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LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION: Dufferin Film Festival (DFF) creators Kelly McDowell and Nick Rose were joined by Streams Community Hub founders, Juli-Anne and Andrew James, on the red carpet outside of the Opera House in Orangeville on Friday (Aug. 9) to celebrate the start of the first-ever Dufferin Film Festival. Turn to page 3 for the full story.

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Local resident shares concerns about ending transit service

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

A Shelburne resident is advocating for better local transit and for the decision to halt weekly transit service between Shelburne and Orangeville to be reconsidered.

Shelburne Council voted to discontinue service on July 22.

Lindsay Grater has been a resident of Shelburne for nearly 12 years and is a regular user of the Grey Transit Route (GTR) Route 2 that travels from Shelburne to Orangeville.

Grater, like many users of the GTR service, was shocked to hear the announcement that the service she relies on would be ending at the beginning of September.

"At the back of my mind I was thinking what am I going to do when the bus is no longer available," said Grater, recalling the moment she found out about the announcement. "I know it seems absurd, but I have a real fear that I'm going to end up being a kind of prisoner in Shelburne."

Grater initially began using the GTR service when both herself and her husband became less and less comfortable driving on the roads due to age and health. The couple eventually decided to give their car to their grandson, with the comfort of knowing they

had one mode of transportation connecting them to Orangeville and Toronto – the GTR bus route.

Oftentimes Grater's trips on the Route 2 bus have been used to attend medical appointments, access card renewals at Service Ontario, have passport photos taken, and banking services. She has also used the bus as a jumping-off point to access the TOK bus, which runs from Orangeville to Toronto, to visit her son who lives in the city and has undergone medical procedures in the last year.

"I know it sounds silly, but I'm absolutely devastated because now I'm marooned in Shelburne," said Grater.

Shelburne Town Council announced their decision to opt out of continuing the Grey Transit Route (GTR) service during their council meeting on July 22.

During the meeting, Council received a report regarding the future of the bus service after town staff was sent a letter from Kim Wingrove, chief administrative officer for Grey County, that indicated the neighbouring county's intention to end the Grey Transit Route (GTR) pick-ups and drop-offs in Shelburne.

"This route is currently operating above capacity, which unfortunately prevents some Grey County residents from utilizing

the service when they need it," Wingrove wrote. "As the GTR is funded by the Grey County tax levy, we have made the difficult decision to prioritize the availability of this service for Grey County residents."

The transit service in Shelburne launched in 2020 as a weekday service funded by a \$2.3-million provincial grant received by Grey County and Southgate Township. The funding was used to implement service from Dundalk to Orangeville, also known as Route 2, Monday through Friday. Shelburne does not fund or contribute any cost to the weekday service.

The GTR weekday service includes two stops in Shelburne. One at Col. Philips Drive at Highway 10 and another stop at Victoria Street by Town Hall.

In the report to council, it was noted that for the service to continue for Shelburne riders, a second vehicle of the same size and seating, which is 10 passenger seats, would be required for Route 2 and would need to be funded by the Town of Shelburne.

"It's counterintuitive. We're using it because we need it and what is council going to do – they're going to stop it. It's like a punishment for actually using the service," said Grater.

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Inaugural Dufferin Film Festival showcases local talent with 16 original films

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Lights. Camera. Action!

Filmmakers, writers, and movie buffs flocked to the Opera House in Orangeville on Aug. 9 and Aug. 10 to celebrate the inaugural Dufferin Film Festival (DFF).

Created by Kelly McDowell and Nick Rose, the Dufferin Film Festival looks to “create a platform where Canadian filmmakers and audiences can connect, inspire, and engage in meaningful conversations.”

The idea for the local film festival was brainstormed nearly two years ago, while McDowell and Rose were leaving a film festival they’d attended.

“Being in the film industry for a few years now, I’ve met so many talented filmmakers that I think are under celebrated and my goal with this festival and bringing it to Dufferin was to honour them and make them feel like they are the stars of the show,” explained McDowell, who serves as director of the festival. “Also, I think Dufferin County really embraces the arts. We do have a lot of filmmakers that come here to film, there’s been Hollywood-level films and indie-level films.”

The two-day film festival featured 16 original films that ranged in genres including comedy, dramas and documentaries.

The 16 films included: Heap, Beyond the Reins, For Roy, Handsy, Lakewood, Cancelled, Red String of Fate, On the Window-sill, Kofi, Prism, Good Girl, Cinching Saddles, Charlie, Triage, The Two of Us, and Water-

man’s Ballad.

“They are edgy, powerful, moving, funny, quirky, breathtaking and they make you think and wonder; the power of cinema is displayed on every angle,” said Tristain Barrocks, a film critic for the Dufferin Film Festival.

Barrocks, who is also a renowned Afro-Canadian film and commercial director from Toronto, noted the importance of recognizing the film industry in Dufferin County.

“What people don’t know is that outside of the GTA, there’s so many budding communities of artists that want to tell stories that are unique to the communities they come from. Having something like this in Dufferin County really gives us an opportunity to share some of the stories that are unique to us and gives us a chance to see the potential of how we can grow the art,” said Barrocks. “I hope that everybody that participates gets a little sneak peak of the potential of what we can create and how we can develop things even more in Dufferin County.”

Two of the films showcased at the festival screenings – Lakewood and Handsy – were selected from a screenwriting competition hosted by the Dufferin Film Festival.

Writers of all ages and backgrounds in the Headwaters area were invited to showcase their storytelling abilities by crafting and submitting their original scripts to the Dufferin Film Festival Screenwriting Competition, which was created to foster local talent and creativity. Submissions were collected from October to December 2023 and judged by a panel for originality, creativity, character development, and dialogue.

As part of their prize, the winners of the screenwriting competition had the opportunity to see their scripts brought to life through final film production, which was sponsored

by Rose Digital Media Group.

Danielle Hawkins, a high school student and novice screenwriter from Orangeville, was the winner of the screenwriting competition’s youth category, with her script ‘Lakewood’.

