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## Glimpses of African safari captured by local resident on display at Town Hall art gallery

Written By Paula Brown

Shelburne residents can embark on an artistic odyssey and transcend borders to experience the nature of an African safari.

Jennifer Osborne, a resident of Shelburne, has opened her photography exhibit, titled "Elephant in the Room" as the newest art show at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery.

The exhibit features roughly 18 pieces of photography depicting the landscapes and wildlife seen during her safari trip to Kenya in 2008.

"It's a little bit scary to expose your pictures or paintings to others, but I have a feeling of proudness and accomplishment," said Osborne.

Osborne was born in Medicine Hat, Alberta, and was adopted by Evelyn and Douglas Adam in 1973. Her roots can be traced back to the Blackfoot community, a heritage that she aims to infuse into her art.

She was first introduced into the world of painting in a women's group. Osborne says the medium has since become a "sanctuary and source of empowerment" for her.

The exhibit at the Shelburne Town Hall Art

Gallery is one of Osborne's first art shows, where she showcases her photography.

"I find the community is very open and felt like it was a safe place to start displaying my art comfortably," said Osborne.

Osborne pulls much of the inspiration for her art and photography from nature and what she experiences in her travels. She describes her work as "a reflection on her journey – an invitation to explore the abstract landscapes of nature and self."

"I find nature to be beautiful with all the different shapes your eye can find and how you can pick a balance of how it comes together or why it holds a certain way," she explained.

While drawn to each photograph for their differing subjects, some of Osborne's favourite pieces in the exhibit include; the shows namesake piece, which depicts a single elephant walking through the grassy safari landscape; a piece called "The Lonely Tree"; a black and white image of a treeline, and two giraffes embracing.

Osborne recently returned from her second trip to Kenya, and has new photos she is looking to add to any future exhibits.

"I have so many new pieces from this new



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**LOCAL ART:** Jennifer Osborne has opened her photography exhibit, titled "Elephant in the Room" as the newest art show at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery.

trip that I'm excited to share," she said.

Osborne's exhibit "The Elephant in the Room" will be on display at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery until July 26. Those interested in seeing the show can do so Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

"I'm very fortunate to have travelled, so I hope the community can enjoy a sort of bird's eye view of what I got to see and feel, and I hope they enjoy viewing the beauty of the safari trip," said Osborne.

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# County declares Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day as Sept. 9

Written By Paula Brown

Dufferin County Council has declared Sept. 9 as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Day in the County of Dufferin as they look to help raise awareness and spread understanding about the invisible disability.

During their meeting on July 11, County Council was joined by Jenny Hilts and Tara Leskey from Dufferin Child and Family Services (DCAFS) to accept the proclamation.

"The proclamation helps us with our mission to raising awareness and understanding of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, which affects four per cent of the population and is higher than the prevalence of autism," said Hilts. "Your commitment to this cause highlights the importance of community support in making a meaningful difference."

International FASD Awareness Day has been recognized annually on Sept. 9 since 1999 and looks to bring global awareness to the disability. Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, or FASD, is a lifelong disability caused by exposure to alcohol prenatally, which affects the brain and body.

According to the Canada FASD Research Network, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder is the leading developmental disability, with studies suggesting that up to four per cent or 1 in 25 individuals in Canada live with FASD.

Leskey said there are approximately

4,000 individuals under the age of 18 years old who have FASD in Dufferin, Wellington and Guelph.

FASD can cause difficulty with learning, memory, impulsivity, and control. It also can impact academic achievement and social interactions.

Mono Deputy Mayor Fred Nix raised the question of whether there is any indication in studies that the prevalence of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder is on the rise.

Leskey said that the four per cent figure is likely an underestimation of the actual number of individuals living with FASD and that some studies are suggesting upwards of 7 per cent.

"A lot of families don't come forward for fear of stigma, judgment and shame. It's very difficult as well to get diagnoses. The diagnosed population is quite lower because we don't have families coming forward and we're not catching them, so often times they're misdiagnosed with other diagnoses," said Leskey.

Hilts also noted the way the question "did you drink during the pregnancy?" is asked, has an impact on the number of diagnoses.

"The answer is probably going to be no, but you have to ask it in a way...like how far along were you when you found out you were pregnant because when you find out you're pregnant doesn't mean it couldn't happen before," said Hilts.

The Canada FASD Research Network reports that over 60 per cent of all pregnancies are unplanned. The organization also



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**RAISING AWARENESS:** Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Day in the County of Dufferin has been declared for September 9 to raise awareness of this lifelong disability caused by exposure to alcohol prenatally, which affects the brain and body.

reports that up to 62 per cent of women have consumed alcohol within the first three months of their pregnancy, as many women don't know their pregnant several weeks along.

On FASD Awareness Day (Sept. 9), the Dufferin Wellington Guelph FASD will be hosting a short walk in Guelph to help raise awareness for FASD.

Dufferin Wellington Guelph FASD is also participating in the Annual Red Shoes

Rock initiative to help raise awareness.

Red Shoes Rock is a grassroots movement started by Canadian educator and advocate RJ Formanek, who wore red shoes on an international stage to discuss FASD. The movement gained international recognition as a way to bring attention to the disability.

For more information on FASD and support services available locally, visit [www.dufferinwellingtonfasd.com](http://www.dufferinwellingtonfasd.com).

# County approves funding request to help residents facing homelessness

Written By Paula Brown

Dufferin County Council has approved a request to move funds from the social housing reserve to continue helping residents seeking municipal housing support.

During Dufferin County Council's meeting on July 11, Councillor Lisa Post, chair of the health and human services committee, shared with council that there isn't sufficient funding to continue supporting those experiencing homelessness.

"Due to some funding uncertainties at both the provincial and federal levels, staff have recognized that there's a gap and in the short term they're looking to draw \$100,000 from the reserves that's specifically allocated for social housing and that will allow staff to continue to move clients from homelessness to housing," said Post.

According to the report to council, there are approximately four housing allowances left before the budgets are exhausted.

"The current situation, because of the lack of announcements from the provincial and federal government, is that we only have about enough money left to help four

more families so that \$100,000 will help us fill that gap in the interim," explained Post.

Anna McGregor, director of community services for the County of Dufferin, told the health and human services committee at their June 27 meeting, that there has been a lot of back and forth with changes to the National Housing Strategy as well as how much money the county would be receiving in funding.

She said, that as a result it has made it harder to manage the By Name List (BNL) and other housing support programs.

The By Name List (BNL) is a real-time list of people experiencing homelessness in Dufferin County, who have agreed to accept services. Dufferin County implemented its own BNL in May of 2019, as a tool to identify the most vulnerable community members who were experiencing housing instability and connect them to services to support them in finding and maintaining housing.

