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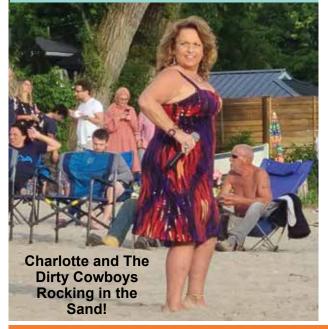
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BALM BEACH THURSDAY NIGHTS

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Beach, sand, sun and music! Summer doesn't get any better than that! Balm Beach Busk 'til Dusk is a great event that brings together family and friends. Locals sitting in their lawn chairs or dancing in the sand can be experienced every Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm all summer long. The good ole days come to mind. Thoughts of carefree days in the sun, swimming and playing frisbee with friends on this very beach, Sun tanning using coconut oil instead of sunscreen, no thought of skin cancer then, oh my!

The fun at the Barrel Works in the evening was unmatched. Now you can come and enjoy Balm Beach's Busk Til Dusk Event from 6 pm to 9 pm every Thursday all summer.

Balm Beach Summer Events, "Busk 'til Dusk" main organiser and founder is Chris Figgures and is put on by the Business Association of Balm Beach. The event is free but a donation to the Busker's Can in front of the stage is always appreciated. The band is paid and the proceeds 'pay forward' to help pay the next band. "Busk 'til Dusk is also supported by local businesses and individual sponsors.

This year's Platinum sponsors are:

- Township of Tiny
- Leo & Sandie Dubeau of Royal Lepage Balm Beach
- Frank Belcourt of Perkinsfield Rustic Furniture
- Leo & Joanne Houle

Inquire to become a sponsor for a music night or to help raise money for equipment/tents, etc. (visitbalmbeach@gmail.com)

The Balm Beach Business Association is not new. They have run events in the past summers such as pancake breakfasts, hotdog nights and old car events. The Association focuses on bringing everyone

together, land owners and locals to enjoy the longest fresh water beach in Canada. Our natural resources are meant for all to enjoy. This event is held during the week for locals and landowners to enjoy during the quieter times at this beautiful place. Everyone is welcome!

The past bands were Charlotte and The Dirty Cowboys and Dylon Lock that were enjoyed by many.

Summer Line up:

July 21- Feeling Good Band July 28 - Rick Robichaud Band

Aug 4 - The Renaissance Band

Aug 11 - the Outlaw Sons

Aug 18 - Skill Set

Aug. 25 - The Wendy Whelan Band

Sept 1 - The Remedy Sept 8 - Tiny Stew

This last date of the summer features "The Tiny Stew" because it's stewing with a little bit of this and a little bit of



that. It's simmering into something cool. The kids are back at school and tourist season winds down.

"Let's back track a little to last year, the summer of 2021. Gaining a small glimmer of hope, escaping isolation and getting back to normal by being able to have the month of August and part of September to reignite that live music on the beach that we all crave and need so much. Thank you to all that came out.", said Chris Figgures. This event is weather dependant so watch your forecast or visit facebook.

This event is organized and run by local volunteers with the support of the Township of Tiny - with thanks!

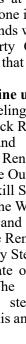
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Letter to the Editor 11 July 2022

The International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC) is the world's largest shooting sport association. The sport of practical shooting originated from handgun competitions in the 1950's.It quickly evolved into a pure target shooting sport and was officially founded in 1976. The IPSC nowadays affiliates over 100 regions / countries including Canada and all of its provinces. This makes practical shooting a major international sport which highly emphasizes safety. In reaction to the 2022 Russian invasion of Ukraine, the IPSC cancelled all scheduled and future international competitions in Russia.

Competitions are held with pistol, revolver, rifle, and shotgun and the competitors are divided into different divisions based on their skill level, age, and equipment features. The motto of IPSC is "precision, power, speed". The most accurate competitor using the least amount of time to place the required number of hits on target is the "winner". In most local matches that amounts to bragging rights and maybe a small medal of some type. National and international competitions offer greater rewards.

To achieve a varied, challenging and exciting sport there are no fixed target arrangements, distances or shooting programs, making every match unique. Targets may be a mix of static, moving or partially covered with no shoot targets that give minus points if hit. Falling metal plates are also sometimes used.

In handgun there are two major divisions. One for the self-loading pistols with different subdivisions for optical sights, iron sights and caliber. And one for revolver using minor or major powered calibers. During the competition the handgun must be worn in a holster securely attached to the competitor's belt. The holster needs to cover the trigger guard for added safety.

The safety for all competitors, officials and spectators are always of the highest importance in competitions. Eye and ear protection is mandatory while shooting is in progress. All firearms are kept unloaded until each competitor is on the firing line and under the direct supervision of the range official. Each competitor individually completes their course



of fire under the direct supervision of the assigned range officer, after which their time and score minus any penalties is recorded.

Matches are held at the local, national and international levels. Olympic caliber events are common. The official IPSC classification system allows the athletes to be ranked both nationally and internationally based on their previous results.

This year's Canadian National Championship is being held July 25 to July 31 2022. It is being hosted by the Atlantic Marksmen Association of Nova Scotia and will be attended by shooters from across Canada.

The Huronia Hand Gun Club of Penetanguishene is proud to announce that one of our leading athletes Mr. Sheldon East has been invited to attend as a representative from Ontario. He has been an active member of our local club and has participated in several Provincial Championship matches. His attendance and participation at the Canadian National Championships is a testament to his athletic skill as well as his dedicated support of the shooting sports. His teaching skills and level of support involving new shooters is well known to many members of our local target shooting community.

We wish him well and hope that he can bring some positive recognition to our Province, our community and our club. Good Luck Sheldon!!

Photo below: Ernest Reid. President Huronia Hand Gun Club Inc. Penetanguishene





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975 in Wyevale L0L 2T0 including Conc. 8 and some TBRS areas, 1325 in Perkinsfield including Balm Beach to Whippoorwill 1100 in R.R.# 1, L4R 4K3 (775) & 2, L4R 4K4 (300) areas of Midland which includes Vasey, Ebenezer and the area North-West of Wyebridge

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Elmvale Fair Directors invite you to an information night.

Open to all adults.

Date: Tuesday, July 26th, 2022 Time: 7:00-9:00 pm Place: "The Barn" at the Fairgrounds

Learn about exhibiting home crafts, children's exhibits and domestic science and what judges look for in these categories. Do you have an hour or two that you could give to the Elmvale Fall Fair? Come see what opportunities are available.

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PDF tickets will be emailed.

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Buying The Farm

A Rural Romantic Comedy

By Shelley Hoffman and Stephen Sparks

July 21 to Aug 6 King's Wharf Theatre

Country wit meets city bluster in this fast-paced romantic comedy about the charms and challenges of maintaining the family farm.

Aging bachelor farmer Magnus Bjornson finds himself with mounting debt, some health concerns, and suburban neighbourhoods encroaching from every direction. Just when he's thinking about retirement, Brad, a young real estate agent, arrives at the farm determined to succeed where others have failed. It might be a done deal, except that Magnus' great-niece Esme is unwavering in her resolve that this family farm is NOT FOR SALE.

A love note to farming, this multi-generational comedy is also an insightful look at the plight of rural Canada. Don't miss this hilarious new comedy about high hopes, last stands, skunks, and love among the chickens.

AUDIENCE

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Watch for further information.



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July 21, 2022

Upcoming Meetings

Elmvale BIA Board Meeting Thursday, July 21 at 5:30 p.m.

Special Meeting – Closed Session Monday, July 25 at 5:00 p.m.

Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 3 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.

Bid Opportunities

The Township is currently accepting bids for:

Bunker Gear (2022-34-FES) Closes: July 28, 2022

Rout & Seal Crack Sealing (2022-32-PW) Closes: July 28, 2022

Line Marking (2022-31-PW) Closes: August 2, 2022

Engineering Services for Bridge and **Culvert Condition Inspections** (2022-11-PW)

Closes: August 3, 2022

Professional Engineering Consultant Services for the Springwater Water & Wastewater Master Plan Study (2022-29-PW)

Closes: August 9, 2022

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

Final Tax Billing

The 2022 Final Tax bills have been mailed. Instalment due dates are July 20 and September 21, 2022. Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer from payment of taxes or from liability of penalty charges for late payment. If your mortgage company pays your property taxes, there will be a delay in receiving a tax bill.

Water & Wastewater Billing

Residential water meters will be read at the end of July by the Township's third-party contractor, Wamco Waterworks. Bills will be mailed at the beginning of August with a due date at the end of August.

Update - Emergency Closure of Wilson Drive

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For now, Wilson Drive remains closed from Snow Valley Road to the Highway 26 intersection, with detours in place.

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Council Meeting Highlights: July 6, 2022 Next Council Meeting: August 3, 2022

Public Meeting – 1060 Flos Road 8 East

A Public Meeting was held regarding an Official Plan Amendment and a Zoning Bylaw Amendment related to the Elmvale Home Building Centre at 121 Yonge Street South. The proposed amendments involve the necessary permissions for the Home Building Centre to expand its operations to the north and onto a portion of the adjacent farm parcel located at 1060 Flos Road 8 East. Following the Public Meeting, the application was referred to staff for a further report.

Barrie North Winter Tennis Agreement

In a delegation to Council, John Wellar of Barrie North Winter Tennis (BNWT) requested Council's approval to extend the agreement allowing BNWT to operate at the Doran Park Tennis Facility from October 1 to April 30 each year. Mr. Wellar also ought Council's permission to proceed with a planned expansion/renovation to the BNWT Clubhouse, which may include the relocation and replacement of the existing septic system.

Following the delegation, Council authorized staff to negotiate a lease extension with BNWT and purchase the Clubhouse for \$1.00 per the terms of the previous lease agreement. As part of the new lease agreement, the Township wants BNWT to cover 100% of the cost of the Clubhouse's extension and rehabilitation as well as the rehabilitation/replacement of the septic system.

Redline Application for Heritage Village and **Sarjeant Properties**

Matthew Cory and Kathy Di Silvestro of Malone Given Parsons Ltd. provided Council with information on an upcoming redline application for the Heritage Village and Sarjeant properties in Hillsdale. A redline application allows both the developer and the Township to mark up and propose changes to the development application. The developer's proposed redline changes would provide for an additional 116 residential lots as well as a greater mix of single detached units on the Sarjeant lands (Phase 2). The increased density is being sought as a result of the developer finding efficiencies by consolidating the wastewater treatment facility on the Heritage Village lands (Phase 1).

Retrofit of Council Chambers

Council approved a quotation from Michael ca

Enterprise Audio & Visual in the amount of \$23,052.50 to retrofit the Council Chambers to accommodate hybrid meetings. Hybrid meetings would allow members of Council, staff, delegates and the public to participate from within the Council Chambers or a remote location while ensuring fair and equitable representation, and the integrity of the meeting for all involved. The project will be funded through the Township's COVID-19 Safe Restart Funding.

MZO Private Request Protocol

The Township has implemented a new standardized protocol that will assist Council's consideration of private requests for political support of Ministerial Zoning Orders (MZOs). The protocol outlines the basic information, fee and public consultation process necessary for such requests to be considered by Council moving forward.

Site Plan Approval – 315050 Ontario Inc.

Council authorized the execution of a Site Plan Agreement for the property at 74 Yonge Street South. The agreement will permit the construction of a one-storey, 620 square metre building containing four units for restaurants/eating establishments and service commercial uses.

Site Plan Approval – Global Simcoe Paving

The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute a Site Plan Agreement to permit the construction of an industrial building on the site known as 15 Bertram Industrial Parkway. The building will consist of office space, storage and parking for heavy machinery associated with Global Simcoe Paving.

Midhurst Heights Subdivision Agreement

Council authorized the execution of the Stage One Subdivision Agreement related to the Midhurst Heights Subdivision. The Stage One Subdivision Agreement allows for site works and site preparations to commence. The Midhurst Heights Subdivision is planned to consist of 1,440 residential units and is located in Neighbourhood 2 of the Midhurst Secondary Plan, on the eastern side of Bayfield

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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Fun in the Sun

Written by Kari Belcourt

As the weather gets warmer and with the school year coming to an end, many parents are left wondering what local activities there are to explore with their little ones.

As a mom of a 4-year-old girl and 2-year-old boy, I am often looking for exciting ways to entertain their growing curiosity and to keep their little feet moving.

One of my favourite local activities is Bishop Park located at 50 Amelia St in Elmvale. The park houses a large pavilion that provides the perfect shade for afternoon picnics with a large playground for children of all ages close by. While you're there you can read a piece of local history located on the stone memorial structure in the middle. You can cross over the bridge taking in the beauty of the Wye River and connect to the North Simcoe Rail Trail. The North Simcoe Rail Trail is a 30 km long rail-trail, which from south to north skirts the famous Minesing Swamp, passes by historic Fort Willow, then through the Mayer's Marsh, farm land and forests. It goes through the communities of Phelpston and Elmvale, and links up with the Tiny Trail to the north, which continues for another 22 km to Penetanguishene. Hikers, cyclists, horseback riders, cross country skiers and snowmobilers are allowed on the trail. The North Simcoe Rail Trail begins inside of Elmvale at Heritage Park located on Highway 92 and runs to Bishops Park then continues out to Flos Road 10 West taking you to the outside of Elmvale. The trail follows the Wye River offering a glimpse of the beautiful wildlife and nature that grows along the river. You never know when you may spot a rabbit, beaver or fox running across the trail. The trail is always sure offer solitude and peace as you walk under the shade of the large trees, with wildflowers are flourishing along the trail at this time of year making for a beautiful walk. As you walk along you occasionally pass other locals, making sure to say a quick hello. It is a wonderful reminder of the beautiful community we are apart of.

Midland Council Approves Developer For Midland Bay Landing Redevelopment

Midland Bay Landing Development Corporation developer for the Midland Bay Landing waterfront redevelopment.

