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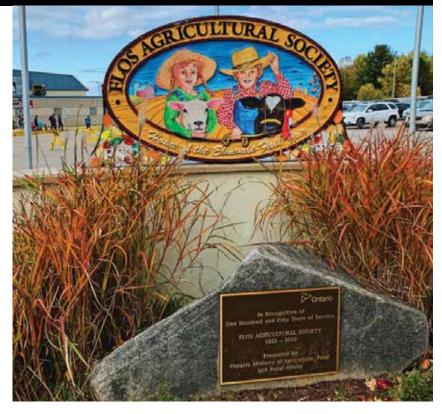
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The Elmvale Fall Fair We're Back !!!!!





The Board of Directors of the Flos Agricultural Society has officially announced that the 2022 Elmvale Fall Fair will take place from Oct 6th to 8th! Our Midway has confirmed that they will be on site, our indoor exhibits will be open for everyone to see plus livestock showsand the truck & tractor pull, entertainment and much more. This year will be our 160th Fair – so watch for some extra special events. The new Prize List will be available in about a month – watch for more up-todate information. Thank-you to our wonderful Community who has continued to support us over the past two years.

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Mr. Prime Minister,

When Mikhail Gorbachev was Soviet leader in the 1980's he was not prepared to use force to maintain the Soviet Empire in Eastern Europe. Vladimir Putin has different values and sees greatness in controlling adjacent territories. As an admirer of the old Communist order, his world view is shaped by different social and political structures.

When he began planning the takeover of Ukraine, I believe he thought it would be a short military exercise, for the Ukrainians were not likely to resist in force, perhaps they would welcome the advance, for while under the protection of Russia since the end of WW II, the Russians promoted Ukrainian industry, particularly the construction of dams on the Dnieper River. The Ukranians, according to Putin, were never an oppressed people and saw their standard of living rise under various Soviet regimes with their economy integrated with that of the USSR.

On another level, Putin - and a majority of Russians - think of the Black Sea as their southern border. It has been since the time of Catherine the Great. When Putin seized ports in Georgia in 2008 and the Crimea in 2014 the western democracies complained but their objections were verbal. Establishing a land corridor between Russia and the Crimea is of paramount importance to the Russian leader, as is controlling the ports of Mariupol and Odessa. Although the Turks would not agree, Putin and the Russian admirals like to think of the Black Sea as a Russian lake.

When the Ukrainian government under Zelensky began seeking admission to the European Union in 2020 and indicating that in the future he could see Ukraine as a member of the NATO alliance, Putin felt he had to interfere. Not that he felt threatened militarily by NATO for any attack on Russia would be met by a nuclear counterattack, but having Ukraine as a NATO partner would certainly weaken the image of Russia in Asia. Losing face is as important to the Russian leader as it is to the Chinese. Zelensky needed to be replaced; hence Kyiv became a military

The invasion began not as a blitzkrieg, but a very



measured advance. Only 190 Ukrainian casualties were recorded in the first three days of fighting. I believe the Russian generals were selecting primarily military targets, noting the response of NATO, and measuring Ukrainian resistance.

Putin and his military advisors badly misjudged both Ukrainian resistance and the reaction of the United Nations. What they didn't foresee was that the Ukrainians would mobilize, and the European Union and the USA would supply them with unlimited weapons and supplies with the result that the Russian advance is now slow, methodical, and destructive with set piece battles and mounting civilian casualties.

If nothing changes the Russians will continue to advance until not a Ukrainian soldier remains holding a rifle. They will win a wasteland.

At this time both Sweden and Finland seek to join NATO and the Western powers are welcoming them. Absolute madness. If these countries are accepted, the Russian regime can declare the Ukrainian war a defensive battle. Putin will have the propaganda weapons needed to convince the people of Russia they must defend the homeland. The Russian leader's popularity was close to 70% while the invasion of Ukraine was a peripheral conflict. Now that Sweden and Finland are abandoning neutrality and joining the Western powers, the Russian leader can with justification point to the proliferation of NATO bases within range of Moscow. Following the latest announcements Putin's popularity soared to 80%.

NATO bases in Sweden, Finland, and Ukraine would be an irritant, not a deterrent to further real or imaginary Russian aggression. Being confrontational, the Western leaders are promoting a 'Cold War' mentality which benefits munitions dealers, militarists, and politicians in search of a cause. Those who support the Zelensky government would be wiser to tone down talk of expanding NATO if they think peace is at all possible.

A more imaginative approach to establishing a ceasefire would be to curtail sanctions and invite Russia to join the European Union. Sanctions weaken an economy but do not bring down governments as forty years of sanctions against Cuba have shown. And both Russia and the E U would benefit economically if Russia joined, and in a short time would cease to be regarded as a pariah nation. Russia is a powerful European country and should be a part of the community.

In return Putin would have to rethink and minimize his objectives. Perhaps Ukraine could cede those areas which are predominantly Russian speaking which have turned towards Moscow. Odessa could be declared an International city, and Russia be named

> as a favoured nation trading partner Ukraine giving Russia access to the hydro power of the Dnieper and the resources of the Donbas. No Ukranian wants to come to an accomodation with Russia, better but concessions Russians would pay for than seizure and occupation. And unless countries Europe and the United States are willing to commit tanks



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and troops, Russia will advance to the Dnieper, Ukrainian resistance crushed, Zelensky overthrown or dead, and another 4 million refugees fleeing to Poland. From the banks of the Dnieper the Russian generals will decide whether to push through to the Polish border.

The first step towards an armistice is for the Western powers to assure Russia that NATO will not be expanded. For the Canadian government to promote the admission of Sweden and Finland is to ensure the destruction of Ukraine.

Joffre McCleary





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Future Community Leaders



Over 20 enthusiastic young men & women attended the second meeting of the Youth Involvement Program, hosted by the Flos Agricultural Society. Mentors Linda Murray and Adrianna McGinnis led them in ice-breaker games, a presentation about how an organization works, & how to elect an Executive. They have brain-stormed some wonderful ideas about events that they would like to see at the Elmvale Fair – and will be developing budgets, business plans and eventually learning how to run their chosen event(s) at the 2022 Fair. Developing leadership skills that will help them throughout their lives is one of the main goals of this program. Volunteer hours, required for graduation, are also awarded to those who participate.

Elmvale Food Bank Owes Great Thanks to Mike Stone



Our food bank owes a great deal of thanks to the founder Mr Michael Stone. Mike worked many years to help build the food bank to the where it is today. Today we celebrated by adding the official plaque to our new 'Michael Stone Building'. We salute Mike and thank him for all the years of very hard work

Joshua Strange's Ukraine Aid Local Helps Out Ukrainians

Everything changes the first time hearing an air raid siren. There is a sudden jarring and absolutely physical reaction, coming with waves of panic, excitement and paranoia. Panic because of the sense of instant danger, excitement from the rush of adrenaline, and paranoia knowing that the sky is literally falling with explosive and deadly intent.

I was in Kyiv when I found myself in my first air raid. It was just after dark and luckily I had downloaded an app that guided me to the nearest shelter.

When I arrived, men, women, and children were shuffling down the stairs. Some had supplies and luggage, others just what they had when the sirens sounded. People paused to help others get to the safety of the underground, helping carry bags, strollers, and pet carriers down the stairs and into the shelter.

At night shelters become small communities. Inside, people spread out into little circles and groups. Thermoses of tea and coffee appear, or a table from World Central Kitchen may appear with food made fresh that day. Electrical outlets are quickly turned into adhoc charging stations. Even a small play centers, nurseries, and a small classroom for children pop up. Mats and sleeping bags are spread out in various rooms, privacy sheets are raised and something approximating a bedroom appears.

One woman I spoke with said she had spent almost every night down in her shelter for nearly the full 100 days of the Russian invasion. She worked as a city administrator during the day, and by night she was a babysitter for shelter families.

Some nights a band or other entertainers might arrive to put on a show, or more permanent members of the shelter might organize a movie night at an improvised theatre.

Tonight, it's movie night, they will show the Spongebob Movie followed by a short break to get the children to bed then Such Beautiful People (2013) for the adults

And that's the part that shocked me the most about the shelters. If I looked past the fact these people have been forced underground by a war of aggression, and the bombs, rockets, and missiles sent to kill them, I found snap shots of a better humanity. Glimpses behind a veil that reveals simple kindnesses, acts of charity and generosity. Maintaining the community in the face of overwhelming adversity is the tie that binds the Ukrainian People stronger with each passing day. Where most would break, every day and night these people work to make things just a bit better, a bit more like the home that others have come to take.

Finding a spot to sleep for the night I allow myself to wonder how I can make things better, specially when I come back to Canada. I decide my best option is to share the stories of what I have seen here in Ukraine, and tell of the things I did and the amazing people I've met along the way. Maybe I can help others to see behind the veil that I have looked behind.



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New Extended Office Hours

The Township Administration Centre is now open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday. These hours will remain in effect during the Township's five month compressed work week pilot program.

Upcoming Meetings

Council Meeting Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Elmvale BIA Board Meeting Thursday, June 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Recreation Advisory Committee Tuesday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Heritage Advisory Committee Tuesday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Council meetings are live streamed online at **springwater.ca/Live**. A call-in option is also available. Board and committee meetings can be accessed via Zoom Conferencing. View the agendas for details.



Have Your Say - New Homer Barrett Park Playground Design

The Township has received grant funding to replace the existing playground at Homer Barrett Park in Elmvale with new playground equipment that is accessible and inclusive for a wide range of ages and abilities. We invite you to share your thoughts and feedback on the play equipment features you would like to see incorporated into the new design.

Please take a moment to fill out our online survey, which can be accessed through springwater.ca/HomerBarrettParkPlayground

Career Opportunity

The Township is currently recruiting for the following position:

Roads Supervisor Closes: June 12, 2022

For details, consult the job descriptions at **springwater.ca/Careers**



Operates daily from 10 AM to 7 PM | Homer Barrett Park, Elmvale

Bid Opportunities

The Township is currently accepting bids for:

External Audit Services (2022-21-FIN) Closes: June 16, 2022

McElwain Robertson Branch Brushing and Bottom Cleanout of the Phelpston Marsh Drain (2022-26-PW)

Closes: June 17, 2022

For details and to submit a bid, visit: springwater.bidsandtenders.ca

Property Tax Billing

The 2022 final tax rates were approved by Springwater Council at the regular council meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022. The 2022 final tax bills will be prepared by late June with due dates of July 20 and September 21, 2022.



Construction Along Wilson Drive

Please be advised of construction work along Wilson Drive (County Road 53) beginning this spring related to three separate roadworks projects. Residents may experience temporary disruptions or delays due to required lane closures. Every attempt will be made to minimize these disruptions and access to roads and businesses will be maintained at all times. Residents are encouraged to plan ahead and leave extra time for travel, or take alternate routes where possible.

For more information, visit: springwater.ca/ConstructionAndClosures



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Summertime 1313Q Safety with Springwater Fire & Napoleon

BBQ Safety Tips

- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grill and the tray below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended; keep children and pets 3 feet from the grill area.
- Keep your grill away from your home deck railing and do not place it under an eavestrough and overhanging branches.
- If you're using charcoal, let the coals cool completely before disposing of them in a metal container.
- If you're using propane, check the gas tank and hose connections for leaks with soapy water in a spray bottle before using it for the first time each year.

• Only use charcoal lighting fluid to light your briquettes; never use gasoline or other flammable liquids.

- Keep charcoal lighting fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- If using an electric charcoal starter, be sure to use an outdoor rated extension cord.
- Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start charcoal using newspaper for fuel.
- Never add charcoal lighter fluid to an already lit or smoldering barbecue.



Summertime BBQ Safety Contest

- 1. Read and follow the safety tips provided above.
- 2. Snap a picture of yourself demonstrating one of the tips listed above.
- 3. Submit your picture online at **springwater.ca/FirePrevention** for your chance to win the grand prize featuring a Napoleon BBQ and prize pack!



The contest is open from June 21 to July 5, 2022

Please note: you must be a Springwater resident to participate. Contest rules and details are available at **springwater.ca/FirePrevention**







Watering Restrictions

Between June 1 and September 15 each year, the following watering restrictions apply to residents on municipal water:

- Residents with odd number civic addresses may use outdoor water on odd number calendar days.
- Residents with even number civic addresses may use outdoor water on even number calendar days.
- Residents may only water lawns and gardens between the hours of 12 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. on their scheduled day.
- Residents cannot use more than one tap for the purpose of watering a lawn or garden, or for washing their vehicle.

If you would like an exemption for a newly seeded, sodded or sprayed lawn, please email the Roads & Fleet Department at roadsandfleet@springwater.ca



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Candidate Information Sessions

Those interested in running as a candidate or registering as a Third-Party Advertiser in the 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections are encouraged to attend a free information session hosted by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in partnership with Springwater and several neighbouring municipalities.

Thursday, June 16, 2022, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Virtual Session hosted via Zoom

Thursday, July 7, 2022, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. | In-Person Session at Rotary Place (Orillia Room) 100 University Avenue, Orillia ON

For further information and to learn how to register, visit **springwater.ca/Election** The Nomination Period is May 2 to August 19, 2022.

Mayor Don's Update



The Springwater Farmers' Market

Springwater Farmer's Market –

- Elmvale returns on Friday, June 17 to kick off the summer season. We are looking forward to working with our local vendors once again

as well as our new Market Manager Bob Simmons. The Farmers' Market will operate every Friday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm through September 16 in the municipal parking lot at 33 Queen Street West. Come explore fresh, unique and delicious products from local Simcoe County growers, bakers and makers. Information for those interested in becoming a vendor can be found online at springwater.ca/ FarmersMarket.

Survey on County Waste Program

The County of Simcoe is running a public survey to obtain input on the County's waste collection and landfill services, as well as to get information for future strategies to serve residents better. Those who submit a response will be entered for a chance to win one of 16 prizes, including the grand prize of a spa day for two at Vetta Spa valued at \$1,000. Complete the survey by July 1, 2022 at simcoe.ca/ WasteSurvey.

Residents' feedback will help County Council and staff identify areas of improvement that could lead to higher waste diversion and reduce the amount of material we send to landfill. The survey will also assist in providing insight into how residents and businesses use County waste facilities and how they prefer to receive communications, alerts and information about waste management programs.