According to the report, Dufferin County's By Name List recorded one of the lowest numbers in years in mid-June, with a total of 19 homeless individuals.

"One of the challenges what we have

when we're working with our folks on the By Name List, is how do we get them onto that longer term solution," said McGregor.

The County of Dufferin has a municipally funded program called the Chronic Homelessness Housing Allowance Program (CH-HAP), which is a short-term solution for eligible clients on the By Name List and is designed to get people out of homelessness until other programs become available. Clients are then transferred to either provincially or federally funded housing allowance programs when new funding becomes available or when other clients leave the program.

Dufferin County said housing allowances and services have led to a reduction in homelessness.

In anticipation of future funding difficulties and recognizing the need to bridge the

funding gap in the short term, the social housing reserve was created to set money aside to continue assisting vulnerable community members.

"We had deliberately set aside money in reserves knowing that this might happen at some point. This reserve is designed to help with those fluctuations in funding and this is so when we put people in the By Name List, we have something to offer them while we work on those other programs," said McGregor.

The reserve for social housing has a balance of \$701,304 and with a withdrawal of \$100,000, the reserve will be left with a balance of \$601,304.

The report states that the additional financial support provided will help Dufferin County work towards ending chronic homelessness, not just managing it.



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**HELP FOR THE HOMELESS:** During a meeting on July 11, Dufferin County Council approved a request to move funds from the social housing reserve to continue helping residents seeking municipal housing support.

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# Building maintenance

Commerce Court in downtown Toronto is a huge skyscraper that once dominated the skyline.

It has 57 stories and is 942 feet tall. It was constructed from steel and glass for a very modern look for the time.

I'm not sure what its lifespan was predicted to be but it was opened in 1972, so it is now 52 years old.

I had an uncle who worked there and he took us for a tour and we visited the observation level. It was, at the time, the tallest building, by far, in the city.

The Empire State Building in New York City is one of the most recognizable buildings in the world. Built in the Art Deco style and finished in 1931, it was the world's tallest building for almost 40 years.

At 93 years old, it has outlived its designers and builders, and the vast majority of people who were alive when it was completed.

There must be a large team of maintenance people who keep these buildings operating and in good shape.

I'm sure there are structural engineers who routinely examine these buildings to make sure they are safe.

A structural failure in a building that

size could have catastrophic results.

A couple of years ago I watched an interesting British TV documentary-type show that examined what happens to a home when it is abandoned and no one is living in it.

It was amazing to see how fast the property deteriorated.

Once the human occupants moved out, the animal world moved in. At first, it was insects of all kinds. Then larger animals like mice, squirrels, and similar rodents.

They all made a mess, and there was no one there to clean it up.

From there, other things started to happen. Mold and fungus started to grow in some areas.

With no heating or cooling system to maintain a livable temperature, the structure itself started to weaken.

Things like floorboards on the front porch started to warp. If left unchecked, the house would eventually collapse on itself.

Fortunately for this house, another family bought the place, moved it, and renovated it. It once again housed several people.

A building must be maintained.

If you're a homeowner, you know what

it's all about. It's always something.

The Ontario Science Centre is now closed due to structural problems.

The provincial government is indicating it is closed for good.

The Science Centre was an outstanding achievement. I recall visiting on a school field trip a few years after it was opened. It had amazing exhibits.

Every year, thousands of students around the province made the trek to the Science Centre for field trips. It was a full day of adventure and learning, in a place that made learning fun.

The Science Centre opened in 1969 making it 55 years old.

The plan is to move the Science Centre to Ontario Place and use the current land for housing.

Imagine that – the province selling public land to developers. There's way too much of that nonsense going on.

The Science Centre was built in a wooded, ravine area for a reason. It was to create an oasis of sorts in the middle of a heavily populated area that has largely been paved over.

Consultants estimated the cost of repairs to bring the Science Centre up to snuff, to be in the hundreds of millions of

dollars.

Ontario Place does not have the space to build a new Science Centre.

Most likely, the Science Centre will not be rebuilt – at least not in the way that it currently exists.

Most likely there will be 'talks' about it for a while, then it will quietly fade away, until it will just be a footnote in history.

What happened to make a 55 year-old building so dangerous that it had to be closed due to the potential of a roof collapse?

There are millions of homes that are over 55 years old and still lived in – because their owners maintain them.

Maybe the real question should be: who was responsible for a building that was so neglected that it got to the point that it wasn't safe to be occupied? And after just 55 years?

If maintenance teams can keep buildings like Commerce Court and the Empire State building safe and in good shape after all these years, the Science Centre should also still be a viable and safe place.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



# Biden is now a lost cause

It really doesn't matter whether Joe Biden is in peak condition intellectually during a second term as president. He did some useful things in his first term, but his main job now is to stop Donald Trump from coming back. If he succeeded in doing that and went gaga immediately afterwards, the ship of state would carry on regardless.

However, in the view of half the US population and of almost everybody else in the world except the Russians and their friends, a Trump victory in November would hole that ship below the waterline. Vengeful, anti-democratic, and now endowed with full immunity from the law by a loyal Supreme Court, Trump would wreak havoc both at home and abroad.

Trump often loses the thread of his argument too, but that's irrelevant. Politics is all about perceptions, and the only perception that matters at the moment is that of Biden's apparent decline, because he's the one who had the 'elder moment'.

We all lose some cognitive function if we live long enough, but when and how much is a lottery. Most of us know people who are already losing it in their mid-70s, and others who are still lucid and fully functional in their mid-90s. What we do know, however, is that it rarely goes from

bad to better.

It is people's automatic, almost unconscious assumption that if you had one 'bad day', like Joe Biden's nationally televised 'bad day' on 27 June, then you will have more of them in the future, and more frequently as time goes on. There are many exceptions to this assumption, but it's what usually happens.

So Biden's halting delivery, his moments of confusion, his simply blanking out on several occasions on that one day set the doubts about his mental fitness in motion. Everything he says and does from now on will be closely examined for evidence that his functioning is impaired.

If they are looking for it, they will find it. If your behaviour or mine were under that kind of scrutiny, they would note the momentary hesitation while we look for a word, and the time when we start a sentence that doesn't quite reach its intended destination. They will take it at best as further cause for concern; at worst as evidence that we are losing our marbles.

The drip-feed is the killer. Each 'gaffe' on its own is minor, but without an autocue Biden now often serves up a word salad. Take the 48 hours of Thursday

and Friday, 4 and 5 July.

Speaking to WURD radio in Philadelphia, he said: "By the way, I'm proud to be, as I said, the first vice-president, first black woman...to serve with a black president. Proud to be involved of the first black woman on the Supreme Court."

