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Dear Editor,
Thank you for alerting us to this issue in the most recent edition of SN. Feel free to publish it if you wish.
Dear Springwater Council,
I am writing to express my dismay and concern that you have decided not to provide a crossing guard on Highway 93 in Hillsdale. This decision shows a total lack of awareness for the experience of pedestrians, both children and adults, crossing the highway. However the township's assessment was completed, it must not have taken into account that:
1. 90% of the traffic passing through Hillsdale drives noticeably faster than the legal limit of 50 kph.
2. OPP officers are rarely present to deter speeders and change this behaviour. Interestingly, I have seen more of their presence on Highway 93 in Wyebridge

and in Midland where the speed limit is 60 kph.
3. Most worrisome, motorists do not always stop when the light is red.
4. And, on occasion, a car will pass the car stopped at the light and proceed through the light.
The presence of a crossing guard provides and extra level of safety for children crossing what has become a very busy highway as it is now a major commuter route for the massive developments in Midland and Penetanguishene. Given the extremely modest wage rate that you pay crossing guards, it makes me question how much you think a child's life is worth. I urge Springwater Council to reconsider this reckless decision before September arrives.
Your sincerely,
Diana Spear and Stephen Choles,
Hillsdale, ON.

EDITORIAL by Linda Belcourt, Editor

Happy Summer to All!

July 17, 2023 - This time of year life tends to slow down a little. Many people are on vacation and are enjoying some quieter times with family. Festival Du Loup was a main event in our area. There are lots of live music to enjoy in our area at this time of year and details can be found in this edition.
I am so happy to present to you an article on page twelve written by Dean Rowan about a very famous historical person that took some time off to enjoy life

on Georgian Bay.
There is a photo on page seven that shows an aerial view of Elmvale that would have been very rare at this time. See if you can guess the local landmarks at that time.
Our area is very rich in culture and history and I welcome any submissions to showcase the local talent that we have in our community. I hope you enjoy this edition and please support the business in this paper that know the true meaning of community.

Pirates of the Bay Returns to Discovery Harbour:
An Unforgettable Adventure on Saturday, August 5th



July 17, 2023 - Penetanguishene, ON – Ahoy, mateys! Get ready to set sail on an exhilarating voyage as Discovery Harbour proudly presents the return of the fan-favourite "Pirates of the Bay" on Saturday, August 5th. This highly anticipated event promises a thrilling experience for visitors of all ages, immersing them in a world of swashbuckling adventure, and family-friendly activities.
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"Pirates of the Bay" at Discovery Harbour promises an unforgettable day of adventure and entertainment, providing an immersive experience that will delight attendees of all ages.
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Helping to Protect Fresh Water For Future Generations at the Elmvale Groundwater Observatory. Huronia Alarm & Fire Security Inc. makes a \$4,100 donation to the Elmvale Foundation.



Photo above right to left: Dr. William Shotyk, (President, Elmvale Foundation) receives a cheque for \$4,100 from Kevin Leonard, Chief Operating Officer, Huronia Alarm & Fire Security Inc. Kevin Leonard is helping the Elmvale Foundation further their environmental science education and research of the pristine groundwaters of the Elmvale, Ontario area.

July 13, 2023 - "All this was done out of curiosity," said Dr. William Shotyk, taking a sip of water from a stainless steel cup he'd filled from the artesian flow on his Elmvale, Ontario family farm. "I've always been interested in learning more about the water on and under this land and its geochemical uniqueness. For more than 30 years, first at my lab in Switzerland, later at my lab in Germany, and now at our ultraclean SWAMP laboratory at the University of Alberta, we have been shocked by the results of our testing and the remarkable purity of the water. The rest is history." Having discovered that Elmvale has groundwater cleaner than any other place on Earth (that has been tested), he and his team began their mission to educate, raise awareness and protect this unique natural resource and the geographic area in which it resides. The Elmvale Foundation and the Elmvale Groundwater Observatory were born.

Huronion Alarm & Fire Security Inc. (HAFS) also has deep roots in Elmvale and the townships of Springwater and Tiny. Almost as deep as the groundwaters at the Elmvale Groundwater Observatory. "This is a tight-knit community with families living here that go back generations. The residents are all keenly aware of the excellent work and environmental stewardship that The Elmvale Foundation has done to protect this unique natural water resource and the surrounding lands," said Kevin Leonard, COO of Huronia Alarm & Fire Security Inc. "When Dr. Shotyk reached out to us to ask for assistance in helping him protect and secure the farm property on which the Elmvale Groundwater Observatory is based, we jumped at the chance."

Shotyk went on to say, "The security cameras, alarm system and monitoring services that Huronia Alarm & Fire Security provided us have taken a load off my mind. It's also given my colleagues a safe and secure place to meet, plan our collective studies, and discuss our findings."

HAFS recognizes the importance of safe, clean drinking water today and for future generations. "People in the area always knew we had good water, and now, thanks to Dr. Shotyk and his team, we have the science to prove it. We're proud to support the research and education efforts of the Elmvale Foundation, and we look forward to learning more about their ongoing groundwater research efforts," said Leonard.

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The Elmvale Foundation is a Canadian, federally registered charity for environmental education. "We protect what we value, we value what we understand." For more information about how you can get involved or donate, visit: <http://www.elmvale.org/elmvalefoundation/>

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Town of Midland Puts Two OTF Grants Totalling \$199,800 to Work



Photo above: Jill Dunlop, MPP Simcoe North.



Photo above: Midland Mayor Bill Gordon

(July 13, 2023, Midland ON): On Thursday, MPP Jill Dunlop met with representatives from the Town of Midland at the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre to hear from representatives about the impact of two grants from the Ontario Trillium Foundation that when combined, total \$199,800. Both grants, one being a Capital grant awarded in late 2022, and the second being a Resilient Communities Fund grant that was also awarded last year.

“It is great to be here today to celebrate these OTF grants through two different funding streams, which have greatly assisted the Town of Midland to carry on with its goal to enhance accessibility to the general public and provide more opportunities for visitors to participate and attend events at our actively utilized North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre and beautiful Little Lake Park,” said Jill Dunlop, MPP Simcoe North.

The Town put its \$50,000 Resilient Communities Fund grant to work for engineering design drawings for renovations at the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre (NSSRC) for two new proposed accessible changerooms, providing opportunities for more groups to participate in activities. The second grant, awarded last November, was a \$149,800 Capital grant that will provide amphitheatre-style seating to allow residents and visitors to better enjoy free performances at the Little Lake Park outdoor stage.

The engineering design drawings for the NSSRC changerooms are nearing completion, and the Little Lake Park amphitheatre seating construction is set to start at the end of summer 2023 and expected to be completed by the end of the year.

“As a small municipality serving the North Simcoe area, this funding will go a long way to helping us

complete important projects that are vital to helping Midland grow and solidify our position as a great place to live and visit,” said Midland Mayor Bill Gordon. “We are grateful to the Ontario Trillium Foundation and the Ontario Government for their continued support of municipalities in improving existing facilities, and creating new infrastructure.”

About Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF): The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF), an agency of the Government of Ontario, and one of Canada’s leading granting foundations celebrates 40 years of grant-making in Ontario and making a lasting impact in communities. Last year, OTF invested over \$110M into 1,022 community projects and partnerships, which included funding for the Government of Ontario’s Community Building Fund. Visit otf.ca to learn more.

By Brittany Carlisle, Communications Coordinator, Town of Midland

Bring On The Sun
By Gary Boyle - The Backyard Astronomer

July 13, 2023 - Our daytime star is an enormous ball of hot plasma. Like a string of pearls, 109 earths line up side by side across its equator and 1.3 million of our worlds would fit inside. Ever since its birth some five billion years ago, the sun has been producing light we see and enjoy, via nuclear reactions deep in its core. The journey of a light photon is not a direct path to the surface but bounces around taking thousands to hundreds of thousands of years to reach the solar surface called the photosphere. Once it does, the photons travel in space unhindered to reach Earth 500 seconds later. They go on to light up the moon, planets and anything else in our solar system.

This ball of super-hot material rotates at different speeds with its equatorial region spinning once every 25 days and a 35-day rotation close to the poles. Over the first half of its eleven-year solar cycle, the internal magnetic field twists, tangles and stretches like an elastic band. As the field lines intertwine, looking like tangled extension cords, they poke through the surface creating dark sunspots. These are cooler regions measuring 3,900 degrees Celsius compared to the surface temperature of 5,500 degrees Celsius. Eventually, the stored energy has to go somewhere.

Now magnetic field loops are seen rising from sunspots. Just like crossing two electrical wires resulting in a spark, these loops sometimes cross and produce a solar flare that rips off the photosphere,

flying through space at hundreds of kilometres per second. Flares directed at Earth take about three days to travel 150 million kilometres and can produce very spectacular Northern Light aka the Aurora Borealis.



Another source of Northern Lights is the opening in the sun called Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs). These billion-ton clouds of charged particles belch out of the sun and fly through space at up to 3,000 kilometres per second in rare cases.

Solar Max or the highest amount of solar activity is expected to peak in July 2025. Over the past few months, aurora activity has increased producing mid-range M-class flares and could in the not-too-distant future more severe X-class flares. Once the sun reached solar max, it should begin to wind down its activity for another five to six years to reach solar minimum with no sunspots visible. The sun will look like a white billiard ball with zero sunspots seen. A good source to follow the goings on with our daytime star is spaceweather.com which is linked to my website.

