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Springwater Fire Services Stuff the Truck for the Elmvale Food Bank! They were at Birch Farms in Hillsdale on Sept. 21,2022. Thank you Chris and Louise Birch for their amazing donation.



ELMVALE FOOD BANK - UPDATE

Submitted by Debra McLean

By the time this edition of the Springwater Newspaper hits your mailbox the fire trucks will have come and gone. We hope that the annual firefighters "Stuff the Truck" food drive in support of the Elmvale & District Food Bank is as successful as previous years. We thank all of the firefighters, throughout the Township, who volunteer yearly for this event. The volunteers will once again be busy date checking and putting away food collected.

The Tim Horton's Smile Cookies Campaign will end September 25th. This year volunteers from

the food bank have had the opportunity to help decorate the cookies – SMILE!! Every cookie will have a unique smile created by one of the volunteers. If you get a chance stop into Tim Horton's and offer our volunteers some words of encouragement.

We are truly blessed with the support the local Food Bank receives. Over the past couple of weeks we have received donations from the Georgian Bay Festival, Barrie Wing Guys and the residents of Stonemanor Woods who had a neighbourhood bbq and collected items for the Food Bank

October 1 – Team Dalston are planning an exciting night of entertainment at the Elmvale Community Centre. Tickets are \$25.00 and will be available at the door. Proceeds from this event will go the Elmvale & District Food Bank

and the Brain Tumour Association of Ontario.

October 15 – Hillsdale CRA is hosting a music bingo and pasta dinner fundraiser. This event will be held at the Orr Lake Golf Course starting at 6:00 p.m. Tickets can be obtained – hillsdaleCRA@ gmail.com or Paula (905)259-6334

Every donation received; every dollar collected and every event held is truly appreciated. Without your support the Elmvale & District Food Bank would not be able to offer our clients the wide variety and selection of items carried.

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starvation/injury/freezing and being torn to pieces by

I am an Indian international student in Canada.

Climate change has been a cause of worry and

discourse. And in the face of so many warnings about

deteriorating climate conditions and their resulting sufferings, it is easy to feel discouraged. Even in

hypothetical scenarios of a future where humanity

achieves global sustainable lifestyles and carbon

neutrality, significant damage has already been done.

There's an increasing number of threats to our wildlife

and economy every day, and repeated exposure to it

ironically culminates in apathy and indifference in the masses, who are already too torn between earning

livelihoods and power games to invest any more time in the popularly advertised but expensive sustainable

Indigenous people of any land have been doing far

more for nature than any of the inhabitants ever have. Their practices and lifestyles are all born out for an innate respect and love for Mother Earth. There are solutions available, it is just a matter of acting upon

predators).

practices.

Respectfully,

H.J. Rumney

B.Sc.(Bio), B.Sc.(Agr), DVM



and noble causes, and what can be more so than protecting our precious Mother Earth?

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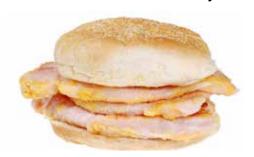
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Elmvale Fall Fair and "Remember When..." pictures inserted throughout this edition. Please submit your fall fair pictures to the Springwater News for the next edition.



John French's Contributions to Our Community

Paul Harris was the founder of Rotary International in 1905. His plan included provision that Rotary offer four avenues of service - 1) Community, 2) International 3) Club (fellowship, visiting shut in members, social gatherings etc.) and 4) Vocational. Vocational Service in short is the use of your talents, experience and abilities in furtherance of improvement in the lives of the rest of humanity, or at least that part of humanity that each of us can reach. John has used his music vocation and his business vocation to establish the 13 year running Brookside Music association concerts to our wider community. The Vocational Service Award also includes membership in the Paul Harris Fellowship

Photo left to right: Rod Ferguson presenting the Vocational Service Award to John French at Midland Rotary.



John French was born and raised in Midland.

He began his music education at the age of 5 with piano lessons and was a regular participant in the local Y's Men's Music Festival.

His community involvement began when he was in high school and founded the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 80 Pipes and Drums which continues to enhance local and international celebrations and events.

His formal education includes a Bachelor of Music degree from Wilfrid Laurier University, an Associate designation from the Royal Conservatory of Music in piano performance, a Master's degree in musicology from the University of Toronto and an MBA from York University.

His career was in the financial services industry. He began his career as a commercial banker with Toronto Dominion Bank where he became a Manager of Commercial Services at a large commercial centre in downtown Toronto specialising in commercial real estate lending. He then became manager of the Corporate Audit Division of the TD Bank. His next career move was to become Assistant Vice President of Risk Assessment and Planning for Global Corporate Audit of Sun Life Financial where he planned and oversaw the audit activities at the corporate level around the world including corporate compliance with requirements of the various regulatory bodies.

His business career concluded as the Director of Internal Audit for the Canadian operations of Fidelity Investments.

Notwithstanding a career in business, John remained musically active as a performer, teacher and music director at Bethel Baptist Church in Toronto.

He retired to his hometown in 2007 where he again became active in various aspects of the community. In 2010 he founded Brookside Music Association which has brought internationally acclaimed musicians to Midland for the past 12 years including an annual summer music festival. Working with local elementary schools, he embarked on a year long "Listen Up!" project with the Gryphon Trio which was sponsored by Rotary. In 2014 he chaired the Ontario Contact Conference that brought performing artists, agents and managers to the town. He performed the first concert in the Midland Cultural Center and, in 2015, he undertook a project to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the arrival of Champlain to the region by commissioning the composition of a documentary cantata which went on to tour and was performed at the Canada 150 celebrations in Toronto. Through Brookside Music, John has become a community ambassador through speaking engagements and radio interviews.

John's community involvement extends beyond the realm of music. He served on the Huronia Museum Board for many years and, as Chair, he negotiated a new partnership agreement and lease with the town and oversaw the Art Gallery's revitalization and the creation of the Indigenous Peoples Gallery. He server as treasurer on the board of the Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation, acted as a small business mentor through the Simcoe County Economic Development Corporation and tutored adults upgrading their education at Gateway Center for Learning.

He is currently sitting on the Town of Midland's audit committee, on the Executive Council of Calvary Baptist Church and is a committee member of the Culture Alliance in the Heart of Georgian Bay.

John's significant past and present contributions have extended into many facets of the community including the arts and culture, civic engagement, education and health care.



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BR262 Elmvale Legion Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II.



Photo above left to right: Milton Walters, Frank Beasley and Graham Simmonds. The legion wants to thank everyone that attended.

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Upcoming Meetings

Cultural Advisory Committee Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Council Meeting Wednesday, October 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Elmvale BIA Annual General Meeting Thursday, October 20 at 5:30 p.m. Elmvale Library Branch

Council and Committee meetings are live streamed online at **springwater.ca/Live**. To view the meeting agendas, please visit: **springwater.civicweb.net/Portal**

Bid Opportunity

The Township is currently accepting bids for:

Supply and Deliver Liquid Sodium Chloride Brine (2022-43-PW)

Closes: October 6, 2022

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

Job Opportunity

The Township is currently recruiting for the following job opportunity:

Arena Operator (Casual) Closes: October 7, 2022

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



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Complete our online survey!

We're looking for your assistance to build a **Community-Based Strategic Plan** for the Township with a 20-year outlook.

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Remember When Photo Contest

Care to win FREE admission to the Elmvale Fall Fair for you and your family? Help celebrate the 160th year of this annual community tradition by sharing your favourite 'Remember When' moments!







Step One: Share a photo of a past fall fair on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

Step Two: Tell us your memory, "Remember When..." **Step Three:** Add the hashtag #RememberWhenEFF2022

The Elmvale Fall Fair takes place at the Elmvale Fairgrounds over Thanksgiving Weekend. For more information on the event, visit: **elmvalefallfair.com**

Board & Committee Member Recruitment

Make a difference in your community! The Township is currently recruiting new members to serve on the following boards and committees during the 2022-2026 Term of Office:

- Agricultural Advisory Committee
- Committee of Adjustment
- Cultural and Heritage Advisory Committee
- Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Springwater Public Library Board
- Fence-Viewer
- Livestock Investigator

Those interested must submit a completed application form to the the Clerk's Office by October 16 at 5:30 p.m. For details, visit: **springwater.ca/CommitteeRecruitment**

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Township of Springwater Municipal & School Board Election

Election Day - October 24, 2022

Every four years, citizens have the opportunity to vote for their council and school board representatives. **Monday, October 24, 2022** is the next municipal election.

Who is Running?

To view the list of municipal and school board candidates in your area, please visit springwater.ca/Election.

How to Vote

Voters in the Township of Springwater will be able to cast their vote in the municipal election from the comfort of their own home—or anywhere they can access the internet or telephone. Voting opens at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 14, 2022 and closes at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 2022. Information on how to vote will be mailed to all eligible electors in early October. Voter Help Centres will be open throughout the voting period for those who do not have access to the internet, need to be added to the voters list or require help voting. Dates, times and locations of the Voter Help Centres will be noted on the Voter Information Letter and are available at springwater.ca/Election under "Information for Voters".

Are you on the Voters List?

If you are a resident, owner, tenant, or spouse of an owner or tenant of property in Springwater, a Canadian citizen and 18 years of age or older on election day (October 24), you can vote.

We all play a role in ensuring a fair electoral system. It is the responsibility of every elector to make sure their information is up-to-date and accurately reflected for electoral purposes. Check to ensure you are registered to vote by visiting **springwater**. **ca/VoterLookup**.

Registered Third Party Advertiser

A registered third party is any individual, corporation or trade union that advertises to support or oppose a candidate or a question on the ballot. Registered third parties must follow many similar rules to that of a candidate. If you are interested in becoming a third party advertiser, please visit **springwater.ca/Election** under "Third Party Advertiser" or contact the Clerk's Department.

To Learn More

Please visit the Township's website at **springwater.ca/Election** or email the Clerk's Department at clerks@springwater.ca with any questions.

NATIONAL DAY for Truth & Reconciliation

September 30 provides an opportunity for every Canadian to recognize the impact of the residential school system, learn more about their lasting legacy, and reflect on how we can move forward, together. Explore the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation's learning resources and read the Calls to Action at **nctr.ca**

New Draft Official Plan Available for Consultation

The Township is pleased to release the first Draft of its New Official Plan for public review and consultation. The New Draft Official Plan text and schedules are now available to view online at **springwater.ca/OPR**. Comments on the New Draft Official Plan can be submitted to planning@springwater.ca. Comments are requested by Friday, December 23, 2022, to be considered in the final Draft Official Plan to be brought forward to Council for adoption in 2023.



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Mayor Don's Update

Get The Facts – You Judge

We are 2 weeks away from early voting starting and 3 weeks away

from the October 24th municipal election date. With 38% overall average turnout for the last 2018 municipal election, it is most important to vote and increase that voter turnout. You are no doubt seeing or hearing from different candidates as they claim what they have done for the Township and/or what they can do if elected. I believe it is important to speak to the individuals specifically about their background experience and how that will help them as a Councillor. What are their specific goals of their platform if they become a Councillor. Be clear on what their specific position is on matters important to you. Is their personality conducive to work collaboratively with other Councillors and staff? Councillors won't always agree so what is their approach to become informed and present their point of view and listen to others perspective?

Craig Road

Council this term has approved moving forward with Craig Road, extending from Forbes Road west to Hwy 27. Council approved a contract in May 2022 for the professional engineering consulting services to Ainley & Associates for the conceptual design, detailed design and construction supervision. This is in progress to be completed by the occupation of the first homes in the development and funding for the road is 100% funded from development charges.

Any claim by a candidate that they will ensure Craig Road gets done is over-reaching and is "political spin". That horse is already out of the barn and well underway thanks to staffs and current Council's work.

Election Signs

By-laws exist in Springwater about where election signs can be placed and all candidates are made aware of this when they register as candidates. Signs can be placed on county roads and placed on private property, with the permission of the resident, and as long as they are not on the municipal property located between the resident's property and the municipal roadway. They are not allowed on municipal roadways. There have been a lot of signs improperly placed in the last several weeks and Township bylaw officers and staff have had to spend time each day removing these after complaints by residents and taking them to the Township offices. This has cost thousands of taxpayer dollars in staff time and expenses. This has been especially bad in the Ward 5 Midhurst area.