Council selected the developer at a Special Meeting of Council on July 4 following evaluation of proposals submitted by 3 short-listed developers and oversight by an independent Fairness Monitor who was engaged throughout the whole RFPQ/RFP

The selected developer is Georgian Communities Inc., headquartered in Barrie who have successful developments in their final phases in the Simcoe area including Braestone Estates in Horseshoe Valley, Mountain House at Blue, and Windfall at Blue in Collingwood. Working in tandem with Georgian is architecture firm, IBI Group, who bring extensive experience in waterfront redevelopment projects across North America.

Georgian Communities' concept for Midland Bay Landing creatively builds on and enriches the current Master Plan which was developed through extensive public engagement with residents. The vision depicted in their concept drawings will act as a starting point for further refinement of the design with additional public consultation as the design evolves over time.

The Town and MBLDC will execute a Letter of (MBLDC) and the Town of Midland are very excited Intent with Georgian that will start a 120- day to announce that Town Council has approved a Exclusivity Period when the developer, the Town, and MBLDC will collaborate on refining the design concept for the Phase 1 lands at the east side of the property which is planned for public realm space and low-rise townhomes. Then, the developer will purchase the Phase 1 lands from the Town, excluding the retained Town-owned public realm property.

Financially, Georgian's proposal pays the Town a purchase price in Phase 1 that exceeds the original acquisition cost of the Unimin property. In addition, Georgian will construct the promenade and park space in Phase 1, a signature feature of the redevelopment, at no cost to the Town, further enhancing the Town's return on investment.

Tax revenue from the townhomes in Phase 1 will expand the current tax base for the Town, act as a catalyst for rejuvenating and rehabilitating Midland, and generate market

interest in the further development of Phase 2 that will include shops, live-work spaces, and more new promenade, parks, and public plaza.

Upon successful completion of Phase 1, Georgian will have an Option to Purchase the Phase 2 lands for redevelopment further increasing the Town's return on its investment on its original purchase combined with providing more new public realm space, at no cost to the Town.

Council's approval of the redevelopment of the Midland Bay Landing site will transform the Town's waterfront from former industrial uses into a vibrant mixed-use community which is an enormous step towards creating a bright and prosperous future for the Town of Midland and the surrounding region.

Chair Kernohan said that "The Board of MBLDC is very pleased with the results of the fair and transparent selection process that was conducted by N. Barry Lyon Consultants. We would like to thank them for their expertise and advice throughout the RFP process. Now we look forward to working collaboratively with the Town of Midland and the selected developer during the next stages of this exciting transformation project."

"It took many years of work and public engagement by multiple Town Councils to get the project to this stage," said Mayor Stewart Strathearn. "We are pleased that this proposal provides so many important benefits to our entire community, and we look forward to working with Georgian and our residents to bring this exciting project to Midland."

Mayor Don's Update



COVID-19 Updates

1. Second Booster Dose Eligibility

The Ontario government has expanded eligibility for second

booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to individuals aged 18 and over in order to provide an extra layer of protection to those who may need it. Second booster doses are being offered at an interval of five months after an individual receives their first booster dose. Eligible individuals are able to book their second booster dose appointment through the COVID-19 Vaccination Portal at covid19.ontariohealth.ca, by calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900, or through Indigenous-led vaccination clinics, select pharmacies, and primary care settings.

2. Free Rapid Antigen Tests

The Ontario government will also continue to provide free rapid antigen tests to the general public through existing channels like grocery stores and pharmacies, as well as to workplaces, schools, hospitals, longterm care and retirement homes and other congregate settings until December 31, 2022.

Midhurst Heights Subdivision Agreement

At its meeting on July 6, Council authorized the execution of the Stage One Subdivision Agreement related to the Midhurst Heights Subdivision Phase 1A/1B. Phase 1A and 1B include 285 of the 1,440 residential units planned for the entire subdivision. Over the last several months, the developer has been working to meet the engineering requirements necessary to warrant the execution of Stage One. These conditions of approval have now been met to the general satisfaction of the Township's engineering consultant and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority. The Stage One Subdivision Agreement allows the developer to initiate site works and site preparation (grading works) of the development lands. Further works required on this development (site servicing, etc.) will require further authorization from Council as well as the execution of an External Servicing Agreement for offsite infrastructure and Environmental Compliance Approval from the Ministry of the Environment.

Fierte Simcoe Pride (July 25 to August 7)

During Fierté Simcoe Pride, Springwater will raise the Intersex Progress Pride flag to celebrate diversity, promote equality, and honour the lives and contributions of people of all gender and sexual diversities throughout the County. All are welcome to join us for the flag raising ceremony, which will take place at the Township Administration Centre on July 27 at 10:30 a.m. This year marks the eleventh annual Fierté Simcoe Pride, and its purpose to create

a safe and inclusive Simcoe County. The 2022 theme, "Progress and Pride", highlights the progress and acceptance of our community, but also recognizes that the 2SLGBTQIA+ community stands together in the wake of social injustices.

The Intersex Progress Pride flag is a new design created in 2021 to represent intersex people, community and rights. It adds to Gilbert Baker's 1978 Pride flag, Daniel Quasar's 2018 Progress Pride flag, and Morgan Carpenter's 2013 Intersex flag.

Update on Wilson Drive Closure

The Township is currently working with the County of Simcoe to address the emergency closure of Wilson Drive (County Road 53). The anticipated date for reopening the road is August 3, 2022. For now, Wilson Drive remains closed from Snow Valley Road to the Highway 26 intersection, with detours in place. The latest updates regarding local road closures can be found on the Township's website at springwater. ca/ConstructionAndClosures.

Springwater Farmers' Market – Elmvale

The Township, in partnership with the Elmvale BIA, is pleased to host the Springwater Farmers' Market - Elmvale every Friday in the municipal parking lot at 33 Queen Street West. Be sure to stop in weekly between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. for in-season produce, crafts, gifts and baked goods from local producers across Simcoe County.

Simcoe County Tourism Development Survey

The County of Simcoe is working with its member municipalities, residents, tourism operators, and stakeholders to create a Destination Development Action Plan focused on promoting Simcoe County as a first-class travel destination. This Plan will steer the County of Simcoe's tourism role and responsibilities for the next three to five years. Over the course of the project, several research and engagement activities will be conducted by the County's consultant to help identify and set the direction for Tourism Simcoe County's future work as a destination steward. At this time, residents and interested stakeholders can get involved by completing the online survey at surveymonkey.com/r/TSC-IndustryResidentSurvey.

South Springwater Firefighters Association Golf Tournament

The South Springwater Firefighters Association will be hosting its annual fundraising golf tournament on August 13, 2022 to raise money for local charities. Join them at Springwater Golf Course (1481 Golf Course Road) at noon for 18 holes, lunch and a buffet dinner. Tickets can be purchased for \$125 per person from anyone in the association. For further information, please contact Sarah Darby at sarahddarby@gmail.com.

Continue to have a good summer and stay safe.

Robotic Legs Will Help Children Walk for the First Time

Thanks to an outpouring of community support, walking!" Kayla's Children Centre won Trexo Robotics' Kayla's Children Centre is a school, therapy clinic, Canada- wide Trexo Plus Robotic Gait Trainer Giveaway.

Children with mobility challenges will soon be able to visit Kayla's Children Centre for physical therapy with the Trexo Plus robotic assistive device, designed to get children upright and walking.

The Trexo Robotics Giveaway was made possible by the generosity of an anonymous donor. "We are grateful to our donor, because of their gift, children in the community will experience the benefits of walking – many for the very first time," said Manmeet Maggu, CEO and Co-founder of Trexo Robotics.

In June 2022, Trexo Robotics asked communities across Canada to vote for the facility they would like to see receive the Trexo Plus device. After 30 days of votes pouring in to support the pediatric facilities across Canada, Kayla's Children Centre (KCC), located in Thornhill, Ontario, won.

"We are so thrilled to have won the Trexo Robotics giveaway," says Yaffi Scheinberg, Executive Director and Head of School at KCC. "The outpouring of support from our community has been unbelievable, and our kids are going to benefit so much from having the Trexo in our clinic. We can't wait to get more kids

and recreational centre for children with disabilities, behavioural challenges, and complex medical needs. KCC supports hundreds of families with year-round programming and respite, and is open to anyone age 0-18. KCC helps children develop life-enhancing skills and build self-esteem, and is on a mission to give every child the childhood they deserve. To learn more about KCC, visit kaylas.org.





COLDWATER RESIDENT WINS \$50,003 WITH ONTARIO 49



Robert Rowe of Coldwater is celebrating after winning an ONTARIO 49 second prize worth \$50,000 in the May 28, 2022 draw. He also won \$3 on another one of his ONTARIO 49 selections, bringing his total winnings to \$50,003!

Robert, a retiree, says he just made up the winning numbers he played. "They're nothing specific. I checked my ticket using the OLG App when I discovered my win. I got so excited I had to check again," he shared while at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto to pick up his winnings.

The 64-year-old father of two says his wife is even more excited about this win than he is. "It's very nice, I feel very good!"

He plans to pay some bills and travel with his winnings.

OLG is booking in-person prize claim appointments at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto. We strongly encourage those with claims between \$1,000 and \$49,999.90 to submit them online or mail them in. Submitting claims online is fast and secure. Customers with prizes over \$50,000 are asked to call 1-800-387-0098 to discuss available prize claim options.

ONTARIO 49 is \$1 per play and the draws take place every Wednesday and Saturday. Combination Play is available in five-, seven-, eight- and ninenumber selections. Tickets are sold until 10:30 p.m. Visit the ONTARIO 49 page on OLG.ca for more information.

The winning ticket was purchased at McKellar General Store on Centre Road in McKellar.

OLG Winners

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram OLG is a crown agency that contributes to a better Ontario by delivering great entertainment experiences for our customers. Acting in a socially responsible way, OLG conducts and manages landbased gaming facilities; the sale of province-wide lottery games; Internet gaming; and the delivery of bingo and other electronic gaming products at Charitable Gaming Centres. OLG is also helping support the horse racing industry in Ontario. Since 1975, OLG has provided approximately \$55 billion to the people and Province of Ontario to support key government priorities like health care; the treatment and prevention of problem gambling; and support for amateur athletes. Each year proceeds from OLG's operations also support host communities, Ontario First Nations, lottery retailers and local charities across the province.

MENTAL HEALTH

Anger is a Form of Attack

"Anger is a poison. It eats us inside. We think when we hate someone, we hurt them, but hatred is a curved blade, and the harm we do to others we also do to ourselves."

Mitch Albom

Anger is an emotion characterized by antagonism toward someone or something you feel has deliberately done you wrong. Anger is like a red light flashing on the dashboard. It indicates that something has upset you, hurt you or pushed a button. It is normal to feel angry sometimes. It alerts you to action that should perhaps be taken, however venting anger is a whole other thing.

If the red light is flashing on the dash, it indicates something needs attention. Most try to diagnose the problem, and consider which steps need to be taken,

Anger is a secondary emotion. The primary emotions behind it are hurt or fear. If someone cuts you off in traffic, you may feel angry, but that feeling was likely preceded by a sense of shock or fear, as you suddenly had to brake to prevent an accident.

That is a normal reaction. Chasing after the driver, passing to cut him off, or riding his bumper shows the anger has turned to vengeance.

We must try to ascertain if our anger is appropriate to the situation. If we are angry because our teen would rather spend time with friends than with us, that is inappropriate anger. Sure, you might feel hurt by their choice, but getting angry lays a guilt trip and creates more tension in the relationship.

Venting anger is like hearing a smoke alarm and making it louder and louder. It does nothing to fix the problem. Venting anger or raging is an aggressive act. Often the individual expressing anger thinks he or she is simply reacting to a real or perceived injustice. They may blame the one at whom they are venting, assigning to that person's actions the justification for the outburst.

No one can "make us" get angry. The events or behaviors of others are a stimulus, to be sure, but we, and only we, are responsible for how we respond to that stimulus. When we choose anger, we are attacking the other.

This is not helpful for a few reasons: 1) the person most likely did not intentionally set out to upset us, 2) we may have misinterpreted their intentions or motivations, 3) anger causes the other to distance from us, 4) anger generates defensiveness from the other, or a counterattack, 5) anger diminishes the level of trust between individuals.

An angry response usually means that the individual does not have more sophisticated skills for dealing with the situation. There are plenty of resources in the library, bookstores, and on the internet with strategies for communicating more effectively. If anger is your default program, its time for an upgrade.

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25 U.S. Dogs Arrive at Ontario SPCA Animal Centres in Need of Loving Homes



Transfer brings total to more than 150 dogs brought to Ontario for re-homing this year

The Ontario SPCA and Humane Society is giving 25 dogs from the United States a new lease on life thanks to a re-homing mission to find the dogs a loving home in Ontario while helping animal shelters south of the border that are at capacity.

The dogs arrived at Ontario SPCA animal centres on July 6 from North Carolina. The Ontario SPCA's U.S. partner ensures the dogs are vaccinated and have undergone behaviour and medical screening before coming across the border to help the dogs find their forever home as quickly as possible. Many have also already been spayed or neutered, which supports the Ontario SPCA's ability to help.

This year alone, the Ontario SPCA has welcomed more than 150 dogs from the U.S. who were facing an uncertain future due to animal shelters at capacity south of

the border. With 12 animal centres across the province and a successful adoption program that finds homes for thousands of animals each year, the Ontario SPCA had the capacity to help the dogs.

"Every animal deserves a loving home and we do what we can to help make that happen when partnering animal organizations reach out for help," says Brandy Hill, Manager, Ontario SPCA Barrie Animal Centre. "In addition to finding loving homes for animals here in Ontario, we also help our animal friends south of the border when we have the capacity at our animal centres."

Once they have settled in and have been cleared for adoption, the dogs will be ready to find their forever homes. Animals adopted through the Ontario SPCA are spayed or neutered, vaccinated, treated for parasites and microchipped. Interested in adopting? Visit ontariospca.ca/barrie

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With Pharmacist Owners Jenna Lougheed and Carolyn Glover
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Ask a Therapist: On Dichotomous Thinking

Q: I find myself thinking about things as if there is one good and one bad way to conceptualize a topic. How can I break free from this black-and-white thinking pattern?