Although sunspots can measure many times the size of the earth and as said to be “naked-eye”, that does not mean up can look at the sun directly. Approved solar filters of number 14 welder’s glass will protect you from serious eye injury or even blindness.



Although cell phone cameras are great for daytime images, they are improving for nighttime use. DSLR cameras are still the best way to image the Northern Lights. Place the camera with a wide-angle lens on a sturdy tripod and attach a cable release. Advance to ISO 1600 (light sensitivity) or higher. Set the lens on manual and focus it on a very bright star or distant light source until it is a pinpoint. Now you can take 8, 12 or 15-second images by triggering the cable release. This prevents touching the camera. Words cannot describe witnessing the aurora firsthand. These will be moments you will never forget.

Clear skies,

Known as “The Backyard Astronomer”, Gary Boyle is an astronomy educator, guest speaker, monthly columnist for the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada as well as a STEM educator. He has been interviewed on more than 55 Canadian radio stations as well as television across Canada and the U.S. In recognition of his public outreach in astronomy, the International Astronomical Union has honoured him with the naming of Asteroid (22406) Garyboyle. Follow him on Twitter: @astroeducator, Facebook and his website: www.wondersofastronomy.com

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Notice of the Adoption of an Official Plan Official Plan for the Township of Springwater

Take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Springwater passed By-law 2023-075 to adopt a new Official Plan for the Township of Springwater, subject to approval by the County of Simcoe, on the 5th day of July 2023, pursuant to Section 17(22) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended. This Notice of Adoption is issued pursuant to Section 17(23) of the Planning Act.

Prior to the adoption of the Official Plan, statutory Public Meetings were held on December 5, 2019 and March 8, 2023 and a statutory Public Open House was held on November 14, 2019 and February 23, 2023, in accordance with the Planning Act.

Purpose and Effect

The new Official Plan is intended to manage and direct long-term growth and development throughout the Township of Springwater. The Official Plan achieves this by providing goals, objectives and policies related to: managing growth, improving transportation systems, facilitating economic development, protecting and enhancing natural heritage features and resources, and supporting and building on the strengths of the community. Further, the Official Plan contains policies that implement legislation, regulation and policies from the Provincial and County levels while reflecting the priorities of the Community.

The new Official Plan has been developed through the consideration of community and stakeholder input as well as the completion of background planning studies and reports.

Available for Review

A complete copy of the newly adopted Official Plan (By-law 2023-075) is available for inspection at the Township of Springwater Administration Centre between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday or on the Township of Springwater website: springwater.ca/opr.

Written and Oral Submissions

All statutory written and oral submissions made on the new Official Plan have been reviewed and suggestions incorporated, where appropriate; for further information, please refer to the Stakeholder Comment & Response Matrix document available on the Township's website at springwater.ca/opr.

Further Notice or Appeal of Official Plan

Under the provisions of Section 17(2) of the Planning Act, the County of Simcoe being the upper-tier municipality is the approval authority for a new lower-tier Official Plan adopted under Section 17(22) of the Planning Act. As such, the Adopted Official Plan has been forwarded to the County of Simcoe for review, as required by Section 17(31) of the Planning Act.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority with respect to the new Official Plan, if a written request (including the person's or public body's address, fax number or email address) to be notified of the decision is made to the approval authority is made to:

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

Dated at the Township of Springwater on the 13th day of July 2023.

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RVH Emergency Department Booking Times for Minor Injuries Extended to Weekends

Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) is expanding its pilot Emergency Department (ED) booking system for minor limb injuries. Effective immediately the public can now book a same-day or next-day arrival time in the ED seven days a week.

The intent of the pilot project, which launched June 1, is to decrease overall wait times for patients and prevent ED overcrowding at the busiest times. Six registration arrival slots – 9, 9:15, 9:30, 9:45, 10 and 10:15 a.m. – are now available daily for patients with

minor ailments such as a sprain, strain, or potential simple fracture to an arm or leg.

Since opening the booking portal, RVH has seen 68 patients, averaging about two to four patients a day.

“It made sense to expand our hours to include weekends,” says Sharon Ramagnano, RVH Operations Director,

Emergency, Critical Care & Trauma. “Many of these types of injuries happen on the weekend and it's more convenient for patients.”

The booking link can be found on the RVH website (rvh.on.ca) under Emergency Department. The Ontario government and Ontario Health launched Health Connect Ontario that allows Ontarians to call (8-1-1) or chat online (Health811.ontario.ca) with a registered nurse.

If your concern is less urgent, please call 8-1-1, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week; consider a local walk-in clinic; or contact your primary care provider.

Hello Hillsdale!



Since the last newspaper article, our school has been quite busy with the end of the year.

At the end of May, the school and community enjoyed two performances by the Charlotte's Web cast. Thank you to Ms. Lewis, Mrs. Fedorowich, Mr. Hache, James, Keelan Dunn, Mrs. Dunn, Ms. Weisflock, Ms. Spencer, Ms. MacInnis, and the whole Charlotte's Web cast for putting on a fun and incredible play. Great job! Thank you to Mandy Guierry and the Smitham family for hosting a fun cast party at the beginning of June.

On June 9, our school had an outdoor activity day with fun stations run by the Jump Rope For Heart Team. We enjoyed freezies, bubbles, chalk, and most importantly, jump ropes. Thank you so much to Ms. Morin and Ms. Shields and the Jump Rope For Heart Team for creating a fun day for the whole school.

Besides all of the outdoor activities, Hillsdale School has won some awards. We won gold in OPHEA this year, and Platinum in Eco Schools. Way to go, Huskies!

On June 15, we had Track and Field, where our athletic Huskies broke some records. We had loads of fun in Shot Put, Ball Throw, 50m Run, 100m run, 800m run, and long jump. Some of our students were able to go on to the Track and Field Meet held at St. Theresa's Catholic School a week later, where our school was able to bring back a school plaque for the Most Improved School of the Simcoe North District of 2023. Overall, our school placed 3rd in the area meet. Our Senior boys won the championship banner with the highest overall divisional score for the area. Amazing job, Huskies! And huge congrats to Cameron, for placing second in the Senior Boys division for the whole district. Great job, Cameron!!

On behalf of the whole school, we would also like to thank the Parent Council for purchasing new volleyball poles and nets. We can't wait to use the new equipment! It was a very kind gesture and we are extremely grateful. Thank you!

Our school also had a lovely time watching the Travelling Talent Show. The classes enjoyed songs, piano songs, ukulele songs, a bird call, and pretty amazing soccer skills. We would love to thank Ms. Lewis for putting on a great show. Hillsdale would also like to thank Cameron, Rhiley, Abby, Olivia, Paige, Carson, Kaiden, and Filipe for presenting your wonderful talents.

On June 23, we also enjoyed an extremely fun play day to celebrate the end of the school year. The grade 6 class brought our students to every station run by our grade seven students. Thank you so much to Ms. Weisflock's grade six class, Ms. Gray and Ms. Brinovec's grade sevens, and all the other teachers for supervising the stations and putting on a fun day for everyone.

For the girls soccer team, they placed first in the championship and were able to bring home a banner. Thank you to Serena's Mom, Tammy, for coaching the team. The boys baseball team and the basketball team also played brilliantly this year and we would like to thank Karen and Mike Kelly for the baseball shirts and for helping to coach the team.

On June 27, we had a lovely graduation ceremony, where we celebrated our graduates. Congratulations to all our graduates! Thank you to Rhiley for being Valedictorian and presenting a beautiful speech. We wish all the graduates the best of luck in high school and hope they come back to visit.

As the school year came to an end, we also said goodbye to some teachers. We wish Ms. Harris, Ms. Weisflock, Mr. Regier, Mrs. Read, Ms. Halfkenny, Ms. Lewis, and last but not least, Ms. Duncan the best of luck at their new schools. Thank you all for great teaching and allowing us to have fun outside school with the play, sports, and helping some of our students. Thank you Ms. Duncan for all the you did for our school. You will be missed.

After a very fun and roller coaster year, we will enjoy a long summer and are going to be very happy to see each other again, meet new students, and welcome our new principal, Mr. Ichabellas, in the fall. Our school wishes everyone a fun summer and good luck to everyone at their new schools. Have a happy summer, Hillsdale Huskies!

Written by Paige Shanahan, Grade 7 Student



Council Meeting Highlights: July 5, 2023 Next Council Meeting: August 2, 2023

This summary is not a full representation of the meeting. For the official record, please refer to the minutes in the next Council Agenda. Past Council Meetings are available for viewing on the Township's YouTube channel.

Hillsdale Batting Tunnel Delegation

Following a delegation from the Hillsdale Athletic Association, staff have been directed to investigate the costs, including maintenance and insurance, for the installation of a batting tunnel at the Hillsdale Ball Diamond. The report will be provided to Council in advance of the 2024 budget deliberations.

Elmvale Fall Fair Parade Busing Costs Delegation

Springwater Council has approved a \$5000 donation to provide transportation for students to participate in the 2023 Elmvale Fall Fair parade. The parade, a time-honoured tradition in Springwater, is one of the largest school parades in Ontario, with students from across the municipality. The donation will be funded from proceeds of the Springwater Swing golf tournament.

Shipping Container Policies

Staff have been directed to draft a new Zoning By-law Amendment to modify the Township's current shipping container policies. The Township's Zoning By-law currently prohibits shipping containers in all zones, with the exception of the General Industrial/Outside Storage Zone. As part of the Zoning By-law Amendment Process, appropriate rules and regulations will be reviewed and a public meeting to gather public input will be held.