Homer Barrett Park Playground

In the winter of 2022, the Township received a \$200,000 Community Building Fund grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to replace the playground equipment at Homer Barrett Park in Elmvale. The first phase of the project will be to design the new play area with playground equipment that is accessible and inclusive for a wide range of ages and abilities. We invite you to share your thoughts and feedback on the play equipment features you would like to see incorporated into the new playground design. Please take a moment to fill out our online survey, which can be found through the Township's website springwater.ca/HomerBarrettParkPlayground Our community engagement consultant will also be organizing several pop-up engagement events in the coming months, so residents have the option to provide in-person feedback as well. Stay tuned for further details.

D. Hickling Subdivision Agreement

At the June 1st meeting, Council gave its approval for Stage One of the Subdivision Agreement related to the D. Hickling Subdivision. The execution of the Stage One Subdivision Agreement will result in the commencement of site works and site preparation, which include significant grading works. It is the first of three stages that must be completed before the subdivision may be registered and home sales may begin. The next stage of the agreement will require the execution of an External Servicing Agreement and Environmental Compliance Approval from the Ministry of the Environment, Culture and Parks (MOECP). It will also require Council's authorization

The D. Hickling Subdivision is planned to include 885 residential units and is scheduled as the second development (Phase 1B) to commence within the Midhurst Secondary Plan Area. For additional information on the Midhurst Secondary Plan, visit springwater.ca/CurrentDevelopment.

Invasive Mussel Substrates in Orr Lake

In September 2021, the Severn Sound Environmental Association (SSEA) completed a shoreline survey of Orr Lake, during which invasive Zebra and Quagga mussels were detected for the first time. To help determine whether there is an established population, the SSEA will be installing artificial invasive mussel substrates in Orr Lake this June. Invasive mussel establishment in Orr Lake would greatly impact the lake's ecosystem. Invasive mussels compete with fish and invertebrates for food and spawning sites. They also promote unwanted aquatic plant and blue-green algae growth, and can impact the recreational use of the lake by clogging water intake pipes, damaging boat engines, and harming swimmers and pets with their razor-sharp shells.

If you notice the artificial mussel substrates in Orr Lake, please do not touch or move them. The substrates must be kept in their specific locations for this work to be successful. Residents can also help by being on the lookout for adult mussels attached to hard substrates (docks, rocks, garbage or lake bottom) and plants. Report your observations to InvasiveSpecies@severnsound.ca. If safe to do so, you can remove the mussels (wearing gardening or work gloves) and leave them to dry out on land for a week in an area where people and pets will not step on them. Dispose of the dried-out adults in your household garbage. For further information and photos, visit severnsound.ca

Construction Along Wilson Drive

Please be advised of construction work along Wilson Drive related to three separate roadworks projects. Residents may experience temporary disruptions or delays at this time due to required lane closures. Every attempt will be made to minimize these disruptions and access to roads and businesses will be maintained at all times.

Project	Location	Work is in progress and is expected to be completed in July 2022.		
Effluent Main Installation	Wilson Dr and Highway 26			
Traffic Signal Installation	Wilson Dr and Snow Valley Rd	Work will commence in May and is expected to be completed in July 2022.		
County Road 53 Roundabout	Wilson Dr and Seadon Rd / Carson Rd	The relocation of utilities is currently underway. Construction of the roundabout is planned for 2022/2023.		

Residents are advised to plan ahead and leave extra time for travel or take alternate routes where possible. For the safety of workers, everyone travelling through the work sites are advised to take extra care and adhere to the posted signage.

County Textiles Collection Program

Help keep clothing and textiles out of the garbage by participating in the County of Simcoe's Textile Collection Program this month. Between June 6 and 17, the County will be collecting clean, dry, and odour free clothes from households, including items that cannot be re-used. The collection will occur on either week one (June 6 and 10) or week two (June 13 and 17) of the program, depending on your household's location/zone. To determine your collection date, download the Simcoe County Collects app, available free of charge through the App Store and Google Play. Information is also available on www.simcoe. ca/waste or within your Waste Calendar.

To participate in the program, please have your items to the curb by 7:00 am on your collection day. You can use the pink plastic bags that were sent in the mail for clothing and textiles or regular clear plastic bags. Please also make sure that your items are placed a minimum of 2 feet from your carts.

Simcoe County Museum Making Tracts Exhibit

The Simcoe County Museum has opened a new temporary exhibit called Making Tracks - Mountain Biking in Simcoe County. Running to September 5, 2022, this exhibit explores the evolution of the sport and how Simcoe County has been a training ground for World Cup champions and Olympics team members. Visitors can take a look at mountain bikes from the past 30 years, a tandem bike, and even a mountain bike used in the Tokyo Olympics by Simcoe County's Peter Disera. Interactive areas include a Winners' Podium as well as a stationary bike used to compare museum visitors' skills with pro athletes. For more information, visit museum. simcoe.ca.

Celebrate Recreation and Parks Month

The month of June is Recreation and Parks Month



(JRPM)—a national movement promoting the benefits of recreation and parks for physical, social and environmental health. There are lots of great ways to get active in the Township of Springwater. We encourage all residents to participate in JRPM by taking part in a recreation activity or heading outside to enjoy our spectacular trails, conservation areas, parks and playgrounds. To help you get active and moving, the Township's Recreation, Parks and Facilities department has come up with a list of suggested activities for the month of June. Download the JRPM2022 Calendar at springwater. ca/Recreation.

Planning Staff Hire

I was surprised and disappointed that enough Councillors did not support a needed and requested staff hire at the last Council meeting. Our Planning Director presented a report requesting authorization to hire a full-time Junior Planner to assist with many planning duties, which would enable senior planners to focus on more complex projects and applications. The position would be funded in 2022 through wage savings and in 2023 through taxation. Despite the ongoing growth and additional programs in Springwater handled by the Planning department, there has not been an increase in staff since 2017. Attempts to hire interim contract positions have been unsuccessful. The recent Service Delivery Report determined the Planning department is operating at an average of 119% over capacity based on work volumes. All staff have been very supportive throughout this term and over the COVID period, and providing staff resources to deliver the services we expect requires Council support. There are currently 6,887 residential units being considered through various stages of the planning process. A portion of the estimated \$86,000 annual salary and benefits for this position would be partially offset by increased planning revenues. Councillors Cabral, Hanna and Ritchie did not support the hire at this time and wanted it reviewed for the 2023 budget, which won't be finalized until January 2023 by the next Council. Councillor Maw-Chapman agreed with deferring it. I opposed deferring it and supported the request because the hire is necessary now to provide expected levels of service as well as to assist and support existing staff. Deputy Mayor Coughlin and Councillor Moore sent regrets and were not at the meeting. So, until next year, planning staff will continue to be strained to provide service levels that residents expect. I hope all of staff stay with us to continue to do that.

This message reflects my thoughts and not necessarily those of Council.

To Lower Your Chances of Being **Exposed to Tick or Mosquito Bites,** You Can Take the Following Actions:

- When outdoors in grassy or wooded areas, wear light coloured, long-sleeved shirts and pants, and shoes with closed toes, and tuck your pant cuffs into your socks. Light coloured clothing makes ticks easier to see.
- Use an insect repellent. The label will specify what pests the product will protect you from.
- Check your entire body, as well as other family members (e.g., children, partner) and pets for ticks after being outdoors. Remind friends who were with you to do the same. For those hard to see places, use a mirror, or ask someone to check for you. If you find a tick, remove it as soon as possible. After removing the tick, use eTick.ca for tick identification and follow the guidance provided (e.g., if it is a blacklegged tick, contact your health care provider to help assess your risk of Lyme disease).
- · Keep ticks and mosquitoes away from your home and garden by getting rid of standing water and keeping grass, brush and weeds short. Move woodpiles and bird feeders away from the house.



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Public Meeting - 1335 Flos Rd Four W

A Public Meeting was held regarding a Zoning By-law Amendment to permit a permanent baseball training facility on the property at 1335 Flos Road Four West in Phelpston. The baseball training facility is proposed to include an indoor training facility and outdoor baseball diamond, along with several accessory structures. Following the Public Meeting, the application was referred back to staff for a further report.

D. Hickling Subdivision Agreement

Council authorized the execution of the Stage One Subdivision Agreement related to the D. Hickling Subdivision. The D. Hickling Subdivision is planned to include 885 residential units and is the second development to commence within the Midhurst Secondary Plan Area. The Stage One Subdivision Agreement allows for site work and site preparations to be completed. Additional information can be found on the Township's website at springwater. ca/CurrentDevelopment

Human Resources Information System

Ultimate Kronos Group (UKG) was awarded the contract for a Human Resources Information

System to a maximum amount of \$44,792, plus HST. The cost of the system will be partially covered by grant funding received through the Municipal Modernization Program.

Road Surface Treatment

Council awarded the tender for single, double and micro surface treatment to Duncor Enterprise Inc in the amount of \$1,059,677.25 including HST recoveries. The work is part of ongoing road maintenance and will provide a new riding surface for various roads throughout the Township.

Laserfiche Cloud

Council authorized additional funding in the amount of \$42,000 to be appropriated from the

Safe Restart (COVID Relief) Reserve Fund for the purpose of migrating Township data from onsite servers to Laserfiche Cloud. This new cloudbased system will enable more online services and efficient business processes. Ricoh Canada was retained to complete the data migration.

This summary is not a full representation of the meeting.

For the official record, please refer to the minutes in the next Council Agenda.

Past Council Meetings are available for viewing on the Township's YouTube channel.

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Council Meeting Highlights: May 18, 2022 Next Council Meeting: June 1, 2022

Georgian Bay Physician Recruitment

In a delegation to Council, Shannon Laurin and Dr. Jeff Golisky of Georgian Bay Physician Recruitment provided an overview of their work in recruiting and retaining skilled physicians to serve Georgian Bay General Hospital and the surrounding community. The need for family physicians has reached a critical point due to a declining number of medical graduates choosing to practice family medicine. In the last several months, Georgian Bay Physician Recruitment has strengthened their recruitment strategy through enhanced marketing, further supports and incentives, and new community partnerships.

Student Request for a Rainbow Crosswalk in Elmvale

Council received a delegation from Greg Davidson and students of Elmvale District High School's Gay Straight Alliance regarding their desire for a rainbow crosswalk to be installed in the Village of Elmvale. With the crosswalk in front of the library proposed as the best location, the students requested that Council direct staff to assess the feasibility and cost of modifying an existing crosswalk. Following the delegation, Council expressed their support for the initiative and further directed staff to explore the possibility of installing an additional rainbow crosswalk at the Township Administration Centre.

PGC Industrial Subdivision

Pre-Servicing Agreement

The Mayor and Clerk have been authorized to execute a pre-servicing agreement for the PGC Industrial Subdivision development. Provided that the engineering design work is sufficiently advanced, the agreement will permit the developer to begin preparing the site and constructing infrastructure prior to full registration of the subdivision. The PGC Subdivision is planned to include eight industrial lots and one storm water servicing block within the Bertram Industrial Parkway area. (Rest of minutes are on info@springwaternews.ca)

The LOTTO MAX odds have shone in favour of Andre Harris of Barrie! He won a MAXMILLIONS prize worth \$1 million in the March 25, 2022, LOTTO MAX draw. The 37-year-old father says he discovered his big win on a Sunday. "I was enjoying my 'rest day' when something told me to check my ticket. I went out to my car where I left my ticket and scanned it. Just like that I found out I was a millionaire!" he shared while at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto to pick up his winnings.

Andre shared the big news with his friend and brother right away. "I'm so excited and happy," he smiled.

He plans to invest his win. "I would also love to bring my mom from Jamacia here for a visit," he concluded. The winning ticket was purchased at Macewen on Dunlop Street in Barrie.



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MENTAL HEALTH

Ask a Therapist: On Getting Started

Q: I know that I am struggling mentally and emotionally but I don't know what to do about it! Can you offer me some tips to help me get moving in the right direction?

- **A:** I think we can all relate to that stuck feeling of overwhelm. I would encourage you to simply do the next right thing! Taking one step at a time feels manageable and that step will lead to another one on the pathway to greater mental health. Here are some first step suggestions:
- 1. Start to pay attention and attend to what you are noticing. So often we are sleepwalking through our lives and not fully present to ourselves. So, a great first step is to begin to create more awareness about what is happening in your mind, heart, and body. Pause regularly to check in with yourself and take stock of what you notice. If you can activate that curiosity and mindful observation about what is going on and name some of the things you are facing you can then take a step to do something to alleviate pain or pressure and begin to heal. Do you have an elevated heart rate? Take some controlled deep belly breaths. Is there tension in your neck? Bring your shoulders down and do some stretches or apply some heat or cold. Is everyone around you seemingly irritating? Give yourself permission to take a break and walk around the block. Are the tears close to the surface? Give them an outlet - a good cry is cathartic! Do you have intrusive negative or critical thoughts? Write them down in a journal and try to counter each thought with something more compassionate and true. Are you feeling exhausted? Take a nap. Once you notice and name it you can begin to take specific action to help.
- 2. Do something small that is just outside your comfort zone. Sometimes there are things we can do to stretch ourselves a little that can really make a difference to our mental health. Perhaps even reading this article is something you wouldn't normally do but it is giving you a chance to think about things differently, to learn something new, or to provide a next step. Consider risking some vulnerability and open up to a trusted friend or family member to garner some social support. Try a yoga, mindfulness, or fitness class for the first time. Reach out to a spiritual mentor for a conversation or prayer. Perhaps try to journal to explore and process your thoughts or feelings. Talk to your doctor about your mental health challenges. Start by doing one simple thing that pushes you into new territory.
- 3. Seek resources and/or professional help. There are so many great books, videos, and podcasts out there that can provide resources to help support you in this journey. There are an increasing number of apps that offer guidance through mental health tools or topics-like mindfulness, gratitude, and journaling that you can download and start using right away to feel better. Talking to a therapist can be an integral step to get you on the right track with your mental health, especially when you are feeling overwhelmed, stuck, or isolated. You don't have to do it alone.

Start with one simple action in the direction of your health and take the journey from there. It is possible to start to feel better one small step at a time.

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Sports with Patrick Townes



There is nothing better than sitting down and watching a good sports movie. For me, baseball movies are my go to movie. Actor Ray Liotta, who became a household name by playing Shoeless Joe Jackson in 1989's "Field of Dreams," passed away at the age of 67.