A: You are certainly not the only one experiencing the challenges with this attempt to make sense of things in a dichotomous way! Essentially, when you see things as concrete opposites - good or bad, success or failure, right or wrong, all or nothing, us and them - you tend to limit your ability to process effectively. Most healthy processing involves consideration of the spectrum between the two extreme polarities. Seeing the grey is an important step that allows a person to enter into a more nuanced approach to a topic or a decision.

For example, let's assume that you have a pattern of going out each morning for a run at a particular time of day and for an expected period of time and intensity. What happens if you miss your alarm and wake up realizing that you no longer have time to get out for your planned activity as a result? Do you tend to think that you have missed your opportunity for the day and that your exercise will now have to wait until tomorrow?

That all-or-nothing thinking could be replaced with flexible thinking that allows you to see the possibility for other forms of movement in the day - a 20-minute walk on your lunch break, some weightlifting after work, or some yoga stretching in the evening could still happen if you can shift your mindset to accommodate it. All is not lost even though that dichotomous thinking distortion would like us to believe so!

What about a situation where someone thinks differently than you? Do you automatically assume that they are on one side of the issue and you are on the other, as if there are only two ways to think about something? Do you tend to organize people in your brain in terms of two different camps - either they are with me or they are against me?

The truth is, most people live in the "middle space" between two opposites in terms of their perspectives and beliefs. When we are able to conceptualize the possibility that people are actually more aligned with us than against us we can move into healthier conversations and relationships. It's possible that I can both agree and disagree with someone on a variety of points if I'm willing to open myself up to common ground.

Do you struggle with dichotomous thinking? If so, try to determine other ways of conceptualizing that allow for a both/and perspective which is expansive and helpful rather than an either/or position which may keep you stuck in unhealthy mental patterns.

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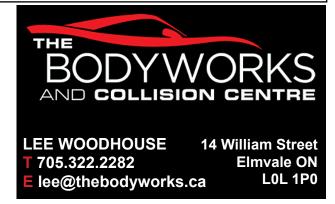




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Sports with Patrick Townes



The time has finally come, Charlie Montoya is no more. Although he cannot be totally blamed for the poor performances of some of the players, it was time for him to go, and time for a change.

In the day of all the stats that are available there is not much for the coaches to do. Montoya put in his time and did not accomplish much. The leadership was not there for the younger players and the respect was not there from the veteran players.

They needed a coach that stood up for the players and that taught them lessons of baseball. They needed a coach, a hard worker, and what they got was someone who banged on their drums all day.

Included in this article are excerpts from previous articles speaking to Montoya - around the times he should have been let go before this season.

June 7, 2021

The Blue Jays are now 30-27 and only trail Boston and Tampa Bay in the division. Tampa Bay continues to get the job done which is astonishing given the team's make up and vacancies that have occurred. They lost their top pitcher and have traded away a talented shortstop, but that is how they operate. Guerrero Jr. is on a MVP pace and has improved on his defensive play. Some Blue Jay players are still not doing the little things right, such as hustling out of the batter's box every time. The coaching has been suspect, once again including decisions with starting pitchers. These guys have to be stretched out before the bullpen is overtaxed and out of gas come the end of the season. There needs to be more accountability on the team and players need to be disciplined when appropriate. Coaches cannot always play the nice guy.

June 21, 2021

During the time between articles, the Toronto Blue Jays have sure had their ups and downs. Over the long baseball season, it is usually those teams that avoid medium to long losing streaks that find themselves successful and in the playoff race. The Blue Jays are

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running out of chances and need to avoid these losing streaks in order to keep afloat in their competitive division. Following the game against the Yankees, on Wednesday, June 18, some may think that the Manager's days are numbered.

In the final inning of this game, there was a "foul" ball that struck the umpire in the mask and the play was ruled a dead ball. This pitch did not hit the bat of the batter and therefore should have been a passed ball and the runners should have been able to advance. It is understandable how the umpire who just got nailed in the head could not interpret the correct call considering the blow, and it is also understandable how the other umpires at such a distance could not see the play. These plays are common in baseball. However, there are people to blame in a situation like

First, the batter never acted like there was no contact with the bat, not at all. The catcher was quick to grab and console the umpire and remind him that it was in fact a foul ball. The umpire agreed. Secondly, the second baserunner in these situations, always run the play out. If the ball was in fact ruled to be a passed ball after the fact, there was still one runner of two on the base paths serving no purpose at all. Thirdly, the instant replay system. A play where a defensive player holds their glove on a player for six seconds until they fall of the base for less than one second is reviewable, however a play that is nearly impossible for the eye to see, is not reviewable. These rules need to change, and potentially could make a difference in a big game. It usually takes a heated and important situation for a new rule to be implemented.

And finally, the Manager, Charlie Montoya. He is a fun loving guy, a player's coach, and we can all see why. There needs to be more emotion and accountability on this team. Without some wins by the end of July, there will be a coaching vacancy in Toronto. This play occurred near the very end of the game, and there would have been video evidence in the dugout to show that the ball never made contact with the bat. There needs to be some emotion and anger on the field when something like this occurs – if he gets kicked out of the game, there is only one more out to go -- big deal! The players are all smiling on the bench, but this scenario is one where a coach needs to step in and kick some dirt around. Ask the former author of this article.

Following a slow grounder to third base, veteran defender Joe Panik threw the ball away at first base. He had tons of time to make the play however he made a poor decision and rushed the throw to first. Veteran pitcher, one who could not make the cut on the Dodgers, Ross Stripling was quick to yell his disgust at Panik in the middle of the field for all

players and fans to see. This was truly embarrassing -- a mistake, but one a veteran player absolutely does not make. Panik would not even look into the eyes of Stripling after the play in the dugout, and no doubt had a discussion with Stripling in the clubhouse (where these types of conversations should occur). What was the Manager's reaction to this? He offered Stripling a big hug after his pitching performance in the dugout. Other Managers and veteran players would have been on Stripling for his actions. It is good lesson for players and coaches in any league. It is hard to believe that anyone is out there trying to make an error or a mistake. They happen. A pitcher needs the defence behind him, and actions like this one make some not try quite as hard the next time.

There have also been many cases where base runners are not running 100% out of the batter's box. Anything can happen and every 90 feet are important. Guerrero Jr. had yet another base running blunder when he ran home on a grounder back to the pitcher. In this situation he needed to get into a run-down, allowing the other runners to advance. Instead he is thrown out going back to third and then promptly slams his hand on the ground. That would have been a terrible way to end a MVP season with an injury to a hand. Remember mistakes happen, but a good Manager will point them out. It is unsure whether this is happening on this squad. They need a coach, and not a fan.

July 18, 2021

Toronto Blue Jays' manager Charlie Montoya must have read the previous issue of the Springwater News, after he was tossed out of a game last week against the Tampa Bay Rays for arguing balls and strikes. A team needs to know their coach is behind them, and by getting in the umpire's face once in a while, the players support this and know their manager has their backs. The Jays are off to a hot start after the all-star break and have an important series coming up against the Red Sox. This series could make or break the season and really have an influence on what the team does at the trade deadline. Targets will be a closer, a third baseman, a catcher and a starting pitcher or two. It seems like a big wish list, but there should be players out there to fill these spots heading into the last third of the schedule. The Blue Jays are headed back to Toronto. When they play their last game in Buffalo, one would hope they will acknowledge the fans before hopefully leaving Buffalo for the last time. The Blue Jays now feature a state of the art stadium and facility for the AAA Bisons. This should help the development of the players in the future.

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ON THE FIELD WITH THE HILLSDALE HAYMAKERS

Written by: Taylor Shewell

The U11-2 Haymakers sponsored by Fence Right Inc. are nearing the end of their regular season and are right in the middle of the pack. Their last regular season game is Tuesday July 19th in Port McNicoll. They have had a great season so far with everyone contributing in their own ways. Gracelynn, Grace, Morgan, Jaxson, and Kyle have been making some great defensive plays and are improving each week. Jocelyn, Kaiden, Grace, Hayden and Kyle have had a great year at the plate. Liam, Nathan, and James fulfill the team's pitching duties with Carson catching.

Our U17-OASA team traveled to Napanee over the Canada Day weekend and walked away with a 2-2 record and an invite to the Ontario Summer Games in Mississauga Jul 22-24. First game will be Friday at 11:00 vs the Wilmot Thinder. All games will be streamed to our YouTube channel.

Our U13-OASA team had hard-luck, with a score of 0-2 at their OASA qualifier this past weekend in Grafton. They will now compete at the B Provincials in Princeton/Drumbo Aug 6-7.

Backyard BBQ Teammate of the Week:

Congratulations to Gibson from the U9 team and Katerina from the U7 team for being named teammate of the week for their respective teams.

Next Week's Games: Playoffs start for the U9-U17 teams on July 25th. For the up-to-date schedule head over to www. gbmsl.ca

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Team		
U9	W	27-5
U11-1	L	2-6
U11-2	L	17-11
U13-1	W	14-5
U13-2	W	17-21
U17	W	1-25



Photo above: Gibson the U9 Backyard BBQ teammate of the week.



Photo above: Katerina the Backyard BBQ teammate of the week from the U7 team receiving her gift card



Ontario Cutting the Gas Tax to Provide Relief at the Pumps

Over the past few months, the price of gas and the cost of living have skyrocketed within our communities. These rising cost directly affect the families in our community, the commuters, and those who must travel for work. Being able to afford to get to and from jobs, shops, or simply driving to visit family is an important issue for many Ontarians.

As part of the government's plan to keep costs down for Ontario families and businesses, the government is providing relief at the pumps by cutting the gas tax 5.7 cents per litre, and the fuel tax by 5.3 cents per litre for six months, beginning on July 1, 2022.

Vehicle owners in our riding will see significant direct savings from the gas tax cut and from the elimination and refunding of licence plate renewal fees within households benefitting from an average combined savings of about \$465 in 2022.

Effective July 1 until December 31, 2022, the gas tax rate will be cut from 14.7 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.7 cents per litre. The fuel tax rate, which applies to diesel, will be reduced from 14.3 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.3 cents per litre. When combined with the 4.3 cents per litre savings from the elimination of the previous government's cap and trade carbon tax, the reduction in provincial taxes and charges on gas totals 10 cents per litre.

Cutting gas and fuel taxes is part of the government's broader plan to provide immediate cost-of-living relief, including:

- Cutting costs for millions of Ontario vehicle owners by refunding licence plate sticker renewal fees paid since March 2020, and eliminating licence plate renewal fees and plate stickers on a go-forward basis, saving vehicle owners \$120 a year in southern Ontario and \$60 a year in Northern Ontario for passenger and light commercial vehicles.
- Permanently removing tolls on Highways 412 and 418.
- Providing tax relief for workers, families and seniors through the Low-Income Workers Tax Credit, the Seniors' Home Safety Tax Credit, the Ontario Jobs Training Tax Credit and the Ontario Child Care Tax Credit.
- Implementing the new Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care System, which will enable Ontario to achieve an average of \$10-a-day child care by September 2025.

To further help families and businesses, the Ontario government continues to encourage the federal government to work with the province by reducing the cost of the carbon tax, which increased to 11.05 cents per litre on gasoline and 13.41 cents per litre on diesel on April 1, 2022.

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Springwater was formed in 1994 through the amalgamation of Flos and Vespra Townships, together with the Village of Elmvale and a portion of the former Medonte Township.



Update From Doug Shipley MP

I am always amazed at how fast the summer months go by. There is so much to do in the summer in our community and only so much time to get out and enjoy it. If your idea of the perfect day includes relaxing, being active, or something in between, there is certainly something for everyone. This summer, I am looking forward to checking out local vendors at the Springwater Farmers' Market and listening to some live music at Music in the Park in Elmvale. In addition to attending local events, I appreciate spending time outdoors with my family and exploring the many scenic trails in our community with our dog, Ollie.

If you are out and about in the community this summer, I would love for you to snap a photo or two and send them to me to be included in my 2023 calendar. I would like to include more photos of the riding and would love to see it from your point of view. If you draw, paint, sculpt or create other forms of visual art, I ask you to submit photos of any pieces that showcase summer in BSOM.

Please submit your favourite pieces by email to doug.shipley@parl.gc.ca, or to my constituency office at:

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I look forward to seeing all the fun ways you are spending your summer!

As always, my staff and I are available to discuss any federal matters that are of concern to you and your family. Please do not hesitate to reach out. Sincerely,



Doug Shipley Member of Parliament Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte

Kempo Student Receives Award

Courtney Fiegehen was recently awarded the advanced rank of Blue Belt in the chinese art of Shung Long Kempo for her ongoing training under the guidance of Sensei Martin Ladouceur, Master Instructor at Double Dragons Martial Arts Studio (705-322-6951), a private club in Wyevale.

Courtney started her studies and training in October 2017 and continues to assist with the Junior classes while taking weekly private lessons from Mr. Ladouceur. She is focusing on a return to the tournament scene later this year now that most of the





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HEY DADS! Are your kids fascinated by wild animals? Are you? Maybe we all are. Especially big animals or rare animals. My boys love birds and have bird books and bird drawings and we've gone through a few varieties of birds. May they rest in peace (the birds, not the boys). Whenever we travel the kids are always looking out the van windows for interesting new species. We've driven to Manitoba a few times and there's always excitement to see moose or bears or elk on the side of the trans-Canada highway. We were visiting some friends in the southern U.S. recently when the boys and I had a pretty amazing wildlife encounter.