Elmvale Outdoor Digital Sign Policy

A number of community organizations have been granted access to the Outdoor Digital Sign located in Elmvale following a revision to the draft policy. The revision came at the request of the Elmvale & District Lion's Club who provided a \$20,000 donation towards the sign. Any community groups who are not listed in the policy may apply to use the digital sign and a committee made up of Council members will review the request and determine eligibility.

Great Canadian Outdoor Tradeshaw

The Great Canadian Outdoor Tradeshaw will take place on October 21 & 22 at Bradford Greenhouses. Approximately 5,000 individuals are expected to attend the event.

Temporary Outdoor Patio Program

Council has approved a draft Temporary Outdoor Patio Program for 2023 which allows for outdoor patios on the sidewalk while conforming to necessary Building Code Act, Zoning By-law and

Fire Protection and Prevention Act, Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario regulations and addresses public works concerns.

Council has directed staff to continue working on a permanent policy to allow for a more robust program in the future.

Subdivision Agreement – Stage 1 – Thompson Lands

Council has granted approval to execute a Stage 1 subdivision agreement which permits site alteration, earthworks and grading of the Thompson Lands located in Neighbourhood 1 of the Midhurst Secondary Plan Area. The neighbourhood consists of one hundred and sixty-seven (167) residential units.

Library Unaudited Year End Results

The Springwater Public Library 2022 unaudited year-end results show an operating surplus of \$40,484. Council has allocated \$10,421 to the Library Capital Discretionary Reserve Fund, and \$15,031.50 to the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve and Recreation Facility reserve respectively.

Subdivision Agreement – Stage 2 - Midhurst Heights

Council has granted approval to execute a Stage 2 subdivision agreement for the Midhurst Heights development. The agreement will authorize the installation of internal infrastructure including the construction of roads/curbs/sidewalks; installation of storm sewers, water main and utilities; and the construction of a stormwater management facility.

Traffic Calming – Sant Road

On June 21, Council directed staff to report back on traffic calming options on Sant Road. At their July 5 meeting, Council directed staff to begin a public consultation process regarding the installation of speed humps on Sant Road.

Outdoor Rink Tarps

Council has agreed to donate \$2,300 from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve to fund tarps for the outdoor rinks located at Snow Valley Highland Park. The funds will be combined with \$1,800 which was fundraised by local volunteers.

Official Plan Adoption

Following considerable work related to the Official Plan Update, the Township's new Official Plan was officially adopted through by-law 2023-075. The new Official Plan modernizes land-use planning policies that will guide the community's growth and development throughout the next twenty-five (25) years. Final approval from the County of Simcoe is required in order for the document to come into full-force and effect.

Artists Invited to Submit Proposals for Public Art Projects

(July 12, 2023, Midland ON) The Town of Midland is issuing a call for artists for five new public art projects. The projects include a mural at the east entrance of Little Lake Park, vinyl wraps on various utility boxes throughout Town and some beautification projects at the Town Harbour.

"Public art adds colour and interest to our public spaces and makes our community a vibrant and exciting place to live and visit," said Karen Mealing, Manager of Culture and Community for the Town.

Themes for art projects range depending on final installation locations and include connecting to Midland tourism, culture and heritage, proximity to Georgian Bay and/or being abstract in concept and design.

While the murals are expected to be painted onto panels for installation, the utility box wraps are open to various visual arts media including painting, drawing, photography, mixed media and digital art.

"We live in an area with immense artistic talent, and we look forward to showcasing more artwork in town," said Mayor Bill Gordon.

The call for artists is open to those living in Simcoe County, Barrie, and Orillia. The deadline for all proposals is August 4, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. with installation dates set for the fall.

Those looking for details or to submit a proposal can find further information on the Town's website at midland.ca/art.





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SPIRITUAL and MENTAL HEALTH

ANNIE’S JOURNAL

by Annie Warner Donnelly



July 17, 2023 - I was four years old when I caught my first perch just off Thompson Island in the St. Lawrence River east of Summerstown, Ontario. I couldn’t have imagined the size of this perch caught in Lake Victoria in East Central Africa!

With a surface area of 68,800 sq. km, Lake Victoria is Africa’s largest lake; the largest tropical lake in the world; and the planet’s second largest freshwater lake (Lake Superior is larger). I hope to fish in Lake Victoria one day soon, but I’m not certain that I want to catch a perch that big!

I had hoped to be in Tanzania by now, but over the years I’ve learned that God’s timing is perfect. I’ve been grateful for the departure delay because there have been some family events that I wouldn’t have wanted to miss. However, I am longing to be in Tanzania.

The village of Mugeta, where I will be living, isn’t far from Lake Victoria. I am looking forward to seeing it for myself. The lake’s coastline exceeds 3,220 km. Its geographical composition varies from precipices 90 metres high to papyrus and ambatch swamps to simply flat and bare. Of the numerous islands in the lake, densely populated Ukerewe Island is the largest with wooded hills rising 200 metres above the lake. The 62 islands of the Sese archipelago, some of them strikingly beautiful, are at the lake’s northwestern corner.

The lake cradles many archipelagos and numerous reefs, some just below the surface of its clear water. Of its over 200 species of fish, tilapia is the most economically important.

Three countries have access to the lake: Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda. Rwanda and Burundi are part of the upper watershed that drains into it. The Lake Victoria region is one of the most densely populated areas in Africa. Several million people, nearly all Bantu-speaking, live within 80 km of its shores. There are local steamer services around the lake.

The search by Europeans for the source of the Nile led to the sighting of the lake by the British explorer John Hanning Speke in 1858. Formerly known to the Arabs as Ukerewe, the lake was named by Speke in honour of Queen Victoria of England. A detailed survey of it was made by Sir William Garstin in 1901. Plans for gradually raising the level of the lake’s

waters were completed in 1954 with the construction of the Owen Falls Dam (now the Nalubaale Dam) on the Victoria Nile at Jinja, Uganda. The dam provides hydroelectric power on a large scale and made the lake a vast reservoir. A second dam, Kiira, constructed 1 km from Nalubaale, was completed in 1999. It began producing hydroelectric power the next year.

I’m grateful to tanzania-tourism.com/destinations for providing information about the lake and for introducing me to the beauty of what God created in six days in Tanzania. I’m curious to learn more about God’s creations in Tanzania. What are you curious about? Let’s unleash our curiosity! Amen.



Photo above: Annie at four years old holding her first perch.



Photo above: A perch caught in Lake Victoria in East Central Africa! Anna at four years old could not have imagined how big a perch could be.

Rose’s Devotions by Rosy Hagedorn

what God has done from beginning to end. (NIV)
I started writing this as I sat on my cousin’s deck at Elizabeth Bay on Manitoulin Island. The weather was great; no rain, sunshine and very warm. The water in the bay was still a little too cold for me to go for a swim, it was 63 degrees. So I chose not to venture into the water. It was peaceful. I was at peace. I decided to call one of my daughters to find out how my husband was doing. My husband, is in a Long Term Care Home, and the day before I left for a short stay on Manitoulin Island, he aspirated/choked after drinking some water. There was some wheezing in his throat and the nurse at the home decided to call an ambulance and take him to the local hospital. My two girls were with him. When I wanted to come back, they told me that I should stay on the island because there was nothing that I could do except to sit in the hospital room and watch him sleep. So I opted to stay. Technology, namely an iPad, is a wonderful invention. I was able to get updates on my husband’s health and also talk and see him. He was now back at the Long Term Care home, but had to be isolated

because he contracted the Covid virus, and because his shots were up-to-date, so far he is okay.
I know that the dementia that my husband has, eventually will end his life on earth, and I am thankful for the many years that we had together. I am thankful for the doctors, the nurses, the PSWs and the people in the kitchen that have to prepare the various types of dietary needs for the residents. I am thankful for my two daughters who stepped up to be with their Dad and kept me informed while I was taking a much needed rest.
Prayer: Creator God, I am thankful for the strength that you provide to each and everyone of us when trials come our way. Grant us peace, and the assurance that when our loved one’s life on this earth ends, that they are transported to that place that you have prepared for them.
John 14:3- And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. (NIV)



A Time for.....
Ecclesiastes 3:1-12
There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

What do workers gain from their toil? I have seen the burden God has laid on the human race. He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom

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Will a Therapist Tell My Wife to Leave Me?

July 16, 2023 - Men sometimes blame psychologists when their wives decide to separate or divorce. They feel that it was the therapist who encouraged their partner to give up on the marriage. In fact, the job of a good psychologist is to assist the client in assessing the situation, determining what she wants, exploring options for working things out within the marriage, and finally, as a last resort, supporting her through separation, if that is what she chooses.

Sadly, it often happens that by the time a woman comes for therapy, she has already spent years trying to get her partner to understand her, to see what she needs, and sometimes, simply to treat her as an equal. Sometimes the man refuses counselling, believing that it is the woman who has the problem.

Most women, when they come for counselling, are trying to save their marriages. It is difficult to work with only one half of a partnership, but she wants it to work, so we provide strategies and suggestions for improving communication, and point out ways that she may be contributing to the problem. After all, she can only change herself, not the other person. We also help her to regain self-esteem that she may have lost due to struggles in the relationship.



As she becomes stronger, she often realizes that her partner fears losing control over her and is threatened by her growth. She tries to reach out and tell him that she wants his support, she wants to grow with him, not away from him. Too often she is met with anger and ridicule, as he puts her down and says that he just wants his old wife back, the woman she was. This is when her heart really starts to break, because much as she might love him, she has begun to love herself as well, and cannot pretend to be someone she is not.

