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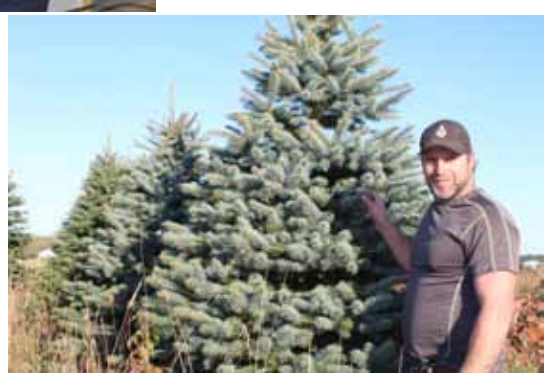
Le Festival du loup renews Noël au village partnership with Tiny Township Saturday, November 23, 2019, Downtown Lafontaine

Lafontaine, October 24, 2019 - Downtown L.A. (Lafontaine) is not usually known as a shopping Mecca. However, next month there are plans to make the village a one-stop-shop to simplify your life and reduce pre-Christmas stress! For the second year in a row, La Meute culturelle, Festival du loup's parent organization, has teamed up with the Township of Tiny to light up the village for the festive season on November 23, from 3 to 7 pm.

The second edition of Noël au village focuses on substance: Food & Firs! Put your rolling pins away and bring a bag to fill with be the best homemade baking. Phil Robitaille of Phil's Catering will be dusting off the family recipe book and making mom's festive deserts and pies. From butter tarts to Nanaimo bars, date squares, peanut butter balls, marshmallow rolls, butter-scotch squares, an assortment of festive favourites will be available for purchase by the box. Fleurette (Desroches) Robitaille taught Phil the tricks of the trade and exactly how to make her delicious beef and pork tourtières, selling for only $10.00. Phil's famous Lafontaine cherry balls will also be on the menu.



The Maurice family is in charge of the Fir end of the substantial event. Plan on getting your Christmas tree in the country this year. There is a special during the Noël au village event. Bring home a Blue Spruce for $15.00 or a Fraser Fir for only $25.00. Only in Lafontaine! You'll easily pay more than double in town! Start the car… and head straight to L.A.!

Other activities include Sainte-Croix school's annual bazar to get your Christmas shopping and decorating done. The Parish Hall is setting up arts and crafts tables and Santa Claus will be making an appearance for photo ops. The Community Centre will be decorated by the Women's Art Cooperative, and members' art on is on display accompanied by live music. For a different twist on storytelling, young artist Isabelle Pauzé is illustrating a Christmas tale that a special teller will use as a reference. The village itself will be brilliantly lit and of course, the giant tree will be illuminated at 6 pm while the local choir sings seasonal carols.

Come check many chores off your Christmas list in Lafontaine on November 23rd. There is fun for everyone! For more information, call 705 543-1535 or email leloup@festivalduloup.on.ca.

SaveStation CPR & AED Clinics Underway

by Dennis Gannon - Learning how to save a life by doing CPR and using an Automated External Defibrillator are skills everyone can use. Springwater Township is offering these life saving skills in family friendly clinics run by SaveStation. The first session was held at the Anten Mills community centre this past Saturday and the participants all came away with a new or renewed confidence in what to do if faced with a situation where a cardiac event occurred. Age and ability should not be considered a barrier and whether your 7 or 70, take the opportunity to learn or get refreshed on these skills.

The dates and locations of these events are;

- Hillsdale Community Hall – Sunday, November 3, 4 p.m. to 6 pm.
- Phelpston Rink House – Thursday November 7, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Midhurst Community Hall – Sunday, November 17, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Minesing Community Hall – Tuesday, November 19, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Township Administration Centre – Thursday, November 21, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The instructors gear the training to the audience and everyone will come away feeling more confident if they ever need to perform life saving actions. The session is open to all, not just residents of the community where it is being hosted.

Springwater Township is leading the challenge to save lives through the use of AED and CPR. Neighbourhood programs can be initiated with the assistance of community residents in areas where the SaveStations are not currently housed.

More information can be found on the Township of Springwater website and by visiting SaveStation.ca/township-of-springwater. There you will find how to signup for the training dates along with videos on the different AEDs in the township and information on the SaveStation movement.

Congratulation to Winner of the Elmvale Lions Club Annual 2019 Truck Draw

Our truck draw for 2019 took place on October 12th in the Elmvale Arena. Congratulations to our 2019 winner of the 2019 Ford F150 XLT Bob Daniels.

Our Consolation winner of $1000 was R. Harvey.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Elmvale Lions Club for our 2019 Draw.

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Editor's Musings

Wondering if I should or if I shouldn't, I went to the hospital and spent 51 hours in the emergency section of RVH , and after numerous blood tests because of a fluctuating hemoglobin count and internal bleeding, x-rays, CT scan and a scope down my throat, I was released with the warning to never, NEVER, ever take ibuprofen / Advil again. As we get older, our body gets more fragile and it cannot tolerate things we use to do in the past. If you take Advil, read all the directions i.e. only two pills WITH FOOD and not more than eight a day.

So to those that heard I was holidaying, I am okay and to those who had not heard, I will suggest that the problem has been solved. I am okay.

You know how one problem leads to another...in all the tests that take you out of your (sort of) room like x-rays, CT scan and the scope, they ask you to take off your (reading) glasses, your watch, your rings (it has been on my finger for over 50 years and won't come off), take out your hearing aids and if you have false teeth, please remove. I am of the feeling that people don't have to see one's teeth sitting there so I wrapped them in some clean kleenex and put them with my other belongings.

Two hours later, I returned to another room - I did not know they were moving me - and as I began to reassemble the various loose parts of my body, there were no teeth. One of the people cleaning up thought the tissue was just some old tissue. Immediately, a few people headed back to find my lost item, but despite their best efforts, I am gumming it today. I have been to a denturist and if all goes better than expected, I may have grinders by the time you read this.

When you read the OPP report on page 14, which then overflows on to our website, you might observe that there is very little information from the Huronia West detachment in Wasaga Beach which covers most of Springwater Township. Mark Kinney was the former media contact. He emailed me lots of police reports. But then he retired to run for politics in Wasaga Beach - and he won. Meanwhile, I am told his job was not filled. Huronia West has no media person to forward us the local news or anyone to put it on the OPP Portal which hosts police incidents from all over Ontario.

In the new NAFTA deal, Canada gave up part of their dairy industry to the United States. According to the DFC (Dairy Farmer's of Canada) spokesman, it is equivalent to 8.4% of the market. To compensate the farmer's Ottawa announced that the dairy farmers would be compensated a total of $1.75 billion over the next eight years. In the first year, $345 million will be distributed in one lump payment per farm. If you have an 80 milk cow herd, the compensation would be $28,000.

I received an email from someone about the milk being served in the cafeteria at the Elmvale District High School. They said "It's a sad day when your small town farm community High School serves American milk in the cafeteria." and there was a picture of the regular and chocolate Fairlife bottles.

Fairlife is a brand of ultrafiltered milk distributed in Canada and United States by the Coca-Cola Company. The milk comes in four varieties; reduced fat, chocolate, fat free and whole milk. For the sake of clarification, I believe reduced fat is like the 1% or 2%, chocolate (ditto), fat free is skim and whole milk is 3.5% fat content many of us buy in the local stores.

Ultra filtered milk (from their website) - We filter our milk into its five components (water, minerals, lactose, protein and fat) and then recombine them in different proportions. We pasteurize our milk at an even higher temperature for less time. That gives fairlife much longer shelf life unopened. After opening, its shelf life is the same as ordinary milk and should be consumed within 14 days and kept refrigerated.

As I read about it, it would appear it is American milk but they are emphasizing that it is soon to be 100% Canadian after spending $85 million to build a production plant in Peterborough scheduled to open sometime in 2020.

Whether milk that has 50% more protein, 30% more calcium and 50% less sugar than regular milk, tastes the same and costs over twice as much for the same quantity, is good for you, that conclusion is yours.

But at a time when conventional milk consumption is on the decline, anything to boost the sales is good news for dairy farmers.

I grew up on a dairy farm and for many years, milked up to 70 cows, morning and night, seven days a week. With that short resume, I suggest I can comment on the industry with a little know about. Not all milk could go into the cooler. This included milk from a fresh cow for 4 or 5 days after she had had a calf, or a cow which we were treating for some ailment and had to wait for up to 7 days after the last medicinal treatment. This extra milk was fed to calves who may have been on a milk replacer so none went to waste. I was a little surprised to recently read an article about farmer's pasteurizing milk. The intent is to kill 99% of the bad bacteria before passing it on to the calves.

It is my understanding that when we get some of these needles for whatever, what we are really doing is injecting a very minute part of that disease into our system so we can easily grow the antibodies to fight the same disease.

So with my reasoning, how does an animal build any resistance when they are never exposed to some of the more common dairy/animal afflictions.

Our governments decided to legalize Cannabis with the argument that they could put the illegal black market out of business...or so I thought.

Just read an article which indicated that those buying from the government are getting some relief as the government sanctioned sellers had dropped their prices 3.9% so it is now $10.23 per gram on average. I might need some help here because if you have to pay taxes on a gram and if it is the regular HST of 13%, I would suggest the price to be $11.56.

The price on the illicit market fell 5.9% to $5.59 cents so says the article and you pay no HST on that. (How do they know what the price is on the Black Market?)

I was in Walmart. There were 8 people lined up for the two out of 8 checkouts that were open There were 3 or 4 people in the self checkout.

I might suggest, the girls/guys running the check outs, much like the tellers in a bank are amongst the lowest paid individuals in the building BUT they are the frontline, the people we see and deal with each day. They do more for the impression we have of a business than do all those unseen people behind closed doors. They are the people pointing something useful out to us. They are the friends and helpers which make us feel welcome.

Somewhere between 80 and 95% of the stuff sold in Canada's 411 Walmart's is Chinese.

The average hourly rate for Walmart.com employees in Canada is $14.44C.

Walmart does not consider me to be a prized part of their business. They do not want my business. They just want my dollar.

The average hourly rate for Costco wholesale company employees in Canada is $16.62C. There are 100 Costcos in Canada. There are 762 around the world.

That's all Charles - will do it again in two weeks.

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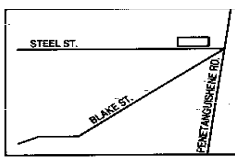

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Rural Intentions – a word from Craighurst by Lynette Mader

Ramara Airport has a restaurant that is well worth the drive to Rama. Tailwinds is a lovely venue with a patio that overlooks the lake, and a wall of windows providing a view of the tarmac and runway where you can watch small planes coming and going.

Fran Poole had heard of it and a small group of Craighurst ladies checked it out last spring. I took Dave back there this fall and as we enjoyed our meal, I watched a small plane taxi up to the tarmac in front of our table. A couple got out and headed into the restaurant, obviously on a day trip: with the addition of this restaurant, Ramara Airport has become a popular tourist destination for small plane pilots. I wondered where they were from and thought of the small airports I had visited when my dad was a pilot. Dad shared ownership in a Bonanza and then a Cessna on separate occasions. He was a member of Flying Farmers and during their more adventurous years when I was just a kid, he and mom flew to Texas, Florida and even Nassau.

Dad was raised in relative poverty by his grandfather – a hardworking railway man who had been born in an era when horses were still a mode of transportation. During his lifetime great grandpa was witness to the advent of the automobile and amazingly, the flying machine. It was an historic moment when dad was able to take his grandfather up in a plane he flew himself. There is a treasured family photo of dad and his octogenarian grandpa standing next to dad's plane at Centralia airport. Now dad is in his late eighties and in long term care, a place he swore (as we all do) that he'd never go. He has dementia and a compulsive addiction to candy. I pay for his tuck shop bill and it's costing me a fortune but how do I deny this once great man such a simple thing? A man who had overcome poverty in his youth, made and lost his fortunes several times before eventually becoming a national farm leader; a man who went to Europe to participate in world trade negotiations and has a farm scholarship in his name should be afforded every dignity in old age. So should we all. With thanks to Ramara airport for the inspiration, I will take him to a municipal airport on my next visit to watch the planes come and go and remember a happier time.

And if you get the chance, head up to Tailwinds while the fall colours are still in display and planes are still in the air.

I've included a couple of photos of my two trips there: one with my friend Betty, and one with Dave.

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Looking On the Bright Side: Positive Thinking a Must

It has been said that what we think about expands. It has also been said that our intentions create our reality. In practical terms then, this could mean if we anticipate a negative outcome, that is exactly what we will get.

If we keep thinking how terrible a situation is, it will remain that way. If we focus on how miserable someone is to get along with, we will continue to experience them that way. Of course then, the opposite must also be true. If we tell ourselves our situation is not so bad, the person is not so difficult, our experience will be that things are getting better.

And if we could maintain an extremely positive outlook accepting that everything happens for a reason, or that some good comes out of every circumstance, then we feel happy most of the time, and our lives develop a comfortable flow.

This is not simply a trick of the mind to sugar-coat a less desirable reality. There is no objective reality only our own individual perception. Thus, how we decide to interpret a situation or the behaviour of another becomes our reality.

It can be a manageable reality, a pleasant reality, or a distasteful or aggravating reality. Often, if we have had an ongoing negative saga, we are telling ourselves about our life. We play it over and over in our minds. This means we experience again and again an incident that happened once.

Indeed, there may have been many of them, if we are bothered, but the point is we create endless instant replays. We bombard ourselves with negative propaganda about ourselves, others or situations. Pretty soon we are living, in the bad dream we produced.

The longer we live in it, the more real, we assume it is. If we do not realize the extent to which we have created it, we are stuck. We look to others to change, so we can live a different reality.

Of course, people rarely change to suit our wishes. Since we are the producers of our own reality show, it is up to us to change it if we do not like how it is going. The good news is we do not always need to start with a fresh script, a new location and new actors. Sometimes simply adjusting the camera angle, to get a different perspective can change everything

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by Dennis Gannon - Halloween came early in the community this past weekend with the Halloween Boo Bash at the community centre on Sunday. The hall was decorated with pumpkins and witches and spooky items to the delight of the superheroes, princesses and animals that came. Pumpkin carving, games and prizes were all part of the afternoon's events. A big thank you to Roslyn, Shawn and all the volunteers who came together to make this a wonderful family event.

Also over the weekend the first of the Springwater Township SaveStation CPR & AED clinics was held at the hall. For some it was the first time they have done CPR with an AED and for all it was an enlightening session. A number of residents have signed up to receive an alert in the event the AED is needed and that is how a community responds. Thanks to those who attend and there are more of these sessions over the next couple of weeks. Check www.SaveStation.ca/township-of-springwater for more details.

Recently it was discovered that in 1939 the students of the community who attended what is now our community hall did some tree planting to commemorate the royal tour of Canada by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth. We are not certain if the tree we light up for Christmas is the one significant tree or if it is others that are around the grounds. While we continue to research this we welcome any photos or information that will help. Please contact me at my email address.

With that large tree in mind, the Christmas in the Village weekend will soon be here. On Saturday, December 7 we will kick off the weekend with a Christmas movie under the pavilion starting at 5:30 followed by Santa Claus arriving with the Springwater fire fighters at 6:20. At 7PM the tree and ground displays will be lit up and fireworks will light the sky for our finale. Sunday, December 8 the parade will begin at 1PM and wind its way through the village ending at the community centre. A number of entries have all ready be confirmed along with 2 streets that are going to battle it out for the street award. It would be great to have a few more streets enter the friendly battle, so talk to your neighbours and if there are any questions, give me a call. Other entries are also welcome. Animals, antique vehicles, kazoo players, all are welcome. Check out the Anten Mills community Facebook page for more details. Donations and prizes are always welcomed and we would be happy to receive them. Contact me for further details.

In the last edition, there was a question posed about an event that began in 1989 by a group of community minded residents that still continues today. The question must have stumped everyone as no one contacted me with an answer. In 1989 the members of the then Vespra Fire Department Fire Fighters Association began their Christmas tree sale. The first year approximately 50 trees were purchased in hopes that the residents of the township would purchase them and the profits would be donated back into the community. That event has continued to this day and is now headed by the South Springwater Fire Fighters Association. To celebrate this monumental event, on Saturday November 30 the fire fighters are going to kick off their annual sale with a Christmas Tree party from 1 to 4 at 14 Finlay Rd Mill in Midhurst, home of the old Midhurst fire hall where the event began and still operates from. The afternoon will of course have Santa, hot chocolate and goodies provided by Linda's Eating Place and Coffee Shop, Sparky, fire trucks and crafts at the library. Top quality fresh trees and urn inserts will be for sale. The fire fighters goal is to sell 30 trees on the 30th to celebrate 30 years of giving to the community. Interesting enough, December 1 is National Christmas Lights Day! That's the day the Christmas lights should go to celebrate the season. Please accept the challenge and stop by on November 30 and help the fire fighters reach or surpass their goal.

That's all for this edition. Send your news or announcements to me at antenmills1@gmail.com

The best way to become acquainted with a subject is to write a book about it.--Benjamin Disraeli

Do not hire a man who does your work for money, but him who does it for love of it. Henry David Thoreau

Remember that nobody will ever get ahead of you as long as he is kicking you in the seat of the pants.--Walter Winchell

GBGH puts safety first as team receives their annual flu shots

Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) launched its annual influenza immunization campaign this week in the hospital's efforts to ensure patient, visitor and staff safety during the upcoming flu season. During the campaign staff, credentialed staff and volunteers are encouraged to receive their flu shot at the hospital to protect patients, themselves, their loved ones and their colleagues.

To make receiving their immunization as convenient as possible, GBGH's OHS team is visiting departments and running clinics to ensure as many of its team members as possible receive a flu shot during the next five weeks.

"Flu season is a challenging time of year for hospitals as patient volumes rise due to the flu," says Gail Hunt, president and CEO, GBGH. "This fall we're already seeing patient volumes well over the number of beds we have at our hospital. With flu season approaching, the need for hospital beds will become even greater. To help ease the impact of the flu season, we are not only encouraging our team to be immunized, but asking the public to consider doing the same. Vaccination has a positive impact on reducing flu activity in the community, and therefore in our Emergency department and throughout the hospital."

All GBGH patients will be screened for symptoms of influenza upon arriving at the Emergency department (ED) or at registration as part of enhanced safety precautions during the upcoming flu season. Patients with flu-like symptoms will be required to wear a mask and be isolated when possible. GBGH's new ED includes an isolation waiting room which will be utilized for these patients.

The public is asked to not visit the hospital if they are experiencing flu-like symptoms such as cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, fever, chills and sweats, headache, and muscle and joint pain. All visitors should practice hand hygiene on arrival and exiting the hospital to minimize virus transmission throughout the year and particularly during flu season.

Cutline: *Gail Hunt, president and CEO of Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) and Nicole Kraftscik, executive director of the GBGH Foundation, each did their part to protect patients by receiving their flu shot during the first days of the hospital's annual influenza campaign. During the first two days of the campaign, more than 150 immunizations were given to the GBGH team. Photo (from left) – Gail Hunt; Lana Whittaker, RN, Occupational Health & Safety (OHS); Nicole Kraftscik; and Judy Schell, manager, OHS.*

North Elmvale Trail Gap
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Notice of Commencement and Public Information Centre

Background

The Simcoe County Loop Trail is a regional trail that connects the municipalities of Barrie, Oro-Medonte, Orillia, Severn, Tay, Midland, Penetanguishene, Tiny and Springwater. The Simcoe County Loop Trail follows a large part of the Trans Canada Trail. Within the North Simcoe Rail Trail / Trans Canada Trail network, there is an 1,100m gap between the southern trail terminus at Flos Road 10 West and the northern trail terminus approximately 130m north of the County Road 27 / County Road 6 South intersection.

