players so there's a good mix in the Tyro tournament. That will expose them to the game and get to know the rules. They will get better at bowling, batting, and fielding – all three aspects of the game."

The Club also has plans to attend local schools and help them start a cricket program.

Near the end of the season, the Club will host a premier tournament with teams from higher levels of play, who will compete for a \$5,000 cash prize.

The season will kick off on Saturday, May 18, with opening ceremonies and the first match of the season at KTH Park in Shelburne at 2:30 p.m.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

SEASON OPENER: The Shelburne Cricket Club held a meet-and-greet at Grace Tipling Hall in Shelburne on Saturday, May 11, to kick off the 2024 season. Club president, Ahsen Siddiqui, and vice-president, Creg Parker, along with treasurer, Maira Quraishi, discuss the new season and answer player's questions during the session.

Mansfield Junior Cubs start the season with a win

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Mansfield Junior Cubs are 1-1 after the first week of the North Dufferin Baseball League's 2024 season.

The season got underway on May 5, with the first game between the Cubs and the Richmond Hill Phoenix.

It was a blowout game when the Cubs left the diamond with a 10-0 win to start their year.

The Cubs started pre-season training in April.

"We have 15 guys dedicated to being on the team, and they're all here tonight," said Cubs coach Lance Bryan before Wednesday night's home game in Mansfield. "Six of them are from Bolton. Caledon folded last year and we picked up the younger guys that didn't age out. We've had five or six workouts

in the middle of April – we've been doing two a week. Our first game was the other day and we ended up on the winning side, 10-0 over Richmond Hill."

Several of the junior players from last year's team have returned.

"We have eight returning players," Lance said. "I'm happy with the way things are going. Everything looks good so far."

The Cubs hosted the Creemore Padres in Mansfield on Wednesday, April 8.

The Padres had a good start to the game hitting two-run home runs in the first inning for a big start. At the end of the first inning, they were leading 6-0.

When the Cubs got up to bat, they started off strong with Daniel Ortolan hitting the ball over the right field fence for a single-run home run.

The Cubs ran into trouble in this game and

the Padres kept scoring.

The final was an 18-2 win for Creemore.

The Junior Division of the NDBL has an 18-game regular season schedule this year.

There are seven teams in the Junior line-up this season.

In addition to the Cubs, there are teams

from Barrie, Creemore, Innisfil, Orangeville, Orillia, and Richmond Hill.

The Cubs will now have eight road games before returning to their home diamond.

They will be back in Mansfield on Sunday, June 9, to host the Barrie Baycats.

Game time is 3:00 p.m.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

SEASON STARTER: Mansfield Junior Cubs shortstop, Cohen Heath, goes for the tag at second base during the Cubs home game against the Creemore Padres at Mansfield Community Park on Wednesday, April 8. The Cubs gave up an 18-2 loss in this game.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

JACK WALLACE

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MoD to mark Museum Month and International Museum Day with celebration

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Take a trip back in time and learn how Dufferin County's local museum is preserving history for the community.

The Museum of Dufferin (MoD) is inviting the community to join them in celebrating Museum Month and International Museum Day (May 18).

Started in 1977, International Museum Day is an annual event organized by the International Council of Museums (ICOM). Museum Month, which coincides with International Museum Month, is a program of the Ontario Museum Association that is celebrated by more than 700 provincial museums, galleries and heritage sites.

The aim of International Museum Day and Museum Month is to give local museums the opportunity to engage with the public and highlight the important role the institutions serve the community.

This year the theme for Museum Month is 'Museums for Education and Research.'

"Museums play an integral role in learning and innovation as well as knowledge keeping and sharing," said Jasmine Proteau, Museum Services Manager for the MoD. "We welcome Dufferin County residents and visitors to explore the MoD this May - discover our galleries, take part in our programs and events, and immerse yourself in the stories of Dufferin's history and culture."

The Museum of Dufferin will be opening its doors to visitors for free on May 18 in

celebration of International Museum Day. Visitors will be able to take part in a scavenger hunt and other activities throughout the galleries.

The local museum will also be giving visitors a behind-the-scenes tour of its storage rooms with staff, which are typically not accessible to the public. Through this tour, visitors will learn how the museum keeps artifacts and archival documents safe, how they chose which items go on display, and some of the specific items the museum has in its archives.