Relationships cannot function in healthy ways if one person needs to be the boss, or tries to control another, and most women would be delighted if they perceived their relationships as truly equal partnerships. Instead, the scenario becomes more like the young adult who has to leave home in order to be herself. When she finally tells him she feels no choice but to leave, he insists that he does not want to lose her. But often, sadly, he still is not hearing her, and dismisses her feelings as the result of stress, menopause, or her therapist.

When she realizes that even the fear of losing her does not motivate him to try to honour who she is, she feels the final hopelessness. With an aching heart she walks away, knowing that he may never know how much she loved him, or how much she really wanted it to work.

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Lucky Winner Celebrates Canada Day Long Weekend with \$20,000 Soldiers' 50/50 Jackpot



Photo above: Tom Fulton, General Sales Manager at Mac Lang Orillia, poses with his winnings.

July 6, 2023 - ORILLIA, ON – Barrie resident Tom Fulton celebrated the first official long weekend of the summer season with a \$20,205 Soldiers' 50/50 grand prize win.

This month's winner was having an average Friday morning at the office when he was surprised by members of the Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital (OSMH) Foundation team and a giant cheque with his name on it.

"This is incredible," Fulton said. "I've been playing [Soldiers' 50/50] forever and I hadn't won."

Fulton began supporting the OSMH Foundation's Soldiers' 50/50 raffle when he started working in Orillia in 2021. He was inspired to participate in charity 50/50 raffles after seeing a friend of his win big.

"He sat across me one day at my desk at the other dealership I was working at and told me he had a secret to share with me," Fulton remembered. "I looked up and said, 'You won the lottery'. He told me he did, and he could see my smile through a mask."

Fulton played all the bigger lotteries but decided to support Soldiers 50/50 because he believed he would have better odds of winning.

"It's a great cause, and it's got way better odds," Fulton said.

Though he doesn't have any official plans for the grand prize yet, Fulton plans to share the winnings with his son, Dylan.

Fulton always buys tickets for himself and his son and selflessly wished it was his son who had won the grand prize.

"It's a tough world out there for these kids right now," Fulton said. "So, yeah, he will definitely get some of [the grand prize]."

The Soldiers' Summer of Winning is back! Soldiers' 50/50 Raffle is celebrating summer with the return of our special two-month draw. Last year's Summer of Winning jackpot was \$55,420, and, due to the support from our growing community, this year's jackpot is expected to be bigger and better than before!

With \$12,000 in Early Bird prizes and ticket bundles starting at just \$10, there's never been a better time to support Soldiers' through the Soldiers' 50/50 Raffle! The first Early Bird draw is for \$2,000 and the draw takes place on July 12 – buy your tickets early and you could be the next big winner!

Soldiers' 50/50 raffle is managed by the Soldiers' Foundation and works to generate funding for areas of emerging need within Soldiers' Memorial Hospital.

To learn more about the new Soldiers' 50/50, visit soldiers5050.ca. When you win, we all win!

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Dear Neighbours,

I am proud to represent a community with a strong and vibrant agricultural sector. Produce growers and sellers in our community and across Canada are required to put significant amounts of money and upfront operations on the line to provide communities with safe and nutritious food. The impacts of ongoing supply chain disruptions and increases in input costs further threaten our food security and the long-term economic viability of the fresh produce sector.

To address this issue, my Conservative colleague MP Scot Davidson has introduced Bill C-280, which recently passed second reading in the House of Commons and will now be studied at the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Agri-Food.

Bill C-280, the Financial Protections for Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Farmers Act, would provide sellers with a reliable financial protection mechanism through a deemed trust, ensuring they have priority access to a bankrupt buyer's assets related to the sale of fresh produce.

This legislation will ensure that produce farmers have priority access to payment in the event of buyer bankruptcy. Bill C-280 is crucial for ensuring the financial security of the fresh produce sector in Canada and I was proud to vote in favour of it at second reading.

Thanks to this important piece of legislation, Conservatives are one step closer to ensuring that Canada's produce farmers are always paid for the fresh food they grow.

As always, my constituency office is available to assist you with any matters related to the federal government. Please contact my office for assistance.

Sincerely,

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GBGH Foundation Board Celebrates Retiring Director Dave Turner

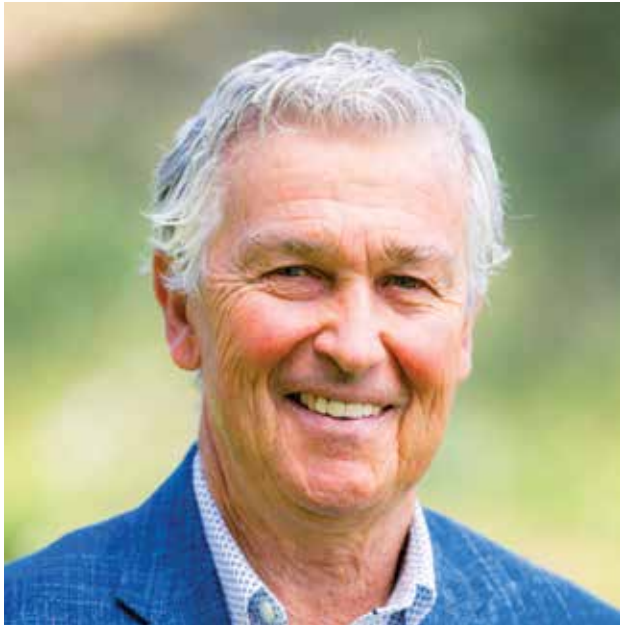


Photo above: On June 26, 2023, the Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) Foundation Board of Directors announced the retirement of past-chair, David Turner. Turner served nine years on the Foundation Board, including three years as chair, and chair of the Foundation's Investment Committee in 2021-2023.

July 13, 2023 – At the Georgian Bay General Hospital (GBGH) Foundation Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Monday, June 26, 2023, the board celebrated a successful year and announced the retirement of long-serving director and past-chair, David Turner.

Turner has served nine years on the Foundation Board, and successfully brought the organization through some challenging times. During his tenure, Dave served as chair of the Board for three years, and was chair of the Foundation's Investment Committee from 2021-2023. He will continue to serve on the Investment Committee as a community member.

"Dave has been an incredible mentor for me personally, and an excellent leader for the Foundation," said Katie Houston, chair, GBGH Foundation Board. "He has served this organization with determination, humility and insight during his tenure and he will be truly missed at the board table. We are grateful that he will continue to provide guidance and counsel as a valued member of our Investment Committee."

The Foundation board also recognized the generosity of the community in achieving strong financial results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. Financial highlights included more than \$4.2-million in revenue from more than 1,800 donors, which helped to purchase items like a new patient bathtub, critical care cardiac monitors, ECG machines, a microscope, a bladder scanner and hematology analyzer.

"Our donors have had a tremendous impact on our hospital, equipping the GBGH team with critical pieces of equipment and technology," said Nicole Kraftscik, CEO, GBGH Foundation. "Thousands of patients are going to benefit from the investment through reliable lab results, more time with their care providers, more comfortable bathing and less invasive diagnosis. We are making a difference at GBGH, and we are so thankful for our community's ongoing support."

The GBGH Foundation's 2022-2023 audited financial statements are available on their website (<https://gbghf.ca/about-us/financial-information/>). For those who may be interested, the GBGH Foundation is always seeking caring individuals who are passionate about making a meaningful difference in our community to join the volunteer Board of Directors. Those interested in more information can contact the GBGH Foundation Office (foundation@gbgh.on.ca or 705-526-4483).



Summer Reading Program

We just won a National Award for our Summer Reading Program so don't miss out this year! Ages 3+ it's not too late for another great summer of programs, reading, points and prizes like the weekly candy tower treat pictured here. You can still register at: <http://springwaterlibrary.readsquared.com/> where you can earn points for reading toward some amazing prizes so get started today! Drop into the library every week to fill out a ballot for your chance to win a brand new Lego building set!

Donations Needed

If you happen to have the following items we are looking to stock up for some awesome programs we are planning! Empty water bottles, glass jars with their lid, coloured yarn, coloured embroidery thread and shoe boxes. Thank you!

Elmvale Farmer's Market

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

items fundraiser and a fun FREE weekly craft. The Farmer's Market runs from 9am-2pm every Friday.

Summer Reading week themes

Our Summer reading program involves some weekly in-branch crafts in July with the following themes: Robots out to play July 17-22 and Messy Week July 24-29. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

Flower Crystal Craft

There's nothing more cool than growing your own crystal! Registration required. Ages 5+ will be encouraged to learn some neat science at this interesting and colourful program. **Thursday July 20 at 11am at Midhurst Branch. Cost: Free.**

Take and Make

Kaitlyn's monthly take and make program will be available on **Thursday July 20 at all branches**. The theme for July is a Floating Beaver! Be sure to get yours while supplies last!

Messy Day Program

Kids love it - parents love that they don't have to clean up from it! Our popular Messy Day program is back! Registration is required as space is limited. Ages 5+ **Tuesday July 25 at 11am at Elmvale Branch or Thursday July 27 at 11am at Midhurst Branch. Cost: Free.**

UFO Craft

This fun craft is out of this world! Come and make your own UFO at this program for ages 5+. **Tuesday August 1 at 11am, Elmvale Branch or Thursday August 3 at 11am, Midhurst Branch. Registration required.**

Walk and Talk

Join us for laughter, exercise and fresh air at this monthly walking group. Bring a friend or make a new one! All are welcome! This group will meet on **Tuesday August 1 at 7pm, Midhurst Branch.**

Missiles and Drones Flying Over Springwater News



Photo to left: Julia and Victor Kocherha in Kyiv, Ukraine, at the St. Michael's Golden-Domed Monastery.

