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Streams Community Hub again taking over Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Local youth from Streams Community Hub have joined forces once again with professional artists for a month-long takeover of the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery.

launched on May 6 and will run until the end of the month.

"It gives the kids a sense of pride to have their stuff up on the walls in a formal gallery setting and it's cool for us to be able to be the catalyst for that," said Andrew James, co-founder and president of Streams. "I hope [the community] is inspired and have a sense of pride to know that there's a next generation of artists that are coming up and can represent the town and the arts in our community."

"For many of the kids this is their very first experience in a gallery setting, so it's super exciting," explained Megan Mare, program coordinator for Streams Community Hub. "It's amazing that we're able to provide this opportunity for the kids in the community and professional artists as well to showcase their work and get their name out there."

work on display.

This year the exhibit features more than 30 works of art from 11 artists from both youth Art Gallery Takeover will be available for pur-The takeover of the Town Hall Art Gallery and adult professional artists. The pieces of work on display range from a variety of art types including illustration, expressionism, price will be donated to Streams Community abstract, and realism.

> "We thought this was a great reflection of our community and very diverse in terms of the people but also the types of art being prothe Streams Art Gallery Takeover will go duced," said Mare.

A unique aspect of the exhibit is that it blends the artwork of local youth, many of whom are learning and honing their craft, with pieces from practicing professional art-gramming. ists within Dufferin County.

"Although we are mainly a charity that practicing artists to find employment and to Community Hub," said Mare. share their craft with youth," said Mare. "It

Held for the first time in 2023, the Streams and I think that's pretty crucial. The passion Art Gallery Takeover exhibit aims to give that practicing and professional artists are exposure to budding youth artists by giving able to bestow upon the youth in our commuthe community an opportunity to see their nity, whether it's through teaching or through

gallery experience." Each piece of art featured in the Streams chase, with prices ranging between \$50 and \$800. For each sale, 50 per cent of the selling Hub, with buyers receiving a tax receipt for

the charitable portion of their contribution. Mare said the proceeds raised through directly to supporting the local charities' programs including the purchasing of materials, employment for youth and professional artists, and development of new classes and pro-

"It becomes a win, win situation where not only are we acknowledging the hard work offers programs for youth in the community of the artists and their creative exploration, from ages four to 17, we're also a hub for but also it funds future programs for Streams

The Streams Community Hub takeover of

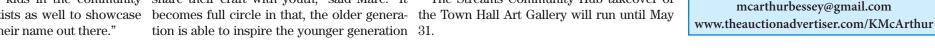




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Main character from local author's children book made into doll

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

main character from her book.

resident and author of the children's book to write and draw what would eventually Afro, No!, has announced the launch of Lil' Emmie – a doll based on one of the main characters from her book.

hair done on wash day," explained James. "I thought we should make a doll so there's always someone who knows how you feel on to share the published book, James came to James. wash day."

and Afro who explore the sometimes com- with the book and came up with the idea for brate their hair and their uniqueness." plicated relationship that young Black girls a doll. can have with their hair. It also touches on

with the pain and challenge of getting their the colours, outfit, and how her hair would

A young local author is hoping to bring book in August of 2022 and illustrated the doll eventually came to be. comfort to other kids by bringing to life a entire book as a self-taught artist. Starting with a sketch of the book's cover she even-Amaya James, an 11-year-old Shelburne tually digitized the artwork and slowly began said James. become the 32-page story.

challenge to get your hair done so that's why hoping to create an online movement called "I wanted to make this doll because I I wrote the book. The main character in my thought it'd be a great wash day compan- book, which is Emmie, she has this giant afro ion because my book is about getting your that never cooperates and we basically talk about that story," said James.

the decision that she wanted to create some-

the beauty, uniqueness and joy that comes the specs for the Lil' Emmie doll, including site - www.thejameses.ca.

look. Early prototypes of the doll saw chal-James initially began writing her children's lenges with proportions, but the Lil' Emmie

"It was a really exciting process to make something of my own and design it myself,"

In addition to creating a physical companion for other kids to have with them for com-"Having unique hair like mine, it's a bit of a fort during their hair wash days, James is also 'Wash Day Emmie', in which other kids can share and embrace their wash day moments with Emmie by using #washdayemmie.

"My favourite part about being a young After attending local schools in the area author is inspiring other young kids," said

"I hope that more feel inspired, that they Afro, No! features main characters Emmie thing that other kids could have to interact feel they can do anything, and they can cele-

> Lil' Emmie is only available for pre-order In August of 2023, James began developing and can be purchased through James' web-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

WASH DAY: Amaya James, author of Afro, No!, unveils doll named Lil' Emmie, based on the main character from her 2022 debut children's book.

MP Kyle Seeback calls on feds to pause carbon tax over summer

Written By Sam Odrowski

Dufferin-Caledon MP Kyle Seeback bring financial relief to Canadians.

"After nine years of Justin Trudeau, city across Canada." Canadians are being forced to cancel their summer vacations as the Liberals' tax- toric cost-of-living crisis, Trudeau and his and-spend agenda has made even a simple NDP coalition partners decided to hike the road trip unaffordable. Parents can barely carbon tax by 23 percent. This is just one afford basic necessities, much less a sum- step in his plan to quadruple the carbon tax

released on May 16,

leader Pierre Poilievre in calling on Justin year, food banks had to handle a record 2 Trudeau to pause the carbon tax, the fed-million visits in a single month, with a mileral gas tax, and the GST for the summer to lion more visits expected in 2024. Home-

Seeback added, "In the middle of this his-

mer vacation," said Seeback in a statement over the next six years, making everything are calling on Trudeau to give Canadians a more expensive at the worst possible time. break this summer by axing the carbon tax, "Families will have to pay \$700 more for In fact, since Trudeau became Prime Min- the gas tax, and the GST between Victoria is joining Conservative Party of Canada food this year than they did in 2023. Last ister, gas prices have surged by more than Day and Labour Day so families can afford 50 per cent."