The County of Simcoe has retained the services of Ainley Group to undertake a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to identify a suitable trail route to connect the sections of the North Simcoe Rail Trail / Trans Canada Trail. The project area is located within the Township of Springwater, directly north of Elmvale, as illustrated on the study area map. This project will follow a Schedule 'B' planning process in accordance with the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Oct. 2000, as amended 2007, 2011 & 2015).*

Public Information Centre

A Public Information Centre (PIC) has been scheduled to introduce the project and to allow all interested parties an opportunity to review the alternatives developed for the trail connection and to discuss the project with the study team. The PIC has been scheduled as follows:

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Comments

Public engagement and input is an integral part of this process. Comments on the information presented at the PIC will be received until **November 21, 2019**. If you are unable to attend the PIC, presentation material will be available on the County of Simcoe's website at www.simcoe.ca after November 7, 2019. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.* With the exception of personal information, all comments submitted will become part of the public record.

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This Notice first issued on October 17, 2019.

AsktheMoneyLady.ca

My husband and I love our neighborhood, but our home is really dated and too small for our growing family. We have been with the same bank for 12 years and recently tried to refinance our mortgage to consolidate debt and take out funds to start our reno. I was shocked by the penalty that my bank planned to charge us. It was $12,869. How can a bank charge this to an existing customer who is taking more money? I want to do my renovation, but not if it is going to cost me over $12,000 just to get the money! Any suggestions?

Debbie, (Want My Reno !!)

Dear Reno Girl!

Banks these days are not in the mood to "buy business" like they used to years ago. Today, because interest rates have been at record lows for almost ten years, lenders will charge for all fees, refusing to absorb any extra costs. Appraisal fees, title charges, and penalties are no longer waived regardless of how long you have been a valued customer. Penalties to break a mortgage, whether it be to refinance or to discharge, are based on a standard format that all lenders are mandated to use. For variable loans, they will charge a three-month interest penalty. However, for fixed rate loans, the penalty could be much higher. Lenders will use a rate-differential calculation which measures how long you have been in your term, the discount you were provided compared to the rate for a similar term today, multiplied by the outstanding balance you now owe. Needless to say, Canadians wanting to refinance their mortgage like they used to in the past, are now getting sticker shock.

The best solution would be to keep your current fixed rate mortgage intact but move it into a Collateral Charge. All Canadian Banks now have some form of this product, originally only available to high net worth clients in Private Banking. Basically, a Collateral Charge can be placed for the full 100% value of your property and provides the flexibility of borrowing more funds if needed in the future. Considered to be a life-time open lending tool, clients can have multiple loan segments under their plan, which can be easily manipulated. Most CC's will allow for 5-10 loan segments of which your current fixed mortgage could become one, allowing you access to additional funds without modifying your existing loan. Another option could be to use a HELOC or Home Equity Line of Credit. The HELOC provides clients with a mortgage segment and a line of credit portion that utilizes the equity built up in your home. The CC would be my product of choice and is very similar to a HELOC, however it allows for more division of equity and a better future platform for estate planning. An appraisal and title cost would apply, but these are small compared to a break fee on your mortgage. Appraisals typically cost $300 and title will cost about $500. Because a CC is considered the Bank's premium lending product, you will need to have very good credit to qualify. Having a long customer relationship with your bank will also help with your approval. I would suggest setting up a "Reno-Loan Segment" in your CC, where you are now free to negotiate separate rates and terms with your banker.

Good Luck and Best Wishes, ***Money Lady***

Written by Christine Ibbotson, Author of ***"How to Retire Debt Free and Wealthy"*** Follow on Facebook & Instagram

If you have a money question, please email on website at: www.askthemoneylady.ca

Township of Springwater Link

2231 Nursery Road
Minesing, Ontario
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October 31, 2019

Upcoming Meetings

Cultural Advisory Committee | November 5
6:30 p.m. at the Township Admin. Centre

Special Council Meeting - Sign By-law | November 6
5:00 p.m. at the Township Admin. Centre

Council Meeting | November 6
6:30 p.m. at the Township Admin. Centre

Bidding Opportunity

The Township is accepting bids for the Supply & Delivery of Clear Diesel, Coloured Diesel, Gasoline and Lubricants from 2019-2024 (2019-39-PW). The opportunity closes at 2:00 p.m. on November 7, 2019.

Visit **springwater.bidsandtenders.ca** for details.

Water & Wastewater Notice

Residential water meters were read at the end of October by Wamco Waterworks. Bills will be mailed at the beginning of November and will be due on November 29, 2019.

Sign up for paperless billing

View your next bill electronically through our online self-service platform, My Springwater! Springwater residents can also view the balance of their property tax and water & wastewater accounts, as well as make payments online. Learn more and register at **springwater.ca/MySpringwater**.

Elmvale BIA AGM

The Elmvale BIA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on **November 19, 2019** at **5:15 p.m.** at the Elmvale Library Branch (50 Queen Street W). This meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend.

This meeting will replace the regularly scheduled Elmvale BIA meeting on November 21.

Winter Maintenance Control

We need your help to ensure roads are cleared safely and efficiently. As per By-law 2005-18, parking is NOT permitted on roads from November 1 to March 31 between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. Please remove items such as bins, basketball nets and planters from the end of your driveway to ensure the way is clear for snowplow operators.

Avoid moving or blowing snow onto or across the road, into ditches or onto neighbouring properties.

We're recruiting Volunteer Firefighters

Are you ready to be part of a team that saves lives every day? Sometimes from a fire truck, but often by fitting smoke alarms and helping families plan fire escape plans.

Apply by 4:30 p.m. on November 5, 2019 at **springwater.ca/careers**.

Free AED/CPR training workshops

Are you interested in learning how to save a life? We're continuing to host AED/CPR workshops in Hillsdale (Nov. 3), Phelpston (Nov. 7), Midhurst (Nov. 17), Minesing (Nov. 19) and Grenfel (Nov. 21). Each workshop provides attendees with awareness of where they can find the AED (defibrillator) in their community and reviews when and how to use it by giving participants hands-on experience. Registration is required at **savestation.ca/township-of-springwater**.

Have your say on backyard chickens

Drop in to our Open House on **November 7** from **6 to 8 p.m.** at the Township Administration Centre for more information about the municipal review of backyard chickens in Springwater. This is your chance to learn more about the review, speak with staff, and provide comments. Can't make it? Fill out the survey online at **springwater.ca/chickens**.

Save the Date: Agricultural Forum & Brunch

November 28, 2019 | 10 a.m. | Elmvale Community Hall

Farmers, producers and agri-tourism businesses are invited to enjoy brunch, network and learn more about capital works projects and agricultural updates in the community. RSVP to **edo@springwater.ca**.

Lest We Forget: Remembrance Day

Please join us at one of the following ceremonies at 10 a.m. on Monday, November 11 to honour those who fought and continue to fight for the protection of our freedom.

Elmvale Cenotaph
50 Queen Street West, Elmvale

Meridian Place
30 Simcoe Street, Barrie

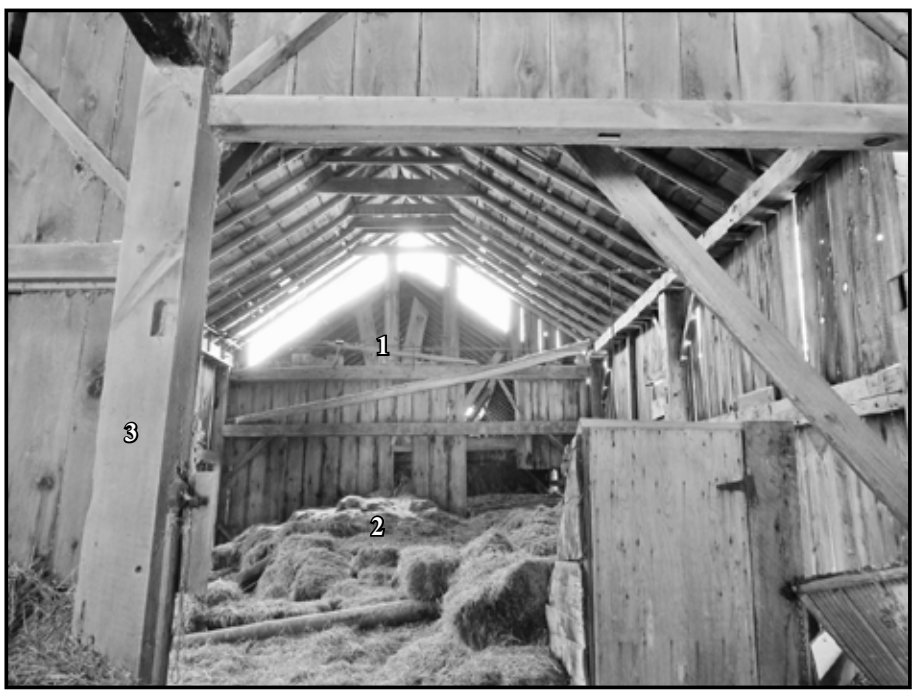
Springwater Provincial Park
1331 Highway 26, Minesing

Springwater Barns

Cathy Walton has been researching barns in Flos and Vespra Townships (now Springwater) for the last six years and has published the results in the book "Vanishing Barns". If you are interested in a copy, please contact Cathy at 705 728-1388 or snow-flake53@mail.com.

Concession 1, E ½ Lot 43, Old Survey, Flos Township
3618 Penetanguishene Road

The 32 x 40' buggy house also contained horse stalls. In 1967 the building was raised and the mud sills put on a foundation. The 2 x 12" hemlock floor planks 16' long were removed and a loafing pen was created. The planks had no knots and are being reused.



Three of the barns are joined inside. A burned beam can be seen in the top left hand corner of barn 3.

Concession 1, E ½ Lot 43, Old Survey, Flos Township
3618 Penetanguishene Road

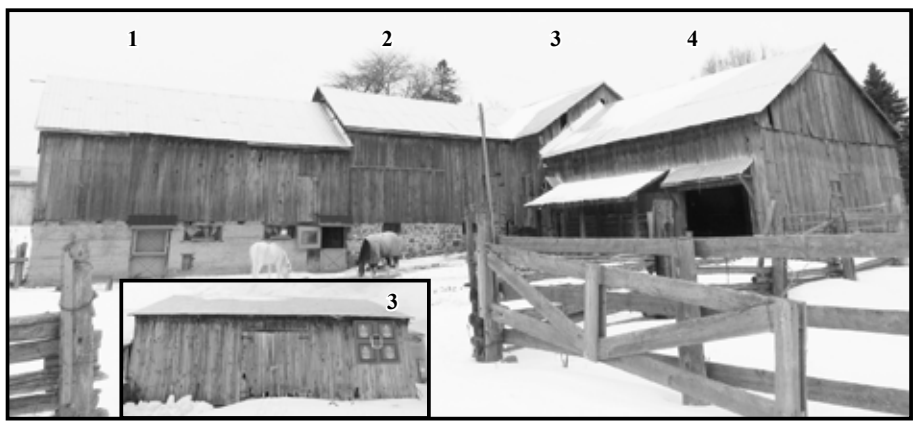
Owners

1991-present	Neil Craig and Marilyn Bidgood	**Built:** 1850, 1907
1965-1991	Max and Fay (Handy) Craig	**Features:** four building, all attached
1915-1965	T. C. (Thomas Craig) & Elberta (Craig) Craig	**Material:** pine
1884-1915	Abraham and Susan (Moon) Craig	**Water Source:** 35' dug well, drilled well in 1971
1876-1884	Thomas and Sarah (Moon) Craig	
1821-1876	John Craig	

Thomas and Elizabeth (Teasdale) Craig settled on the farm across the road in Medonte Township. Thomas had applied for land anywhere in Upper Canada in 1819 and received 100 acres.
Settlement duties included clearing half the road, clearing 5-10 acres and putting up a building. Thomas' son John Craig applied for land along the Penetanguishene Road in 1821. John had a barn built here but lived across the road with his parents. He died in 1876, and having no children, the farm went to Thomas, his nephew. Thomas sold it to his brother Abraham Craig. Abraham and Sarah built a house and were the first to live here. Elberta Craig came from Brantford to teach school in Craighurst.

The oldest barn had been closer to the road and was moved back, probably before 1900. It was put on a stone foundation built by Jim Miller who left his M stamp on the wall. The 50' hand hewn beams are 12" square.

Neil Craig.



Barn 3 seen from the front of the property (see insert) had cedar shingles until the 1920s when 16" x 2' East Lake metal shingles were added. This is a true English barn because there is no stable below. Several of the beams are charred from a fire in the Craig bush. The threshing machine was placed outside on the far side of barn 2. Straw was blown into the mow inside barn 2 and the grain into the granary in barn 3. The two ladders leading to the mows on barn 3 have 8-sided sawn rungs.

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Ontario Invests in Local Child Care Spaces

Supporting young families in Simcoe County and throughout Ontario
October 25th, 2019

BARRIE, ON – Parents need to have access to local child care options, and in recent years these have become increasingly difficult to find. The government of Ontario has committed over $3 billion to remedy this issue, and in its first year has already seen an improvement.

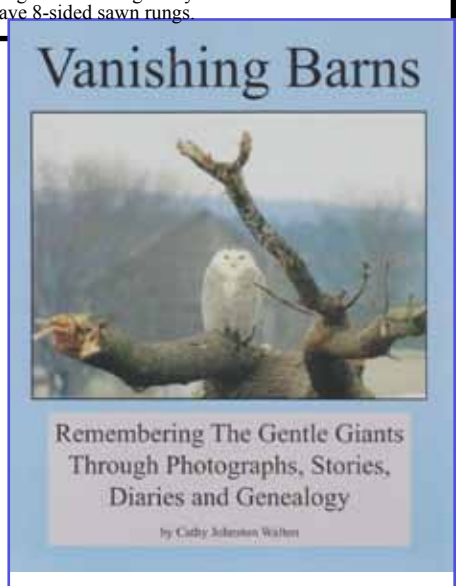
In 2018/2019 the public and private sector created 19,000 licensed child care spaces, including over 350 in Barrie-Innisfil and Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte. "I am very pleased to see this investment making an impact locally," said Doug Downey, MPP for BarrieSpringwater-Oro-Medonte. "We have accomplished a great deal on this front in our first year, but there is much more work to be done. Child care has to be accessible to local families, and we will continue building new spaces until parents have the variety and choice that they deserve."

"Welcome news for families in the local community" said Andrea Khanjin, MPP for Barrie-Innisfil. "Making childcare accessible for families provides relief. We are providing better access and more choice of high quality childcare programs, and we will continue to work for more." The government of Ontario has committed $2 billion in early years and child care investments. This includes,

- $1.7 billion for municipalities and First-Nations to administer local child care options
- Approximately $390 million for the new CARE child tax credit
- $141.5 million for EarlyON programs

In addition, the province has also committed up to $1 billion to create 30,000 new child care spaces in schools over the next 5 years.

While access to spaces is essential, affordability is equally important. The newly created CARE tax credit will provide around 300,000 families with up to 75% of their eligible child care expenses. In combination, these investments will ensure Ontarians have the access needed to keep their children in safe local child care centres.



Available from Cathy Walton at 705 728-1388 for $40.

Halloween is the number two holiday in terms of commercial success. It's no surprise that Christmas is number one. Over four billion dollars is spent annually during the Halloween season. The majority of that Halloween was actually a Celtic holiday. It was originally called Samhain meaning "end of summer". In ancient Celtic Ireland, October 31st marked the official end of summer.

Sugar is one of the world's oldest ingredients. The people of New Guinea were most likely the first to domesticate sugar cane around 8000 B.C.
Sugar is everywhere. It is the building blocks of carbohydrates, the most abundant type of organic molecules in living things. Researchers note that sugar is not necessarily a health problem, but the amount of sugar we consume is.
Sugar threatens more than thin waistlines. It has also been associated with several conditions and diseases, including type 2 diabetes, arthritis, acne, heart disease, depression, thrush/yeast infections, and cancer.

Hi Everyone,

How does saving up to 25% of MSRP sound to you? Well, during our CANADA WIDE CLEARANCE EVENT, You can save up to 25% of MSRP on new 2019 Silverado + Sierra ½ ton trucks! SAVE up to 20% on 2019 Trucks, SUV's + Crossovers.
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Letters to the Editor

Please include phone number with any L to E

You might not appreciate seeing your name on something you did not write.

TRICK OR TREAT"

"Give me something good to eat"...

I tell people, I don't have a problem with a good, honest hunter, simply trying to provide food for himself or his family – and/or a farmer trying to protect his crops.

But, I make no bones about the fact that I detest creeps who routinely embrace the macabre, in their hunting 'practices'; finding pleasure in the suffering of an animal. Just have a quick look at the stuff posted to YouTube and social media.

Some of us our strange creatures; even monsters, when it comes to lack of empathy. And look how many enjoy the rush experienced from watching horror movies ~ the more gore, 'blood & guts', the better.

But you won't have me over to watch "Ghosts In The Machine", about a serial killer, because my only interest in that subject is to find them, & lock them up – for life.

And perhaps one day I will purchase the DVD, "GHOSTS IN OUR MACHINE", to support the filmakers, which is about the animals within and rescued from the machine of factory-farming. For life is precious, any life, and the higher up the scale we are, seemingly more important – but that doesn't give us permission to act like ghoulish goblins out for blood and pleasure.

Yes, it is that time of year. Fall colours are out, as well as camo – which is year-round fashion for many, but the orange hunting vests will soon be aplenty once more.

"Ouch, that hurt!", I heard as I walked around the corner of a customer's house. His friend, now former neighbour (& hunter) was hooking up or dealing with the hitch on his trailer.

"I bet it did~", immediately rolled off my tongue, because I don't need to get the cobwebs out of my head to realize that some hunters just 'don't get it'; they, surrounded by their comrades, truly relish watching a 'creature' die at their hands. Just heard it a coupla' days ago in a parking lot: "Are you going to be using that trigger finger soon?", (one fellow hunter to another). Ah, yes, but squeezing a trigger is far different than being on 'the receiving end' of a gun blast, or perhaps a (sometimes misplaced) arrow.

Get the right make-up on Council & you could find yourself owning hiking land (once owned by the citizens of Tiny) to complete your hunting camp.

Or being involved at the top of the OFAH, head office, Peterborough, you don't have to answer or address any Q's from a non-hunter, if you find them uncomfortable in nature. Among the Q's I asked, (along with a writing partner), was if the OFAH supported hunters that openly killed for pleasure. Another one ~ about if the OFAH had had any discussions about making drinking & drunkenness illegal, when it comes to hunting, even on private property. It's a scary thought to think of the needless suffering that has gone on, 'in the sights' of a drunken fool.

Of course, after repeating my email sends, and hard-copy mail to OFAH head office, my Q's were answered in a timely manner. It's been several years, but in fact...

I haven't heard "BOO" ~

Peter E Davenport TINY, ON

6 million reasons why arthritis needs to be an election issue

Dear Editor,

There are 6 million reasons why arthritis needs to be a healthcare focus during this federal election: that's how many Canadians live with chronic pain, restricted mobility and fatigue from arthritis in their daily lives.

I'm joining the Arthritis Society in challenging each party to commit to the following:

- Ensure all Canadians have access to medicines they need by providing a national pharmacare program that gives equitable access to a broad range of medically necessary treatments at an affordable price, wherever you live in Canada.

- Stop taxing medical cannabis and make it available through pharmacies. Medical cannabis IS medicine, and should be treated the same as other medications.

- Help reduce joint replacement wait times by increasing the Canada Health Transfer. Arthritis is the cause of most joint replacements. Provinces struggle to provide these surgeries in a timely fashion. Increasing the Canada Health Transfer will help Provinces ensure people don't have to wait in unnecessary pain.

By committing to these actions, the parties can show their support for Canadians living with arthritis. To learn more visit: www.arthritis.ca/FedVote2019.

Sincerely, Dennis Madison

For more information, visit www.arthritis.ca/fedvote2019.

As The Gullible Spend Their Way Out Of Climate Doom, The Only Result Is That We'll Be Much Poorer And Less Free.