Then George Stephanopoulos of ABC News, interviewing Biden in Madison, Wisconsin on Friday, asked him how he would feel if he remained the Democratic presidential candidate and lost the election to Donald Trump. That's a question with no good answer, like 'Have you stopped beating your wife?', but here's how Biden replied:

"I'll feel that as long as I gave it my all and I did the goodest job as I know I can do, that's what this is about."

NO! That's NOT "what this is about". Never mind the child-like use of 'goodest' for 'best'. The candidate's job is to stop Trump. If Biden is not up to that task, the fact that he gave it his all and feels good about it will be no consolation whatever.

And then Stephanopoulos asked him if he had actually seen the video of the debate. After a pause Biden said "I don't think I did." That may be true, because one can imagine his family and close advisers shielding him from it to spare

him the humiliation. If that's the case, they are not doing him a favour, because everybody else has.

The bad news for Joe Biden is that there is no 'off' switch for this process. He is now damaged goods electorally, although nobody can calculate exactly what discount is being applied to his electoral value by various groups of voters.

It is therefore entirely reasonable for the Democratic Party to consider changing its presidential candidate while there's still time. None of the plausible alternative candidates is currently riding much higher in the polls than Biden himself, but none of them will face the unstoppable erosion of confidence that now accompanies Biden's campaign.

The change may well come by quiet intra-party negotiations in the next ten days. If not, one or more rival candidates will certainly make a last-ditch attempt to sideline Biden at the Democratic Convention late next month. Miss both of those exits, and it will probably be Trump's Second Coming.

Pity has no place in politics. The stakes are too high.

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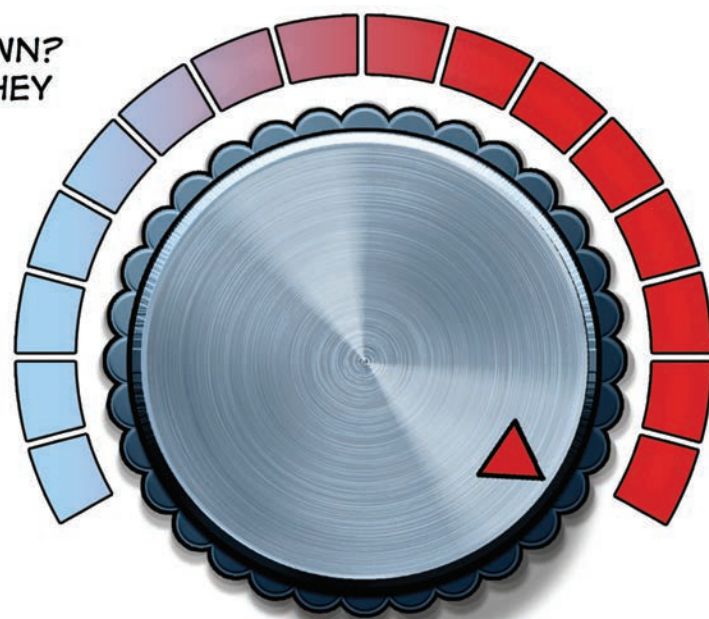


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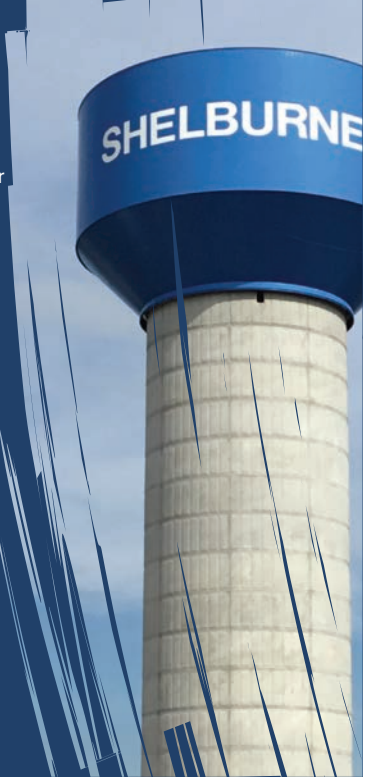
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- Branches overhang sidewalks maintained by the municipality so to not interfere with pedestrian traffic or maintenance equipment



# Watch out for slow moving vehicles as harvest season gets underway: OPP

Written By Sam Odrowski

Hay harvest season is in full swing across Dufferin County and heavy agricultural equipment is utilizing local roadways.

To keep the community safe, the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is reminding motorists to share the road and drive with extra care when near slow-moving farm vehicles.

"A little extra patience can go a long way to ensure everyone gets to their destination safely," said Dufferin OPP in a press release.

Dufferin OPP responds to incidents involving farm vehicles that are struck by impatient or inattentive drivers every year and these

collisions frequently result in personal injury and/or death. It's an unfortunate reality as all of these crashes are preventable.

Farm equipment such as tractors, combines and the trailers/wagons that they tow are exceptionally large and require significant room to safely manoeuvre on roadways.

The Dufferin OPP would like to share the following tips with motorists using rural roadways during harvest.

- If traveling through areas where crops are currently being harvested, expect to see large agricultural equipment, and drive accordingly.
- If you see large farm equipment on the roadway, slow down, be patient and pass only when it is safe to do so.

• Do not tailgate large farm equipment as the operator may not be able to see you.

• Do not blow your horn at the operator of the farm equipment as they will not be able to hear you due to the noise produced by the equipment.

"Please be mindful of farmer's during this hay harvest and give them the necessary room to do their work by sharing our roadways," said the Dufferin OPP's press release.

"The Dufferin OPP appreciates the demanding work that our local farmers do every day, with special attention given at this time of year as they harvest their crops. Please ensure that hay harvest is safe for all of our motoring public."



# Police lay over 8,100 traffic charges during Operation Safe Driver Week

Written By Sam Odrowski

Ontario's roadways had no shortage of unsafe driver's receiving infractions last week.

For Operation Safe Driver Week, which ran July 7 to 14, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) laid more than 8,100 traffic charges. The charges stemmed from unsafe actions and behaviours on the part of non-commercial and commercial drivers.

More than 1,000 Highway Traffic Act offences were laid against commercial drivers and the other 7,100 charges were against non-commercial vehicle drivers.

"From speeding, following too closely and unsafe lane changes to unsecured loads and

defective commercial vehicle equipment, the broad scope of offences underscores the multiple risks posed by drivers who do not share the road safely in and around large commercial vehicles," said OPP in a press release from July 17.

In July 2024, close to 500 of the more than 4,000 commercial vehicle-involved collisions on OPP-patrolled roads have resulted in fatalities and/or injuries.

"Motorists are reminded that the vast majority of collisions can be prevented if every driver commits to sharing our roads safely throughout the year," said the OPP's press release.

Operation Safe Driver Week is an annual campaign.