> get Officer has confirmed that most fami- this summer." less encampments are common in every lies pay more in the carbon tax than they receive in the rebate when factoring in its tives will remove the carbon tax. impact on the overall economy.

> > add \$1,647 in additional spending for each sense measure of axing the tax to give person in Ontario.

"Common Sense Conservatives and I

to take a simple summer vacation," See-The independent Parliamentary Bud-back said. "This will save Ontarians \$592

If elected, Seeback said the conserva-

But until an election is called, Seeback This year, the carbon tax is expected to said Trudeau needs to adopt the common Canadians a break this summer.

Three bursaries up for grabs for gradudating high schools students

Do you know a graduating high school financial support to attend college, univer- financial need and show either academic sity or trade school? Through the new W. & success or initiative and aptitude to grow M. Edelbrock Bursary program, ran through within their chosen area of study. Active parthe Dufferin Community Foundation (DCF), ticipation at school or in the community and their studies.

Three students – one each from Westside committees to receive the bursary in June. will also be considered.

"The family behind the W. & M. Edelbrock Secondary School, Orangeville District Sec- Fund wants students from every walk of life ondary School, and Centre Dufferin District to have the opportunity to gain a post-sec-Secondary School, will be selected by school ondary education," said Shirley Boxem,

In addition to being residents of Dufferin sary is for students who have a real passion an application and meets certain criteria. student who holds great promise but needs County, the students must demonstrate for the area of study they want to pursue, remove the financial barrier."

> forms.gle/RDmzraAmawQvJ2aKA through dufferincommunityfoundation.ca/.

While most bursaries are for the first year career and contribute to their communities." only, the W. & M. Edelbrock Bursary may be renewed for each subsequent year of the vised fund with Dufferin Community Foun-DCF's Grants Committee Chair. "This burprogram, provided that the student submits dation.

"This is a generous bursary designed to whether that be a skilled trade, a profes- give students a chance," said Michele Fisher, sion or an academic career. We want to help DCF's executive director. "The W. & M. Edelbrock Scholarship & Bursary Program is the Students must complete an application launch of something big. The program will they could receive \$3,125 for each year of lived experience with inequity or inequality form by June 1. The form can be found be growing significantly in the coming years or to help many more people get the training or education they need to have a productive

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This has happened to me quite a few times - live and learn.

We have had a big influx of new people arriving on our shores.

People move for all sorts of reasons. Some want more economic freedom and prosperity. Some desire a freedom they don't have in their own country.

There are few countries on the planet that I'm surprised everyone hasn't left already. The problem with those countries is the people that live there are so heavily guarded and blasted with propaganda, that they don't even realize there is a better world out there.

Let's say a local organization approaches you and says they have a person in their custody who needs a place to stay. They know you have space in your home, and ask if you will house the person until they get back on their

You're a compassionate person and

Do you kick your family member out of the in-law suite and tell them to take the cot in the basement so the new guy can have the space?

Probably not. That family member has worked a lifetime and supported you when you needed it. You're not going to toss them aside now.

Most likely you expect your new visitor to contribute to the household while they are staying there. Life isn't cheap and you have worked hard for what you have. That includes paying taxes, paying the water bill, the electric bill, and the gas bill. You pay for food, clothing, and everything else that you need.

If your visitor decides not to contribute, do you let him stay?

Last week it was revealed that the Federal government budgets around \$224 per day to feed and house people who have claimed asylum after illegally entering the country.

Not only are hotels and other accommodations paid for, food is paid for, and

other things are paid for like medicine, toiletries, and diapers. The budget allows for \$84 per day for food, per claimant.

Think about that - \$84 per day to eat? The annual cost to taxpayers is \$557 million. We paid for that.

At the same time, where I live, they are trying to build a new hospital for about a tenth of that cost, and the money is being raised by the community through donations - with little help from the government.

The program means the federal government spends ten times more on people who simply showed up illegally and claimed asylum than they do on seniors who spent their entire lives working and paying taxes in this country. That does not make sense, and it certainly isn't fair to people who have worked a lifetime and now can't afford their own home.

The asylum program is simply not working, and it doesn't take government committees or some group studies to figure this out.

In fact, probably the last people you want looking at this situation are government employees.

Our nation is surrounded by three oceans. People aren't fleeing a war-torn country and making their way here on

because they were told that here, the

The government has turned a blind eye to the criminal element that is part of this process.

They were guided there and likely paid a fee for the service.

A family of asylum seekers tied the reverse and decided to walk across the border from Canada to the U.S.- in Mani-

If the government is budgeting more

Investment dollars fleeing Canada

Investors, it seems, are increasingly losing confidence in Canada and putting their money elsewhere.

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But investors today are growing increasingly wary about sinking money into Canada - whether its foreign companies looking to acquire Canadian businesses or mutual funds investing in Canada's stock markets.

on Canada, net outflows of foreign direct investment are nearly double the amount of investment dollars coming into this country.

There was a string of other troubling reports in recent months as well, including news that foreign investors sold nearly \$50 billion worth of Canadian equities in 2023 – the largest exodus of securities investment dollars in our history.

Canadians, meanwhile, were busy buying up a record amount of foreign stocks and bonds, according to BNN Bloomberg. The common thread that runs through all of these reports is a disturbing lack of tors in Canada's economic fundamentals.

The investment climate here in Canada was never ideal, but it has significantly deteriorated in the past decade or so. To make matters worse, the new capital-gains taxes introduced in last month's federal budget will likely increase the flood of money leaving Canada in search of better returns and less government meddling elsewhere.

If we fail to retain the businesses and individuals that create products and ser-According to the latest World Bank data vices and hire Canadian workers, then

our living standards will inevitably fall. It's why you hardly ever see factories being built anymore, why good-paying jobs are drying up, and why investment capital is

fleeing our country. The reality is that in today's borderless world, it's difficult to cage in money. Investors will simply move to jurisdictions where there are less restrictions, lower taxes and fewer headaches.