Idiotic Environmental Predictions

by Tyler Durden

Authored by Walter Williams, op-ed via Townhall.com,

The Competitive Enterprise Institute has published a new paper, "Wrong Again: 50 Years of Failed Eco-pocalyptic Predictions." Keep in mind that many of the grossly wrong environmentalist predictions were made by respected scientists and government officials.

My question for you is: If you were around at the time, how many government restrictions and taxes would you have urged to avoid the predicted calamity?

As reported in The New York Times (Aug. 1969) Stanford University biologist Dr. Paul Erhlich warned: "The trouble with almost all environmental problems is that by the time we have enough evidence to convince people, you're dead. We must realize that unless we're extremely lucky, everybody will disappear in a cloud of blue steam in 20 years."

In 2000, Dr. David Viner, a senior research scientist at University of East Anglia's climate research unit, predicted that in a few years winter snowfall would become "a very rare and exciting event. Children just aren't going to know what snow is."

In 2004, the U.S. Pentagon warned President George W. Bush that major European cities would be beneath rising seas. Britain will be plunged into a Siberian climate by 2020.

In 2008, Al Gore predicted that the polar ice cap would be gone in a mere 10 years. A U.S. Department of Energy study led by the U.S. Navy predicted the Arctic Ocean would experience an ice-free summer by 2016.

In May 2014, French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius declared during a joint appearance with Secretary of State John Kerry that "we have 500 days to avoid climate chaos."

Peter Gunter, professor at North Texas State University, predicted in the spring 1970 issue of The Living Wilderness: "Demographers agree almost unanimously on the following grim timetable: by 1975 widespread famines will begin in India; these will spread by 1990 to include all of India, Pakistan, China and the Near East, Africa. By the year 2000, or conceivably sooner, South and Central America will exist under famine conditions.... By the year 2000, thirty years from now, the entire world, with the exception of Western Europe, North America, and Australia, will be in famine."

Ecologist Kenneth Watt's 1970 prediction was, "If present trends continue, the world will be about four degrees colder for the global mean temperature in 1990, but eleven degrees colder in the year 2000." He added, "This is about twice what it would take to put us into an ice age."

Mark J. Perry, scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and professor of economics and finance at the University of Michigan's Flint campus, cites 18 spectacularly wrong predictions made around the time of first Earth Day in 1970. This time it's not about weather.

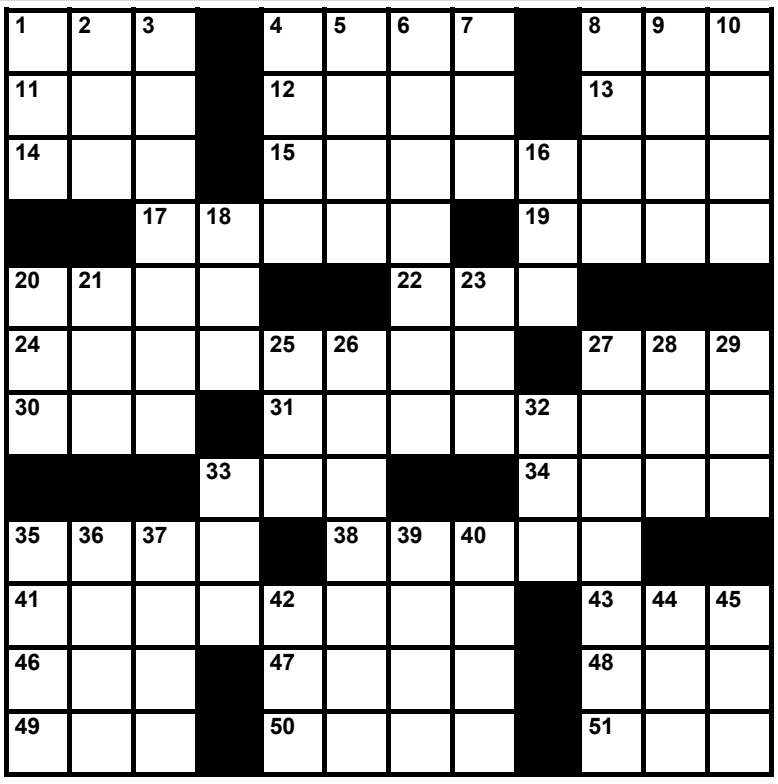
Harrison Brown, a scientist at the National Academy of Sciences, published a chart in Scientific American that looked at metal reserves and estimated that humanity would run out of copper shortly after 2000. Lead, zinc, tin, gold and silver would be gone before 1990. Kenneth Watt said, "By the year 2000, if present trends continue, we will be using up crude oil at such a rate ... that there won't be any more crude oil."

There were grossly wild predictions well before the first Earth Day, too.

In 1939, the U.S. Department of the Interior predicted that American oil supplies would last for only another 13 years. In 1949, the secretary of the interior said the end of U.S. oil supplies was in sight. Having learned nothing from its earlier erroneous energy claims, in 1974, the U.S. Geological Survey said that the U.S. had only a 10-year supply of natural gas. However, the U.S. Energy Information Administration estimated that as of Jan. 1, 2017, there were about 2,459 trillion cubic feet of dry natural gas in the United States. That's enough to last us for nearly a century. The United States is the largest producer of natural gas worldwide.

Today's wild predictions about climate doom are likely to be just as true as yesteryear's. The major difference is today's Americans are far more gullible and more likely to spend trillions fighting global warming. And the only result is that we'll be much poorer and less free.

https://www.zerohedge.com/health/idiotic-environmental-predictions



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8 Upper limit
11 "We're number ___!"
12 Coffee center
13 Web browser entry
14 Burmese coin
15 In the open
17 One on one specialist
19 Washed out
20 Steak and hamburger, e.g.
22 Vacationing
24 Horse racers- non-placers
27 Police detector test
30 Back at sea
31 Covert
33 Every now and then it's golden
34 Arm bone
35 Related
38 Boris Karloff title role, with "the"
41 Spinal column bone
43 Baked taro dish
46 Beatle mate
47 Mid-calf skirt
48 Fox competitor
49 Snatched
50 Shower or pond topping
51 Fizzle out

Down

1 Vain fellow
2 Even one
3 Coolest
4 Take a hike!
5 Meteorological effect
6 Put down
7 Beatles "I Saw ___ Standing There"
8 Utter an expletive
9 Cagey
10 Clever tactic
16 Take in
18 Alien craft
20 Bleat
21 Claus helper
23 Get to act as a pawn
25 Persian product
26 Old distiller's vessel
27 Frog's home
28 A charged bit of matter
29 Period in history
32 Goes with coke
33 Aardvark's tidbit
35 Declare
36 Numbers game
37 Unyielding
39 Language spoken in Islamabad
40 Injure
42 Dummies have two and mummies have three
44 It's a wrap in Japan
45 ____Mountain, British Columbia

BRIDGE BITES from The American Contract Bridge League

A TRAIN TO CATCH

By: Brian Gunnell

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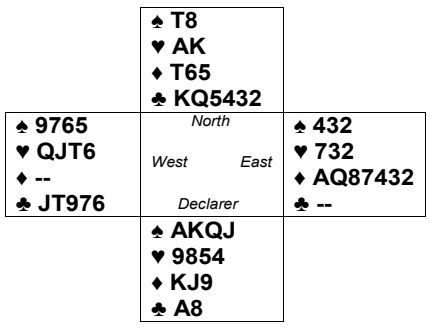

When he bid 6NT, could North be sure that E-W wouldn't cash two Diamonds on the go? Almost. East supposedly had seven Diamonds … if South's stopper was the Ace or King then no problem … and if South held Qxx then West probably couldn't lead the suit!

Against 6NT West led the ♥Q. Judging from what followed, one can only assume that this was the last board of the evening and that Declarer had a train to catch. He counted nine top tricks, realized that a couple of Diamond tricks would not get him up to 12, concluded that the Clubs had better be 3-2, and announced to the assembled throng: "Making slam if the Clubs are 3-2, down one if they are 4-1". When it turned out that Clubs were actually 5-0 the protagonists negotiated a settlement of down two.

If Declarer had not been reliant on public transport and had given more thought at Trick 1 then he might have seen that the contract had chances even if Clubs misbehaved. Our question is: At Trick 2, what is the only card from Dummy which enables Declarer to make his contract? That's right, Dummy must lead the Diamond Ten, being prepared to let it ride if East plays low. But say that East hops up with the Ace and fires back another Heart. Now, Declarer is up to 11 tricks. He takes his two Diamond tricks, then his Spades, and poor West is done for. He cannot retain control of Hearts *and* Clubs, something has to give, and a squeeze produces the 12th trick!

That Diamond play at Trick 2 gave Declarer an extra chance and could hardly cost. Even if the finesse improbably lost to West's singleton Queen, Declarer would still make his contract if the Clubs were 3-2.

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For games in Barrie see www.barriebridge.com
For games in Midland see www.midlanddbc.com

It is a curious thing that every creed promises a paradise which will be absolutely uninhabitable for anyone of civilized taste. -Evelyn Waugh, novelist (28 Oct 1903-1966)

PHELPSTON "CHAMP" FORMS FRIENDSHIPS AT WAR AMPS SEMINAR

PHELPSTON, ON – October 17, 2019 – For more than 100 years, The War Amps has been making a difference in the lives of amputees including Laura Bateman, 16, of Phelpston, and Kylah Ferrigan, 16, of Campbell's Bay, Quebec.

Laura, born a left hand amputee, and Kylah, born a partial right hand amputee, are members of The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program. They became friends at the recent 2019 CHAMP Seminar, in Kitchener, where they were both Junior Counsellors, acting as role models and offering advice to younger Champs.

"It's great to meet others who are just like me," says Laura. "Kylah and I have a lot in common and we can share our concerns about being an amputee with each other."

At CHAMP seminars, young amputees and their parents learn about the latest in artificial limbs, dealing with teasing and staring and parenting an amputee child. The seminar is also an opportunity for child amputees and their families to connect and share similar experiences about living with amputation.

"Seminars are a powerful experience, as Champs and parents learn they are not alone," says Danita Chisholm, Executive Director of the CHAMP Program. "Thanks to the public's support of the Key Tag and Address Label Service, we are able to bring young amputees like Laura and Kylah together, as well as provide financial assistance for the cost of artificial limbs."

Photo (left to right): Laura and Kylah at the 2019 CHAMP Seminar.

Wyevale's News Ruth Ann Caston 527-5274

Happy birthday wishes go out to Aaron Mitchell, Aislim Srigley, Gavin Maheu, Yvonne Moreau, Joey Gamble, Luke Blow, Brie Southhorn, Brenda Armstrong, Drake Reynolds, Alicia Stephenson, Cameron Crawford, Carol Hales, Erin Gibson, Judy Lalonde, Alvin Leonard, Spencer Caston & Keegan Srigley.

Bid euchre is on Friday afternoons at 1 p.m. in the church basement. Adults $2.50 with prizes & light lunch. Winners from Oct. 18th were: 1st Judy Hall, 2nd Roslyn Maurice & 3rd Marguerite Stone. Winners from Oct. 25th were: 1st Margaret Irvine, 2nd Marguerite Stone & 3rd Pat McAuley. Everyone welcome.

Starting in November, Wyevale United Church will be conducting an all family visitation. This is an opportunity to re-connect with the community. More information later.

U.C.W, meeting is on Thursday November 7th at 1;30 p.m. in the church basement. Bonnie Reynolds will be there to show pictures of the area around. Everyone is welcome.

I wish all the children have a happy and safe Hallowe'en. Cars need to watch for all the trick or treaters.

Anyone with news items for the paper, please call me and leave a message at 705.527.5274.

Did You Know?

 The Ontario Food Terminal (165 the Queensway, Mondays to Fridays: 4:00 am to 2:00 pm Sundays:6:00 am to 11:00 am) distributes over 2.1 Billion pounds of local and imported fresh fruits and vegetables annually.

 The Ontario Food Terminal has 21 warehouse tenants and 350 farmers' market tenants that sell directly and another 1,176 Ontario growers that sell indirectly through the warehouse tenants or farmers' market dealers to over 5,000 registered buyers.

 There are approximately 3,500 Ontario fruit and produce growers in Ontario of those 45% rely on the Ontario Food Terminal to sell all or part of their produce grown.

 The terminal supports local fruit and vegetable stores, independent and chain supermarkets, retailers, restauranteurs, foodservice, caterers, farmers' markets, farm gate markets, florists, garden centres, landscapers, convenience stores, institutions and charitable organizations such as FoodShare and Ontario food banks.

 The Ontario Food Terminal is the 'stock exchange of fruits and vegetables' in Canada. The price at the OFT is a key factor in many purchasing decisions made for the purchase of fresh fruits, vegetables and horticultural products, which in turn has a direct impact on the price consumers pay for their fresh fruits, vegetables and horticultural products.

Why is salt used to melt snow? The weight of the salt crystals provides a pressure that melts the snow. Once melted the salt dissolves in the water melt, preventing it from freezing. The drier winter air evaporates this water melt

Work begins on new County heritage and tourism site

Midhurst/October 23, 2019 – A historic and culturally significant landmark is an important step closer to its final home. Working to fulfil the vision of creating a historic lookout, and achieving this with First Nations and community partners, the County supports a community committee to carry out the vision and work to make the lookout site a reality.

The County of Simcoe, in collaboration with Friends of Wiidookdaadiwin, is pleased to announce that work has started to revitalize a closed landfill site located on George Johnston Road in Springwater Township. The site, now named Wiidookdaadwin, will be repurposed to serve as a regional heritage attraction with scenic vistas, including the Minesing Wetlands, historic Fort Willow, Nine Mile Portage Trail and panoramas from Collingwood to Mount St. Louis Moonstone. The site will also feature the bronze Wiidookdaadiwin icon created by world-renowned sculptor, Marlene Hilton Moore. The site will become the permanent home of the Wiidookdaadiwin icon, currently on display at the Simcoe County Museum.

The County has worked for several years with the visionaries who have collaborated on this project and who share the County's values of preserving the natural treasures of the area and creating educational spaces dedicated to the history of our region. Partners including the County of Simcoe, The Tri Council First Nations, Springwater Township, Rotary and many other individuals and contributors, have worked collaboratively in order to help bring to life the vision of the Friends of Wiidookdaadiwin.

Work on the site will continue this fall with an anticipated completion in 2020. The project is being supported by the County of Simcoe, with significant funding from partners and donors. To learn more about the Wiidookdaadiwin Lookout, or sponsorship and donor opportunities, please visit www.wiidookdaadiwin.org.

About the site

he County manages more than 40 landfill sites, which were uploaded from local municipalities in 1991. The majority of these sites are now closed to the public and serve no productive purpose. This closed landfill site now has the ability to be passively utilized by the public as an attraction due to its scenic overlook. The views from the overlook are captivating and will serve as an attraction to local residents and visitors to our region. As a closed landfill site, which continues to be monitored and is compliant with the requirements of the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, this project will support public awareness about the environment, the importance of reducing our waste and our history.

About Friends of the Wiidookdaadiwin Committee and Wiidookdaadiwin icon

Formally known as the Huronia Lookout committee, The Friends of Wiidookdaadiwin were incorporated in 2018 to create and open the site now aptly named Wiidookdaadiwin. The Committee unveiled the Wiidookdaadiwin icon at the Simcoe County Museum in 2014, where it is currently on public display. The Ojibway name of the bronze icon is *Wiidookdaadiwin*, an Ojibway word meaning "working together and helping one another". The icon was created by renowned artist and Simcoe County resident, Marlene Hilton Moore. It was financed in part by the Government of Canada's Canadian Heritage Building Communities through Arts and Heritage Program's Legacy Fund.

If you don't keep clothespins in your kitchen you're missing out on a HUGE convenience. Clothespins (the spring-loaded wooden kind) are perfect for closing just about any kind of bag. Chip bags, vegetable bags (especially if you buy big bags of spinach or mixed greens), bread bags and just about anything else

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Get Well Storytime

Join us for a special storytime with the **Midhurst Pharmasave** during cold season about getting better and feeling well! **Tuesday November 12, 10:30am Midhurst Branch.** Cost: Free. No registration required.

"Spring" Snowman

We will be making a snowman from a recycled mattress spring at this adult craft program. **Tuesday November 12, 6pm at Elmvale Branch. Cost $5 or Friday November 15, 7pm at Minesing Branch. Cost $5. Registration required.**

Kids Snow Crafts

These simple and fun crafts are a program you won't want to miss! **Saturday November 16, 11am at Elmvale Branch. Cost $2 or Tuesday November 19, 3:45pm at Minesing Branch. Cost $2. Registration required.**

Mom & Daughter Craft Club

Ages 9+ are invited to join our NEW monthly craft club. We will be using our new cricut machine and other crafting tools. **Thursday November 21 from 6pm-7pm at Midhurst Branch. Registration required.**

The Kids are in bed Parenting Club

Chats about the highs and lows of being a parent and find your community! This month we will focus on holiday tips and tricks, ways to make great memories with your family and ways to avoid melt downs. **Thursday November 21, 7:30pm-8:30pm Midhurst Branch.**

Christmas Tree/Craft Party

In association with the **South Springwater Fire Fighter's Association** we are offering a special one day only event where you can purchase a ***tree for charity*** (the goal is to sell 30 trees in honour of 30 years of tree sales). There will be a FREE photobooth with **Santa**, hot drinks, cookies, Sparky and firetrucks will be there and you can make a free Christmas craft at the library! **Saturday November 30, 1pm-5pm at 14 Finlay Mill Road (next to the Midhurst Branch).**

Holiday Wood Signs

Personalise your own wooden holiday sign! **Monday December 9, 2pm at Elmvale Branch, cost $10 or Friday December 13, 7pm at Minesing Branch, cost $10.**

Tech Thursdays Free tech help at the library for computer questions, downloading new apps and e-books onto your device. Appointments are for 30 minutes on **Thursdays between 5pm-7pm at Elmvale Branch**. Please call to make an appointment.

What is the difference between a tornado and a typhoon?

- The difference lies in their size, wind velocity, rate of travel, and duration. A tornado reaches rotating speeds up to 300 miles per hour, travels between 25 and 40 miles per hour, and generally lasts for a few minutes (although it can exist for hours). A typhoon (the term used in the Pacific for a hurricane) has winds that vary from 75 to 200 miles per hour, moves between 10 and 20 miles per hour, has a diameter up to 600 miles, and exists from days up to a week. A tornado generally forms several thousand feet above Earth's surface, usually during warm, humid weather. A typhoon breeds in low-altitude belts over the ocean, generally from 5 to 15 degrees latitude north or south.

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Springwater Township celebrates Small Business Week with local business owners

Township of Springwater / October 24, 2019 – The Township of Springwater joins Canadian communities coast to coast from October 20 to 26 in celebration of Small Business Week.

As part of Small Business Week, nearly 50 local entrepreneurs gathered at the Elmvale Community Arena on October 24 to attend the 3rd annual Business Breakfast. The breakfast brought together Springwater business owners to learn about economic development initiatives in the municipality and network with their peers.

Representatives from the County of Simcoe Economic Development Office and Elmvale BIA were on hand to speak to attendees about ongoing initiatives and upcoming events related to subsidies, resources and business opportunities. Presentations included information on the County of Simcoe's In-Market Special Project Fund, "Made in Simcoe County" campaign, LINX transit system, and more.

"The Business Breakfast celebrates our vibrant business community and enables business owners to network, share success stories, and learn about available support programs and partners in the region," said Mayor Don Allen. "When businesses succeed, our economy grows and jobs are created. We will continue to prioritize economic development to assist new and existing businesses grow and develop in Springwater."

At the breakfast, attendees were reminded of the Township's Community Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is a grant program that supports and incentivizes new development and private sector investment within the municipality. Grants are available to local businesses across eight separate program areas—from signage and exterior improvements to interior renovations, fee rebates, accessibility upgrades and more. All business owners in the community are encouraged to take advantage of the CIP program to support their renovation and development efforts. Funding is still available and applications are accepted year-round. For more information on the CIP program, visit springwater.ca/CIP.