# OPP lay impaired driving charges in Orangeville

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has charged one driver with impaired operation related offences as the result of a traffic stop.

Officers from the Dufferin OPP conducted a traffic stop in the area of Broadway and John Street in Orangeville on July 11, just before 6:00 p.m. Officers spoke with the driver and were quickly led into an impaired operation investigation.

Jonathan CAMBOURIS, a 30-year-old male, from Bolton has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs

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.

The impaired driving charge has not been proven in court.

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



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If you or someone you know has had dealings with the mentioned websites, please contact your local police service and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Center at 1-888-495-8501 / [antifraudcenter.ca](http://antifraudcenter.ca).

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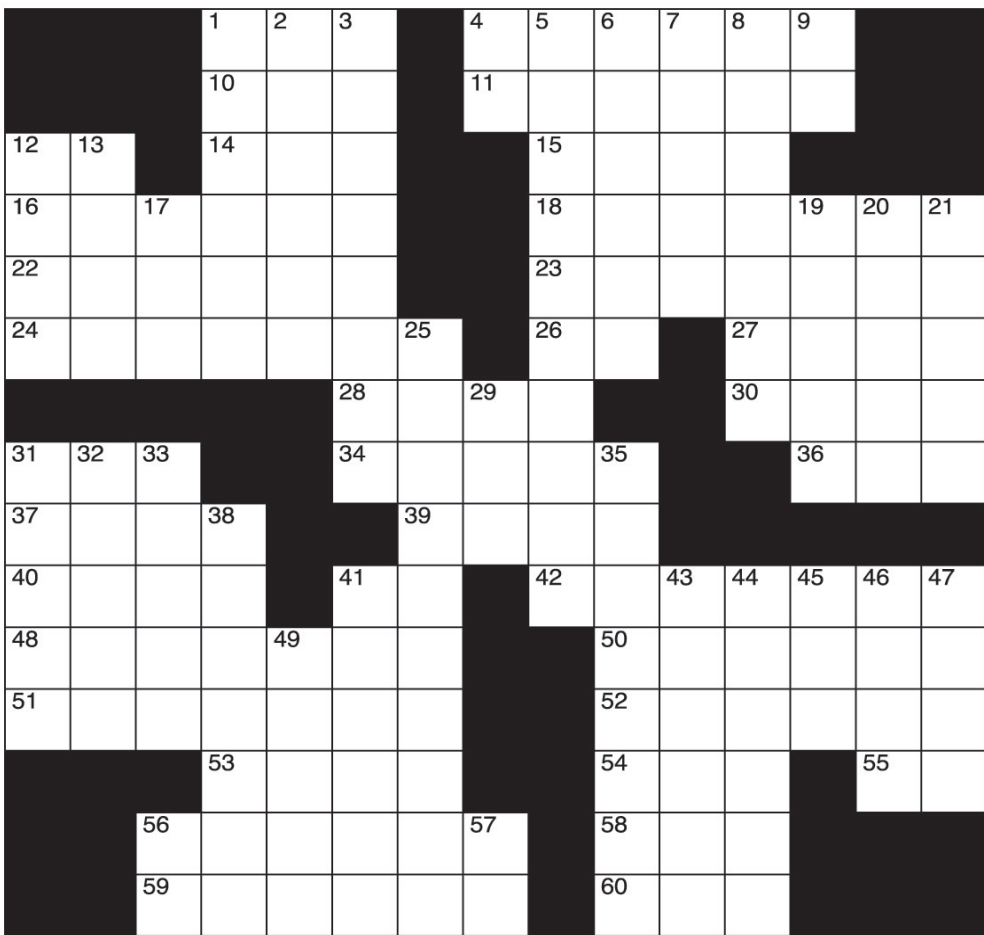
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- Small integer
- Christmas
- Of a specific mountain region
- Burrowing bugs
- Of a symbol worthy of veneration
- A type of syndrome
- Cephalopod mollusks
- Metric ton
- Ornamental box
- As quickly as can be done
- "Hoop Dreams" subject Arthur
- Old TV part

- Extinct flightless birds
- Former CIA
- Successor
- Archaic form of you
- Within
- Danny Hurley's alma mater
- Not sacred or biblical
- Written law
- Popular hairstyle
- Congressman
- Type of font
- A predetermined period in office
- Pouch
- Hormone that stimulates ovulation (abbr.)
- One from a particular Asian region
- One's sense of self-esteem

- Headgear used to control a horse
- The habitat of wild animals
- A right conferred through legal means
- American island state
- Inflexibly entrenched
- "Pollock" actor Harris
- Foolish person
- Follows a particular Chairman
- Choose
- Sunrooms
- One hundred grams (abbr.)
- A symptom of some physical hurt or disorder
- South American hummingbird
- "Girl Chopping"

- Onions" painter
- Wild dog
- Units of land
- Footwear
- Possessing a constant temperature
- Hormone that promotes water retention (abbr.)
- Popular game
- Pension (German)
- Giant of industry
- Inferred
- One who revolves
- Kept possession of
- Loss of electricity
- Stoppered bottle
- Everything
- First to walk on the moon
- Engrave
- Female organs
- Equal to 1,024 bytes (abbr.)
- Northeast

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# NDACT closes registration for WELLness Check Program, prepares to sign pre-application agreement with Strada Aggregate

Written By Paula Brown

North Dufferin Agricultural and Community Taskforce (NDACT) is preparing to move into the next stages of their plans to protect residents and their water from a potential proposed quarry.

Earlier this month, NDACT closed its registration period for the WELLness Check Program and has announced plans for its pre-application agreement with Strada Aggregate.

Carl Cosack, media liaison for the grassroots advocacy group, shared an update with the Free Press on how key parts of the agreement process have unfolded thus far.

"We're a community organization looking out for the community and we spent a lot of time at front doors. We feel we have done the right thing for those who have concerns about what Strada is planning to do," said Cosack.

The WELLness Check Program is one of the key schedules in an agreement signed by NDACT and Strada Aggregate back in June of 2023. The program will assist with

understanding existing environmental conditions, monitoring those conditions, and ensuring the proposed quarry, if approved for a licence, will have no adverse effects on the surrounding water wells and natural environment. The program will also see that should there be an impact on a well or natural feature, Strada would finance solutions.

By participating in the program, residents will give Strada Aggregate a baseline to reference the quality and quantity of their water if, in the future, there are any impacts brought on by quarrying below the water table.

One of the biggest misconceptions seen was that by signing up for the WELLness Check Program they were then giving "implied consent" for Strada's plans.

"They were fearful that Strada would use the sign up as community support for their plans, and that's just not so," explained Cosack. "Even if you signed up, you can still object if there's an application filed."