So how do we create an environment that would allow Canada to retain the brains and investment dollars needed to build new businesses and generate new jobs, while also attracting foreign invest-

For starters, we need to dismantle and rebuild our tax system so that it's flat-out simple, black-and-white and stripped of all loopholes, deductions and exemptions. And we need to stop treating income differently – all income should be

treated the same in terms of taxation.

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We also need to claw back the regulations choking the

life out of small businesses, cut government spending, and give our entrepreneurs the breathing room they need to grow their businesses. All of these policies are part of the eco-

nomic charter of rights I've been touting as a way to halt the further erosion of our economy and rejuvenate business growth in Canada.

ıт no one wants to invest in Canada including even Canadians - what does that say about the true state of our country and our economy?

To learn more about how an economic charter could help restore investor confidence and fuel new economic growth. contact info@economiccharter.ca.



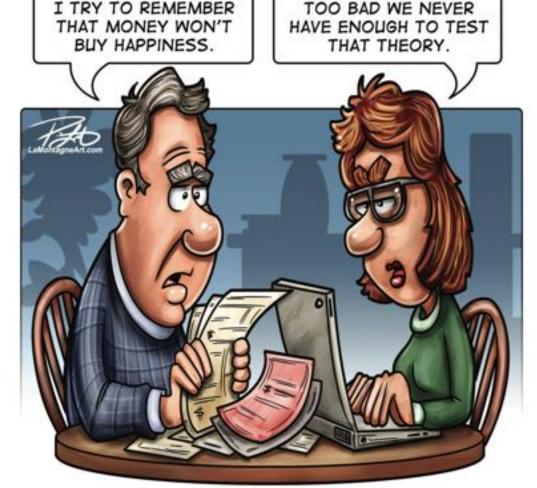
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to pay for people who show up unannounced when we already have a housing shortage, than they do to support lifelong citizens, maybe it's a citizen committee that needs to start making recommendations about what should be accomplished.

Laila Biali to bring genre-bending jazz performance to Opera House

Written By Sam Odrowski

next weekend.

The Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival, running May 31 to June 2, features several Jackson," Biali explained. jazz artists, including JUNO award-winning Laila Biali.

She's played the festival a few times before and is eager for her return to the Opera House (87 Broadway, Orangeville) on Winter's Night" project back in 2009. While Friday, May 31, starting at 8:30 p.m.

Biali's performance is in a quartet setting, with piano and vocals from her, her husband Ben Wittman on the drums, Kelly Jef- a dream for me. If there was anyone I could ferson on the saxophone and George Koller choose - living or dead - to work with, Sting on upright bass.

"We perform original material, but we do love to reimagine pop hits, as well as what cany, Italy, and later flew over to Durham, we call the 'Great Canadian Songbook.' So, England, to film and record the winter those are songs that are not part of the jazz music project. canon. It could be anything from Joni Mitchell to Neil Young, David Bowie, Coldplay. A friendship of sorts. He stayed in touch over lot of these arrangements have been driven the years and remains an amazing source of music. We don't just want it to just stay areas," Biali said. by fans of mine who wanted to hear what we would do with songs that are a bit of a fully supportive," said Biali. departure from what we think of as jazz," Biali explained.

band's sound are in jazz, they mix, bend and for 15 to 20 years or longer. venture into other genres as well.

"The feedback that I get most from concertgoers, who see us live, is that 'I'm not that she hears, other times she draws from typically a jazz fan, but I loved this," she what she's processing in her own life and said. "I consider that not a slight to jazz, but the lives of others. a great compliment to us because our goal is to connect with as many listeners as pos- it is the people who give her inspiration day sible, and also to challenge some precon- in and day out. ceived notions about what jazz is."

feel to it, but Biali isn't afraid to use drum ple, we want to show them a good time, we

something less traditional.

"I have a background in classical music Jazz fans have lots to look forward to and classical piano, and you can hear that a little bit in how I play. But I also grew up listening to everything from U2 to Michael

> She has toured with many big names through her career, including Chris Botti, Suzanne Vega, Paula Cole and Sting.

> She first worked with Sting on his "If On a living in New York, she was invited to audition and was selected as a backup singer.

> "I was totally shocked," Biali said. "It was was among the top of the list."

She rehearsed Sting's estate in Tus-

"That was the beginning of a wonderful of inspiration, and he's been really wonder- in one lane, we want to give them the full

In the moment, when performing, Biali draws a lot of inspiration from her band-While the foundations of Biali and her mates, having played with her bandmates ers on a musical journey.

But at the end of the day, she stressed that tion to the region.

"The number one inspiration for me is Jazz is known for having an offbeat swing the people. We want to connect with peo-



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GENRE-BENDING JAZZ: Laila Biali will be performing at the Opera House on Friday, May 31 at 8:30 p.m. as part of the 20th Annual Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival.

breadth of emotions and range," Biali said.

Her performance at the Orangeville Blues Mono." and Jazz Festival will be sure to take listen-

"There's lots of stories," Biali said. "The As an avid podcast listener, Biali said stories that weave together the songs and that provide them with access to the headsome of her writing comes from the stories connect us to the audience are as important lining acts playing in Alexandra Park and as the songs themselves."

> She told the Citizen she's eager to return orangeville-blues-n-jazz/. to Orangeville, as she has a special connec-

ble club date in Hockley Valley at the Wood- end. side Restaurant (now closed), while living in Toronto, studying at Humber College.

beats with a different rhythm to create want them to have a dynamic experience towards Orangeville and its surrounding enthused.

"My husband and I, we also like to hike in Mono and he likes to do Nordic skiing in

Don't miss out on the rare opportunity to see Biali live.