Even with missiles and drones flying over us, we still get to enjoy reading the Springwater News.

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Governments of Canada and Ontario Invest \$54 Million to Bring High-Speed Internet Access to More than 20,000 Homes



All Canadians need reliable high-speed internet, no matter where they live. That is why the governments of Canada and Ontario are taking action to bring high-speed internet access to underserved communities across Ontario.

Recently, the Honourable Helena Jaczek, Minister of Public Services and Procurement, on behalf of the Honourable Gudie Hutchings, Minister of Rural Economic Development, together with Paul Calandra, Member of Provincial Parliament for Markham-Stouffville, on behalf of the Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario's Minister of Infrastructure, announced \$54 million in combined federal and provincial funding for Rogers Communications to bring high-speed internet access to more than 20,000 homes in 83 underserved communities in Ontario.

Local communities include: Barrie, Coldwater, Craighurst, Elmvalle, Hillsdale, Horseshoe Valley, Midhurst, Minesing, Moonstone, Oro Lea Beach,

Oro Park, Phelpston and Shanty Bay.

This project is part of an existing partnership between the governments of Ontario and Canada. On July 29, 2021, the governments announced a Canada-Ontario broadband partnership to support large-scale, fibre-based projects that will provide high-speed internet access to more than 280,000 homes across the province. This historic agreement was made possible by a joint federal-provincial investment totalling more than \$1.2 billion.

This announcement builds on the Government of Canada's progress toward ensuring that 98 per cent of Canadians have access to high-speed internet by 2026, and 100 per cent by 2030. The announcement also brings the Government of Ontario closer to achieving its goal of bringing reliable high-speed internet access to every community by the end of 2025.

This commitment is in addition to federal and provincial funding announced in March 2023 of over \$48 million to connect over 3,800 homes in 31 communities in the Regional Municipality of York to reliable high-speed internet access.

Canada's Connectivity Strategy aims to provide all Canadians with access to internet speeds of at least 50 megabits per second (Mbps) download / 10 Mbps upload. The Universal Broadband Fund is a \$3.225 billion investment by the Government of Canada designed to help provide high-speed internet access to 98 per cent of Canadians by 2026 and achieve the

national target of 100 per cent access by 2030. Today, 93.5 per cent of Canadian households have access to high-speed internet, compared to just 79 per cent in 2014.

The Ontario government is investing nearly \$4 billion to bring access to reliable high-speed internet to every community across the province by the end of 2025. This is the largest single investment in high-speed internet in any province, by any government in Canadian history.

As of July 2023, Ontario has finalized agreements totalling more than \$2.3 billion for nearly 200 high-speed internet and cellular projects across the province.

Ontario launched a new interactive online map that shows where provincially funded high-speed internet projects are planned, are currently under way or have been recently completed in communities across the province. Ontarians can use the map to search by address, community or municipality to learn about projects happening in their area and find out where high-speed internet service is currently available.

In 2021, Ontario passed the Supporting Broadband and Infrastructure Expansion Act, 2021 to help speed up construction of high-speed internet projects. To build upon this legislation, the Ontario government passed the Getting Ontario Connected Act, 2022, which further reduces barriers, duplication and delays.

Township of Georgian Bay Renews Support for GBGH



On June 23, 2023, the Township of Georgian Bay made a gift of \$5,000 from their 2023 Operating Budget to support the GBGH Foundation's Impact Fund. The gift will support the hospital's investment in updated capital equipment, and this year's top priorities include an MRI machine, brand new x-ray rooms, surgical & procedure tables and laboratory equipment.

Since 2016, the Township has provided nearly \$20,000 in critical funding for equipment and technology at the Midland hospital, which serves residents from the Port Severn and Honey Harbour communities.

Photo on left From left: Matthew Lawson, president & CEO, Georgian Bay General Hospital; Jesse Dees, senior key relationships officer, GBGH Foundation; Peter Koestsier, mayor, Georgian Bay Township.

The RRIF Tax Bomb

July 13, 2023 - Many people understand the fundamental basics of how an RRSP reduces taxable income when contributed to, and that investment losses or gains are tax neutral due to its sheltering status. General understanding starts to falter when the RRSP must convert to a RRIF "Registered Retirement Income Fund".

A RRIF is the opposite of an RRSP. You are required by law to withdraw money from this account. By the end of the year in which you turn age 71, you must convert your RRSP to a RRIF.

The amount you must take out is based on the market value of the account on Dec 31 of the year previous (2022). The percentage you must withdraw

is based on your age, but you can use your spouse's age if younger. Currently, at age 71, you must take out 5.28%.

The RRSP to RRIF account transfer is an exceedingly simple process. The Certified Financial Planner (CFP) will prepare a handful of forms that their client needs to sign. Together the planner and client decide how often the client would like to receive their income from the RRIF. It can be monthly to annually and anywhere in between. The financial institution makes the transfer and voilà, it's done.

It is important to understand that when the money comes out of your new RRIF, it is now taxable income. For all years that you benefitted with tax-sheltered

growth, you will now draw money from the RRIF and pay tax on it. If you overstuffed your RRSP, have a solid employer pension income, are collecting CPP or are still working, you may find yourself in a higher tax bracket than you were in years past.

RRIFs do not transfer tax-free to the next generation. The CRA will tax away upwards of half of the value of an RRSP/RRIF if the beneficiary is not the spouse. This is a huge issue for singles and widows/ers.

If your RRSP or RRIF is in the \$500,000 range, you have a tax bomb. You need to be proactive now so that the CRA doesn't strip away your legacy.

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My, How Time Flies

April 14, 2023 - The morning finally arrived, grey and cold, on the heels of a nor'easter storm which had blown through the night before leaving frozen puddles and scattered debris across the sand. The air was alive with the complaints of the many shore birds lamenting all the strangers gathered on their beach. It was an auspicious start and if the winds had not settled down by mid-morning, the events of the day might never have happened. The date was December 17, 1903 and in the fashion of the day, the men gathered on the sand dunes were either clearly workman in stained coveralls and caps or gentlemen in dark suits and ties with fashionable bowler hats pressed tightly to their heads. All eyes were keenly focused on the contraption shuddering in the wind before them.

At exactly 10:35am, with the deafening engine spinning two wooden propellers, the pilot released a tether and rode the giant kite-like machine down a thin wooden launching rail, into the wind and into the air. With that, man had just learned to fly.

The pilot by a coin toss was 32 year old Orville Wright and his older brother Wilbur ran alongside with his hand on the wing until the Flyer was out of reach. The next 12 seconds in the air, although brief, cemented their place in history by overcoming many challenges and demonstrating the soundness of their methods, a feat that had so far eluded all before them. Ironically, in a recent moment of disillusionment, Wilbur is famously quoted as saying that it would be another "thousand years" before man would fly, yet within weeks, the brothers had reached that elusive goal. Further flights that day by both Orville and Wilbur covered greater distances and times aloft, ending with a flight of more than 850 feet and lasting just under 1 minute. Whilst the brothers immediately understood the significance of the event, to everyone else, a 12 second flight was modest at best, and even outright denied as a hoax by most of the media of the day. In time however, when we came to understand that the principles the brothers developed and employed on those gusty dunes of Kitty Hawk North Carolina in 1903 are the foundational principles of today's modern aviation mastery, their achievement is properly recorded and revered as monumental. To borrow a quote made famous 66 years later, it could accurately be said that this was "one short flight for man, but one epic journey for mankind", which is of course a variation of the words spoken by Neil Armstrong when he placed his foot on the surface of the moon in July 1969. In homage to the role the Wright brothers played in getting Armstrong there, a small piece of wood and fabric from the 1903 Wright Flyer was onboard the Eagle lunar lander of Apollo 11 and is now in the Smithsonian Institute. More recently, in 2021, another small strip of fabric from the 1903 Flyer was affixed to the Ingenuity Mars helicopter, the first man-made machine to fly on



another planet. The symbolism of these acts cannot be understated and serve to acknowledge and remind us of the role these two humble brothers played in altering the course of all humanity.

This year will mark 120 years since the quiet determination of Wilbur and Orville Wright, two unknown bicycle mechanics from Dayton Ohio, along with the unbending support of their father and sister, picked the lock that had forever shackled man to the earth and began the era of unrestricted movement of such things as people and animals, weapons and disease, culture and religion. In retrospect there are very few human achievements that have advanced as far and as fast from such humble beginnings as the mastery of flight did, yet ironically, in 1903 the world was hardly searching for another form of transportation. Ocean liners were in their heyday of popularity, rail lines and telegraph lines connected most of the country, the new-fangled

automobile was beginning to replace the horse and carriage on many urban streets, and bicycles such as those made by the Wright Cycle Company delivered personal mobility on an ever increasing scale. Clearly, man's mobility was at an all time high, and yet, within a single generation flight would fully encompass the imagination of the world and outpace the advancement of all other modes of transportation. In the short 120 years since the morning of December 17, 1903 we have galloped from the modest success of one man flying 12 seconds on a wood and muslin kite to the massive Boeing 777-9 and its' 425 passenger capacity, an eye-watering journey by any measure, yet unexpected, unpredictable, and impossible if not for the unyielding determination and stamina of the Wright brothers.