‘Lakewood’ follows a teenager named Charlie, who grows up near a lake, but the twist is that those who live near the lake can never swim in it unless it’s ‘happy’. Adapted from a short story into a script, ‘Lakewood’ touches on the themes of loneliness, friendship, and high school angst while tying in urban legend elements inspired by Hawkins’ love for spooky stories.

“I’m really excited to see it on the big screen for other people to see it and to see how they react to it. I think [Lakewood] can be interpreted a lot of different ways and that’s what I was hoping for. It might mean one thing to some people and another thing to other people,” said Hawkins.

James Gerus, an award-winning actor and writer, and Liam Gillespie, a high school student at Westside Secondary School and multi-media artist, took home the win in the screenwriting competition’s adult category, for their co-created script ‘Handsy.’

A horror-inspired script, ‘Handsy’ tells the story of a young boy who becomes trapped in a haunted house while looking for his dog. The boy begins making shadow puppets when suddenly other hands appear in the light that aren’t his own.

“It’s heartwarming and gratifying to see our small but mighty town rising up to do such cool and big things like this,” said Gerus.

“It’s surreal in the best possible way because it’s one of those things where you never imagined it could possibly happen to you. I feel astounded to get to celebrate the



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

POSE FOR THE CAMERA: Joseph A. Sebok strikes a pose on the red carpet outside of the Opera House in Orangeville during the Dufferin Film Festival on Friday, Aug. 9.

arts and our film with the community,” said Gillespie.

A significant aspect of the Dufferin Film Festival is its focus on celebrating films created by Canadian writers and filmmakers. The films featured in the festival were submitted from all across Ontario as well as British Columbia and Montreal.

“I think that we really need to celebrate our homegrown talent and really invest in them to have the future of our Canadian arts and culture fed,” said McDowell.

To learn more about the Dufferin Film Festival and to keep up with future events, visit www.dufferinfilmmfest.com.

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LAKEWEED: (middle) Danielle Hawkins, winner of the Dufferin Film Festival Screenwriting Competition’s youth category, marked the first screening of her film ‘Lakewood’ alongside her family members and friends on the opening night (Aug. 9) of the local film festival.

HANDSY: (left) Liam Gillespie and James Gerus, co-creators of the short film ‘Handsy’, commemorated the film’s first screening at the Dufferin Film Festival on Aug. 9. Gillespie and Gerus were the adult winners of the Dufferin Film Festival’s Screenwriting Competition.



Continued from FRONT

Shelburne resident shares concerns about transit service between Orangeville ending

Two of the main deterring factors highlighted by council in making their decision were the number of riders that use the service compared to the total population of Shelburne and the cost to operate the route.

In May, the Shelburne stops on the GTR’s Route 2 saw 227 pick-ups and 206 drop-offs for an average of 18.82 rides per day.

In June, the total number of pick-ups was 210 and drop-offs was 195 for an average of 17.60 rides per day.

According to the report, the estimated cost to operate Route 2 for the four months starting in September would be nearly \$57,000. The service would cost a total of \$14,246 per month to operate and \$170,952 for one full year of service.

During the July 22 Shelburne Council meeting, councillors justified the cost cut by noting the ridership is “a few compared to the whole”

“I think the importance of the need is being ignored. There are plenty of things that I’m sure have cost a lot of money in Shelburne that I don’t use and that a lot of other people don’t use,” said Grater. “Different residents have different needs according to the stages of their life and lifestyle. I can tell you the people using the bus need it.”

Council also noted that riders have alter-

native options to help make the trip between Shelburne and Orangeville including asking for rides from other residents in town and utilizing rider share and taxi options.

In comparison, the cost for a rider to use the GTR is \$5 for adults and \$4.50 for students, while a one-way Uber drive can cost upwards of \$30.

“I’m infuriated when I watch these council members mention how easy it is to find alternative while they drive around in big, fat cars,” said Grater. “I’ve lived here quite a number of years, but I think of my neighbours; they’re either out, busy, working, elderly, or maybe they don’t have cars. I cannot think of one person unless it were an absolute emergency, who I would even think of asking for a ride down to Orangeville.”

The discontinuation of the weekday transit service may have been a foregone conclusion as the town has over the last year pulled back on transit services implemented and funded by the previous council.

In July 2021, a five-month pilot project to expand the transit service to include weekends was launched with four stops. In April 2023, Shelburne increased the number of bus stops to 14, with the service consisting of 10 runs for five hours on Saturday and

Sunday.

During the 2024 draft budgeting process, council opted to discontinue the weekend transit service after it was estimated to cost \$91,000 for 12 months, which would have affected the tax rate by an increase of

almost one per cent.

“I wish they would be courageous. I think it’s a cowardly thing to keep cowing to this need for cars,” said Grater.

The GTR Route 2 bus will no longer stop in Shelburne as of Sept. 2.





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Perseverance

Perseverance can be described as doing something that is difficult, but you continue because you want to achieve a goal.

In the end, you may still fail, but at least you tried.

One of my favourite stories of perseverance in the face of adversity is the story of the crew of the Lady Be Good.

Lady Be Good was an American B-24D Liberator bomber that disappeared on its first combat mission on April 4, 1943, during World War II.

Departing from its air base in Libya, the mission was to bomb the harbour in Naples, Italy.

The mission was a disaster when a sand-storm caused problems and several aircraft had to abort. Lady Be Good never found its target due to poor visibility.

Eventually, the crew turned the aircraft around and headed back to the airfield over the Mediterranean Sea. By this time it was dark. Lady Be Good never landed at the air-base.

It was surmised at the airfield, that the airplane had crashed into the Mediterranean, and the crew of nine were all lost.

In 1958, a British oil exploration team were

flying over the Sahara Desert when they spotted an aircraft on the ground and took note.

In 1959, another crew again saw the aircraft noted the exact location and made a report. A recovery team made a trip to the site to investigate. It was Lady Be Good.

Lady Be Good was in remarkable condition. Its radio still worked, and its guns still fired, but there was no sign of the crew.

An investigation, aided by a diary kept by one of the crew, revealed the mystery behind the disappearance of Lady Be Good.

