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FRIDAY FUN: The first of five "Fridays in the Park" events at Jack Downing Park in Shelburne occurred on Friday, June 13, with popular local cover band, the Campfire Poets, headlining. The event featured lots of entertainment families, such as Elvis the Magician, Ninja Turtle Raphael, face painting, balloon animals and an area with local vendors. The next Friday in the Park is on June 28, featuring Adriano Clarke - Free the Nation, Too Nice Reggae, Bhangra Dancers, and Stitch from Lilo & Stitch. The three final events take place on July 11, July 25 and Aug. 29.

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Family says they were defrauded by GoFundMe organizer who gambled away funeral funds

Written By **PAULA BROWN**
 LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

When Allan Oliver lost his 23-year-old brother Aidan late last October, he was overwhelmed by the outpouring of support shown by the Shelburne community through a GoFundMe campaign.

But, what he never expected was that seven months after his brother's funeral he would be fighting to receive more than \$8,000 in donations collected on behalf of his family.

Following Aidan's sudden passing on Oct. 30, 2024, a friend's mother launched a GoFundMe campaign to help raise donations to cover the cost of his funeral. The campaign raised a total of \$15,200 to support the Oliver family during their time of grief.

"At first, I was overwhelmed to know that the community had our back," said Oliver. "A bunch of people were donating and showing support and love. Seeing that from the community was overwhelming in a good way because it made me feel comfortable to know I'm not going through this alone."

On the day of the funeral, Oliver said the organizer handed his sister \$7,000 in cash, but claimed that the outstanding \$8,200 was being held up by GoFundMe until they submitted a death certificate.

"We thought the money was secure, so we

didn't push because we thought once they resolve it, they'll give us the money," said Oliver. "I followed up with the organizer to say I can give any documents they might need to release the funds, but they didn't respond to me at all."

Records from GoFundMe show all of the money raised through the online fundraiser was withdrawn in November 2024. The records also show that \$1,800 was withdrawn on the day of Aidan Oliver's funeral.

For months, Allan Oliver attempted to get in contact with the organizer of the GoFundMe event, with little to no response. During that time, the weight of the outstanding balance for his brother's funeral bill hung over the Oliver family.

"I wanted to give them the benefit of the doubt and never wanted to think they would use the money, especially because they're a family friend. The money was raised so clearly for a funeral of a young member of the community," said Oliver.

GoFundMe officially launched a fraud investigation at the end of May. The organization has a Beneficiary Guarantee policy that protects donations and reimburses donors from potential loss of funds due to organizer misuse.



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LOSS FOR THE COMMUNITY: Aidan Oliver, who was a student at Western University in London, Ont., passed away at 23 years old on October, 30, 2024. He is remembered for his kind and gentle nature and humble, down to earth, outgoing social personality. Over \$8,000 raised through a GoFundMe campaign to assist in covering funeral costs were allegedly withheld and used to gamble. The person who withheld the money has since repaid it.

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Celebrating 50 years of serving the local community

164 Shelburne Squadron Royal Canadian Air Cadets hold 50th annual ceremonial review

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART**

It's a big year for the 164 Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets, as the not-for-profit program celebrates 50 years as a squadron.

The Squadron was originally formed in 1975.

To celebrate, the cadets held their 50th annual ceremonial review to demonstrate their military skills and run drills, while looking sharp and disciplined. They marched in formation into the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Saturday, June 14.

The squadron took a loss in numbers when the COVID pandemic hit, but they are rebuilding and now have more members than ever.

The cadets teach the military way of life and give cadets life skills and opportunities for adventure.

"Today we are doing our annual inspection of the cadets," explained Air Cadets sponsoring committee chair Georgina Walters, during the ceremonial review on June 14. "This is our year-end annual inspection. We get cadets ready to march and they are

inspected in their uniforms. This year is special because it has been 50 years since Squadron 164 has been in Shelburne. We have alumni here who have come back. We have old officers and captains. We had one man come all the way from Alberta. The keynote speaker has come from Colorado. He actually was a 164 Squadron cadet, and he's now a Brigadier General (regular Forces). We have alumni too, who come from far away to celebrate this event."

The guest speaker was Brigadier General James Hawthorne, who is currently the deputy director of strategy, policy and plans for NORAD and US Northern Command Headquarters in Colorado.

A former 164 Squadron member in his youth, Brigadier General Hawthorne has had a storied career in the Canadian Armed Forces since 1994.

Cadets today can look up to Brigadier General Hawthorne as a role model and see what can be accomplished through hard work and dedication.

After the ceremony, the cadets, their families, and visitors gathered at the Shelburne Legion for a social time to celebrate the squadron's 50 years as a unit.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

INSPECTION: The 164 Shelburne Air Cadets held their 50th Annual Ceremonial Review at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne on Saturday, June 14. The cadets marched in formation into the area. Brigadier General James D. Hawthorne, Canadian Forces, inspects the troops during the review.

Shelburne teen wins Dufferin County Law Association's 2025 Gillian Shute Award

Written By **JOSHUA DRAKES**

A local Shelburne student took on a challenging debate within Canada's legal system – the "Right to be Forgotten" and the question of reintegration into society. Her essay on the topic ultimately won her the Gillian Shute Award, a yearly bursary named in memory of Gillian Schute, a passionate and dedicated local lawyer, and awarded by the Dufferin County Law Association (DCLA).

Harnoor Bhogal, a Grade 12 student from Centre Dufferin District High School (CD-DHS) said that sometimes, individuals who have an embarrassing or compromising past — or criminal record — can face harsh judgment as they try to change their ways and reintegrate into society.

Bhogal set out to discuss the pros and cons of Canada taking legal steps to erase people's pasts to help them get back into society with a fresh start.

She said that while she believes in second chances, there are risks to weigh as well.

"I felt this scholarship was an opportunity to express my legal thinking," said Bhogal.

"In the digital age, past mistakes — like a regrettable social media post or a criminal record — can permanently impact an individual's life," she said in her essay.

Bhogal said that with the rise of social media, it can be extremely difficult for individuals to wipe the slate clean. Old pictures, videos and can be dug up at random, and can completely reshape how that person is seen in the present, whether they've made an effort to change or not.

Beyond this, those who have exited the prison system are often weighed down by the ghosts of their past.

"Individuals that have served their sentences may still face stigma from their criminal records, which can hinder their reintegration into society," she said in her essay. "Similarly, past social media activity can lead to discrimination during job applications. Allowing people to delete or hide digital history could help them rebuild their lives."