Our friends live near the ocean and have a tidal creek that runs across the back of their property. The creek height changes constantly as the tide moves in and out. The boys got up early one morning to try and catch some fish (not my most favourite activity if you read last week's article). I went along with them

We heard a neighbour's dog barking like crazy and looked down the creek to see all kinds of splashing going on. Whatever was down there was large. I thought it was the neighbour bailing water out of his kayak. Then we saw a big blast of steamy mist blow up in the air. This was no neighbour! It was a dolphin and it was heading our way! The tide was just coming in and the water was less than three feet deep so we would get a good view if it came farther. Sure enough we saw a big grey fin come flapping around the corner. Then the three of us watched a

six-foot long dolphin swim right by within 15 feet

The boys were ecstatic and could hardly believe what we just witnessed. We watched it swim along with the tide further up the creek. The boys went back to fishing and I climbed up on a bench to keep watching the dolphin. All of a sudden, it turned around and started coming back to us. I told the boys it was coming back and my 8-year-old son Justice asked if they could jump in and try to swim with it. "What could possibly go wrong?" I thought. I told them to go for it and before you could say, "wild, man-eating dolphin" they were in the water.

The dolphin came meandering back past us and the boys were almost close enough to touch it as it swam right by them! They were amazed and excited to have been so close to that dolphin in the wild. And they didn't even get eaten so that was a double win!

This was a great memory to share with my boys. We didn't catch any fish but had a once-in-a-lifetime visit with a huge fish (I know, dolphins are actually mammals). We made memories and I may even begin to like fishing after this experience. Dads before summer's out, why don't you try taking the kids fishing? Time flies! Make every moment

Jason Weening looks for dangerous wild animals with his nine kids and one wife. For more biology lessons check out heydads.ca.

Your story can be about ANYTHING!

Robots, princesses, animals, space ships, people – let your imagination take you on an adventure and let us come along! In the fall we will select a few lucky writers whose stories will be featured in our online Storytime with Miss Amanda on YouTube! You are welcome to submit your own artwork for your story as well and we can use them to animate your story! We are so EXCITED to read what you write! Submissions due by August 19.

Early ON Preschool Play Wednesdays in July & August

EarlyON for ages 0-6 + caregiver is back at the Elmvale Library Wednesdays 9:30am-12noon. Registration required at earlyonsimcoenorth.ca Questions? Call (705) 526-2456.

Fridays in July and August

Beat the heat at the Farmer's Market in Elmvale and the outside humidity at the Midhurst Branch, pop into the library for an amazing weekly craft!

Saturdays in July and August

At our drop in Lego program at Midhurst and Elmvale branches, 10am-12noon we will have a new weekly theme/challenge for you to build. Fill out a ballot to enter a draw for a prize.

STEM Program: Bee Bots

Ages 4-8 sign up today and work as a team to Bee-Bot travel through the long wavy grass, mud river until he reaches a.....Bear! Tuesday July 26, Elmvale Branch 10:30am-11:30am. Registration required.

Minesing Branch Family Draw

Pop by the Minesing Branch and fill out a ballot to enter a prize winning draw for the month of July! The draw will take place the Thursday July 28 for one lucky family!

Take & Make Craft

This month's special take and make craft by Kaitlyn is a bouncy, cute Octopus available Friday July 29 while supplies last.

Closed Civic Holiday

Please note all branches will be closed Monday August 1 and will return to regular hours on Tuesday. Happy long weekend!

I Spy in the Library Week

The first week of August come by the library and participate in a special "I Spy" event. After searching for the items get your prize at the check out desk!

Lego WeDo

This event has space for only four families (ages 6+) so be sure to sign up early! You'll learn to program a Lego WeDo Robot to walk! Tuesday August 2, Midhurst Branch 10:30am (also running Tuesday August 23 at Elmvale Branch). Registration required.

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Tiny Township Lions Club Commemorates
15 Years of Service





Photo above: PDG Bob (on left) presenting the "Lion of the Year Award" to Lion Linda Bye (middle) and President Sandra Rawn (on right)

Thursday June 16, 2022, Tiny Township Lions Club officially celebrated our 15th Anniversary with a Dinner meeting at the Tiny Township Community Center. Guests included past and present District Officers, friends, and family.

District Governor John Jackson was on hand to accept a cheque from Lion Chief Sandra Rawn and Treasurer Gillian Reynolds for \$1000 for his Governor's project.

Lion Linda Bye was pleasantly surprised to receive the "Lion of the Year Award", presented by PDG Bob and Patti Byers and President Sandra Rawn.

Our newest Lion, Theresa Archer, was inducted by DG John and DG Elect Sheila Webb. Theresa's sponsor was Linda Bye. Tiny Township Lions are proud to serve

our community in may ways. Our Polar Dip on the first of January is quite famous. We also raise funds by selling Fireworks and volunteering at the Casino in Penetanguishene. We support the Food Bank in Elmvale, the Soup Kitchen in Midland, offer an Easter Egg Hunt, provide scholarships for Terrific Kids, collect eye glasses, and many other services.

We are a wonderful group of volunteers who wish to make a difference in our community and around the world. We are the "fun, flexible" service club and are always looking for new members.

Contact Information: Lion Maureen Salter and Past District Governor Michael Salter mfsalter@cyg.net

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and humanitarian projects, and we are able to extend our service impact through the generous support of our Lions Clubs International Foundation. We are focused on supporting sight, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and our new global cause, diabetes, to help address some of the biggest challenges facing humanity. Lions have set an ambitious goal of helping 200 million people per year so we can bring even more service to more people than ever before. For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit lionsclubs.org.



Photo above: District Governor John Jackson inducting Theresa Archer (middle) with sponsor Lion Linda Bye





MINESING MOMENTS

by Lorrie Norwood

Pickle Ball at the Pavilion

A local group of Pickleballers playing at the Minesing Pavilion would like to invite anyone wanting to learn the game to come join them in an unofficial fun league on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and also on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. It's all about having fun, a little exercise and getting to know your neighbours. Everyone is welcome (children must be accompanied by an adult). Come check it out!

This is a little bit late being said but Congratulations to all of the graduates at Minesing Central School this year. We wish you all the best as you enter high school. If you can remember all you learned from your teachers at Minesing, it will take you far. They are always great at preparing the students for future endeavours.

To all the parents navigating summertime off with their kids, best of luck. There are plenty of great places for adventures in our area so get out there and do some exploring to see new parts of our township, county and province! Be safe everyone!

Until next time, enjoy the sunshine and be sure to wear a smile along with your sunscreen.

WYEVALE NEWS by Ruth Ann Caston

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Greg Webb, Lorne Beleskey, Kitty Burnett, Jackie Stott, Greg Withall, Nicky Garnible, Jean Priest, Glenda Knuff, Russel Moreau and Greg Giffin.

Sympathy goes out to Rosemary Spring and family in the passing of her husband on.

The first Sunday of every month we will be collecting food for the food bank. Suggestions were canned goods with pull off tabs and women's hygiene products would be appreciated.

Thanks to all those who helped in any way with the Roast Beef BBQ. It was a great success.

Congratulations to all the Grade 8 students who passed and will be moving on into High School. We hope all the children are enjoying their summer

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Bearbells and Beagles by Leslie Noonan

So far my Ganaraska solo hike had been fairly tame. The routes were usually well marked, the terrain was not too difficult, and I was adjusting to the weight of my pack. That all changed once I came to the village of Glencairn. Here the trail turns off into the bush alongside the Mad River. Initially, the trail was clear and

well used by fishermen. That did not continue for very far, and I found myself confronted with a tangle of dense vegetation with no trail and no ability to find the trail marker. After 15 frustrated minutes of bush whacking, I made the perhaps unwise decision to jump into the river with my pack held above my head with water up to my armpits. I continued this way through the murky water until reaching a bend that was too deep for me to manage. With a toss of my pack up the embankment, I used exposed roots to pull myself back up onto the bank. And here we are, back into the jungle. I did manage to find a trail marker, and came out of the thick vegetation into... muck. Yep, thick, deep muck up to my knees. Muck that would suck my shoes off and have me searching for it in the black goo. By this time, I am yelling words that would scare off the birds for miles around. Needless to say I was in one black mood by the time I reached the road. It seemed fitting to sit and have a rest next to the local cemetery. The remainder of this days trek was relatively unremarkable. The trail follows country roads until a Simcoe County Forest tract, which was peaceful, dry and full of bird songs. From there I continued along until the picturesque village of Creemore where I stopped for the night.



Photo above: Wasaga Nordic ski trails, Wasaga Beach.

area follows many scenic country roads which offer a spectacular view of the surrounding area. I helped a snail across the road, and had an early morning conversation with a donkey.

All was well until I hit the turn off for the short stretch of trail through Glen Huron that leads to the western terminus of the trail. The curse words I had used previously had nothing on what I was about to unleash. This would be the most hated section of trail for me. There was no trail and my maps were very inaccurate. Imagine my confusion while standing in front of a huge corn field and my map telling me to continue on through the apple orchard. At one point I needed to cross a barbed wire fence using a stile. Well, the post holding the stile had rotted through, and as I tried to climb the stile the post gave way and flipped me on my back with the barbed wire latched onto my leg. On a positive note I had an excuse to get an updated tetanus booster. It was with great relief I left this area behind and continued along more scenic country roads to Wasaga Beach. Here the trail entered the beautiful forest around the Wasaga Nordic ski trails. This is a great place to hike along more than 50 km of trail systems including the Ganaraska trail, through mostly pine forest with well-maintained trails. This ended this section of my solo hike and earned me a well-deserved zero rest at home with the family.

At the end of my journey I did contact the Ganaraska trail association regarding the horrible condition of this trail section. At the time of my hike there was no member maintaining this area. However, I have been told that the map and trail system have been updated and are in much better condition now. None the less, you couldn't get me to go back and redo this section even if it was paved!

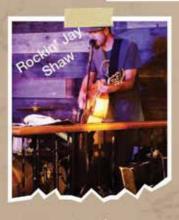


Photo above: Bear Bell Leslie's barbed wire injured leg.

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July 23, 2022 – 1-3pm.



Music in the park – Summer line up:

July 23, 2022 – 1-3pm. Emily Power

You might remember Emily Power as Em Chambers... Well let us introduce you to EMILY POWER!

Emily is a Canadian singer/songwriter born in Hamilton, Ontario, Growing up in a musical family, music has always been a part of Emily's life. She started to sing in choirs at a young age and learned classical piano. This led her to join the Hamilton Children's Choir in 2009, who won the 'Best in World Choral Competition', in Laval, Quebec and the CBC Choral Competition. Emily's passion for music is influenced by Adele, Elton John, Eva Cassidy, Nora Jones, Lady Gaga, and Amy Winehouse ... In 2014, she graduated from the University of Western Ontario, with an Honours Degree from the Faculty of Music.

July 30, 2022 – 1-3 pm Jay Shaw

Hailing from the small community of Banks, is Rockin Jay Shaw. In late 2007's Jason with no surprise to his band Sick By Desire, Released Desire... his Self Recorded Independent Debut. He is currently recording a new project and plans on releasing the follow up record, The Heritage... 2010.

The concept for this album is "capturing the hardships and joys of his fellow musicians, creatively crafting the ups and down's of everyday life. Mixing raw acoustic tracks and straight to it rock songs." -Rockin' Jay Shaw

Wyevale Local - Lion Sheila Webb Inducted as District Governor for A12



Montreal hosted the Lions International Convention June 24 to 28, 2022

More than 10,000 Lions from over 150 countries attended the 104th Lions Clubs International Convention in Montréal June 24 to 28, 2022 at the "Palais des congrès de Montréal and the Bell Centre". They came together to celebrate another year of great achievements, and to officially induct District Governors (DGs) from all over the world. Sheila

Webb, from the Tiny Lions Club is one of 10 DGs in Ontario. Her area (A12) includes all the clubs in Simcoe and Muskoka Counties. For the next year she will travel throughout the District to support the new International President, Brian Sheehan, whose theme is "Together We Can".

Brian's message is "Each of us can do so much good on our own, but Together We Can make the impossible, possible. Because to accomplish big things, we all need to roll up our sleeves and do our part. And together, we can make our communities—and the world—a better place for all people."

DG Sheila has been a Lion for 22 years. She joined the Midland Lions Club in 2001 and became a Charter Member of the Tiny Township Club in 2007. She worked herself up the ranks by serving as Club President, Zone Chair, Region Chair, and Cabinet Treasurer. Lion Sheila is a Melvin Jones Fellow and a Certified Guiding Lion

Sheila went to Montreal as A12 District Governor Elect. While there, she attended school with other DG Elects. There were 31 groups and three of them were from Canada. During training there were friendly competitions and the Canadian team won! Sheila found the sessions very worthwhile, but what made it even more interesting, was being able to discuss issues with Lions from other parts of the world. One highlight of the International Convention was the International Parade, where Lions from 155 countries marched, danced and sang to the delight of the onlookers. Finally, it was time to induct the DGs. When they arrived in Montreal there was a ribbon attached to their name tags that said, "District Governor Elect". When the signal was given, each tag was removed, and they were all officially District Governors for the 2022-2023 year.

Photo below: Sheila's mother, Lion Gillian Reynolds, had the honour of removing



Lorna Tomlinson Residence for Seniors Donor Wall Acknowledges Donors That Gave to Make This Unique Senior's Residence Mortgage Free



Photo below: The Lorna Tomlinson Residence for Seniors, owned and operated by Wendat Community Programs. Photo credit: Nate Lacroix



The Lorna Tomlinson Residence for Seniors Mortgage Paid in Full!



Wendat Community Programs is very excited to announce that the Lorna Tomlinson Residence for Seniors is now mortgage free! Today, former and current staff, residents and Board members gathered to burn the mortgage and celebrate. The donor wall displaying the names of all donors who contributed to the original capital campaign or have donated since 2016 to pay off the mortgage is now complete. Pictured below in front of the donor wall from left to right are Charlotte Nicholson, Financial Administrator, Andrea Abbott-Kokosin, Executive Director, Lorna Tomlinson Former Executive Director, Zina Thomson, Program Supervisor and in the back, Michael Webb President of the Board. Wendat's executive director, Andrea Abbott-Kokosin explained that

"the Town of Penetanguishene donated the land to build the Residence, and fundraising paid for 80% of the build. The final amount of \$1 million was in a mortgage, which was paid off in full in July 2021." Abbott-Kokosin went on to explain that "It is thanks to the support of each and every company and individual who donated to the original capital campaign or since 2016 towards paying off the mortgage that this was possible."