Shoeless Joe (whether I like to admit it or not) might be the only book I read before university from cover to cover. The story goes well beyond baseball and reflects on a man's life on a farm. If you have not seen this movie, please take the opportunity to do so.

Members of the Wyevale Tribe had the opportunity to visit the field during one of their tournaments a number of years ago, and we even got a chance to play on the diamond. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity!

My Dad and I had an opportunity to go to our first Blue Jays game since the Covid era. We were excited to go and even more so when we learned that we would get to see Alex Manoah pitch against the White Sox. It was an emotionally charged game when he pitched into the 8th inning and got an amazing applause when he exited the game. This player is something special! He is different from all

Sports with Patrick Townes continued

other pitchers in terms of mind-set and ability. He is big and nasty. He is a future ace amongst some pretty good pitchers right now.

As predicted, the Blue Jays have recovered and now they are playing games against some easier opponents. Walks have spiked and this is a sign that they are facing easier pitching, and hitters are starting to find their grooves. They won eight in a row but stumbled, dropping 2 of 3 games against Minnesota. They start a 6-game road trip against Detroit and

Kansas City this week. They should win 5 of those games but 4-2 would be a good trip.

At all baseball stadiums there is a "batter's eye" in centre field. The purpose of this is to keep an area of the park that is unobstructed from view and usually one single colour, so that there are no distractions for the hitters when the pitches are delivered. Edmonton's goalie Mike Smith had a puck elude him during a playoff game that he lost in the crowd. It is amazing how this does not happen more often in hockey with the crowds at ice level and all the advertisements on the boards.

One thing I could never, and still cannot wrap my head around, is how players who lose in the first round of the hockey playoffs take off immediately to make their way to the World Championships. William Nylander did this and was seen hitting players into the boards and playing with more heart for his home country Sweden than he had ever played for the Maple Leafs. As a fan, I would expect players to give their all during the playoffs and not have enough energy to go play somewhere else immediately. He will be traded for his sub-level performance in the playoffs and because he has the only attractive contract that makes him tradable to other teams.

Intercounty Baseball League Team Schedule Thu Jun 9 7:30pm Vintage Throne Stadium TICKETS Baycats Maple Leafs Barrie Fri Jun 10 7:35pm ΑT Bernie Arbour Memorial Stadium **Baycats** Guelph Barrie Vintage Throne Stadium TICKETS Sun Jun 12 7:00pm VS **Baycats** Royals

The Barrie Baycats are excited to announce that all Saturday afternoon home games that start at 4:00pm will be considered Junior Baycats Days. This theme of recognition will include five dates throughout the regular season starting with Saturday May 21st and including Saturday, May 28th, Saturday June 25th, Saturday July 23rd, and Saturday August 13th. With the support and partnership of Rock 95, Kool FM, Barrie 360, Moonwalk Entertainment, and Dream Parties,

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On The Field with the Hillsdale Haymakers

Written by Taylor Shewell



Photo above: U7 team Kingston hitting and Douglas playing third base.

Our U5-U7 teams, sponsored by the Simcoe County Elementary Teachers' Federation, are off to a great start to the season with smiles and fun had by all! On our U5 team our little athletes have been sprinting around the bases at lightning speed with Harper, Edison, Mae, Timothy, Hudson, Aaron, and Owen showing some promising talent. Some big hits were made by Kane, Martin, Abigail, Faith, Ruby, and Corbin. On our U7 team Kingston, Douglas, Val, Emerson, Van, Sloane, Elizabeth, Chase & Barrett had some great hits to start off the season. Avery, William, Stella, Albert, Callum, Katerina, Caleb, Memphis & Gunner had some good throws and catches.

Backyard BBQ Teammate of the Week: Congratulations to Eden on our U17 Team for being named teammate of the week for their respective team.



Photo above: U7 team night one.

Next Weeks Games:

Mon June 13 - U9 @ Elmvale 6:45pm (HCES), U17 @ Lafontaine 6:45pm

Tues June 14 - U11-1 @ Minesing (school) 6:45pm U11-2 @ Elmvale 6:45pm (HCES) Wed June 15- U13-1 @ Hillsdale 6:45pm (park), U13-2 @ Minesing 6:45pm (tree nursery)

GBMSL Results

Team U9 W 7-31 U11-1L 13-14 U11-2 W 13-14 U13-1T 16-16 U13-2W 18-20 U17 W 16-1

To stay on top of all things related to the Hillsdale Haymakers, find us online at www. hillsdaleathletes.com

Doug Shipley, MP June 2022

With the end of the school year fast approaching, I know many families are excited to make travel plans both domestically and abroad. My staff and I have received countless requests for assistance with passport services over the past few months, and the demand for new and renewed passports is expected to continue. Long line-ups at Service Canada Centres and passport offices, delayed processing, and a difficult to reach phone system are a few of the major roadblocks constituents are facing when trying to renew or apply for their passports.

In conjunction with numerous other Conservative MPs, I have signed a letter calling on the federal government to resolve the delays, provide a timeline for a solution, and get Service Canada services, including passports, moving again. If you are planning to travel this summer, be sure to check well in advance that your passport is still valid. Feel free to contact my office if you have questions or need assistance.

Last week, Conservatives brought forward a motion that would resume pre-pandemic rules and service levels for travellers. I voted in favour of this motion in order to get Canada's vibrant tourism economy thriving once again and to get Canadians travelling for work, leisure, and to visit loved ones abroad. Even though the motion was voted down in the House of Commons, I will continue to advocate for solutions that get our government services and airports moving in the right direction.

Over the summer months, I look forward to attending many events in the community, starting with Canada Day. On the back of my mailer, which should be arriving at homes and businesses shortly, I have included a Canada flag for you to display in your window to celebrate the day and spread some Canadian cheer!

My staff and I are available to discuss any federal matters that may be of concern to you and your family. Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sincerely,

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Doug Shipley, MP Barrie – Springwater – Oro-Medonte









Photo above: Doug Shipley glad to present two Communities Connecting for Children volunteers, Dave Shepherd and Sylvia Dufresne, with National Volunteer Week awards. Camp CCC is a registered charity connecting children and youth to nature, located on over 60 acres in Midhurst.



Photo above: Congratulations to all finalists and winners of the 2022 Barrie Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Awards. Our community is privileged to have many resilient, passionate and spirited female business leaders



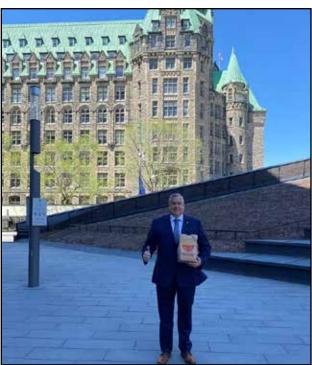


Photo of Doug Shipley. MP: I was happy to support McHappy Day while in Ottawa. Every purchase made on McHappy Day helps support Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) and local children's charities across the country.

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HIDDEN GEMS

A More Familiar Gem: The Barrie Waterfront

With temperatures climbing as spring transitions into summer, many leave the leafy forests to seek refuge from the bugs and humidity by visiting their local waterfront. Although not such a hidden gem, there are many smaller treasures hidden to be discovered along the way. A short walk from the shops and dining and entertainment establishments of downtown Barrie, the Barrie Waterfront offers something for both residents and tourists alike within its 5 km stretch.

Kempenfelt Bay, within the confines of the City of Barrie, is home to 4 main beaches: Centennial, Johnson's, Minet's Point, and Tyndale. If you are looking for lots of action and opportunities to people watch, Centennial Beach is the place to be. It is located just off of Lakeshore Dr. between Bayfield and Tiffin Streets. This beach features the Rotary Club's Fountain Landmark (Barrie's version of the Swiss Jet d'eau), a sizable and accessible maritime themed playground, biking and walking paths, picnic tables, washrooms, a concession stand, a boat launch, flower gardens, and beach volleyball courts. It's definitely a real hive of activity. For those looking for a smaller and cozier beach experience, check out Johnson's or Minet's Point Park and Beach. Located at the very end of Johnson Street, where it practically meets the water (2 Johnson St.), this beach is a very small and very sandy beach that is perfect for those wanting to catch some rays as it offers very little natural shade. It does, however, offer washroom and change room facilities and is in very close proximity to the North Shore Trail. In contrast, Minet's Point Park and Beach does offer some shady spots for those wishing to limit their UVA and UVB intake. This locale also features a fabulous picnic shelter as well as playground equipment. Washrooms are also present. A nice mix of action and chill time can be found at Tyndale Park and Beach. This beach is a mix of sand and stone, so water shoes may be helpful in this instance. Close to trails and containing community use barbeques, a large picnic shelter, a play area, and beach volleyball court, this beach is the perfect spot for large gatherings of friends and family without

too much noise or outside encroachment. Head to 45 Tyndale Road to check this spot out.

For those looking to do more than lounge and wade, the waterfront offers a wide variety of additional activities both on and off the water. For the landlubbers, the Waterfront Trail spans approximately 6.7 km around the lake and provides beautiful views for the walking, jogging, cycling, skateboarding, and rollerblading set. Fans of team sports can enjoy basketball at the Centennial Park rink (used for hockey and skating in the winter months) or Beach Volleyball also at Centennial Beach or Tyndale Beach. Unique and accessible to visitors of all ages and abilities, outdoor fitness equipment is located at six areas around the bay between Heritage Park and the Southshore Community Centre. Water babies can be found preparing for boating and sailing adventures at the Marina or Tiffin Boat Launch. Chances "R" Sailing Excursions operating out of the Bayfield Basin features tours of the bay. Looking for more magical moments on the water, check out Happy Paddling Canoe and Kayak Rentals, Northern SUP , or Surf, Wake, Ski. For the ultimate in family and kid friendly fun be sure to visit SPLASH ON, a 13, 000 square foot inflatable waterpark located just off of Centennial Beach. Wanting to engage your mind? Why not investigate the Discovering the Waterfront Self-Guided Tour? It is one of seven Heritage Barrie walking tours. Taking approximately 83 minutes to complete, it follows Lakeshore Drive between Memorial Square and the Southshore Community Centre. Six interpretive plaques highlight historic locations along the waterfront that provide insight into Barrie's history. Creative, artsy folks will appreciate the First Nations inspired Spirit Catcher, a focal point of the Barrie Waterfront since 1987. The more recently installed Sea Serpent serves as a companion piece. After a long day of making memories, enjoy a relaxed evening stroll to Scoops and Cones ice cream hut or head over to Meridian Place and Memorial Square to enjoy some wonderful panoramic views or possibly catch some local entertainment. If you are ambitious, do both!

Whatever your age or interests, Barrie Waterfront never disappoints. Be sure to plan at least one visit this summer.

COVID-19 pop-up and walk-in vaccination clinics available in Simcoe Muskoka June 6 to 11

. Walk-ins for first and second doses for individuals five years and older, third and booster doses for individuals 12 and up, and fourth doses for people 60 years and older as well as Indigenous individuals and their non-Indigenous household members aged 18 and over are available at the following pop-up locations:



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Thursday, June 9

Clinic location: **GO-VAXX Bus – Innisfil** ideaLab & Library, Lakeshore, 967 Innisfil Beach Rd., Innisfil Time: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 11

Clinic location: GO-VAXX Bus – Midland North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre, 527 Len Self Blvd., Midland

Time: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Appointments for the GO-VAXX clinics may also be booked up to four days prior to the clinic through the COVID-19 vaccination portal or by calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900.

The health unit continues to offer COVID-19 vaccinations on a walk-in and appointment basis at the Georgian Mall, 509 Bayfield St. (lower level) in Barrie Wednesdays to Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and by appointment only at its office immunization clinic locations in Midland and Orillia, Appointments can be booked through the vaccination portal or Contact Centre as listed above.

Pop-up and GO-VAXX mobile clinics will continue to be scheduled throughout Simcoe and Muskoka.



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Summer Reading Program Registration

We are so excited for a summer filled with reading, prizes, and FUN! Registration is happening now! Visit our website or go straight to the Readsquared App and sign up today. Not sure how to sign up online? We've got a "how to guide" on our Youtube channel that explains it all! Just search, "Springwater Library" and you'll find us! Free mini golf, ice cream, Frosty and noise making light sabers are just some of the prizes coming your way for the summer reading program. Disclaimer: prizes vary depending on branch location. Visit us weekly starting the first week of July to pick from our FREE treasure box (for those enrolled in the summer reading program).

Lego Building Challenge

Let us warn you – this month's challenge is cheesy – it's Pizza! Take a pic, email us, and win a free Lego figurine! Thursday, June 16 on Facebook or our website.

Piping Plover Info Event

Learn more about this delightful local shore bird and the recovery strategy and habitat protection measures that are being conducted at Wasaga Beach Provincial Park and Woodland Beach. Monday June 20, 6:30pm on Zoom. Registration is required.

Take & Make Crafts with Kaitlyn

June's take and make kit is a cute little pom pom turtle. While supplies last starting Friday June 24.

Rock Painting

Kick off your summer with colour and come by the library to paint a fun, decorative rock! Time: After school on Tuesday, June 28 at Elmvale and Midhurst Branches.



Barb (far right) from the Springwater Vespra Lions Club came to the Midhurst Branch and donated a very generous cheque to Kathy (middle) and Amanda (left).

This will allow us to buy a giant Connect 4 game, giant Jenga, help our Family Outreach parties in both Midhurst and Elmvale, plus lots of other fun items to enhance our summer program!

We appreciate them so much as they have been so supportive and generous over the years! Thanks very much!

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County Council Highlights Meeting Held May 24, 2022

Council Highlights are intended to provide a summary of Council proceedings only. The information contained within the Highlights is based on approved material from within the associated agenda packages, linked at the bottom. These reports were part of the agendas from the Council Meeting on May 24, 2022, and Committee of the Whole on May 10, 2022. For more information on any item covered in the Highlights, each article is hyperlinked to the appropriate report, which can be accessed by clicking on the title. Images are also linked to relevant resources.

A recording of these sessions is also available for public viewing on the County's YouTube channel.