Festival goers can pre-purchase tickets the Opera House at www.ticketscene.ca/o/

Biali said she'd encourage everyone to come out and enjoy the festive atmosphere As a musician, she had her first memora- during the Orangeville Blues and Jazz week-

"I would really encourage people to partake, I think they're going to love it, even "So, I have this real nostalgic feeling if they're jazz and blues skeptics," she

Blues and Bikes brings the motorcycling community together

Written By Brian Lockhart

Bikes event at the Orangeville Blues and for this day, right down to the main stage Jazz Festival will provide an opportunity to area, is all about the motorcycle community the tent. We'll have people there to meet see hundreds of them on display.

bikes to custom choppers to line up along way." Broadway in downtown Orangeville on Sunday, June 2. The event gives people a chance a.m. on June 2. to see all different types of two-wheeled transport.

Shine that welcomes all styles and classes ans, but we have every kind of bike - sports of motorcycles.

Last year, the show had a record number welcome." of motorcycle enthusiasts bring their bikes to the show, and this year organizers are expecting even more riders to participate.

"We're doing the whole entire day, on a \$25 registration fee. We announce the

The show will start registration around 10

"We do have categories for the show," Harry explained. "A lot of people think it's time listening to live music." The Blues and Bikes event is a Show and just going to be Harley-Davidsons or Indibikes, old bikes, new bikes - everything is

> You don't have to pre-register to bring your motorcycle and be part of the show. "Just show up," Harry explained. "There's

Sunday, June 2," explained Blues and Bikes winners in different categories at 4 p.m. We If you like motorcycles, the Blues and organizer Harry Dunbar. "The whole theme have a tent on Mill Street for registration. We've got a band, a duo, playing right beside and bringing the motorcycle community you and direct you to your spot. There's Riders will bring everything from sports together. It will go all the way up Broad- so many divisions in the motorcycle community - we want to smooth that over and make it more community friendly. It's going to be fun day with a lot of motorcycles and a lot of chrome and people having a good



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PAULA BROWN PHOTO

HELPING HOTDOGS: Maple Leaf Food has donated \$360 as well as non-perishable food items to the Shelburne Food Bank, Shepherd's Cupboard, following a fundraiser at the local Foodland on Sunday (May 19). Pictured is Kiahraa Nath and Delaney Sminth from the Maple Leaf Food Community Cruiser Team.

Shelburne Library shares weekly news

ing in the next couple of weeks!

Lee series, Ian Hamilton, to YOUR Library are tied to the lives of women. on Sunday, May 26th @ 2pm. This event you're coming.

torium, she learns how language is con- as Kristin Hannah or Sue Monk Kidd.

Many of you have been in asking what nected to power and social inequality (by the big surprise is, and we are SO CLOSE the nature of whose words and experito announcing the fun. In fact, some of ences get recorded and validated, versus you may even see it this week. Stay tuned whose get erased). Against the backdrop for details for the official unveiling, com- of World War I and the women's suffrage movement, Esme finds herself working Library Literary Event featuring Ian covertly amongst the lexicographers, try-Hamilton-We welcome author of the Ava ing to preserve and legitimize words that

Why Amy Recommends it: This is a requires registration and has a limited ca- fascinating look at how the first Oxford pacity, so don't delay in letting us know English Dictionary was created – a monumental endeavour that I'd never given much thought to previously. I loved the Staff Pick of the Week: The Dictio- tenacious character of Esme, and how her nary of Lost Words by Pip Williams: fictional story was used to highlight the Young Esme is stuck spending her child-very real and critical contributions that hood in the "Scriptorium", a garden shed women were making to the Dictionary bein Oxford where her father and a team hind-the-scenes, despite their work going of lexicographers are compiling the very largely unrecognized. I gained a new apfirst Oxford English Dictionary. Told to preciation for how dictionaries are commake herself unnoticed, Esme starts se- piled (and ever evolving), and how imcretly collecting words that have been pactful they are as linguistic records that misplaced or discarded by the team of shape our understandings of the world. men. As she begins exploring the words' I'd recommend this book to anyone who meanings outside the walls of the Scrip- enjoys historical fiction and authors such



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Wightman Telecom expands fibre internet services into Shelburne

Wightman, a Canadian telecommunications company that's operated for 115 years, has recently expanded its fibre-to-the-home (FTTH) technology to Shelburne.

Shelburne is the 13th community where Wightman has built a large-scale fibre optics personalized customer support and commuproject, with construction underway and most of the work set for completion by the end of 2024.

needs of communities across southwestern man in a press release. Ontario.

munication services for both homes and growth through innovative telecommunicabusinesses, including internet, television, landline, mobility and business systems.

communication services, Wightman helps partner in your community." Shelburne residents and businesses thrive in today's connected world.

tennial Drive highlights its dedication to and supporting community growth.

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nity engagement.

"By having a physical presence in the area, Wightman ensures that customers For over a century, Wightman has been a have access to internet service and support, trusted provider, addressing the changing tailored to their specific needs," said Wight-

"Why choose Wightman? Our mission is Wightman delivers comprehensive com- to connect communities and drive regional tion solutions. Committed to customer satisfaction, technological progress and com-With high-speed internet and reliable munity engagement, Wightman is a trusted

Wightman's expansion into Shelburne represents a significant milestone in the compa-Wightman's Shelburne office at 110 Cen- ny's journey toward improving connectivity



The Morningview Foundation donates to support kidney dialysis patients

Written By Paula Brown Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

able to maintain its care for kidney dialysis patients after receiving a large donation to upgrade existing equipment.

The Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation (SMHF) announced in a press release on Tuesday (May 21) that they had received a donation of \$300,000 from The Morningview Foundation to go towards is to raise funds, through initiatives such replacing an existing Reverse Osmosis System at the hospital.

The Morningview Foundation will help allocate funds for equipment, technology ensure that dialysis treatments will remain or furniture. accessible to those in the community affected by kidney disease.

tion extends our greatest appreciations to Donations received help purchase essen-The Morningview Foundation for their sig-tial equipment, upgrade technology, and nificant gift," said Melody McLean, director of development and campaign man- ment of Stevenson Memorial Hospital. ager for SMHF. "They are truly making a difference by helping to provide critical information about the redevelopment of health care technology in our community."

the water used in dialysis machines, ensuringstevenson.ca.

ing the removal of impurities and contaminants. By providing a reliable source of purified water, the hospital is able the Stevenson Memorial Hospital will be enhance the safety and effectiveness of dialysis treatments, reducing the risk of complications and infections.