Quick Facts

- Since the Township introduced the Community Improvement Plan in 2017, over $23,000 has been approved in grant funding to help local businesses.
- The Township developed its first Economic Development Marketing Plan in 2018, which achieved a MarCom Gold Award for Public Sector Marketing.
- The Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) estimates that 98% of Canadian businesses are small businesses, with the top three industries being construction, retail trade and professional services.

Q: What kind of car does a ghost drive?
A: A Boo-ick.

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I hope everyone had a fun and safe Halloween last night.

Monday was our fist day back in the house as a new session began in Queens Park. While I thoroughly enjoyed having the extra time to spend meeting organizations and constituents in the riding, I am also excited to be back working for the province in both the house and in the Ministry.

My primary role is MPP for the constituents of Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte, but I also have a secondary role as Attorney General, which has proven to be a diverse and interesting portfolio. We are hard at work in the Ministry improving services and updating processes in a wide variety of sectors.

We recently announced that starting on January 1st; the maximum claim filed in small claims court will be increased from $25,000 to $35,000. This small change will benefit Ontarians greatly, and alleviate pressure on our justice system.

Small claims cases are often resolved in less than a year and now rather than be forced to hire a lawyer, claimants can work with paralegals, law students or represent themselves. This will free up time and space in the Superior Court of Justice - one of the busiest courts in Canada - where litigation can take years and can involve expensive legal representation.

Throughout the fall, we will be continuing to consult victim's service providers and community partners on how we can better deliver services. Ontarians must have access to adequate support in a timely manner when their lives have been shattered, and we are going to work to ensure that is the case for victims across the province.

These are just a few examples of the many things we are working on in the Ministry. It will be a busy end to the year as we work hard both there, and in the house, to improve Ontario's systems and services. I will still be working in the riding frequently and am excited to continue representing the people of Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte.

Tiny township resident Alicia Smith, president-elect of the Ontario Branch of the International Dyslexia Association, gave a presentation to members of the public at the Springwater library in Midhurst on October 24.

According to Smith, at least 10% of the population is dyslexic. "With appropriate instruction," Smith said, "most individuals with dyslexia *can* learn to read and write well." Many though do not.

Consequently Smith and her association are advocating early screening at the kindergarten or Grade 1 level and a "structured literacy" approach to the teaching of reading.

Smith also stated that earlier in the month the Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC) announced a public inquiry into issues affecting reading-impaired students in Ontario's education system. Smith said the OHRC, as part of its work, wants to hear from students, parents and educators about the experiences of Ontario students who have (or may have) a reading disability. "Tell them your story," Smith urged. The OHRC can be contacted for this purpose at 1-800-387-9080 or by email at *legal@ohrc.on.ca*.

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Tiny's Mayor's Monthly Column

Plans for the Balm Beach playground are underway! Thank you to the many residents who attended the Town Hall Meeting on September 19 and provided feedback on the proposed accessibility features. As a result of the public consultation and a review by the Accessibility Advisory Committee, many playground features were enhanced to accommodate accessibility needs. The playground design has been finalized and the installation is anticipated to be complete prior to the end of November 2019. This project was funded by the provincial Downtown Revitalization Program grant, funds raised at the 2018 and 2019 Balm Beach Family Fun Days, and private donations.

If you know a volunteer who has made a difference in Tiny, show them your appreciation by nominating them for a volunteer award. Nominations are due by October 29.

If you're interested in joining the Tiny Fire Department as a Volunteer Firefighter and want to know more about the position, recruitment process, training and important dates, attend the recruitment information session on Saturday, October 19 at 9am at the Midland Fire Department (550 Bayshore Drive). View the Orientation Guide on our website for full details. Apply by October 25 at 4pm.

Halloween is around the corner. Bring the kids by Tiny Fire Station 1 (Lafontaine), Station 2 (Wyevale) and Station 3 (Toanche) for some trick or treating and to check out the fire trucks. Enjoy a safe and spooktacular evening!

Save the Date: Senior Speaker Series (November 7), Noel au Village (November 23) and the Wyevale Santa Claus Parade and Party (November 30).

Find full details about Tiny events, programs and news at www.tiny.ca.

Did You Know: Tiny Township is a member municipality of the Culture Alliance in the Heart of Georgian Bay, a group that works to celebrate, foster, promote and leverage cultural resources across North Simcoe. Visit www.culturealliance.ca to join in the many cultural programs and activities in our area.

Until next month! Mayor George Cornell

Mayor Cornell and Council Present Cheques to the Charitable Recipients of the 2019 Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament

(Above: Students of Sistema Huronia Music Academy are presented with a cheque for $2,650 on behalf of the charity)

The Township of Tiny held its 2019 Annual Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament and Dinner on Friday, September 13, 2019 at the Brooklea Golf and Country Club. More than $50,000 was raised to support the following 17 local charities:

• Angels with Backpacks • Huronia Seniors' Volunteer Care Team • Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Simcoe • MTM Conservation Association • Boys and Girls Clubs of North Simcoe • Scientists in School • Chigamik Community Health Centre • Sistema Huronia Music Academy • Community Reach • Township of Tiny Bursary Program • Crime Stoppers of Simcoe-Dufferin-Muskoka • We Are The Villagers • Georgian Bay Cancer Support Centre • Wendat Community Programs • Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation • Quest Art School & Gallery • Huronia Community Foundation

On Monday, September 30, 2019, the Township of Tiny Council held the official cheque presentation ceremony. During the Regular Meeting of Council, Mayor Cornell and members of Council presented each of the charities with their designated proceeds from the tournament.

Mayor Cornell, on behalf of Council, recognized the organizing committee, volunteers and staff for coordinating this successful event and thanked the many generous sponsors and participants for helping to support the 17 local charities that provide vital services to our community. To view moments from the Official Cheque Presentations, please visit our website or Facebook page using the links below:

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Open House Concerning the Township of Springwater Official Plan Review

Reference – Official Plan Review

Take notice that an Open House will be held by the Township of Springwater with respect to lands within the entire geographic area of the Township on **November 14, 2019** from **7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** in the Springwater Administration Centre, 2231 Nursery Road with regards to the Township's Official Plan Review.

Purpose

The Official Plan is a statement of goals, objectives and policies intended to guide future land use, physical development, and growth within the Township of Springwater. The Township's current Official Plan was approved in January 1998; however, the Plan needs to be updated to ensure that it is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), 2014 and conforms with other Provincial plans and the County of Simcoe Official Plan.

The primary purpose of the Township's Official Plan Review is to reflect the current and emerging values and growth management framework of the Township and ensure it is consistent with Provincial and County policies. To date, Visioning Sessions, including a workshop, were held, and a Discussion Paper and a Growth Management Strategy were prepared. The draft Discussion Paper and draft Growth Management Strategy are available for review on the Township of Springwater website at www.springwater.ca/OPR.

The purpose of this Open House is to provide information to interested stakeholders regarding the draft Discussion Paper and draft Growth Management Strategy, which have been made available on the Township's website since August 2018.

Comments regarding the draft documents are welcomed and encouraged.

Open House Format

The Open House is intended to provide for informal discussion regarding the process and information contained within draft documents completed to date. A brief presentation will be provided by staff at approximately 7:15 p.m. after which stakeholders are encouraged to view information boards and discuss the project with staff members on an informal one-on-one basis.

If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like your comments and/or concerns received by members of Council, please submit your comments in writing to: c/o the Director of Planning Services, Brent Spagnol, MCIP, RPP, 2231 Nursery Road, Minesing, ON L9X 1A8, or email: planning@springwater.ca and provide your name and mailing address.

Statutory Public Meeting

It should be noted that the Open House does not represent the formal Statutory Public Meeting. The Statutory Public Meeting under Section 26 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P 13 as amended for the Township of Springwater Official Plan Review is scheduled to take place at the Township Administration Centre at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday December 5, 2019. Additional notice will be provided for this formal meeting.

Additional Information

For further information on the Official Plan Review, please contact:

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Dated at the Township of Springwater, Ontario on October 31st, 2019.

Ask a Therapist with Sarah Joy Covey

Q: *I feel like I overreact to the smallest things and I don't understand why! Could you help me figure out why I seem to flip my lid so easily?*

A: Perhaps the best place to start is to note that emotional regulation is a complex issue and certainly hard to address in a short column. Having said that, overreactions are one way that our emotions provide information that gets our attention because there is an underlying need that is not being addressed. The first step to understanding your extreme reactions is to start to be curious about them and to begin to ask questions to seek greater understanding! So, you are already on the right track!

When people experience disproportionate reactions, especially if they are recurring, it is important to explore the combination of factors that could be contributing to their ability to respond with greater emotional control. Typically, it is not just one thing that will cause people to feel like they are out of control so a holistic look at the whole picture is a good idea.

If we start by looking at personality, we know that people are wired up in different ways and will have different operating systems, if you will, as it relates to handling emotions. Often the most challenging emotions that people will experience fall into the broad categories of anger, fear, and shame, but not everyone will experience those emotions in the same way, the same order, or with the same intensity.

You might find that even if you access one of those emotions more often than the others, you may fail to recognize all of the other emotions that are a part of the reaction you are observing on the surface. It can be helpful to think of that emotional reaction of anger, for example, as only the tip of the iceberg with many other emotions occupying space below the water line. Even though you may appear to be angry, that anger may also have elements of fear, disappointment, sadness, or other feelings that need to be identified in order to provide the full understanding you seek. Exploring what is beneath the surface and helping to make sense of emotions is a key component of psychotherapeutic work.

Additionally, stress is a huge factor in someone's ability to regulate emotion. As we all know, there are many stressors in our lives and our ability to manage them well is a vital component of self-care. Stress will naturally fluctuate in our systems but living at a consistent state of stress with no decompression or release is a significant overall health concern, not just in terms of the emotional effects. However, if your stress levels are moderated, you will find that you have a greater ability to be patient, flexible, and responsive.

To a great extent, our lifestyle choices have the power to significantly impact our stress capacity but there are situations that are outside of our control that can also be contributors to our emotional responses. An unexpected diagnosis, an accident or injury, relational discord, and the loss of a job or a loved one are only a few examples of situations that will certainly impact your ability to hold it together emotionally. It is important to have compassion and grace for yourself in these circumstances and to seek to unpack how these events may be, understandably, causing you to feel overwhelmed or emotionally unstable.

It is not uncommon for people to struggle with overreaction or extremes as a result of a personality disorder or a traumatic experience. Often, these specific concerns present particular challenges for individuals that will need to be addressed with a coordination of medical and mental health supports, like prescription medication and Dialectical Behavioural Therapy, for example.

Of course, increased or problematic consumption of alcohol or the use of recreational drugs may also have negative affects on emotional control and should be taken into consideration as another potentially contributing factor. Regulating, limiting, or abstaining from the consumption of alcohol or the use of drugs is vital to support mental health.

At all times, to the degree that you are able, prioritizing consistent sleep, nutritional meals, and exercise is essential to overall health, including emotional health. If there have been significant changes in any of these areas, a person may find themselves overreacting as a result.

You might be thinking, "okay, so I can see some of the factors that might be causing some overreaction but what do I do about it?"

There are lots of helpful tools and strategies that can be learned and practiced with the support of a therapist to help individuals listen to, understand, and regulate their emotions. So, reaching out for help makes a lot of sense if you continue to struggle in this way. It can take some time to get fully to the heart of the issues so finding someone to talk to that can help provide education, encouragement, and guidance is a great next step to help facilitate change in this area of your life.

In general, disproportionate recurring reactions are your system's way of communicating to you that you are not functioning optimally and that you need to pause and consider how to move towards rest, healing, and the rebuilding of emotional resilience.

To submit YOUR question for consideration in a future column or for more information about psychotherapy services that could help with emotional regulation and stress management, email sarahjoycovey@gmail.com. You can follow on Instagram @ sarahjoycovey and @anewleaftherapy or visit sarahjoycovey.com for more content and connection.

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"Have you ever stopped, to watch rain drop"?

Water column By Erin Archer

Another beautiful morning…Vancouver sunshine!! Suited in my rain gear, I head for my spot on Georgian Bay, pencil and paper in hand. Bundled to the 9's, I decide to take my hood off. Lets start this right…the rain lands on my face and tickles as it slides; makes me smile. Since December I have written at the same place. Witness to the changes, the power and the subtlety. I observe.

Have you ever stopped, to watch rain drop? Drip drip drop
Each landing in its own space…displacing…mixing…
Sending a perfect ripple out in the four directions
East, South, North, West
Reaching out to others, sending the message of what it has accomplished to another, sharing its energy with everything it touches
Autumn winds of change. New obstacles have arrived.
Millions of drops collect as one, washing up and over and around - Leaving things slightly changed
Retreating along a different path then first traveled
All different. Some large and impactful, some small and strategic = Drip drip drop
The perfect analogy for our water fight E

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***VOLUNTEER:** We are excited to announce that our group and local water fight is in the spotlight at the Orillia Opera House this November! We are set up before and during the fabulous musical Urinetown. We will be bringing you all the latest news as well as fundraising for the upcoming OMB hearings. 8 shows between Nov 7-17th. Please contact us today and let us know what date works for you!

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Sports with Patrick Townes

The Houston Astros have climbed back in the World Series and, as of Monday evening, lead the series 3-2 over the Washington Nationals. Even though the Astros lost the first two games of the series, their offensive fire power and top pitching staff have appeared to rise to the surface. One year after losing their "top" player, the Nationals made it to the World Series. What an accomplishment for the Nationals whether they win or lose.

After watching the Major League Baseball playoffs and the World Series, you can really see what it takes to be a successful team. Each team in the finals has three solid starting pitchers and a line-up full of high average hitters. More importantly, the players on each team have athletic builds and they possess at least some speed on the base paths. The days of the typical designated hitter are nearing an end. In order to make a successful roster in the majors, it is clear that you not only need to be able to hit homeruns, but also need to be able to run and play defense.

What a sports weekend! This past Sunday was the only day of the year where there was a football game, a hockey game, a basketball game and a baseball game all on the same day.

The Toronto Raptors have begun their title defense from last season. It was an exciting offseason for many National Basketball Association teams. Look out for the Los Angeles teams and Milwaukee to make a play for the championship this year.

Simcoe Rural Fastball League hands out yearly awards - from the Executive of the League.

After an approximate ten-year absence of the Simcoe Rural Fastball League year-end banquet, the Executive handed out its yearly awards for the Most Valuable Player of the regular season; the Most Valuable Pitcher of the regular season; the Most Sportsmanlike Award; the Rookie of the Year and the Playoff Most Valuable Player.

The League announced that the Most Valuable Player of the regular season was Patrick Townes from the Minesing Mallards.

The Most Valuable Pitcher of the regular season was awarded to Joey "Mr. Uhthoff" Balkwill of the Uhthoff Nationals.

The Rookie of the Year went to Noah Weatherall of the Waverley Ravens. Steve Eakley from the Vasey Countrymen won the Most Sportsmanlike Award.

The Most Valuable Player of the Playoffs was awarded to Denny Benson of the Victoria Harbour Dodgers. Benson pitched all three games in the finals and only gave up one single run, and led the Dodgers to the championship against the Countrymen.

The awards were handed out by League President Jamie Robinson and Vice President Steve Courtemanche. Thank you to Cory Kelly for organizing the event. Pictures included of award winners --

The "Great American Eclipse" was a total solar eclipse visible from North America on August 21, 2017. It began at 11:47 A.M. EDT and ended at 5:04 P.M. All regions of North America were able to view a partial eclipse at some point during this time span (exact times depended on specific locations). The total eclipse was viewable for up to 2 minutes and 40 seconds at most and was visible only along a narrow path running southeastward from Oregon to South Carolina and crossing through parts of Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina. Cities that experienced totality include Salem, OR; Lincoln, NE; Kansas City, Jefferson City, and St. Louis, MO; Nashville, TN; and Columbia and Charleston, SC. The next total solar eclipse visible from North America will occur in 2024.

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Elmvale Bantam Euro Alumni Game

On November 2 the Elmvale Community Arena will be hopping when the two teams that have previously represented EMHA over seas come back for some alumni games. It was 25 years ago that the first team went and 5 years ago when the second team travelled to Sweden to play. Both these teams had a fantastic experience and have memories that will last a lifetime. Both are excited to come and enjoy a fundraising night to play against the Bantam team that is heading over to the Czech Republic to play this coming Christmas season.

The games will start at 6:30 pm with the 1994 team playing against the 2014 team for a quick game. The older team will then need a break and rest up while the 2014 team plays against the 2019 and then the night will finish with the 2020 team showing the 1994 team how it is done. These three mini games will be played over 90 minutes with a few fun contests happening for the fans to have a chance to win some prizes.

The entry will be donation only. The upstairs in the arena will be open for those that would like to enjoy some food and beverages during or after the game. There will be a silent and live auction that have some great prizes from fishing gear, golf passes and even a box for a Colt's game. Please come out and support the team and enjoy a fun night.

The team would like to thank their many sponsors. This trip would not be possible without the support of the local businesses. Elmvale Home Hardware has been very supportive with sponsorship and had housed our metal bin for a year. The metal bin is now located at TVR (Track Vehicle Repair) on William Street. Other sponsors include Hardship Acres, Pinnacle Rockscapes, ES Fox Constuction Ltd, Rob Trans Systems Ltd, Iron Workers District Council, SKS Construction & Landscaping Inc., Smoke Style, Re/Max Chay Realty Inc, Artech Promotional wear, Iron Workers Local 721, Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival, Elmvale Legion, Keith Fowler, Barry Moore, Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival, Body Line Collision, Kolder Canada, Dialcom Communication Ltd., Royal Bank of Canada, Northern Automotive Solutions and Bounce Back Physiotherapy.

Thank you to the Community for all of your support during our fundraiser. Please come out one more time and enjoy some hockey, some laughs and see what kind of great deals you can get in the silent and live auction! See you on November 2nd at 6:30 pm!

Freshen Laundry
Save yourself the occasional load of laundry by freshening up your clothes with vodka. If an item is relatively clean but just a little 'worn' simply spritz it with the vodka, then hang to dry in a well-ventilated area. Vodka kills odor-causing bacteria, but doesn't leave a scent when dry.

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Seniors Win Table Tennis Medals????

Gunter Schmidt, Springwater, and Helmut Paddags, Tiny, teamed up in Ft Lauderdale to participate in the Table Tennis World Veterans Tour 2019. In the men's doubles 65-69 age group, round robin,??they came second in their group and advanced to the semifinals. Even though they lost that match 4-11, 2-11, 3-11 to the eventual gold medal winners and former world champions, they won the Bronze medal.??

Similarly, Helmut came second in the men's singles 75-79 age group, round robin, and advanced to the semifinals. Helmut lost that match to the eventual gold medal winner 5-11, 8-11, 7-11. He still won the Bronze medal. Bronze medals are awarded to both semi-finalists.

As recreational players, Gunter and Helmut are pleased with their performance and success . They competed against more experienced and skilled players who had previously played internationally at the highest level of table tennis.??

Gunter and Helmut are training for the World Veteran Table Tennis Championships to be held in Bordeaux, France in June 2020.

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Conflict Resolutions Part 3

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Let's continue from my last article.

Identify a Safe Place for Negotiation

- Appropriate Space for Discussion/ Private and Neutral
- Mutual Consent to Negotiate/ Appropriate Time
- Role of Support People (Facilitators, Mediators, Advocates), as needed
- Agreement to Ground rules

Safe Space

In order to have a constructive conversation, people generally need to feel that they are in a "safe place," --a place where they can take the risks involved in honest communication about meaningful issues.

If possible, identify a private, neutral room in which to hold your conversation, preferably a space that isn't "owned" by one person or the other. If the conversation starts in a more public place (for example, if confronted by a customer), suggest that it might be helpful if the two of you could, at least, move to a more private area within the room.