While fame and fortune were never their motivation, when it did come to them, they were dogged by repeated patent infringements and challenges, some of which would go on for many years and become a serious distraction. When Wilbur died tragically young in 1912, Orville was left to shoulder these burdens alone, most of which ended successfully, but which tapped much of his spirit and health. With his family name firmly enshrined in history, Orville carried on with the day to day business of The Wright Company and defending patents, but it took a toll on him and friends started to suggest that he take some time off for himself. Finally in the summer of 1916, exhausted and depressed, Orville and a small party drove the roughly 950 miles from Ohio to Lambert Island, which he had rented, on Georgian Bay to enjoy the endless pleasures of summer in Ontario.

This would be the first of many years spent in and around Georgian Bay, and what many would acknowledge were the happiest years of his life. His overall health improved quickly in the fresh air and unburdened vacation lifestyle. Despite his notoriety the local communities offered him the anonymity to live simply and openly as just another lover of the area. His purchase and subsequent renovations on Lambert Island went on for several years and were a great source of pride to him. Having done extensive renovations on the family home in Dayton, Orville was no stranger to hammers, nails and saws and set about rebuilding the dilapidated cottage. In 1931, after having become thoroughly enamored with boating, Orville purchased a beautiful 1929 32-foot mahogany cruiser from the Gidley Boat Company in Penetanguishene. Perhaps due to his modest and unassuming nature, Orville was perfectly content not to name the boat, so friends had the words "Kitty Hawk" cast in brass and sent to the boat builder to be applied. Unaware that Kitty Hawk is two words, the name was applied as a single word and to this day, you are likely to see her still plying the waters of eastern Georgian Bay, as beautiful now as it was when first built nearly 100 years ago. In the early 1940's, with war in Europe the dominant headline, Orville was sequestered to assist the American war effort and sadly, was never to return to Lambert Island again. He passed away in 1948. The very name Wright is now synonymous with quiet, studied determination and commitment. The names Orville and Wilbur, even without the Wright surname, are now instantly recognized and respected as pioneering minds from an era long before computers and automated manufacturing. With few examples to follow and no examples of success, the brothers forged their way through with little more than their belief in themselves and a clarity of purpose that was to impact every person living then, today, and for eons to come. Take a moment on December 17 to look skyward and remember the gift the Wright brothers gave us all so many years ago.

By Dean Rowan

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Mayor and Councilor Garwood Active in the Community



Photo above: On June 15th, Mayor Coughlin, Trustee Grummett and Councilor Garwood were invited to Ms. Potts grade five classroom. With the class recently wrapping up their governance unit, the students asked many questions focused on municipal government, community and schools.



Photo above: Councilor Matt Garwood attends Springwater Farmer's Market Opening on June 16th.

The Rotary Club of Penetanguishene Presented Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation with a \$2,000



Photo to left:
On June 27, 2023, members Brian Angus, Shelly Price and Judy Welden of the Penetanguishene Rotary Club presented Jesse Dees of the Georgian Bay General Hospital Foundation with a \$2,000 donation. These funds will be designated to help bring an MRI to GBGH, which is a high priority for the hospital this year. The Rotary Club of Penetanguishene has been generously supporting the GBGH Foundation for many years, with total giving of more than \$90,000.

HEY DADS!

HEY DADS! Have you made some time for summer adventures with your kids? We've had a few adventures of our own living in the Dominican Republic this summer. Hiking Pico Duarte, the highest mountain in the Caribbean, with my three teenage daughters was one of them. (You can get caught up with the pre-adventure of buying hiking boots in the last issue of the Springwater News. I'm sure you've still got it sitting around somewhere, right? If not, check out heydads.ca where you can follow me for hiking boot purchase negotiation tips :))

What kind of climate would you expect on the highest mountain in the Caribbean? Sun, sand, palm trees perhaps? Our friends (and veteran climbing experts) suggested we gear up with gloves and toques and rain ponchos for the big event. What? Do you think I brought gloves and toques with me to the Dominican Republic? Nope. So now we've got to go find a store that sells gloves and toques... in the Dominican Republic! I abandoned the idea of buying a toque. I'd just wear a hood if I got cold ears. A toque in the Caribbean?! Ya, right.

I've had cold hands before and it wasn't pleasant. I could probably find gloves somewhere. I asked

myself what type of store sells lots and lots of gloves? I answered myself. Hardware stores. There's lots of them on this island. Looking around we found leather work gloves, mechanic gloves, annoyingly thin rubber blue gloves and...wool gloves. Perfect for climbing a mountain and not nearly as costly as hiking boots. Gloves purchased.

We were totally geared up now and after a four-hour drive arrived at the bottom of Pico Duarte. "There's the peak!" we exclaimed as we looked up at the snowy summit. Except not. It wasn't snowy and we couldn't see it. First, we had to hike up 96 of the small hills between us and it. We were up at the crack of dawn to begin our first day of 18km up (and down) the pre-Pico hills. Our group of 14 climbers was spread out over a space about an hour long. It wasn't long before the pack mules went barrelling past me. I wasn't sure if I should be happy or sad that the mules were passing me. I decided to be both. Happy because the mules carried the food and the cook. Sad because the mules seemed to drop fresh "energy balls" along the trail in front of us. Those energy balls were definitely not food.

We hiked for hours and hours and hours that day. Up and up and up and up and sometimes a little bit down. Even just a flat smooth spot became a welcome break. Much of the trail was covered with awkwardly-shaped rocks the size of baseballs and softballs. Mucho difficultito para mi feetitos. Good thing we bought super-awesome hiking boots so we didn't roll any ankles. After all those hours we finally strolled into base camp. We set up tents, rolled out sleeping bags, ate food and mentally prepared for a 3am wake-up call the next morning. For on day two we would hike 5km up to the peak and 5km back to base camp.

Look dad, maybe you aren't climbing the highest mountain in the Caribbean this summer. But you've got just over a month of summer left. Do something challenging and fun with your kids. Even if they don't really want to. Climb Blue Mountain or Snow Valley. Can you climb a valley? Either way, go invest in your kids. Time flies! Make every moment count!

Jason Weening mostly climbs around his furniture after his 9 kids. Read about his other adventures and injuries at heydads.ca.

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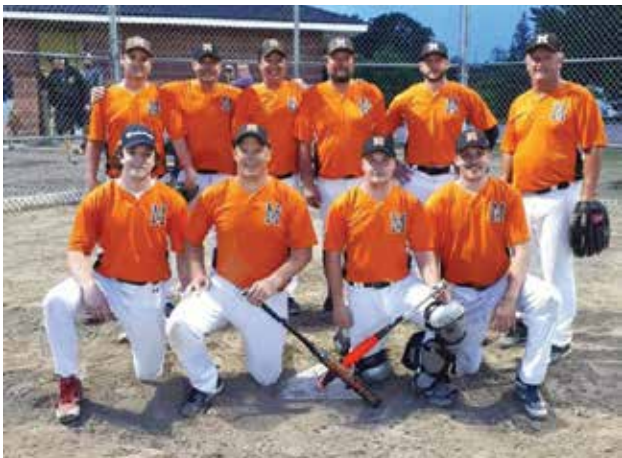
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The Merchant’s Beat the Giants



July 15, 2023 - The Merchant ball team beat the Giants 7 to 4 to claim the Thursday night mid year ball tournament in Elmvale. The B side saw the Legion defeat the Brewers by the same score 7 to 4. Eight teams compete in the Thursday night league with games in Elmvale and Hillsdale. The mid year tournament in Elmvale has taken place for many years and is well attended.*By Brian Belcourt, Reporter*



Shifting Perspectives: Coyotes Aren’t Luring Your Dog



Are you seeing social media posts alleging coyotes will lure your dog from your yard to be ambushed? What about that the sounds you may hear of coyotes at night are them celebrating a fresh kill? You may have even seen the notorious “coyote in mating season” meme by this point. These posts have two things in common: they’re an attempt to give people safety information, and they’re wrong.

That’s not to say that what pet owners or others in nature have observed is inaccurate; it’s that the wild perspective, or in this case, the coyotes’ perspective, isn’t being considered. To best explain this idea, it’s easiest to break down a few of the memes and posts that are currently circulating:
A coyote will “lure” dogs from the safety of their homes to an ambush point, when other coyotes will attack and kill your dog. From a human perspective, this seems logical. However, we know that dogs will often follow things that interest them and that coyotes will go home (to their families) when they feel threatened. We also know that in the majority of incidents reported, dogs were off leash when they came into conflict with coyotes. To people it may seem that coyotes are “luring” dogs, but

the reality is that dogs are following coyotes – and coyotes are protecting themselves from this threat.
Coyotes make noise to celebrate a kill. While people celebrate with loud noises and celebratory calls, most animals in nature don’t. In fact, doing so would alert all the competitors you have to a brand new food source. Coyotes do make a lot of noise to communicate with each other though; what we hear at night is often the family GPS system in action.
That coyote was as big as a German Shepherd Dog! Coyotes can be quite tall and have extremely fluffy fur, but even Eastern coyotes (who are larger than western coyotes) average 38 pounds (18 kg), whereas dogs like German Shepherds average between 60 to 90 pounds (27 to 41 kg). Don’t let that fur and those long legs fool you!
Coyote mating season means pets are at risk. Coyotes are going to be mating soon (as are many other wild animals across Canada) and that can mean they’re more visible. But the indication that coyotes will target dogs is unfounded. In fact, a viral meme purporting to show a coyote attacking a dog is in fact a group of dogs attacking a coyote caught in a leg-hold trap.
People may be unsure about coyotes, particularly with all the stories we’ve been told about them. But they’re very much like domestic dogs: they want a warm place to sleep, food in their bellies, and to be with their families. Let’s help them by not feeding and teaching others to let coyotes be wild.
By Leslie Fox, thefurbearers.com

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Homemade, No-Churn Strawberry Sorbet

July 21, 2022- What to do with all those left-over strawberries? Why not make a super fresh batch of ice-cold strawberry sorbet. This is a fun and easy recipe to create with your kids or grand-kids to keep them busy and empower them to cook with family at home. Take advantage of the surplus of fresh, local strawberries ready for the picking or



Jo Knows Nutrition by Joanne Nijhuis



picking up at a farmer's market, fruit and veggie stand or at your local grocery store. Delish!