Save Tax dollars

The budget and ongoing fiscal review process at Springwater for at least the last 8 years has been extensive and very capably handled by CAO Jeff Schmidt (a Chartered Professional Accountant, CPA) and Director Jas Rattigan (also a CPA) and has been thoroughly reviewed and challenged by Council. Outside compensation reviews, efficiency audits, roads needs studies and development charge reviews have also occurred this past term to ensure Springwater maintains top fiscal management of your tax dollars. For anyone to claim otherwise and think there are areas where expenses can be further reduced without significantly deteriorating service to the taxpayer are mis-informed and wrong. Councillors will do well to keep up the strong financial due diligence presently practiced by Staff and Council in the Township.

Draft Official Plan

The Township continues to plan for the future through its Official Plan Review process. During a Special Meeting on September 7, the first draft version of the New Official Plan and Land Use Schedules was presented to Council. As a next step, the public and interested stakeholders may provide comments on the draft policies and schedules, which have been posted to the Township's website at springwater.ca/OPR. If you are interested in submitting comments on the New Draft Official Plan, please do so by Friday, December 23, 2022 to planning@springwater.ca. Comments received prior to the deadline will be considered in the final Draft Official Plan to be brought forward to Council for

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adoption in 2023.

4-Day Compressed Work Week Approved

At the September 21 meeting, Council voted to approve a compressed work schedule option for Township staff and the municipality's extended public office hours of 8:30 am to 5:30 pm, Monday to Friday on a permanent basis. The decision came following a successful 5-month pilot project, which saw 71% of staff participating in a compressed work schedule on a trial basis. Nearing the end of the pilot project, the Township conducted surveys of residents, members of Council and staff to ensure that neither service levels nor employees were negatively impacted by the 4-day work week. In contrast, the survey results indicated that the project had a positive impact on the quality of service received by residents and positive outcomes for staff including improved work/life balance, morale in the workplace, and productivity. With the approval of this initiative, Township staff will continue to work longer days from either Monday to Thursday or Tuesday to Friday. Participation in a compressed work schedule is subject to departmental demands and staff must continue to meet their contractual 35- or 40-hour time requirement.

Community Based Strategic Plan Survey

What is your vision for the future of Springwater? Our municipality's Community-Based Strategic Plan is now in development and your feedback is critical to determining what our next 20 years look like. If you are a Springwater resident, business owner, worker, student, or community stakeholder, please share your thoughts by completing the public survey found at springwater.ca/OurFuture. The Township has also made paper copies of the survey available at the Township Administration Centre, each branch of the Springwater Public Library, and the Elmvale Arena.

The Community-Based Strategic Plan will be a highly important document that guides the Township in its decision-making, planning, and execution of key projects and initiatives for the next two decades. It will inform everything from our infrastructure and budget development to the way we communicate and the future partnerships we will have. The goal is to build a vibrant and prosperous community where people want to live, work, play and retire.

Fall Fairs & Festivals

After two years of cancelled events, we are thrilled to once again be able to celebrate the fall season as a community. Be sure to check out the following fairs and festivals happening throughout the Township in October:

1. Anten Mills Autumn Artisan and Crafters Fair

- -The Anten Mills Community Recreation Association is hosting their annual Artisan and Crafters Fair on October 1 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event will feature products created by local authors, artists and crafters, door prizes, and a pancake breakfast. All proceeds from the breakfast (two pancakes for a toonie while supplies last) will go to the Elmvale & District Food Bank.
- 2. Festival at Fort Willow Experience the Historic Fort Willow Conservation Area come to life on October 1 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The Festival at Fort Willow is an annual event where visitors can experience what life was like at Fort Willow pre-European contact, during the Fur Trade and the War of 1812. Learn more at springwater.ca/FortWillow.
- **3. Elmvale Fall Fair** The Flos Agricultural Society is hosting the 160th annual Elmvale Fall Fair over Thanksgiving weekend, October 6 to 8. This popular community tradition includes a midway, animals, food, tractor pulls, exhibits, fun, contests, and more. Event details can be found at elmvalefallfair.com.

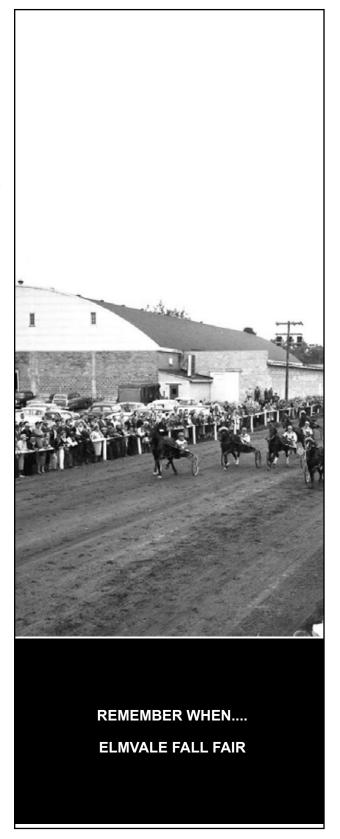


4. Music Bingo & Pasta Dinner Fundraiser — The Hillsdale Community Recreation Association is raising money for the Elmvale & District Food Bank through a fun-filled night that includes a pasta dinner followed by music bingo. Join them at Orr Lake Golf Course on October 15 at 6:00 pm. \$50 tickets can be purchased by emailing hillsdaleCRA@gmail.com.

Bee City Canada Initiative

The Township of Springwater has pledged to become a designated 'Bee City' with the support of the Severn Sound Environmental Association. The Bee City designation is an initiative of Bee City Canada which recognizes communities and organizations that are taking action to help pollinators. Pollinators are an integral part of any ecosystem and critical to the sustainability of many food sources. However, pollinators around the globe have experienced dramatic declines due to human population growth, urban sprawl, and climate change. As a 'Bee City', the Township will help pollinator populations to grow and flourish by creating and protecting pollinator habitats within our boundaries. Actions can include setting aside sections of park land as pollinator habitat, establishing no-mow or reduced mow zones, and creating nature corridors through landscapes.

These are my thoughts and not those of Council necessarily. Happy Thanksgiving and may you enjoy it with family and friends.



Georgian Announces New Designation As A Military-connected College

Georgian is providing new ways of supporting military-connected learners, including those currently serving, veterans and their family members. As a military-connected college, Georgian will offer an exceptional education, coupled with scholarships and academic, social and mental health supports to help these learners thrive and succeed as they transition from military to civilian life.

The decision to implement this designation across all Georgian campuses was in recognition of and gratitude for the military community – including those at the college who've served or who have connections to the military. It also aligned with Georgian's 2022-24 strategic plan, and the college's values of excellence; unrivaled student access, supports and services; community engagement; integrity; inclusion; and sustainability.

The new designation was based on several factors, and included collaboration with existing partners in the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), specifically, Canadian Forces Base Borden. Dr. Rebecca Sabourin, Dean, Engineering and Environmental Technologies, Skilled Trades, served for 27 years in the CAF as an aerospace engineer and is excited about the potential to strengthen ties within the community while maximizing student potential.

"Becoming a military-connected college creates value at Georgian in several ways," said Sabourin. "We're supporting an underrepresented and underserved student population by fostering learning in a postsecondary environment, and these graduates, some of whom can receive federal funding, will have an economic impact on the community and the region."

In January, Georgian surveyed more than 12,000 students, and 165 self-identified as being military-connected as either CAF veterans, members of the regular force, foreign military veterans, members of the reserve component, civilian members of the Department of National Defence, or immediate family members.

An example of how Georgian is offering academic support is through a one-year pilot project beginning fall 2022 to provide a communication credit for military-connected students who have completed the CAF Developmental Period 1 (DP1), which is a foundational military training period.

Providing a supportive environment focused on the well-being of all military-connected students is a key element of the new strategy. Georgian employees who work with military-connected students will take part in seminars to learn more about military life circumstances such as employment differences and personal challenges so they can enhance their knowledge to serve this unique population.

In addition, the college is creating a community in which veterans and their supporters can meet and flourish. The Georgian College Military Veterans Club provides a support network where students and faculty can connect and share their experiences.

"This is helpful since the transition from military to civilian life is often fast with little time to adjust," adds Sabourin. "Many go back to school as mature students and sometimes find it a challenge to be surrounded by younger peers who may not share the same life and work experiences."

The college officially welcomed the first cohort of military-connected students this fall. Members of the military community are encouraged to visit GeorgianCollege.ca/military to learn more about all the military-connected college supports, including sources of federal funding, as well as to find out if they're eligible for the communication credit.

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Photo below: Georgian announces a new designation as a military-connected college in recognition of and gratitude for the military community. From left to right: Brian Muscat, Dean of Students; Joanna Coulthard, Director, Library and Academic Success; and Dr. Rebecca Sabourin, veteran and Dean, Engineering and Environmental Technologies, Skilled Trades in front of Georgian's Barrie Campus cenotaph.



County of Simcoe Supports Local Healthcare at GBGH

Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) is receiving \$1 million from the County of Simcoe to support local healthcare in the Midland, Penetanguishene, Tiny Township, Tay Township, Georgian Bay Township, Springwater Township and Beausoleil First Nation area. GBGH has chosen to utilize the majority of funds for the recent site construction and relocation of Dialysis services from Penetanguishene to a bright and modern new community location in Midland. Additionally, the hospital is utilizing funds for the latest stage in the redevelopment of its device sterilization department and the renovation of two X-ray rooms.

These funds are part of the \$3.16 million the County of Simcoe pledged to GBGH for use over 15 years. This will be the second installment of funds the

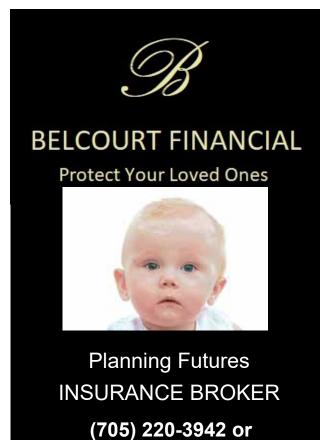
hospital has used from this commitment first made by the County to GBGH in 2017. This latest use of funds leaves a remaining balance of more than \$1.25 million to be used at the hospital's discretion until 2031. In 2020, GBGH used approximately \$900,000 of this funding toward the redevelopment of its device sterilization department and paying the remaining balance on its new computerized tomography (CT scanner).

"The support our hospital has received from the County of Simcoe, and the municipalities which make up the County, has been so impactful for our hospital and what we're able to provide to patients," says Matthew Lawson, president and CEO, GBGH. "Earlier this year, we were able to relocate the Dialysis services provided to our community, to a bright new modern space which has vastly improved the patient experience. Also, continuing to redevelop our sterilization department means we have the latest facility upgrades to ensure equipment and device safety. Long overdue renovations to our X-ray rooms also enable GBGH to continue providing service of the highest quality."

This is part of the County's \$45 million commitment to the Simcoe County Hospital Alliance between

2017 and 2031. The Alliance is made up of hospitals inside our region and one which cares for County residents - GBGH, Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (Barrie), Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, Collingwood General & Marine Hospital, Stevenson Memorial Hospital (Alliston), Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care (Penetanguishene) and Southlake Regional Health Centre (Newmarket). It was established in 2002 to advise the County of Simcoe of ongoing hospital capital needs and ensure equitable distribution of the County's healthcare funding. Since 1994, the County of Simcoe has committed \$107 million to improve local hospital care and specialized services.

"County Council is incredibly proud of the care that is provided to our residents by our hospitals," said County of Simcoe Warden George Cornell. "We know the importance of having world-class health-care facilities such as Georgian Bay General Hospital so close to home for those that we serve. From supporting with new requirements related to the pandemic, to assisting with the acquisition of latest medical technology, to supporting renovations and expansions, the County is committed to supporting our area hospitals and the communities we serve."



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Photo above: Representatives from the County of Simcoe and Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) gathered at the hospital to see one of the X-ray rooms which will be renovated, in part due to Simcoe County Hospital Alliance funds. From left – Jane Sinclair, General Manager of Health and Emergency Services, County of Simcoe; Warden George Cornell, County of Simcoe; Matthew Lawson, president and CEO; Victoria Ansell, x-ray technologist, GBGH; and Angie Saini, vice president, Clinical Services and chief nursing executive.

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Sports with Patrick Townes



After a long run by the Elmvale Merchants, the Elmvale Rural Fastball League has a new champion. Following last year's victory by the Selects, the Minesing Blues were awarded the crown after beating the Merchants in a close final. The

surprise of the tournament was the Ball Dogs making it into the final four teams, alongside the Giants. The young and fast team from Minesing defeated the Giants in the first semi-final and the Merchants defeated the Ball Dogs in the other semi-final. The Minesing squad was led by the strong battery of Noah Rowland and Andrew Priest. It is great to see this group of young men win the league.