Appropriate Time

Be sure that the time is also acceptable and appropriate. Do not try to negotiate a complex agreement in fifteen minutes! If time is limited, agree on a scope for this discussion and then set up an opportunity for follow-up. You might say, "Let's get started in the brief time we have available and then get together again."

Take a Listening Stance into the Interaction

- "Seek first to understand, then to be understood" (Covey)
- Use Active Listening skills

When engaged in a conflict, we have a tendency to "push, push, push!" Of course, this is because "you just don't understand me!" One of the most important challenges we face in negotiating solutions to conflicts is the need to resist the urge to push and, instead, make a special effort to listen. If we dedicate ourselves to active listening, we significantly improve the likelihood that our ideas and feelings, in turn, will be understood by the other person. And if we truly come to understand the other's point of view in the conflict, we may actually clarify why the situation has become so combustible to this point.

"Taking a listening stance" begins by preparing oneself to listen: directionalvision@gmail.com

***The rest of this article and many more can be read in the police report at* www.springwaternews.ca**

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Beat the silent killer: Prevent carbon monoxide in your home

Tay, Ontario: Ontario's Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week runs from November 1 to 7, and Tay Fire and Emergency Services reminds you to prevent carbon monoxide (CO) in your home by getting all fuel-burning appliances inspected annually.

"In Ontario, more than 65% of injuries and deaths from CO occur in the home," said Tay Township Fire Chief Brian Thomas. "We want to make sure everyone is safe from CO. Get all fuel-burning appliances inspected by a registered contractor." Visit COSafety.ca to find a registered contractor near you.

Tay Fire and Emergency Services also reminds you to install CO alarms in your home if you have a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace, or attached garage. Fuel-burning appliances can include furnaces, hot water heaters, gas or wood fireplaces, portable fuel-burning heaters and generators, barbeques, stoves, and vehicles.

"You must have a working CO alarm adjacent to each sleeping area of the home if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace, or attached garage," said Fire Chief Brian Thomas. "For added protection, install a carbon monoxide alarm on every storey of the home according to manufacturer's instructions."

If you live in a condo or apartment building with a service room, CO alarms must be installed in the service room and adjacent to each sleeping area of all homes above, below and beside the service room. In condo or apartment buildings that have a garage, CO alarms must be installed adjacent to each sleeping area of all homes above, below and beside the garage.

What is CO?

• CO is known as the silent killer because it is an invisible, tasteless and odourless gas that can be deadly.

• CO is produced when fuels such as propane, gasoline, natural gas, heating oil or wood do not burn completely in fuel-burning appliances and devices such as furnaces, gas or wood fireplaces, hot water heaters, stoves, barbeques, portable fuel-burning heaters and generators, and vehicles.

Prevent CO in your home

• Ensure fuel-burning appliances, chimneys and vents are cleaned and inspected annually. Visit COSafety.ca to find a registered contractor near you.

• Check that all outside appliance vents are not blocked.

• Gas and charcoal barbeques should only be used outside, away from all doors, windows, vents, and other building openings. Never use barbeques inside garages, even if the garage doors are open.

• Portable fuel-burning generators should only be used outdoors in well-ventilated areas away from windows, doors, vents and other building openings.

• Ensure all portable fuel-burning heaters are vented properly, according to manufacturer's instructions.

• Never use the stove or oven to heat your home.

• Open the flue before using a fireplace for adequate ventilation.

• Never run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor inside a garage, even if the garage doors are open. Always remove a vehicle from the garage immediately after starting it.

Know the symptoms of CO

• Exposure to CO can cause flu-like symptoms such as headaches, nausea, dizziness, as well as confusion, drowsiness, loss of consciousness and death.

• If your CO alarm sounds, and you or other occupants suffer from symptoms of CO poisoning, get everyone out of the home immediately. Then call 9-1-1 from outside the building.

• If your CO alarm sounds, and no one is suffering from symptoms of CO poisoning, check to see if the battery needs replacing, or the alarm has reached its "end-of-life" before calling 9-1-1.

Know the sound of your CO alarm

• Your CO alarm sounds different than your smoke alarm. Test both alarms monthly and make sure everyone in your home knows the difference between the two alarm sounds.

• Don't be confused by the sound of your CO alarm's low-battery warning. Follow your CO alarm manufacturer's instructions so you know the difference between the lowbattery warning, the "end-of-life" warning, and the alarm alerting you to the presence of CO in your home.

For more CO safety tips, visit the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management's website and COsafety.ca.

Tay Fire and Emergency Services is committed to protecting the life and property of Tay residents. Fire Chief Brian Thomas, Deputy Fire Chief Shawn Aymer, and 66 dedicated volunteer firefighters operate from four fire stations. The fire department responds to an average of 270 calls per year and serves 10,000 residents in a 139-square kilometer area.

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Hillsdale Highlights • Alissa Shanahan

• **Happy Halloween!** Since this issue is delivered on October 31st, I would like to wish a Happy Halloween to all who celebrate! Please make sure to be safe when you are trick or treating!

• **AED/CPR Workshop:** The Township is offering a FREE community workshop in Hillsdale on Saturday, November 3rd from 4-6pm. Registration is required at https://savestation.ca/township-of-springwater/#.

• **5th Annual Tree Lighting:** With colder weather just around the corner, it is time to once again talk about our annual tree lighting! As always, it will be held on the first Saturday of December, meaning this year it will be on Saturday, December 7th. Come to the hall for the lighting of the tree at 6pm, followed by some carols, crafts and baked goods. We have already reached out to Jolly Old Saint Nick, and have our fingers crossed that he will make an appearance, yet again! To keep this event completely FREE, we are looking for donations of baked goods. If you can bake (or even buy!) a dozen or two items, please email me at alissa.shanahan@hotmail.ca. Thank you!

• **Hillsdale Community Recreation Association (CRA):** The Hillsdale CRA meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at the hall at 7:00pm. The next meeting is on **Wednesday, November 27th**. Come out to have your input heard about our community, and get involved as much (or as little!) as you wish!

The "Hillsdale Highlights" is a community news update, so please feel free to contact me at alissa.shanahan@hotmail.ca with any information you would like the community to know about! Follow the official Hillsdale Community Recreation Association on Facebook for details about upcoming events and social gatherings at "Hillsdale Community Group."

Smiling from coast to coast: Tim Hortons annual Smile Cookie campaign raises a record $9.8M across Canada for over 550 charities, hospitals and community groups Guests from coast to coast helped beat last year's record of $7.8M

TORONTO, October 3, 2019 – Tim Hortons 2019 Smile Cookie campaign raised a record $9.8M in just one week for 550 charities, hospitals and community groups across Canada. This amazing accomplishment is because of the passion and dedication that Tim Hortons restaurant owners, team members and our guests show year after year, for a good cause and fantastic charity partners who help spread the word in their communities.

For one week – from September 16-22 – Tim Hortons guests shared smiles across the country and raised millions of dollars through the tasty act of buying chocolate chunk cookies decorated with blue eyes and an iconic pink smile for $1, plus applicable taxes.

Elmvale's Tim Hortons restaurant, owned by Jennifer Cote, raised a total of $6580 during Smile Cookie benefitting Elmvale District Highschool. Jen and her team presented the cheque to the high school.

Top Towns Guests from across Canada came together to raise a record amount of money for Smile Cookie this year. Here are the top five communities from coast to coast.

- Dunnville, ON's new nickname should the Smile Cookie Capital of Canada raising $42,864 – this is a single store record for Smile Cookie sales and an impressive feat for a town of under 6,000 people! These funds will support the Dunnville Hospital Foundation.
- Lac-Mégantic, QC – also a town just shy of 6,000 people – raised $26,703 for Maison Cinquième Saison
- Binbrook, ON raised $26,122 for Glanbrook Community Services
- Woodstock, ON raised $21,013 for two charities: Sakura House Hospice and United Way Oxford
- Supporting the High Level Play Association, High Level, AB rounds out the top five raising $17,993 from Smile Cookie sales

Smile Cookie Campaign Facts

- In 2019, the Smile Cookie campaign broke the record of $7.8M raised in 2018 by $2M for a new record of $9.8M
- The first Smile Cookie was sold in 1996 to help raise funds for the Hamilton Children's Hospital in Ontario
- In 2019, Tim Hortons Restaurant owners supported an additional 50 charities than they did in 2018 for a total of 550 local charities, hospitals and community programs

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Rosie's Devotions

Self Examination

Our church is a liturgical church, which means that our congregation follows an outlined service on a large screen or in a Book of Worship whenever we have a power outage. Most of the time, we always sing the "Lord's Prayer" at one point or another, but on this one particular Sunday, we said the words instead of singing them. The words were being repeated very quickly, said without thinking, words not being digested and thought about.

When I came home I wondered if we really think about the words that Jesus taught His disciples in the Lord's Prayer, passed on to us?

Our Father who art in heaven:
Do I respect and honour God in all things?
Hallowed be Thy Name:
Do I do or speak certain things that will bring disrespect and dishonour God's Name?
Thy Kingdom come:
The kingdom of God is within me and will come when I follow and obey Christ.
Thy will be done:
Do I follow my own self-interests, or do I obey and step out in faith as the Holy Spirit leads?
On earth as it is in heaven:
Do I sit back and do nothing to bring about God's will right now?
Give us this day our daily bread:
Do I acknowledge that everything I have is from God?
And forgive us our trespasses:
Do I live as a forgiven servant of Christ or am I carrying many burdens unnecessarily?
As we forgive those who trespass against us:
Do I hold a grudge when someone hurts my ego? Do I remember where I have been and what I have become in Christ?
Lead us not into temptation:
Do I really believe that God is alive today, tomorrow and forever ,and that God will lead and be with me all the days of my life?
And deliver us from evil:
Do I believe that God is able?
For Thine is the kingdom, the power, the glory for ever and ever. Amen.
Not mine.
Prayer: Creator God, help us to meditate on every word that You speak to us through the words that Jesus taught us. Reveal Your will for us, through Your Holy Spirit.Amen.

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Copper Leaf Campaign Launched to Complete the Dream: Tomkins House

Hospice Huronia has launched a Copper Leaf Campaign to raise the remaining funds needed to open Tomkins House, mortgage free.

"The build is happening and financing is arranged to ensure the opening of Tomkins House this spring, however a mortgage is the last thing any charitable organization wants," says Marthe Scott, Chair of the Board for Hospice Huronia.

The Copper Leaf Campaign is a simple concept … 200 caring, generous donors giving $5,000 each to take this project to the finish line. Each donor will be recognized with a "copper leaf" on the donor recognition tree inside Tomkins House, whether it's a name in memory of a loved one, a group or business name, an individual or family name, it can all be accommodated.

"Community support has been outstanding throughout our capital campaign, raising funds to build a local residential hospice. We certainly value all our donors and appreciate the support we've been given thus far," says Scott. "This campaign will encourage new donors to step forward in supporting this valuable community resource."

Serving an average of 150 end-of-life residents and further supporting 750 family members each year, these five beds at Tomkins House will have a lasting impact on the community. The emotional support provided by Hospice staff and volunteers makes a tremendous difference to the resident and their family members. Additionally, the bereavement support provided afterwards helps family members cope, understand their grief and move forward.

Copper Leaf Campaign donations can be made online by credit card, by cheque in person or by mail or even through a securities transfer. Visit www.hospicehuronia.ca or call 705-549-1034 for more information.

Barb Clayton generously stepped forward to buy two Copper Leafs in support of the recently launched Copper Leaf Campaign by Hospice Huronia. The donation, in memory of Barb's parents, Allan and Norma Day, means that each copper leaf will have one of their names on it and be placed on the donor recognition tree inside Tomkins House. The Copper Leaf Campaign was launched to raise the remaining funds needed to open Tomkins House, a local residential hospice serving North Simcoe. The campaign is simple: 200 generous donors giving $5,000 each to purchase a copper leaf and help complete the dream: Tomkins House. Donations can be made by groups, businesses, individuals and families. Barb's donation helps bring residential hospice care closer to home.

Strangely enough, the D in D-Day stands for Day, so this phrase could be literally translated to mean "Day Day." While this phrase had been used in war prior to World War II to indicate the day of launching a major strategic maneuver, it has since come to signify the D-Day we know as the Allied Invasion of Normandy, France. D-Day was June 6, 1944, though originally scheduled for May that year. Under Dwight Eisenhower's direction the invasion, also called Operation Overlord, landed 156,000 men on the beaches of Normandy to begin the massive effort that eventually led to Germany's defeat.

Township of Springwater

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING - OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW

PURSUANT TO SECTION 26(3) AND (4) OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O. 1990 (AS AMENDED) TAKE NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD BY THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGWATER:

WHEN: **December 5, 2019**
WHERE: **Township of Springwater Administration Centre, 2231 Nursery Road, Minesing, ON L9X 1A8**
TIME: **6:30pm – Review of Display Boards**
7:00pm – Council Meeting

A location map is not provided with this notice, as the Official Plan Review applies to all lands within the Township of Springwater.

Purpose
The Official Plan is a statement of goals, objectives and policies intended to guide future land use, physical development, and growth within the Township of Springwater. The Township's current Official Plan was approved in January 1998; however, the Plan needs to be updated to ensure that it is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), 2014 and conforms with other Provincial plans and the County of Simcoe Official Plan.

The primary purpose of the Township's Official Plan Review is to reflect the current and emerging values and growth management framework of the Township and ensure it is consistent with Provincial and County policies. To date, Visioning Sessions, including a workshop, were held, and a Discussion Paper and a Growth Management Strategy were prepared, which have been available for review on the Township's website since August 2018.

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to identify the various changes to Provincial Policy and the County Official Plan and summarize the policy recommendations rising from the Discussion Paper and Growth Management Strategy all of which provided the basis for the Township's Official Plan Review.

Tell Us What You Think
The public is invited to attend this statutory public meeting to provide input into the Official Plan Review process and scope of work. We would like your input to identify policies of the Official Plan which may be revised through the review process. Input received from the public will be considered in the Official Plan Review.

Written Submissions
If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like your comments and/or concerns received by members of Council, please submit your comments in writing to: c/o the Director of Planning Services, Brent Spagnol, MCIP, RPP, 2231 Nursery Road, Minesing, ON L9X 1A8, or email: planning@springwater.ca and provide your name and mailing address.

Additional Information

For further information on the Official Plan Review, please contact:

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DATED THIS 31st day of October, 2019

How State of Affairs in Honduras Directly Relate to Edwin Espinal and Political Prisoners' Freedom

New York Trial Results of Tony Hernandez, Brother of President

On October 18, 2019, Juan Antonio 'Tony" Hernandez, the brother of the illegal president Juan Orlando Hernandez, was found guilty. Tony Hernandez faces a minimum sentence of 40 years to three life sentences on four counts of drug and weapons trafficking and lying to federal authorities:

The 12-member NY jury took 8.5 hours of deliberation to deliver their 'guilty' verdict to the court. Since President Hernandez is implicated in the drug and weapons trafficking in connection with his brother Tony, his continual lying to US federal authorities and to the Honduran people, most believe that is only a matter of time for Juan Orlando Hernandez be either taken out of power or for him to resign. Further information can be found at: https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/18/world/americas/honduras-president-brother-drug-trafficking.html

President Hernandez Implicated in Recent Murders

Yet the president's back is against the wall for he has been implicated in a murder this past weekend which occurred in the El Pozo maximum-security prison located in the northern city of Santa Barbara. Another murder under suspicious circumstances recently occurred in La Tolva maximum-security prison (where Edwin and Raul were held for over 17 months).

Many believe the El Pozo murder was the result of the president being involved in evidence tampering and in the commissioning of the crime. Prisoner Magdaleno Meza was brutally murdered by inmates inside El Pozo, and according to a lawyer in Honduras, he was killed so that he could not testify against Juan Orlando Hernandez and other Honduran authorities linked to Tony Hernandez' drug trafficking operation. Meza was arrested with drug ledgers that implicated Juan Orlando and Tony in running drugs through Honduras to the United States. He could therefore be used as a star witness against the president and others in the government. https://twitter.com/salvapresidente/status/1188635583008129028?s=11

In early October, a Honduran authority also reported that Meza was offered a transfer out of El Pozo in exchange for denying evidence that severely implicated the president: https://twitter.com/notibomba/status/1188606211123564549?s=11 For some reason, his transfer did not materialize to prevent his recent death.

In the above video of the Meza maximum-security prison murder, why were prison and military guards there as spectators? In almost all instances, I have witnessed the fact that prisoners are moved throughout the facilities accompanied by heavily armed guards; they are mostly hand and foot cuffed. In the Meza murder, this crime was committed under the watch of armed prison authorities. In the La Tolva killing, the murderer was accompanied by a group of inmates as they approached the targeted prisoner but no guards were in sight. After the gunman shot his victim, prison guards sauntered in slowly and took some time to act.

In all my previous visits to La Tolva Prison, I was subjected to pat downs and was forced to pass through the scanners. All visitors, diplomats, prison authorities, and prison guards must go through a rigorous scanning process. No personal items are allowed – purses, wallets, keys and other personal items must be left at the front gate. So how did the handguns pass through this process to get into the hands of the murderers? They most certainly were brought in by someone who was under direct orders to do so. Both shootings were very suspiciously planned and executed.

Another important question is why the video taping of the murders inside the prisons were released to social media? Were these videos published as a fear tactic or released intentionally for other unknown reasons?

Still No Comment from the Canadian Government

Despite these recent events that clearly implicate JOH in drug trafficking and murder, the Canadian government remains silent and continues to 'do business as usual' in Honduras. As far as our government is concerned, economics overrides the rule of law and human rights.

How this Directly Relates to Edwin Espinal and all Political Prisoners' Cases

Edwin Espinal and Raul Alvarez await an appeal decision brought forward in late August by the public prosecutor who has made a motion that they be sent back to prison. As the judicial system is directly controlled by JOH the narco-dictator, the two men could very well be sent back to prison, despite lack of evidence and a ruling for release issued in August by a lower court. Fellow political prisoner Gustavo Caceres still awaits trial, which recently was pushed ahead to mid-November. Even though there is lack of concrete evidence against him as well - Gustavo was merely arrested for being near a protest - he now is the longest standing political prisoner. Gustavo also suffers from an intellectual disability; he cannot speak, read, or write. His incarceration is totally unjust and inhumane.

Edwin, Raul, Gustavo, and eight others are political pawns in JOH's game of corruption and narco-trafficking. When the president falls, we trust that a new interim government will grant immunity to the men. In the meantime, Edwin works on his construction project, is a host to Canadian and other international human rights visitors, and is trying to return to a 'normal' life. Karen continues her human rights work with the Honduras Solidarity Network.

Will Canada Now Take a Stand?

As our new Canadian Parliament opens in December, will human rights be on the agenda? Since Green Party Leader Elizabeth May will present the SCHRM paper petition regarding the release of all political prisoners and the charges against them be dropped, May will bring the discussion to the House that brings to light the impunity, corruption, and human rights violations occurring in Honduras and in Central America at large. She will demand the Canadian government to take a stand on these issues.

"OUR COUNTRY IS IN MOURNING, A VETERAN DIED TODAY."

He was getting old and paunchy
And his hair was falling fast,
And he sat around the Legion,
Telling stories of the past.

Of a war that he once fought in
And the deeds that he had done,
In his exploits with his buddies;
They were heroes, every one.

And 'tho sometimes to his neighbors
His tales became a joke,
All his buddies listened quietly
For they knew where of he spoke.

But we'll hear his tales no longer,
For ol' Joe has passed away,
And the world's a little poorer
For a Veteran died today.

He won't be mourned by many,
Just his children and his wife.
For he lived an ordinary,
Very quiet sort of life.

He held a job and raised a family,
Going quietly on his way;
And the world won't note his passing,
'Tho a Veteran died today.

When politicians leave this earth,
Their bodies lie in state,
While thousands note their passing,
And proclaim that they were great.