On the contrary, however, Bhogal acknowledges that not every situation can be simply forgotten. Context matters, and so does the field that the individual is trying to enter.

"Advocates argue that digital histories

must remain accessible for accountability," she said in her essay. "In professional fields like law and medicine, past misconduct should not be hidden if it poses risks to the public. Transparency helps ensure that individuals in positions of trust are held accountable."

This topic and Bhogal's approach caught the attention of the judges evaluating the essays, and it ultimately won her the prize.

In a ceremony inside the Orangeville Court (10 Louisa Street), Bhogal received her certificate and prize from the DCLA and two Justices from the Court.

"It was very overwhelming," Bhogal said. "It was my first time being in a courtroom, but despite that, I feel great about it, I feel pretty smart."

The essay was a gamble that paid off, coming in at roughly half the word count that was asked for. Bhogal argued that in the legal world, getting to the point and not wasting time with bloated writing is key.

"Rather than just dragging the topic out, it was very concise and straightforward," she said. "I think last year when I wrote this piece, I was pretty much over the limit, around two pages. But in this essay, I only had 395 words, and the judges agreed with me, it was very concise."

"At the same time, though, I wanted to make sure my point gets across, rather than not having enough information."

Now with this award under her belt, what comes next for Bhogal is simple - going to university for law.

"I plan on going to Brock University for critical criminology, it's a four year program," she said. "I chose Brock because when I went there, it felt like home, it felt like comfort. I don't think I would be able to feel that at any other school."

Bhogal has also secured herself an extremely exclusive program beyond critical criminology.


"Brock actually is very unique in their law field, because they offer a Law Plus program to students," she said. "It helps you kind of go more in depth of what law and the legal field is. It's actually offered to 30 students, and I got accepted."

With a thoughtful approach to justice, accountability, and reintegration, Bhogal's award-winning essay not only earned her a scholarship — it showcased a legal mind already grappling with the nuances of modern rights and responsibilities.



JOSHUA DRAKES PHOTO

LEGAL MIND: Harnoor Bhogal, the 2025 bursary recipient (centre), plans to continue studying law at Brock University in an advanced program that accepts just 30 students each year.



Increased Capacity of the Town of Shelburne's Water Supply Notice of Completion

The Town of Shelburne has completed an Environmental Assessment to determine the best means for the Town to meet increased water supply demand for the next 20 years. Several alternatives were examined to identify the most cost-effective, environmentally sound, and sustainable approach to increasing the capacity of the existing system. The Town completed its assessment of this project following Schedule 'B' requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment 2023.

A Project File Report documenting the planning process undertaken was completed and is now available for public review. Subject to comments received following this Notice, the Town intends to move forward with the Project File Report recommendations. The Project File Report is available electronically on the Municipality webpage "Plans, Studies and Reports" and in hardcopy at the following location during regular hours of operation:

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Please forward any comments by Monday, July 21, 2025. Thereafter, the Project File Report will be reviewed and revised, taking into consideration comments received from the public.

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OPINION

Justice denied

During the period of November 1957 to January 1958, 19-year-old Charles Starkweather, accompanied by his 14-year-old girlfriend Caril Ann Fugate, murdered 11 people in Nebraska and Wyoming.

No one is really sure why Starkweather became a mad dog killer.

Caril Ann later claimed she was an unwilling hostage, however, prosecutors pointed out she had many opportunities to escape from her so-called captor.

As killers go, it doesn't get much worse than Starkweather. His first murder was a shopkeeper who refused to sell him something on credit. Starkweather kidnapped the man and shot him to death.

After meeting Caril Ann and becoming infatuated with her, he turned up at her family home asking for her. Caril Ann's mother and stepfather weren't too keen on having a 18-year-old man they didn't like, pursuing their young daughter, and they told him to go away.

Starkweather responded by fatally shooting both of them and then clubbing Caril Ann's two-year-old sister to death.

The pair then went on a murderous rampage over several months, killing seven more innocent people.

He was finally captured. During his trial, he claimed Caril Ann had been the killer in several murders.

That seems unlikely, and Caril Ann claimed she didn't kill anyone.

Both Starkweather and Caril Ann were tried on murder charges. Caril Ann was convicted on charges of being an accomplice to murder and served 18 years behind bars.

Starkweather went on trial for his murders. He was found guilty and sentenced to death on May 23, 1958.

Just over a year later, Starkweather was executed in the electric chair at the Nebraska State Penitentiary.

The entire process from arrest to trial, and the final result, took just under a year and a half.

It doesn't matter if you're a proponent of or against the death penalty in this case. The point is, that there was a speedy and fair trial, and justice was carried out swiftly. That is the way the justice system is supposed to work.

I usually don't care what happens in the U.S. justice system, but what is going on down there sure demonstrates why a federal criminal system, like we have here, is superior.

This past week in the U.S. state of Alabama, the state executed a man for the murder of his girlfriend. That in itself is not surprising. He was the 15th person executed in Alabama over the last five years.

However, the man committed the crime in 1988 – 37 years ago.

Most of the executioners in the death chamber wouldn't have even been born when the crime was committed.

On the same day, in Florida, the state executed a man convicted of murdering a nursing student and mother of two children – in 1994. That was 31 years ago.

This is not surprising. Over the past two and a half years, Florida has executed 13 people, including six in 2025 alone.

In Utah, this past week, a state judge ruled that a convicted killer is competent enough to be executed, despite the fact that the 67-year-old man has developed dementia while on death row. His lawyer describes him as a 'severely brain-damaged, wheelchair-bound man with dementia and significant memory problems.

The state plans to execute him by firing squad.

Utah is a lightweight in the execution business, having executed only one person since 2010.

The man they are going to strap to a chair and shoot committed his crime in 1988 – 37 years ago.

In Texas, where executions are a sport, the state has executed nine men in the past year and a half. Three of those men were on death row for more than 20 years.

One languished on death row for 34 years before being executed by lethal injection.

None of these men were Boy Scouts. They all committed heinous crimes and deserved severe punishment.

However, carrying out a death sentence almost 40 years after a crime was committed is not justice. It's a broken system.

In most countries, after serving 40 years, an inmate would likely be up for parole consideration and no longer considered a threat to society.

The long process it takes to execute someone is blamed on the appeals process.

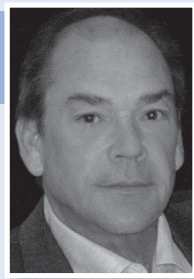
When a man's life is hanging in the balance, having a judge say, "I'll get back to you with my decision in three years," just isn't acceptable.