> According to Stevenson Memorial Hospital, they were able to provide over 3,6000 dialysis treatments within the community between 2022 and 2023.

The Morningview Foundation's mission as the Because of you, we can Campaign, for essential equipment at the local hospi-The foundation said the donation from tal as the provincial government does not

The Because of you, we can Campaign, is the largest fundraiser in the Stevenson "Stevenson Memorial Hospital Founda- Memorial Hospital Foundation's history. complete renovations for the redevelop-

Those interested in finding out more Stevenson Memorial Hospital or would The Reverse Osmosis System purifies like to donate can visit www.transform-

All-Wheels Show & Shine returning to Trillium Ford Lincoln Ltd in June

Trillium Ford Lincoln Ltd. in Shelburne is Shine next month.

day, June 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Registration for the event opens at 9 a.m. for those showing their vehicles.

fees are by donation to the Shepherd's Cupboard Food Bank of Shelburne. They are accepting non-perishable food items and cash.

There are seven categories for the Show holding its 2nd Annual All - Wheels Show & and Shine - Classic, Ford, Import, Truck, Special Interest, Working & Muscle. Plus, The event is taking place at the dealer- two additional awards will also be preship, 506168 Highway 89, Mono, on Satur-sented for: People's Choice and Best In

The event will also feature food trucks, live music, face painting, balloon, commem-Pre-registration is suggested and entrance orative t-shirts for sale, and a 50/50 raffle.

The event features all makes and models. If it rains or there is adverse weather the event will be rescheduled to Sunday, June 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Father's Day).



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See website for details on hours & locations for each scheduled event.

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Amaranth man wins \$100,000 lottery



An Amaranth man has \$100,000 in his bank after purchasing a winning ticket for a recent LOTTO MAX draw.

Robert Breese matched the last seven ENOCRE numbers in their exact order in the April 19 LOTTO MAX draw.

The winning ticket was purchased at Shopper's Drug Mart on First Street in Orangeville.

There is an ENCORE draw every day in Ontario. "OLG supports safe play and wants to keep the fun in the game," said OLG in a press release. "That's why OLG is proud to be a leader in promoting responsible gambling with our globally recognized PlaySmart program."



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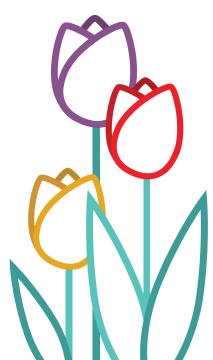
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Police charge Orangeville man with trafficking opioids, meth

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have the purpose of Trafficking-Opioid charged a male and female in connection to drug related offences.

On May 17, 2024, members of the Dufferin Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) were counts) in the Town of Orangeville when police were led into a drug trafficking investigation.

Jeremy SCOTT, a 42-year-old from Orangeville has been charged with:

- Possession of a Schedule I substance for
- Possession of a Schedule I substance- Justice in Orangeville. Methamphetamine
- Failure to comply with Undertaking (2

Orangeville have been charged with:

- Failure to comply with Undertaking
- Failure to comply with Probation Order

The accused individuals were held for a Bail Hearing before the Ontario Court of

Anyone with information regarding this investigation of any other criminal activity is asked to contact Dufferin OPP at 1-888-Kendra NEIL, a 30-year-old from 310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also submit your information online at https://ontariocrimestoppers.ca/.



Man arrested for impaired driving after failing to remain at scene of collision

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has removed an they located the male in question on a impaired driver from the road after they neighbouring property a few moments later. failed to remain at the scene of a collision they were involved in.

for service in the area of County Road 23 and 44-year-old male, from Orangeville, with: Caledon-East Garafraxa Townline in East Garafraxa on May 19, just after 11:15 p.m.

After the officers arrived to the scene,

The officers were quickly led into an impaired operation investigation and as Dufferin OPP officers responded to a call a result, they charged Andre BRANCO, a the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous

- Failure or refusal to comply with demand
- Careless driving
- Fail to remain
- Fail to report accident

to answer to the charges. Their driver's at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS). A tip can also be • Operation while impaired - alcohol and licence was suspended, and the vehicle was submitted online at www.crimestopperssdm. impounded.

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

If you have information about suspected unlawful activity in the community, please The accused is scheduled to appear at contact the OPP by phone at 1-888-310-1122 com.

Police lay driving charges against two people within five hours

Charges have been filed by the Dufferin Parminder RATAUL, a 34-year-old male, question, an impaired operation investigation Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) against a from Brampton has been charged with: Brampton man and Toronto man within just five hours of one another.

Dufferin OPP officers received a call for service in the area of Abbey Road and with open container of liquor Glengarry Road in Orangeville on May 11, just after 6:15 p.m.

When the officers arrived on scene, they were quickly led into an impaired operation Owen Sound Street in Shelburne. investigation.

Constance

- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Having care or control of a motor vehicle

Just five hours later, a bit before 11:30 p.m., Dufferin OPP officers were on general patrol readily available when they observed a traffic violation along

Once officers spoke with the driver in

commenced.

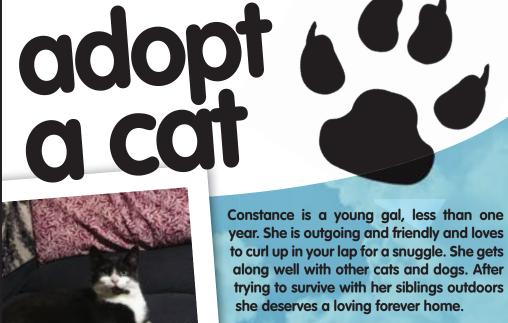
- male, from Toronto has been charged with: • Operation while impaired - blood alcohol
- concentration (80 plus)
- Drive vehicle or boat with cannabis
- Obstruct plate

The accused is scheduled to appear at impounded. the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville to answer to the charges. Their driver's proven in court.



licence was suspended, and the vehicle was

None of the listed charges have been



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Over 250 charges laid over Canada Road Safety Week

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) participated that put drivers, passengers, pedestrians in this year's Canada Road Safety Campaign and other vulnerable road users at risk, and the stats are in.