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Simcoe County Hospital Alliance Funding Allocation

In 2006, a Health Care Strategy Committee completed a review and recommended that County Council ensure effective and equitable utilization of County health care tax dollars to help fund health care needs within the County of Simcoe. As a result of this review, County Council approved continued hospital funding in the amount of \$3 million annually to the Simcoe County Hospital Alliance for a 10-year period extending from 2007 to 2016. This funding

has been subsequently extended until 2031 in the amount of \$45 million. Funding of area hospitals is Provincial jurisdiction, however County Council recognizes the important role our hospitals play in our communities and provides this annual funding on behalf of its member municipalities.

On May 26, 2022, Council approved payments of the 2021 Simcoe County Hospital Alliance Funding Allocations, as requested by the Simcoe County Hospital Alliance Chair in alignment with the funding policy. The requested payments totalled \$1,800,526, including \$8,040 to Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre, \$3,680 to Southlake Regional Health Centre, \$788,806 to Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, and \$1,000,000 to Georgian Bay General Hospital.

Paramedic Services Week and Paramedic for a Day



May 22 to 28 is National Paramedic Services week, a time to reflect on the dedication and resilience of these exceptional first responders serving our communities. This year's theme, "Faces of Paramedicine" will focus on the diverse and growing range of specialties within the profession.

In addition to responding to approximately 80,000 calls annually, County of Simcoe Paramedic Services is evolving its programs and services to meet the needs of our growing communities, ageing population, and increased demands.

Congratulations to Chloe, a Grade 5 student at Warnica Public School in the City of Barrie for her winning entry to the virtual Paramedic for a Day contest. She enjoyed her visit with County of Simcoe Paramedic Services and Siren the Fox. Chloe's creative video entry highlighted the steps that should be taken if ever the first responder is you!

Barrie Collingwood Railway Trail

In 2017, the County purchased a 38km long section of the former Barrie Collingwood Railway (BCRY) corridor, which extends from the southern boundary of the Town of Collingwood to Utopia, with the

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intention of preserving the BCRY Right-of-Way for a future higher order transportation corridor and to use it as an active transportation trail during the interim.

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On May 26, 2022, Council reaffirmed the protection of the BCRY corridor for potential future higher order transit use through retaining a contiguous corridor and right of way. Staff will continue to work with Metrolinx, the Ministry of Transportation, and other levels of government to examine long-term higher order transportation needs of the BCRY corridor. Initial development of the BCRY corridor will proceed on the basis of non-motorized uses until a Master Trails Strategy and Plan is completed.

National AccessAbility Week

In 2019, the Accessible Canada Act came into force. National AccessAbility Week brings together all Canadians in recognizing the valuable contributions of Canadians with disabilities and strengthening, the collaborative effort needed to create a country that is fully accessible and inclusive.

National AccessAbility Week is a time to look at the gains that the County has made in removing barriers and improving access for all who live, work and play in Simcoe County and look forward to the work that still needs to be done. Through the work of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee, the County continues to remove and prevent barriers to persons with disabilities, as required by legislation.

Anti-Human Trafficking Services and Supports

On February 22, 2022 Council requested that staff provide information on the provincial Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy and an update on anti-human trafficking services and supports available to victims and survivors of human trafficking in Simcoe County.

On May 10, 2022, Committee of the Whole received a report with information on designated national and global awareness raising dates; the nationally designated Human Trafficking Awareness Day, and the global World Day against Trafficking in Persons.

National Association of Federal Retirees

The National Association of Federal Retirees promotes retirees' financial security, health, and well-being. We are the largest advocacy group in Canada for current and future federal retirees. We have roughly 170,000 members and 79 branches across the country representing members of the federal public service, Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP, federally appointed judges, and their partners and survivors.

Our advocacy focus is the protection of pension, health, and dental benefits. We also aim to improve

government policies and income security to make retirement better for all Canadians and ensure a strong, sustainable health-care system. We represent pensioners on various government boards and committees and promote a national seniors' strategy focused on homecare, housing, and community life. One important priority is ensuring Canada's veterans have the support and dignity they deserve.

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- Survivor benefits continued and expanded
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- Pension surplus protected

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How Beneficial are Birds?

Scientists estimate that there are between 50 - 400 billion birds in the world. The number of species is estimated to be around 9, 700.

Here in Canada we have 696 species of birds. We have 501 species of birds just here in Ontario. The most common bird in the world is the domestic chicken. Approximately 75% of wild birds live for less than a year. The larger the bird, the more likely it is to live longer

Every year trees are attacked by billions of insects! Often the bug attack is so overwhelming the trees will die. Luckily, bird-eating insects will come to their rescue. Scientists tell us that birds eat around 500 million tons of insects including 15 million larvae every single year! Farmers have discovered if they plant fruit orchards near woodlots, the birds from the woodlot will devour most of the insects ready to attack the fruit on the trees!

Birds need trees but it turns out trees need birds as well. As birds fly all over the forests and elsewhere the tree seeds in their poop are dropped on the forest floor. Using the fertilizer from the poop, the seeds will quickly sprout into a tree sapling. Birds' importance in dispersing tree seeds and others cannot be overstated! An astounding 92% of woody plants are grown from the seeds dropped by birds in their poop!

Every year billions of animals are killed by vehicles and left on roads or roadsides. Lucky for us vultures attack the bodies of the dead animals and eat everything but the bones. The acid in the vultures' stomachs destroys bacteria, spores and toxins. The acid is so corrosive that they can digest carcasses infected with anthrax. In countries where vultures have declined due to disease, feral dogs have taken over the role played by vultures. We want to keep vultures healthy as feral dogs spread rabies which is deadly if left untreated.

Can you guess what is the greatest threat to birds today? If you guessed buildings/houses or vehicles, or wind turbines, or pesticides, or power lines, or hunting you would be wrong! Cats are responsible for killing an astounding 196 million birds each and every single year in Canada - more than power lines, houses, pesticides, vehicles, hunting, and buildings combined!

Domestic cats kill over 200,000 birds every daya little over 8,000 birds every single hour of the day!!As well as killing birds free- range cats including pet cats cause unimaginable harm to our fragile ecosystem by competing with native predators for food, carrying diseases to other species, and mating with native wildcats. A cat owner and bird watcher Nancy Brennan learned that birds have an extra cone in their eyes which enables them to see colours really well, even at dawn and dusk. She started making brightly coloured collars for cats to prevent them from killing birds which she sold on Birdsbesafe.com

A bird biologist named Susan Wilson designed an experiment to determine the effectiveness of the cat collars. Over the course of that fall, she discovered cats wearing the birdsbesafe collars brought home 3.4 times fewer birds. Wilson's study was published earlier this year in the journal Global Ecology and Conservation. A second paper from Australia found that Birdsbesafe wasn't just effective for birds—but cats with the collar killed 47 percent fewer animals.

If you have a cat that you find difficult to keep inside consider buying birdbesafecollar or make your own. Cats are an example of an introduction of an invasive species wreaking havoc on our ecosystem.

Gwen Petreman, Children's Author Illustrator Educator Presenter

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Jo Knows Nutrition

Cherry Chocolate Loaf

Dark chocolate and sweet cherries make a great flavor combo, but add coffee (yes, coffee!) and this healthy loaf tastes even more delish. If you're not a fan of almond flavouring in your baking, skip it and substitute

with more vanilla extract instead.



INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups (500 ml) whole wheat flour
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon (2.5 ml) salt
- 3/4 cup (188 ml) pure maple syrup
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) vegetable oil or melted coconut oil
- 1 cup (250 ml) brewed or instant coffee, cooled
- 1 teaspoon (5 ml) vanilla extract and 1/2 teaspoon (2.5 ml) almond extract or 2 teaspoons (10 ml) vanilla extract and no almond extract
- 2 tablespoons (30 ml) lemon juice or apple cider vinegar
- 2 eggs or 2 vegan chia eggs (i.e., mix 2 tablespoons (30 ml) chia seeds with 6 tablespoons (90ml) of water and let sit for 5 minutes before adding to the other ingredients)
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) dairy milk or vegan milk (i.e., soy, almond, oat or coconut milk)
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) dark chocolate chunks or chips
- 3 cups (750 ml) fresh, pitted cherries or frozen cherries

Did You Know?

Cherries are low in calories and chock full of fiber, vitamins, minerals, and other good-for-you ingredients. Cherry season is coming so get ready for fresh, local, and affordable produce.

Although dark chocolate is high in calories and sugar, it does have some redeeming qualities. Dark chocolate contains vitamins, minerals, and powerful antioxidants that are beneficial to heart health. Read your labels as you want to consume bars and chips with at least 70% dark chocolate. Just 1 ounce (30 grams) of dark chocolate per day will be nutritionally beneficial.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 F (190 C).
- 2. If using fresh, remove the pits from the cherries with a paring knife or cherry pitter.
- 3. Grease a large loaf pan or 2 smaller loaf pans with vegetable oil, non-stick spray or line with parchment paper. The batter should only fill 3/4 of the pan for even cooking and to prevent spills when baking in the oven
- 4. If using chia eggs, prepare them now in a bowl and set aside.
- 5. Blend together the flour, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt in a mixing bowl.
- 6. In another bowl combine the maple syrup, oil, coffee, vanilla and almond extract (if using), lemon juice or vinegar, eggs or chia eggs, milk and dark chocolate.
- 7. Pour the wet ingredients into the dry ingredients with a fork or whisk.
- 8. Add the fresh or frozen cherries to the batter with minimal stirring.
- 9. Pour the batter into your loaf pan(s) and bake for 40 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the centre comes out clean.
 - 10. Cool before serving.

ENJOY!

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Pictured above are members of the Centre Flos W.I. Executive for 2022 (1-r) Sandy Houston, Vice-President; Linda Van Rassel, ROSE Committee; Elaine Steele, District Director; Lorraine Cobbett, Cards & Flowers; Diane Ritchie, ROSE Chair; Donna Kenwell, Public Relations; Sharon Healey, ROSE Committee; Mary Stone, Treasurer; Linda Ellery, Assistant Secretary; Jocelyn Woodcock, Secretary; Margaret Ann Jacobs, President. missing from the photo are Joan Snedden, ROSE Committee, and Pat Leonard, Tweedsmuir Chair

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HEY DADS!



HEY DADS! Did you read my article last week about oatmeal in the sink, diapers in cups, and glue in the computer? It was a list of things I found around the house in odd places. (If you missed it you can find it at heydads.ca)



Have you ever found something somewhere in your house and asked yourself, "How in the world did this get here?" The trend seems to be that the more kids you accumulate the more stuff you accumulate and the more opportunities there are for those kids to move that stuff! Last week's list will continue here today and you may notice a theme as we go along. So I give you four more oddly-placed items that we discovered around the house.

1. Tube of toothpaste on the kitchen floor. This item creates a number of scenarios for parents to consider. The potential for small feet to step on the tube and blast its contents all over the floor. Did the individual responsible for the placement actually brush their teeth or did they just suck out as much toothpaste as possible and throw the tube on the floor when they were full? Where is the toothbrush that went along with the toothpaste? In the sink? In the oven? In

the toilet? We will never know the answers to these questions.

2. Block of butter under kitchen sink. This item has been on the list for a long time and I honestly can't remember the circumstances that led to the discovery. It wasn't complicated or messy. It was simply a lone block of butter that sat quietly in the cabinet under the kitchen sink. A mystery for the ages. That is all.

3. Bowl of spaghetti in the coat closet. Now this item took some investigating. It wasn't the first meal item located in an odd spot. In fact, if I recall correctly, we also found the remainders of a smoothie in a cup close by. It was actually more than remainders. It was the entire cup. Not a drop had been consumed. The clues continued to suggest something sinister was afoot. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner items somehow removed from the table and placed in top-secret locations. Or so the suspect thought. Which brings us to today's final item:

4. Grilled cheese in an encyclopedia. Truth! So some of the smaller members of our household sit on encyclopedias at the kitchen table. (I'm too much of a penny pincher to buy more booster seats and got the set of encyclopedias dirt cheap at a garage sale. They make great booster seats...and food hiding spots). The grilled cheese had been there for a few days at least. It was cold, smooshy, flattened bread and cheese. I should have tried to feed it to one of the smallest kids but my dear wife most likely would have denied me that pleasure. Instead I told all the kids to sit on the kitchen floor until someone confessed to hiding all the meal-time food. After an hour there were still no confessions so I gave in and let them get on with their lives.

After that hour sitting on the floor the hidden-food problem did go away so it was a partially successful exercise. No one confessed that day but eventually one of our 5-year-old twin girls spilled the beans.

So dads we live and we learn. We find things and we lose things. Those things don't actually matter but those kids do so make every moment with them count. Time flies!

Jason Weening eats the cold, burnt, fallen on the floor leftover food from 9 kids.

For more recipes like that check out heydads.ca.

Residents Encouraged to Get Out of Their Car and Try Ative Transportation During Bike Month

The Province proclaims the month of June each year as Ontario Bike Month. Bike Month is an opportunity to try riding a bike for the first time, learn new cycling skills, or get out on the trails and connect with people. This year, Bike Month takes place from May 30 to June 30.

Biking is a form of active transportation that benefits our health, society, transportation systems, environment and economy. The City encourages residents who have never tried cycling to try it in June. If you already cycle on a regular basis, try out a new bike path or trail using the City's active transportation map. Bike month is also an ideal time for students to try biking to school.

"By taking part in Bike Month, we encourage residents to explore the city using their bicycle and re-imagine their daily routine to see if some trips could be made by cycling instead of by car," says Brett Gratrix, Senior Project Manager, Transportation Planning. "Biking is a fantastic way to travel to school, to work, and to make those short trips to the local store."

By law, cyclists under the age of 18 must wear an approved bicycle helmet. For children aged 16 and under, a parent or guardian must ensure they wear a helmet. A helmet is strongly recommended if you are 18 or over. Drivers must also watch for cyclists, slow down and leave them space. When passing a cyclist, drivers should maintain a minimum distance of one metre between their vehicle and the cyclist.

Barrie's Active Transportation Strategy

The City is focusing on the development of a comprehensive and connected cycling network following Barrie's Active Transportation Strategy. This work is being completed in two ways: large transportation capital projects where reconstruction is occurring on corridors; and road right-sizing, which involves re-balancing road space to create room for cycling lanes.