That decision is then appealed, and several years go by before another decision is made.

If a judge takes that long to make a decision, perhaps being in a profession where decisions determine the course of a person's life, isn't the right place for them.

Justice is supposed to be blind. In these cases, justice is totally disabled.

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



Netanyahu's wars

Israel's war with Iran is definitely the war that Prime Minister Binyamin 'Bibi' Netanyahu has wanted all along, but he may have bitten off more than he can chew.

In the past three months Israel has bombed Syria, Lebanon, Yemen and now Iran. It has an open-ended war involving tens of thousands of Israeli troops in the Gaza Strip, and a lower-intensity counter-insurgency war in the occupied West Bank that also soaks up lots of Israeli troops. And now it is also at war with Iran, a country of 90 million people.

This is less of a burden on the 7.5 million Jewish Israelis than it would seem, since geography decrees that the wars with Iran and Yemen do not require ground troops. (Neither country has a land border with Israel.) However, the air wars will hurt Israel's population and damage its infrastructure, and its reservist soldiers are already

exhausted by twenty months of war.

So is the civilian population of Israel, which is emotionally drained by the long-running drama of the hostages. It is also deeply divided by Netanyahu's decision to use this moment of maximum Israeli power to try to wipe out every potential challenge to the country's status as the Middle East's dwarf superpower.

Netanyahu has declared that Iran is on the brink of getting nuclear weapons half a dozen times in the past twenty years, always in the hope that he could get the US military to do the heavy lifting in a war to 'disarm' it. And each time, after the US president of the day declined to do so, the Iranian 'threat' magically receded – only to be revived for the next president.

Bibi made some headway with Trump in his first term, convincing the latter that he should pull out of the treaty putting

strict controls on Tehran's nuclear activities that Barack Obama had signed with Iran in 2015. But it turned out that Trump wasn't up for an actual war with Iran; he was just on a mission to destroy all the achievements of his predecessor.

Nobody could have been more pro-Israeli than Joe Biden, but he wouldn't go to war with Iran for Netanyahu either. Initially the Israeli prime minister thought that he was making more headway with Trump 2.0, but Trump's promises are as empty as his threats; by May he was negotiating with Iran for a thinly disguised return to the treaty he had cancelled in 2018.

At this point Netanyahu took the decision he had probably always promised himself never to make: he gave the order to attack Iran without a guarantee of full American support. He forgot that Trump, almost uniquely among post-1945 US presidents, has never committed the United States to a war overseas.

True to form, Trump posted on his Truth Social platform that "The U.S. had nothing to do with the attack on Iran tonight." That may not be strictly true, in the sense that he certainly must have known Netanyahu's plans, but it's accurate in the sense that he did not approve of them. Indeed, Bibi was deliberately preempting a possible revival of the 2018 treaty.

Saving face always comes first with Trump, so he was soon trumpeting "If we are attacked in any way, shape or form by Iran, the full strength and might of the U.S. Armed Forces will come down on

you at levels never seen before." But he says that every time, to any country he disagrees with, and they are all still here. TACO.

The reality is that Netanyahu has broken his lifelong rule and attacked Iran without Washington's full support because he cannot bear to miss this opportunity to attack his enemies when they are all far weaker than ever before. He cannot actually lose this war he has begun with Iran, but he may find it almost impossible to end in a satisfactory manner.

There are three problems for which he has no apparent solution. One is that he lacks the specialized bombs that would enable him to destroy the Iranian centrifuges, labs and enriched uranium that are buried deep inside mountainsides. Trump would have to give them to him.

The second is that Trump is extremely petty and vindictive when defied or 'disrespected'. If he decides that he no longer wants to deal with Netanyahu, he holds such power over the country's fate that a different prime minister would be found to replace him.

Finally, Iran has a 'nuclear option' that has nothing whatever to do with nuclear weapons. It can cut the world's oil supply by 20 per cent and cause a global recession simply by closing the Strait of Hormuz. And a recession is what Donald Trump fears above all else.

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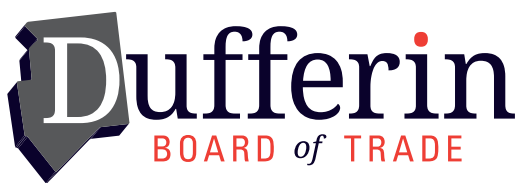
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COMMUNITY VOICES

Monthly Message: Celebrating LGBTQ+ safe space businesses in Dufferin

What began as a tourism initiative has grown into a community-wide effort to promote inclusivity and values-driven leadership across Dufferin County. Through the Level Up Dufferin program, local businesses and nonprofits are stepping up to create welcoming, inclusive spaces for everyone who lives, works, and visits here.

The program offers a range of training opportunities — from learning how to improve accessibility for customers and employees to taking action in becoming an LGBTQ+ Safe Space. Some local businesses have even gone a step further by earning their official Rainbow Registered designation, demonstrating their deep commitment to



fostering a safe and affirming environment.

This Pride Month, we're proud to shine a spotlight on the businesses and organizations that have committed to being LGBTQ+ Safe Spaces. You can discover and support these inclusive leaders by visiting our on-line Directory and looking for the "Safe Space" listings.

Creating an LGBTQ+ Safe Space is about

more than just signage — it's about fostering a culture of respect, visibility, and belonging. For many 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals, feeling seen and supported at work, in stores, and in community spaces can have a profound impact on their well-being. Businesses that commit to inclusivity not only build stronger relationships with their customers and staff, but also help move our region forward as a vibrant, diverse place to live and thrive.

Supporting Pride Month can be as simple as shopping local and choosing businesses that celebrate diversity. You can also show your support by sharing posts from LGBTQ+ Safe Space businesses, attending

local Pride events, displaying Pride materials in your space, and educating yourself and your team through training programs like Level Up Dufferin. Small gestures can make a big difference.

If you're a business leader or organization ready to showcase your values and create a more inclusive and accessible workplace, we invite you to connect with us. Our team at the Dufferin Board of Trade offers on-site training sessions at your facility, or you can join one of our upcoming in-house workshops. Let's continue building a more inclusive Dufferin — together.

Happy Pride Month from all of us at the Dufferin Board of Trade!

Trillium Ford celebrates legendary vehicle with Bronco Roundup: Ride, Shine and Dine

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

It was designed as one of the first sport utility vehicles and built to compete with other early off-road trucks in the 60s.