May 14-20, aimed to increase compliance impaired driving, distracted driving, speed or with safe driving measures in order to save aggressive driving and lack of seatbelt use. lives.

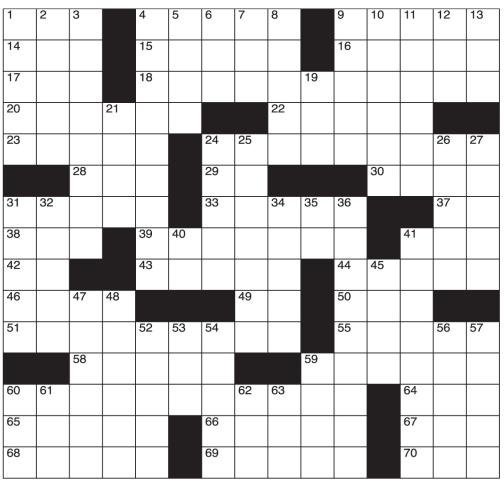
The campaign's focus was on behaviours including the "big four" contributing factors Canada Road Safety Week which ran from for injury and death on Ontario's roads:

During Canada Road Safety Week, the following charges were laid in Dufferin County: Speeding - 122; Stunt/racing - 5; Seatbelt - 20; Distracted driving - 6; Impaired -2; Careless driving - 5; Drive while prohibited - 1; Other charges - 92.





CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

1. Geological time

4. Ooze

9. A set of eight 14. Obstruction

15. Swiss

mathematician

16. Philosophy

17. The night before 18. A timid person

20. Unifies

22. Gangs

23. Alternative name 24. Acumen

28. Cathode-ray tube 29. Tantalum

30. Soluble ribonucleic

acid

31. Humiliate

33. Earthy pigment

37. Air Force 38. Adult males

39. Stiff untanned

leather

41. Before

42. Atomic #18

43. Beer mug 44. Nostrils

46. Type of chef

49. Midway between

north and east

50. They ___ 51. Splits

55. Walk in a timid

manner 58. Preserved animal

skin with hair

59. Popular donut shop

item

60. You smear it on bagels

64. Don't know when

65. Equal to 10 amperes

66. Synthetic acrylic

67. One point south of

due east 68. Of mixed ancestry

69. Home of the

Pyramids 70. A way to change

color

1. Excessive fluid

CLUES DOWN

34. Gregory ___,

American dancer 35. Denotes past

nymph

41. Came before 5. San __ Obispo, in 45. An extra seed-California covering 6. Not healthy

accumulation in tissues

3. One from the U.S.

4. Academic terms

7. Self-assessment

questionnaire (abbr.)

8. Arugula genus

11. Tormentor

13. Sprinkle

26. Entrap

12. Commercials

19. Make a mistake

24. Vermont town

27. Places to store

important things

31. Accumulate

32. Greek mythological

21. Freshwater fishes

25. Man-made device

10. Makes a monarch

9. VIII

2. Untangle

staple

again

47. Cheerful 48. Deli sandwich

36. Becoming popular

40. Indicates position

52. Skateboarders love

53. Mandela's party

54. Sierra lake 56. Nickname for

Elizabeth

57. Remove from record

59. Employee stock

ownership plan 60. Former NFLer

61. Relative biological

effectiveness (abbr.)

62. Work unit

63. Town in

Cambridgeshire

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Shelburne athletes compete at District track and field championships

Written By Brian Lockhart

Athletes from Centre Dufferin District High School competed in the District 4/10 championships held in Guelph over two days.

University of Guelph on Tuesday, May 7. The second day of the competition took steeplechase - 8.35.77 place at St. James Catholic High School on Tuesday, May 14.

A total of 19 CDDHS athletes competed in 27 events – a record for the school.

Champion athletes will now go on to compete at CWOSSA in Brantford on May 200m dash - 23.91 and second, Junior 100m 22 - 23.

Notable results from CDDHS include:

• Callista Daly – First place in Senior high Junior 1500m – 5.21.96 and second place in jump – 1.63m and first place in Senior triple Junior 3000m – 12.16.79 jump - 10.58m

- Bryson Sample First place in Senior high jump – 1.80m
- Peris Hackshaw First place in Junior 100m dash - 13.27 and second place in Junior 200m dash – 27.24
- Gabrielle Daly Third place in Senior The first competition took place at the 800m - 2.31.87 and third place in Senior 3000m - 12.38 and third in Open 2000m
 - Tahlia Henry Third place in Senior long jump - 4.84m
 - Luca Foladore Second place in Senior javelin - 38.07m
 - Aiden Thomas First place in Junior dash - 12.07
 - Chelsea Thalenhorst Second place in





RECORD SHOWING: Top left: Long-distance runner Gabrielle Daly competes on the track. Gabrielle medalled in three events. Top right: Braeden Conley competes in the long jump. Bottom left: High jumper, Melody Campbell shows good form during competition. Bottom right: Jared Bouchard shows good form in the javelin throw.





SEASON KICK OFF: The Shelburne Cricket Club kicked off the 2024 season with the first game on Saturday, May 18 at KTH Park in Shelburne. The Shelburne Warriors faced the Shelburne Samurais in the first match. The League has four house league teams this year with weekly games at the park.

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ZACH OLDFORD

"I like the hitting and the contact," said Centre Dufferin District High School Royals rugby Flyhalf, Zach Oldford, of why he likes the sport. "I also like the technique part, like the kicking."

Zach has been playing the sport for three seasons and makes a valuable contribution to the team.