Another deterrent for registering with the program is that many homeowners have

made the decision that they would rather deal with Strada on their own, should any future problems arise.

Cosack said NDACT has tried to dissuade residents from this as the "aggregate resource act does nothing for protecting people" and the well program would act as "insurance for the homeowner."

"Should Strada ever file an application and should something not go right, in spite of all the effort to mitigate, they have committed in writing to be there and help people on their dime, not the homeowners," said Cosack.

"It's huge for community protection and a victory for the community."

Speaking with the Free Press, Cosack said that NDACT had 190 residents sign up for the WELLness Check Program from a group of 280 applicable residents, or roughly a 65 per cent registration rate.

"In the end, we feel people were quite willing to sign up once we explained the differences between what the Aggregate Resources Act will do for you and what Strada has done with the wellness program.

It left me with the impression that they understood why this was all happening."

With the registration for the WELLness Check Program closed, the next step of the program will be having inspectors visit all the registered properties to compile the data in order to get a baseline reading of each well and water depth levels.

The next stage in the pre-application process for NDACT and Strada Aggregate will be a peer review of studies on hydrogeology, blasting noise, and air quality.

"NDACT has retained peer reviewers and they are looking at the studies Strada is currently providing," said Cosack.

If Strada Aggregate moves forward with submitting an application to quarry, the information gathered through the studies will become public.

"People will be able to have a good look at the science behind the application through NDACT's peer review," he concluded.

For more information about the NDACT and Strada Aggregate agreement, visit [www.ndact.ca](http://www.ndact.ca).

# New X-ray machine unveiled at Headwaters Health Care Centre

Written By Zachary Roman

Orangeville's local hospital has brand-new X-ray technology.

On July 17, the Headwaters Health Care Centre unveiled its new X-ray machine at an event attended by dignitaries, hospital staff, and representatives from the Headwaters Health Care Foundation.

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, Ontario's Minister of Health, said she knows how important it is to have up-to-date and available diagnostic imaging services.

"Thank you from the bottom of my heart to the donors who stepped up and made a commitment to this Smart Headwaters campaign," said Jones, adding the new machine will make a big difference to both hospital staff and patients. "We see the need expanding as our population increases, as our population ages."

Smart Headwaters is a \$18-million fundraising campaign run by the Headwaters Health Care Foundation that is ongoing. It's the reason the new X-ray machine was able to be installed, and the end goal of the campaign is to bring an MRI machine to the Headwaters Health Care Centre. The campaign has also helped bring a CT scanner and more to the hospital.

K.C. Carruthers, the CEO of the Headwaters Health Care Foundation, said the new X-ray machine is another milestone in the Smart Headwaters campaign. For the X-ray machine and related upgrades, \$600,000 was used from Smart Headwaters' funds.

"We're unveiling technology that will help enhance the patient experience for thousands in our community who come here for the care they need close to home," said Carruthers. "It's

our donors who have made this all possible... we want to give our heartfelt thanks."

The Headwaters Health Care Centre does about 60,000 diagnostic imaging tests per year.

Jennifer Zadavec, Director of Clinical Support Services for the Headwaters Health Care Centre, explained the new X-ray room has a lift for patients and a table that can support more weight.

The new X-ray machine is able to be controlled remotely and has some AI functionality.

With a new X-ray machine also comes increased safety — as technology gets better, X-ray machines emit less radiation. The machine has enhanced image quality and precision as well.

Kim Delahunt, CEO of the Headwaters Health Care Centre, said she's excited to offer a modern X-ray experience to patients.

"I would like to thank our diagnostic imaging team, who has been adept at ensuring the installation project was completed in a timely and thorough manner and also our Foundation team and donors for making this possible," said Delahunt.

Asad Naqvi, Chief of Diagnostic Imaging and a diagnostic radiologist at the Headwaters Health Care Centre, hailed the addition.

"Headwaters' X-ray is one of our most popular diagnostic imaging services, and available to patients without any appointment booking," said Naqvi. "Given how frequently patients need X-rays, the ability to upgrade one of our two X-ray rooms provides a positive impact to patient care. This means higher quality patient-centred care, together with our health teams, and the ability to serve more patients in the community."



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UNVEILING: Headwaters Health Care Centre unveiled its new X-ray machine on July 17 thanks to funds from the Smart Headwaters campaign.

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# Dufferin Film Festival to feature local talent on the big screen

Written By Constance Scrafield

The Dufferin Film Festival (DFF), running Aug. 9 and 10, is set to be another fabulous part of Dufferin's arts attractions. Art and film patrons in the area will have the opportunity to support this inaugural year for the DFF to ensure such an innovation continues.

Kelly McDowell, DFF Festival Director, spoke with the Citizen earlier this week about the festival and how important it is to promote the film industry here in Dufferin.

Born and raised in Caledon, Ms. McDowell said, "[I] travelled around the world and came back to Orangeville because I love it."

She told the Citizen, "My partner Nick Rose and I operate Rose Digital Media Group, a film production company, in Orangeville, Ont. We try to stay local, including actors and crew, as much as we can."

One day, it just made sense when they said to each other, "Why not have a film festival in Dufferin?"

This is a vibrant arts community and when Kelly McDowell mentioned the idea to the executive at Theatre Orangeville, they were very supportive. It was viable and what people wanted locally.

"From the initial start," she related, "when I went to Council, they seemed excited to have the festival as part of our local events."

Staged in the Opera House, converted as a film theatre over Aug. 9 and 10, with a different screen and sound, a red carpet opening begins the festival Friday evening, Aug. 9. Photos of patrons on the red carpet will be taken, matching the vibe of Canadian independent film festivals.

There will be 16 films of comedy, mockumentary, drama, in fact, a fair mix of films, Ms. McDowell told us, each running about six to 20 minutes make up the menu. The DFF put out a call to filmmakers across Canada that brought many entries, of which 14 were chosen. Based on certain merits, all the submissions are currently in the hands of their critics to receive awards.

Locally, DFF ran a screenwriting competition in two categories based on age, and there were two winning films. In the Youth Category, Danielle Hawkins took the ribbon with her film Lakewood.

For the Adult Category, co-winners were James Gerus and Liam Gillespie with Handsy. Conceived by teenage Liam as a ghost story, his idea caught Gerus' imagination, who proposed they work together.

The schedule of film showings, combined with events in other venues, takes place over the Friday evening and all day and evening on Saturday. The last two films to be shown on Friday are Lakewood and Handsy. Each of the showings will be followed with a Q&A.

Eager to see more films made in Dufferin and Orangeville, Ms. McDowell noted this is actually perfect as an area, plus there are tax discounts for filmmakers.

Such a diversity of locations is here. "We've worked with different locations here, and everyone is so kind and easygoing. They have even let us use their homes," she commented.