The Ford Bronco went through several generations of design updates before being discontinued in 1996. The Bronco was re-introduced in 2021 with a sixth-generation design.

Trillium Ford Lincoln in Shelburne held a Bronco rally on Saturday, June 14, to celebrate this iconic SUV and have some fun.

The Bronco Roundup: Ride, Shine & Dine, invited owners of the vehicle to bring them to a rally that started at the Trillium dealership and followed a route around the region, including an off-road segment.

There were Broncos from different years including one from 1996 with the original design.

"We have 65 Broncos from all eras, including the original Bronco, and models right up to today," explained Trillium Ford marketing manager Wendy Gabrek. "1966 was the first year they came out. They then went on a 26-year hiatus, and now they're back again as of 2021."

Gabrek continued, "We have around 150 people here today. We all met here at the dealership and we had our safety discussion. Everyone checked in and signed the waivers before they headed out on the road.

"Our first stop was Misty Meadows Market,

which is the Mennonite owned market. From there we went to McGowan Falls in Durham. Then we caravanned to the next location, which was Hoggs Falls, just outside of Flesherton. Then they went off-roading near Southgate. When they arrived back at the dealership, we had a free barbecue and car wash for everyone."

The off-road segment took the vehicles along a narrow rural route well-suited for a Bronco, and the drivers loved taking a road that provided a challenge and some concentration to keep the vehicle on the path.

Bronco driver Sunny Diddha arrived with his 2024 model and said he thought the event was a great idea, as it provided a chance to meet other drivers who share an interest in the vehicle.

"I like the off-road capabilities of the Bronco," Sunny said. "It's fun to drive. It gets a lot of looks — it really stands out. Today was my first time off-roading and it was amazing. There was a lot of dips in the road, creaks and valleys. It was a lot of fun. I like talking to other people about their ownership experience. Everyone has their vehicle customized, every one is different. There's a lot of accessories for Broncos — there's a lot of aftermarket stuff."

The Broncos all returned to the dealership for a barbecue and a draw that handed out prizes to drivers.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

RIDING HIGH: Ford Bronco lovers turned out at Trillium Ford Lincoln in Shelburne for the Bronco Roundup: Ride, Shine & Dine event on Saturday, June 14. Bronco enthusiasts headed out on the open road for a rally that included an off-road segment, before returning to the dealership for a barbecue.

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Arts & Entertainment LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS

'Dream Tides' exhibit at Town Hall showcases artistic talent in the community

Written By PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Streams Community Hub is bringing youth and professional artists together through a month-long exhibit at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery.

The exhibit, titled "Dream Tides" launched in the Town Hall on June 6 and will be on display until June 27. The exhibit features more than 30 works of art from a total of 31 artists ranging in age from 5 years old to 60 years old. The pieces of art on display range from a variety of styles and mediums such as abstract and realism.

"Dream Tides is more than just an art show, it's a celebration of imagination, community and opportunity," said Megan Mare, program coordinator for Streams Community Hub. "It's an exhibit that platforms artists of all ages; from youth in the community, to emerging and professional artists."

Streams Community Hub has hosted a month-long "takeover" of the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery each year since 2023. The goal of the exhibit is to give exposure to budding young artists by giving them the opportunity to share their work with the community.

"As a charity for the arts, we're here to create safe spaces for children to find their voices," said Mare. "Being invited by Town Hall to host an exhibit now for the third year in a row is an honour. We really have something that the community can look forward to and that our students can strive towards. [The exhibit] is an invitation to the public to connect with local stories, visions and talent while contributing to the creative ecosystem we need here in Dufferin County."

The theme of this year's exhibit was developed around a piece of art called "Dream Tides," by local artist Anthony Fenech. Fenech created the piece of art last year, during the 2024 inaugural Dufferin Film Festival and donated it to Streams Community Hub.

"The two worlds I come from are graphic design and cinematography. Anything that I can do to contribute or assist in giving kids the



PAULA BROWN PHOTOS

STREAMS SHOWCASE: Top photo: Streams Community Hub is hosting a month-long exhibit at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery called "Dream Tides." Bottom photo: The exhibit is named after local artist Anthony Fenech's painting, titled "Dream Tides," which was donated to Streams Community Hub for the art show. The painting is up for auction with donations going towards Streams Community Hub and the Dufferin Film Festival.

opportunity to potentially find their niche or creative path, means a lot to me," said Fenech, who resides in Grand Valley. "For Streams to take this piece and put it as the embodiment of the show is very flattering and it has organically grown into something bigger than I was ever thinking."

"Dream Tides" by Fenech is up for auction with the proceeds slated to equally benefit both the Dufferin Film Festival and Streams Community Hub. The starting bid for the piece is \$925. Bids can be placed by scanning the QR code below the piece at Shelburne Town Hall or by contacting Streams Community Hub.

A significant aspect of the annual Streams Community Hub exhibit, is that it blends the artwork of local youth, many of whom are still learning and honing their craft, with pieces from practicing professional artists within Dufferin County.

"For the child that has their piece on the wall, it shows they're just as valued as some-

one who has been doing this for years and making money off their art professionally. As a professional artist, we all stem from somewhere, and it's that love of art as a child and having someone who really believes in you to foster that inspiration and imagination," said Mare. "Having them coincide and juxtaposed in the same gallery space shows full circle, of where we come from and where we're heading. It's also reminding those professional artists of that innocence and creative drive we once had as children and to inspire the next generation."

Each piece of art featured in the Streams Art Gallery Takeover will be available for pur-

chase, with prices ranging between \$40 and \$1,600. For each sale, 50 per cent of the selling price will go to the artist while the other 50 per cent will be donated to Streams Community Hub.

Mare said the proceeds raised through the Streams Art Gallery Takeover will go toward supporting the local charities' programs, including the purchasing of materials, employment for youth and professional artists, and development of new classes and programming.

Streams Community Hub's "Dream Tides" exhibit will be on display at the Shelburne Town Hall Art Gallery until June 27.



Melancthon Against Quarries to hold public info session next Thursday

Residents and community members concerned with the proposed Strada Aggregate quarry are invited to attend a public information session.

Melancthon Against Quarries announced in a press release on June 15 that they will be hosting a community information event called "Water for Life" on June 26 at 7 p.m. at the Horning's Mills Town Hall in Melancthon.

The meeting will focus on the potential impacts of the quarry on local water resources, the environment and community health. The event will also provide updates on the quarry application process and explore ways for the community to stay informed and engaged.

Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers, ask questions and learn more about how they can get involved.