Last year, the City implemented 6 kms of cycling infrastructure with another 11 kms targeted for

completion in 2022. Notable large capital projects include Big Bay Point Road (Bayview Drive to Huronia Road), Mapleview Drive (Madelaine Drive to Yonge Street) and Bell Farm Road (St. Vincent Street to Duckworth Street). Additionally, the City is planning to undertake road right-sizing on Johnson Street, Little Avenue, Hanmer Street East and segments of Bayview Drive this upcoming construction season.





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MINESING MOMENTS

by Lorrie Norwood

I'm back! It has been a few editions since I have written and I apologize for this as I know people like to have some news and updates. Truthfully there hasn't been a whole lot going on that has been mentioned to me to put in our little column of the Springwater News.

By the time you read this it will be June and May will be just a memory. I hope that spring was good to everyone and that your gardens are beginning to bloom. My lilacs are out and they seem to be very plentiful this year. I love riding my bike around the neighbourhood and being able to smell all of the trees in bloom.

MINESING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE – SATURDAY JUNE 18, 2022 - Minesing is having a community garage sale for anyone who wants participate. The hours are 8-12 or later if you wish. Anyone wishing to participate may wish to post their address on the Minesing Facebook page so that those looking for garage sales will have somewhere to search. Feel free to post signs, etc. to attract folks to your location. We welcome anyone to come visit our village to take some of our goods off our hands!

Thank you to Wanda Chapman for providing Slow Down signs to the neighbourhood. I think every chance we have to remind folks to slow down within the community streets is a good thing.

I had a nice chat with Simon from Four Cedars this past weekend and he let me know that Four Cedars has been in business for 20 years this year! So hard to believe but also great to know, that we've had that convenience of gas, convenience items, and more recently LCBO items available to us! Now it'd be nice if someone local could win a big LottoMax purchased from Four Cedars! Congratulations to Four Cedars and all staff for looking after all of our convenience needs.

Until next time, drive safe, wear your sunscreen, wash your hands, and keep smiling.

WYEVALE NEWS

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Alex Archer, Carol Withall, Mike Caston, Will Smith, Brian Campbell, Tone Webb, Ryder Wolfe, Evan Handy, Jim Hall, Peter Beacock, Brad Bumstead, Sandy Crawford, Carolyn Handy, Emily Wickett, Ruth Ann Caston and Bill Hall.

Wyevale is holding their beef BBQ on July 9th. There is eat in and takeout. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the store.

The book club's last meeting will be on Wed. June 15th, location to be announced.

Rae Henry now resides at the Villa Care Centre, 658 King St in the new building in Midland. Tone Webb is now residing at the New Villa Care Centre on King St as well.

My Granddaughter Arianna Caston did a great job in her dance numbers in Wasaga Beach on Sunday. Great job was done by all the dancers.

Anyone with news items for the paper, please call Ruth Ann and leave a message at 705-527-5274.

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Your Community News

ANTEN MILLS by Dennis Gannon

While the weather wasn't the best, it didn't stop a good number of families from coming to the Friday Night Movie and Pizza hosted by the Anten Mills Community Recreation Committee and sponsored by 8 80 Cities. Those that did come enjoyed pizza cooked on a wood fired pizza oven that was described as being delicious. They then got to enjoy a donut for dessert from the Elmvale Bakery and when the movie was ready to go, popcorn and candy floss were enjoyed. The movie was a hit and many compliments were received on an enjoyable evening. The staff from 8 80 Cities got to interact with community residents and received some great comments on what the new community hub should look like and have for facilities. A big thank you to the community volunteers who assisted that evening as well as to 8 80 Cities for their sponsorship. 8 80 Cities will now compile the information they received from their work and a presentation will be made to Springwater Council this summer.

If all goes as planned, there will be several more Friday Night family movies. Watch the Facebook page for details as they become available.



The CRA is pleased to report that the pickup softball program got off to a start this past weekend. Hosted by Roslyn, Shawn, and Sally, kids 12 and under can go down to the community ball diamond every Sunday morning from 11 to 1 for some softball fun. It was a great success last summer and the organizers are looking forward to continued success this year as well. On Wednesday the diamond has been reserved for teens and adults to have some fun also. From 7 to 9 community members are invited to bring their gloves, balls and bats and have some fun, laughs, and some recreation. At the moment there is not a sponsor for this fun night as the original hosts had to back away due to other commitments. Hopefully someone will step up and keep this night going. If you are interested in hosting or co-hosting with

another family or friend, let the CRA know.

In years past on the Saturday following the September long weekend, the Anten Mills community got together to have a fun filled family day. There were games for the kids, good food, horseshoes for the adults and plenty of interaction after a summer filled with other activities. The CRA is permitted to have in person meetings again and in order to determine whether there is interest in holding this event again a meeting will be called for an evening in the next several weeks. Events only occur when the community gets involved. Think about how much fun this could be and watch the Anten Mills Community Facebook page for details of the meeting and plan on attending with your ideas and commitment.

In 2021, the Springwater Heritage Advisory Committee recommended to Springwater Council that the community centre be designated a Heritage Site in accordance with the provincial regulations and guidelines. Council did accept the recommendation and the old Anten Mills school, built in 1871 and now the Anten Mills Community Centre was designated. Over the past week the official signage was placed on the building by the main door. The community thanks



the committee for their efforts and as a community we are proud to have one of the few heritage sites in the township.

In the next little while there will be another addition to the park. Earlier this year a grant application was made to the County of Simcoe to have a bicycle station added to the facilities in the park. The grant was approved and a bike rack, pump, and repair station will soon be another feature in the park. On many occasions bicyclists have been seen starting and ending their adventure along the North Simcoe rail trail from the park. This will now give them an additional reason to make the community a place to come and enjoy and take in the sights as well. The anniversary park is starting to take shape and with some community work will be spectacular this year. Plants are always welcome so feel free to donate some if you like.

That's all for this week, Thanks for Reading and Stay Well.

MT. ST. LOUIS SPRING BAZAAR

submitted by Debbie Kennedy

After a two year hiatus, Mt. St. Louis Parish had a successful 'Spring into Summer' bazaar on Sat. May 28. It sure was nice to see so many friends and family out to support our parish. It was very enjoyable seeing everyone out, once again!

Congratulations to Pat Tumber who won the wonderful summer basket draw and to Randall R. who won the 50-50 draw.

Thanks to all for supporting our bake/garage and plant sale and supporting our little church in Mt. St. Louis

Photo on right: Bazaar in action with lots of buyers.

Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.



I haven't gotten anything done today. I've been in the Produce Department trying to open this stupid plastic bag.

Your Community News

5th Sunday Celebration at Midhurst United Church!



Photo above:: Liz

On May 29, Midhurst United Church welcomed the community to a '5th Sunday Celebration' during the regular hour of worship. There was a lot more music than usual accompanied by guitars, drums, ukuleles, tambourine, flute and piano. The reflection on biblical story was shared by whoever wanted to add to the conversation. There were comfy chairs and couches in the sanctuary along with regular seating for those who prefer routine!



Did you know that there are only 4 months in the year that have five Sundays? At Midhurst United Church, we pretty much consider every Sunday special – great music, awesome community, downto-earth talk about the Bible. But when there's a 5th Sunday in the month, we want to make it extra special! If regular church on a Sunday isn't normally your thing, you might be interested in checking out our next 5th Sunday Celebration at the end of October. (We will miss the 5th Sunday in July as there is no inbuilding worship for three weeks at the end of July.) Of course, you don't need to wait until then; you are welcome at any of our worship services.



Photo: Senga and Irene

May Court Club of Barrie Presents \$30,000 in Donations

On May 26, 2022 the May Court Club of Barrie RRC presented \$30,000 worth of cheques to charitable organizations in our community including: Empower Simcoe (\$3,000), Redwood Park Communities (\$5,000), Down Syndrome Association of Simcoe (\$5,000), Seasons Centre for Grieving Children (\$3,000), Women and Children's Shelter (\$5,000), and Samaritan House Community

(\$6,000). Representing Barrie City Council was our VIP - Jim Harris of Ward 8. Councillor Harris stated that, "Many of the charities are close to my heart with previous positions or interactions with them." These funds were creatively raised by volunteers during the opening and closures of COVID-19 by the May Court Shop and the Makers Market held last year.



Attendees in photo from l to r: Anne Wilson; President, Teresa MacLennan; Women and Children's Shelter, Lisa Spink; Seasons Centre, Patricia Manson; RRC Convenor, Velta Berzins-Bush, Christel Martin, Darlene Mooney, Marg Kenny, Cheryle Leechman, Bev Jackson; VP, Lenore Hamley, Lesley Watts; MotherCare, Anne Doremus, Councillor Jim Harris; Ward 8, Claudine Cousins; Empower Simcoe, Jennifer van Gennip; Redwood Park Communities & Down Syndrome Association of Simcoe, Maureen Holmes, Shannon Laflamme; Empower Simcoe, Dan Leonard; Independent Living Services. Missing from photo: Kerry Ploughman; Samaritan House, Jamie Hall; Empower Simcoe, photographer, Marianne Schall; photographer.

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A Song For Georgian Bay!

submitted by Pat Michener

Has Georgian Bay always had a special place in your heart? Then a song has been written just for you and now it's on youtube.

In 2020 Brookside Music, Midland, launched a songwriting project to help fill the vacuum caused by covid. Many participated, with songs presented live at Brookside's last concert in 2021.

One of them, The Georgian Bay song sung by Lisa Marie Durette, describes how Georgian Bay can become part of your life. It was written by Pat Michener, who spent summers on Wymbolwood beach and now lives near Vasey. A friend with a youtube channel, plus a lot of bored musicians twiddling their thumbs during lockdown, provided the music. It was launched this May – you can catch it at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l-IRot2iIWA

Well known local singer Adrien Robitaille is the vocal artist for another of Pat's songs, The Rule of Thumb, now on Spotify.

EMHA Golf Tournament

Perfect day to get back in the swing of things. Elmvale minor hockey hosted their annual golf tournament on May 28th, at the Orr Lake Golf and Country Club. We had 23 teams battling for a number of prizes



Best dressed team when the fabulous 4 of Rick Barlett, Mike Galvin, Sandy Manzone, and Nathan McChops McLaren. Longest drive went to Garret Wilson (yes THAT Garrett Wilson), closest to the pin went to Guilo DiDiodato. All funds received support this great local organization. EMHA would like to thank all of our sponsors, including Currie Trucking Center who offered a corporate sponsorship. Local business sponsors included BMR, Foodland, Ryan Holt contrustion, DV Bell foundation, Remedy Medica, Hardship Acres, YR North Firearms, Century Masonary, Northern Automotive, Minnings Electric, Arbonne Consultant Stefanie Archer and Carquest. Hope to see everyone again next year!





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Bearbells and Beagles by Leslie Noonan



As I prepare for my next extended solo trip, I look back on my time on the Ganaraska trail and the three weeks I spent on my own traveling this trail. I reflect on what went well, and what I would change on this upcoming trip. The Ganaraska hiking trail was established in the 1960's and continued to

expand its trails until the 1980's. The trail begins in the highlands of Glen Huron and travels through Creemore, Midhurst, Orillia, Queen Elizabeth II wilderness, Burnt River, Fenelon Falls, Lindsay and on to Port Hope with side trails into Midland and Wasaga Beach. This unique trail is a mix of woods, rail trails, roads and some serious wilderness. Beaver dams are often the only means of traveling from one area to the next.

Preparing for a distance hike, especially a solo one, is time consuming. I spent almost a year preparing for this hike. Everything from sourcing where to find water, where to camp, and securing people to back me up and provide supplies takes time. I made sure to have a medical checkup with my doctor and spent most of the spring training. Often people think it is the distance that is difficult. Sure, trekking 30 km a day is tiring, but throw a 50 lb pack on your back and it becomes an entirely new struggle. Imagine piggy backing a six year old for 16 hours, over rocky terrain. For this reason I decided to go as light as I could. This meant an ultralight tent, weighing less than an ounce, and held up by my hiking poles, and only the size of a very small coffin. I left out deodorant (if I smell who would really care) and no soap or shampoo. The only toiletries were a small toothbrush and travel size toothpaste and baby wipes. That's it. As for a first aid kit, you would assume being a nurse I would have the mother of all kits. Bearbells and Beagles by Leslie Noonan continued

Nope. Let's be honest, if it can't be fixed by duct tape, steri-strips, or a needle and thread, I should probably be heading out of the bush to a hospital. The only other item I would want is tweezers to pull out the blood sucking ticks. We should talk about duct tape. It is true; it is a necessary item for life and for hiking. I wrap several feet around both hiking poles to lessen the weight in my pack. Duct tape can be used for everything from fixing a leaky tent, patching a hole in your pack, as a temporary fix on your shoes, as a way to indicate your route to others and yes, as wound care. My other essentials are waterproof maps of your routes and waterproof matches and lighters put in several different waterproof containers. I also carried a whistle and compass. I highly recommend learning to use a compass before heading into any back country. As far as clothing goes, less is more. I had my daily hiking outfit of synthetic pants and top, with socks and Keens sandals. Yes, huge fashion faux pas, but the socks are needed for ticks. Then I had my camp clothes. I had one clean and dry fleecy outfit with warm socks and a pair of sandals to let my hiking shoes dry, and a rain poncho. Remember, cotton kills. As for food, I carried a small alcohol burning stove, one pot and one spork. I found that unlike most people, I did not have "hiker hunger" and the need for massive calories. Indeed, I had nausea for most of my hike and struggled to eat even a protein bar a day. It is common to burn more than six to eight thousand calories a day on a distance hike. Water was a constant need for me. Even in my regular life I drink several liters a day. While hiking it was my obsession, and I would drink upwards of 8-10 liters every day. I still use the same filtration system, which is my Sawyer squeeze. No plug here, just saying that this system is amazing. Beyond that, a ground sheet of plastic to cut out both the ground cold and rain is great and a tarp for extra protection from the elements is nice. Other than that a great sleeping bag and sleep mat and you are all set. Now put all that into a pack, and carry it. Oh, and you will need to pack out anything you pack in. Here is your reality moment. All toilet paper, wipes, garbage, YOU WILL pack out. Seriously, no one wants to follow behind you and stumble upon your waste. If you are hiking, you should love nature and respect the need to keep it trash free. I recommend a double freezer bag for your yuckies. Please don't be like those jerks that pick up their canine friends poop, and then throw the colorful bags in the trees. And there it is. All the preparation for a three week solo hike, except for the one thing I forgot, that almost changed everything.....