The plan for the DFF is to find funding sources, with the goal for larger bodies to fund and drive the festival.

There are ideas for running workshops for all ages, youth and adults year-round, working with people in the film industry.

The Dufferin Film Festival "is essentially having a party with film people. This is really a buzz in itself. Nick, myself and Christine Hann, whose film company is All Hanns On Deck, are the Board of Directors."

Kelly McDowell said she is so grateful to the volunteers and managers who have come on board in the festival's first year.

There are other firsts joining the DFF. Friday evening after the film screenings, Blue Bird Restaurant is having a backyard party, a Friday Night Social, the first of its long history. The Shallow Wells Band is providing entertainment.

Saturday morning, opening at 8:30 a.m. on the red carpet at the Opera House, Moccaberry is doing a barista party before the 9:30 a.m. film showing. Time for a little networking over coffee.

Mill Street library is hosting a ticketed speakers' "fire side chat" with film professionals. Lunch will be served. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. for a start at noon. Back to the Opera House, come for the last of the films.

In the evening, in keeping with Film Festival protocol, is the VIP cocktail event at Greystones, as the restaurant's first such event within the community.

"The Award ceremony is there," McDowell told us.

Naturally, organizers are hoping for full houses and tickets are selling. Tickets are to each film session or as multi passes to all three screenings. Tickets for the various events are also available.

"If the community supports this, there can be funding for future festival," McDowell told the Citizen.

To have a wonderful time supporting the first Dufferin Film Festival and have more things to do in town; for supporting Canadian films are reasons to come.

McDowell said, "Too much money and support has gone to American and International filming making, when we have amazing talent in Canada. These films, I'm extremely proud of them. People will get to sample a lot of different film work."

For details and to purchase tickets, to [www.dufferinfilmmfest.com](http://www.dufferinfilmmfest.com).

# Stevenson Memorial Hospital receives over \$250,000 to repair infrastructure

Written By Paula Brown

Stevenson Memorial Hospital will be upgrading and repairing its infrastructure after receiving funding from the provincial government.

The local hospital announced in a press release on Tuesday (July 16) that it has received \$253,160 from the provincial government.

"Alliston and New Tecumseth continue to grow, and with that growth, more people will rely on and expect to receive world-class healthcare," said Simcoe-Grey MPP Brian Saunderson. "Our government is committed to making improvements to this hospital."

The funding given to Stevenson Memorial Hospital will help health system partners to address urgent infrastructure needs such as upgrading or replacing roofs, windows, se-

curity and fire alarm systems and emergency generators to ensure people can continue to connect to health care in safe, modern facilities.

The Ontario government is investing more than \$228 million this year to support critical infrastructure upgrades and repairs at 129 hospitals and 58 community health care facilities across the province.

"Under the leadership of Premier Ford, our government is making record investments in the health care system to ensure people are able to access care at state-of-the-art hospitals and community health providers," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "This year our government is investing an additional \$20 million to allow facilities to modernize and make critical upgrades, ensuring people can connect to the care they need, when they need it, close to home."

## Green Bin Party in the Park



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# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## Shelburne Cricket Club house league plays through the weekend

Written By Brian Lockhart

There was plenty of cricket action over the weekend as the Shelburne Cricket Club had two house league games at KTH Park in Shelburne on July 13 and 14.

The Saturday game featured the Warriors up against the Gladiators.

The Warriors won the toss and elected to bowl.

Opener, Razzaq, provided a solid start for the Gladiators by scoring 42 runs off 26 balls.

Despite 17 runs from Jajbir, the Gladiators struggled to build a substantial lead, finishing with 102 runs on the board.

Captain, Samir Patel and Norman Khan were the stars with the ball for the Warriors, each taking four wickets.

When the Warriors came to bat, they faced a challenging task as they lost wickets at regular intervals.

Samir Patel's crucial 32 runs and Muhfiz's 25 runs helped the Warriors chase down the target with three wickets in hand.

Samir Patel's all-around performance earned him the Man of the Match Award.

On Sunday, the Knights clashed with the Samurais in another exciting game.

The Knights won the toss and opted to bat first.

Opener, Vinny, contributed 26 runs, but it was Abdul Rashid's maiden half-century that gave the Knights a total of 126 runs.

When the Samurais took to the crease, they played an aggressive style, aiming for big boundaries.

Opener, Ravi, scored 25 runs, and Shidhan added 21 runs, guiding the Samu-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

**WEEKEND PLAY:** There was plenty of cricket action at KTH Park in Shelburne over the weekend with the Shelburne Cricket Club hosting two house league games. Abdul Rashid celebrates after hitting his maiden 50 for the club.

rais to a narrow win with only one wicket remaining.

Despite Tabish Taufiq's impressive four-wicket haul, it was Ravi's all-around performance, including his four wickets, that earned him the Man of the Match honours.

## Island Lake Bass Derby provides big money for a big catch

Written By Brian Lockhart

The 14th Annual Island Lake Bass Derby brought anglers from all over the region to compete for a chance to win big money for the biggest fish.

The event took place at the Island Lake Conservation Area on July 13 and 14.

While some people fished from the shore, others ventured out onto the lake in boats, kayaks, and canoes, to find the spot they thought the fish might be.

The Derby is sponsored as a joint venture between Island Lake Conservation and the Friends of Island Lake.

Funds raised from the derby go towards projects at the Conservation Area.

"We're building a new section of trail to by-pass the trail that comes along our entrance road, as well as a bridge," explained Sandy Camplin, senior coordinator at the park of new projects getting underway.

Fish are weighed and measured, and a score is given based on those combined totals.

There are also prizes for Northern Pike, Black Crappie, and Yellow Perch.

There is a special for kids ages 12 and under.

All fish caught must be placed in a live well, then transported to the weight station and registered. Fish are later released back into the lake.

"People fish from shore or go out onto the lake," Sandy explained. "We

allow anything for the derby that we normally allow on the lake – which is no gas motors. You can use kayaks, or electric motors. There is a top prize for the largest bass reeled in. Our total registration for the derby was around 275. We have 10 winning places for bass. The first prize is \$5,000. We also have smaller prizes for pike, crappie, and perch. The fish brought in has to be a viable fish, has to come in live, and you have to be storing it in an aerated live well."

Anglers criss-crossed the lake in watercraft trying to find the best place to fish, while others found spots along the shore where they thought fish might gather.

Saturday (July 13) was the busier day for catching fish this year. Changes in the weather on Sunday (July 14) meant the fish just weren't biting as much.

At the end of the tournament, Presley Johnston won first prize with his catch – a bass that weighed 4.17 lbs., and was 49.5 cm long, for a total score of 53.67.