Michael Webb, President of the Wendat Board of Directors commented that "the residence is a major reason that I strongly support this organization, both financially and personally with my time."

Former Executive Director and the namesake of the facility, Lorna Tomlinson said, "This Residence is the only truly affordable, supported, retirement living for frail seniors in Ontario. And, it was made possible by the generosity of the whole community that supported the entire cost of the build, and the final paying off of the mortgage. I feel very proud to have been a part of making this possible for North Simcoe."

The Residence, operated by Wendat Community Programs opened in February 2016. It provides affordable, supported living to 23 frail seniors of low income. Each resident enjoys a private room with private bathroom, full meal service in the dining room, 24-hour access to the servery for snacks, 24-hour staff on site, housekeeping and access to a full day activity program. The total cost is just over \$1,000 a month and includes assisted living by qualified personal support workers as needed. The home has multiple lounge and activity areas and provides weekly trips for local shopping.

Seniors are a rapidly growing section of our population and nowhere in the Province is this more evident than in North Simcoe. The Town of Midland, Planning and Building Department stated in January 2018 that as of 2016 the local senior population represented over 25% of the total population. By 2041, the number of people over 65 in Simcoe-Muskoka is projected to surpass 218,800 which is more than double the number of seniors from 2011 (Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, 2016 Census Data). Stats Canada has confirmed that we now have more seniors in Canada than children and adolescents.

Although Wendat has paid off the mortgage, they must raise \$100,000 annually to meet the operating costs not covered by rent collected from residents and funding received from Ontario Health Central Region. You can help by donating on-line at www.wendatprograms.com

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Your Community News

ANTEN MILLS by Dennis Gannon

What are your plans for this Friday night, July 22? Do you like to sing? Do you like to see animals sing? How about getting sprayed with water? Any kids in the family that like fire trucks? Well, if you answered yes to any of these questions you need to be at the community centre then when the Anten Mills Community Recreation Association with partnership with Springwater Fire and Rescue presents another family movie night at the pavilion. Starting at 7PM, members of the fire department will be on hand with a fire truck and maybe Sparky to entertain with some water activities which may include the opportunity to run under a fire hose shower. Following that, around 8PM, Sing 2 will be the featured presentation which is in case you haven't seen it is a great family movie with lots of hit pop songs being performed. Popcorn is also going to be served courtesy of the Springwater Library. So bring your lawn chairs, perhaps a towel and your favorite beverages and have some fun to kick off the weekend.

Euchre has always been a popular event on Thursday evenings at the community centre and the CRA has found some willing sponsors to host the event for the summer. Euchre begins at 7PM and the joining cost is \$5 per player with prizes and snacks provided. So if you have been longing for some card action and socialization, head over and join the fun. As always no experience or partners are required, just you showing up to have some fun.

Last year for the 50th Anniversary celebration of the community association, a very successful Artisans and Crafters fair was held. The feature

of course was Anten Mills residents who had the opportunity to exhibit their talents and offer their crafted items for your pleasure. The Anten Mills CRA is pleased to announce that a community host has stepped forward and an Artisans and Crafters Fair will again be held on the first weekend of October. Details will be finalized in the coming weeks and published here in this column and on the Anten Mills Community Facebook page. Now would be a great time for our local artisans and crafters to get working on those projects that have been on their mind.

If you haven't heard or seen yet, Wilson Drive between Hwy 26 and Snow Valley Road will continue to be closed until early August. Construction on the effluent pipe is continuing and the Township, County of Simcoe and the contractor are working together to get the road reopened soon. Hopefully it is sooner than later as many from the community make their daily commute along this stretch of the road.

We are fortunate to live in an area where wildlife likes to roam. It's definitely not uncommon to see racoons, porcupines and deer in our travels and to hear the coyotes sing at night. Recently a black bear was spotted along Wilson Drive and as well wandering down McLaughlin St. Bear scat has also been seen along the paths and roadways in the county forest. It is important to recognize that there are bears in the area and if you walk your dog in the forest to keep it on a leash at all times. In the evening when putting your pet out for their final duty, check your yard for the dog's safety. If you happen to encounter a bear, stop,





keep calm and do not panic. If an emergency does occur such as an attack or a bear trying to get into a home call immediately. 9-1-1 Otherwise for nuisance bears, call Bear Wise at 1 866 514 2327. Remember, a bear wandering through the community is likely looking for food so keep your garbage locked up and out of sight.

One of the most beneficial fruits that we humans can consume are blueberries. They have been demonstrated to protect against heart disease and cancer. It is reported that they can help maintain bone strength, mental health and are healthful for blood pressure. Blueberry season is about to start hopefully this week and depending on the weather, will last for approximately one month. We are fortunate to have a wonderful blueberry farm in our community along Nursery Road. Bob and Judy Clarke have been our local producer for many years and once again this year they will have their farm open for pick your own or pre-picked. As the vegetable season continues they will also have a great selection of seasonal varieties available. Drive by and check out what they have and you are likely able to find their hours in an advertisement in this paper.

In this year's municipal election front there is nothing new to report since the last paper. As promised, updates will continue. Nominations will close on August 19 so there is less than one month away for strong candidates to come forward.

That's all for this week. Looking forward to seeing many at the Friday Night Movie and until the next time, Thanks for Reading and Be Well.

HIDDEN GEMS

Tiny Township's Hidden Gem: Tiny Marsh

Immediately upon exiting the vehicle, I am greeted with the high pitched whine of cicadas and the rapping of a woodpecker somewhere in the distance. Tiny Marsh, located at 500 Tiny-Flos Townline just under 10 minutes northwest of Elmvale is Ontario's first provincially owned and managed wetland. Providing headwaters for the Wye River, it is definitely worth taking a break from the beach.

In total, this stunning refuge for animals and humans alike offers 15 km of marked trails, 600 hectares of marsh and 300 hectares of field and forest to explore and enjoy where hiking and nature bathing are just the beginning. The handy launch makes it a very convenient place to canoe or kayak. Boaters are asked to be mindful while paddling during nesting season which is from April to June. Cyclists and dog walkers are also welcome although please ensure your dog is either leashed or is well trained to respond to being called. Anglers are also a common sight and Northern Pike, Bullheads and Carp are the most commonly caught fish. Apparently, the best fishing spot is via the 2nd concession from the main dike parking lot area. Hunting is an extremely popular pursuit, especially for waterfowl. For those who would rather watch than hunt, be sure to pencil in time on your calendar in the fall to witness the mass migration. The Pheasant Hunting Program runs from late September until Mid- December. All hunters and fishermen must have the required permits.



There are 9 very distinct trails present at the marsh. Many benches are available for a quick rest or an extended period of peaceful contemplation. The benches honour the memory of those who were instrumental in maintaining and preserving this vital ecosystem. During your journeys expect possible encounters with a wide variety of birds such as American and Least Bitterns, Goldfinches,

King and Virginia Rails, Pied Billed Grebes, Sora, Blue Winged Teal, Woodcocks, Downy, Hairy and Pileated Woodpeckers and Red Winged Blackbirds to name just a few of the possible 250 species that have been officially recorded. You may also be treated to the honking of Trumpeter Swans as they have been recently reintroduced. On land there are opportunities to spot white tailed deer, wild turkey,



ruffed grouse, rabbits, coyotes, muskrats, butterflies and dragonflies.

Wanting a short jaunt? I would recommend either the Hare Highway, Warbler Walk or Muskrat Trail. These are all 0.7 km. The Hare Highway connects the Habitat and Meadowlark trails by following a row of highbush cranberry shrubs along the edge of a field. Warbler Walk is a short, winding trail through nannyberry, highbush cranberry, cedar, spruce and aspen trees. This trail is a great place to listen for songbirds. Muskrat Trail is a short cut of the Dike Hike. There is a footbridge that overlooks channels cut through the cattails that provide many chances to spot Great Blue Herons, Wood Ducks and Owls. Another short trail is the Porcupine Loop. This pleasant trail winds through hardwood and mixed wood forests and is a wonderful place to catch sight of porcupines and red squirrels hiding way up in the Hemlock trees.

The Habitat, Beaverland and Screech Owl trails are each over a kilometre long. At 1.2 kilometres, the Screech Owl Trail is the shortest of the three. Going through forest clearings that were purposefully cut to rejuvenate understory growth, this area attracts a lot of woodland wildlife such as white tailed deer and coyotes. The Beaverland Trail is a 1.3 km path that follows a man-made channel through the swamp to Mole Mountain Lookout. It returns through the forest. The Habitat Trail is a 1.7 km. trail that offers a lot of variety as it meanders through forest, field and wetland, along a boardwalk to an observation tower.

Clarke's U-Pic/We-Pic

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It's possible to ask for a tour guide on this trail. For a slightly longer hike, the Meadowlark Trail is a 2.5 km. route that follows old farm lanes through fields, stands of apple trees and shrubs and tall grasses. Want something even more hardcore? The Dike Hike is a whopping 8.25 km. and is an exceptional way to explore the marsh in depth. Wildlife viewing is fantastic and meet ups with muskrats, black terns and ducks and geese are common occurrences. The trail follows the Trotter and North Carolina Dikes and

Over the past couple of years, the marsh has been part of a 3 year "Phrag Free" project to rid it of invasive phragmites. With the help of staff and volunteers, they are removed mechanically by amphibious vehicles (truxors). Raspberry cane cutters are used to remove the phrag growing along the edge of the dikes.

returns along the east shore of the marsh.

Without sponsors such as the M-T-M Conservation special places like the marsh may not exist. Support also comes from Environmental Climate Change Canada, the Green Shovels Collaborative, The Invasive Phragmites Control Centre, Metroland Media Group and Springwater News. Further support comes from many individuals and organizations, including Severn Sound Environmental Association and Scientific Advisors, Robert Bowles of Lakehead University and Lynn Short of Humber College.

Tiny Marsh is a true Simcoe County hidden gem and is well worth more than just one visit. A definite must for the Summer of 2022 bucket list.

NOTE: In the last issue of the Springwater News, I had stated that a new fishing pier had been built at Woodland Beach. Upon further investigation, this proved to be incorrect. My apologies for any confusion. Perhaps my error may spur additional thoughts toward future development.



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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Tiny enacted By-law 22-042 on June 29, 2022 under Section 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 as amended.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE BY-LAW

The By-law adds new definitions and related policies to the Official Plan relative to cannabis production. The definitions added are: cannabis, agricultural cannabis cultivation facility and industrial cannabis production facility. The purpose and effect of the new Official Plan policy is to identify cannabis as a unique and distinct crop and confirm that cannabis production is not the same use as a standard agricultural use. Therefore, the introduction of either an agricultural cannabis cultivation facility or industrial cannabis production facility would require a Zoning By-law Amendment application. The criteria to which such an application would be reviewed and evaluated is included in the new Official Plan policies.

A key map illustrating the location of the subject lands is not provided as the proposed amendments would apply to various lands within the geographic boundaries of the Township of Tiny.

Any and all written submissions relating to this matter that were made to Council before its decision and any and all oral submissions related to this matter that were made at a public meeting, held under the Planning Act, have been, on balance, taken into consideration by Council as part of its deliberations and final decision on this matter.

REGARDING THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

The County of Simcoe is the approval authority for all Official Plan Amendments for the Township of Tiny. Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority if a written request to be notified of the decision (including the person's or public body's address, fax number or email address) is made to:

Nathan Westendorp, MCIP, RPP Director Planning/Chief Planner County of Simcoe, Planning Department Email: Nathan.Westendorp@simcoe.ca

WHO CAN FILE AN APPEAL

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal the decision of the County of Simcoe to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal unless, before the plan was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the OLT, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE: July 14, 2022

Shawn Persaud, Director of Planning & Development

NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Tiny enacted By-law 22-043 on June 29, 2022 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 as amended.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE BY-LAW

The By-law adds new definitions to the Zoning By-law relative to cannabis production. The definitions added are: cannabis, agricultural cannabis cultivation facility and industrial cannabis production facility.

The purpose and effect of the by-law is to identify cannabis as a unique and distinct crop and confirm that cannabis production is not the same use as a standard agricultural use. Therefore, the introduction of either an agricultural cannabis cultivation facility or industrial cannabis production facility would require a Zoning By-law Amendment application.

A key map illustrating the location of the subject lands is not provided as the proposed amendments would apply to various lands within the geographic boundaries of the Township of Tiny.

The rezoning is deemed to comply with the general intent and purpose of Official Plan Amendment Number 1 adopted by By-law 22-042.

Any and all written submissions relating to this application that were made to Council before its decision and any and all oral submissions related to this application that were made at a public meeting, held under the Planning Act, have been, on balance, taken into consideration by Council as part of its deliberations and final decision on this matter.

IF YOU WISH TO APPEAL TO THE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL

Any person or public body may appeal the above-noted zoning by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal by filing with the Clerk of the Township of Tiny by no later than **August 10, 2022** at 4:30 PM, a notice of appeal and the reasons for the appeal, together with the required fee of \$1,100.00 for each application appealed, paid by certified cheque or money order, made payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance.

If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal, a copy of an appeal form is available from their website at www.olt.gov.on.ca or by calling toll free 800-855-1155.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If no notice of appeal is filed in the aforesaid manner within the above described time period, the zoning by-law shall be deemed to have come into force on the day it was passed once Official Plan Amendment Number 1 is approved by the County of Simcoe.

MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE: July 14, 2022

Shawn Persaud, Director of Planning & Development

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Unofficial List of Registered Candidates

Township of Springwater

Filings as of July 19, 2022 for the unofficial list: Mayor: Coughlin, Jennifer and Haight, William (Bill)

Deputy Mayor: Maw-Chapman, Wanda

Councillor Ward 1: Garwood, Matthew and Horgan, Francis

Councillor Ward 2: Nelson-Hewitt, Chantal Councillor Ward 3: Thompson, Brad and Mainprize, Cory

Councillor Ward 4: Moore, Anita and Smith, Linda

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

One (1) Deputy Mayor

Five (5) Ward Councillors (one for each of Wards 1 to 5)

Township of Tiny

As of June 30, 2022 for unofficial list

Mayor: **David Evans**

Deputy Mayor: Sean Miskimins

Councillor (3 to be elected): John Bryant, Ema Canadic, Stephen McNamara, Janice Murton and Steffen Walma

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



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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.