Papers tell of their life stories
From the time that they were young,
But the passing of a Veteran
Goes unnoticed, and unsung.

Is the greatest contribution
To the welfare of our land,
Some jerk who breaks his promise
And cons his fellow man?

Or the ordinary fellow
Who in times of war and strife,
Goes off to serve his country
And offers up his life?

The politician's stipend
And the style in which he lives,
Are often disproportionate,
To the service that he gives.

While the ordinary Veteran,
Who offered up his all,
Is paid off with a medal
And perhaps a pension, small.

It is not the politicians
With their compromise and ploys,
Who won for us the freedom
That our country now enjoys.

Should you find yourself in danger,
With your enemies at hand,
Would you really want some cop-out,
With his ever-waffling stand?

Or would you want a Veteran
His home, his country, his kin,
Just a common Veteran,
Who would fight until the end.

He was just a common Veteran,
And his ranks are growing thin,
But his presence should remind us
We may need his likes again.

For when countries are in conflict,
We find the Veteran's part,
Is to clean up all the troubles
That the politicians start.

If we cannot do him honor
While he's here to hear the praise,
Then at least let's give him homage
At the ending of his days.

Where Did The Country Go Wrong

But in the meantime, the international community awaits the fate of the illegal, narco-trafficking president of Honduras, Juan Orlando Hernandez, and hopes for the timely usurping of his presidency. This will bring some stability to the country. For those officials in high places in the Honduran government who have operated with impunity and lack of concern for their people, the anticipation is that they will also fall in disgrace.

Karen and Edwin both have faith that they can leave this political nightmare behind and travel to Canada in the very near future.

Janet Spring and the Simcoe County Honduras Rights Monitor Committee

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Elmvale BIA Highlights

Please Join us for our Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, November 19
5:15 pm

Elmvale Library
Basement Meeting Room

Life's a Slice Pizzeria Life's A Slice Pizza
13 Yonge Street South, Elmvale, ON
tel:705 515 0777

Elmvale Welcomes A New Business!

The Elmvale BIA is pleased to welcome The Boho Hut, found at 3 Yonge Street North, inside The Wicker Place. Owner, Stephanie Larmand, provide a unique Bohemian Beach Vibe boutique that will be your first stop to finding unique One of A Kind Style collections and beauty products. With her love of travel and connection with water, she has brought to life some of the most unique collections from all over the world and from some of the most amazing Blue Water locations. Places such as the shorelines of Georgian Bay Ontario, Hawaii, Italy, Brazil, Bali and Australia to name a few.

Stephanie also strives to support local designers by bringing in over half of our products made right here in Canada!

For more information, please visit their website - https://www.thebohohut.com/

$4.18 The average price of regular gas, per gallon, in California. That's the highest level in more than five years.

Mayor Don's Update - by Don Allen

Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment

The Township of Springwater Fire & Emergency Services is recruiting for volunteer firefighters. There are four active fire stations in Springwater in Midhurst, Minesing, Hillsdale and Elmvale with over 90 volunteer firefighters. We urge residents to serve our community when help is needed the most and make a lifesaving difference. Applications will be accepted until November 5, 2019. Visit springwater.ca/careers to apply and for more information.

Winter Parking Restrictions

Winter is coming and so are winter parking restrictions from November 1 to March 31. No parking is allowed on Township roads between these dates from 2 a.m. to 7 a.m. so that snow removal crews can operate effectively. Please remove items from the end of your driveway such as basketball and hockey nets so that they don't interfere with snowplows. The Township clears snow and ice from nearly 430 km of road and 25 km of sidewalk. The County of Simcoe is responsible for maintaining all County roads.

Town Hall and Dinner – Grenfel

The Township of Springwater invites community members to the next Town Hall meeting in Grenfel on November 21, 2019. This is your chance to chat with municipal staff and members of Council, learn more about important initiatives and projects in your neighbourhoods, and ask questions. Watch for more details in the mail or online on the Township's website.

Also, Grenfel church will ne holding its fall dinner and police choir on November 24th starting at 4:30pm.

Midhurst Arts & Crafts Home Tour

The Midhurst Arts & Crafts Tour returns for its 30th year on November 23 and 24, 2019. This self-guided tour through the village of Midhurst gives visitors a taste of local culture and art. With ten stops, artists open their homes and workshops to visitors wanting to explore at their own pace. Grab a friend, hop in your car and visit as many stops as you want! As always, the Midhurst Arts & Crafts Home Tour features a Tea Room at the Midhurst United Church. Delicious sandwiches and treats along with tea and coffee are served on Saturday (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Sunday (12 p.m. to 3 p.m.). Visit midhurstartsandcrafts.com for the guide map and participating artists.

CP Holiday Train

The CP Holiday Train will be returning to Springwater again this year on November 29 at 12:15 p.m. Each year, this annual tradition brings talented artists to perform a free show out of the CP train boxcar and encourages attendees to open their cupboards and wallets to stock shelves at local Food Banks. Scott Helman and Madeline Merlo will be performing at this year's event, located at Wenden Court and Anne Street North. We hope to see you and your family there!

Official Plan Review Meeting

A Public Meeting regarding the Official Plan Review will be held on December 5 at the Township Administration Centre. Review of the informational display boards starts at 6:30 p.m. and the Council Meeting will follow at 7 p.m**.** The purpose of this Public Meeting is to identify the various changes to Provincial Policy and the County Official Plan and summarize the policy recommendations rising from the Discussion Paper and Growth Management Strategy, all of which provide the basis for the Township's Official Plan Review. These documents can be found at springwater.ca/OPR.

A more informal Open House will be held by the Township of Springwater on November 14, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Springwater Administration Centre. This Open House allows community members to learn more about the Official Plan Review prior to the statutory meeting. A brief presentation will be provided by staff at approximately 7:15 p.m. after which stakeholders are encouraged to view information boards and discuss the project with staff members on an informal one-on-one basis.

We'd like your input to identify policies of the Official Plan which may be revised through the review process. Input received from the public will be considered in the Official Plan Review. Read the full notice in this issue of the Springwater News for more details.

2020 Budget

The 2020 Budget is expected to be initially tabled on November 20, 2019. Four public Council Meetings will be held to consider the budget throughout November and December. During these sessions, staff will present draft budget details to Council and the public for their consideration and comment. The public is invited to attend these meetings or watch from home at springwater.ca/live. Council approves the Township of Springwater's budget on an annual basis. The capital budget covers building and rebuilding things such as roads, municipal facilities, or buying new vehicles. The operating budget covers the daily expenses of delivering municipal services, such as salaries and wages, supplies and energy costs.

Backyard Chickens

Public consultation regarding the potential allowance of backyard chickens in Springwater is ongoing. Share your take on this matter by completing the survey online at springwater.ca/chickens or in person at the Township Administration Centre or any library branch.

Be sure to attend our public Open House on November 7, 2019 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Township Administration Centre (2231 Nursery Road, Minesing) to discuss the topic with staff and neighbours, and provide comment.

Free AED/CPR Training with SaveStation

Thank you to the community members who have joined us at our free CPR/AED training. There are still more sessions this November in Hillsdale, Phelpston, Midhurst, Minesing, and Grenfel/Centre Vespra. Sessions run approximately for two hours to give residents more information about the Township's new SaveStation units and hands-on experience with AEDs (defibrillators). Learn to save a life and register for training at savestation.ca/township-of-springwater.

The County of Simcoe will also host their full certification program at the Elmvale Community Hall on **November 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. This training is free with a donation to the local Food Bank. Register for this session at simcoe.ca/CPR.**

The comments here reflect my perspective and do not necessarily represent those of the whole of Council.

Check out my recent radio interview reviewing current Springwater news items with Rock95 and 107.5 KOOL FM news director Dan Blakeley. See https://barrie360.com/springwater-update/

Contact me at don.allen@springwater.ca or 705-728-4784 Ext. 2013 to set a time to meet or reach me directly at 705-302-4253. We can also stay connected on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @MayorDonAllen and review updates on www.donallen.ca.

Springwater Public Library takes home People's Choice Award at Georgian Bay Reads

Canadian literature enthusiasts descended upon the Elmvale Community Hall on Saturday, October 19 for a night of fun and competition. Up for grabs was the Georgian Bay Reads Award and fighting for the trophy were defenders from five local libraries.

Springwater Library hosted the 11th annual event for the first time this year, 120 people were in attendance to listen to local defender Katherine Wallis discuss her choice of book, *The Home for Unwanted Girls* by Joanna Goodman. With a chorus of groans from the audience, *The Home For Unwanted Girls* was voted off in the first round by the other defenders, but redeemed itself by winning the People's Choice Award with an overwhelming majority. *The Luminous Sea* by Melissa Barbeau held on to win the Georgian Bay Reads award, making this the third time in four years that the winning book was defended by Meaford Library.

The defenders and local authors were:

Clearview Public Library: Lesley Martel, *21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act* by Bob Joseph

Collingwood Public Library: Alexandra Robinson, *This One Summer* by Mariko Tamaki and Jillian Tamaki

Meaford Public Library: Jack Pledger, *The Luminous Sea* by Melissa Barbeau

Springwater Public Library: Katherine Wallis, *The Home For Unwanted Girls* by Joanna Goodman

Wasaga Beach Public Library: Melanie Case, *Son of a Trickster* by Eden Robinson

Moderator: Leslie Ransome, the winner of the 2017 Georgian Bay Reads

Among the many people in attendance was the Mayor of Springwater Township, who had this to say about the event. "My wife Wanda and I very much enjoyed the Georgian Bay Reads last Friday in Elmvale. The attendees and debates were lively. Wanda had read all the books and liked *The Home For Unwanted Girls* best, and this was confirmed by it winning the People's Choice Award by a wide margin. Congratulations to Katherine Wallis for defending this book and to Meaford's Jack Pledger, who defended the Georgian Reads Winner, *The Luminous Sea*. The primer *21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act* is the only one I read and It was a quick informative read. Thanks and see you next year."

Springwater Public Library would like to thank Elmvale Foodland for helping provide the refreshments, Ritchie's Feeds N'Needs & Garden Centre for the loan of the flowering planters, Creemore Springs Brewery, and Lalonde's Maple Syrup.

The 2020 Georgian Bay Reads award will be hosted by Clearview Public Library at the new Stayner Branch Library and Community Hall on Saturday, October 24 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Free tickets will be available early in September 2020. For more information, contact Jodie Player Delgado, CEO Springwater Public Library

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Fall fair Winners compete at the District Level

Our Fall fair ambassadors were in the road this weekend representing Elmvale Fall Fair at the District 5 area meeting. Our own Rori Valendar and Quinn MacKenzie both represented our fair well. Also in attendance was the District 5 Ambassador, Corine Bateman, also from Elmvale.

At this meeting some winning entries from our fair competed in classes at the area level.

Hand Quilted Quilt- Janelle Lambie

Machine Quilted Quilt- Katie Johns

Butter Tart - Rachael Lange

Youth Chocolate Chip Cookie - Jacob Cook, Hillsdale Public School

Jr Fair Poster Winner - Ellie Weenink ,Wyevale PS

Intermediate Poster Winner - Hellainia Etzinger , OLOL

These winnes represented Elmvale well. Janelle Lambie will take her first prized quilt and Rachael Lange will take her first Prized Butter Tarts onto compete at the provincial leave in February at the 2020 O.A.A.S. Annual Convention.

Congratulations to everyone on a great day in Milton .

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Community Events

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Mon: Aphasia Communication Group - The Stroke Recovery Association (Barrie District). All sessions free 705-737-9202.

Mon: 9 am. Coffee Club and Art Group - 9:30 am Pool and 10 am Tiny Stitches The Place 300 Balm Beach Rd. Perkinsfield

Mon: 10 to 11:30/7:30 to 9 p.m. Ladies Interdenominational Bible Study Willow Creek Church 2387 Gill Rd. 705-722-7582

Every Mon: 4:20/5:45 Drop in Yoga classes at the Villa Nursing Home Midland Yonge St. Donna Boudreau 795 427 0740

Mon: 1 p.m. Elmvale Community Hall, euchre/bid euchre

Mon & Wed: 1 pm – 3 pm at the Penetanguishene Arena. Seniors shuffle board 245-7611 for info. Register at town hall.

Mon 1-2:30 pm **Midland Library** Better Days Addiction Support Group with Chigamik Community Health Centre provides a non-judgmental space and explores strategies to assist individuals reduce or quit using alcohol and/or substances. Simply drop-in! 526-4216 or kelly@midlandlibrary.com

Mon: 7 pm Midland District Railroad Club at Huronia Airport - basement of white building 705-526-3461

Mon: 7:30 Bingo at Bayshore Seniors Club Woodland Beach for the months of July and August. Everyone Welcome

Every Monday: MCC 8-10:30 FREE Midland Jams Plugged In 527 4420 www.midlandculturalcentre.com FB @Midland Jams

Every Tues & Thurs year round 8:30-12 noon – Georgian Bay Heritage League meet in Perkinsfield behind Country Bath & Kitchen on Cty Rd 6. Join us to restore wooden boats built in this area. 705.526.5039. Facebook Georgian Bay Heritage League .

Tues: 9:30 Coffee Club - 12:30 Bid Euchre @ The Place

Tues 1:30 pm Coldwater Legion Euchre, www.coldwaterlegion.com 705 686 3388 Branch 270@rogers.com

Tues. 1:30-3:30 & 6:30-9:00 pm Adult Pickleball - $10 Homer Barrett Park, Elmvale Equipment provided For info contact: mamadaleno@hotmail.ca craddock.debbie@hotmail.com

3rd Tues: Elmvale Legion 2-4 pm Veteran's Drop In Day.

Tues: 5:30 Ages 4-8 and 6:30 ages 9-14. Art Classes Creative Madness Art Studio 705 322 6588 Elmvale

First Tuesday: 6.30 – 8.30 PM Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club North Simcoe Sport/Recreation Centre. 705-534-3771

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month: Elmvale District Lions Club dinner and General Meeting, 7 pm at Lions Hall Flos Conc 7. New members welcome. 705-734-4350

Tues: 7 pm Bid Euchre Bayshore Seniors Club Woodland Beach.

1st Tues: 7 pm Elmvale Legion General Meeting 322 1042

Tues: 7:30 pm: Bid Euchre and darts Barrie Legion

Last Tuesday of the month 10-11 am The Von Smart Healthy Aging Education Series. Come Join us, it's free.
Oct 29 Ways to stay safe and independent. -
Nov 26 Health and Community Considerations, -
Dec 17 Sleep -
Jan 28 Keeping a healthy brain, and
February 25th Paying attention to Keep Safe

Wed: 9 am Coffee Club - 10 am Pool - 12:30 pm Games Afternoon

2nd Wed: 1:30 pm Camera Club Georgian Bay Swinging Seniors "The Place" 300 Balm Beach Road

Every Wed morning 10 am Spirit Café for a time of fellowship and conversation. All welcome. St John's United Church.

First Wed/Month: Regular meeting of the Georgian Bay Métis Council at 355 Cranston Cres. Midland 526-6335

Wed: CHAIR YOGA 10:00 - 11:00 am. Gentle exercises with soothing music. Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors 300 Balm Beach Road West 705 526 5074

Wed: 12-1:00 Lunch, $8 at Barrie Legion. 728-1412

Every Wed: 1 pm Bridge at Bayshore Senior Citizens' 2000 Tiny Beaches Rd S Woodland Beach

Wed: 1 pm Royal Canadian Legion Elmvale District 262 Legion Seniors (55+). Table Shuffleboard and social.

First & Third Wed 7 - 9 PM Progressive Euchre: Join us for a fun filled evening at St Paul's Anglican Church, 5 Noraline Ave. Midhurst Everyone is welcome!

2nd Wed: 7 pm LA General Meeting Elmvale Legion.

2nd and last Wed: 7 - 8:30 pm.- Wasaga Cancer Support group meetings open to all cancer survivors, caregivers and family members at Body'n Balance Physiotherapy (705) 429 - 9619.

Wed. 7:30 pm Fun darts at Coldwater Legion

Wed: 7:30 pm Cribbage at Barrie Legion.

4th Wed: 7:30 pm Horticultural Society meets Elmvale Legion

Thurs: 9 am Coffee Club- 10-3 p.m. Tiny Stitchers, The Place Perkinsfield, 526-5074

2nd Thursday each month 9:30 - noon PROBUS (Professional Business) club consisting of people 55 plus meet at the Wasaga Stars arena for coffee, a business meeting and a guest speaker. Probus is a non fund-raising organization.

Every Third Thurs 10 am -noon - Barrie Kempenfelt Probus Club meets at the Royal Canadian Legion – Branch 147, 410 St. Vincent Street – Barrie Ontario – (Entrance on Ferris Lane)

3rd Thurs: Free Community Breakfast at All Saints Anglican Church Hall 1 Peel St. Penetanguishene 549 2223

3rd Thurs: 10 am - noon - The raging grannies meet at Woods Park retirement facility 110 Lillian Cres. in Barrie. 322-1575

4th Thurs: 1-3 Nottawasaga Bay Stroke Recovery meet at 135, 32nd St. Wasaga Beach Guests speakers 429-9571

Thurs: Shuffleboard at 1 pm at the Coldwater Legion

Every Thurs: 1:30 pm Darts at Bayshore Senior Citizens' 2000 Tiny Beaches Rd S Woodland Beach

4th Thurs: 1:30 pm Diabetes support group meets at the Health and Wellness Center at Penetang General Hospital 549-0881

4th Thurs: 3-5 pm Parkinson's support group meetings at the Superstore Midland 526-9170.

Third Thurs: 6.30– 8.30 PM Georgian Bay Coin and Stamp Club meets at the Prime Time Club, 1724 Mosley Street, Wasaga Beach. 705-429-4948

3rd Thurs 5:15 Elmvale BIA meet in Elmvale Library

Thurs: 7 - 10 pm Good Vibes Coffeehouse at Mount St. Louis Road and 4th of Oro-Medonte

Thurs: 7 pm Bid Euchre at the Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors Centre, 526-5074

Thurs: 7 pm - Elmvale Com Hall Euchre/Bid Euchre Lunch.

Thurs: Darts at 7:30 pm at the Coldwater Legion

Fri June 14 to Sept 27 9 am - 2 pm Springwater Elmvale Farmers Market at the Community Hall.

Fri: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Club - 9:30 Pool, 12:30 p.m. Bridge – Includes Coffee/Tea/Cookies Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors "The Place", Perkinsfield, 705-526-5074

Every Friday 1:30 pm Shuffleboard at Bayshore Senior Citizens' 2000 Tiny Beaches Rd. S Woodland Beach

Fri: 5:30 pm WB Lions Bingo at RecPlex 429-3331

Fri: 6 pm Steak Darts at Coldwater Legion

Every Sat during summer 1-4 pm - Music in the Elmvale Gateway park except July 20

Sat: 3 pm Meat Darts BBQ at Legion, Branch 147, Barrie,

Sat: 5:00 Meat Darts Elmvale Legion. 322-1042 Welcome!

Sun: 9:45 am Knox Flos Presbyterian Church Services

Sun: 10 am - St. John's United Church welcomes you for worship. 27 Yonge St. S, Elmvale. www.unitedchurchelmvale.org

Sun: 11 am Christian Science Society Church services at 159 Collier St. Barrie

DAILY EVENTS - All on the website at www.springwaternews.ca with greater information.

Oct 28, 29 and 30 6-8:30 pm An Evening of Halloween at the Simcoe COunty Museum for all ages Scary Scary Scary

Nov 2 Cannabis Trade Fest Show Best Western Hotel Mariposa Conference Room Orillia

Nov 2 2 pm Simcoe County Branch - Ontario Ancestors - Ontario Genealogical Society at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 79 Ferris Lane, Barrie. Speaker: Kathleen Bacher Topic: Researching German Records https://simcoe.ogs.on.ca/

Nov 2 - Cocktails at 5 Dinner at 6 Coldwater Legion Vets Dinner Music by the Georgian Sound Big Band. Tickets $20.