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

- INSTRUCTIONS**
1. Freeze the fresh strawberries for at least 1-2 hours or until completely frozen.
 2. Place the frozen strawberries in a food processor

- or a heavy duty blender and blend until smooth.
3. Add the warm water as needed to thin the mixture and use a spatula to ensure all the strawberries are blended.
 4. Add the honey or sugar to the mixture and blend.
 5. Ready to eat immediately for a softer texture, or transfer into a freezer-safe container and freeze for 1-2 hours or until firm.

ENJOY!

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Submitted by: Joanne Nijhuis MSc, RD, a consulting and culinary dietitian in Simcoe Grey Bruce.
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Did You Know?

Hard to believe, but just eight strawberries contain more vitamin C than a single orange. Strawberries are a great source of potassium, manganese, folate and dietary fibre. They also contain phytonutrients which offer antioxidant and anti-inflammatory benefits.

Bearbells by Leslie Noonan



I have been hiking for so long, that I often go back to trails I have not used in many years, only to find the trails significantly changed. I admit, I rarely like the changes, as it often means my narrow and little-known hiking trail has become heavily populated or even developed into a subdivision. Today I headed out to the Copper Tract of Simcoe County Forest west of Elmvale. For several years this was my favorite spot to head to, as it is an extensive forest that used to have multiple side trails. Now, this is a wide path through the forest, cleared for the ATV's. This is not to say hikers cannot use the trail, you just need to use caution and ensure any riders can clearly see you. As with all Simcoe County forests, any trails are multi-purpose, it just means different users need to respect each other. That being said, I would avoid any motocross trails, as they are too narrow and twisting for riders to see you, and in a collision with a motorbike and a hiker, the bike will win every time.

I still had an enjoyable hike through this large forest. The day was humid and overcast, and the recent rains had left the trail deep in puddles. This wet weather had also brought out the mosquitos in swarms, all desperate to deprive me of my blood! The little demons were not even deterred by the thick layer of repellent, and instead seemed to relish the chemical appetizer. Fun fact, those bites itch because those little blood suckers inject their saliva in the bite, causing an allergic reaction. For relief you can use products such as allergy medications such as Claritin, Benadryl or calamine. Some people prefer a more natural solution, and supposedly honey, basil, cold tea or oatmeal can help. Hmm, sounds more like a recipe than a cure. Somewhere there is a snickering bear begging us to slather this on and take a rest in his forest. As for me, I take a weird satisfaction in swatting the little beasties, and I seem to have developed a tolerance for the bites as I rarely swell or itch.

I followed the trail east through a forest of hardwoods, with a very thick layer of underbrush. The greenery was several feet above my head, giving me little visibility into the dense undergrowth. I noted the little red jewels of wild raspberries along the trail, making me more cautious as I would not see a foraging bear until I was next to one. While



I heard frequent rustling in the underbrush, I didn't see or smell a bear. Yes, bear's smell, like a rank monkey cage. This is why I use all my senses while hiking, including looking, listening and yep, sniffing as I travel through the forest.

At the east end of the trail, the forest becomes the typical Simcoe County Forest of straight rows

of tall pines and continues until highway 93 into Hillsdale. This area has recently been logged, and the underbrush here is minimal. This section is also much more popular with the ATV's and motor bikes. There is constant rumbles and snarls of small engines, and I rarely heard any bird song. However, I only met one group of ATVer's and two bikers throughout the entire hike. I returned the way I had come in, hiking for about two hours. Still a lovely forest, though it is unlikely I will return to this area, as I head deeper into less traveled areas.



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ANTEN MILLS by Dennis Gannon



Anten Mills Community Recreation Association puts on Family Movie Night.

July 16, 2023 - The evening of Wednesday, July 12 was perfect in our community. The temperature was nice, not too hot and not too cool and the flying insects were at a minimum. And to top it off there was a movie playing under the pavilion. Thanks to Stephanie and Dave, close to 50 kids and parents settled in to enjoy the first outdoor summer movie of the year presented in cooperation with the Anten Mills Community Recreation Association. For the past couple of summers there has been at least one movie night and the reception by the community has been great. On the Anten Mills Community Bulletin Facebook page there were a number of appreciative comments and lots of likes which is great to see. Now is the time to mark your calendar for the next movie night which will be on Wednesday, August 9. That could be even more exciting as the movie selected is top notch and there may also be some special guests who may have some water tricks to get our community kids involved with. Watch for more details on Facebook. Our community “Yogi” the bear has been seen out and about. Last weekend he was spotted by the Sno Voyageur groomer shed along the North Simcoe Rail Trail on Coughlin Road. “Yogi” isn’t causing any problems but as with any wild animal, caution is the best advice so you need to be aware that there are wild animals in our community when you are in the County forest or on the trails. On a recent visit to the trails a commemorative sign was noted. The snowmobile club has dedicated their shed in memory of Mike and Mary-Ellen Bokesch. From the plaque their dedication to the formation



Photo above: “Yogi” was spotted by the Sno Voyageur groomer shed along the North Simcoe Rail Trail on Coughlin Road

of snowmobile trails in the area is very evident and noted. It is nice to see the recognition given for being instrumental in creating a legacy. If you are on the trail near the groomer shed you can also see a signboard noting the history of the old Hendrie Station rail yard. In years past it was a hub in our community as railcars were loaded with trees from local forests. Look for it and for more information, check out the A History of Vespra Township book which is available at the Springwater library. There are a few other events that are upcoming in our community that should be included in your activities calendar. The first is the Open Doors on Saturday August 26 and Sunday August 27. The Anten Mills Community Centre will be open to visitors showcasing the history of the former school turned

community centre and hub. The Springwater Cultural and Heritage Advisory Committee hopes to have a small farmers market and are looking for market gardeners to participate. If you are interested, contact the Springwater Clerk's office for more information. On Saturday, September 28 the Anten Mills CRA will be hosting the Anten Mill, Autumn Crafters and Artisans Fair with the addition of a farmers market. If you have an artisan or are a crafter Roslyn would be interested in hearing from you. As well if you have produce that you would like to market, she would be happy to hear from you as well. Roslyn can be reached by email at farmview@on.aibn.com. There are other ideas in the works which will be released soon. Fresh and local produce will soon be very available locally and this week, Clarke’s on Nursery Road should have blueberries available. These are delicious and large blueberries grown here in our community. Elsewhere in this edition of the paper you should find their ad advising of when they are open for pick your own. It doesn’t take long to pick a basket and it’s a good family adventure so head over there soon. There have been reports of Oak Wilt occurring in the province and here in Springwater. It’s not hard to notice that there are some trees that died from the disease and others that may be showing signs. If you have an Oak tree on your property it would be wise to read up on the information about the disease and watch your trees. That’s all for this week, as always, THANKS for READING and BE WELL.



Ontario Building More Small Modular Reactors to Power Province’s Growth
Clean, Reliable Nuclear Energy Will Help Meet Rising Electricity Demand

July 07, 2023 CLARINGTON – The Ontario government is working with Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to commence planning and licensing for three additional small modular reactors (SMRs), for a total of four SMRs at the Darlington nuclear site. Once deployed, these four units would produce a total 1200 megawatts (MW) of electricity, equivalent to powering 1.2 million homes, helping to meet increasing demand from electrification and fuel the province’s strong economic growth. “Our government’s open for business approach has led to unprecedented investments across the province --- from electric vehicles and battery manufacturing to critical minerals to green steel,” said Todd Smith, Minister of Energy. “Expanding Ontario’s world-leading SMR program will ensure we have the reliable, affordable and clean electricity we need to power the next major international investment, the new homes we are building and industries as they grow and electrify.”

For the first time since 2005, Ontario’s electricity

demand is rising. While the government has implemented its plan to meet rising electricity demand this decade, the experts at Ontario’s Independent Electricity System Operator have recommended the province advance new nuclear generation to provide reliable, baseload power to meet increasing electricity needs in the 2030s and beyond. Subject to Ontario Government and Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) regulatory approvals on construction, the additional SMRs could come online between 2034 and 2036. This timing would allow Ontario Power Generation to apply learnings from the construction of the first unit to deliver cost savings on subsequent units. Building multiple units will al-so allow common infrastructure such as cooling water intake, transmission connection and control room to be utilized by all four units instead of just one, reducing costs even further. “A fleet of SMRs at the Darlington New Nuclear Site is key to meeting growing electricity demands and net zero goals,” said Ken Hartwick, OPG President and CEO. “OPG has proven its large nuclear project expertise through the on-time, on budget Darlington Refurbishment project. By tak-ing a similar approach to building a fleet of SMRs, we will deliver cost and schedule savings, and power 1.2 million homes from this site by the mid-2030s.” The Darlington SMR project is situated on the traditional and treaty territories of the seven Williams Treaties First Nations and is also located within the traditional territory of the Huron Wendat peoples. OPG is actively en-gaging and consulting with potentially impacted Indigenous communities,

including exploring economic opportunities in the Darlington SMR project such as commercial participation and employment. Ontario’s robust nuclear supply chain is uniquely positioned to support SMR development and deployment in Ontario, Canada and globally. Building additional SMRs at Darlington would provide more opportunities for Ontario companies as suppliers of nuclear equipment, components, and services to make further investments to expand their operation to serve the growing SMR market both domestically and abroad. Supporting new SMR development and investing in nuclear power is part of the government’s larger plan to prepare for electricity demand in the 2030s and 2040s that will build on Ontario’s clean electricity advantage and ensure the province has the power to maintain it’s position as leader in job creation and a magnet for the industries of the future.