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Notice of Public Meeting of Council under the Planning Act Concerning the Township of Tiny New Zoning By-Law

Date of Public Meeting: August 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

The Township of Tiny is in the process of creating a new Zoning By-law. A Zoning By-law is a legal document pursuant to the Planning Act that implements the objectives and policies of the Township's new Official Plan, provides a legal way of managing land use and future development, and is intended to protect residents from conflicting and incompatible land uses. It describes exactly how land may be used, where buildings and other structures can be located, the types of buildings that are permitted and how they may be used, lot sizes and dimensions, parking requirements, building heights, setbacks from streets, etc.

The purpose and effect of the proposed new Zoning By-law is to conform to the Township's new Official Plan, be consistent with provincial policy, conform to the County of Simcoe Official Plan, and to reflect the community's needs.

On **Wednesday**, **August 10**, **2022** at 6:00 p.m., the Council of the Township of Tiny will hold a virtual Public Meeting, pursuant to Section 34 subsections (12) and (13) of the Planning Act, 1990, as amended, to present and obtain public input on the municipality's proposed new Zoning By-law. A formal presentation will be made at the beginning of the meeting. The Public Meeting will then provide an opportunity for public input and questions regarding the new Zoning By-law. All interested parties are invited to attend and/or participate. Any person may make a submission in support of, in opposition to, or to ask a question regarding the proposed new Zoning By-law. Council will then use the information collected to make a decision on this matter at a future meeting. Council meetings are live streamed on the Township's YouTube channel at: www.tiny.ca/livestream.

Written submissions regarding the proposal are welcome at this time and can be made to the project email address: newzoningbylaw@tiny.ca or by mail to 130 Balm Beach Road West, Tiny, Ontario, L0L 2J0 to the attention of the Township Planning Department. For a written submission to appear on the Public Meeting agenda, it must be received by the Township after the date of this Notice and by noon on **August 3, 2022.**

To participate in this virtual Public Meeting of Council, by means of an oral statement, please visit tiny.ca/deputations for instructions on how to make a deputation. It is strongly recommended that all oral statements also be submitted in writing to ensure that, if technical difficulties arise, your comments and/or questions will be received.

If you are submitting written submissions or making an oral statement to the Township concerning this matter, you should be aware that your name and your correspondence with the Township will become part of the public record.

Information related to the proposed Zoning By-law, including the "Second Draft – For Public Meeting" new Zoning By-law and the searchable Zone Schedules have been made available, as of July 21, 2022, on the Township website at: tiny.ca/newtinyzoningbylaw. A Tracked Changes Version of the "Second Draft – For Public Meeting" is also available on the Township website detailing the changes made between the First and Second Drafts. If you are not able to access the information online, please either email us at newzoningbylaw@tiny.ca or call the Planning Department at 705-526-4204 where you can make an appointment to review the documents.

A decision on this proposal has not yet been made, and will not be made at the Public Meeting. After reviewing the comments received, Township staff will make a recommendation at a future Council meeting. If you wish to be notified of the decision by the Township of Tiny on the proposed Zoning By-law, you must make a written request to the project email address: newzoningbylaw@tiny.ca.

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Tiny to the Ontario Land Tribunal, but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make a written submission to the Township of Tiny before the proposed Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Tiny before the proposed Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

A key map is not provided as the proposed new Zoning By-law applies to all lands within the Township of Tiny.

Collection of Information

Please note that any submitted comments become part of the public record, including names and addresses. Personal information from those that make a submission is collected under the authority of the Planning Act and the applicable implementing Ontario Regulation. Questions about the collection of personal information should be directed to the Clerk's Office by calling 705-526-4204 or by email to swalton@tiny.ca.

Date of Notice: July 21, 2022

Shawn Persaud, BA, MCIP, RPP

Director of Planning and Development for the Township of Tiny



CHECKING IN@PPL News & Events at the

Penetanguishene Public Library 24 Simcoe Street 705-549-7164 www.penetanguishene.library.on.ca

PD Programs are here!

Toony Tuesday Movies

Join us every Tuesday afternoon at the library at 1:00 p.m. for a movie and popcorn! Admission \$2.00 Popcorn and juice \$1.00 each. Log on to our Facebook page and find out what the movie feature of the week will be!

Gateway Centre for Learning will be hosting Digital Device Coaching for Seniors at the library!

Come in for one session with an instructor and learn how to use your digital device. Please bring your device, USB cable, power cord and what you would like to learn!

This session will be held on:

Wednesday, July 20th between 2-4 p.m.

Sandal Craft

Make a pair of sandals with cork and fabric (not for wearing, just for fun!)

Open to all ages with membership. This program will take place at the library on Thursday, July 21 at 11 a.m.

Lego Drop-In

Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Show us what you can create at our Lego table!

Do It Yourself Crafts Drop-In on Saturdays!

See what you can create at the back of the library!

Coffee with a Cop!

July 27th at 10:00 a.m. at the library! Topic of Discussion: Water Safety

New @PPL

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COLLINGWOOD RESIDENT WINS \$2 MILLION WITH ONTARIO 49

Donald Turner of Collingwood is celebrating after winning an ONTARIO 49 top prize worth \$2 million in the June 11, 2022 draw.

Donald, retired from the automotive industry, said he is a regular lottery player and chooses what games to play based on which ones have large jackpots and bonus draws.

"I was at home when I checked my tickets using the OLG App," he explained, while at the OLG Prize Centre to pick up his winnings. "I didn't believe the prize amount – I kept counting the zeroes, but my brain kept telling me it was \$2,000," he said.

The self-proclaimed car enthusiast said it's an unbelievable feeling. "I was surprised at first – then shocked when I saw the \$2 million. It feels good!"

He plans to enjoy his retirement with travel. "I will enjoy a balanced life, while checking some things off my bucket list. I've always wanted to go to the Calgary Stampede," Donald concluded.

OLG is booking in-person prize claim appointments at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto. We strongly encourage those with claims between \$1,000 and \$49,999.90 to submit them online or mail them in. Submitting claims online is fast and secure. Customers with prizes over \$50,000 are asked to call 1-800-387-0098 to discuss available prize claim options.

ONTARIO 49 is \$1 per play and the draws take place every Wednesday and Saturday. Combination Play is available in five-, seven-, eight- and nine-number selections. Tickets are sold until 10:30 p.m. Visit the ONTARIO 49 page on OLG.ca for more information.

The winning ticket was purchased at Canadian Tire Gas Bar on Balsam Street in Collingwood.



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Volunteers Needed for Second Year of Phrag Fight at Tiny Marsh



This is M-T-M Conservation Association's second year of a three-year program to control the presence and spread of the invasive plant known as Phragmites Reed at the Tiny Marsh Provincial Wildlife Area.

Volunteer work parties did a terrific job in 2021 knocking down and removing several established stands of Phragmites, and we're back at it again this year! Using the hand-held cane cutters, we will again be removing established growth in preparation for further control methods.

The work parties begin Wednesday, July 27 and run on selected days throughout late July, August and early September. See table below for dates and times.

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Work Date	Morning shift	
	time	shift time
Wednesday July 27:	9 - 12	3 - 6
Saturday July 30:	9 - 12	N/A
Wednesday Aug 03	9 -12	3 - 6
Saturday Aug 06	9 - 12	N/A
Monday Aug 08	9 - 12	3 - 6
Wednesday Aug 10	10 - 1:00 S p e c i a l cutting day at Matchedash Bay Provincial Wildlife Area	N/A
Monday Aug 15	N/A	3 - 6
Wednesday Aug 17:	9 - 12	3 - 6
Saturday Aug 20:	9 - 12	N/A
Monday Aug 22:	N/A	3 – 6
Wednesday Aug 24:	N/A	3 – 6
Saturday Aug 27:	9 - 12	N/A
Monday Aug 29:	9 - 12	3 – 6
Wednesday Aug 31:	9 - 12	3 – 6
Saturday Sept 03:	9 - 12	N/A

Registration is required, by emailing vol@ mtmconservation.com. Go to the Tiny Marsh page at www.mtmconservation.org for more information.

Note: While the shoreline and dykes are to be tackled manually by volunteers, the stands of phragmites growing in the water will be cut by amphibious vehicles.

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CAFC and OPP Continue to Warn Canadians of Ongoing Financial Sextortion Scams

This bulletin was prepared to warn Canadians of ongoing financial sextortion scams. The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) continues to receive reports of victims who have been convinced to perform intimate acts in front of their device's camera and threaten to release images or video unless paid.

Based on reports received, victims are lured into an online relationship through social media or dating websites. As the communication becomes more intimate, victims are encouraged to appear and expose themselves on camera. They may also be asked to share nude photos. Eventually, the fraudster will threaten to release the explicit material (on social media, other online platforms or send it directly to their friends and/or family members) unless a sum of money is paid.

Warning signs

- Being contacted by social or dating profiles that seem perfect. Fraudsters often steal pictures from attractive and/or famous figures from countries victims are not familiar with.
- Fraudsters often recommend transferring the conversation to a different (more private) method of communication (email/text/social media, etc).
- Someone you haven't met, in person, professes their love for you.
- Receiving a request to exchange intimate photos and videos. Fraudsters will often share images or video first to entice the victim to share as well.
- Fraudsters often claim that their microphone is not working for video calls and will insist in texting or typing.

How to protect yourself

- Recognize that live streaming can be recorded and that pre-recorded video can be livestreamed.
- Familiarize yourself with social media privacy settings and consider limiting who has access to your personal information (i.e. friends list, location).
- Unless you know the person offline, there is no way to confirm who is on the other end.
- Trust your instincts, be skeptical and cautious.
- Never send money to someone you haven't met.

Sextortion 2

- Don't get sextorted, send a naked mole rat (www. dontgetsextorted.ca) thanks to CyberTip.ca, a program of the Canadian Centre for Child Protection.
- Learn more and protect yourself from sextortion.
- Learn more tips and tricks for protecting yourself from fraud.

Anyone who suspects they have been the victim of cybercrime or fraud should report it to their local police and to the CAFC's online reporting system or by phone at 1-888-495-8501. If not a victim, report it to the CAFC anyway.

For instances of sextortion involving youth under 18, please also report to www.cybertip.ca. Cybertip.ca is Canada's tip line for reporting online child sexual abuse and exploitation and dedicated to reducing child victimization through technology, education, public awareness, along with supporting survivors and their families.



Community Events

SPECIAL EVENTS:

JULY

Fri. July 22 to Sun. July 24, 2022 <u>Midland Rib & Beer Festival</u> David Onley Park, Midland

Sat. July 23, Sun July 24, 2022 - 8am to 5 pm. Barrie Hill Farms Blueberry Pancake Festival

2935 Barrie Hill Rd, Springwater

Kerry, the magician from 10 am to 2 pm. Live music from 10 am - 2 pm

AUGUST

Wed, Aug. 3, 2022 Boots and Hearts Barn Burner

Charity Hockey Game featuring some of the best talent in the NHL. Tickets sold at https://secure.ticketpro.ca

Alex Nuttall 705-627-1508 bootsandheartsbarnburner@gmail.com

Keep pets cool when temperatures soar! 5 tips to keep your furry friend safe this summer

With temperatures soaring, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society wants to remind pet families to keep the safety of their furry friends top of mind. Here are five tips to keep your pets cool and safe this season:

- 1. Limit exercise on hot days Planning on spending time outdoors? Choose the coolest part of the day the morning or early evening. Walking on sidewalks during the heat of the day can burn your fur baby's sensitive paws! Choose a shaded area for your walks and pick a route close to home in case you need to cut your walk short.
- 2. Never leave pets in a vehicle Temperatures inside a vehicle can quickly reach dangerous levels on warm days. If you can't take your pet with you when you stop, leave them at home where they are safe. If you are planning a road trip, remember to always secure your pet in the back seat in either a carrier or pet seatbelt for their safety and yours. Make sure you pack everything you'll need for rest stops, including bowls, food and water, and plan your stops around pet-friendly locations.
- 3. Provide shade and water When your pet is outside, make sure they have access to shade and keep an eye on them to make sure they are comfortable. It's important to remember that it's not just the ambient temperature, but also the humidity that can affect your pet. Ensure they always have access to fresh, cool water.
- 4. Watch for heatstroke If your pet developed heatstroke, would you recognize the signs and know what to do? Signs of heatstroke include increased heart rate, excessive panting or drooling, listlessness, confusion or disorientation, bright red gums, vomiting or diarrhea, collapse, seizure or coma and body temperature higher than 40°C. If you suspect your pet has heatstroke, call your local veterinary hospital immediately.
- 5. Know who to call The Ontario SPCA does not have the authority to investigate concerns for the welfare of an animal. If you have a concern, please contact the Government of Ontario's Provincial Animal Welfare Services team at 1-833-9ANIMAL (1-833-926-4625) or your local police services. If you see an animal in a hot car in distress and are concerned the animal's life is in danger, call 911 immediately as this is an emergency. While waiting for help to arrive, you can stay by the vehicle and monitor the animal and also try locating the vehicle owner by paging them in nearby shops/restaurants.

"Our animals count on us to keep them safe," says Dr. Stephanie Black, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ontario SPCA and Humane Society. "Having a plan and taking basic precautions will help everyone in your family stay safe and comfortable during hot weather."

For more animal health and safety tips, visit ontariospea.ca

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!

Good Vibes

Every Thursday night from 7 to 10 p.m.

An open-mic music event Our location is the little white schoolhouse at the corner of Mount St. Louis Road and the 4th Line of Oro Medonte. Admission is a donation of \$5.00.

Bay Shore Seniors' Club Bingo

2000 Tiny Beaches Rd. S.

Children's Bingo - 1 pm Adult's Bingo - 7:30 pm

Every Monday throughout the summer.