The "Water for Life" meeting is organized by local residents and community advocates who are seeking to ensure the voices of Melancthon and surrounding area residents are heard in the ongoing discussion about the proposed Strada Aggregate quarry.

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SPORTS

Shelburne Sports & Cultural Club hoping to grow over the next season

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The newly formed Shelburne Sports & Cultural Club (SSCC) played its first competitive cricket game against the Orangeville Cricket Club (OCC) on Saturday, June 14 in Orangeville.

The SSCC is hoping to grow over the next few seasons and add more players to the line-up.

Batting first after winning the toss, OCC posted a very challenging score of 180 for the loss of seven wickets off their 15 overs with Somi having top scoring with 64 (4 fours and 5 sixes) followed by Jasbir with 34 (2 fours and 3 sixes), and Tarn chipping in with 18.

Bowling for SSCC, Keyur picked up two wickets for eight runs and RV Manshahat had two for 27.

In response, SSCC found runs that were hard to get while losing three early wickets, but Mohnish came back with a swashbuckling 93, containing 4 fours and 10 sixes, and Deepak had a hard-hitting 35 (2 fours and 3 consecutive sixes) brought some respectability to the score with SSCC eventually being bowled out for 141 in 13 overs.

Bowling for OCC, Deep picked up 3 for 30,

Jasbir 3 for 23 and Somi 2 for 19. Tough luck for Mohnish falling 7 runs short of what would have been a well-deserved century.

“The Shelburne Sports & Cultural Club was started two months ago,” explained Anand Jagdeo, the club’s director of cricket operations. “It was started to provide a cost-effective way to play cricket. The core members of our club are from Shelburne and the surrounding area.”

The June 14 match was the SSCC’s inaugural game.

“We don’t play any politics,” explained club President Deepak Thakur. “We just play for fun. So far we have two teams – the Mavericks and the Phoenix – and we’re getting more players. This Orangeville team is hosting us because we don’t have access to KTH Park in Shelburne in the afternoons.”



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GROWING GAME: A batter takes a swing during a cricket match in Orangeville between the Shelburne Sports & Cultural Club and the Orangeville Cricket Club on Saturday, June 14. The Shelburne Sports & Cultural Club hopes to grow over the next year and attract new members.

During the Saturday game, a ‘soft’ cricket ball was used. The soft ball is used in some circumstances to reduce the risk of injury. It looks like a tennis ball but is much firmer and reacts well to a cricket bat. The club is hoping to grow their membership and have a lot more games over the coming year.

Final inning costs the Mansfield Senior Cubs their game against Ivy Rangers

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

It was the final inning that cost the Mansfield Senior Cubs their game against the Ivy Rangers on Wednesday, June 12.

The Cubs had a good game and were ahead until the Rangers got the bats moving in the seventh inning and took the lead.

The Rangers opened the scoring with a single run in the first inning.

Mansfield tied it up with their first at-bat player, Devon Caldwell, who got a huge hit to left field that brought in a run.

A hit from Zach Tomlinson brought in a run and an Ivy error at third base allowed another runner to score to give the Cubs a 3-1 lead.

Ivy’s Ryan Barr got the Rangers’ only run in the second inning when he had a massive hit over the centre-field fence for a solo home run.

In the third inning, the Cubs scored two on a hit from Alex Attenborough.

Justin Fenn led things off for the Cubs in the fourth inning with a single. Cubs players got on first and second, then all the bases were loaded, but they couldn’t score.

There were no runs scored in the sixth inning.

The Rangers took the lead with a big effort in the seventh inning when they scored two runs on a fly ball to centre field. They finished the inning with two more runs.

The Cubs had one final chance at-bat, but they couldn’t get on base, and the game ended with a 10-6 win for the Rangers.

Cubs coach Lance Bryan said he was happy with the Cubs’ performance despite the loss and noted that the Rangers are one of the top teams in the North Dufferin Baseball League (NBDL).

“There were a couple of dropped balls that cost us two runs, but we were still leading after that,” Bryan said after the game. “They played up to the task of playing one of the better teams in the league. They had some well hit, hard hit balls tonight. Offensively, we did well. We didn’t make too many physical errors but there’s still a few mental things we have to take care of.”

The Cubs will be back on their home diamond in Mansfield on Wednesday, June 25, to host the Orillia Majors. Game time is 6:30 p.m.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

IN THE NICK OF TIME: Mansfield Cubs first baseman Bryce Cameron makes the catch just in time for the out, during the team’s game against the Ivy Rangers on the diamond in Mansfield on Wednesday, June 11. The Cubs were leading for five innings but lost 10-6 when the Rangers got busy in the final inning and scored to take the lead.



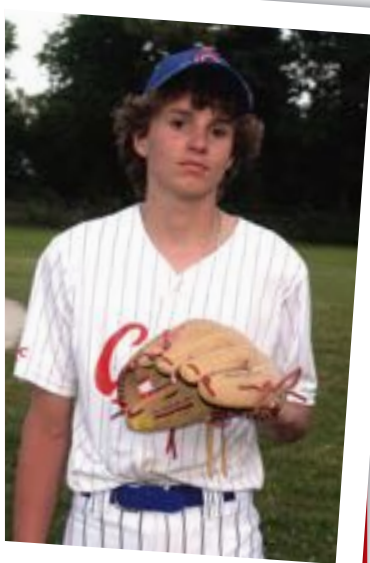
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TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME: On Saturday, June 14, the Town of Grand Valley was pleased to host the grand opening of two new ball diamonds at their new park on Concession 2-3. Grand Valley Mayor Steve Solomon thanked everyone who participated in building the new diamonds and explained the 100-year history of baseball in Grand Valley. Former players were on hand to throw the opening pitch, and Grand Valley Minor Ball held pitching and batting contests, while the Grand Valley Lions served up hot dogs and hamburgers for those attending. The new diamonds expand the Town’s recreational facilities and more new facilities will soon be constructed on the site to further expand recreation in Grand Valley.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

HUDSON MILLIARD

Playing baseball from a young age, Hudson Milliard brings a lot of experience to his Mansfield Cubs 15U AA team.

“It’s fun,” Hudson said of why he likes playing the sport. “Sometimes I feel a little nervous,” he said of the way you’re on your own when you have to field a ball.

Hudson said he plans on sticking with baseball as a sport.

When he’s not on the baseball diamond, Hudson plays basketball at high school and also with the South Simcoe Sonics.