The Museum of Dufferin, which is located at 936029 Airport Road in Mulmur, collects and preserves the stories of the people, places and culture of Dufferin County - both past and present.

The museum features three galleries with permanent and rotating exhibitions and art shows as well as four historic buildings. The MoD is home to the largest public collection of W. J. Hughes Corn Flower Glass in the world with over 2,200 pieces.

The MoD is also home to the Dufferin County Archives, where residents are able to research facts about the people, places and culture related to Dufferin County including the Local War Veteran Database with information on 6,236 local veterans.

Visitors can keep up to date on upcoming events and activities at the Museum of Dufferin by visiting their website, at www.dufferinmuseum.com or following their social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram.

What to know this Victoria Day long weekend in Dufferin County

Victoria Day takes place on Monday, May 20 this year. Here is what you need to know about Dufferin County services that day.

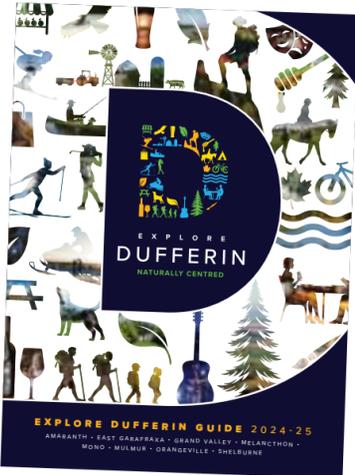
Dufferin County's administrative offices will be closed on Monday, May 20. They will reopen on Tuesday, May 21 at 8:30 am.

Explore Dufferin Guide

Looking to make some fun long weekend plans in the county? Check out the Explore Dufferin Guide! Now available online, the Guide highlights family-friendly activities, agritourism, nature and the outdoors, small-town charm, arts and culture and more.

Waste Services

There will be no waste collection on Monday, May 20 due to



the Victoria Day holiday. Please place all garbage, Blue Boxes and Green Bins out for collection one day later next week. Double up by placing up to two un-tagged bags of garbage at the curb! For missed collections, please call GFL at 1.888.941.3345 ext.1. Questions? Call Dufferin Waste at 519.941.2816 ext. 2620 or email dufferinwaste@dufferincounty.ca.

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Never miss a collection! Download the Dufferin Waste app for weekly reminders,

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Dufferin Child & Family Services receives accreditation for four more years

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Dufferin Child & Family Services (DCAFS) has been awarded with a recognition of their advocacy for children and families.

DCAFS announced in a press release on May 9 that they had received accreditation from the Canadian Centre for Accreditation (CCA) for another four years.

"The accreditation process is challenging, and we could not have done it without the support of our dedicated staff, service recipients, community partners, and Board of Directors," said DCAFS in the press release. "The accreditation process requires a whole agency approach, and we are committed to ongoing quality improvement. We believe that having an external review helps us to learn and grow, and we are pledged to ensure that our service methodology is current and effective."

The Canadian Centre for Accreditation (CCA) offers a four-year accreditation program, which is designed to enhance an organization's quality management.

In order to obtain accreditation, DCAFS underwent an assessment review conducted by CCA-trained teams. The review process included the submission of organizational information, surveys of community partners, staff, governing body members, and other stakeholders as well as interviews, observa-

tions and process reviews as part of a site visit.

"Our team effort in achieving accreditation involved the entire organization, including service delivery, universal polices, governance, human resources, finance, and IT," said DCAFS.

"CCA commends the organization's commitment to quality and continuous improvement," said Canadian Centre for Accreditation in the accreditation review.

CCA identified specific highlights from the accreditation review process which included:

- The quality of DCAFS' 2022-2025 Strategic Plan
- DCAFS enables service, governance and work environments that value diversity, in particular, the longevity of the GLOW 2SLGBTQ+ program and investments in diversity, equity and inclusion
- Advocacy for children and families by working with partners to deliver quality support
- Programming dedicated to caregivers and how to build families

"We are thrilled to have achieved this milestone, and it is a symbol of our commitment to providing the best possible services in our community. We thank everyone involved in this process and look forward to continuing to improve and grow as a multiservice agency," concluded DCAFS.



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ENHANCING QUALITY MANAGEMENT: Dufferin Child & Family Services (DCAFS) announced on May 9 that they had received accreditation from the Canadian Centre for Accreditation (CCA) in recognition of their advocacy for children and families.