He also plays on the school volleyball team.

Zach hopes to continue playing at the collegiate level in the future.

Early innings cost Mansfield Cubs their game against New Lowell Knights

Written By Brian Lockhart

The first three innings cost the Mansfield Senior Cubs their game against the New defensive game, and scoring was pretty Lowell Knights when the two teams met on much shut down for the night. the diamond in Mansfield on Tuesday, May

The Knights scored four runs in the opening inning to lead the scoring.

the second and one run batting in for the season. inning.

third time at bat.

The Cubs responded in the third inning another base hit from Tyler Sawyers.

Braden Doiron hit the ball to right field to bring in the first Cubs run of the game.

deep in the left field to bring in two Mansfield runs.

The Cubs finished off the inning with Dylan Brown bringing in a run on a single.

From there, both teams played a strong

The game ended with a 10-4 win for New Lowell.

The Cubs have several new faces on the roster this year, after bringing in some play-They followed with two men on base in ers from other teams that aren't playing this

The Senior Division of the North Dufferin New Lowell was leading 9-0 after their Baseball League has 11 teams competing this year.

New Lowell Knights is the defending when Lucas Sweet singled, followed by Strother Cup champions, having won the title for the past two seasons.

The Cubs will be back at it this weekend when they host the Bolton Brewers on the With bases loaded, Devon Caldwell hit diamond in Mansfield on Sunday, May 26.

Game time is 1 p.m.



SETTLING FOR THE LOSS: Mansfield Cubs second baseman, Jared French, makes the catch a split-second too late during the first inning of the Cub's May 14, game against the New Lowell Knights. The Cubs had to settle for a 10-4 loss in this game.

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The 20th Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival is returning to the downtown core from Friday, May 31 to Sunday, June 1. Organizers of the three-day celebration of live music have pulled out all the stops to create something special for the festival's 20th year. The Citizen recently sat down with the festival's director Larry Kurtz and he shared a list of his 20 must-see highlights at the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival. In no particular order, here are 20 events, acts, and offerings that Kurtz says festivalgoers have to see:

BLUES CRUISE ON BROADWAY

Over 250 classic cars will take over Broadway, along with bands in various pop-up locations on Friday. The TD Broadway Stage, Opera House and TD Main Stage will all be open for the evening. This event is sponsored by MacMaster Buick GMC, Orangeville Chrysler and Orangeville Volkswagen.

BROADWAY RAMBLE

For all of Saturday, Broadway and Mill

St. will be closed to vehicles and open to pedestrians. Broadway businesses will offer sidewalk sales further enhance the downtown shopping experience. Live music will be featured all day long with bands playing on the street in addition to the official stages.

BLUES AND BIKES

Over 500 motorcycles will line Broadway and

Mill St. for the Blues and Bikes event on Sunday, sponsored by Barrie Harley Davidson. With Orangeville situated in the heart of bike country, the event is sure to attract hundreds of bikers from around the region. There will be a custom Show and Shine as well as specialty vendors to accompany the bikes.

OPENING REMARKS

Opening remarks will be shared from 12 to 12:30 p.m. to kick off the New Orleans Jazz March. Orangeville Mayor Lisa Post, Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, other dignitaries, and those involved with sponsoring or organizing the festival will share speeches.

NEW ORLEANS STYLE JAZZ MARCH

The Ghost Town Blues Band will lead an upbeat parade through downtown Orangeville in N'Awlins style, starting at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. The parade will be supplemented by local musicians who will be marching alongside the Ghost Town Blues Band.

TD BROADWAY STAGE

The TD Broadway Stage is free for the public to enjoy all weekend long. On Friday the stage will feature some of the best local talent in the area, but throughout the weekend there will be several high-level blues acts performing. The Orangeville District Secondary School Band, which hasn't played at the festival since 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, is making a return to the stage on Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

OPERA HOUSE

When purchasing a ticket for the festival, you don't only get access to the TD Main Stage in Alexandra Park, you can also see world-renowned acts at the Opera House (87 Broadway). Attendees can enjoy a quieter, soft-seated, air-conditioned venue

to enjoy live performances from some of the best in the industry. This venue has a jazz

TD MAIN STAGE

While Broadway is a happening place during the Orangeville Blues and Jazz weekend, all of the top-level talent performs at the TD Main Stage in Alexandra Park. This year's lineup is packed with more big names than ever before for the 20th edition. Tickets are \$10 per day or \$20 for a weekend pass. Don't miss out!

HARPS OF GOLD

Four blues artists

who have mastered the

harmonica are taking

over the TD Main Stage

for a rare show. Steve

Marriner, Paul Reddick,

Jerome Godboo and

Larry Kurtz will perform

under the name Harps

of Gold on Sunday at 3

p.m. The four masters

of their craft will be

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feeding off each other's energy to create a truly improvised performance where anything can happen.

NICK MOSS BAND

Saturday night's headliner, Nick Moss Band featuring Dennis Gruenling, was just recently named the 2024 Blues Band of the Year. Nick is a master on the guitar and Dennis is a world-class harmonica player. Be sure to catch their set on the TD Main Stage at 9:30 p.m.

TORONTO GOSPEL CHOIR

The heavenly sounds of the Toronto Gospel Choir will grace the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival's TD Main Stage on Sunday at noon. This upbeat performance incorporates contemporary and traditional gospel music with Caribbean influences.

CANEFIRE

A unique style of music is coming to Orangeville. CaneFire, a Caribbean-flavoured Latin jazz group, fuses sounds together to create an eclectic live performance that will be sure to get people out of their chairs and onto their feet. CaneFire will take over the Opera House on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. for one of the final live performances of the weekend.