The Simcoe Rural Fastball League playoffs has been dragged out due to scheduling conflicts and rain-outs. This past week the Uhthoff Nationals defeated the Waubaushene Dodgers in one semi-final best-of-five series by a 3-2 margin. In the other semi-final, also won by a 3-2 margin, the Vasey Countrymen defeated the Minesing Mallards. Please check out the Vasey Countrymen Twitter and Instagram accounts for schedule and updates.

Springwater Sports Heritage was established to document, preserve and celebrate the rich sporting accomplishments and activities of the Township of Springwater by means of a non-profit organization governed by a Board. To aid in characterizing and accomplishing these goals the Board has established the following purposes: 1) To digitally chronicle, preserve and provide internet access to Springwater's sports heritage and 2) To ceremoniously acknowledge and exhibit the awards of exceptional sporting

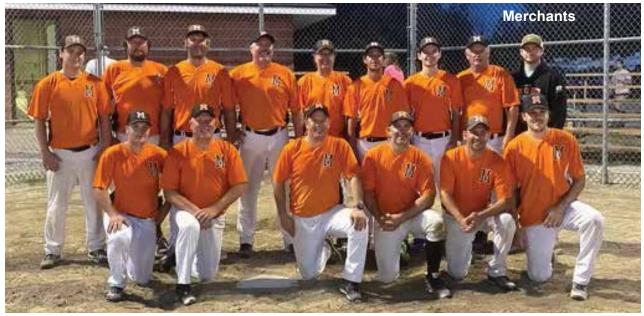
contributions and achievements of Springwater's Athletes, Builders and Teams. This year's event is scheduled to take place on October 21st at the Snow Valley Ski Resort, Day Lodge. Please visit springwatersportsheritage.ca for more information.

Roger Federer goes out as one of the best tennis players in the world, as he announces his retirement from the sport. He went out the way he arrived, played and stayed for 24 years in the tennis spotlight, playing with grace and class.

One of my favourite baseball teams, rivalling the Blue Jays, has always been the St. Louis Cardinals. The Cardinals run an extremely respectful and consistent operation and treat their players as "Cardinals" from the day they are drafted. This past week, one of their main players hit the 700-homerun milestone. Albert Pujols is one of the best players of my generation. He joins Barry Bonds, Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth as the only other player to hit this milestone. The emotions of Pujols and his players were overwhelming as he rounded the bases in LA. He has cemented himself as one of the best hitters ever to play the game, and will be enshrined in Cooperstown when he calls it a career at the end of the season.

Curling is back!!! What a great sport to watch on television this past weekend. Look out for some new teams this season - Matt Dunstone (curling with Neufield, Lott and Harnden) will be tough to beat (although he was beat this weekend), alongside the new squad skipped by Brendan Bottcher (curling with Kennedy, Gallant and Hebert). You can never count out Brad Gushue who replaced Gallant with E.J. Harnden.





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Waypoint Expands Access to ECT To Help More People With Severe Mental Illnesses

Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care is expanding the availability of a highly effective therapy for people with severe forms of depression and other illnesses. As of September 6, the hospital is offering electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) five days a week - helping more patients access this vital treatment.

"ECT has long been used for treating severe and treatment-resistant cases of mood and psychotic illnesses," says Dr. Plabon Ismail, Waypoint Medical Director of Regional Programs and ECT Lead Psychiatrist. "Because of its effectiveness and improved side effect profile, we are seeing an overall trend where patients and physicians are opting for ECT early in the treatment course, especially in outpatient settings. Increasing our service from three to five days per week will allow us to meet these increasing demands while providing appropriate follow-up treatment promptly."

Performed for over 80 years, the effectiveness of ECT is well documented in the medical literature but its uptake has been limited by stigma and fear. While this stigma persists, there have been many advances in the practice evolving it to a modern, safe and well-established medical procedure that can be live-saving and transforming for those who

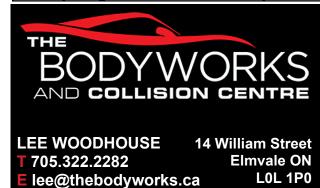
Recent research suggests that ECT works by stimulating brain cells (neurons) to grow and develop healthy connections to each other. It works similar to how a defibrillator or pacemaker helps restore a normal rhythm to a person's heart, the electrical stimulation can help restore proper function to the brain.

ECT is part of Waypoint's role as the specialty mental health hospital for our region and is central to our providing both acute inpatient mental health services and outpatient services with a goal to keeping people well in our community. We are committed to improving access to high quality care and this ECT expansion as well as the additional 14 acute mental health beds we are operating are priorities in these challenging times, with emergency departments overburdened from the pandemic impacts and staffing pressures," notes Dr. Nadiya Sunderji, Waypoint's CEO. "I want to share my appreciation to our staff for making this happen for our patients and clients."

Despite widespread staffing challenges throughout the pandemic, Waypoint was able to maintain ECT services during these times of critical need. The hospital has also been collaborating with the Ontario Health Mental Health and Addictions Centre of Excellence and other experts across the province to identify the need and are now at the forefront of developing standards for high quality delivery of ECT. Expanding access at Waypoint takes the pressure off acute care partners and allows them to focus on restoring surgical volumes and reducing wait times.

Waypoint's ECT clinic is located at the hospital's Penetanguishene campus and is available for both inpatients and outpatients. A team of trained medical professionals that includes psychiatrists, anesthesiologists, and nurses assess patients, educate patients and families, and administer the treatment.

Not sure if ECT is the right treatment for you or your loved one? "Our team is happy to speak with anyone, patients, families, healthcare providers and students who are looking for more information on ECT and the services we provide," says Jackie Watt, Program Director. "Our Central Intake Office staff manage referrals and can assist in identifying the right supports."

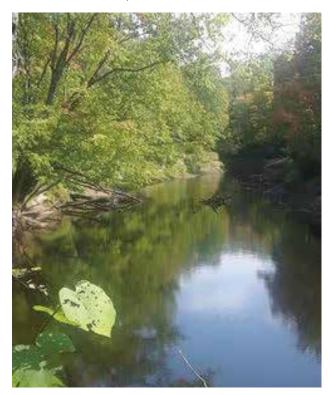






My day on the Ganaraska trail usually started around 530-600. I loved the softness of the morning light, and the cool of the day's beginning. An early morning start also allowed me to put in 14-16 hour hiking days. I was going to need every one of those hours to complete this day that had started so badly

in the swamp. Once I finally freed myself from the water channel and found the beaver dam, I had to push myself hard to make up for time lost. Initially I was in an area of lakes and hard wood forests with gently rolling hills. This changed quickly to typical Canadian Shield with rocks and bogs and swamp, and more beaver dam crossings than any person should have to use. This would be the most gruelling day I had ever hiked, and also the one that I most loved. After two days of no contact with the modern world, my mind...stilled. I don't have the words to explain how this day affected me. I no longer had worries or concerns beyond finding water. Even when I was struggling to find the trail markers I was at peace and not worried. At one point I was on a large rock in a swamp, and unable to find my next marker despite thirty minutes of searching. I sat down, drank some water, and was enraptured with the sound of marsh birds and the play of light on the water. I was unconcerned about finding the marker and started to make plans to just set up camp here. One last search of the area located my marker on a small tree reached by crossing another beaver dam. Onward I continued, in a state of intense calmness and peace. Those little worries that seem so huge and insurmountable in the real world, are really insignificant when you are living for each moment that means survival, or not.



I started to notice many signs of bear activity such as overturned rocks and scat. Bears will overturn rocks looking for grubs underneath, and will leave a significant scat along the way. I had not made my planned site despite putting in a grueling hike and needed to start finding an alternative area to stay for the night. Unfortunately, I was left with few options. As the last of the daylight faded, I had to set up camp on a rock under the only tree in the area, and surrounded by swamp. I had no place to hang a bear bag and for the first time I had to keep my food near my sleep area. I was exhausted and quickly fell asleep, only to be woken by the snorts and grunts of an approaching bear. Now, I had had a tough day and



Update From Doug Downey MPP

Province Invests Additional \$90 million in Skills Development Fund

The government of Ontario is maintaining its promise to work for workers by investing an additional \$90 million in the Skills Development Fund (SDF) to support innovative training projects that help workers and jobseekers increase their skills and prepare for meaningful careers in their communities. This third round of SDF funding, which opens September 29th, is available to anyone who is unemployed or under employed, and will prioritize programs helping people with prior involvement in the criminal justice system, at-risk youth, persons with disabilities, Indigenous people Ukrainian newcomers, and others facing barriers to employment.

As the province continues to combat the labour shortage, programs like SDF can help workers retrain or improve their skills to ensure they are able access meaningful employment. The labour shortage has disproportionately affected those who were previously involved in the justice system, as well as other marginalized groups. This funding will help all underserved communities deliver programs that lift people up and help them to lead purpose-driven lives. Over 370,000 jobs are going unfilled across the province, costing billions in lost productivity. To address this, the Skills Development Fund supports ground-breaking programs that connect jobseekers



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with the skills and training they need to find well-paying careers close to home. The previous two rounds of funding delivered 388 training projects, helping more than 393,000 people take the next step in their careers in in-demand industries.

Through the previous round of the Skills Development Fund, the government approved an investment of nearly \$500,000 for the John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington and Area. Through an entirely new program, John Howard was able to connect over 40 previously incarcerated or justice-involved individuals with well-paying jobs in Hamilton's booming manufacturing sector, solving the needs of local businesses as well.

During the upcoming third funding round, the province will also prioritize applications for projects preparing workers for careers in in-demand sectors such as the skilled trades, healthcare, technology and manufacturing.

This new funding brings Ontario's total investment in the Skills Development Fund to over \$560 million.

Continued from Bearbells and Beagles by Leslie Noonan



just wanted to sleep, and I was in no mood for a bear encounter. I perhaps unwisely flung open my tent flap and smacked my light on and unleashed a barrage of verbal abuse against this poor bear. If a bear can look surprised, well he did; and he wisely chose to move along and leave the obviously unhinged lady alone. My night surprises did not end there. My tent is so small that the material is within inches of my face. It is an ultralight tent weighing just over an ounce and held up by my tent poles; basically the size of a snug little coffin. Imagine waking to small scrambling paws sliding down your tent and almost touching your face. My only explanation is that an owl may have caught a mouse and sat in the tree I was under, only to lose their prey which dropped on my head. By this time I just wanted sleep, and fell into the deepest slumber I had yet had on this hike. Tomorrow would be time enough to worry about the next stage.







Simoro Golf Links Donates to Elmvale Legion



We collected \$708.00 in empty beer cans donated by Simoro Golf Links, Barrie, On.
Proceeds go to Elmvale Legion building fund.
Special thanks to Grizzly, Froggy, & Mike Alpha for your help. Now that's a hole in one. Keep them coming.



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information, branch updates and our virtual programs. Programs and Videos on Facebook and YouTube (search Springwater Library)



Firetruck at Storytime!

Come meet Sparky, see a firetruck and meet some firefighters in Springwater! Tuesday October 11, 10:30am Elmvale Branch. Registration required.

Decodable Storywalk

October is Dyslexia Awareness month. Come to both the Midhurst and the Elmvale branches for the month of October and read a phonics friendly story!

Homeschool Meet and Greet

Exchange ideas when you gather at the library, games and toys will be provided. This is an informal drop in space with no registration required. All ages welcome! Tuesday October 4, 1:30pm-3pm, Elmvale Branch.

Early ON Parent-Child Mother Goose

EarlyON for ages 0-6 + caregiver is back at the Elmvale Library Wednesdays and Fridays 9am-12:30pm. The Parent-Child Mother Good Program will run on Wednesdays October 5 – November 29, 1:30pm-3pm at Elmvale Branch. Registration required for the Wednesday/Friday morning program as well as Parent-Child Mother Goose at earlyonsimcoenorth.ca Questions? Call (705) 526-2456.

Intro to Cricut

Ages 13+ learn how to create in Cricut Design Space. These classes will provide an overview of how to create a project on a Cricut machine. Vinyl Classes: Thursday October 6, 6pm at Midhurst Branch or Tuesday October 11, 6pm at Elmvale Branch. Cost \$5.