TEAM: MANSFIELD CUBS U15 AA
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County partners with Dufferin Community Foundation to support MoD's future

Written By PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

A new partnership between the County of Dufferin and Dufferin Community Foundation (DCF) is helping ensure that the Museum of Dufferin (MoD) will remain an educational treasure for generations to come.

The County and DCF jointly announced in a press release on June 11 that an endowment fund had been established for the local museum.

The Museum of Dufferin Endowment Fund will be a "forever fund", where donations are invested permanently and the annual income is used to provide grants to the museum each year. The Dufferin Community Foundation will be responsible for the investment and management of the endowment fund.

"The Museum of Dufferin is the living, breathing pulse of our community. It brings our local history and traditions to life, while also championing today's talent and ever-evolving culture. What we have here is not just an institution, it's a local treasure," said Michele Fisher, executive director of the DCF. "The Museum of Dufferin Endowment Fund is going to provide a secure source of income that they can count on annually to continue bring this level of excellence to the community."

To create the endowment, the County of Dufferin has gifted \$750,000 from the Museum

Trust to the Dufferin Community Foundation.

"The Museum of Dufferin is a historical and cultural gem in Dufferin County, and we are so lucky to have it here in our community. It plays an essential role in preserving Dufferin's heritage and helps enrich our lives with quality programming for people of all ages and interest," said Janet Horner, Warden of Dufferin County. "The County is excited to announce this partnership with the Dufferin Community Foundation. With this Endowment Fund, we will help ensure the MoD can be enjoyed by community members and Dufferin visitors for years to come."

The Museum of Dufferin, located at 936029 Airport Rd in Mulmur, collects and preserves the stories of the people, places, and culture of Dufferin County both past and present. The local museum features three galleries with permanent and rotating exhibitions and art shows, as well as four historic buildings. The Museum of Dufferin is also the location of the Dufferin County Archives, where visitors are welcome to research the history of the community.

"We're very excited to have an endowment to increase the sustainability and stability of the Museum and its place in our community for generations to come. Over the last few years, the team at the MoD has been dedicated to increasing our programs and improving our facilities, and the support of this endowment will only strengthen our continued suc-



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

FOREVER FUND: Representatives from the County of Dufferin, Dufferin Community Foundation (DCF), Museum of Dufferin and Dufferin County Multicultural Foundation gathered to celebrate the announcement of an endowment fund for the museum. The County of Dufferin gifted \$750,000 from the Museum Trust to the DCF to create the endowment fund, where donations are invested permanently and the annual income used to provide grants to the museum each year.

cess for the future," said Jasmine Proteau, MoD's manager of museum services.

Those wishing to donate to the Museum Endowment Fund can contact the Dufferin Community Foundation at info@dufferincommunityfoundation.com or by calling 519-938-

0780. Donors will receive a charitable tax receipt for their gifts.

For more information on the Dufferin Community Foundation and other donation opportunities, visit www.dufferincommunityfoundation.ca.

Family says they were defrauded by GoFundMe organizer who gambled away funeral funds

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GoFundMe told Oliver that he would have to attempt to remedy the issue with the organizer before they enacted the policy.

"The remedy was poor to be honest. We have confirmation that this person has committed fraud, she's taken money from half of the donors and admitted to gambling [with] the money, and I had to set up a payment plan with her and document and track it," said Oliver.

The Oliver family has filed a police report with the Toronto Police Service.

After months of waiting, Oliver received a shocking text message at the beginning of June from the organizer, confessing that they'd used the money to gamble and offering to repay it in installments.

"It hurt a lot, to think that someone would use my family's pain and trauma for their own personal gain or wouldn't think about

"We thank you so much for showing your support and love throughout this time."

Allan Oliver

what the purpose of the donations were. The money was raised for something devastating to my family and the community, and this person went out of their way to solicit donations," said Oliver.

In early June, Oliver received an e-transfer from the organizer with the outstanding funds of \$8,200.

Now that his family has received the outstanding donations, Oliver is calling on GoFundMe to implement better safeguards.

"GoFundMe needs to increase both their reactive and preventative measures to fraud

on their platform. They didn't reach out to verify my family was the intended beneficiary, and they didn't reach out to verify we'd received the fund," said Oliver. "As a platform, GoFundMe enabled a bad faith organizer to profit off of my family's pain and when they were notified that my family didn't have the money, even months before, they didn't proactively do anything."

Oliver is hoping that by sharing his family's story, he can help educate others to prevent similar experiences in the future.

"If someone else has a GoFundMe up on your behalf, whether you know them or don't, do everything in your power to reach out to GoFundMe and be added as a beneficiary or co-organizer on the event," said Oliver. "You cannot just trust that the third-party organizer is going to disperse the fund to you as a beneficiary."

With the financial burden now lifted, Oliver is looking to find closure and focusing

on remembering his little brother.

"Aidan was the kind of person that the first time you meet him, you love him. Any community that he stepped into, he had a support group around him and people who loved him because he was that fun, outgoing guy people liked to hang out with and be around. He was the baby of our family and it was a tough loss for us. He always brought joy and light into every situation he was in."

Oliver added that the family is now able to properly express their gratitude to the Shelburne community, who rallied to support them during a difficult period.

"We thank you so much for showing your support and love throughout this time," said Oliver. "This situation doesn't dampen the compassion that the community has shown us and I don't want it to overshadow their donations. It is still very much appreciated and we know [the community] had our family in mind."

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Residents invited to decorate homes for Canada Day in town-wide contest

Written By PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Shelburne residents will have the opportunity to express their Canadian patriotism with a decorating contest hosted by the Town of Shelburne in celebration of Canada Day.

The Shelburne Canada Day Committee is inviting residents to transform their homes into displays of national pride with the Shelburne Canada Day Home Decorating Contest.

“Canada Day is all about coming together and celebrating the incredible communi-

ty we live in. This contest is a fun way for residents to show their spirit, creativity and love for Canada. I can't wait to see Shelburne shine,” said Jessica Hanzel, coordinator of recreation programs and special events for the Town of Shelburne.

Residents participating in the contest will have from June 25 to July 2 to decorate their homes in celebration of Canada Day, while Town of Shelburne staff capture photos of the decorated homes. The photos will be shared online for the community to vote for their favourite display. The voting period will run from July 3 to July 6.

The rules for the home decorating contest include:

- **Showing your Canadian Pride:** Use flags, maple leaves, red and white colours, or anything that represents Canada.
- **Make it visible:** Decorations should be seen from the street so everyone can enjoy them.
- **Keep it safe:** Make sure the decorations are secure and don't block sidewalks or roads.
- **Be creative:** Entries will be judged on originality, theme, and overall impact.
- **Keep it family-friendly:** Displays

should be respectful and fun for all ages.