The aircraft had technical issues and navigational errors while returning to the airfield in total darkness. The airfield fired flares to alert the aircrew of the location, but they didn't see them and the Lady Be Good over-shot their target and were now heading out over the desert.

In the dark, the crew thought they were still over the Mediterranean.

The commanding officer pilot warned the crew they were dangerously low on fuel and would have to abandon ship.

The entire crew baled from the doomed craft and expected to land in water. Instead, they landed on desert sand.

One of the crew died when his parachute

failed to open.

The remaining eight crew members, managed to find each other using pistol shots and flares. They were eight men, lost in the middle of the Sahara with one-half of a canteen of water, and no food.

They reasoned their only hope, would be to walk north, in the direction of the airfield. They had no idea, that they had landed 400 miles inland. Their chance of survival at this point, without a miracle, was zero.

Ironically, if they had walked south, they would have come across their aircraft which landed on its own, almost intact, just 16 miles away. The aircraft had water, rations, and a working radio they could have used to call for help.

The group managed to walk 25 miles in the scorching heat. At that point, five of the men were too weak to continue. They had survived for eight days in the desert.

They were found in a group by a search party in 1960 – 17 years after the failed mission.

One of the airmen had kept a diary and wrote down what they were experiencing. The diary entry said they were suffering so much in the heat without water, they were

praying to die just to get it over with.

However, three of the crew persevered and continued walking.

Searchers expanded their recovery and located another body around 24 miles farther north. They found a seventh body a further 26 miles away.

It was later discovered that a British patrol came across a mummified body in 1953, around 75 miles from the site where the group landed. At the time, there were no reports of any Allied aircrew missing, and they assumed it was a lost Bedouin shepherd.

They buried the body and made a note. It was later surmised, that this body was actually that of the last remaining airman who had managed to walk 75 miles in sand, in the scorching heat, with no water or food.

Now that is perseverance. He probably realized there was no one searching for them, and the situation was bleak, but he didn't give up.

Most of us will never face such a bleak situation, but perseverance to achieve a goal is always an admirable quality, even if you don't succeed.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



Bangladesh, Venezuela and Democracy

If all that mattered is economic growth, then Shaikh Hasina would still be in power. She has ruled Bangladesh for 15 continuous years during which the country's per capita income more than tripled. Yet she has been overthrown by the very same students who stood to benefit most from her remarkable economic achievements.

They were the ones who didn't have jobs yet, of course. Millions did get jobs, but there are far more educated young people in this generation than in the last and there were not enough to go round.

Sheikh Hasina fed their anger by reserving a large proportion of the government jobs (30%) for young people from families whose older members had fought in the Independence War (from Pakistan) of 50 years ago.

She was just trying to strengthen her position by rewarding her own supporters in the Awami League, but that kicked off the protests that have now forced her to flee to India. The protests were not initially about idealistic notions of democracy or some other abstraction; they were about jobs.

Yet four hundred people, almost all of them students, laid down their lives in the protests against her increasingly arbitrary rule, and it's not really worth dying for a slightly better chance at a cushy but not very well-paying job. They also talked about democracy, by which they really

meant equality, or at least equality of opportunity.

That's also what motivated more than two-thirds of the Venezuelans who remain in the country to cast their votes against tyranny last week even though they knew the election would be rigged. They may yet succeed in forcing the ruler, Nicolás Maduro, to give up and go into exile too, because fairness is a basic human value.

Around a third of the world's people live in countries that can be called democratic, although all of them are flawed in one way or another. What is striking is that practically every autocratic regime in the world also claims to be democratic. In principle (although not yet in practice) it is the default human political system.

We are talking about the nature of 'human nature' here, and the key point is that it has a history. It changes over time in response to changing circumstances, but there is a detectable theme running through it for at least many tens of thousands of years.

Human beings belong to the primate family, most of whose members live in smallish groups (rarely more than a hundred). They have strongly graded hierarchies like those in our nearest relatives, the chimpanzees. There is a boss who rules by force and by fear but also by making alliances, and there is constant turmoil as other would-be bosses rise and fall.

Any diligent reader can find exceptions

to all the above statements, but by and large that is the primate condition. It was presumably once the human condition too – but all the ancestral human groups we know about lived in absolute equality.

We know this because the last genuine hunter-gatherer bands survived long enough to be studied by the first anthropologists. They were all dedicated to equality, even to the extent that they automatically banded together to bring down any individual who tried to set himself above the others. How did that come to pass?

Early human beings were still living in quite small groups, but they were already intelligent enough to realize that the monkey-king model served nobody's interests except the king's. They also had language, so they could conspire together.

The revolution may have happened once and spread, or it may have happened a thousand times in different bands, but the human default mode became egalitarian. It must have remained that way for at least thousands of generations, because equality and fairness have become universal human aspirations.

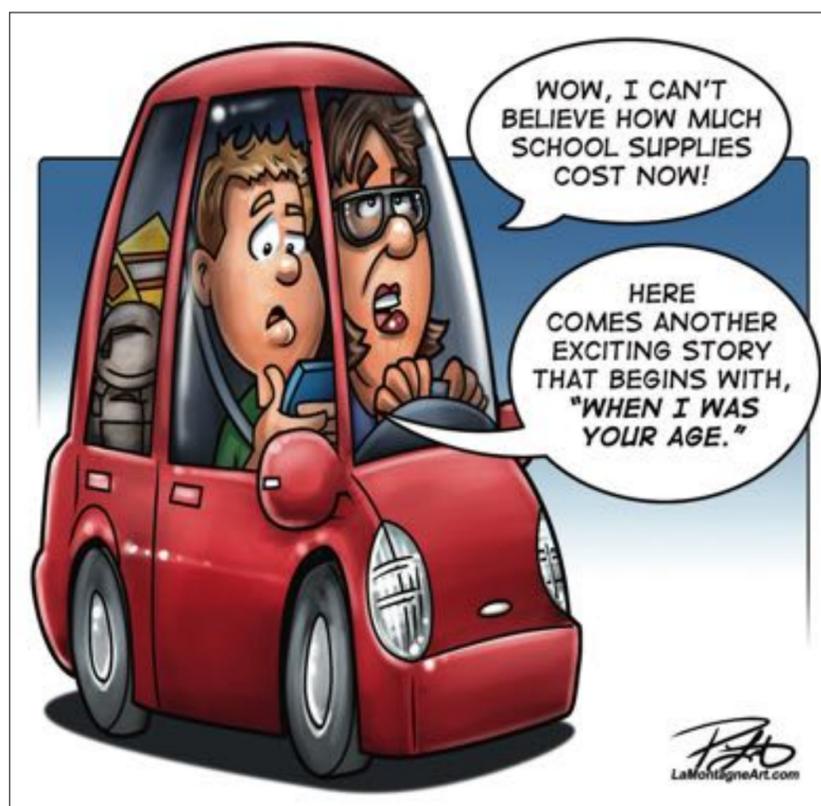
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That situation prevailed until we developed mass communications a few centuries ago. That technology made it possible for us to decide things together again as equals, and as soon as we got it (just printing, at first), our long submerged but never forgotten 'democratic' values re-emerged as well.