Take Home Craft Kits

Krafting with Kathy's kit this month is a cute bat garland Thursday October 6. Crafts with Kaitlyn is both a small apple craft and a hedgehog bookmark available Thursday October 20.

Simcoe Author Talks via Zoom

October hosts three different authors: Thursday October 6, 7pm: Author Michael Christie and his book, "Greenwood" (sign up at essa.library.on.ca), Thursday October 20, 7pm: Author Bernie Saunders will chat about his hockey memoir book, "Shut Out,

the game that did not love me black".

Come see us at the Elmvale Fall Fair!

The library will have a table in the arena with lots of free stuff (the smiles are free too!). We are eager to share everything the library offers to you so drop by and say hi! Friday October 7, Saturday October 8

Thanksgiving Closure

Please note all branches will be closed Monday October 10.

Jammers Drop In Music

Do you play and instrument and would like to be part of an informal group? Come out for some musical fun! Every Wednesday (starting October 12) 2pm-4pm, Midhurst Branch. No registration required.

Read to Tilley (trained dog ambassador)

Tilley will be coming to the Elmvale Branch ready to listen to awesome stories from children aged 5+. Book your 15 minute time slot three weeks in a row on Tuesdays October 18, 25 and November 1 from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Creative Adults: October Workshops

Connect with other adults by signing up for a Glass fusing Workshop Thursday October 20, 6:30pm at the Creative Café in Barrie (30 Bryne Drive, Unit A, Barrie Ontario). Cost: One pendant \$22.60 or three pendants \$56.50. Then register for a Lava Bead Aromatherapy Workshop Monday October 24, 2pm at Elmvale Branch. Suggested donation \$10.

Stranger Things Team Trivia!

Teams of two to five people can sign up, wear costumes and see who knows this series the best! There will be prizes, snacks and some surprises as well! Friday October 21, 6pm-8pm Midhurst Branch. Registration required.

Georgian Bay Reads

Get your tickets now for this fun night of friendly debate. Saturday October 22, 7pm at Clearview Library's Stayner Branch (269 Regina Street). Our very own staff member Katie is defending Run, Hide, Repeat - based on a true story. Please visit our website to reserve your tickets.

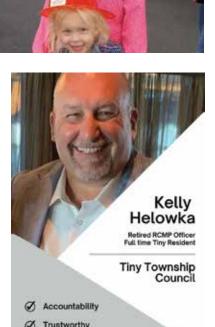
Tween Book Club

Grades 6 - 8 are welcome! We will meet the last Thursday of each month at 6pm, Midhurst Branch (October 27). There will be games, prizes, and FOOD!...and a book of the month to discuss. Registration required.

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VIENNA BOYS CHOIR COMING TO MIDLAND



The concert is on Sunday October 16th at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's United Church in Midland. Tickets can be purchased online at http://www.brooksidemusic.com or at the Midland Cultural Centre box office

Biography

The Vienna Boys Choir is one of the most famous choirs in the world, and one of its oldest: Boys have been singing at Vienna's Imperial Chapel at least since 1296. In 1498, Emperor Maximilian I. moved his court to Vienna to establish the Chapel Imperial there, and the Vienna Boys Choir. Over the centuries, the court attracted musicians like Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart or Anton Bruckner; Joseph Haydn, Michael Haydn, and Franz Schubert were themselves choirboys. Until 1918, the boys sang exclusively for the court.

In 1924, the Choir was reestablished as a private, non-profit organization.

Today, the Vienna Boys Choir maintains its own campus, with a primary school, a middle school, and a senior high school programme. The middle school is attended by 100 boy choristers between the ages of nine and fourteen. The boys are divided

into four choirs. Each group spends ten weeks of the school year on tour. Between them, the choirs give around 300 concerts each year, attended by almost half a million spectators around the world. Since 1924, 2750 choristers have sung over 1000 tours in 100 different countries.

On Sundays, one of the Choirs performs with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and the State Opera Chorus in Vienna's Imperial Chapel, as it has done for the past 524 years.

The Choir performs with major orchestras, conducted by the likes of Joana Mallwitz, Zubin Mehta, Riccardo Muti, Christian Thielemann, Simone Young. A highlight are appearances at the Vienna Philharmonic's New Year's Concert and at the Salzburg Festival.

Since their first recording in 1907, the boys have recorded 377 shellacks, LPs, and CDs. Numerous films and documentaries attest to the Choir's

international appeal.

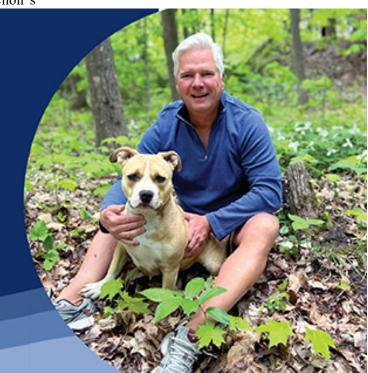
In 2004, the Vienna Girls Choir was founded to give girls the same musical education and the same musical experiences. 30 girls are enrolled in this program today.

In 2009, the Choir teamed up with the Vienna Konzerthaus and Caritas Vienna to found "Superar" to provide children in and around the city with access to music; since then, the Choir regularly join Superar in concerts.

300 boys and girls attend the Choir's Schools. A third of the students go on to become music professionals. The Vienna Boys Choir is a registered charity; its singing tradition is listed by UNESCO as intangible cultural heritage in Austria. Professor Gerald Wirth, himself a former choirboy, is the President and Artistic Director.

www.viennaboyschoir.net











What's Happening at Midland Bay Landing Redevelopment?

The Landing Concept





Midland Bay Landing Development Corporation (MBLDC) is aware there is great interest in this important waterfront development project, and we wanted to ensure the Facts were presented on some of the questions being asked.

As you may know, we are currently in a 120-day Exclusivity Period with the local developer, Georgian Communities. Following successful completion of this Period, Council will review the recommendation of the Midland Bay Landing Board on the sale of Phase 1.

Will the public always have access to the waterfront?

• Yes. Public access to the entire waterfront along the water's edge is a signature public feature of MBL. This will provide for activities like walking, viewing, picnics, and fishing, together with a separate, parallel multi-use trail for cycling or running like the Promenade Demonstration build by MBLDC. Buildings will be set back 100 feet from the water's edge to allow the public panoramic views of Georgian Bay.

Will I still be able to fish?

• Yes. Even more public fishing than today will be available along the whole promenade and any parks along the water's edge.

How much public space will there be?

• Ten Acres of new publicly accessible space (25% of the site area) The ten acres of new promenade, parks, and public plazas will be built by the Developer at no cost to the Town. All public areas will be on property owned by the Town.

What will happen to Midland Bay Landing Park?

• The park will stay in its current location after feedback from MBLDC and the Town on the Developer's initial concept drawings.

Can residents provide input on the project?

• Yes. Previous public consultations identified the importance of public access to the water, and this has been preserved. More public feedback on the proposed design elements will occur after the sale of the Phase 1 lands. MBLDC, the Town, and the Developer are committed to holding public open houses and meetings to listen to the public and obtain feedback as the MBL design evolves.

Who is the Developer?

• Georgian Communities headquartered in Barrie Ontario. Council accepted the recommendation by the Board and voted to engage this developer. A contract was signed which started a 120-day Exclusivity Period and when approved by Council, sale of the Phase 1 land to the Developer.

How does Midland Bay Landing benefit the Town?

• MBL will transform an unused, contaminated site on the waterfront into a vibrant mixed-use community that will benefit the Town and the region with its publicly accessible waterfront, open spaces, new parks, and a public square for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike. Not only will this benefit our current businesses and residents, but it is expected to attract new businesses and residents to Midland.

What about the Town's initial cost to purchase the property?

• The Town will get its initial investment back and more. The Town purchased the land in 2012 and will

more than recover the investment on the sale of the Phase 1 land, plus additional revenue when the Phase 2 lands are sold. The total return on the Town's investment will be multiple times greater than its initial cost. When Phase 1 is sold, the Town will be debt free on the original purchase which will eliminate future interest costs to the Town.

What is being built first?

The Central Park

• Phase 1 at the east side of the site; approximately 36% of the entire site. This includes expansion of the promenade, park space and low-rise townhomes. Phase 2 will have a new, large park space and a public plaza connecting to the waterfront promenade along with residential and commercial space.

Will my views be obstructed?

• There are Official Plan restrictions on building height at MBL. The Developer and the Town will work together to preserve or enhance site lines. In Phase 1, the townhomes currently proposed are 3 stories in height.

I hear only luxury condos will be built.

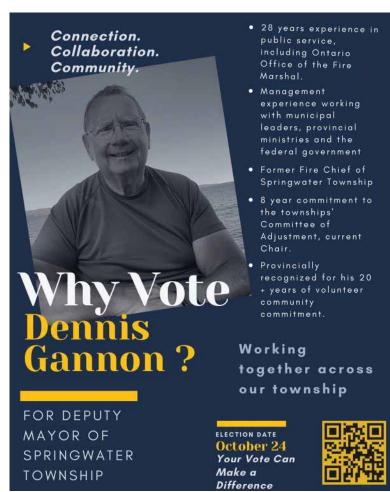
• The developer is proposing a mixture of residential types and sizes through the phases with the initial phase being townhomes. The market will determine the pricing of these units. Revenue received by the Town from the sale of MBL property and new tax revenue will be available to support more affordable housing in the Town.

How does this affect our property taxes in Midland?

• New annual tax revenue will be created for the Town with new residents moving into homes in Phase 1 of MBL. When MBL redevelopment is complete, the Town will receive millions more of new tax revenue annually to invest into new programs and services or pay for improvements throughout the Town.

Why don't we make Midland Bay Landing into a large Park?

• The land was previously an industrial site with contaminated soil. If the 40-acre MBL property was to be completely converted to a park, the entire shoreline would need to be restored and the entire site would need 1.0m of clean soil to be placed on top of the existing land to act as a "fill cap" to make it environmentally safe. The cost to the Town to do this would be \$20 to 30 million. In addition to this capital cost, there will be annual operating costs to maintain the park which would be additional pressure on the budget along with any debt costs resulting in increased taxes.





PHELPSTON CRA

Written by: Taylor Shewell

A kids halloween event is scheduled for October 29th in partnership with The Phelpston Roadhouse & The CRA. Sign up on the Phelpston Community Events and Recreation Facebook page.

The next CRA meeting will be held on Thursday October 6th @ 7 PM at the rink building. Come on out to discuss future community events.

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We opened with Mary Stewart Collect and the Ode. Lunch in Craighurst Park started the fun. Some members haven't packed a lunch since they were in High School. Ah the memories.

We had a mystery speaker at this meeting, a surprise visitor from South Africa now living in England. Tanya told us about S.A., noting the sheer beauty of the country, and the sun and the sand if you're by the sea, and then the negative side of things, with electricity shortages, water shortages, security concerns, and bad government. Their infrastructure has been neglected, let crumble, and now they pay the price. Tanya now lives and works in England, and could fill us in a bit on the looming high energy costs "over 'ome". She has loved her tour of Canada, especially PEI. Thanks so much for an insightful talk.

Our business meeting continued, with ideas for upcoming programs. Topics suggested were: Exercise but don't leave your chair, "My Life in Nursing", How to make tea biscuits, How to crochet, A visit from the Rep for Georgian Communities, who are about to build 400 new homes in Craighurst, an East Indian cooking demonstration and tasting, Christmas Card making, How to produce a newspaper (we'll be contacting either the Toronto Star OR the Springwater News). We also decided to change our venue to an inside location. And since we have no Community Hall (have I mentioned that before, gentle readers?) we will use the Anglican Church Upper Room. Also we will move the time to the evening, to not exclude the working woman. The third Tuesday in October will find us in St John's Church, at 7:00pm.









Interested in learning about a new Seniors' complex in Elmvale? Join the directors of the Elmvale Active Seniors' at their booth at the Elmvale Fall Fair.



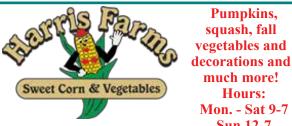


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ANTEN MILLS by Dennis Gannon

This is the weekend to make certain that you have some cash with you. In particular you will need some Loonies. Why you ask, well it's the Anten Mills Autumn Craft Fair this Saturday, October 1, from 10AM to 2PM. You will need the Loonies to get your fluffy pancakes that are being served for the price of a Loonie with all proceeds going to the Elmvale and District Food Bank. Pancakes will start at 10 and will be available until they run out. On top of those mouth watering pancakes will be some local Ontario Maple Syrup which has been generously donated. At the craft fair you will find some nifty crafts, yummy food and interesting art to name just a few items. At the moment there are 18 local crafters, artists and authors ready to meet you and share their talents. There is no admission fee and all the vendors have donated a prize package with a value of no less than \$25 which will be entered into a door prize draw. Now is your chance to get something special for Thanksgiving or an early Christmas present so don't delay and get to the Anten Mills Community Centre, 3985 Horseshoe Valley Rd. W this Saturday morning with your appetite and some Loonies.