Erbin Mingal, came in second with a fish that weighed 4.17 lbs, and was 48.6 cm long, for a total score of 52.77.

Jason Cordona won for the largest Northern Pike. His winning catch weighed 6.01 lbs, and was 81.7 cm long.

In the Black Crappie division, Ihor Skoryna won with a fish that weighed 0.4 lbs, and was 24.9 cm long.

Brody Davidson won in the Yellow Perch contest with a fish that was 27.2 cm long, and weighed 0.53 lbs.

## Mansfield Junior Cubs take late-season loss to Bengals

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Mansfield Junior Cubs gave up a loss to the Orangeville Bengals in their final

game of the regular season on the diamond in Mansfield on Thursday, July 12.

Orangeville posted two runs in the first inning, which made all the difference in the

final tally of the mid-week game.

The Cubs got on the scoreboard in the third inning when Dylan Brown singled to put two men on base. Ben Nicholson followed up with an RBI that brought in a run.

It was a 4-1 game in the top of the fourth when the Bengals brought in a run on a double and followed it up with a single that brought in a second run.

The Cubs were shut down in the fourth and fifth innings, with no men getting on base in the fourth and one single in the fifth.

Mansfield closed the score in the sixth inning when Tristan Park hit a double to get on base. Owen Van Delon followed that with a double that brought in a run.

Jakob Hayward had a good hit that brought in another Cubs run to make it a 4-3 game.

The game ended with a 5-3 Orangeville win when the Bengals scored in a wild play

at home plate.

Both teams played well defensively with few errors, but after the game, the Cubs admitted it was a lack-lustre performance on their part.

"Things weren't clicking out there at the right time," said Cubs pitcher Aidan Pain. "But that's baseball."

Coach Lance Bryan said he thinks the team will improve during the playoffs.


"We're playing uninspired baseball right now," Lance said. "I think they will come around in the playoffs."

The League held a meeting on Monday, July 15, to determine the playoff schedule.


The Cubs have secured a playoff berth and were waiting for the final standings to see who they would be up against in the first round.

Playoffs will be quick, with the first round being a best-of-three competition.

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**ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**

**COLE CAMPBELL**

"I like the atmosphere. I love hitting the ball," said Mansfield Junior Cubs backcatcher, Cole Campbell on why he likes playing baseball. "I'm the catcher so I'm involved in every single play. You've got to be vocal, you've got to be a leader, and I like that role. I also like being on the bench with my teammates. I've had a great time this year."

Liam is also a skilled hockey player and played AA level hockey. He also plays hockey at the recreational level at university.

**TEAM: MANSFIELD JUNIOR CUBS**  
**POSITION: CATCHER**



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

**FINAL GAME:** The Mansfield Junior Cubs host the Orangeville Bengals on the diamond in Mansfield for the Cubs' final regular season game on Thursday, July 12. The Cubs had to settle for a 5-3 loss. Cubs shortstop Ben Nicholson covers second base and makes the tag during a sixth-inning play.

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# 'The Storyteller' wood carving relocated to home garden

Written By Paula Brown

A notable wooden statue that has been a part of Orangeville's downtown for more than 15 years has officially been decommissioned and given a second life at a new home.

The wooden carving, called "The Storyteller," was placed early this month in the home garden of Orangeville resident, Anne Richardson, who spearheaded the commission of it in 2005.

"I'm just delighted that it can finish out its life here. It just made sense that if we could keep it going a little while longer that it would still sort of be part of our family. It looks great in the garden and is a real conversation piece," said Richardson.

The piece was created by local artist Jim Menken and honours Marilyn Doekes, a beloved teacher and librarian. The wooden statue depicts Doekes holding the book "Cinderella," with her lips in movement as to show her telling a story.

In 2005, while battling an incurable degenerative neurological disease, Marilyn Doeke's friends and Anne Richardson were looking for a way to honour her and came upon the idea of having a wood carving made in her memory. The group fundraised and commissioned Jim Menken to create the wooden sculpture, which was unveiled at the Orangeville Public Library in late 2006. Marilyn Doekes died in January of 2006.

"She was an excellent school teacher and a great storyteller," recalled Richardson of her late friend.

The wooden tree carving was temporarily relocated to the Lord Dufferin Centre,

located at 32 First Street, while the Orangeville Public Library underwent renovations last year. When it was time for the sculpture to return to its spot at the Mill Street branch, it was deemed unstable due to rotting of its wooden base.

"We were very disappointed that it was not going to be able to go back to the library, but when I saw the condition that it was in and realized what was going on, I just thought there must be something I can do to keep this carving alive for a bit longer," said Richardson.

Rather than let the sculpture go, Richardson reached out to the Orangeville Public Library Board and the Town of Orangeville to inquire about acquiring the piece.

"Her family was absolutely delighted that it was going to be able to end its life in my garden," she said.

The wooden sculpture was sponsored by approximately 120 donors, who raised nearly \$8,000 to commission its design. Of the money raised, \$4,500 was used to pay artist Jim Menken while the remaining went to purchase a plaque, planting flowers in the gardens, and a donation to Booklore to buy children's books.

While "The Storyteller" sculpture finds its new home in Richardson's home garden, the Orangeville Public Library has continued sharing Marilyn's legacy by having a rock donated by Orangeville Salt and Soil installed in the garden where the sculpture used to live, along with a plaque telling the story.

A commemorative photograph will also be on display inside the Mill Street branch of the library.



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

PRESERVING LOCAL ART: Wooden carving aptly named "The Storyteller" has been decommissioned and relocated to the garden of Orangeville resident Anne Richardson.

## News from Shelburne Library

**Summer Reading at Shelburne Public Library** – Get ready for another summer full of reading challenges for all ages! We have reading challenges for adults, teens, and children on the Beanstack app. Download the app and create your account today to get started.

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**Authors in the Hills of Mulmur - Hilarious, Heartwarming, Historical Stories in Unexpected Places** - Save the date: Sunday, August 25th, 2024. We've got a new lineup for this event: Rod Carley, Nita Prose, and Natalie Jenner will be at "The Barn" in August with stories that are hilarious, heartwarming, and historical respectively. Tickets are \$40 and are available at YOUR Library, Booklore, and the Township of Mulmur. If you are purchasing tickets at the Library we can accept cash or e-transfers for payments.

**Staff Pick of the Week: Drowning: the rescue of flight 1421** by T.J. Newman– Six minutes after takeoff, Flight 1421 crashes off the coast of Hawaii, into the Pacific Ocean with 99 souls on board. Most of the survivors evacuate. Those still remaining are forced to close the doors. The plane sinks, coming to rest a few hundred feet below the surface, with twelve passengers trapped inside. Will Kent and his eleven-year-old daughter, Shannon are waist deep in water and fighting for their lives. Their only chance at survival is an elite rescue team on the surface. There's not much time. There's even less air.