That's what the American and French revolutions were about. That's what the Bangladeshi and hopefully the Venezuelan revolutions are about now. These are not random events. They are part of a long but promising process of reclaiming our real values.



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Seniors living in Shelburne now have access to a new supportive senior housing opportunity.

Golden Agers Take A Break Inc., a supportive senior housing facility located in a residential home on Colonel Phillips Drive in Shelburne, celebrated their grand opening on Saturday (Aug. 10).

"It's an exciting time knowing that this has been a vision for years and we can finally see the day that it comes to light," said Natacia Leslie-McKenzie, owner and operator of Golden Agers Take A Break Inc. "I've worked with seniors for quite a while and we decided this was the perfect opportunity to open up our home to offer care to someone that's in need."

The residential facility consists of five private rooms on the main and upper levels of the house for senior residents and an additional unit in the basement where Leslie-McKenzie and her family reside.

Each of the five rooms has its own name: Love, Hope, Faith, Happy and Believe.

While the rooms are available to all residents, Leslie-McKenzie explained that the

room called "Love" is a master bedroom space marketed specifically for senior couples, and the room known as "Faith" has been designed with accessibility in mind.

The home has been retrofitted to accommodate the needs of its senior residents, including a stair lift, handrails in the bathrooms, raised toilets, and wheelchair accessibility.

Part of Leslie-McKenzie's decision to open her home for local seniors was born out of her own family experience. Growing up, Leslie-McKenzie was raised by her grandmother and her father is currently experiencing deteriorating health in older age and has moved in with her family.

"We're a close-knit family and I figured I can incorporate the love I received growing up into a way to give back to our elders," explained Leslie-McKenzie. "It's a passion of mine and they've poured so much into us, it's time for us now to pour back into them."

Leslie-McKenzie will be operating the supportive housing facility for seniors and provide services that include transportation, medication administration, laundry, meal preparation, housekeeping, and emergency assistance.

The facility will also be utilizing the ser-

VICES of a recreational therapist, who will help run daily programs and activities for the seniors to help stimulate their brains and bodies.

In the Town of Shelburne, there are currently two facilities for seniors to receive supportive housing – Dufferin Oaks and Shelburne Long-Term Care Home and Retirement Community.

Dufferin Oaks has a capacity of 160 residents and Shelburne Long Term Care Home can house 60 residents.

According to the Ontario Long-Term Care Association (OLTCA), more than 45,000 individuals are waiting for long-term care and that number is expected to grow by 1,000 people per year and reach 48,000 by 2029.

Shelburne Councillor Len Guchardi was

present at the grand opening and spoke about how it will benefit local seniors.

"It's a unique facility and it's important that as our population ages that we have more places like this available for seniors and the community. They've taken a step to open up a neighbourhood-based model, which has its advantages to seniors in terms of socializing and feeling a part of the bigger community," said Guchardi.

Shelburne Town Council approved Leslie-McKenzie's application to rezone her home to allow for the operation of the supportive housing facility for seniors, during their council meeting in early June.

Those interested in learning more about the new supportive housing residence for seniors can do so by visiting www.goldenagerstakeabreakinc.com.



PETER RICHARDSON PHOTO

SUPPORTING OUR SENIORS: Golden Agers Take a Break Inc., a residentially-based supportive senior housing facility located on Colonel Phillips Drive in Shelburne, celebrated their grand opening on Saturday (Aug. 10). The facility consists of five private bedrooms and supportive amenities and services, including daily programs, transportation, medication administration, laundry, meal preparation, housekeeping and emergency assistance.

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Police request public's help in finding failure to remain at scene suspect

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is seeking assistance to identify an individual involved in a fail to remain investigation in the Town of Shelburne.

On July 2, 2024, at approximately 1:15 a.m., Dufferin OPP officers responded to a call service for a possible impaired driver travelling northbound on Highway 10. Officers located the vehicle and attempted to stop the

driver. The driver collided with the officer's cruiser and fled the scene. Luckily the officer was not injured as a result of the collision. A short time later the suspect vehicle was located abandoned on Greenwood Crescent near Marion Street.

The suspect vehicle is described as a grey colored Chevrolet Blazer bearing Ontario licence plate number CRCB.

Officers obtained video surveillance of the

suspect and are seeking assistance from the public for identification.

A photo of the suspect has been attached to this media release.

Anyone with information of video regarding this incident is asked to contact Dufferin OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also submit your information online at: ontariocrimestoppers.ca



Three impaired driving charges laid over three days by Dufferin police

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers charged three drivers with impaired operation over the weekend.

A Dufferin OPP officer responded to a call for service involving a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed on Elizabeth Street in Orangeville on Saturday, Aug. 11, at approximately 5:00 a.m.

The officer located the suspect vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. While conducting the traffic stop, the officer was led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Fairley BAIRD, a 37-year-old female from Orangeville, has been charged with operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus.