Last Wednesday evening our volunteer firefighters were out helping the food bank with their stuff the truck collection. The firefighters who made the rounds in Anten Mills were overwhelmed by the community generosity. They ran out of room in the truck and needed to fill the passenger compartment. A big thanks goes out to all who donated and to our volunteer firefighters who gave so freely of their time. In case you weren't able to make a donation, there will be bins at the craft fair this weekend and your donations will be accepted and appreciated.

Thursday night euchre has been an ongoing tradition in our community for a number of years. The hosts and participants have an enjoyable evening and there of course is some fun competition going on. Euchre is back in full swing and everyone is welcome to come and play. Skill isn't an issue and players of all abilities are welcome. Euchre is Thursday nights at the community centre and the games begin at 7PM. Give it a try for an evening of great social fun.

In less than a month it's going to be Halloween. The night that ghosts, goblins and superheroes are out and about in the community. Thanks to a community host



who has stepped up, "The Goblins will be Haunting, The Monsters will Mash, It's time to get ready for the Anten Mills Halloween Bash." On Sunday, October 30th from 11 - 2 our community centre will be transformed into a Halloween wonderland with games and activities for the kids. So plan now to attend and get into the Halloween Spirit by wearing your costume and join in the fun. More details will be posted on the Anten Mills Community Facebook page and additional volunteers will be needed.

For 100 years, the second Sunday of October has been the start of Fire Prevention Week throughout North America. The theme for the 2022 campaign is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." Fire in homes today burns faster than ever. Should a fire break out you may have 2 minutes or less to safely escape from the time the smoke alarms sound. To ensure everyone gets out safely, working smoke alarms and a fire safety plan are needed by everyone. To help get the message out and to answer your questions about smoke and carbon monoxide alarms as well as the opportunity to check out a fire truck, the Springwater Fire and Emergency Services will also be in attendance at the craft fair this weekend. This will be a great opportunity to meet some of our local volunteer firefighters and gain some valuable fire safety tips. They might also have some neat stuff to hand out and it hasn't been confirmed yet, but Sparky may make an appearance.

In less than 3 months it will be Christmas. While it may seem early, it's not too early to plan to participate

in the annual Anten Mills Christmas in the Village weekend. On Saturday, December 10, the annual tree lighting will take place along with the wonderful winter fireworks display. Sunday will be the 25th anniversary Santa Claus parade which if planning starts now, can be the biggest and the best ever. The street competition is always fun and McLaughlin Street families have had their children grow up with the parade for almost its entirety. Start spreading the news and get the thinking caps on for the more incredible floats and displays like we have seen in the past and help make the 25th anniversary parade the one to remember.

The 50th anniversary garden grew extremely well this past year. It does require a good weeding before the winter and additional plants are needed for the berm gardens separating the parking area. If you have plants to donate or can spare some time weeding get in touch with the Anten Mills Community Recreation Association team and know that your donations will be greatly appreciated.

The community is saddened to hear of the passing of former McLaughlin Street resident Clem Jutras. Clem passed away on August 24 with Barb by his side. Clem was active in the community and a fine gentleman. There will be no formal funeral service



and a private interment will occur. Messages of condolence will be forwarded to the family through adamsfuneralhome.ca. Our community sympathy goes to Barb and may Clem Rest in Peace.

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

Annual General Meeting



The Emvale Business Improvement Association would like to invite you to our upcoming AGM/Board of Executive meeting where the first step in facilitating the election of the new Board of Management will take place: Emvale Library - Thursday, October 20, 2022 @ 5:30

We are not only proud of our accomplishments, but most grateful to all the businesses that supported us over the past 4 years.

Nominations are being accepted for the Nomination Committee who will be responsible for the upcoming election for the Elmvale BIA Board of Management for the 2022–2026 term

The Nomination Committee will be appointed at the October 20, 2022 meeting.

Nomination for the Nomination Committee requests can be taken in advance by submitting through the BIA website: https://www.elmvalebia.ca or from the floor at the October meeting.

Note the Nomination Committee shall not include any persons seeking election to the Board of Management. Emvale BIA Board of Executive Elections will take place on January 19th, 2022.

Come find out what the BIA has been doing to serve our local businesses, and what YOU can do to help us help you! Hope to see you there.





Jo Knows Nutrition



ALREADY TIRED OF MAKING LUNCHES – BENTO BOX IT!

If you haven't heard of a "Bento Box" - get ready - you are about to experience lunch prep in a whole new way. The word "Bento" means lunch box in Japanese and it consists

of a nifty container with a few compartments to stash a variety of food items. A bento box is perfect for those who are not sandwich people and, let's face it, so many of us aren't. With a bento box you can assemble a lunch with limitless possibilities and universal appeal.

BENTO BOX LUNCH IDEAS



Egg Breakfast Box

Hard-cooked egg slices, cheese cubes, whole-wheat crackers or pita wedges, apple slices or berries.

Rotisserie Chicken & Veggie Box

Store-bought rotisserie chicken, shredded or diced, cherry tomatoes, peppers, baby carrots, dip and whole-wheat bread cubes.

Hummus & Crackers Box



Regular hummus or flavoured hummus (i.e., garlic, red pepper or caramelized onion), whole-wheat pita wedges or crackers, and melon wedges.

Greek Yogurt, Granola, & Berries Box

A generous portion of higher protein Greek yogurt (plain or vanilla), honey, granola or other favourite breakfast cereal, and berries.

Mexican Bean Box

Red kidney beans, salsa, guacamole, wholewheat pita wedges or mini tortilla, chopped lettuce, shredded cheddar cheese, and fruit.

Leftover Pancake Box

Pancakes (preferably made with oats or whole-wheat flour), maple syrup, hard-boiled egg slices, strawberry yogurt, berries.

Pasta or Pizza Box

Leftover pasta or pizza wedges, veggies and dip, sliced apple or pear.

ENJOY!

Submitted by: Joanne Nijhuis MSc, RD, a consulting and culinary dietitian in Simcoe Grey Bruce. www.joknowsnutrition.com



Did You Know?

Lunch does not always have to be "Lunch". Chuck the rules about what is considered a proper lunch and let your imagination and palate or your child's appetite and interest decide what can be eaten mid-day. Lunch can be dinner's leftovers or breakfast's scrambled eggs or just an assortment of healthy snacks like fruit, veggies, dip, cheese, and crackers. Ask your local general store to order in a bento box for you or go online to Amazon, Wayfair, Bed Bath & Beyond or other retailers to get yours today.



REMEMBER WHEN.... ELMVALE FAIR FALL 2018 EDHS TROJANS

FOCUSED ON WHAT MATTERS

- Increase AFFORDABLE housing stock via adjustments to provincial planning policy, less restriction on lot severance and more affordable building materials
- Agricultural SUPPORTS FOR LOCAL FARMERS via decreased farmland tax ratio 25% to 23%, municipal joint commodity purchasing program and increased agri-fourism.
- COMMUNITY SAFETY via continued investment in life-safety and rescuing equipment for our first responders, local snow fencing/ crop purchasing program to battle wind blown snow on concession ways
- INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE via increasing our capital spend to replace aging infrastructure, build the reserve and implement a capital asset management plan to deal with amortization of our infrastructure.
- Environmental stewardship to BATTLE CLIMATE CHANGE via electrifying the municipal fleet, outlawing hardscaping in favour of "softscaping" and green incentives built into our tendering and purchasing policy







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REMEMBER WHEN....
ELMVALE FAIR FALL
2018 HCES BAND





It is my promise to strive for:

- Fiscal responsibility with due diligence towards services
- Controlled growth while adhering to all legislated oversight
- $\bullet \ \ {\bf Environmental} \ {\bf responsibility}$
- Committed to learning all of the facts surrounding the issues presented to council in an effort to make sure the best possible decisions for the municipality are made

I am committed to keeping Springwater one of the finest municipalities in which to LIVE, WORK & PLAY!







A TINY SENIOR MOMENT

Marilyn Hughes, Volunteer Writer

Senior Advisory Committee – Township of Tiny

Living in Tiny and as I take my daily walk, I am reminded by the surrounding forests and waters of Georgian Bay of the history that we are privileged to experience in this region. Georgian Bay has provided life for many creatures for generations, human and aquatic. And the forests provide timber to build the boats to fulfill life sustaining needs as well as for enjoyment.

Over the past century or longer, many wooden boats were built in Tiny, Penetanguishene, Midland or Collingwood. Some of these vessels are still in use while others may require repairs to preserve their heritage. The Georgian Bay Heritage League (GBHL), a non-profit volunteer organization founded in 1984 have undertaken this task. The mandate of GBHL is to restore and preserve wooden heritage boats indigenous to Georgian Bay and to educate others about the history of the boats through public or specialized events.

One such craft recently restored is a "Tender" or lighthouse boat built around 1910 by the Watts Company in Collingwood. It was used to transport Lighthouse Keepers, their families, and supplies to remote locations on Georgian Bay.

The members of GBHL have a diverse background, and everyone is welcome, no experience required. The group meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 9 – noon in a small shop in Perkinsfield on County Rd 6, Tiny. If you have an interest in volunteering, working with wood, outboard motors or just learning something new, drop into the shop any Tuesday or Thursday, or send an email to info@gbhl. ca, or phone 705-527-0339. For more information and to see pictures of a few of the boats already repaired, as well as some work in process, please go to their website at www.gbhl.ca or Facebook at WoodBoatsGBHL.

Activities in Tiny, ongoing programs, and support: While we are starting to enjoy the colour of the changing leaves, I have noticed a few houses already have put up their merry Christmas lights. However, there are some people who do not have any family and will be isolated at Christmas. For them it might not be such a merry time. The Senior Wish Association (a volunteer driven non-profit Charity) collect donations and gifts for Christmas "Bags of Love" to give to nominated or self-identified individuals. The areas that the Association presently serve are Barrie, Sandy Cove, Innisfil, Wasaga Beach/Stayner, Oro/Orillia with a Chapter soon to be implemented in Collingwood. If you know of someone in this

situation and who reside in the areas noted, please contact the Treasurer/Director of Wishes, Bonnie, at seniorwish11@gmail.com or phone 705-816-0619. If you are interested in setting up a

Chapter in Tiny, let them know. For more information about the Senior Wish Association, please go to www. aseniorwish.com. Tiny's Senior Speaker Series:

The Senior Speaker Series is open and free to all residents of North Simcoe with pre-registration required. The first of four workshops have been completed, and the remaining three workshops are:

Thursday, October 20th, 1-3 PM – held at Georgian Shores Swinging Seniors. Topics will be Body, Mind and Spirit.

Wednesday, October 26th, 9-12 noon – held at Tiny Community Centre. The topic will be, The Powers That May Be.

Tuesday, November 22nd, 1-4 PM – be held at Tiny Community Centre. Topics will be Seniors Keeping Active – Programs, Volunteers.

For more information or to register for any of these workshops, contact Tiny's Recreation Dept. at 705-526-4204 ext. 3 or go to www.tiny.ca/seniors.

Tiny's Farm Crawl – October 1st. The Farm Crawl will be a self-driving tour again this year, with lunch included. Tickets can be purchased by calling 705-526-4204 x3 or email recreation@tiny.ca.

Communications:

A great way to keep informed on what's happening in the municipality is through TinyConnect. You can receive updates and information via text, email, voice or TTY/TDD. To register go to www.tinyconnect.ca, or phone 705-526-4204 ext. 301.

Transportation:

CT Link – a community transportation service for Simcoe residents for medical

(priority) and other appointments within Simcoe County and other destinations. If wheelchair assistance is required, advise when booking. Schedule a pickup via online to ctlink.ca or Call 2-1-1 for assistance.

Other transportation needs are available through Community Reach and can be requested by phone at 705-528-6999, or email information@communityreach.ca.

Health and Support Programs:

Telehealth – A free and confidential service. Call 1-866-797-0000 to speak with a Nurse 24/7.