Shelburne Library shares weekly news

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Staff Pick of the Week: The Last Word by Taylor

Adams: Emma Carpenter lives in isolation with her golden retriever Laika, house sitting an old beachfront home on the rainy Washington coast. After posting a one-star review for a poorly written but gruesome horror novel she is dragged into an online argument with the author himself. When disturbing incidents start happening at night, Emma digs into his life and work, discovering a sadistic man who is capable of anything.

Why Trudy Recommends it: Why Trudy Recommends it: This was a disturbing and menacing thriller.

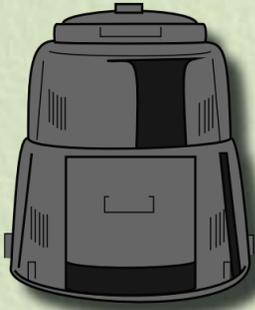
The storyline is intricately plotted with a creepy and suspenseful tone. The conversations Emma has with her dog are endearing and roll on the floor funny! The humour throughout this book helps lighten the mood and kept me coming back for more.

Character appeal is also important to me in my enjoyment of a book. I was drawn to this strong, likeable main character who is haunted by her past. Very little frightens her. Early in the book she hints at why. Her bulging and ready backpack at the back door factors into her attitude.

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May 20	VICTORIA DAY	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25
May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1

Monday ZONE **Tuesday ZONE** **Wednesday ZONE** **Thursday ZONE** **Interruption no collections**

Happy Victoria Day!

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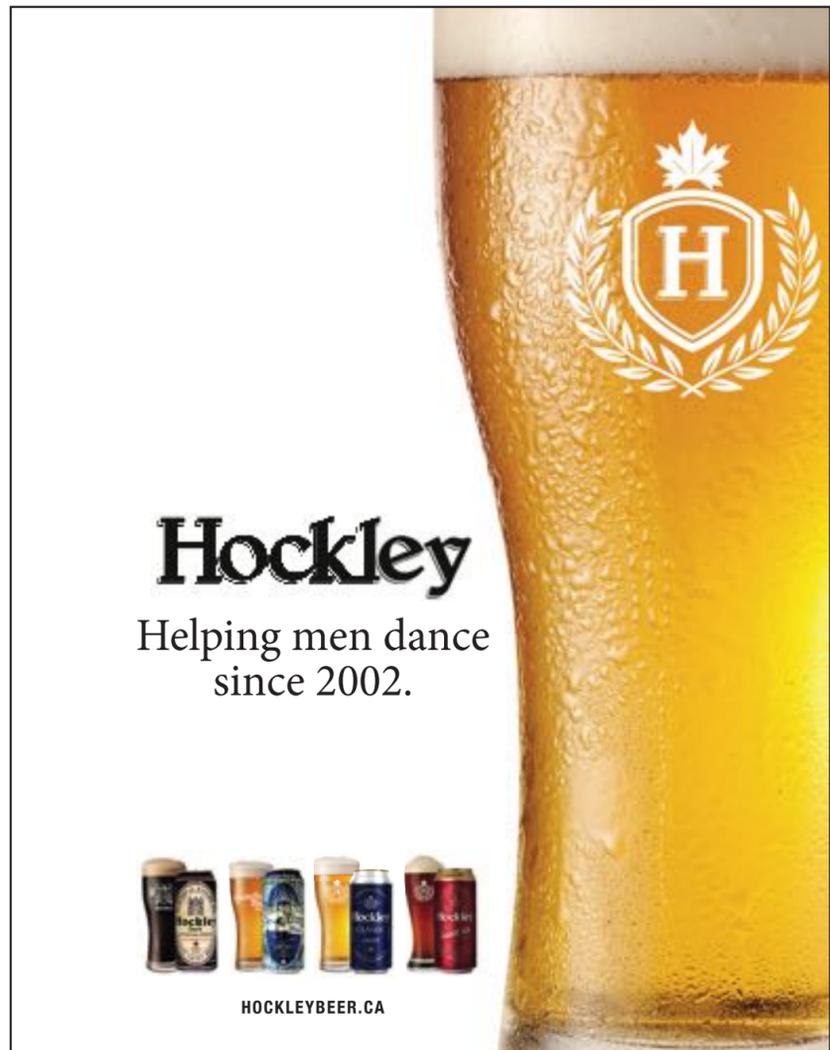
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