A Dufferin OPP officer was conducting traffic enforcement on Highway 10 at 5 Sid-erod in Melancthon on the same evening. At approximately 2:40 a.m., the officer conducted a traffic stop and was led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Bailey LEPAGE, a 25-year-old male from Shelburne, has been charged

with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus
- Take motor vehicle without consent
- Fail to comply with Probation Order

A Dufferin OPP officer responded to a single motor vehicle collision on 4th Line in Melancthon on Aug. 9 at approximately 4:50 p.m. The officer was led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Robert LAYES, a 47-year-old male from Barrie, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus
- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs

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

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

Motorists, motorcyclists need to be alert when sharing the road: OPP

A sharp increase in motorcyclist fatalities in recent weeks has the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) urging motorcyclists and motorists to be alert, cautious, and avoid all manner of risky driving when sharing the road.

Thirty-six motorcyclists have died on OPP-patrolled roads so far this year, compared to 23 fatalities at this time last year. In

over half of the deaths, the drivers' actions that led to the collision were on the part of the motorcyclist.

Twelve of the year's fatalities occurred in July, with five more motorcyclist deaths occurring during the first week of August.

Excessive speed, loss of control and improper passing are among the driver actions behind many of the crashes.

"Safe, attentive driving on the part of motorists is all it takes to prevent the senseless loss of life on roadways," said the Central Region OPP in a recently issued press release.

"Motorcyclists must also do their part to stay safe by driving within the speed limit and complying with all traffic laws, which go a long way toward keeping riders and their passengers safe."

Treat impaired driving like the serious crime it is, says OPP

Central Region of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has seen an increase in locals and visitors this summer enjoying the region's scenic roads, lakes, and cottage areas.

Unfortunately, an increasing number of impaired drivers have continued to endanger the lives of those on our roads and waterways.

As of Aug. 6, the Central Region OPP has laid 1,496 impaired-related charges this year, a

number that has been steadily increasing with the nice weather.

Central Region OPP covers Dufferin, parts of Peel, Simcoe County and York.

The OPP remains committed in its zero-tolerance policy towards impaired driving, whether it's alcohol or drugs. If police determine that you are driving while impaired, you will face penalties immediately. Impaired driving is a crime under the Criminal Code of Canada and the consequences are serious.

The full list of penalties for impaired driving are online at justice.gc.ca/eng/cj-jp/sidl-rlcfa.

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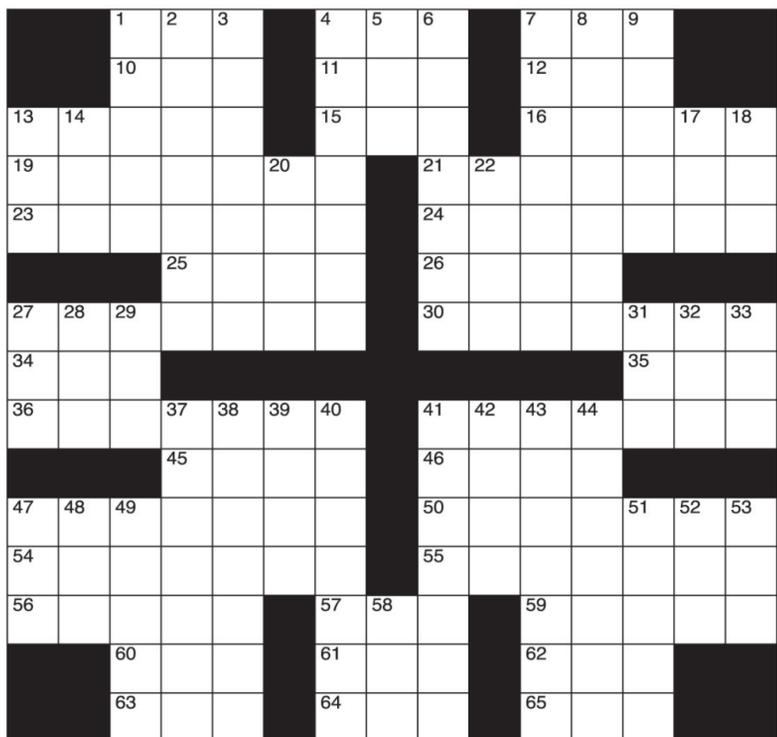
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11. Up in the air (abbr.)
12. Actress de Armas
13. Not moving
15. Cool!
16. Bog arum genus
19. Perceptible by touch
21. Type of test
23. Monetary units
24. Collection of various things
25. Sum of five and one
26. Type of sword
27. Hates
30. Immobile
34. Pie __ mode

CLUES DOWN

35. Moved quickly on a motorbike
41. A way through
45. Former US Secretary of Education
- Duncan
46. Leader
47. Flowing
50. Greetings
54. Remedy
55. Soft lightweight fabric
56. Building material
57. Sea bream
59. A way to cause to be swollen
60. One and only
61. People get one in summer
62. Wreath
63. Thus far
64. They __
65. Sea eagle

CLUES DOWN

29. Small amount
31. Investment vehicle
32. Fall behind
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Head pain
38. Popular sport in England and India
39. King Charles's sister
40. Boat race
41. About fish
42. Maidservant
43. Able to be marketed
44. Tinier
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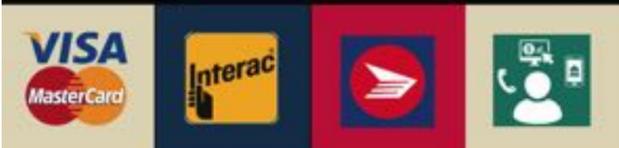
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SHELBURNE SPORTS



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PLAYOFFS: Mansfield Cubs U15 LL players look for the throw as a TNT Thunder player makes it to second base during the first inning of the Cubs' first playoff game, held in Beeton on Wednesday, Aug. 7. The Cubs had to settle for a 13-1 loss in this game.

Three teams advance to NDBL second round of playoffs

Written By Brian Lockhart

Three teams have advanced to the second round of the North Dufferin Baseball League playoffs with one series yet to be determined.

The Bolton Brewers eliminated the Orillia Majors in a series that went three games with Bolton outscoring Orillia 32 - 8 over the series.

This was no surprise. Bolton has had an outstanding season finishing the regular

season in first place while Orillia made it to the playoffs as the bottom seed with a 9-14-1 record.