Rocket Doctor – To speak with a doctor during off hours, and other than for emergencies, contact Rocket Doctor at 1-867-670-2273. This is a free and confidential service with a quick turnaround time.

www.votewishart.ca



Fall Harvest Gems



Autumn is a favourite season for many Ontarians.From the vibrant fall foliage, to pumpkin spice everything, sweater weather has much to offer.With the harvest in full swing, many

opt to enjoy the crisp air and hit the plethora of outdoor farmers' markets before vendors head indoors after the Thanksgiving weekend has passed.

A very popular and well known spot is the Collingwood Downtown Farmers' Market. Located at the corner of Second and Pine Streets, it is open from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. every Saturday until Thanksgiving. As well as the usual fresh produce, baked goods and crafts that one comes to expect of farmers' markets, this market offers a number of specialty items and services such as custom embroidery, pottery, environmentally friendly beeswax wraps, handmade soaps, European dried, cured and smoked meats and cheeses and on-site cooking via Cabin Kitchen. Those looking for an adult beverage will also not be disappointed. For the beer lovers check out the products of Black Bellows and Sidelaunch breweries. More of a lover of wine and cider? Head over to the stalls featuring items from Duntroon Cyder House, Georgian Hills Vineyards and Spy Cider House. Herbal tea is also featured at the market for those who prefer to abstain.

As one of the longest running markets in the province (it started in 1842), the Orillia Farmers' Market is also fairly popular in these parts. It is located at 36 Mississauga Street West and operates every Saturday from 8 a.m. until 12:30. There are only a couple of weeks left to enjoy the outdoor market before participants make the move to inside the Orillia Public Library on October 15th. There are over 30 vendors to be found at this location. Expect to find fresh produce, honey, maple syrup, products from local breweries, baked goods (including gluten free options) and an abundance of arts and crafts items.

Perhaps not quite so well known is the Coldwater Mills Farmers' Market. This market is perfect for those who wouldn't describe themselves as "morning people". It's open every Friday from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. from June until Thanksgiving. You will find it at 1 Mill Street by the Musical Barn of Coldwater Mill. The mill, built in 1833, and the quaint main street are worth a trip to Coldwater in and of themselves. However, the keen shopper will want to head over to the stalls to check out the locally grown organic produce, herbs, baked goods, preserves, honey, maple syrup, beef, pork and chicken. While you're near, take some time to peruse the Artisan Boutique featuring more than 35 vendors, located inside the mill.

Take advantage of crisp air and sunny skies by heading outdoors to enjoy the bounty of the harvest season. Farmers' Markets are a proud local tradition. Your support is always welcomed and appreciated.

Re-Elect
Gibb
WISHART

Big Heart for Tiny Township

If you believe that the Quiet Enjoyment of a Resident trumps the Short Term Rental use of a home in your neighbourhood for extra cash. 300 is still way too many.

If you want me on Council to push for a maximum of a 0 to 2% blended Tax increase so we keep Tiny residents at the bottom of the taxed communities in Simcoe County.

If you want me to ask for a return of in-person Townhall Meetings so Council can hear directly from their ratepayers.

If you want someone on Council who will be insisting that the Province assist Tiny with funding to deal with our Septage so we can stop dumping it on local farm fields.

If you want someone on Council who will ask staff to do everything they can to Buy Locally.

So you can have someone on Council who supports all the Recreational Services we have come to enjoy.

If you want a Councillor who supports a steady improvement of our infrastructure, Roads, Ditches, Trails, Bridges, etc.

Vote for Gibb Wishart if you want a Councillor who will take your calls and actually Listen

Annie's Journal

Written by Annie Warner Donnelly



These days, as I drive to places within our area, I'm continually reminded of the reasons why I'm grateful to live in this community. The colourful beauty of the changing leaves and the still blooming fall flowers dazzle my eyes. God's love is revealed in all that He created.

We only have to drive a short distance to see the election signs. They name our friends and neighbours who are willing to make a commitment to the implementation, expansion and maintenance of the governing strategies that are meant to help us prosper and keep us safe. God's love is revealed in the time each one is putting aside to care for our community and for us.

Our friends and neighbours own and manage businesses that provide us with food and clothing, housewares and gardening tools, farm equipment and seeds, and so much more! God's love is revealed in the talents and abilities He put into each one of them and each one of us.

They care for us when accidents or sickness or death impact our families. They build medical clinics, hospice facilities and funeral homes that become centres of compassion and care. They build wellness centres. They provide workshops and seminars to teach us how to better care for ourselves physically, mentally, and emotionally. God's love is revealed as we acknowledge Him as the One who created us, as we cherish the lives we've been given by eating

nutritious foods, drinking clean water, sleeping 7 to 8 hours each night, exercising, breathing fresh air in the sunshine and doing whatever else will keep us healthy.

They teach us how to manage our finances so we can help build schools, recreation centres, baseball diamonds and curling rinks, shelters for the homeless, training programs to help the unemployed. God's love is revealed in the way He created our hearts and minds to care for others and their needs.

They worship with us. Some are trained as spiritual leaders. They help us understand who our Creator is and why we can trust Him to keep His promise to never leave or forsake us. God's love is revealed in His desire for us to know Him, for us to come to Him for comfort and rest.

Let's be grateful for what we see around us and the deeper meanings that everything discloses.

Let's be grateful for who we see around us. Let's admit it: none of us are perfect so let's stop expecting perfection in others. Let's look for the good in each other because there is good in each of us.

Let's be grateful that God created us with the capacity to love and care for others.

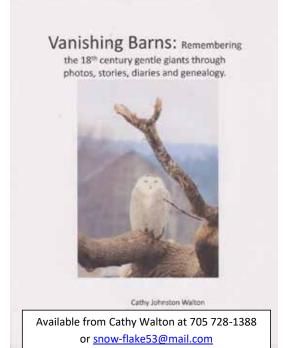
Let's express our gratefulness to the bank teller; the auto mechanic; the check-out cashier; the mail delivery person; the shop keeper; the medical professionals; the farmer down the road; members of the police and fire departments; friends and family members near and far; everyone who serves us or takes care of us. Let's make every day a Thanksgiving Day. Amen.





REMEMBER WHEN... SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGED?





Ritchie's Feed or Simcoe County Museum.

Vanishing Barns - Cathy Walton has been researching barns in Flos and Vespra Townships (now Springwater) for the last six years and has published the results in the book "Vanishing Barns".

If you are interested in a copy, please contact Cathy at 705 728-1388 or snow-flake53@mail.com.

Concession 9, W ½ Lot 21, Vespra Township 3601 George Johnston Road, Springwater Township

Owners:2012-presentNorman and Janice (MacInnis) Jones1968-2010Ron and Jean (Strauss) Sass1967-1968Catherine Lux-1967Thomas' sister Elizabeth (Lizzie) lived

-1960 here
Thomas Harrison farmed here with horses until ill health forced him to stop farming Richard and Sarah Harrison bought NW ¼ Lot 21, 50 acres

NW ¼ Lot 21, 50 acres
Richard and Sarah (Dimaline) Harrison,
bought SW ¼ Lot 21 from Canada Land
Co. for 87 pounds, 10 shillings

Built: 1875, George Lux laid the stonework for the barn **Dimensions:** 40 x 60'

Bents: 4 Features: 2 threshing floors Water Source: well

The farm has been in the family since 1875. Richard, from Liverpool and Sarah, from Vespra Township, began clearing land and had two pigs and one cow.

George and Margery Alice (Harrison) Lux had three girls, Catherine, Patricia and Alice. Margery Alice died in childbirth. Sarah, their grandmother, looked after the children for a year until her death. Their Aunt Lizzie raised them and continued farming after her brother Thomas quit. George Lux returned to Kentucky. Ron Sass was Patricia (Lux) Sass' son and Norman Jones' grandfather.

An underground stream comes out at the east edge of the farm.

Norm and Janice Jones, Joan Drury, A History of Vespra Township p. 78.



The Sass barn has been in the same family since 1875



The mow was on the west side of the barn, with a granary on the east.

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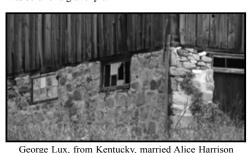


The barn sits high on a hill. Originally 100 acres, the barn is now on 38 acres.

Part of the farm was sold for a gravel pit.



Jean (Strauss) Sass learned to shear sheep



and laid the stonework for the barn.



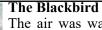
There are two doors at this end and four doors leading up from the barn bridge.

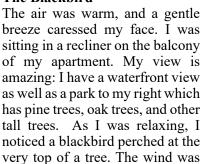


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Rosie's Devotions

by Rosemary Hagedorn





blowing the tree's branch, rocking the bird back and forth. I found it amazing that the bird didn't just drop off, and it seemed to me as if the bird and the tree branch were one, dancing to some unheard musical piece.

This wonderful event reminded me that God is with us through times of dancing, when everything

As I continued to watch, I noticed that big, puffy, rain clouds were rolling in. The sky turned black and my friend, the blackbird, flew into the bush. Then the rain came down in buckets.

This turn of events reminded me that God is also with us through times of sorrow and distress.

Philippians 4:6 – Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. (NIV) **Isaiah 41:10** – So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (NIV)

Are you facing storm clouds in your life today? Do you feel that no one cares, and that everything is being dropped onto your shoulders? Remember the One Who cares about you and is waiting for you to share your anxieties and frustrations with

Prayer: Dearest Jesus, remind us that You are always with us. All we have to do is talk with You and listen. Grant us Your peace that goes beyond human understanding. Amen.

2021 Hall of Fame Induction

The Springwater Sports Heritage Committee will be hosting their delayed 2021 Hall of Fame Induction due to the COVID pandemic on Friday October 21, 2022 at Snow Valley Resort. The reception will be from 5:00pm to 6:15pm, the dinner will be from 6:30pm to 8:00pm and the Ceremony to Induct our four athletes, three builders and two teams will begin at 8:00pm. The dress code for the event will be Business Casual. Tickets are \$60.00 for the evening event. Tickets can be purchased starting August 17th, 2022 online through the township portal. The link is

https://webforms.springwater.ca/Recreation/ **Sports-Heritage-Banquet-Guest-Tickets**

You can also go to the township office and they will help you with the purchase of your tickets or call the recreation department at 705-728-4784, extension 2083 and they will help you with the online purchase.

This year we would like to extend our gratitude to our patrons who are supporting us with the 2021 Induction. They are;

Currie Truck Centre Marshall Insurance Brokers Powell Jones LLP Sexton's Mechanical Ltd. Key Mortgage Partners Geranium Homes

Below is the list of Athletes, Builders and Teams that will be inducted that night.

Atheletes

Adam Dixon - Sledge Hockey Alanna Kovacs-Gunn - Track and Field Alexandra Paul- Figure Skating Sarah Burke - Skier

Teams

1954/55 Elmvale Comets - Women's Softball Team 1974/75 Minesing OASA Fastball Team

Builders

Frank Archer

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Transgender! An Oportunity **To Ask Questions**

You hear about someone being 'trans' on the news; you see it in movies and you may even know someone at work or in the community who has 'transitioned'. You'd love to ask questions but that would be impolite! Here is your invitation to do just that. Friday October 14, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Midhurst United Church you can listen, engage in discussion and ask questions.

Two transgender women from the Sudbury area, Rita O'Link and Darlyn Hansen, have been invited to speak about life experiences and challenges they faced as they transitioned to and commenced living as women in their communities. Both did so when they were older adults. They have experience presenting and engaging in Q and A sessions pertaining to non-binary and transgender lived experiences.

"In 2014, when O'Link was helping to launch the video "Creating Awareness and Understanding of the Transgender Community" with the Greater Sudbury Police, Barbara Hall, chief commissioner with the Ontario Human Rights Commission said "although transgendered people's rights are now guaranteed in the Ontario Human Rights Code, having rights on paper is never enough.... Service providers and people in the community [need to be] able to deeply understand the trans experience."

This Café Convo (coffee and conversation) event is open to everyone. The purpose of the discussion is to raise people's awareness, improve their understanding, and remove the stigma of talking about all gender identities. Individuals trying to understand a co-worker, wishing to support a family member or friend, or just interested in understanding life from this perspective are welcome to participate. Come join us.

Low-cost Rabies Clinics Return To Simcoe County

Low-cost rabies clinics, an affordable way to get rabies shots for dogs and cats over three months old, are available again this year in Simcoe County. Low-cost rabies clinics are offered annually by local veterinarians who generously give their time to participate in the program and operate the clinics.