The grand prize winner of the home decorating contest will receive an 18-foot flagpole and Canadian flag, courtesy of Shelburne Home Hardware.

The winner will be announced during the week of July 7.

Residents interested in participating in the Shelburne Canada Day Home Decorating Contest must complete an online registration form located on the Town of Shelburne's website. The deadline to register for the contest is June 25 at 11:55 p.m.

The contest is free to participate.

Environmental Defence raises concerns around Bill 5's impact on endangered species, rule of law

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

Phil Pothen of Environmental Defence didn't pull any punches when speaking with the Citizen about the Ontario government's newly passed Bill 5.

“Contrary to what was said, this is not a mining bill nor emergency response to Trump,” Pothen began, “It is an unfettered power grab for or against any person or business; that includes singling a person out to strip away their rights – any person or business for any provincial law they chose singling our power for stricter laws – for any or no purpose.”

The ‘Special Economic Zones Act’ was defined by the CBC with its own cautions, “One part of Bill 5 would create a new provincial law called the Special Economic Zones Act. It's arguably the most powerful section of the bill.”

Pothen said, “It would give cabinet the authority to designate any location in Ontario a special economic zone, where the government can exempt companies or projects from complying with provincial laws or regulations.”

Further from Pothen, “They don't have to get the approval of parliament to approve. The government can do this even if it is opposed by the majority of MPP's. They can change union rights, minimum wages, basic health and safety rules. Every law in Ontario is open to abuse.”

This power does not extend to MPPs, only the province's premier and cabinet.

The Special Economic Zones Act removes all protection to wildlife species and that is not limited to special mining’

“The government has done a passable job of rushing this through before the public has had

any real chance of understanding it,” Pothen commented. “It's described as a mining bill – it's not.”

He continued to explain how democracy, even in parliament, is weaker, as a result of Bill 5.

“There is no way for a back bencher or anyone to say no to this and it applies to labour laws – basic health and safety, rules about water. This is about every law in Ontario, whatever the government decides to do,” said Pothen.

“The Ontario government promised it was running on its platform of protecting Ontario from what is happening in the United States. Instead with Bill 5, the Ford government is as much as possible, in our Canadian system, copying the opposite precise path to power that Trump is, to intimate public; the suppression, to threaten lawyers and civil society going against the bill, just imitating what Trump is trying to do.”

Pothen said Premier Ford is replicating these tactics under the guise of a “modern bill.”

“We have been blessed to have those checks and balances that stopped others who had tried to undermine democracy before,” said Pothen.

Local activist, Sharon Summerville, who's a member of Headwaters Stops the 413, made a point of attending parliament in response to Bill 5. She witnessed the reading, debate, amendments and passing of the bill over the three days that were allotted by the government.

She told the Citizen, “The opposition members were fantastic. They did everything they could to stall the bill going through, motioning for recesses; they did a filibuster and

more. They really worked hard to get it stalled until the end of sitting and let it sit over the summer. The government only responded with disrespect and mocking through all the amendments brought forth by the opposition.”

When Sommers attended the annual Ford Fest in Etobicoke last week, protesters had spray painted “F*** Fascists” somewhere on the site. She told the Citizen there were snipers on the roof of the arena behind the stage and wondered if the gesture had inspired the presence of the gunmen.

Aside from that, Pothen added: “The fact the government is prepared to do this with anyone. They are prepared to find approval by, who will get approvals first. They have to frighten business owners against it to condone it for better access to approvals for projects when they want it.”

He gave us sharp warnings by saying that if we allow this to become normalized; the less we protest it over the summer, the greater the risk it will be accepted. His advice is people need to “kick up as much of a ruckus as they can and to do it early on before it's too late.”

Pothen illustrated the immediate future's needs a story from the past but not too long ago. The public barely knew about the Green Belt plans to build houses there before it was passed but “we challenged their reasons for doing it by showing there was plenty of land to not to build in the Green Belt and we discovered the corruption. We won then and we can again this time,” said Pothen.

Now is the time for the similar power of people protesting and making it personal with regular emails to MPPs, finding good places to stage protests, and informing people about Bill 5. Informing the public on the risks it sup-

ports, the misconceptions it publishes in contrast to the facts, and the dismantling of the Endangered Species Act. The bill removes all protection for endangered species and other environmentally valuable laws and acts.

Even if a Conservative MPP opposed the bill, they could be shut down, is the assurance.

The danger is taking the power of the rule of law away from civil servants and giving it to politicians.

“People are appalled because of the bill itself – but to grow their business they will have to be silent,” Pothen said. “If we allow this bill to become normalized, the harder it is going to be to displace it; the harder it will be to stop it.”

Pothen said people need to make this summer a living hell for the Ford government and make every MPP understand the public is against it.

“If you voted for it, your job has to end” unless they repeal this law, Pothen noted.

“Challenge them about this overreach, this centralized power grab; making it personal,” he said.

“Confront them quietly and calmly in the grocery stores, on the streets, wherever you see them.”

It is not illegal to confront an MPP in a civil way, as long as you do not make them feel harassed. Pothen made the point that politicians are accountable to their constituents, and their duty as politicians is to answer questions, even outside in public.

For more on what Pothen has to say, read his full statement on Bill 5's threats to the rule of law and endangered species at: environmentaldefence.ca/2025/06/05/bill-5-threatens-rule-of-law-and-endangered-species/

Purolator Tackle Hunger campaign delivers more than 5,000 pounds of food to Dufferin Food Share

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

The second annual Purolator Tack-

le Hunger® Red Bag campaign came to Grand Valley and Waldemar from June 8 to 15, and saw community members donated more than 5,000 pounds of food.

Purolator delivered the food to the Dufferin Food Share to help those facing hunger in the community.

The Red Bag campaign saw volunteers drop off 1,800 Red Bags throughout the Grand Valley and Waldemar communities with residents asked to fill up their bags with non-perishable food items and leave them on their doorsteps for collection by Purolator employees.

“In leading Purolator Tackle Hunger Red Bag campaigns, I get to watch the community come together—neighbours, families, and local businesses — all uniting for a common cause. There's something special about that collective energy, and it reminds me how powerful it is when we all step up to support each other,” said Melody Scarlett, senior sales account executive for Purolator. “Every Red Bag that gets filled and every food item donated is a sign of hope—hope that someone's needs will be met, and that people care enough to do something about it.”