The next series for Bolton hasn't yet been determined.

The Owen Sound Baysox eliminated the Barrie Angels in their series. Owen Sound won the first game, and the second game was played to a 1-1 tie giving each team a single point.

Owen Sound won game three to take the lead, then finished the series in game five

with a 5-3 win.

The Ivy Rangers have also advanced having won their first round series in four games over the Creemore Padres. The two teams were evenly matched going into the series and this one could have gone either way.

Ivy won game one. Creemore won the second game to even it up.

Ivy won two in a row to end the series.

There's a real battle in the still undecided series between the New Lowell Knights and the Lisle Astros.

The teams played to a 0-0 tie in the first game - an almost unheard of baseball score.

New Lowell squeezed out a 2-1 win in game two of the series, then followed up with a 10-1 win in game three.

New Lowell can claim the series with a

win in game four, or the Astros can keep the series alive if they come out on top.

Game two was scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, in Lisle, with results not available at press time.

Junior Division

In the Junior Division of the NDBL, the championship series between the Creemore Padres and Innisfil Cardinals is underway.

There has been a delay in the scheduling for this series.

Game one was played on Monday, August 5, with Creemore getting a 12-9 win in that game.

Game two of the series was slated for Wednesday, August 14, with results not available at press time.

The remainder of the schedule for the championship series has not yet been finalized.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

LEIF LITTLE

A well rounded baseball player, Leif Little plays several positions on the Mansfield Cubs 14 U Rep A team.

"I like everything about it," Leif said of why he plays baseball. "I've been playing it since I was four years old. I love the whole sport. You have to hit the ball, but so does your team. You have to catch the ball but so does your team. You can throw a strike, but the catcher still has to catch the ball," Leif said of the way individuals work together as a team on the diamond.

Leif also plays hockey with the Shelburne Wolves.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

CHAMPIONS: The Mansfield 14U Rep A team dominated the York Simcoe Baseball Association play downs in Vaughan on Aug. 10 and 11. They won all five of their games, beating Innisfil, Collingwood, Barrie, TNT, and Barrie again, for the championship title win. The team will continue on to the OBAs being held in Clarington, on Labour Day weekend. From left to right, front row: Callen Swan and Leif Little. Second Row: Ty Hamilton, Chase Rodgers, Brayden Foulds, Mason Fogal, and Ryan Kebe. Back Row: Darren Little (Coach), Drew Foulds (Coach), Chris Rodgers (Coach), Logan Senay, Ryan McDermid, Peyton Matchem, Rob Senay (Head Coach), Jamie Hamilton (Coach). Absent from the picture is player Corey Coe.

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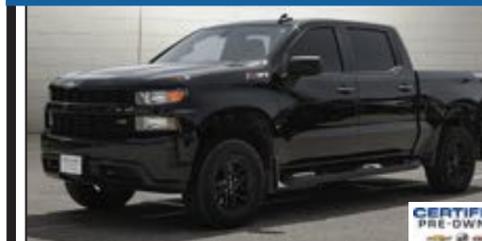
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Samurais, Gladiators win in weekend cricket competition

Written By **Brian Lockhart**

It was another weekend of exciting cricket action at KTH Park in Shelburne as two matches were played between Shelburne Cricket Club teams.

On Saturday, Aug. 10, the Warriors were up against the Samurais in a closely matched battle.

After winning the toss, the Samurais elect to bat first in hopes of putting up a good total to start.

However, Samurais failed to build momentum due to the regular loss of wickets.

Contributions from Shivdhan, who scored 18 runs, Akash who scored 20 runs, and 19 runs from Garry, helped the Samurais reach a total of 112 runs.

The highlight of the Warriors bowling attack was Sony Poulouse, who delivered a stellar performance, claiming five wickets and putting his team in a strong position.

When the Warriors took to the crease, Sony Poulouse continued to shine, displaying remarkable form with the bat. He blasted a half-century in just 22 balls and setting a new Shelburne Cricket Club record.

Despite Sony's explosive innings, the War-

riors were unable to capitalize as wickets fell at regular intervals.

The Samurais managed to keep it together and secured a narrow victory by just five runs.

Sony Poulouse was named the Man of the Match for his exceptional all-around performance.

On Sunday, Aug. 11, the Shelburne Knights went head-to-head with the Shelburne Gladiators.

The Knights won the toss and opted to bowl first.

The Gladiators' opening batsman, Rajmohan, was in excellent form, scoring his second half-century of the season with 57 runs.

Skipper, Jajbir contributed 22 runs, helping to propel the Gladiators to an imposing total of 172 runs. Knights' captain Sagar Arora made an impact with the ball, taking three wickets.

The Knights started their chase steadily, with Abul Rashid contributing 23 runs and Paul adding 14 runs.

However, their innings quickly unravelled as they began to lose wickets in quick succession.

Abdul Razzaq played a pivotal role for



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READY FOR THE BOWL: Emerging youth player Mohammad Ismail is at bat during Shelburne Cricket Club action at KTH Park in Shelburne over the weekend. Games took place on Saturday, Aug. 10 and Sunday, Aug. 11. The Samurais and Gladiators came out on top in the weekend games.

the Gladiators, taking four crucial wickets, which ultimately dismantled the Knights' batting lineup.

The Gladiators emerged victorious with a

commanding 70-run win.

Rajmohan was named the Man of the Match for his outstanding innings that set the tone for his team's triumph.

Young Company presents 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'

Written By **Constance Scrafield**

If your sister told you after the fact that she had discovered a whole wintry country inside the Wardrobe of an almost barren room, except for a clock, in the Professor's huge mansion, where you were living temporarily, would you believe her? The premise of C.S. Lewis's timeless work, *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* is that Lucy's three siblings, Edmund, Peter and Susan do not believe her story of talking animals, mythical creatures and unending winter. Soon enough, they discover for themselves her stories are true and that their own stories are only beginning in this adventure of fear, fighting, betrayal, a very wicked Witch, called the Snow Queen, and a benevolent Lion who teaches them bravery and the value of the truth.

This production is on at Theatre Orangeville over the weekend of Aug. 23 to 25.