(Editor's note: This trip will be a series so stay tuned for the rest next week.)



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Rosie's Devotions

by Rosemary Hagedorn



A Thankful Heart

The other morning as I was sitting outside on my balcony drinking a cup of coffee, I watched the sun rise slowly behind the array of trees, watched the waves caressing the shoreline

and listened to the birds chirping.

Special moments like these bring to mind thankfulness. But at the same time, my mind turned to other parts of our planet that we call home, where our brothers and sisters are battling against the forces of nature and each other. For them, there are no moments of peace or a time to relax, or to give thanks.

Even though all seems to be lost, yet there is always something to be thankful for. We can be thankful for volunteers who go out of their comfort zones to help those in need. We can be thankful for the brave firefighters, policemen and women who put their lives on the line in order to help a stranger, we can be thankful for the brave doctors, nurses, personal support workers and volunteers, who help the sick and elderly. We can be thankful for our neighbours who make a telephone call, send a note or drop by for a visit.

Yet, the greatest gift that we can be thankful for is the death and resurrection of Jesus, God's Son, who willingly sacrificed His life for us.

John 3:16-17 – For God so loved t

he world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. (NASB)

His life on earth showed us a way to live a life of peace and resurrection from our old ways of life. All we need to do is to accept this, and turn from our old way of doing things.

John 14:26 – But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. (NASB)

If we ask, the Holy Spirit will show us what areas in our life need to change in order to make the world a better place to live in.

1 Peter 1:3 – Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (NASB)

What are you thankful for, and what areas in your life need to change?

Prayer: O Lord, may Your Spirit urge and direct our hearts to give thanks, and may He show us areas in our life that need change. We ask for courage and strength to stand up against injustice and fear. May we be Jesus' examples to make this world a better place. Amen.



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submitted by Jack Hanna, Ward 5, Township of Springwater

I wish to thank those who have offered encouragement and support should I seek re-election. However, I am will not be seeking re-election.

I have stated in the past that if someone competent that we could trust to protect the interests of Springwater residents would step up, I would like to retire. I will have been on council twelve long years. Lori and I have been active community volunteers in Midhurst since 1992. It is time for us to relax and enjoy life in this great municipality.

I am endorsing PHIL FISHER, a Midhurst resident and candidate for councillor in Ward 5. Phil is very qualified and dedicated to the community. He has followed the council meetings for the past few

years. Phil was one of the volunteers who maintained the ice at the Midhurst Pavilion all winter. He has volunteered to coordinate the Midhurst Soapbox Derby this year.

I do regret that I am leaving the outstanding councillors of Ward 1 George Cabral, Ward 2 Perry Ritchie, and Ward 4 Anita Moore. They have proven to be strong representatives and advocates for residents. They have demonstrated the resolve to challenge Township staff and council decisions when appropriate. It is their efforts that have helped keep your property tax increases and spending to a minimum while maintaining the necessary services. As a resident and taxpayer in Springwater, I hope they have an opportunity to continue to provide the responsible, common-sense representation we need and can trust.

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About the Municipal Election

Voting Day is Monday, October 24, 2022. Nomination for candidates for the 2022 Municipal Election opens on Monday, May 2, 2022. The Nomination Period closes on Friday, August 19, 2022 at 2 p.m.

Township of Springwater

Filings as of June 3, 2022 for the unofficial list:

Mayor: Coughlin, Jennifer

Deputy Mayor: None

Councillor Ward 1: Garwood, Matthew Councillor Ward 2: Nelson-Hewitt, Chantal

Councillor Ward 4: Moore, Anita

Councillor Ward 5: Fisher, Philip and Zapolnik,

Dominika

Eligible Springwater voters will elect a number of different positions on Voting Day, including:

One (1) Mayor

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One (1) Deputy Mayor

Five (5) Ward Councillors (one for each of Wards

1 to 5)

Township of Tiny

As of As at May 24, 2022 for unofficial list

Mayor: **David Evans**

Deputy Mayor: Sean Miskimins

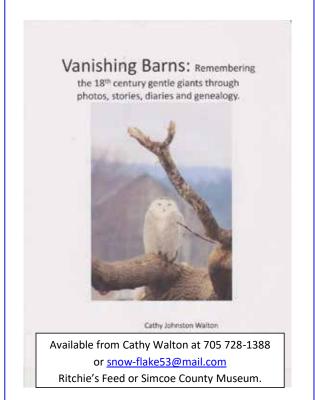
Councillor (3 to be elected): Janice Murton

Eligible Tiny voters will elect a number of different positions on Voting Day, including:

One (1) Mayor

One (1) Deputy Mayor

Three (3) Ward Councillors (one for each of Wards 1 to 3)



researching barns in Flos and Vespra Townships published the results in the book "Vanishing Barns".

at 705 728-1388 or snow-flake53@mail.com.

Vanishing Barns - Cathy Walton has been (now Springwater) for the last six years and has If you are interested in a copy, please contact Cathy

Minesing Farm - Built 1875

Concession 10, NE 1/4 Lot 2, Vespra Township 3149 Highway 26, Springwater Township

Clarence (Joe) and Marie (Vause) Samuel and Penelope (Windiatt) Srigley Sam, Penelope(Windiatt) Harold, Jean, Features: Srigleys pu Features: Srigleys put the barn on a foundation (Wright) Joe and Marie (Vause) Srigley

Water Source: artesian well

From Thomas Kerfoot's Diary:

Dec. 9, 1875: George Kerfoot went to town with a load of hay 2275 lbs. in the load at \$13.25 per ton

Dec. 11, 1875: A load of hay 2075 lbs. and sold it all for \$14.00.

Lloyd and Erma (Elliott) Srigley Mervin and Marjorie (Dixon) Fralick Harry Rowell rented from Fralick's

Thomas and Emma Kerfoot

April 13, 1882: Emma went to Barrie with Telfer. Got 15¢ for eggs and 28¢ for some of her butter, and \$1.00 a bushel for onions. She got two bushels of Scotch Fife wheat for seed, \$1.10 per bushel.

Mar. 7, 1885: I (Thomas Kerfoot) took 12 1/2 lbs. of beef up to F. Jacobs this eve, 6 cents per lb. and I gave him \$1.50 and we considered ourselves square with one another about threshing and reaping.

Marjorie Fralick lost her ring finger in a pulley when they were putting hay or straw up into the barn. Myrtle (Fralick) Jamieson, Bernice (Fralick) Martin and Marion (Fralick) Snider-Beauchamp would help in the grain bin when the grain was coming in.

Joe and Marie Srigley, Alan G. Johnston, A History of the Community of Minesing



The threshing floor was on the ground. Srigleys added a foundation and made it all stable. A wooden silo inside the barn was torn out. Access to the upstairs was an outside ladder

Concession 10, NE ¼ Lot 2, Vespra Township 3149 Highway 26, Springwater Township



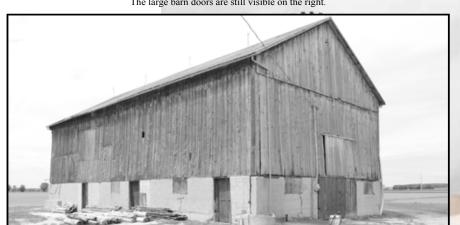


Harry Stokes was a barn framer who assisted in barn building. He made a scale model of this barn. (Model courtesy of Alan Johnston)

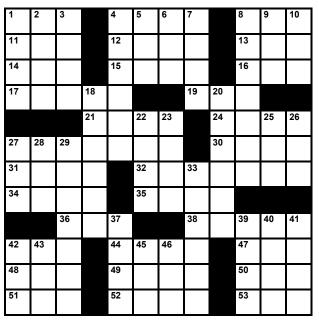


Prior to the foundation being added, the threshing floor was on the ground.

The large barn doors are still visible on the right.







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- 43 West Point subject
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Stepparents and Stepchildren

The blended family is one of the most complicated set of relationships. Two people fall in love and eventually want to live together. One or both may have children, as well as exes. While every situation is different, much of what follows will be applicable.

It's true that children should respect their elders and appreciate their parents. This is an area where parents may occasionally run into difficulty with their biological children, but the issue seems to become even more intense in the case of stepparents.

It is a touchy area, because most stepparents want to be liked and respected by their partner's children. However, the step-parenting relationship is different than being a biological parent. You cannot demand to be treated in a particular way, because that will only exacerbate an already difficult situation.

If the children instinctively like you, respect and appreciation are generally not issues. Usually when they are, it is because of underlying tension between the stepparent and the stepchildren. Sometimes an ex-partner is resentful of the new spouse, and the children show their loyalty by being cool to the new partner.

Alternatively, the children may resent the newcomer, especially if they have had a period of time when they had Mom or Dad all to themselves. Sometimes the stepparent tries too hard to be a parent, to be accepted, or to have some control over the stepchild. This will create resistance in the child, who already has a Mom and a Dad, and does not want a second of either! It is so important to try to view the situation from the child's perspective.

Most children want their parents to be together, and unless a parent is deceased, they do not necessarily want their parent to find a new partner. When the new person is introduced to the children, it is usually as Mommy or Daddy's 'friend'. They seem to be able to handle the idea of a friend. I think if stepparents thought of themselves as friends of the stepchildren, and acted that way, that a mutually respectful parenting relationship might evolve.

Before moving in together, it is important for both parents in the blended family to discuss how parenting will be handled. Accept that there will be different rules and expectations at the bio parent's home. Do not try to "compensate" for what you feel is lacking. Changing what the child has grown up with because of a stepparent's view is unfair to the children. If changes are introduced it should happen gradually, and quite a while after the blending. Otherwise, the stepparent will be blamed.

Community Events

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bid Euchre

Elmvale Community Hall 1 pm - 4 pm Every Monday

Midland Bridge Club 12:45 pm - 4 pm

Tues.: Duplicate Bridge, Wed,. Learn to Play Bridge and Thurs.: Duplicate Bridge

<u>Coffee Parties</u> Centre Flos Women's Institute on each last Thursday of the month at Heritage Park from 9:30 am to 11 am on June 30, July 28 and August 25

Centre Flos WI Coffee Parties

At Heritage Park this summer. They will be held on the last Thursday of the month - June 30, July 28, and August 25 - from 9:30 am to 11 am. All are welcome!

SPECIAL EVENTS:

JUNE

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June 18 from 8 am - 12 pm or later MINESING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Minesing is having a community garage sale for anyone who wants participate. Anyone wishing to participate may wish to post their address on the Minesing Facebook page so that those looking for garage sales will have somewhere to search.

<u>JULY</u>

 $\overline{\text{Sat. July 9 10 am}} - 3 \text{ pm}$

Life in the Garden Tour: , It's back! We are excited to once again, host our Life in the Garden Tour. Garden Tour Passports are \$30.00 (Available June 4) and include a tour of 6 amazing gardens, a delicious lunch at Midhurst United Church, Artisans and a Silent Auction. A fundraiser for Midhurst United Church. Please see our website for more information: midhurstunitedchurch.ca or call 705 722 6331

Sat. July 9 Wyevale Beef BBQ

There is eat in and takeout. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the store.

Wed. June 15th

<u>Wyevale Book Club</u> last meeting at location to be determined.

Stepparents and Stepchildren continued

It is also important that children be involved in discussions about the role the new adult is to play in their lives. Really listen to their concerns; this is a big change. If they are involved and have input in these discussions, they are more likely to co-operate. Blending a new family is an extremely delicate process, and so it is best to proceed slowly, gently, and with a willingness to be flexible.

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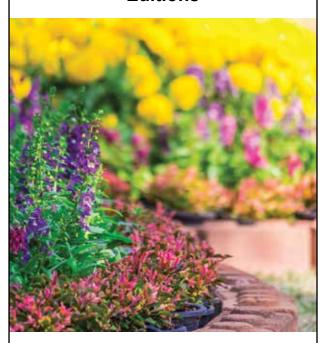
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2022 Communities in Bloom **Editions**



Hundreds of Canadian communities participating in this year's 2022 provincial and national editions of Communities in Bloom (CiB), along with municipalities from Belgium, Ireland, Italy, Slovenia, and the United States participating in the International Challenge.

In June, July and August, qualified volunteer Canadian and International judges will visit participating communities and evaluate each on its overall performance within the following criteria: community appearance, environmental action, heritage conservation, tree management, landscape, and plant & floral displays. As community involvement is the essence of the program, the evaluation, which provides guidance on further steps of improvement, is based on the local conditions and achievements of citizens, businesses, organizations, institutions, and the municipal government working together towards common objectives.

The communities will be rated from 1 to 5 Blooms, based on the scoring obtained. Also, the National and International Communities will aim to obtain Bronze, Silver or Gold levels in their 5-Bloom rating. For a complete list of National and International Finalists, please click here

The National and International results will be announced in Victoria, British Columbia from October 20 to 23, during the National Symposium on Parks & Grounds and the National & International Awards celebrating "Year of the Garden". This is sure to be a lively event as it'll be the first in-person Symposium by CiB since 2019, following two years of virtual awards ceremonies, virtual judging consultations and virtual webinars.

Communities in Bloom is a Canadian non-profit volunteer and partnership-driven organization that uses a multi-tiered competitive evaluation process to foster community strength, involvement, and continuous improvement. This is accomplished by nurturing environmental sustainability, enhancements of green spaces, and heritage conservation in cultural and natural environments encompassing municipal, residential, commercial, and institutional spaces. Our vision is to inspire all communities to enhance the quality of life and our environment through people and plants to create community pride. "Growing Great Places Together" is our slogan, and it captures the essence of the program.

All those involved in the Communities in Bloom program can be proud of their efforts, benefitting all of society by providing real and meaningful ways to mitigate climate change.



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Never Drive Impaired - Includes Motorcycles

Officers from Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment responded at 11:07 p.m. June 4, 2022 to a report of a motorcyclist who had crashed into the north bound ditch of Highway 400, Tay Township.

Officers located the lone operator at the scene with his motorcycle suffering from minor injuries and upon speaking with the operator an impaired driving investigation was commenced.

As a result, Liam Padraig FARRELL 27 years of Barrie has been charged with the following criminal code driving offences.