The Dufferin Food Share is a partnership between the Grand Valley Food Bank and Orangeville Food Bank, with the two organizations joining forces last year to better address food insecurity within Duf-

ferin County.

The Dufferin Food Share saw a 46 per cent increase in individuals accessing its services from December 2023 to December 2024. The number rose to 112 visitors from 70.

The Orangeville Food Bank has seen a 19 per cent increase in the number of households it served in December 2024, compared to December 2023.

“When the food arrives at our food banks, we are overwhelmed with gratitude and amazed by the generosity of the community,” said Carrie-Anne DeCaprio, donor engagement and outreach manager, Dufferin Food Share. “The food donations really allow us to support those in need. We are so grateful to Purolator and the community for helping us fight food insecurity.”

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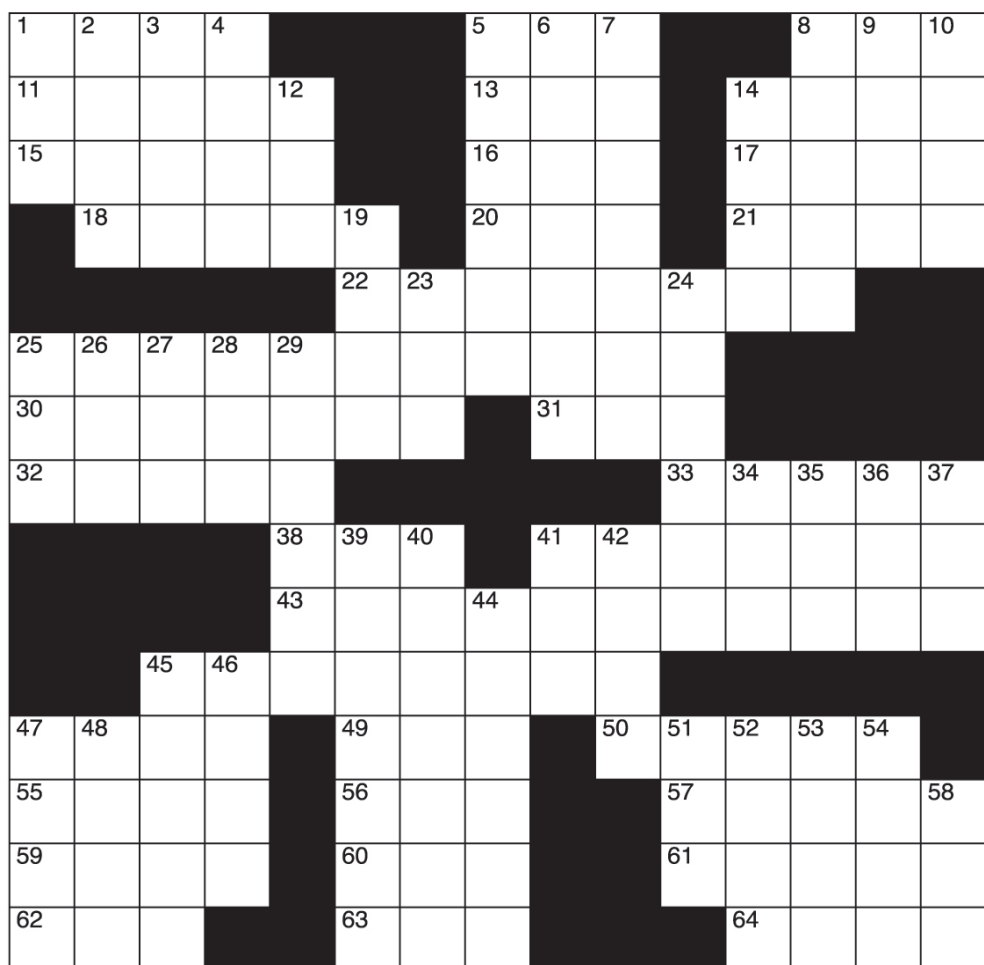
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RECOMMENDED READ:

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Why Rose recommends it: If you're looking for the "it" book of the summer, you don't need to look any further than Atmosphere. What stands out most about this novel is the vast amount of research the author had to do about space and the stars to make it not only accessible to readers, but enjoyable.

Not only that, but Joan is a character you won't forget; the adjectives sensitive, tenacious, intelligent, and passionate pale in comparison to this character. It seems that with each book Jenkins Reid publishes we get stories with more depth, which is a difficult feat.



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REWARDS FOR READING: Shelburne Public Library wins third place in national TD Summer Reading Club (SRC) competition. From left: Geoff Dunlop (board chair), Rose Dotten (CEO), Brittany Cameron (children's librarian), and Jade Wyse (technical services librarian) celebrate the win.

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Apple

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19⁹⁹

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SALE **SALE**

Mini Vegetable Spring Rolls 16 PIECES 384 g

SALE

Chicken Spring Rolls 6 PIECES 432 g

Mussels in White Wine Sauce 454 g **LIMITED TIME ONLY**

BETTER WITH BACON **SAVE \$4**

19⁹⁹ **SALE**

Bacon Wrapped Chicken 4 PIECES x 142 g/5 oz

17⁹⁹ **SAVE \$2**

Bacon Wrapped Scallop Medallions 9-13 PIECES 300 g

15⁹⁹ **SAVE \$2**

Bacon Wrapped Jalapeño Shooters 12 PIECES 255 g

55⁹⁹ **SAVE \$4**

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19⁹⁹

Mini Bacon Wrapped Chicken Fillets 14 PIECES 238 g

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20⁹⁹

Beef and Bacon Skewers 15 SKEWERS 360 g

SIMPLY DELICIOUS **14⁹⁹ each**

NEW! **SAVE \$4**

Korean Style Fried Chicken 650 g

SAVE \$4

Supreme Homestyle Meat Loaf 600 g **SAVE \$3**

SAVE \$4 **SALE**

Stuffed Sweet 'n Spicy Shrimp 10 PIECES 320 g

Jumbo Coconut Shrimp 16-19 SHRIMP 340 g

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Sauce included

PREMIUM SINGLE SERVES 370 g - 400 g

7 VARIETIES **NEW!** **SAVE \$2**

7⁹⁹ each

Korean Style Beef

General Tao Chicken

Sweet & Sour Chicken

Chicken Carbonara

Italian Sausage and Penne

Chicken Burrito Bowl

CHOOSE YOUR OWN BURGER **SAVE \$2**

17⁹⁹ each

Burgers 6 BURGERS x 142 g/5 oz

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