The Citizen sat down with the cast of 12 members of Young Company Drama this week to chat about how they see the play and themselves within it. There were many interesting answers to those questions.

First, though, a quick introduction to the story, as we were told, "The four siblings find their way into Narnia with the Wicked Witch. They discover they are destined to bring peace to the land of Narnia and throughout the play, they have to fight with the characters in Narnia."

Teaching them, fight instructor Ian Walsh has been coming to Theatre Orangeville to help young actors learn how to do battle safely on stage for several productions over the years.

The Lion, we learned, is the overseer of the land, a folk hero.

A warm welcome back to Duncan Lang, whose performance as Jean Valjean in *Les Mis* with Young Company Musical, being driven back and forth between Orangeville and New-

market every day for the summer of 2017 and subsequent years, may well have launched his determination to follow a career in theatre.

Mr. Lang is in town for his directorial debut with this tremendous show.

Asked how well the rehearsals were going, he was very enthusiastic about the level of talent and quick uptake of the cast, with some very difficult characters to play.

He said, "It's so fulfilling to me to watch this cast get into their characters. Sometimes, that's hard but these talented kids are so consistent - it's just amazing."

Sophie told us that she has played the parts of villains but in her role as Susan, "this is soft," she said. "It was a little hard but this is a different way to connect to the role."

One commented that as they are not tall, they have played softer roles but in this production, they are required to be an imposing figure.

With some satisfaction, they informed us, "It's fun to be an imposing figure, such a difference - I've learned I can play a more imposing role."

This is the sixth time for Jack who always loves working with the Young Company casts, with such talented people. He admitted that he was acting out of his comfort zone in the role of Edmund, who is dishonest and, at first, betrays his sister and seeks power for himself.

"And we have an amazing director - there are so many of us coming together," Jack said. He added that a lot of times with other characters, when the role is a challenge, "You can stretch and do it right."

Simon told us straight up, "I play a villain character, strict and mean. So evil."

About why we should come to see Young Company's *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, they had plenty of reasons.

What is great about this story is the strange, fearsome, kindly, odd and amazing characters themselves; many of these actors have more



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A WORLD INSIDE A WARDROBE: Theatre Orangeville Young Company Drama cast and director Duncan Lang pose outside on a break from rehearsals of *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, on at Theatre Orangeville over the weekend of Aug. 23 to 25.

than one role to play.

"This is one of the most popular book series," as someone observed, "and this is the live version of it."

With the mix of unusual characters, there is a lot of "really good emotion, very intense with fight scenes that will keep you on the edge of your seat."

Good against evil in a magical land, perhaps strangely, brings many messages and life lessons.

"The costumes are really cool, they are very interesting costumes."

The Theatre Orangeville website also offers, "This dramatization of C.S. Lewis's classic work faithfully recreates the magic

and mystery of Aslan, the great lion, his struggle with the White Witch, and the adventures of four children who inadvertently wander from an old wardrobe into the exciting, never-to-be-forgotten Narnia."

To bring to life the abstract of the show is to come into an interesting space.

They agreed for sure: "There's wisdom in this show."

Young Company's production of *The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe* is on the main stage of the theatre over the weekend of Aug. 23 to 25. For details and tickets, go to www.theatreorangeville.ca, call the Box Office at 519-942-3423 or visit the Box Office at 87 Broadway, the Opera House.

Program that enhances safety at bars to be implemented in Dufferin-Caledon

Written By **Sam Odrowski**

If you're having a night out and think your drink has been spiked or someone is making you uncomfortable - Ask for Angela.

Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services (CDVS) is partnering with Loblaws to launch a new program focused on keeping people safe when out at a bar or venue where alcohol is consumed.

The program is a local adaptation of the Ask Angela Campaign, which was established in the United Kingdom in 2016 and gained significant popularity in the years that followed.

The campaign is lauded throughout Europe for its ability to assist people who feel vulnerable, unsafe or threatened when having a night out.

"The Ask for Angela campaign revolves around discreetly approaching staff members at participating venues and requesting 'Angela' as a code phrase. This simple action will signal to the staff that the individual requires assistance," the CVDS said in a press release.

"Promptly and compassionately, staff members will guide the person to a secure and private location, away from their companions, allowing for open dialogue and an accurate

assessment of their needs."

Based on what the distressed person tells the staff member, they will take appropriate actions, such as contacting the police, if requested, or Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services, a friend, parent, or guardian.

"It is important to note that the staff members at participating venues are not expected to provide counselling services but rather to facilitate the necessary support channels for those seeking help," said CVDS's press release.

To assist with implementing the Ask Angela campaign locally, an online training tool is accessible to staff at participating businesses.

A video presentation and guidance sheet, designed to empower staff to effectively respond to individuals' needs, is part of the training.

CDVS noted that its partnership with Loblaws to implement Ask Angela will help to foster a safer and more inclusive community, where people feel protected and supported.

"This partnership represents a powerful collaboration between a respected community service organization and a renowned retailer, highlighting their shared commitment to community well-being," said CVDS in its press release.

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Alton Mill artist's work on display at Shelburne Town Hall Gallery

Written By Brian Lockhart

As an artist, Michelle Eissler has always had a unique perspective of the world around her.

You won't find the Alliston-based artist in a pasture with an easel painting a landscape of a bridge crossing a river or a field of sunflowers.

Michelle's paintings are all pure imagination and her inspiration comes from the process of creating a new work.

Michelle's paintings are currently on display at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery, located at 203 Main Street E., Shelburne.

As a gifted artist, Michelle attended the University of Toronto's Art & Art History program where she won several awards for her paintings. From there, she chose to further her skill set and studied at Sheridan College achieving a three-year diploma in Interpretive Illustration.

After she finished school, Michelle pursued commercial work to pay the bills and completed several large-scale murals for restaurants, drawings for the Globe & Mail, and watercolour and ink work for several other clients.

At the same time, she continued to create her own imaginative work and participated in the Toronto Outdoor Art Fair.

Active in the art community, Michelle is a member of the South Simcoe Arts Council, Headwaters Arts, Art Society King, and the Ontario Society of Artists.