HEATHER BAMBRICK

Canadian vocalist and Jazz FM radio personality, Heather Bambrick, be performing at the Opera House on Saturday, starting at 5 p.m. The JUNOnominated singer's shows won't disappoint, with a diverse range of music. Bambrick's sounds range from jazz standards to pop hits or Newfoundland folk music. This is a

performance you won't want to

DAWN TYLER WATSON **BAND**

Following the Harps of Gold Performance, Dawn Tyler Watson will close out the festival's TD Main Stage, starting at 4:45 p.m. on Sunday. Accompanied by the Ben Racine Band, JUNO Award winner Dawn Tyler

Watson will fuse the sounds of jazz, soul, rock and gospel music together to push the boundaries of blues.

FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

New this year is the addition of several family-friendly activities for kids this year. There will be a bubble show, puppet performances, pottery painting, martial arts demonstrations, a recycling challenge and art projects.

FOOD TRUCKS

There will be no shortage of food options at the festival. Food trucks will be set up along 2nd St. near the intersection with Broadway all weekend long.

There will be a variety of carnival-style foods like funnel cake, kettle corn, deep-fried Mars bars, deep-fried cheesecake, beaver tails, blooming onions, mini donuts, and ice cream. Other more traditional food truck cuisine includes grilled cheese, mac and cheese, fries, burgers, hot dogs, sausages, pulled pork, beef brisket, and nachos. Some of the more ethnic food options are Trinidadian street foods, souvlaki wraps, shawarma, falafel, hummus, samosa, and pakora.

There will be both alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available, as well as freshly squeezed lemonade, smoothies, bubble tea, sugarcane juice, tropical assorted drink blends, soft drinks and water.

CRAFT VENDOR MARKET AND **FARMERS' MARKET**

Mill St. will be taken over by vendors on Saturday from 12 to 8 p.m., providing a unique

shopping experience to festival goers. Some of the artisan items you might find among the vendors include handmade wrist malas and handmade earrings made from ethnically sourced wood, stone and crystal, taxidermy bug frames, insect jewellery, and dreamcatchers. The Market on Mill St. will also have more traditional vendor market items

like homemade snacks, flowers, coffee, clothing, custom wood products, hot sauces, jams, and jellies. The event is put on by the Hometown Market.

The weekly Orangeville Farmers' Market takes place from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. The Farmers Market will take place along Second St. by the intersection with



Broadway. These markets are the perfect place to find unique gifts or rare items while supporting small businesses in the region.

WOMEN IN BLUES WORKSHOP

The festival's workshops are moving back to the Mill St. Branch of the Orangeville Public Library. They were temporarily relocated to Marion Hall at the Covenant Alliance Church last year as the library was being renovated. There are three workshops this year, all taking place on Saturday.

The first one is titled Women in Blues. hosted by Ken Wallis, who is a blues radio host/writer and president of the Escarpment Blues Society in Hamilton, Wallis' workshop is in an interview format, where he'll have a discussion with an agent or publicist, as well as Cheryl Lescom and Chuckee Zehr. They are two respected blues musicians who are performing at the festival as the Shewolves of London. Catch their performance at the TD Main Stage on Saturday at 3:15 p.m. But be sure to make it out to this workshop first, starting at noon, to learn a little bit more about women working in the blues industry.

BLUES GUITAR WORKSHOP

Brandon Issak will be running a guitar workshop for attendees of the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival to enjoy. Stop by and learn from one of the greats. Isaak is an accomplished blues musician, having been nominated for several awards, including two JUNO Awards and a Maple Blues Award for songwriter of the year. The Blues Guitar Workshop starts at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday at the library.

BOOGIE WOOGIE PIANO WORKSHOP

Alan Gerber, a man with a music career that spans more than 40 years, will be hosting a piano workshop for the public to enjoy. Starting at 3 p.m. at the library, Gerber will be teaching the "boogie-woogie" style of piano, which features the more heavily percussive style of blues piano, with a steady rhythmic ground bass of eighth notes in quadruple time, accompanied by a series of improvised riffs.

VISITOR INFO BOOTH

Located in the centre of Broadway, an official Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival Visitor Information Booth will be run by volunteers who can answer any questions you may have. Whether it's about the event. where something's located or how the festival works - the information booth has you covered.

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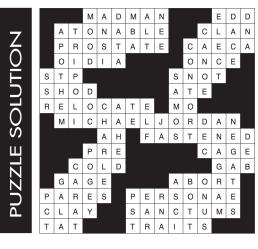
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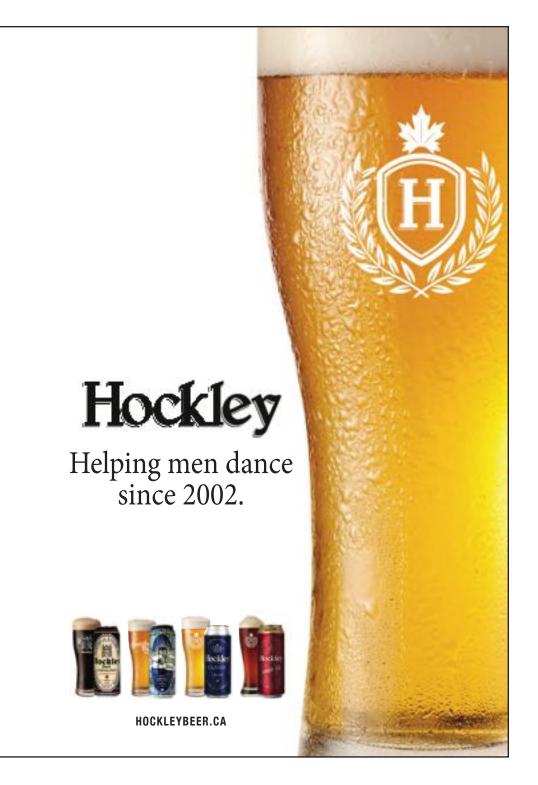
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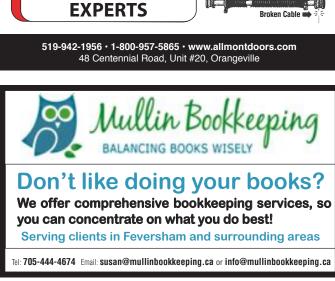
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