Elmvale Presbyterian Church Let's Do Lunch 2nd Monday of the month between 11:45 and 12:15. Call 705-322-1411 between 9am - 3 pm to order for your \$5 takeout. Pickup is Thursday at the East side of 22 Queen St. E. Delivery in town only.

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Farm Items Yard Sale for Carole and Larry Huth

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THE OPP REPORT

NOTTAWASAGA OPP WARN PUBLIC OF ONGOING "GRANDPARENT SCAM"

Members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) want to remind the public to be vigilant of emergency phone call scams. Please speak to your vulnerable or elderly family members about these scams."Grandma, it's me...I need help...please don't tell anyone" That is a common opening line used to target unsuspecting victims as part of an emergency scam. Scammers prey on vulnerable persons and seniors and play on their emotions to defraud them of their money.

In a typical emergency scam, the victim will receive a frantic phone call from someone claiming to be a grandchild or loved one. Quite often the calls are made in the middle of the night to cause further confusion and to come across as extremely urgent. Scammers will often state that they are not feeling well, therefore, sound a bit different. The caller will explain that they are involved in some sort of trouble with the law or have trouble returning from a foreign country and need money right away.

The scammers will often request an electronic money transfer or money to be withdrawn and picked up by a courier service.

Be aware of emergency scam warning signs:

Urgency: The scammer always makes the request sound very urgent, which may cause the victim to not verify the story.

Fear: The scammer plays on the victim's emotions by generating a sense of fear. For instance they may say, "I'm really scared and I need help from you now." **Secrecy:** The scammer pleads with the victim not to tell anyone about the situation, such as, "Please don't tell my parents, they would be so mad."

To avoid becoming a victim, police advise to first check with another family member or trusted friend to verify the information BEFORE sending money.

For more information regarding ongoing scams in Canada or to report fraud, visit the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at http://antifraudcentre.ca/. If you believe you have been a victim of fraud, call the Nottawasaga OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Learn more about ongoing scams in Canada with the Little Black Book of Scams: https://www.competitionbureau.gc.ca/eic/site/cb-bc.nsf/eng/04333.html.

FRAUD...Recognize it...Report it...Stop it. MALE IN CUSTODY AFTER AN EARLY MORNING STABBING IN WASAGA BEACH

(WASAGA BEACH, ON) - On Sunday July 17th, 2022 at 12:07 a.m., officer's from the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded along with Simcoe County Paramedic Services to a report of a stabbing at a business on Beach Drive in the Town of Wasaga Beach.

Upon arrival, emergency services personnel located a male victim who had sustained serious injuries to the upper body. The 20-year old victim from Halton Hills was transported to Collingwood General and Marine Hospital with serious, but non-life threatening injuries.

Tengkiz BERITZE, 26 years old, of North York was arrested and charged with:

Aggravated Assault

Possession of a Weapon for Dangerous Purpose The accused was held in custody for a show cause hearing and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Barrie later today.

POLICE INVESTIGATE SHOOTING AT A WASAGA BEACH RESIDENCE

(WASAGA BEACH, ON) - On Thursday July 14, 2022, at approximately 10:54 p.m., the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Huronia West Detachment along with Simcoe County Paramedic Services responded to an emergency 9-1-1 call for a shooting at a residence located on Bianca Crescent in Wasaga Beach.

Officers arrived on scene and located an adult female that had suffered a gunshot wound. She was transported to a local area hospital where she was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries.

The OPP Canine Unit along with Emergency Response Team Members assisted in the investigation however were unable to locate any involved suspects, who are believed to have fled northbound in the area in the area of Allegra Drive.

Investigators believe that this is not a random but rather a targeted isolated incident that remains under investigation. The OPP reminds all members of the public to be aware of their personal safety at all times. Further updates will be provided when new information becomes available.

The OPP is continuing to investigate and is asking residents in the surrounding areas if they witnessed anything to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477. If any member of the public has video surveillance capturing anything suspicious, please contact investigators.

Impaired Drivers Keep Getting the Communities Attention

(MIDLAND, ON)- Two more impaired drivers were recently removed the roadways of North Simcoe after members of the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment were alerted of two instances involving possible impaired drivers by community members.

911 calls of a possible impaired driver were received from community members at approximately 7:30 p.m. July 12, 2022 after an individual had an interaction with a store clerk at a Yonge Street, Midland retail store and left driving a vehicle possibly impaired. Investigators were able to locate the vehicle at a Montreal Street, Midland residence and commenced an impaired driving investigation upon speaking with the driver.

As a result Courtney PLAXTON 32 years of Midland has been criminally charged with Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus). The accused was released on a recognizance to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on July 28, 2022 and also faces a drivers licence suspension as per the Ministry of Transportation (ADLS) guidelines and a seven day vehicle impound.

In a second instance, officers were dispatched at approximately 12:09 pm. July 12, 2022 to a report of a possible impaired driver at a retail outlet at Fifth and Vinden Streets, Midland. Investigators located the driver nearby and entered into a impaired driving investigation.

As a result Steven James WRIGHT 44 years of

Severn Township has been charged criminally with Operation while impaired - blood drug concentration, Operation While Prohibited under the Criminal Code and further with Possession of anything for use in, production of/trafficking in Schedule I or Schedule III substance contrary to the Controlled Drug and Substances Act.

The accused was released on a recognizance to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on September 1, 2022 and also faces a drivers licence suspension as per the Ministry of Transportation (ADLS) guidelines and a seven day vehicle impound. **Of Note**

This week is Operation Safe Driver and drivers of personal vehicles are reminded that officers will be monitoring roads for motorists engaging in risky driving in and around large commercial motor vehicles. (see attached poster)

Educating the public about safe driving practices with our community safety partners is a priority, if you see a possible impaired driver on our roadways, waterways or trails please "Make the Call" and dial 911 as impaired driving never ends well, please make a plan to get home safely.



STRANDED PADDLEBOARDER RESCUSED BY HELICOPTER FROM NOTTAWASAGA RIVER

Officers from the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) with the assistance of the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) and some good Samaritan's rescued a stranded paddleboarder and her dog.

On July 10, 2022, shortly after 6 p.m., a 41-yearold from Essa Township left Angus with her dog on a paddleboard with the intention to travel the Nottawasaga River to Edenvale Conservation Centre. Due to low water levels in some areas and unforeseen obstacles in others, the female was forced to portage in several areas which caused her to become exhausted. Approximately halfway through the 20-kilometre trek, she and her dog were forced to stop and wait for assistance. A family member, along with a good Samaritan left Edenvale in a boat in an attempt to locate them. Due to shallow water, the rescuers were forced to abandon the boat and navigate the swampy regions by foot in the dark. The exhausted pair eventually located the female several kilometres away. After spending a night in the bush, all parties were eventually rescued and lifted out by helicopter.

For detailed information on emergency preparedness during wilderness trips, visit the national AdventureSmart program at www.adventuresmart.ca



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Boots and Hearts Barn Burner Charity Hockey Game to Support the NICU at RVH



Photo above: Eva Dunford, Co-Founder of Republic Live & the Boots and Hearts Country Music Festival; Alex Nuttall, organizer Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game; Natalie Sherrit, Manager, NICU and Paediatrics, RVH; Gail Hunt, RVH President and CEO; Hockey Legend Mike Gartner, and Pamela Ross, CEO RVH Foundation, are gearing up for The Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game set for August 4.

Tickets on Sale Now!

What: The Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game is once again supporting Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre's (RVH) Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). This year NHL superstars John Tavares, Tyler Seguin, along with hockey legend Mike Gartner, and many more are #bootsbound to support this incredible cause. The details for the game are below.

When: Wednesday, Aug 3, 2022

Time: 6:30 p.m. Where: Sadlon Arena **Ticket Sales Link:**

https://secure.ticketpro.ca/?lang=en&aff =barnburnerinsta&fbclid=IwAR3e1VMN Rvxc66Muyok6ckbJNeMOylVOCnJ vgo3OpCL2OjGPPmbldvy8Q#achat SAD03HS22

Gail Hunt, RVH President & CEO:

"Thanks to the ongoing generosity of this region, RVH has brought advanced technology and specialized services, such as cancer, cardiac and child and youth mental health, care closer to home. One of our urgent needs is the expansion of RVH's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) where we care for our tiniest and most vulnerable patients. Community support, through the Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game, will help us expand the space and services so we can continue to save and change those little lives," says Gail Hunt, RVH president and CEO. "I'm looking forward to joining the community at the Boots and Hearts Barn Burner game. Thank you to Alex Nuttall and his team for hosting this fun, and meaningful, summer tradition."

Pamela Ross, CEO RVH Foundation:

"Our littlest patients are being cared for in spaces that are just too small and, despite that, our staff do a remarkable job providing world-class care," says

Pamela Ross, CEO, RVH Foundation. "Exceptional care requires the space that is built to suit that care. With support from our community RVH will build a state-of-the art Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). We are endlessly grateful to the organizers and participants in this event. Their generosity is everything to our wee patients and their families."

Eva Dunford, Co-Founder of Republic Live & the Boots and Hearts Country Music Festival:

"Boots and Hearts Country Music Festival is excited to support the RVH Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and partner in the Boots and Hearts Barn Burner Charity Hockey Game. It is an honour to be part of such a lifesaving initiative for RVH's newest and smallest patients. Thank you to RVH for the incredible work you do for families our region."

Alex Nuttall:

"This year's Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game roster is featuring some of the best talent in the NHL. We are incredibly excited to have John Tavares, Tyler Seguin, and many others join our fundraising efforts for RVH's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. We are excited to partner with the Boots and Hearts team to support our city's newest citizens in the NICU at RVH."

Information on the Boots and Hearts Music Festival: Following the Boots and Hearts Barn Burner charity hockey game, the Boots and Hearts Country Music Festival will be running from Thursday, August 4 through Sunday, August 7th, with live performances from Shania Twain, Florida Georgia Line, Sam Hunt and many more.

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/ Boots and Hearts Barn BurnerInstagram: @bootsandhearts



to left: Stacev Photo LePage, Patient, Family Caregiver working group member, reviews her upcoming appointment information on the new my health care patient portal available to receive care Collingwood General and Marine Hospital (CGMH -Collingwood), Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH Midland), Headwaters **Health Care Centre (HHCC** Orangeville) and Royal Victoria Regional Health **Sunny Nature Farm**



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Local Hospitals Launch New **Patient Portal**

Four local hospitals have launched a new patient portal, aptly named my health care, allowing patients to become more actively engaged in their own healthcare journey.

Patients who receive care at

Collingwood General and Marine Hospital (CGMH - Collingwood),

Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH -Midland),

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC -Orangeville) and

Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH -Barrie)

now have direct access through the portal to their hospital medical information, including test results, medication history and scheduled appointments.

"The portal makes my own healthcare journey accessible to me," says Stacey LePage, patient, family and caregiver portal working group member. "It puts my personal care information at my fingertips which in turn makes me more confident in navigating a system that I am not familiar with. I feel empowered having the tools to be an active participant in my care."

The portal, which can be accessed at any time through any device, allows patients to easily share their information with family members, caregivers or other members of their care circle at their discretion. After being signed-off by the physician, most information is immediately available, though medical imaging and pathology reports will take 14 days to appear in the patient's portal.

"Now that I am re-entering treatment, I am looking forward to having the ability to view and review the notes and my prognosis from my home where I am able to process information at my own pace and at a time that works for me," says LePage.

Patients can provide their email address to the hospital while registering for an appointment or procedure or by emailing portalsupport@ myhealthcareportal.ca to view their health information obtained from all four hospitals from April 1, 2022, onward. Visit history prior to April 1 is viewable, but health information regarding these visits is only accessible through the treating hospitals' Health Records department.

"No matter where you receive care across our four hospitals, your information will be added to a secure, electronic file that allows your care team to have immediate access to vital information while providing you with access to your own health information," says Dave Brewin, regional chief information officer.

The addition of the patient portal was made possible by a large-scale health information system transformation among the four hospitals in September 2021. The partner hospitals implemented MEDITECH Expanse, which has created one shared electronic medical record across all four organizations. The system enables a more seamless flow of information from department to department and hospital to hospital.

"COVID-19 has placed technology under a microscope, magnifying the need to ensure modern technology systems are in place," says Brewin. "Implementing MEDITECH Expanse allowed our hospitals to move to a one patient, one record approach – a big win for the communities we collectively serve.'



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INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups (750 ml) fresh strawberries, washed and
- Juice of half a lemon or whole lime
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) honey or 1 cup (250 ml) sugar
- 1/4 cup (63 ml) water, as needed to thin the mixture

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Freeze the fresh strawberries for at least 1-2 hours or until completely frozen.
- 2. Place the frozen strawberries in a food processor or a heavy duty blender and blend until smooth.
- 3. Add the warm water as needed to thin the mixture and use a spatula to ensure all the strawberries are blended.
- 4. Add the honey or sugar to the mixture and blend. 5. Ready to eat immediately for a softer texture, or

transfer into a freezer-safe container and freeze for 1-2 hours or until firm. ENJOY!



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Submitted by: Joanne Nijhuis MSc, RD, a consulting and culinary dietitian in Simcoe Grey

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The CiB Judges are Coming to the City of Barrie, Ontario





The CiB Judges are Coming!

The City of Barrie is participating in the 28th Edition of Communities in Bloom in the Circle of Excellence Evaluated (non-competitive) category.

The community will be rated from 1 to 5 Blooms, based on the scoring obtained. Also, they will aim to obtain Bronze, Silver or Gold levels in their 5-Bloom

The Communities in Bloom judges, Martin Quinn from Goderich ON & Anthony O'Neill from North Saanich BC will be evaluating the City of Barrie on July 26-27-28, 2022. The City would like to remind all businesses and residents to tidy up their property before the judges arrive.

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 vir-tual 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.