She's also a member of the Southern Ontario Visual Artists (SOVA) group that's running the exhibit she's currently partici-

pating in at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery. The exhibit's theme is "As The Artists See It" and runs until Aug. 23.

Michelle's choice of medium for her artwork is oils.

"I have preferred this medium ever since I was given a set of French oil paints as a prize during my time in university," Michelle explained. "I love the soft creaminess of the paint and the way everything blends so beautifully. I paint rather thin layers of paint using many colors within one area and almost organically move around the canvas in small patches to really focus on how each colour sits next to its neighbouring colours. I used glazes after the layers are dry and this gives the paint more depth and intensity as well as a glossier finish."

Michelle's works have a dream-like quality where reality and another world blend together.

"The most unique thing about my work is that the forms are semi-abstracted and fragmented which encourages the viewer to piece together what they are looking at and interpret the forms," Michelle explained. "I consider myself a surrealist and my paintings are explorations of reality and how reality is a perspective that no two people see quite the same way. I try not to model myself after anyone else and really stay true to my own philosophies, but I have always admired the work of Modigliani, and Picasso's blue period in particular."

Michelle is an Artist in Residence at the Alton Mill Arts Centre in Alton, 10 minutes south of Orangeville, where she can be found in her studio several days each week

creating new work. Her work is on exhibit on the walls of her studio.

Michelle enjoys greeting visitors to the Arts Centre, and her door is always open. Patrons love visiting her studio to see her work and discuss art. Michelle is welcoming and friendly to everyone who drops by.

She will be participating in the McMichael Volunteer Committee Autumn Art Sale Fundraiser at the McMichael Art in Kleinburg from Nov. 29 to Dec. 1.

Michelle's work will be on display at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery now until Aug. 23.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

SURREALISM: Professional artist Michelle Eissler has a unique place in the art world creating canvases with oil paint that blends reality and the not-so-real world. Michelle's work is currently on display at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery, located at 203 Main Street E., Shelburne. She is also an artist in residency at the Alton Mill Art Studio.

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Bethell Hospice and Hospice Dufferin joining forces to better serve community

Written By Zachary Roman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

There will now be one point of access for hospice palliative care, grief and bereavement, and community care services in Dufferin and Caledon.

On Aug. 14, Bethell Hospice and Hospice Dufferin announced Hospice Dufferin's services will be hosted under the Bethell Hospice banner as of Oct. 1.

"Working with Ontario Health on the next steps, the integration of services will include a seamless transition of care for all current Hospice Dufferin clients to the well-established services at Bethell Hospice," reads a media release from Bethell Hospice senior manager of marketing and communications Kelly Stronach. "This change will allow for a more cohesive care delivery model across the Dufferin/Caledon community, ultimately improving client care for those who require palliative and community care services in the area."

Hospice Dufferin executive director Maureen Riedler said Hospice Dufferin and Bethell Hospice are united by shared values and a common vision.

"We are confident that our integration of services with Bethell Hospice will enhance the quality of palliative care services in our

region," said Riedler. "Hospice Dufferin proudly celebrates a 40-year legacy of delivering exceptional palliative and bereavement care. This milestone is a testament to the unwavering dedication of our volunteers, staff, and donors."

Bethell Hospice executive director Margaret Paan said Bethell Hospice is honoured to provide palliative care services for the Dufferin community.

"We look forward to partnering with the existing volunteers and donors to ensure critical hospice services and community programs continue to be available close to home," said Paan.

Stronach's media release notes the board of directors of both hospice organizations are "committed to a vision of excellence in quality palliative and community care services in Dufferin County and Caledon and are fully engaged and supportive of the integration of services."

Hospice Dufferin is inviting residents of Dufferin and Caledon to an event running from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 27 at Hospice Dufferin (30 Centre Street, Orangeville) to celebrate the history and legacy of Hospice Dufferin.

To register for the event, visit the following link: www.eventbrite.ca/e/hospice-dufferin-tickets-972442270007

News from Shelburne Library

We're just 10 days away from one of the best events of the year! Authors in the Hills of Mulmur returns to the Foley Barn Sunday, Aug. 25, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for its seventh season.

Veteran moderator, Bernadette Hardaker, interviews three acclaimed authors with books that reflect the theme: Hilarious, Heartwarming, Historical - Stories in Unexpected Places.

Rod Carley returns with his fourth theatrical odyssey *Ruff* packed with an unforgettable cast of Elizabethan eccentrics.

Nita Prose is a sure winner with over two million copies of the heartwarming mystery novels, *The Maid* and *The Mystery Guest*.

Lastly, Natalie Jenner, historical writer, takes the reader to post-war Italy and the film world of the 1950s in *Every Time We Say Goodbye*.

Tickets are \$40 and are available at the Shelburne Public Library, Booklore, and the Township of Mulmur. If you are purchasing tickets at the library, we can accept cash or e-transfers for payments.

Buy your ticket soon to avoid disappointment.

Staff Pick of the Week: The Mimicking of Known Successes by Malka Older – On a remote, gas-wreathed outpost of a human colony on Jupiter, a man goes missing. The enigmatic Investigator Mossa follows his trail to Valdegeld, home to the colony's erudite university—and Mossa's former girlfriend, a scholar of Earth's pre-collapse ecosystems.

Pleiti has dedicated her research and her career to aiding the larger effort towards a possible return to Earth. When Mossa unexpectedly arrives and requests Pleiti's assistance in her latest investigation, the two of them embark on a twisting path in which the future of life on Earth is at stake—and, perhaps, their futures, together.

Why Molly Recommends it – In the grand tradition of the classic Noir, illuminated by gaslamp and underpinned with the slow burn of a possible romance between its lead detectives, *The Mimicking of Known Successes* draws the reader in immediately with the familiar backdrop of a railcar with one difference: they are not on earth. Moving on from the glut of apocalyptic stories, authors are finally getting back into the what-ifs of a possible future. While it's not exactly preferable to have to leave Earth, there is something comforting in the notion that no matter what happens we will land on our feet, and there will still be tea and scones.



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