The first clinic will be held on Sunday, Sept. 25 in Tottenham, with additional clinics in Barrie, Oro-Medonte, Penetanguishene and Thornton, through to Oct. 29. A schedule of clinics is listed on the health unit's website at smdhu.org/RabiesClinics.

One and three-year vaccines are being offered at clinics, depending on the animal's vaccination status. Pet owners should speak with their vet to determine when their pet is due for its next rabies vaccination. It helps to bring the previous vaccination certificate to a clinic to make sure which vaccine is best.

"Cats and dogs are part of the family and vaccinating them against rabies protects them and the human members of your family," said Felicia Ratiu, rabies program coordinator at the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit. "Vaccinating pets against rabies is also required by law and these clinics are affordable option for pet owners."

The clinics provide vaccines against rabies to thousands of pets annually. Anyone unable to attend the limited low-cost clinic locations can contact their local veterinarian to arrange to get their pet vaccinated.

Thanks to vaccination, the baiting of wild raccoons, skunks, and foxes and public awareness, Ontario's incidence of rabies is lower than many other areas in North America.

In addition to vaccinating your pet, you can help prevent the spread of rabies by not allowing cats or dogs to roam free and keeping them indoors at night. Remind your family to stay away from unfamiliar dogs and cats, as well as all wildlife, including bats.

Rabies is a fatal disease that can spread to humans through the bites or scratches of an infected animal. In 2021, health unit staff investigated 1,603 animal exposure incidents. Many of the investigations resulted in rabies vaccine for people as a precaution.



Community **Special Events**

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Saturday October 1, 2022 at 7:30pm **An Evening of Entertainment Elmvale Community Centre** by Team Dalston

Proceeds will go to Elmvale Foodbank and the Brain Tumour Association. 50/50 tickets, door prizes, and raffles. Soft drinks and water available. Admission \$20 - Cash only.

Sunday October 2, 2022 at 10:30am Midhurst United Church 135th Anniversary

In person or on ZOOM. Come celebrate and worship with us. All are welcome. Coffee and light refreshments will be served following the service for those attending in-person.

Sunday, October 2, 10 - 4 Makers Market & Holiday Home Tour

Inspirational self-drive tour of 4 holiday decorated homes, shop the Makers Market, enjoy tea/coffee/ snack at the Heights of Horseshoe. Tickets \$35 at the May Court Shop (54B Maple Ave. Barrie) or on-line at WWW.BARRIEMAYCOURTCLUB. CA/EVENTS (service fee will apply)

Oct. 7 & 8, 2022 Elmvale Fall Fair Fair Grounds

October 13, 2022 6-9 pm **Thriving With Diabetes**

North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre, Midland. Free event. Contact: Fran 705.355.7611, Jane 705.526-4462 or Janey4462@gmail.com. Guest speaker Dr. Daniel Scanlan.

Friday October 14, 7-9 pm What is Transgender? Got questions?

This Cafe Convo (coffee and conversation) at Midhurst United Church is a secular event open to anyone. Guest presenters, Rita and Dar, are transgender women speaking from their lived experience.

October 15, 2022 6 pm Music Bingo and Pasta Dinner Fundraiser **Orr Lake Golf Course**

Hillsdale CRA is hosting this event. Tickets can be obtained – hillsdaleCRA@gmail.com or Paula (905)259-6334

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Saturday, October 22. Fall Roast Beef Dinner, Take-out Style **Midhurst United Church**

Tickets are \$30.00 for roast beef dinner and homemade pies! Tickets can be purchased by visiting https://www.eventbrite.com/e/take-away-roastbeef-dinner-tickets-415688965887 (Eventbrite Ticketing fee of \$2.84 applies) or by calling 705 722 6331 or 705 722 7208. Dinners can be picked up on Saturday, October 22 at Midhurst United Church, 91 Doran Rd., Midhurst

CLASSIFIED

Garage Sale

Garage sale. 3921 Baseline Road, Elmvale. Saturday, October 8th 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and Sunday, October 9th 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Some items for sale are small cabinet radio, spinning wheel, washstand, Parsons bench and wall mirror, Bent back chairs, recliner - manual, recliner - power, fold down desk, kitchen table - fold leaf table, makeup table with mirror & stool, oak dining table with four leaves, oval oak table - curved legged, oval pedestal table, telephone table, TV stand, wash stand with pitcher & basin, couches, Honda tiller - very old, Arctic cat mini bike vintage 1972, exercise bike, 50 gallon compressor, DeVilbiss Paint Gun, GP 1/2 air wrench, Motormaster Air compressor, Powerfist air sheer/nibbler, Rigid air nailer, 10" Miter saw, 1 small elec snowblower, "3/4"" drill", 7 1/4 skillsaw, Chainsaw - Stihl 14", Concrete vibrator, Dewalt 13" Planer, DeWalt 18v drill, Floor Jack small, Gas line trimmer homelite, Honda 3500 Generator, Master craft steel cutoff saw, Pipe threader, Sears 10" Radial Arm Saw, Shopsmith combo tool, Trademaster 14" Benchtop Drill Press with Stand, cutlery, small microwave, Instapot, books, knick knacks, lamps, kitchenware, and additional tools, housewares, and antiques

Community Events

ONGOING EVENTS:

Bid Euchre

Elmvale Community Hall 1 pm - 4 pm Every Monday

Midland Bridge Club 12:45 pm - 4 pm **Tues.:** Duplicate Bridge, **Wed,.** Learn to Play Bridge and **Thurs**.: Duplicate Bridge

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.

Elmvale Splash Pad Daily from 10 am to 7 pm

Homer Barrett Park

Let's Do Lunch \$5:

Elmvale Presbyterian Church

Take-out- held **2nd Thursday of the month**: to order, call 705-322-1411 between 9 and 3pm on the Monday previous for pick-up Thursday between 11:45 and 12:15 at the East side of the church, 22 Queen St. E. Delivery in town only.

BARRIE-KEMPENFELT PROBUS CLUB October 20th, at 10:00 a.m.

Canadian Legion, 410 St. Vincent Street in Barrie



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The OPP Report

Police Seek the Assistance of the Public after **Investigation Leads to the Recovery of Stolen Off** Road Vehicle/UTV

As a result of an ongoing police investigation, members of the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment became aware of the theft of a red coloured 2021 Honda side by side Utility Task Vehicle (UTV) on September 20, 2022 from a Hydro One storage facility in Tay Township.

Through investigation and the assistance of the Southern Georgian Bay and Parry Sound Community Street Crime Units working in conjunction with uniform members, the stolen UTV was recovered from a private property location in the Town of Parry Sound and returned to Hydro One.

The investigation into the theft of the UTV is continuing and investigators are asking that anyone having knowledge this incident to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, opp.southern.georgian.bay@opp. ca or by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can submit your information online at https://www.crimestopperssdm.com/ Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display and you will remain anonymous. Being anonymous, you will not testify in court and your information may lead to a cash reward of up to \$2,000.00.

Fall Marine Season on Georgian Bay Brings **Cooler Water Temperatures**

Life Jacket & Floater Suit Reminder

Uniform officers assigned to the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment Marine Unit were out on patrol over the September 20-25, 2022 time period checking a total of 49 vessels during their 20 hours on area waterways. Nineteen operators were educated on various offences under the Canada Shipping Act (CSA) and officers responded to eight calls for service including the previously reported Impaired Boater incident - (see attached).

Patrols also resulted in one operator being ticketed for a Canada Shipping Act violation along another operator for an offence under the Liquor Licence Control Act (LLCA)

Focused patrols were also conducted along the Tiny Township shoreline, the Island's of Beckwith, Giants Tomb and local marina's to help reduce the incidence of impaired driving and other alcohol related offences

Cooler Weather means Cooler Water Temperatures - Life Jacket & Floater Suit Reminder

Wearing your Lifejacket while on the water especially now with the cooler days of fall approaching, will definitely increase your chances of survival if you should go overboard. Lets be prepared for these approaching temperatures by having the appropriate and approved lifejackets and or floater suits on board for all vessel occupants.

As of 12:00 p.m. September 26, 2022 the surface water temperature according to the Government of Canada Weather Buoy at Buoy position: 44.95N 80.63W is 17 degrees Celsius.

Smart Tip- Attach a pealess whistle and a small watertight flashlight to the exterior of your lifejacket or floater suit to assist in rescue efforts.

Remember, if you see a possible impaired operator "Make the Call" and dial 911 and help prevent a marine tragedy.

INCREASED POLICE PRESENCE WASAGA BEACH THIS WEEKEND

A heightened police presence was evident in the Town of Wasaga Beach and surrounding areas on Friday, September 23, 2022, into the overnight hours, with officers from the Huronia Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) patrolling for Highway Traffic Act (HTA) and Criminal Code driving offences to ensure community safety.

With support from members of various OPP Detachments and specialty teams across the province, OPP Aviation, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Enforcement Officers, and members from York Regional Police Service, South Simcoe Police Service and Barrie Police Service, officers responded to 39 calls for service and investigated four vehicle

Numerous Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (R.I.D.E.) programs were also conducted with over 180 drivers checked for signs of impairment. Officers issued 136 Provincial Offences notices for violations relating to HTA, Environmental Protection Act (EPA) and Liquor Licence Control Act (LLCA) offences. Numerous motorists were also investigated and charged for speed, vehicle exhaust systems and equipment-related offences.

Stunt Driving Investigation

A 28-year-old driver from Maple was stopped travelling 131km/h in 80km/h zone on Highway 26 at Rainbow Valley Road in Clearview Township around 11:30 p.m. on September 23, 2022. Other issues included bald rear tires, improper muffler, expired plates, no front plate and unnecessary noise. Huronia West OPP charged the driver accordingly and issued an automatic roadside 30-day licence suspension, 14day vehicle impound and a court date.

For more information on the consequences of speeding and aggressive driving, visit https://www. ontario.ca/page/speeding-and-aggressive-driving.

Impaired Driving Investigation

Officers on patrol stopped a vehicle for speeding on Dunkerron Avenue in Wasaga Beach, at shortly before 7:00 p.m. on September 23, 2022. As a result of the investigation, Paul SPENCELEY, 25 years of age, from Barrie, was criminally charged with Operation While Impaired - Blood Alcohol Concentration (80

The accused was released on a recognizance to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on October 11, 2022, and faces a 90-day driver's licence suspension and a 14-day vehicle impoundment as per the Ministry of Transportation Administrative Drivers License Suspension (ADLS) program.

Educating the public about safe driving practices with our community safety partners is a priority. If you see a possible impaired driver, please make the life-saving call and dial 9-1-1.

Members of the public are reminded to respect our communities and not jeopardize the safety of our citizens or our neighbourhoods with risky, illegal and dangerous actions. Anyone who witnesses unsafe driving or unlawful activity is asked to call the Huronia West OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or 9-1-1 in an emergency.

OPP Seeking the Assistance of the Public with Pedestrian vs Vehicle Fail To Remain Investigation in Midland

Investigators from the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment are seeking the assistance of the public identifying a vehicle that failed to remain after striking a pedestrian around 10:25 p.m. September 18, 2022. Officers responded to a reported scene just south on William Street from the intersection of William and Elizabeth Streets, Midland. Members of the County of Simcoe Paramedic Services attended to triage a 44 year old female who had been struck by what scene evidence and information indicates as a south bound dark coloured pick up truck with a loud exhaust with damage to the front right headlight assembly.

The injured pedestrian was transported to an area hospital with serious injuries and was later transported to a Toronto area hospital for further medical treatment.

Anyone having knowledge of this suspect vehicle and/or occupants or possibly dash cam / residential video of this crime is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, opp.southern.georgian.bay@opp. ca or by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can submit your information online at www.p3tips.com. Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display and you will remain anonymous. Being anonymous, you will not testify in court and your information may lead to a cash reward of up to \$2,000.00. You can follow Crime Stoppers of Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka www.crimestopperssdm.com on Twitter or Facebook.

BREAK AND ENTER SPREE OVER AFTER FOURSOME CAUGHT IN THE ACT Multiple Break-In Incidents Resolved

On September 19, 2022, at 3:57 a.m., a keen-eyed officer from the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), observed four males as they broke into a Springwater business located on Bayfield Street.

These four males were arrested, and all charged with Break and Enter.

Members of the Huronia West OPP's Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) along with uniform officer's have been investigating for several months into break and enters that have been occurring at gas stations in both Springwater and Barrie. This investigation is continuing with the assistance of the OPP Forensic Identification Services (FIS). Some property has been recovered, and more charges are expected.