Nov 2 6:30 pm Hockey games between the 1994, 2014 and 2020 Bantam teams - Fundraiser and prizes.

Mon, Nov 4 1 pm - Don't miss "Victorian Beaded Christmas Ornament Cover" on glass ball with instructor Betsy Waterson. Learn this easy netting technique using classic red and gold seed beads. Join SCACA at the Simcoe County Museum. Register early at info@simcoecrafts.ca or 705-835-5795.

Nov 3. 12:00 Coldwater Legion 8 Ball Tournament Registration Cost $5.00

Nov 4 Frauds and Scams Workshop at the Boathouse Eatery in Midland noon to 1:30 pm Call 705 526 7883 to register

Sat Nov 9 - 9-12 noon Donate blood at the WB RecPlex

Nov 9. 3-5 Coldwater Legion Fundraising Meatroll. Come out and have a chance to win your dinner for $1.00

Sat, Nov 9 Remembrance Day Dinner at Elmvale Legion Meet & Greet 1700 Dinner 1800 - Sign up at the bar or call 322 1042 Guest speaker Maj. Chris Belgum

Sat Nov 9, 10 am to 4 pm North Simcoe Sports & Recreation Centre: The Ontario SPCA, Midland & District Animal Centre, presents their annual Christmas gift and craft show featuring over 20 outstanding artisans. $6 at the door. Website: https://ontariospca.ca/midland/

Monday Nov 11 Remembrance Day Parade - Assemble at Legion - 1015 hrs

Nov 11- from 2 to 6 Coldwater Legion Remembrance Day at the Legion. Parade and Service at 11am. Entertainment and Food in the Clubroom with music by Stir it Up. Everybody Welcome

Nov 12 - 10-noon Barrie Women's Connection MORNING COFFEE with music by the Paraguinns and speaker Brenda Wood 'The Healing Power of Laughter!' at Bethal Community Church 128 St. Vincent St. Barrie 705 735 0926

Nov 12th At 1:00 pm St Paul's United Church on King St in Midland will be hosting the Author of the book "First In Last Out" The RCAF Women's Division and Nursing Sisters in World War 11 Glad Bryce. Bring a friend. Afternoon of fellowship Light refreshments. Sharon Foster 705 526 7181

Nov 13 Sweet Pea Boutique Paint Party 6:30 – 8:30 PM, hosted by St Paul's Anglican Church, 5 Noraline Avenue, Midhurst Christmas Project includes all supplies Registration in advance, Sharon, 705 726 0696. Find your hidden talent!

Thurs Nov 14 at 7 pm. **Poles Apart:** Jim Coey, an eminent birder and naturalist, is doing a presentation at Midhurst United Church, 91 Doran Rd, Midhurst,. Topic is "Poles Apart" contrasting the environmental differences of the 2 poles. Jim is a retired educator, owner of Flora and Fauna field tours, senior naturalist with Quest Nature tours and on the Board of Nature Barrie. Free will offering and/or donation to Elmvale Food bank.

Nov 15/16 The Last Waltz www.petersplayers.com

Nov 16 9 to noon Save-A-Life CPR Certification at Elmvale Community Hall Free 705 735 6901

Nov 20-22 Theatre Collingwood Soul Sisters

Nov 23 8 am to whenever - Edgar Community Hall Crop til you drop scrapbooking. Please register 705 739 7579 Fundraiser to save the One Room Schoolhouse.

Sat, Nov 23rd. Doors Open 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. CHRISTMAS AROUND OUR TOWN Fall Tea, Craft and Bake Sale Wasaga Beach United Church 380 Zoo Park Rd. Tearoom Lunch $9 p.p. Baked goods table, creative crafts, Grace's Fashions Boutique, and much more.

Nov 23 "Taste of Christmas" Bazaar 10 -3 PM hosted by St Paul's Anglican Church, 5 Noraline Ave, Midhurst. Start your Christmas shopping and enjoy a Taste of Christmas

Nov 23rd and 24th, from 10am to 4pm. The 2019 Midhurst Arts and Crafts Home Tour will take place In operation for over 30 years, the Midhurst Arts and Crafts Home Tour is a long standing tradition for anyone living in Simcoe County. This self-guided tour is ever evolving with lots of local talent and friendly faces. It's a slower pace than your standard craft show and you can get to know the Artists and take your time wandering through the village while taking in all the incredible finds! www.

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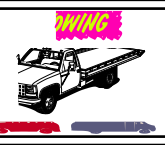

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Local youth raise the alarm about being used as a health experiment

SIMCOE MUSKOKA – Determined not to be an experiment for the tobacco and vaping industry, local youth are spreading the word that vaping is not just harmless water vapour!

"Nobody knows the long-term – or even some of the short-term – health effects of vaping," says 15-year-old Lachlan Craig. "What we do know is that vaping is definitely not harmless. Anyone who vapes becomes part of the industry's health experiment."

Craig along with a number of youth across the region worked with public health staff to help create an educational website **NotAnExperiment.ca** and they want their peers to know about it.

NotAnExperiment.ca includes materials that give teens, parents and teachers the facts about the health effects of vaping; the industry's marketing of these addictive products; and the chemical mixtures that can make up e-liquids. The information is designed to help young people make vape and smoke-free choices.

The website also features an interactive 'escape room' game that educators, youth and community groups can download and play to learn these facts about vaping. It comes with a guide to spark discussion among youth in Grades 7 to 12 and encourage them to share what they learn with their peers.

"Youth are vaping at an alarming rate," said Cindy Baker-Barill, manager of the health unit team that worked with the teens on the web resource. "Data shows a 74% jump in vaping among 16-19 year olds in Canada between 2017 and 2018 reaching 14.6% from 8.4% in one year. It's clear we are way behind in the fight to prevent youth uptake."

Baker-Barill said the industry's relatively unrestricted ability to market and promote e-cigarettes has meant a whole new group of non-smoking youth are at risk of becoming addicted to nicotine products.

"There is a growing body of research that shows many teens who vape will go on to smoke traditional cigarettes to feed their nicotine addiction."

NotAnExperiment.ca is being promoted through Facebook, Instagram and other social media platforms and includes clever 30-second videos featuring some of the youth involved in the project. These videos can be viewed on the website.

For more information, visit NotAnExperiment.ca or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877721-7520, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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In memory of Murray K. Carson

The family of the late Murray Carson wish to express their deep appreciation to the family and many friends who attended our Celebration of Life and who have offered support and many acts of kindness and sympathy which continue to be a great comfort to us in our time of sorrow. We also send our gratitude and appreciation to Lynn-Stone Funeral Home and Willow Creek Baptist Church and volunteers.

The Carson Family

Congratulations

Kristan & Jonathon MacDonell
on their marriage
October 5, 2019 at Hobart Memorial Church.

Springwater News found in Sousa Dominican Republic

Here is Klayton and Kody Frank and Craig Chorley with Mark and Lesley Shields from Orr Lake enjoying sun, sand and the Springwater News in Sousa Dominican Republic.

Teen Lives in Walmart Undetected for 4 Days

A Texas teen was able to hide out in a Walmart in Corsicana for more than half-a-week without anyone forcing him to roll-back or roll-out. The 14-year-old was able to spend four days in the Walmart without being detected after building himself two hiding spaces. He put one in the baby aisle and the other hide-out was behind stacks of paper towels and toilet paper. "You never expect that you're at Walmart and someone has been living there for four days. That's crazy," Walmart customer Myrna Aguilar told CBS 11 News. The boy was able survive off of food he stole from the store and guzzle juice via a hole he cracked in the back wall of the drink aisle. He even had a makeshift bed and a fish from the pet department. In order to avoid being noticed when he was in plain sight, the boy would change his clothes periodically. He also wore diapers to avoid using the restroom at the store. Trash eventually led to the boy being discovered, but he was released into the custody of relatives and Walmart does not plan on filing charges.

Inspiration does not come like a bolt, nor is it kinetic, energetic striving, but it comes into us slowly and quietly and all the time, though we must regularly and every day give it a little chance to start flowing, prime it with a little solitude and idleness. -Brenda Ueland, journalist, editor, and writer (24 Oct 1891-1985)

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Obituary

O'ROURKE: Norma Louise (nee Campbell) - A resident of Chatham, and formerly of Phelpston, Norma O'Rourke passed away at the Riverview Gardens on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at the age of 91. Born in Dover Township, Norma was the daughter of the late Colin and M. Louise (Ebear) Campbell. Beloved wife of 49 years to the late Bernie (1999). Loving mother of Colleen O'Grady of Lindsay, Kathy Speers (Doug) of Coldwater, Peggy O'Rourke of Chatham, Kevin O'Rourke of Ottawa, Mary Ann O'Rourke of Toronto and Julia Goodfellow (Frank) of Parham. Loving grandmother of Brendan O'Grady (Lisa), Erin O'Grady (Jim Pilkington), Jacob Kennedy and Franklin Goodfellow. Great-grandmother to Reagan O'Grady. Dear sister to Joan Rhodes (Robert) of Chatham. Predeceased by her siblings, Lloyd Campbell (Jean), Jeane Traxler (Lorne), Gretta Shaw (Lorne), Colleen Parliament (Ralph), Ruth Bunning (Robert) and Patricia Errey (Roy). Sister-in-law to Cecile O'Rourke (Jerry) and Anne Fabbro (Robert). Norma was a member of St. Ursula's Roman Catholic Church and a CWL member for 70 years. She was the co-owner/operator of Phelpston General Store and Post Office for 25 years. Since retirement in 2005, she volunteered for Outreach for Hunger, Riverview Gardens (recipient of 10 year pin), Caring Kitchen and St. Ursula's Mission Group (Baking). She also knit pneumonia vests for overseas and leprosy bandages for wherever there was a need. Norma received an Award of Merit for her involvement in volunteer cemetery restoration work. Since admission to Riverview Gardens in 2018, she continued to help others in any way she could. Special thanks to Riverview Gardens for their awesome care and compassion. Family received friends at the ***McKinlay Funeral Home, 459 St. Clair Street, Chatham*** on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm and 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Parish Prayers were held Wednesday at 3:00 pm, followed by CWL prayers. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Ursula's Roman Catholic Church, 205 Tweedsmuir Ave West, Chatham at 11:00 am on Thursday with Fr. Frank Leslie celebrant. Cremation to follow with a private family interment at St. Patrick Cemetery, Phelpston at a later date. Donations made in memory of Norma to the Outreach for Hunger or a charity of your choice would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at *www.mckinlayfuneralhome.com*

In Memoriam

LOFTUS, Marjorie – October 30, 2007

We often think of bygone days
When we were all together.
The family chain is broken now,
But memories will live forever.
Sadly missed along life's way
Quietly remembered every day.
No longer in our life to share
But in our hearts, she's always there.
She sleeps in God's beautiful garden,
In sunshine of perfect peace;
We miss her, oh how much,
But realize God knew best.
He let us have her many years,
Then gently bade her rest.

Lovingly remembered by the family.

TIPS FOR SAFE TRICK-OR-TREATING THIS HALLOWEEN!

* Make sure costumes are flame-retardant and light or bright in color. Dark costumes should have strips of glow in the dark tape along the back.
* Use face paints rather than a mask which can obstruct both breathing and vision.
* Make sure your child has...
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- change to make a phone call for emergencies
- a flashlight
* Young children should be accompanied by an adult, and no child should go out alone.
* Trick or treat only in familiar neighborhoods and set a time for when your children should return home.
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Obituary

EDWARDS, MADELINE (nee WHETHAM) - Passed away peacefully at the Georgian Bay General Hospital in Midland on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. Madeline Edwards (nee Whetham) of Midland formerly of Vasey in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late Orval Edwards. Dear mother of Glenda (Ron) Knox of Saskatoon, Leonard Edwards (Cherrill) of Violet Hill, and Gregory (Leslie) Edwards of Vasey. Loved grandmother of Jennifer (Greg), Brian, Danielle (Chris), Maureen (Stuart), Melissa (Bill), Tori and Hannah and great grandmother of Marley, Grady, Liam, and Clayton. Sister of Clair (Jan) Whetham of Aurora and the late Arlington (Elma) Whetham, late Barb (Alex) Spence, late Lloyd (Phyllis) Whetham, and the late Ross (survived by Irene) Whetham.
Visitation was held at the ***Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale*** from 1-3 on Sunday and from 10–11 on Monday. Funeral service was in the chapel on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 11 am. Interment Vasey Cemetery.
Memorial donations in lieu of flowers to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

LAWRENCE, Leslie Edward "Ted" - Passed away on Sunday, October 20 after a 9 year battle with cancer. Ted is in heaven now, no more pain. Leaving behind his beloved wife Nettie, her daughter Tami and Wayne and their family Aaron, April (Mitch), and Ashley, her son Randy and Cori and their family Alex and Nathan Mooney. Ted is predeceased by his first wife Edythe. He leaves his son Terry and Lina Lawrence and their family Bryan (Deanna) and Jennifer, daughter Marilyn and Lorne Haynes and their family Derek (Meggan) and Lindsay (Wayne), son Allan and Kari Lawrence and their family Jessica and Dayna, 10 great grandchildren and sister Lorraine (Bob) Good. He will be missed by his buddies Andrew and Glenn. Ted was an avid golfer at the Shanty Bay Golf Club.
A Celebration of Life will be held at the ***Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale*** on Friday, November 1 at 2 pm.
Memorial donations to the Cancer Society, Hospice Simcoe, or the charity of your choice would be appreciated.
Expressions of sympathy may be sent to *www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com*

LEIPER, JILL - Passed away peacefully at her home with her family by her side and her dog Margo. Beloved wife of Jim Leiper. Loving mother of John (Nadine) and Julie (Chris) Tillmanns of Horseshoe Valley. Adored grandma of Allison, Charlee, Renee, and Cameron. Sister of Jan Amos and the late Judy Barker. Jill will be fondly remembered by her nieces, Amanda and Elizabeth Amos. Jill was the owner of Pieces of Olde Restaurant in Elmvale for over 20 years.
A celebration of life was be held at the ***Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale*** from 2 – 4 pm on Saturday, October 26, 2019.
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Royal Victoria Hospital Foundation.
Expressions of sympathy may be sent to *www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com*

Save the rake and mow your leaves

While it might be fun to rake up a big pile of leaves and jump in them, raking is a back-breaking job. Skip the rake and just mow your leaves. If there aren't too many leaves you can skip the bag and just mulch them into the grass. But if you do have a thick carpet of leaves the mower use your mower bag to collect them. The chopping action of the mower will make them much more compact and you can pack a lot more into your lawn waste bags.

Protect flower bulbs with chicken wire - Fall is the time to plant bulbs for spring. To keep them safe from squirrels cut 4" squares of chicken wire, cover each bulb with soil and top it with a square. The wire's holes will allow the plants to grow but will help stop the critters.

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DAY 2: WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13TH :
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Directions: Come west of Acton or East of Rockwood on Hwy. 7 to 6th Line Eramosa Twp. Turn north to sale.
NOTE: Trucks, trailers and cars parking in the NORTH FIELD ONLY.
Day 1: Tuesday November 12th: 11am - 3pm
From the 2 homes: 2 pc stepback cupboard 16 pane 7' tall; blind 7' cupboard; wood stoves; harness maker machine; open stepback cupboard; metal coat rack; grandfather and wall clocks; gramophones; leaded glass; harvest table; Boston rockers; other cupboards; 100s and 100s of oil lamps, shades, and chimneys; crocks, sealers, and bells; cast iron ware; cranberry; opalescent; coloured glass etc.; PLUS a full sea container
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Day 2: Wednesday November 13th: 10am Start Till Finish
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Buildings: 24'x30' log home; 16'x16' log building; 12'x12' log building; plus other barn buildings etc. (bring your measuring tape); 1 building w/ sap equip.; 1 Blacksmith building;
Note: PURCHASER REMOVES WITHIN 1 MONTH;
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Contents of the Buildings: include cupboards; step back; open & blind; dressers; blanket boxes; tables; wall clocks; wood stoves; harvest tables; 300+ chairs; Boston rockers; grandfather clocks; 100's of oil lamps & shades; cast iron ware; ginger bottles; plates; dishes; flow blue; glassware; boxes are all full;
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Myths About Conscious Living!

Myth #1:...once we are *awakened,* we are always happy, and we live happily ever after! Living consciously is not static or a steady state of joy without ups and downs. If our perception of living consciously is *'child-like',* whereby we have been taught by the many different mediums that if we believe in God, if we have what appears to be the perfect life, perfect career, perfect relationships, etc., we should always feel happy, we are just fooling ourselves! Challenges are an essential part of life, which enable us to continue to evolve or transition, and discover our own unique path to enlightenment.

Myth #2: ...when we live consciously, life shows up the way we want it to. This too is unrealistic. Life rarely shows up the way we want or expect it to. To be happy, we need to be able to roll with the punches; let go of our expectations, accept and work with the reality at hand. When we accept what cannot be changed, we become peaceful. On the other hand, when we bring judgment to the situation, we can become bitter and resentful.

Myth #3:..when we live consciously, we think we are unbeatable, therefore, ignoring our needs or the needs of others. This is not possible. Living consciously means being aware and looking at life with our spiritual eyes, rather than judgment or criticism of self or others. Genuinely happy people recognize the error and make correction without guilt or shame.

Myth #4:...do we know how to be happy? If we knew how to be happy, we would not be reading this article or read books about life. Most of us do not know how to be really happy. We need to learn. Learning and growing never stops as long as we want to live and not *simply* exist!

The two biggest obstacles to real happiness are; 1) perfectionism *(being too hard on ourselves and others).* 2) Our inability to let go of the poor choices we may have made, and the poor choices those in our lives may have made~~for in reality, there are no poor choices, but simply opportunities for personal introspection.

Real happiness means the ability to honour ourselves, be kind to others, and able to weather the ups and down of life with acceptance and compassion. There are two primary areas where happiness is found: ***Relationship with Self***~~genuinely happy people know or are learning how to: accept, nurture and love themselves, unconditionally. ***Live honestly and authentically;*** make their own decisions and accept responsibility for them; develop their talents, and discover their passion and purpose in life. To be open to change and personal growth. Transitioning is an essential part of life. If we become stagnant or stuck, we can become bitter or resentful. One of the most important accomplishments in life is to experience *emotional freedom~~the gift of personal responsibility! ½ free consultation Tue. & Thur. .Rita Be-Still, Healer of Broken Hearth*

Why is every snowflake different?

Modern physics has made great progress toward explaining the genesis of the snowflake's form. Its hexagonal symmetry has its origin in the shape of a water molecule, which consists of an atom of oxygen and two atoms of hydrogen. They are connected in such a way that the hydrogen "arms" make an angle like the arms on the letter x. This angle ensures that when the water molecules link to form a crystal, the resultant symmetry will be hexagonal. Regarding the probabilities of combination, a single snow crystal consists of something like one quintillion molecules of water. The number of ways that many molecules can be arranged into six-sided crystals is astronomical. So the odds are huge that no two snowflakes have ever been exactly alike.

Canada's Leading Trauma Experts Arrive Are Here To Help Veterans

Backed by 20 years of research and experience, specially-trained psychologists and counsellors from Canada's Veterans Transition Network (VTN) are travelling across the country this fall to help Canada's veterans. The VTN runs in-residence, group-based workshops designed to treat the symptoms of post-traumatic stress injuries (PTSI) affecting Canadian veterans, and help them transition to civilian life.

Designed in 1998 as a military trauma research study by a team of psychologists at the University of British Columbia, the VTN's group counselling programs spent 15 years in development with clinicians and military veterans in BC. Today, the non-profit organization is operating in 9 provinces with help from an established network of highly trained psychologists, counsellors, operations staff and program graduates that collaborate nationwide to meet the rising demand for this one of a kind rehabilitation service.