Obituaries



BUCHANAN, Lloyd Brian

Passed away peacefully at the Leacock Care Centre in Orillia. Lloyd Buchanan of Wasaga Beach in his 69th year. Loving companion and partner to Pat Vanderburgh. Father of Brian and Lisa Buchanan and grandfather of 2 grandchildren.

Son of the late Harold and Gladys Buchanan. Brother of Lorna (late John) McFadden, late Eric (Clarine) Buchanan, Jean Grace (Faron), late Irene (Pete) White, late Arkle (survived by Sherree) Buchanan, and Dale (Ariel) Buchanan. Brother-inlaw of Pat Grace. Lloyd will be fondly remembered by his many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held at the Vasey Union Cemetery on Saturday, July 16, 2022 at 1 pm. Memorial donations in Lloyd's memory may be made to the Dialysis Unit at the Georgian Bay General Hospital.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com

Emerging Artist Program Returns with New Busking Program Pilot to **Animate Downtown Barrie**

The Emerging Artist program is back with a newly added Busking program pilot to animate downtown Barrie. Starting July 14, Emerging Artists and buskers can be found at various times throughout the downtown core.

The City of Barrie is continuing its partnership with the Canadian Musicians Co-operative (the Co-op) to offer the Emerging Artist program which supports young artists in developing skills within the music industry. The program also provides a platform to incubate and showcase Emerging Artists while creating a lively and dynamic atmosphere in the city's core.

"It's exciting for the Emerging Artists to be out animating our public spaces after two years away," says Jessica Spurrell, who has been both an Emerging Artist and Program Coordinator for the Co-op since 2019. "And I know everyone is super-excited for the Emerging Artists Showcase again this August!"



New this year are two branded "Busk Stops" in downtown Barrie as part of the Busking program pilot. This program provides the opportunity for performing artists that are not eligible for the Emerging Artist program to obtain a permit to busk in these locations for the remainder of 2022. Busk stops will be located at the Barrie Marina Office next to the transient docks and on the east side of the Five Points Theatre.

"We're very excited to add a new opportunity to the mix of downtown programming," said Stephannie Schlichter, Director, Economic & Creative Development. "Barrie is full of incredible artists and this Busking pilot program provides a platform for artists at all ages and stages to perform. Providing an opportunity for these talented live performers adds to the already exciting and dynamic atmosphere in downtown Barrie."

Full program details including how you can apply for your busking permit can be found at barrie.ca/ busking

Obituaries



STEED, Joanne Verna

Passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, surrounded by her loving family, in her 75th year. Joanne Steed, a happy resident of Hillsdale for 33 years, was predeceased by her husband Douglas Steed (April 2022). Dear mother of

Laura Paquette (Walter) and Douglas Jr. (Lisa). Cherished grandmother to Andrew, Ryan (Tash), Tom, Justin (Erinn) and proud great grandmother to Rowan and Sawyer. Survived by brothers Burt Smith (Carolynne) and Fred Wright (Suzanne). Joanne will be missed by her fur babies, Dolly and Dixie. Joanne was an active volunteer with OSSA and Barrie Gun Club.

A celebration of Joanne's life will be held at a later date.

Joanne and Douglas will rest together at St. James Cemetery, Orillia.

Memorial donations to Lab Rescue (lab-rescue. ca) or Furry Friends (furryfriendsbarrie.com) would be appreciated by the family. Please notify lynnstone@sympatico.ca of your donation so that the family can be notified.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com



HARPER, JOHN HAROLD

John Harper of Elmvale and previously of Kincardine, passed away peacefully in Collingwood on Thursday, July 14th in his 88th year. He is predeceased by his loving wife, Betty. They had five children – Herbert (Laurie), Alice Stevenson (Gregg),

Kathleen, George (Jennifer) and Charlie (Sheri). Cherished by nine grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. John was sadly predeceased by two great grandchildren, Charles William Harper and Jameson Dale McLeod Stevenson.

John was the youngest of 4 – he is survived by his oldest sister Gladys Davidson (Tom -d) and predeceased by his sister Margaret and brother Bob (Marg). Lovingly remembered by Betty's family (the Elliott's) – her twin brother Bill (Donna), Ivy Canning (Tony -d), Larry (Sue), Bruce (Ruby) and predeceased by two brothers Ivan (Leona) and Ian (Pat).

John was an accomplished and proud dairy farmer for many years and loved nothing more than regaling any who would listen with his many stories. Upon selling the family farm, he drove a school bus for a short period and then started a new career at Ontario Hydro until retirement.

After retirement, he became a self taught designer and furniture craftsman. Many of his pieces are cherished today by family, friends and businesses. One of his favourite pastimes was playing card games, especially joker. He was a very skilled and crafty player – he loved to win!! John was also a proud member of Bruce Lodge 341. John travelled for 30+ years with Betty to Florida where they spent their winters – he will be greatly missed by the many friends they made there from across Canada and the U.S. He was the strong silent type when it came to showing his emotions, but he was so proud of his children and their families. He will be dearly missed by his children and extended family

A private family service will be held. Donations in Dad's memory to the Collingwood

General and Marine Hospital Foundation https://cgmhf.com/donate would be gratefully received.

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NUGENT, James Patrick January 29 1950 – June 29, 2022

A celebration of the life of Jim (Pat) Nugent took place Saturday July 16th at the family farm in Elmvale. Jim lived a full and meaningful life as a

community organizer, ironworker, farmer and baseball coach. Jim leaves Christine, his soulmate for 52 years; their three sons Denis, Brian and James; daughter-in-law Christina Chase-Nugent; and loving grandchildren.

The farm was rich with vegetable and flower gardens, fields of yellow winter wheat, good food, relatives, friends, neighbours, and representatives of political organizations Jim and Christine actively supported: The Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist); the South Asian Women Rights Organization, the Ontario Network of Injured Workers Groups; and the Simcoe County Honduras Rights Monitor. A beautiful day was enjoyed with speeches and warmth from all. The evening was topped off with a bonfire.

We would like to thank all the workers involved in Jim's healthcare.

Jim (Pat) Nugent, you will be forever present.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE



WILSON, Robert James "Jim" Aug. 25, 1944 to Jan. 18, 2022

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<u>Obituaries</u>



TUCKER, Teresa Rita

Passed away peacefully at the Georgian Bay General Hospital in Midland on Monday, July 4, 2022. Teresa Tucker (nee Stasierowski) of Elmvale in her 65th year. Beloved wife of Randy Tucker. Dear mother of

Wes (Casey) Tucker and Mike (Sarah) Tucker. Proud and loving grandma of Reed, Halle, and Thorin. Sister of Marie, Peter and the late Irene Stasierowski.

A visitation/celebration of life will be held at the Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale from 10 am -12 pm on Saturday, July 16. Eulogies will be said at 11:30.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.lynnstonefuneralhome.com.





Wayne Allen's Legacy, Spirit, and Lasting Impact, Remembered



On August 26, 2021, beloved EDHS teacher, colleague, and friend Wayne Allen, sadly lost his battle with cancer. This year at EDHS, staff and students found many ways to remember and honour his legacy, spirit, and the lasting impact he had on all those who worked and learned with him.

As a tribute to his lasting legacy, a 'Memory Album' was created and filled with messages and photographs remembering his time and incredible impact at EDHS. This album was presented to Pat, Braedan, and Griffin Allen at a school-wide assembly on June 24. EDHS staff also decided to commemorate Wayne by naming the new fitness centre in his honour. A beautiful plaque with his photo is now displayed and tells just some of the lasting impact he had on staff and students as a teacher, coach, and colleague:

"Wayne was the quintessential history teacher. He truly brought the subject to life and made education challenging, rewarding and fun. He never ceased to go out of his way to help students thrive and be successful. As a proud Pirate, Wayne could be seen every year cheering on his House, fully dressed in his Pirate costume, marching in the Elmvale Fall Fair. In his heart, the Pirates were always the best and firmly

in first place.

Wayne's commitment extracurriculars exceptional. He was willing to coach any sport, challenged his athletes to excel, and provided the time commitment required to make this possible. However, it was track and field that captured Wayne's love of coaching. He encouraged excellence through daily effort and was instrumental in establishing the EDHS fitness facility; a training facility for both students and the community.

Wayne's love of family was an integral part of his life. During the last few years of his career, Wayne was finally able to coach

his boys in the sports he loved, and they were often seen together on the practice field long after everyone else had gone. Track meets became a family affair with the entire family enjoying tournaments and meets.

There is no way to fill the void that Wayne has left behind. His presence will forever be missed, and he will always remain a very special part of our EDHS family."

In this year's hay bale decorating competition, Pirate students commemorated Mr. Allen with signs around their Pirate creation. In honour of Wayne's love and dedication to the very special House System at EDHS, a new banner for each House will be proudly hung in the library this fall.

Wayne's dedication to the EDHS Track and Field team made him an exemplary coach whose guidance, particularly in the throwing categories, led many students to compete in OFSAA over the years. As a tribute to Wayne's coaching and love for this sport the 'Wayne Allen Outstanding Performance Award' will now be given to a track and field athlete when deserved. This award is for an athlete who displays

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grit, resilience, and performs to a level that impresses coaches and peers. This year, at the final assembly on June 25, Kai Archambault was the first student to be chosen for this special award who despite falling twice in her race got back up, passed other runners, and still finished the race. Her refusal to give up is a testament to Wayne's spirit and values.

The 'Allen Family', Pat, Braeden and Griffin, have also made the generous decision to offer an on-going \$500 graduation award called 'The Wayne Allen Memorial Award'; "This award is given in honour of Wayne Allen, a dear teacher, colleague, friend and member of our EDHS family and is donated on behalf of his wife, Pat and his sons, Griffin and Braedan. Wayne often encouraged students to step out of their comfort zone, especially in the area of athletics. He persevered through challenges, having battled cancer for 20 years. He was school and community minded, welcoming, social, and inclusive of others. Wayne was a proud

member of the Pirate house and mentored students and staff to embrace and celebrate house spirit. The student chosen for this award embodies many of the same attributes that made Wayne such a special member of our school." Grade 12 student Triton Wright was the first recipient of this special award as he embodied all of these qualities while a student at EDHS.

Wayne's presence is still felt around the EDHS halls, classrooms, gyms, and fields and will be for many years to come. He is missed and remembered by so many and the impact he had on the EDHS community is immeasurable.

Views from the Cottage by Melanie Martyn



BUDDY, CAN YOU SPARE A DIME?!

I need to make a call! Yahhh! My cell is down!

OK, so a dime won't buy you a bubble gum, let alone a phone call anymore. I think you'd have to search

high and low for a Bell phone booth these days, to make that call. And....who are you going to call? (... not ghostbusters...) So many Rogers (and Fido etc.) customers held hostage with no cell service and/or internet. On top of that, ATMs, emergency services (911), interac services, e-transfers, hotel bookings, Go-Transit services, Sick Kids Hospital, on-line anything and OMG...can't get into my CRA account! (Oh, that can wait....)

Do we think, maybe, that Rogers should NOT be merging with Shaw Communications at the end of this month? Oligopoly is bad enough, but a monopoly never works out well for the end user. It seems Canada's Commissioner of Competition feels it will lead to higher prices and poorer service all around. History tends to lend credence to their fear.

From a personal perspective, let me tell you how July 8th turned out for me. Come for the ride. It was... interesting.

Being online, doing paperwork, till two in the morning is not unusual. Everything was working just tickety-boo. I use airplane mode overnight and promptly at eight, I turn it off to eagerly await the swoosh of incoming texts, emails, 'followed' notifications and the latest Facebook posts. I set the coffee pot to 'super strong' and look at the blank screen on my phone for what seemed a stupid amount of time, even for me. Nada...nothing. I check the message screen and try to send a text but was met with 'Cannot deliver message at this time, try again later' (or something to that effect). I tried to make a call.... no service. Now I'm talking to myself saying "I paid that bill, didn't I? LOL Yes, that is an important one, so always, always pay your phone bill.

By the way, I can never find my phone. I walk around

with it everywhere and I also set it down everywhere. I used to lose it about three times a day. I got a nice bright phone cover a few months ago so I lose it less these days, but it still seems to crawl, by itself, under the couch! To save myself a lot of aggravation, I had a Bell landline installed last year, just so I could phone myself. I only do this when the stupid, smartphone is really trying to avoid me.

At any rate, I call myself and my phone will not ring.

I call myself again. I get my own message centre, so I try to leave a bright and cheery note to self saying: "GET A NEW CELL PHONE PROVIDER!!!"

I then called a friend who I knew for a fact has Bell as their carrier. She picked up right away and I heard through her, that Rogers was out across Canada. I'm in real estate and you cannot be without a phone for any length of time. Worse yet, you cannot be without internet access. I was expecting to hear news from a client that day about a deposit on our recent transaction and as the lawyers say, "time was of the essence".

This, now, was the second time Rogers had let me down, so I toured into Barrie to the very friendly Bell Store. I was going to buy myself an older style, flip-phone with just enough data to serve me well in emergencies such as we experienced for those 15 hours on July 8th.

A very strange thing happened while I was standing in line. It was late afternoon, and I had no idea how my buyer was making out with the deposit on our deal. This deadline was fast approaching. From the silent depths of my shoulder bag, I heard a ping from my Android smartphone. My Rogers cell phone! Were they back up already? I quickly checked and saw that one single text had come through. It was my client. She could not e-transfer so could I meet her at the bank? I was so excited and quickly texted back. Swirling, swirling arrows and more swirling arrows but no delivery. I begged to use an office landline. Finally, I had the client on her Bell cell phone. We were able to make all the arrangements and seal the deal! I do have to mention here that neither of us had GPS and explaining which branch she was to go to, was more than a bit tricky with my rusty map skills. Wait...I didn't have a map either, so it became a matter of "If you see the Lake, turn left". It could have gone 'south' for sure and there would have been a "lot of splainin to do!"

There were more than a few of us with the same mindset that day at the Bell Store but the wait was well worth it as I left with a small phone but huge peace of mind. I'm now tied to three phones for a few more years but 'livin the dream' on the internet highway! Thanks Bell. You were there for me and I'm sure for many others.