Operation while impaired - alcohol

Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

The accused was released on a recognizance to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on June 23, 2022 and also faces a drivers licence suspension and vehicle impoundment as per the Ministry of Transportation (ADLS) guidelines. The operator was also thankfully treated for only minor injuries at an area hospital.

Educating the public about safe driving practices with our community safety partners is a priority, if you see a possible impaired driver or operator please "Make the Call" and dial 911 and help prevent a crash. If you are heading out on the town or on the trails, please make a plan to get home safely.

OPP Marine Patrol Report for May 27- June 5,

Marine officers from the Southern Georgian Bay Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) were on patrol checking vessels and operators for equipment and impairment along the Tiny Township shoreline, Giants Tomb and up to Gloucester Pool area over the May 27- June 5, 2022 time period.

Officers issued three tickets for liquor violations and four for mariners not having sufficient lifejackets on their vessel and another five tickets for Canada Shipping Act violations. 112 vessels and their operators were checked for equipment and sobriety during the 70 hours of patrol that were provided to area waterways by OPP patrol vessels.

I Got Caught Wearing My Lifejacket

Marine officers remind boaters that wearing your lifejacket and especially young boaters, as it is a great way to help prevent a marine tragedy. Officers had the opportunity to reward some young boaters with a custom T-Shirt who got caught wearing their Lifejackets!

POLICE HAD BUSY WEEKEND WITH IMPAIRED DRIVING INVESTIGATIONS

Members of the Collingwood & Blue Mountains Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in connection to three separate impaired driving investigation in Collingwood.

On June 4, 2022, the Collingwood & Blue Mountains OPP initiated a traffic investigation on St Marie St in Collingwood. As a result of the roadside investigation, the driver was arrested for impaired operation - 80 plus. At the OPP Detachment, breath tests determined that she was over twice the legal limit.

As a result, Sophie DAMSA, 19 years of age, of Thornbury, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired 80 plus
- **Driving under Suspension**

All of the accused were served a 90-day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension and their vehicles were impounded for seven days. They are all scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Collingwood, at a future date.

t an hour later, in a separate incident Collingwood & Blue Mountains OPP stopped a vehicle on Elm St, Collingwood for a traffic incident. The driver was arrested for Impaired operation - 80 plus.

Fraser CAMERON, 45 years of age, of Collingwood has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired 80 plus
- Possession of a Schedule I substance

In the third incident, early morning of June 6, 2022 Collingwood & Blue Mountains OPP initiated a vehicle stop for traffic violations on First St, Collingwood. The male driver was found to be impaired by alcohol and was arrested. Breath tests determined that he was over twice the legal limit.

Bradley LANGLOIS, 22 years of age, of Wasaga Beach has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired 80 plus
- Operation while impaired alcohol and drug All of the accused were served a 90-day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension and their vehicles were impounded for seven days. They are all scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Collingwood, at a future date.

CAFC and OPP Raise Awareness of Fraudsters Using Unsuspecting Victims as Money Mules to Launder Funds

The Southern Georgian Bay Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police continues to work together with the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre to raise awareness of current and ongoing frauds and scams in our communities.

Increasingly, fraud networks are recruiting unsuspecting fraud victims to receive and transfer money from other victims. When this happens, the victim becomes a money mule. With the sharp increase in reported frauds and the noticeable prevalence of money mules, the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) wants to educate Canadians on the various frauds that utilize money mules, in addition to providing general awareness to prevent victimization.

What is a Money Mule?

A money mule is an individual who is recruited by fraudsters to serve as a middle person to transfer proceeds of crime funds. The mule may, or may not, be aware that they are a pawn in a larger network. When a mule moves money, it becomes difficult to identify the fraudsters from the victims.

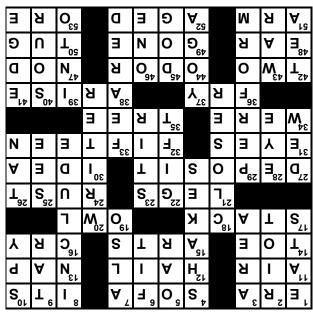
The money is often transferred using bank wire transfers, email money transfers, money services businesses and virtual currencies. Typically, mules get paid for their services; receiving a small percentage of the money transferred. A money mule is used in the money laundering process, which is an offense under the Criminal Code of Canada (Section 462.31).

Variations of Money Mule Scams

Most reported scams to CAFC involve Money Mules at one point. The following scams are examples of how they work:

Job Scams

Victims are approached by suspects, most commonly, after posting their resume on a website.



Job titles offered are often "payment processor" and "administrative assistant" among many others. Suspects will advise that your job duties include accepting payments from clients which are most commonly etransfers or cheques. In most cases, victims will then be asked to keep a small percentage of the payment and send the remaining amount via Bitcoin. In many cases, payments received are from other victims and by transferring these funds to criminals you become a money mule.

Prize Scams

Consumers are solicited over the phone, via email, text message, social media and regular mail and are advised they are the winner of a large lottery or sweepstakes. Prior to receiving any winnings, the consumers will be asked to pay an upfront fee. Consumers often send the payments to victims of other scams who are found to be money mules.

Money Mule 2

Romance Scams

Victims often use various payment methods (Bitcoin ATM, wire transfers, money service businesses, cryptocurrency, gift cards, etc.) to send funds to the romance fraudsters. Victims don't realize that, in most cases, these funds are actually being sent to money mules. The suspect will gain the trust and affection of the victims over a lengthy period of time (months). The suspect will convince the victims they are an investor, engineer, in the military or someone prestigious. The suspect will use the goodwill of the victims to accept and send money using one or more of the various payment methods listed above. Often, the suspect will provide victims with a cell phone to communicate with them. The suspect will request that the victims open a bank account and to send the suspect a bank card. All of these steps are used to turn the victim into a money mule and involve them in the money laundering process.

Warning Signs - How to Protect Yourself

- If you receive funds for any reason from an unknown individual or company, and you are asked to forward it elsewhere - DON'T!
- Be aware of offers for employment from what appears to be a legitimate employer looking for a "Financial Officer". The duties usually involve: collecting payments for the new employer, accepting funds into your personal bank account, and forwarding the money to a different country.
- Victims of romance scams have been used as money mules as their "loved one" is working in a toreign country and needs help to collect funds.
- Consumers that have won a fake lottery receive advance payments on their winnings. They are then asked to forward it to a "financial office" to cover fees or taxes.
- Any request to conduct unusual or questionable transactions on behalf of a third party should be
- Learn more tips and tricks for protecting yourself from fraud.



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Photo: Members of the community and representatives from Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) gathered to celebrate the legacy of the Penetanguishene General Hospital (PGH). From left – Mayor Doug Leroux, Town of Penetanguishene; Austin Mixemong, Traditional Healer, Waypoint Centre, Doris Shirriff, former CEO PGH, Hal Wirsching, retired RPN, PGH; Brenda Dorion-Duquette, French Lanhuage Services Lead, GBGHTim Kastelic, Chair, GBGH Board of Directors; Deacon Timothy Dunlop, St. Margaret's Parish; and Gail Hunt, president and CEO, GBGH

May 26, 2022 – Members of the community and representatives of Georgian Bay General Hospital gathered today to remember and celebrate the legacy of the Penetanguishene General Hospital (PGH). The event, held at the PGH site, included a smudging ceremony, prayer to pay homage to the hospital's Catholic history, a historical summary, remarks from Penetanguishene Mayor Doug Leroux and stories from retired staff about what it was like to work at PGH.

PGH has held a special place within the Penetanguishene community for more than 110 years (see historical timeline below). Beginning in a small home in 1911, the hospital has changed and grown over time to meet the needs of those it served. This growth and change would not have been possible without the exceptional support of the community, including the hospital's Auxiliary, which dates back to 1920

"I am so thankful to have been a part of PGH, which whole-heartedly embodied its motto of To Serve, To Love, and honoured to have played a role in caring for this community," says Doris Shirriff, former CEO of PGH. "Change is constant and inevitable, but I can tell you that at any point during its long history, working at PGH was a special experience. It was like a family and it always will be, no matter what the future holds for this site. Everything that PGH was is still in the hearts, minds and hands of the people who worked here, not in the bricks and mortar. The spirit of PGH will continue to live on within this community."

As PGH and Huronia District Hospital in Midland eventually entered a formal partnership to become the North Simcoe Hospital Alliance in the 1990s, planning occurred to divide some services between

the two sites due to their close proximity. Within that same decade, the focus of PGH became on complex continuing care and rehabilitation while acute services were concentrated in Midland.

"Recognizing the close proximity of the two hospitals, the decision was made to concentrate specific programs between the two sites, ensuring similar care was not being duplicated just a few kilometres away," says Gail Hunt, president and CEO, GBGH. "As a hospital administrator though you can appreciate that it's about more than just numbers. You can never discount the feelings a community has toward foundational institutions like its hometown hospital. Residents of Penetanguishene embraced PGH and steadfastly supported it in every aspect. As we've noted in reviewing and preparing for this legacy event, there is a rich and fascinating history to this hospital which has been evident since I first arrived in this community."

Six years after formally amalgamating HDH and PGH (2008) into what is now GBGH, the Board of Directors made the decision to move complex continuing care and rehabilitation services to the Midland site. Since that relocation in 2014, Dialysis services and the hospital's Finance department remained in the Penetanguishene site. The building was also been home to tenants including the Georgian Bay Cancer Support Centre and Hospice Huronia, prior to both organizations relocating. Finance and Dialysis moved out of the building in 2021 and 2022, respectively.

The hospital anticipates the building will be on the real estate market this summer.

To view a slideshow video recapping some moments in PGH history, please visit:

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Historical Timeline

- 1910 1911: PGH opens in a house as the first hospital in Penetanguishene with 19 beds, a School of Nursing and an Auxiliary to fundraise for hospital operations. According to the deed, it was purchased for \$4,000 from the Firstbrook family.
- o Previous to PGH, the Marine hospital located in Sunnyside, near Midland, served both Midland and Penetanguishene.
- o In the early 1900s there had been a diphtheria epidemic which is thought to have brought more attention to the need for Penetanguishene to have its own hospital.
- 1942: The Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception arrive from Pembroke to oversee the hospital, bringing 300 years of experience and a new level of healthcare sophistication.
- 1946: Planning for a new hospital begins.
- 1954: A new PGH is built and becomes a model for community hospitals with expanded services. The support of the community is a major factor in the

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construction and equipping of the building.

- 1963: The Grey Sisters purchase PGH from the town
- 1970s: PGH opens new Emergency (1973) and Physiotherapy departments and launches a capital campaign to fundraise to make up for funding shortfalls from the government. During this time, approval was also granted to turn 10 acute care beds into rehabilitation and chronic care beds. This later becomes the Complex Continuing Care and Rehabilitation Unit.
- 1981: PGH undergoes a major renovation and a continuing care unit is added.
- 1980s: Construction begins to convert acute beds to rehabilitation and chronic care beds. A Rehab day hospital and diabetes education programs are opened. The Grey Sisters invite greater community participation and Board leadership, as well as begin the strategic planning process. The hospital's motto 'To Serve, To Love' is launched.
- 1992: PGH is approved by the Ministry of Health to operate as a regional rehabilitation centre. Obstetrical services transfer to Huronia District Hospital (HDH) in Midland.
- 1992 1996: The North Simcoe Hospital Alliance is created between PGH and HDH to determine how the hospitals can best serve their communities. PGH and HDH work together to divide services between the two sites. The PGH site ceases acute care services.
- 2000: The Grey Sisters turn their sponsorship of PGH over to the Catholic Health Corporation of Ontario.
- 2008: PGH and Huronia District Hospital (Midland) merge and later become Georgian Bay General Hospital, a name selected by the North Simcoe community.
- 2014: Complex Continuing Care and Rehabilitation inpatient unit at the Penetanguishene site moves to the Midland site (to the current 1 North). Dialysis and Finance remain in Penetanguishene. GBGH Board of Directors votes to eventually close Penetanguishene site.
- 2021 2022: GBGH Finance department relocates to the Midland site (existing building in parking lot) and Dialysis services relocate to a community location in Midland (Prospect Boulevard).



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GBGH Expands Urology Services to Align With Community Needs

To further improve access to care closer to home, Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) has expanded the urology services offered within its surgical and ambulatory care programs. This urology service expansion is part of the hospital's surgical optimization plan to align its services with community needs and provide opportunities for patients to receive care in their home hospital.

Urology services at GBGH are provided by Dr. Tyler Gray and Dr. Derek Bos of Near North Urology (Orillia), who are performing urology procedures in the operating room once per month and the ambulatory care department on a weekly basis.

"It is very important local patients are able to receive their care within their home community whenever possible," says Dr. Tyler Gray, urologist, GBGH. "By having urology services available at GBGH it means less travel, fewer logistics and it increases the likelihood that patients will follow-through with evaluation and treatment. An additional benefit for patients at GBGH is low wait times for surgical procedures. Patients' urological procedures can be performed sooner while also having the comfort and ease of staying closer to home."

In addition to the practice of Dr. Gray and Dr. Bos, the expansion of urology services has also been possible due to new equipment recently purchased by the hospital. New resectoscope trays and instrumentation has enabled the hospital to make one of the most significant changes in urology services - the addition of day surgery transurethral resections of the prostate (TURP). This procedure treats urinary issues caused by an enlarged prostate. TURP procedures are very common, but previously required an overnight stay in hospital due to GBGH's aged equipment. This was problematic as GBGH usually runs overcapacity without vacant inpatient beds to accommodate these surgical patients. With the purchase of the new trays and instruments, the TURP can now be completed using different methods with less bleeding, fewer complications and no overnight stay required.

In addition to TURPs, GBGH offers a wide variety of other urological evaluations and procedures

through its surgical and ambulatory care departments. These include evaluating and treating masses and pain, addressing urinary issues (retention, frequency, recurring infections), vasectomies, adult circumcision, erectile dysfunction, testicular removal (orchiectomy), and the consultation and management of prostate, bladder and kidney cancers.

To ensure other physicians in the community are aware of the urology services available to local patients at GBGH and how to refer patients, the hospital has contacted local family physicians and nurse practitioners (NP). Patients can ask their family physician or NP about the referral process to have their urology care completed at GBGH. In addition to urology, GBGH's surgical and ambulatory care programs offer general surgery and specialty procedures, including orthopedic, ophthalmology, gynecology, urology and ear/nose/throat.