"Our men and women veterans have provided an incredible service on our behalf. They have responded as we have needed them to, and as a result, some have had devastating experiences that most of us, hopefully, will never know or fully understand," says Dr. Paul Whitehead, Ph.D., R. Psych, National Clinical Director for the Veterans Transition Network, and Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Family Practice, Faculty of Medicine at UBC.

"The Veterans Transition Program creates an environment where veterans can share these experiences with others who have also been there and do understand. Overcoming the profound isolation that results from trauma allows our veterans to 'come home' to themselves, their families, and our society. We owe it to our veterans to help them transition out of the hyper-alert response to war, disaster and emergency that we trained them for, so that they can come back to a society where they can also feel the safety and security they helped to create."

Nearly 700,000 Canadians have served in the Canadian Armed Forces, and Veterans Affairs Canada estimates that up to 25% struggle with transition back to civilian life.1 There are 40,000 Afghanistan veterans alone facing challenges like bureaucratic barriers to accessing care and a military culture where talking about trauma and operational stress still carries a heavy stigma. Veterans who don't get treatment often cope through isolation and self-medication, leaving them vulnerable to relationship issues, depression, alcohol abuse, homelessness, and tragically suicide. Any Canadian Forces or RCMP Veteran can attend VTN programs, regardless of trade, branch, gender, or where they were stationed. All program fees, including room, board and travel are covered by donations made by the Canadian public. For more details about how to support Canadian veterans, or to find out more about VTN's unique programs, go to www.vtncanada.org, email neveralone@vtncanada.org, or call 1-844-CDN-VETS.

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PROPOSED BELL MOBILITY RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER

Bell is committed to providing Canadian communities high speed wireless voice and data service. To improve service, Bell is proposing to construct a 35 metre "Mono-pine" with ancillary radio equipment including a shelter and 1.8m wood slat fence and surrounding the base of the tower on the grounds of CBO Park. As part of the public consultation process as required by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada ("ISED"), Bell's regulator under the *Radiocommunication Act*, Bell is inviting the public to comment on the proposed tower location before **December 2, 2019**, and during the public open house on **November 23, 2019**, which is in compliance with the Township of Tiny Telecommunication Facility policy for the review of telecommunication tower proposals. This tower is fully compliant with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's guidelines, as found under the Client Procedures Circular (CPC-2-0-03).

TOWER LOCATION: CBO Park, 2 Winterset Ave, Tiny ON, L0L 2J0

COORDINATES: Lat: 44.696361°, Long: -79.988°

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ANY PERSON MAY comment by close of business day on **December 2, 2019** with respect to this matter.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: There will be an opportunity for public comment at the time(s) and location stated below:

Date: Saturday, November 23, 2019
Time: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Location: Balm Beach Seniors Centre
300 Balm Beach Rd W
Tiny, ON L0L 2J0

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Proposed Location of 35m Mono-pine tower

Announcements

TURKEY. DINNER • Grenfel United Church
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Adults $20.00 • Children $10.00
For tickets call 705-790-4376

Halloween Dance
Elmvale Legion Br 262
Sat. Nov 2 • 8 - 12 pm
Live Band - "The MUGS!"
$5 at the door.
PRIZES For the best costume for those who dare...
Proceeds will be used for much needed building upgrades to the Legion) Please help support us!

Join us for a Holiday Vendor & Craft Fair
A Pancreatic Cancer Fundraiser in memory of Elaine Parnell.
Saturday, Dec. 7th from 10 am - 3 pm
at the Midhurst United Church.
Get your Christmas shopping done with over 40 vendors to choose from. • $2 admission.
Help raise awareness and funds for this deadly disease.

Our Lady of Lourdes CWL
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, BAKE SALE & LUNCHEON
Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, Elmvale
Sat. Nov. 9, 2019 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Raffle Draw 1:00 pm
Everyone Welcome

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ELMVALE & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
Wednesday November 27th, 6:00pm
Pot Luck and Election of Officers
Elmvale Legion, 7 John Street, Elmvale

Dentists and Staff at Solly Family Dentistry are hosting the 6th Annual
"FREE DENTAL WORK" DAY FOR ADULTS ONLY
Friday December 6th
Registration at 7:30 am
First Come, First Serve
This is for those in-need, and in need of dental care.
Anyone on any government assisted program or with dental benefits does not qualify.
Participants will be entitled to one free service – extraction, filling or cleaning.
For info please call the office **705-322-0155**

Elmvale Food Bank

Elmvale & District Food Bank would like to thank Springwater Firefighters from Elmvale – Station 5 and Hillsdale – Station 4 for hosting their annual food drive throughout the streets of Elmvale, Hillsdale and Phelpston. Once again the community showed their continued support of the Food Bank. A special thank you to Birch Farms for their donation of fresh vegetables. Clients of the Food Bank received either a turkey or ham for Thanksgiving.

Elmvale BIA hosted a food drive at Elmvale Foodland in early October which was a huge success. Pre-packaged bags available at Foodland are packed with items that the Food Bank has specially requested.

We appreciate ALL of the continued support from organizations, groups and individuals.

As the Christmas Season approaches the Food Bank starts preparing for Christmas Hampers. Last year we prepared over 60 hampers. Hampers are available to anyone that needs a little extra help at the Christmas Season. Also, if you are interested in sponsoring an individual and/or family, please contact the food bank or Deb McLean @ 705-322-3070 for further information.

One opportunity to support the Food Bank at this season is the annual CP Holiday Train. The train will arrive in Midhurst on November 29 at 12:15. It is always a fun time for the whole family and the community support - rain, snow or shine – has been fantastic.

Organizations throughout the Township will be hosting various events and collecting food on our behalf. Please check out our Facebook page to find out the needs at the Food Bank Volunteers spend a lot of hours sorting and date checking, Please try to remember that we CANNOT accept any expired food.

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Saturday, December 7th, 2019
9am - 12pm at Minesing Central PS-gym
Vendors must have own extension cord and table cloths, etc for set up
Registration form also found on school website (www.min.scdsb.on.ca)
Reserve your table before November 18th
We are asking that all vendors contribute 1 item to our Silent Auction that will be taking place at the Holiday Market.
For more information about the event, please contact
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First Annual Litter Clean-Up Day will be May 12, 2020

Innisfil — Ontario is protecting what matters most and keeping our neighbourhoods, parks, and waterways clean and free of litter and waste by working to establish the province's first official day focused on the clean-up of litter on May 12, 2020.

. "We will be working with partners, communities and businesses from across the province to help make this day a success and encourage everyone to participate in local clean-up events. This is an opportunity for all of us to do our part to keep Ontario clean and to raise awareness of the need to reduce how much waste we produce."

Reducing litter and waste in our communities, encouraging meaningful local environmental actions, and keeping the province clean and beautiful are key commitments in our Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan.

Quick Facts

- Ontario generates nearly a tonne of waste per person each year.
- It is estimated that every 1,000 tonnes of waste diverted from landfill generates seven full-time jobs, $360,000 in wages and more than $700,000 in gross domestic product.
- More than 80 per cent of litter collected during volunteer clean-ups along the shorelines of the Great Lakes is plastic.
- Ontario is transitioning the Blue Box Program to a producer responsibility model to improve recycling and address the serious problem of plastic pollution and litter.
- Ontario posted a discussion paper: Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities on the Environmental Registry from March 6 to April 20, 2019 and received close to 18,000 comments, which are currently being reviewed to inform next steps.

PLAYSAFE:
Don't Let It Happen to You
The War Amps new "kids-to-kids" safety video, featuring stories from young amputees who have lost limbs in accidents, delivers the hard-hitting but positive message: "Spot the danger *before* you play!"
Visit **waramps.ca/playsafe** for the video and safety resources.
The War Amps

Music Lessons

Guitar, Piano, Keyboard, Accordion, Drums, Banjo, Bass, Mandolin, Ukelele and Harmonica lessons available in Elmvale for Children, Adults, Seniors. Flexible times. Reasonable rates. Private Instruction. For more info, call John Brown Music Studios at 322-7696.

For Sale / Wanted

DOWNSIZING? • ESTATE SALES?
Cash for older items - cds and records • old metal toys and signs • china and crystal • vintage gold and sterling silver • jewellery • knives and forks • military items • plus other old oddities.
Call Peter 705-322-3484

VENDORS WANTED FOR THE CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW.
Sat. Nov. 30 & Sun. Dec. 1
in the Community Hall, Elmvale.
Please call Heather or Peter at 705-322-3484.

For rent (WANTED) - apt., houses, and halls

Elmvale: 1 Bedroom Apartment
$1100.00/ month - All inclusive.
Fridge and Stove. Credit Checks will be done.
Call: 705-527-4772

2 Bedroom apartment for rent in Elmvale
$1450 A month • First and last months rent required
Utilities, laundry ac, lawn and snow removal included
Please contact 705-739-9000

Weddings, Anniversary Parties, & Birthdays
Orr Lake Golf Club is now renting out its hall for weddings, anniversary parties & birthdays. Seating for up to 175 people. Dancing for up to 200 people. Basic setup, cleanup, in-stock utensils/dishes/linens, and bartender included in rental fee. Catering done fresh in house. Call 705-322-1664, email: info@orrlakegolfclub.ca. Web Site: www.orrlakegolfclub.com c

Elmvale Lions Club Hall – Country setting. No bar license worries…we do it all and at reasonable prices! Outdoor smoking area; Horseshoe pits; Full kitchen. Ideal for family celebrations; Buck and Does; Birthday Parties; fundraising events; business meetings etc. Call Bob 705-322-4484

Elmvale Legion Banquet Hall. 100% Accessible.
Specializing in weddings, all types of parties, business functions and community service groups.
We can accommodate up to 125 dinner guests.
Catering is available through the branch.
Excellent parking. **Call 705-322-1042 for a quotation.**

Elmvale Community Hall - *capacity 220 for great dances, beautiful weddings and other super events. Stage and kitchen facilities. For rental call 728-4784 ext. 2036 or 2063*

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that:
Springwater Golf Course
1481 Golf Course Road, Minesing ON L9X 0Y6
Will be holding a public meeting to present its annual report on Class 9 pesticide use as required by Ontario Regulation 63/09 under the Pesticides Act. The annual report summarizes the use of Class 9 pesticides used in 2018.
Date: Monday November 4, 2019
Location: Springwater Golf Course Clubhouse at 7:00 a.m.
Please RSVP to 705-728-1866, Dave Birimcombe, IPM Agent

Notice of Meeting
Notice is hereby given that:
Featherwind Golf Course
4904 Hwy 90W, Barrie ON
Will be holding a public meeting to present is annual report on Class 9 pesticide use as required by Ontario Regulation 03/09 under the Pesticides Act. The annual report summarizes the use of Class 9 pesticides used in 2018.
Date: Monday, November 18, 2019
Location: Duffers Golf Centre Club House at 9:00 a.m.
Info at 705 734 9408, Mario Gambino, IPM Agent

Orr Lake Golf Club
2018 Annual Pest Control Product Usage Report November 8th, 10 am
Orr Lake Golf Club

County recognizes community leaders at 2019 Newcomer Recognition Awards

Midhurst/October 25, 2019 – On October 24, 2019, the County of Simcoe held the seventh annual Newcomer Recognition Awards at Tangle Creek Golf and Country Club in Thornton. Ten individuals, one business and two organizations were recognized for their contributions to developing welcoming communities across Simcoe County.

This year, the County received 44 submissions from across Simcoe County, which were reviewed in an open nomination process. Recipients were selected by the Newcomer Recognition Awards Working Group. The award winners were joined by local immigration partners and elected officials to celebrate diversity and its positive impacts on our communities. The event featured cultural performances by pianist Hailey Roberts, violinist Yegee Lee and the Wushuu project.

: First row (left to right): Tina Christman, Safani Gunasekera, Maureen Arbour, Lu-Han Wang. Second row (left to right): Sylvia Bernard, Paola Osorio, Sarah Simpson, Katie Fraser. Third row (left to right): Steve Loftus, Bolu Fabanwo, Andrew Wilcox, John-Bevans

"Congratulations to this year's award winners," said Warden George Cornell. "Our growing communities benefit greatly from the diverse talents, knowledge and skills of more than 62,000 immigrants who now call Simcoe County home. This event is a great opportunity to recognize local community champions, hear their stories and learn from their experiences of living in and contributing to our County."

This year's Newcomer Recognition Award Winners are:

- Community Champion - Katie Fraser
- Culturally Diverse Workforce - Innovative Automation
- Immigrant Artist - Safani Gunasekera
- Immigrant Entrepreneur - Paola Osorio Silk
- Immigrant Mentor - Bolu Fabanwo
- Immigrant Youth - Lu-Han Wang
- Marketing & Outreach - La Clé
- Multiculturalism through Education – Educator - Bethany Winger, Andrew Wilcox & Daniel Wilcox
- Multiculturalism through Education – School - Lakehead University
- Service Excellence - Maureen Arbour
- Welcoming Work Environment - La Clé
- Youth Community Champion - Sarah Simpson

The Simcoe County Local Immigration Partnership hosts this event to recognize outstanding individuals, businesses and organizations who are champions within their local communities. For more information on the annual Newcomer Recognition Awards, visit **https://www.simcoe.ca/dpt/ccs/lip/newcomer-recognition-awards**.

County of Simcoe is composed of sixteen member municipalities and provides crucial public services to County residents in addition to providing paramedic and social services to the separated cities of Barrie and Orillia. Visit our website at **simcoe.ca**.

Statement Regarding Provincial Announcement on the Regional Government Review from County of Simcoe Warden George Cornell

Midhurst/October 25, 2019 – In regards to today's Provincial announcement on the Regional Government Review, the County of Simcoe believes that the Province listened to the concerns and comments of County Council and our member municipalities, and the announcement today reflects that. We thank the province and Minister Steve Clark for truly having an open minded and collaborative approach to this process.

The Province has stated that they don't plan to directly impose or force any significant changes, including amalgamation, upon us and our municipalities at this time, without our direct input and involvement.

We must see this announcement as an opportunity for County Council to come back together and build on some of the very meaningful ideas that we have considered with respect to improved governance and service delivery efficiency across our region.

Our region is growing and demands for municipal services and programs are at an all time high. This is an important time to be innovative and adopt further best practices in how we do our business.

While the County is always implementing efficiencies and improvements, the announcement today makes it clear that the Province is willing to financially and morally support us and our municipalities in furthering these efforts. The extension of the provincial modernization fund and the opportunity to work with the Province to help shape our future is positive.

We also understand that further discussion and clarity will be provided on the aligning of budgetary cycles between levels of government, as well as moving to a single voting list managed by the province to help alleviate confusion and unnecessary costs to municipalities.

The Province and Minister Clark have relayed to us in many ways, that they are pleased and impressed with Simcoe County's leadership and management initiatives, services and programs. We currently deliver many efficient services and prudent programs on a scale that provides great value and benefit to our residents and communities and we are committed to ensuring that all our municipalities are served to the highest standards possible. We will work with the Province to identify opportunities collaboratively to ensure prudent and efficient use of our tax payers' dollars.

~ County of Simcoe Warden George Cornell

Craighurst WI October Meeting

Craighurst Women's Institute celebrated their 90th Anniversary on October 15. We were founded in October 1929. We welcomed former members, visitors from the village and also from neighbouring Women's Institutes. All present wore hat and gloves, a nod to the days gone by. The meeting started in the usual way and then went into party programme mode. Two members gave recollections of their first meeting - one thinks she was present at the founding, Oct. 1929 - but as a babe in arms. Sheila Craig, who had read through the old minute books, gave some highlights through the years. In 1935 CWI contributed towards the fund to buy a resident a new arm. In 1939 they were given tips on how and what to do when a toast is proposed to the King. Many parcels were sent to the boys overseas during World War II. In 1949 they sent a resolution to the government over rising Blue Cross hospital rates. (How soon we forget what things were like before Medicare). Then, on cue, Dolores, a flapper from the 1920's, danced in and gave an account of all the highlights from 1929. The hat and gloves contest was won by Pat Richards and Joyce Sinton. There followed lunch and much visiting. Congratulations to The Craighurst W I.!

BA Dunsmore and Betty Veitch our Senior members cut the 90th Anniversary cake.

Rise of online readership a double-edged sword for Canadian newspapers

Same technology that allows media to reach wider audience also threatens its survival, writes Dana Robbins

It's about trust. Our relationship with our readers is built on transparency, honesty and integrity. As such, we have launched a trust initiative to tell you who we are and how and why we do what we do. This article is part of that project.

Perhaps the greatest irony of the crisis consuming the media world is that we reach a larger audience today than at any time in our history.

In other words, more people will read the content of the newspaper you are holding in your hands right now than would have 20 years ago. The reason for that, of course, is that online readership of Canadian newspapers has exploded.

And that makes the irony of our crisis all the more, well, ironic. The very technology that allows us to reach ever greater audiences is also undermining our ability to sustain our business.

Readers tend to think of newspapers as a single business. But the truth is that we are a constellation of many different businesses, and each of those businesses has fared differently in the digital world.

Retail advertising, digital services, commercial printing, consumer shows, classified advertising, subscription sales, flyer distribution … are some of the businesses that sustain newspapers. Some segments, like flyer distribution, have been relatively unscathed by the digital revolution, but others, like classifieds, have been decimated.

For those of you who might be tempted to think 'decimated' is hyperbole or, heaven forbid, fake news, consider classified advertising, which historically has been one of the largest revenue streams for newspapers. Between 2000 and 2005, as the digital tsunami was gaining force, classified revenue fell by upwards of 10 per cent, lost to free competitors like Craigslist and Kijiji. Over the next five years, it fell by another 50 per cent. Over the following five, almost 60 per cent of remaining classified revenue disappeared. For our company alone, that accounts for tens of millions of dollars in lost revenue.

Those numbers always give me a chill because I remember an editor sharing with me a simple truism when I was a young reporter: "Classifieds pay for the newsroom."

The bottom line is that the newspaper industry has suffered a catastrophic loss of revenue. And that threatens our ability to deliver locally-generated news that is relevant to the communities we serve. We see the fallout of that crisis with the closure of local newspapers and the growth of so-called 'news deserts,' entire communities with no local news provider.

I came into this business 40 years ago with a profound belief in the importance of local journalism. The passage of time has only reinforced for me the relationship between healthy, vibrant communities and the availability of local news: the solid line between a democratically rich society and an aggressive press.

What's happening to local news is tragic, but it is doubly so when you consider that a giant American duopoly, Google and Facebook, is driving the proverbial nails into the coffin of Canadian journalism.

These giant multinationals suck up more than half of all digital advertising in Canada — by some estimates $6.8 billion a year — yet they don't play by the same rules that Canadian media companies must observe. This is particularly true when it comes to taxation; our government essentially exempts these U.S. giants from any meaningful burden, even while diverting more tax dollars into digital advertising on these foreign-controlled sites.

The Competition Bureau recently announced it would investigate possible anti-competitive practices by these giants. That's a start. But if we are serious about preserving local media, if we are serious about safeguarding our democratic institutions, so much more is required.

The tech titans are not only strangling traditional media, they are distorting the news all of us consume. We see evidence of that every day, the most egregious examples south of the border — everyone remember Russia? — but closer to home, as well. The spread of 'fake news' and misinformation campaigns on these giant U.S. platforms is indisputable. Our ability to truly understand what is happening in our communities, our province and our country is being held hostage by algorithms that none of us understand. .—Dana Robbins is vice-president of community brands with Torstar Corp

When did the practice of naming hurricanes begin, and where did the word hurricane come from?

Native Americans called these storms Hurakons, after "a great spirit who commanded the east wind." Spanish explorers adopted the word and then began giving hurricanes the names of patron saints on whose feast days the storms occurred. Later, hurricanes were identified by their longitude and latitude. A weatherman in Australia is credited with being the first to assign names to tropical storms. By World War II, meteorologists in the U.S. military named storms after their girlfriends and wives. The first storm in the Atlantic Ocean named for a man was Hurricane Bob.

Old age is not so bad when you consider the alternatives.
--Maurice Chevalier