The Huronia West OPP is requesting anyone with information to call 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit a secure web-tip at www. cstip.ca, where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2000.



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Township of Springwater Unveils Stonemanor Woods Phase 2 Park

Springwater Mayor Don Allen, members of Council and Township staff were pleased to celebrate the official unveiling of the newly-constructed park in the Stonemanor Woods Phase 2 subdivision last Friday.



The Stonemanor Woods Phase 2 subdivision was one of the residential areas identified for the creation of parkland in the Township's Updated Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2016). Based on the forecasted population growth in the area, it was recommended that a new neighbourhood park be developed to meet the future needs of the community. The project was included and approved for funding in the 2021 Capital Budget.



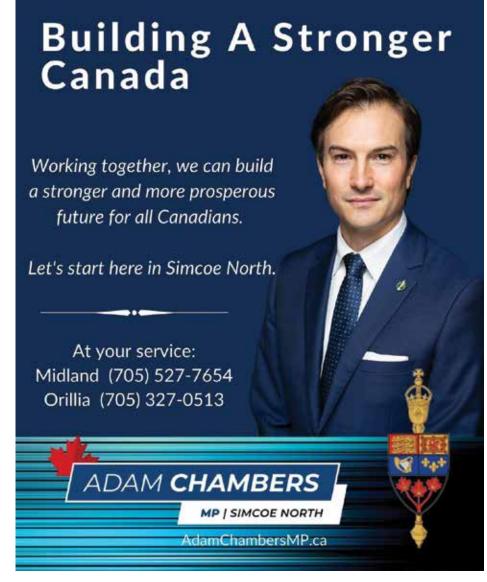
Three design concepts were developed based on consultations with the community and other key stakeholders on the contents and layout of the park. The public was then asked to vote on their preferred design concept, with the 'Park N Play' design ultimately selected for its capacity to serve a diverse range of ages and abilities.



Construction of the park began earlier this summer which included the installation of junior and senior play structures, tennis, basketball and pickleball courts, and landscaping. The park also features a large open field space for passive recreation as well as accessible paths connecting each of the amenities.

"Investing in neighbourhood parks is a fundamental part of building healthy, thriving, and inclusive communities," said Mayor Don Allen who led the ribbon cutting on Friday. "Today's park opening demonstrates our commitment to providing high-quality parks and facilities, so that every Springwater resident has the opportunity to enjoy nature and recreation close to home. We are very pleased to be officially opening this new space."

The new park is located at the corner of Victoria Wood Avenue and Daly Court.



Lockhart Family Donates Planter to EDGE

EDGE would like to thank the Lockhart family for the donation, which purchased two large planters in their mothers' name. Jeane Lockhart was one of the founding member's and a very active member of the Elmvale Horticultural Society. The planter's are located at the Gate Way Park and the corner of John St. and Hwy 27.



Photo above: L-R: Ed Lockhart, Ken Lockhart, Cliff Lockhart, Diane Lockhart (Past President), Murray Lockhart, Nancy Lockhart (EDGE Media)

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Views from the Cottage by Melanie Martyn

SEE YOU IN THE FALL'!

Wait, that would be now. Summer is over and Fall is just beginning. I am sad to say goodbye to 'Those Lazy-Hazy-Crazy Days of Summer' as well versed and sung by the late Nat king Cole. Seems there is a song for

every season! Swimsuits, Short-shorts, and tank tops are relegated to the storage bin after a final wash to remove the last vestige of warm summer breezes with a hint of toasted marshmallows. The water is cool now, but I refuse to pull the dock in until the end of October. My floating 'party island' looks lonely with just a few seagulls entertaining themselves on the sunnier days. Less and less boat traffic on the lake is a welcome reprieve to the fish, waterfowl, and shore bound wildlife. Replacing the Seadoos and power boats, are the canoes and kayaks that glide almost silently across the waters. The sun shines a lighter golden hue and even the air smells crisper... cooler. It is harvest time, so I just love visiting the local farms and hey, soon we will be enjoying Elmvale's Fall Fair!

On a smaller scale, I am happy to be harvesting my own tomatoes, kale, squash, pole beans, peppers, celery and even potatoes from my tiny twelve by 12foot plot. The amazing part of this venture is that I was too busy to plant anything until the third week in July! Better late than never, I always say.

The month of September holds many years of memories; last day of the 'Ex,' first day of school, weddings (only two were mine lol), 'shrooming' treks (Puffball and Shaggy Parasol mainly), and trips abroad. In the late eighty's I backpacked through much of Europe with my sister-in-law, Nat. Lots of adventures over that six-week respite, but I will save them for another day.

The September trip I remember most dearly, was a trip to Ireland. I come from a long line of 'Garlick'

on my English side, but it is the 'Higgins' and 'Flynn' family name that I feel the most affinity for. There is also the 'McDonald' in me that keeps my purse strings tight, heh heh.

Touring Dublin was a real treat and the Gala held at the Charleville Castle was brilliant, but the bus trip down to Cork, Limerick and over to the Cliffs of Moher was the topper in 'Moher' ways than one! The roads were so narrow I could almost feel the air around me compress as the bus squeezed by the scarce, on-coming traffic. I am sure I saw the remnants of a bicycle looking like an art piece clinging to one of the roadside stone walls. I hope the owner made it home?

Many tourists flock to the Cliffs and as the path was quite crowded, I decided to jump the low stone fence along the cliffside, beating the crowd and my travel partner to the summit for the best views. On the run, I glanced back to gloat and of course, tripped and tumbled a little too close to the edge for comfort. From the vantage point on the other side of the fence, I had disappeared and there were more than a few loud gasps. With only eight feet between myself and the Atlantic Ocean below, it was the wisest decision to drag my scraped knee and bruised ego over to the safe side of the tracks. It was a magnificent view I must say, and I was incredibly happy to live another day after that very close 'fall'...



PD Programs are here! **Bowling at Knight Haven**

Monday, October 24th from 10:00 am – 11:30am Make a day of fun to learn about bowling. Ages 8-14 only. Cost:\$5:00 per child. Please register with library card.

Hocus Pocus

Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 02:30 pm – 04:40

Join us at the library for games, crafts, prizes, a witch's dance, hopscotch, pumpkin bowling and more. Adult costume contest, dress like any character from Hocus Pocus. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This event is for children aged 5 - 10. Please register by Oct. 18th. Cost. \$5.00. Available spots 40. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Halloween Haunted House Craft

Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 2:30 pm.

Make an edible haunted house (similar to ginger bread house). Materials provided. This craft is for children aged 10-14.

Cost: \$5.00. Sign up with your library card.

Cricut for Adults

This program is being held on October 4th at 1:30 pm. Make a holiday sign with your choice of

- 1. Grateful, thankful, blessed
- 2. Merry Christmas
- 3. Let it Snow
- 4. "Last Name"

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HEY DADS

HEY DADS! How old were you when you first crashed a vehicle of some sort? I mean a motorized vehicle. I'm sure we all fell off our bikes riding down steep gravel hills or through construction sites or off the docks at summer camp. When I was tucking my six year-old twins into bed tonight they asked me if I had a dirt bike when I was a kid. Though my brother and I never had dirt bikes we did our best to gain as much speed as possible on our bmx bikes. Pulling each other through our subdivision behind the bikes on skateboards or roller blades were other ways to maximize speed without horsepower. Last year my two sons had earned enough money selling chickens to each buy their own little atv and 50cc dirt bike.

Obviously their 5-year-old twin sisters wanted a turn on the machines. I figured since the girls could ride bicycles they'd be able to handle the

tiny 2-wheeled dirt bike. A throttle isn't a whole lot different from pedals so what could possibly go wrong? Twin one, Emerald, balanced on the little dirt bike and zoomed around no problem before coming to a stop.

I then lined up twin two, Pearl, in what I thought was a huge open space hundreds of feet long with open fields beyond it. There was a wide, wide, wide opening of at least 50 or 60 feet of smooth



grass between the corner of our brick farmhouse and a giant pine tree. I lined Pearl up nice and straight to head right down the middle of the grass like her sister. Yes, I made sure she understood how to operate the brake lever just in case she swerved to the side of the wide, wide open space she was heading through. I gave her a little boost and she gunned it into that wide open space. Unfortunately it was not wide-open-space-enough for Pearl.

She immediately began to lean to the right. As

an experienced bicyclist she turned slightly to the right to prevent capsizing. Then she turned righter. And righter and righter. And as she turned she accelerated. And accelerated. This is why dads run fast and this is why kids wear helmets. Too bad dads don't run fast enough. Pearl blasted into the lower branches of the pine tree which were just the right height to clothesline her in the head and knock her off the bike.

I arrived just in time to help my crying little girl get up off the ground. Better late than never. She had some minor scratches and bruises but was otherwise unhurt. Her brother's bike suffered more damage than she did. You can imagine his pleasure upon discovering this.

Pearl has made a full recovery and gave me permission to tell her story. Her brother forgave her and her father for the damage on the bike and

everyone lived happily ever after. The lesson dad learned was that maybe not everyone is able to try everything at any age. Be careful with motorized vehicles, dad. Wear helmets. Run fast. Time flies! Make every moment count!

Jason Weening chases nine kids and one wife around the yard to try and prevent them from injuries. For more driving lessons check out www.heydads.ca.

Obituaries

BOYLE, Alice Isabelle (nee DAVIS)

Passed away peacefully at Sara Vista in Elmvale surrounded by the love of her family. Isabelle Boyle of Elmvale, in her 101st year, beloved wife of the late James Boyle. Cherished mother of Gwen (Bill), Marg (Jim), Georgi (Pete), Bill (Janine), the late Bob (survived by Debbie), Bunny (Tom) and Brenda. Lovingly remembered by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Isabelle is predeceased by her parents William & Mae Davis, brother James and sisters Hazel, Verona and Detta. She will be remembered for her quick wit and sense of humour which was on full display until her final days. When she was able to, she enjoyed being a part of the Elmvale Lioness Club for several years. Her favorite pastime included watching t.v.'s Hudson and Rex, soap operas, and the Toronto Blue Jays baseball.

A visitation was held at Lynn-Stone Funeral Home on Monday, September 19th from 11 am to 1 pm. Funeral Service in the chapel at 1 pm.

Interment to follow at Elmvale Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers please consider memorial donations directly to Heart & Stroke foundation or Canadian Cancer Society.

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



HARLOW, Joan Mary

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of our mother, Joan Mary Harlow (née McClelland), on September 11, 2022, at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in Barrie, Ontario. During Joan's 90 years of life, she spent 67 years married to her

high school darling George. They had three sons, George Paul, Brian (Deanna) and David (Julie), five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She will be missed by a brother and sister, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She is predeceased by her husband, George, and parents, Jennie (née Easton) and Paul McClelland.

https://www.arbormemorial.ca/adams/obituaries/ joan-mary-harlow/91727

In Lieu of Flowers, expressions of sympathy can be made to the UNICEF Canada or RVH Foundation (Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre), or a charity that you choose. The family wishes to acknowledge the care provided by the nurses and doctors of RVH Senior Care.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

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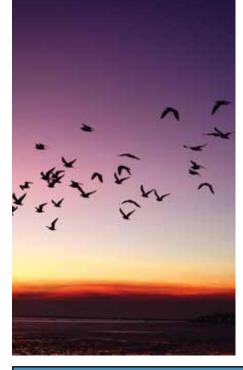
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Fondly remembered, loved and cherished Wallis You will never be forgotten.

Gloria Marc, Cindy, Hannah and Julia

THANK YOU

The family of Isabelle Boyle would like to thank all who attended the funeral, and for all donations, cards, gifts and flowers.

To all of the staff at Lynn-Stone, "Great Job". Special thanks to Rev. Frank Beasley. It was greatly appreciated. She will be missed.

Thank you to everyone

who gave us help and support following the passing of our father. It helped us through our grief.

Elizabeth, Carla, and David Creith and families

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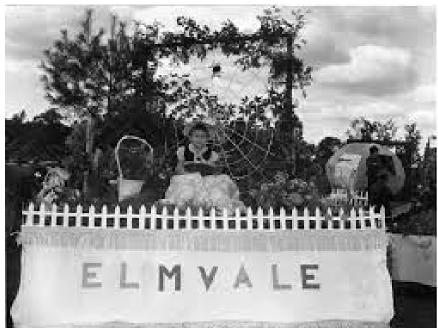


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