Data gathered by GBGH about patient patterns for surgical procedures indicates more than 3,700 local patients from Midland, Penetanguishene and the surrounding area are currently travelling elsewhere in Simcoe County, or outside the region, for procedures which could have been completed at GBGH. Specifically, only 22 per cent of local patients received their surgical care at GBGH with more than 40 per cent leaving Simcoe County entirely. This equates to more than 7,500 hours of time and 600,000 km in distance. Cutline: Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) is improving access to care closer to home by expanding the urology services available at the hospital. Dr. Tyler Gray is one of two urologists practicing at GBGH on a weekly basis both in the surgical and ambulatory care programs. About GBGH: Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) is a 113-bed acute care community hospital located in Midland, Ontario. The hospital offers emergency, ambulatory, acute, intensive and complex continuing care, as well as imaging, dialysis, obstetrical and rehabilitation services. GBGH serves the areas of Midland, Penetanguishene, Christian Island as well as Tay, Tiny, Springwater and Georgian Bay Townships.



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SMDHU Provides Guidance on the Shortage of Some Hypoallergenic Infant Formulas

SIMCOE MUSKOKA - Due to supply issues in the United States, the availability of some hypoallergenic infant formulas in Canada is currently limited. The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit (SMDHU) has information about safe feeding alternatives for families impacted by the shortage.

Regular infant formulas are not impacted and only specialized hypoallergenic formulas (e.g., Alimentum, Pregestimil, Nutramigen, etc.) that are recommended for babies with severe or multiple allergies are affected by the shortage. Health Canada is working to reduce the effects of the situation and

recommends that these specialized formulas only be used by babies and toddlers who require them.

Given the circumstances, some families may look for alternative sources of infant nutrition, and may benefit from the following information:

- Homemade formulas are not recommended as they may not provide the proper balance of nutrients that infants need. They may also contain ingredients and allergens or be prepared in a manner that can result in contamination by harmful bacteria that cause serious illness.
- Informal breastmilk sharing may have risks and

Brightening Barriers Exhibition Returns, Bringing Local Art to Downtown Barrie Patios

Nine restaurant patios in Barrie's downtown now have temporary art installations displayed on their patio fencing as part of the Brightening Barriers public art project, which pairs local and regional artists with business owners. The exhibition is on display until September 30, 2022.

"Building on last year's success, this project is returning once again to bring a free and accessible cultural component to our community," says Stephannie Schlichter, Director of Economic and Creative Development. "The exhibition animates the downtown corridor with points of interest along Dunlop and Collier Streets, encouraging residents and visitors to explore downtown Barrie and support local businesses while appreciating the original works of art."

The participating downtown patios and featured artworks are:

- Bohemia Why We Knit by Tracey Anne Martin
- Flying Monkeys Craft Brewery Compliment Clouds by Petra Victoria
- Groovy Tuesday's Bistro How it Rolls at the Pond by Rod Prouse
- Kenzington Burger Bar It's a Dog's Life by Christina Luck
- McReilly's Pub Peace by Neda Mazhab Jafari
- Mexhico Sweet Moves by Katie Green
- Michael & Marion's Garden Party by PRNT Collective
- North Country The Land Between Rama and Barrie I & II by The Birdbath Collaboration
- The North North Winds by Amy Bagshaw

The Brightening Barriers project was organized by the Barrie Public Art Committee, a working group whose goal is to enhance Barrie with art and encourage residents and visitors alike to visit public spaces. Elevating civic pride through public art, preservation of historic buildings, and programming of public spaces is also identified as one of the key themes in Barrie's Official Plan.

To learn more about artworks on display as part of this project, visit "Brightening Barriers" via barrie. ca/PublicArt.

The Brightening Barriers project was made possible by several sponsors: B + C Real Estate, Baytowne Hyundai, Carroll Heyd Chown LLP, the Downtown Barrie BIA, Flying Monkeys Craft Brewery, Jackson's Toyota, Joan and Bob Gilroy, Liz and Barry Peacock, Podhradsky Medicine Professional Corporation, and Royal Homes.

SMDHU Provides Guidance on the Shortage of Some Hypoallergenic Infant Formulas continued

infants who require hypoallergenic formulas may not be able to tolerate breastmilk. Sharing unprocessed breastmilk obtained from private sources is not recommended and has risks which can cause your baby to become ill, including contamination from allergens, viruses, bacteria, medications or drugs.

• (Re)lactation may be an option for some families and parents should consult with their healthcare provider first about whether (re)lactation is an option and how to access help including intensive lactation consultation, including support from a nutritionist and/or registered dietitian.

If you use hypoallergenic infant formula and are unable to find it for purchase or have questions, contact your healthcare provider for information about alternative feeding solutions best suited to your child's needs. Information about alternative feeding options is also available on the health unit website or by calling Health Connection weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.

Additional resources may be found through Health Connect Ontario, which can be accessed online or by calling 811 to speak or chat online with a registered nurse or a lactation specialist. You can also call 211, a free helpline that connects you to community and social services in your area 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, in over 150 languages.

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Obituaries



MARSHALL, Walter John

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of Walter John Marshall. He is now in the loving presence of his Lord and Saviour and united with his daughter Patricia (2019). Walt fought his four and half year battle with cancer with great

courage, dignity and determination. He passed away peacefully at Hospice Simcoe in the early morning hours of Saturday May 28, 2022 at Hospice Simcoe.

Walter was the beloved husband of Deborah (nee McKenzie) loving father to Chris (Anna Whitmore), Patricia (Chris James) and Stacy, Walt was the devoted and proud Poppy to Tegan and Hayden James. He will be greatly missed by his twin brother Willard (Helen), older brothers Harold (Janet) and Doug (Georgetta), brother and sister-in-law Stuart and Heather McKenzie, his many nieces, nephews, and his Godson Jesse (Bailey) and sister Michelle (David). Walter was predeceased by his daughter Patricia and his parents Tom and Dorothy Marshall.

Walter loved to curl and golf and was exceptional arm-chair commentator of these sports and many others. He enjoyed driving his 1935 Ford Humpback and honing his woodworking skills building scale model houses, classic cars, and yard art for the garden. His happy place was in the workshop listening to gospel blue grass and working on his next project. NASCAR racing was another big interest of his.

Walter was a founding member of Celebration Church Barrie. He served on many committees, participating in and leading many bible studies over the years. His faith was an integral part of who he was and how he lived his life. We are grateful to our church family for their heartfelt and continuous prayers.

We want to thank Gilda's Club for their tremendous support and encouragement. "No one faces cancer alone." We are so grateful. Our gratitude and heartfelt thanks goes out to Hospice Simcoe staff and volunteers and the community care nurses for the tender loving care you gave Walter. Thank you Dr. Morris for your compassion and caring. All of you made the unbearable bearable for our family. We also want to thank Dr. Butler and his team at Princess Margaret's Hospital for working so hard for Walter.

Cremation has taken place. There will be visitation at Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale, June 24th from 2-4 and 7-9. There will be a Celebration of Life service at Celebration Church Barrie, Saturday June 25 at 2:30 pm. The service will also be streamed live on the Celebration Church You Tube channel for those unable to attend in person. The family respectfully asks that masks be worn at both the visitation and celebration of life. A private interment will follow in the fall.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to Hospice Simcoe, Gilda's Club, Princess Margaret Foundation, and Celebration Church.

Visit lynnstonefuneralhome.com for charity links.

Condolence messages can be sent to the family at lynnstonefuneralhome.com.



HARRIS, George September 19th 1943-June 5th 2022

George Russell Harris 78, passed away at Royal Victoria Hospital on June 5th, 2022. He was born on September

19th 1943 to Violet and Russell Harris in Barrie ON. On September 6th 1968 he married Willy Noordegraaff and they went on to have 4 children. Charles (Teresa) Harris, Melissa (Kevin) Everton, Geoff (Heather) Harris and Teressa (Erich) Aldebert.

He will be greatly missed by his wife Willy, his 4 children, 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. He is predeceased by his sisters Ruth Harris, Pearl (Len) Cumming, Edna (Franklin) Higginson and he is survived by his sister Marie (Hoyle) Campbell.

George was a longtime member of the community, a proud farmer and always loved to stop and talk with people.

Visitation will be held Monday June 13th from 2-4pm and 7-9pm. Funeral will follow Tuesday June 14th at 11:00am.

Visitation and Funeral will take place at Adams Funeral Home 445 St. Vincent St. Barrie ON

MOLTO, Helen Irene (Nee Archer)

Helen, in her 94th year, passed away peacefully at home in Toronto on May 9th, 2022.

She is survived by five children, twenty Grandchildren and eighteen Great-Grandchildren. She was the eldest of eleven children of Alvin and Janet Archer of Elmvale, ON leaving four remaining; Dennis, Murray, Wayne and Ruthann. Funeral Service was held on Fri. May 13th, 2022 at St. Hilda's Anglican Church Fairbank in Toronto with her cremated Husband, Leo. **Together at last.**



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We would like to thank our family, friends and neighbours for all of the cards and gifts, flowers, food, phone calls, visits, kind offers of help and the support that we received after Bruce's passing. During this difficult time, you all showed how very much you cared, and it meant the world to us.

Thank you to Bernadette and Valley Farm Market for the wonderful lunch they catered for Bruce's Celebration of Life. It received rave reviews! Thank you again to the wonderful, caring staff of Sara Vista. We wouldn't have entrusted his care to anyone else.

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Photo: Nearly 300 golfers participated in the 32nd Georgian College Golf Classic presented by BMO Bank of Montreal at the Club at Bond Head on May 26, 2022. The tournament raised more than \$155,000 to support student success and the college's Frontline Support: Health-care Heroes Closer to Home campaign.

Georgian College is celebrating the return of the organization's longest-running fundraiser in a big way.

The 32nd Georgian College Golf Classic, presented by BMO Bank of Montreal, sold out more than two months ahead of schedule this year, welcoming nearly 300 golfers and seeing sponsorship revenue increase more than 20 per cent over the previously held tournament. More than \$155,000 was raised.

"Year after year, our sponsors and golfers support this event because they know how important financial support is to our students and their success," said Dr. MaryLynn West-Moynes, Georgian President and CEO. "The success of this tournament is a testament to the impact that our students have throughout the region and beyond."

This year's tournament, hosted at the Club at Bond Head, provided golfers with a uniquely Georgian experience. Golfers began the day at a massage station, hosted by Georgian's Massage Therapy students, and accessed pro tips from Bill Wogden, the college's Head Golf Coach and PGA of Canada

Life Member.

Golfers competed in hole-in-one contests, which included \$90,000 in on-course cash prizes and two vehicles sponsored by Moffatt's Mazda, as well as a \$20,000 putting challenge.

The post-tournament cocktail reception featured live entertainment by Georgian alumnus Robb Tomkinson (class of 2012), and closed with an auction and gourmet dinner emceed by KOOL FM's Dale Smith. Ishaan Sachdeva, Georgian College Students' Association — Barrie president, spoke at the event thanking tournament sponsors and players for continuing to support the college's student community. He shared that in June, more than 3,400 students will graduate from the college and shared that, "It's not an exaggeration when I tell you that without donor support, many of these students never would have been able to finish their programs. Thank you for always being here when our students have needed you, and thank you for being here today."

Funds raised from the Golf Classic support the college's awards and scholarships programs and

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the Frontline Support: Health-care Heroes Closer to Home campaign, which is raising money to support the launch of the Honours Bachelor of Science – Nursing program at the Barrie and Owen Sound campuses this September.

The Golf Classic was supported by a volunteer committee, which included community members Ray Duhamel (Chair), Sheila Delaney, Graham Ferguson, Bryan Howcroft, Louise Jackson, Beth Lawton, Joshua Valler, Addison Wallwin and Bill Wogden.

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Views from the Cottage by Melanie Martyn



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It's 1974 and my dad is filling the car with leaded, regular fuel. The expletives I heard as I was tucked comfortably in the back seat, were

loud, varied and colourful. Being a young teen at the time, I never gave a second thought to the cost of living; food, shelter, and transportation. It appeared that the price of regular in that moment was 71 cents a gallon. That's less than three shiny quarters for one full Canadian gallon of fuel. I was still babysitting for pocket money at the time and made 75 cents an



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hour, plus all the snacks I could eat after putting the kids to bed and tidying the kitchen. I think minimum wage at the time was about \$2.00/hr.

O P Ε (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) responsible some heavy-duty oil hikes from primarily Arabian suppliers and no one was happy. Protests in the streets in 1973 with gas line ups and gas rationing were not unusual. To conserve gas, the maximum speed limit was cut to 55 miles per hour in the States. To cut energy consumption in the broader economy, daylight saving time was introduced year-round at the beginning of 1974, facing criticism from parents whose kids had to go to school before sunrise in the winter months.

So this hike was priced in gallonage but in 1978, or thereabouts, we went metric to the tune of 20 cents a litre which was roughly 92 cents a gallon.

Here we are, today, facing up to \$2.14 a litre which is upwards to \$8.10 a gallon. There are rumours of even higher prices to come as we continue to rollercoaster up and down for no apparent reason (to me).

I have a 1982 Datsun, 280 ZX which I only drive in Summer. Yes, a Datsun, soon to become the Nissan product line. It has a large tank for its little size and it just cost me \$133.00 to fill up! I think I will take it easy on the right foot and maintain the speed limit for maybe the first time in my life, heh heh. The 'getaround' truck will sit out any long trips and I'm now looking for that smaller, economy car that I've always never wanted. There are just too many projects I have on the go that require that nice, roomy, SUV style ride.

However, bearing in mind the foreshadowing of these ever-increasing gas prices, I'm opting for an E-Bike as my next adventure. I hear you can charge it up and ride to your hearts content up to 100 Kilometers. I can attach saddle bags for my paperwork and you just might see me on the backroads of Springwater Township meeting all the other E-bikers. There will be a special hand wave and we'll all be smiling because we are passing every gas station along the way. Just peachy with the fresh air, exercise and truly living the dream! I do wonder the impact on my hydro bill though as I'll be plugging in the charger every night. Seems there's always a piper to pay. Where is Tesla when I'm searching for free energy....Nyuk, Nyuk!