**Why Trudy Recommends it** – T. J. Newman is a former flight attendant turned New York Times bestselling author. She captivated me with her first book, Falling, but she delivers even more in Drowning. Her compelling writing style drew me into the story. It was fast paced from the opening sentence till the ending. Events moved rapidly and there was no time to catch your breath. The storyline was plot driven rather than character propelled. It was a race against time where the villain was time itself. This was an edge-of-your-seat thriller not only about the passengers trapped inside but the extraordinary rescue operation to save them, lead by Will's soon to be ex-wife and Shannon's mother, Chris Kent. Her expertise in the rescue operations above and below the ocean, were extraordinary. Their family dynamics contribute to the heart-stopping suspense. It gripped me and didn't let me go till the final page.

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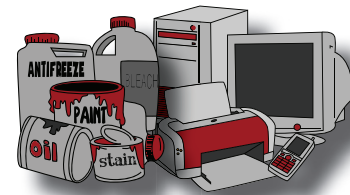
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# Ready-to-drink beverages, large beer packs available in grocery stores early, amidst province-wide LCBO strike

Written By Sam Odrowski

Ready-to-drink (RTD) beverages and large beer pack sizes are now available in Ontario's grocery stores.

The addition of these products to grocery stores came into effect today (July 18), two weeks ahead of the originally scheduled date of Aug. 1.

The Ontario government accelerated the first phase of its plan to expand alcohol sales into grocery, convenience and big-box stores by allowing the 450 grocery stores that are currently licensed to sell beer, cider or wine to sell them once they arrive in store.

The acceleration of placing RTD beverages in grocery has come as more than 9,000 LCBO employees, represented by the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU), are on strike, closing 669 LCBO locations across the province. The strike started on July 5 and as of press time, there have been no plans to reopen any of the LCBO locations on strike.

In OPSEU's statement on July 4 announcing the strike, the union shared concerns about Premier Doug Ford's government moving to privatize alcohol sales.

"Doug Ford wants to make life better for his wealthy friends. It's why he's wasting upwards of a billion dollars of our money to fast-track privatized alcohol sales and hand more of the public revenues generated by the LCBO over to the CEOs and big box grocery and convenience chains like Loblaws and Circle K," said OPSEU President JP Hornick.

The union fears that LCBO workers will face massive job losses as alcohol becomes available through private retailers.

During negotiations, which later broke down at the bargaining table, OPSEU proposed an alternative plan to the Ontario government's expansion of alcohol availability into the private sector. The union argued that the LCBO should be grown to meet demand and increase convenience by opening more stores, increasing hours of operation, and increasing warehousing, logistics,



READY TO GO: Starting today (July 18), grocery stores can sell ready-to-drink (RTD) beverages and large packs of beer as part of the Ontario government's plan to expand alcohol sales into grocery, convenience and big-box stores.

and e-commerce capacity. OPSEU said this will expand public revenues by increasing LCBO sales that are used to fund public services like health care and education.

The union said it would strike if its plan wasn't accepted, and began striking on July 5.

"We told Ford not to ruin everybody's summer, but now he's closed the Science Centre and forced a dry summer for Ontarians by refusing to offer a deal that would be good for LCBO workers and Ontario," said Hornick.

However, the Ontario government argues the changes in alcohol availability within the province will improve choice and convenience for consumers while supporting Ontario-made beverage producers across the province. This includes the Ontario businesses that produce more than 80 per cent of the RTD beverages sold in the province.

"This is an important milestone for grocery retailers and consumers alike as we continue our work modernizing Ontario's alcohol marketplace," said Ontario's Finance Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy.

As part of the government's plan to expand alcohol sales, every convenience, grocery and big-box store in Ontario will be able to sell beer, cider, wine and RTD alcoholic beverages if they choose to do so, by the end of October.

This will create up to an estimated 8,500 new stores where these alcoholic products can be sold, which the Ontario government hails as the largest expansion of consumer choice and convenience since the end of prohibition almost 100 years ago.

But OPSEU warns that every dollar in profit made at these 8,500 new private retailers is a dollar that should have been invested into Ontario's communities.

The government said it will continue to evaluate how it can deliver choice and convenience to Ontarians as the changes are rolled out.

In addition to beginning the sale of ready-to-drink beverages and large pack-sizes of

beer in the existing licensed grocery stores, the government is also creating temporary flexibility to allow licensed grocery stores to display alcohol in multiple areas of a store, with some limits.

"To help bars and restaurants manage inventory and to help ensure consistent supply of products, the government is also temporarily allowing the transfer of wine and spirits between locations with the same owner and/or affiliated licensees," said the Ontario government in a press release.

"To help consumers connect with local retailers and producers close to home, the province has also launched a new searchable and interactive map of retailers that remain open and ready to serve."

These retailers include more than 1,000 local Ontario breweries, wineries, wine shops and distilleries, in addition to other retailers such as LCBO Convenience Outlets, The Beer Store and licensed grocery stores that sell a range of Ontario-made and imported products.

# Speed limits increase on some provincial highways

Written By Brian Lockhart

If you have ever been cruising along a major highway and found yourself comfortable and going with traffic at 10km over the

posted limit, you will be happy to know the speed limit is going up by that many kilometres on some provincial highways.

Certain sections of the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) saw the limit rise from 100 km/h

to 110 km/h several years ago, and it has worked out well.

"Most of Ontario's highways were originally designed to safely accommodate speed limits of 110 km/h and date from our changes in 2022 shows they do just that," said Ontario's Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sarkaria in a media release. "These evidence-based increases are a common-sense change to make life more convenient for Ontario drivers while bringing our highway speed limits in line with other Canadian provinces."

All highways chosen for higher limits were selected based on their ability to safely accommodate higher speeds.

Alberta, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan have a maximum speed limit of 110 km/h. In British Columbia, the maximum speed limit is 120 km/h.

The new limits took effect on July 12.

Here's the list of areas that now have a higher speed limit:

- Highway 401 in Tilbury is extending the existing 110 km/h zone farther east by seven kilometres.
- Highway 401 from Highway 34/115 to Cobourg – about 34km.
- Highway 401 from Colborne to Belleville



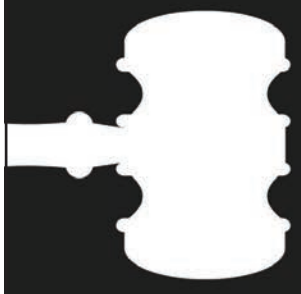
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- about 44km.
- Highway 401 from Belleville to Kingston – about 66km.
- Highway 401 from Highway 16 to the Quebec border – about 107km
- Highway 403 from Woodstock to Brantford – about 26km
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