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Summer Reading Challenge

The summer reading challenge is back! Beginning from July 4th until August 17th, 2023, once again children of all ages can join the challenge and improve reading skills over the summer vacation. This year’s theme is “Find your voice”. Receive a Bingo card with different categories and get a stamp for each book read. Create an instrument of your own and write about it. Bring it in to show us how it works! On August 17th refreshments will be served for everyone in the challenge. Play games together as well!

Storytime

Enjoy a story, song and craft with your little one!

Register with your library card. The next story time will be held on Thursday, July 25th at 10:00.

Herbal Miracles

Learn about herbs and how beneficial they can be to your health! They also can enhance your garden! This month we learn about different herbs. Join us on Monday July 26th, from 1:30-2:30pm and learn about Ginger, Sage and Lemon Balm. Register with your library card. Cost: \$2.00

All Things Canadian

PPL will have a stand at All Things Canadian on Saturday, July 29th. Stop by and say hello and try a craft.

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MISSISSAUGA, Ontario, July 12, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Canadians love mac & cheese and ketchup... but together? This is a long-standing debate. Or is it? In the lead-up to National Mac & Cheese Day this Friday, July 14, the Cheetos® brand is announcing its commitment to settle the score once and for all. Enter NEW Cheetos® Mac ‘n Cheese Cheesy Ketchup flavour pasta with sauce. It’s cheesy. It’s ketchupy. And, frankly, it slaps. Maybe you don’t agree, but then maybe you don’t have as good taste as some of your fellow Canadians... According to a recent survey by the Cheetos® brand, nearly a quarter of Canadians (23%) who eat mac & cheese add ketchup.*



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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”.

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1858⁵ John or R.J. Russell

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Ellen and Joey Baker, Kent MacGregor, Glenn Beer.



Community Events

Bid Euchre
Elmvale Community Hall 1 pm - 4 pm
Every Monday.
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Midland Bridge Club
427 William St, Midland
Mon. 12:45pm: Duplicate Bridge, **Tues 6:45pm:** Social Bridge, **Thur. 12:45pm** Duplicate Bridge, **Fri. 12pm:** Bid Euchre. Contact Vern 705-730-9998. Possible lesson if desired. midlandbridge@gmail.com

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.

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Elmvale Presbyterian Church
2nd Thursday of the month. Eat in: 12-1pm. \$5
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BINGO on Monday’s from July 3 to Aug. 28th, 2023
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Available Sun.(2-4); Wed.(4:30–6:30); and Fri. (4 – 6) until the end of June.
Bid Euchre – Every Tuesday Night
6:30 pm – 9:30 pm
Bridge – Every Wed. Afternoon 1-4 pm
All activities at Bay Shore Seniors’ Club, 2000 Tiny Beaches Road South
Call Bay Shore for details: 705-361-136.
www.bayshoreseniors.ca

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Meetings held **4th Wed. of each month, 7:00 pm** at Elmvale Library.
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Coffee Party
Last Thursday of the month 9:30 - 11a.m.
Elmvale Presbyterian Church
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Wed. Elmvale Community Hall 11am
Mon. Elmvale Presbyterian Church 9am
Thur. Elmvale Presbyterian Church – 9am (Very full)
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Midland Rotary proceeds 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Barrie Rotary proceeds 8 pm to 9:30 pm

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Wasaga Beach Public Library meeting room, 120 Glenwood Dr. All Parkinson’s patients & caregivers welcome. For more information contact Phil Bender 905-703-6248 bender.philip@gmail.com

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Elmvale Senior’s Walking Group
Monday’s 7:30 am
The Elmvale Community Recreation Association would like to invite all interested seniors to a walking group beginning on Monday, June 5th from 7:30 to 8:30am. The group will walk each weekday morning (not weekends) during that time throughout June, July, August & September. We will meet at the pavilion at Heritage Park and leave on the trail from there. You can walk in groups or by yourself at your own speed. Please come and join us!

Elmvale Legion
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Elmvale Farmer’s Market
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Community One Time Events

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Community One Time Events

yard to display your items. Bring your own folding table to add to your display or borrow one from us. Take home what you don’t sell. For info. call Carol at 705-245-1527.

One World Music Festival
Fri. Aug. 11 to Sat. Aug. 12, 2023
Brookside Music Association is thrilled to announce the inaugural One World Music Festival, a captivating celebration of music, culture, and unity. This extraordinary event will captivate audiences at the MCC and in front of the Huronia Museum in Midland. The festival promises an immersive experience, featuring international performers, interactive video collaborations, culinary delights, artisan booths, and a delightful children’s garden.

Vacation Bible School
Aug. 14-18th, 9-11:30 am
St. John’s United Church, Elmvale
Children in K-Gr. 5
Visit unitedchurchelmvlae.org

Centre Flos Coffee Parties
9:30-11:00 a.m
Last Thursday for June, July and August.
At Heritage Park

1st Annual Coin Show
Sat. Aug. 19, 11am-4pm
Prime Time Club/east side of YMCA Recplex, 1724 Mosley St. Wasaga Beach.
\$2 admission
Contact bill.beattie@sympatico.ca for info.

WYEVALE COMMUNITY NEWS

By Karen Moreau

July 16, 2023 - Food Bank: The first Sunday of the month @ the Wyevale Church we ask people to bring Food for the Food Bank. Please call the church if interested in donating food 705-322-1451. They ask for pop open cans. This makes it easier for people who do not have a place to go to. Thank you.
Save the Date: Wyevale United Church Garage Sale Saturday August 19
You can help a few ways:
1. Donate your gently used items to our sale
2. Purchase a table spot and sell your own items
3. Donate to our bake table
4. **Volunteer to help at the sale**
5. Come eat some pea meal bacon on a bun
6. Support the sale-- you may find a treasure!.

Services for the rest of and the first week of Aug.
July 23rd Rev. Kathleen will conduct the Sunday Service. Bonnie on Holidays this week
July 30th Rev. Bonnie on holidays.
Christmas in July Service
Rev. Hoon Kim will preach at this Sunday.
August 6th Rev. Bonnie on Study Leave. There will be NO Church Service at Wyevale. We will join the Ukrainian Church on Concession 11 in Perkinsfield. Address for the Ukrainian
August 7th Rev. Bonnie will be back and in the office in the afternoon.

SYMPATHY
We extend our sincere sympathy to the Dunsford Family on the passing of Reese Dunsford. Husband of Roseland. Beloved father of Katie Mustard, Ryan Mustard (son-in-law) & Sandy Dunsford.
Birthdays for the first two weeks of July
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WYEVALE TRIBE BASEBALL
July 24th @7:00 Wyevale Tribe & Uhthoff Nationals @ Coldwater Fair Grounds
July 27th @ 7:00 Parry Island & Wyevale Tribe @ Wyevale. July 31st @ 8:30 Wyevale Tribe & Minesing Mallards
If you have anything you wish to this report please contact me @ moreau1949@rogers before the next submission date which is listed below. Otherwise please contact the Springwater News Paper.

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THANK YOU

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for all of the love and support from family friends and neighbours, at the time of Moms (Dorothy Dunn) passing. Thank you for all of the floral tributes, cards and donations made in her memory. A special thank you to the staff at Hospice Simcoe for the care and compassion they showed towards Mom during her brief time there. Thank you to Anne Arksey and Jerry Smeding for the beautiful music during the service. Thank you to Lori Scholten- Dallimore for conducting the service, for her kindness and compassion. Thank you to Lynn Stone Funeral Parlour in Elmvale and to the ladies at St. John's United Church for the luncheon provided. And, a special thank you to all of our family who were pallbearers at the service.
Sincerely Deb White, Terry Lynn Camack and family.

ATV Industry Needs a Unified Trail System

TORONTO (July 12, 2023) - The Ontario Federation of All-Terrain Vehicle (OFATV) Clubs, a federation of 25 ATV clubs in Ontario, is committed to ensuring safe, legal, and sustainable trails across the province. OFATV advocates for the rights of ATV riders and strives to establish a consistent provincial platform for trail access. With the growing ATV industry in Ontario, the need for a unified trail system has become increasingly apparent to address confusion among riders and municipalities.

Currently, Ontario boasts over 600,000 insured ATV vehicles. However, the lack of a standardized provincial platform for riders to access trails has led to persistent confusion. In response, the OFATV is open to exploring the possibilities of implementing a one-trail pass system, and is eager to collaborate with non-federation clubs, municipalities, provincial politicians, and other stakeholders to develop a sustainable trail platform that meets the needs of all riders.

"Our aim is to create a future for the growing ORV riding industry in Ontario while maintaining its unique characteristics, not merely replicating the OFSC model," states OFATV Executive Director, Shari Black. "Trail connectivity is our primary goal as we strive for the industry's prosperity and success in Ontario."

While the exact framework for a one-trail permit system is yet to be determined, the OFATV advocates for a single permit trail system across the province. This would enable ORV riders to access organized trails with just one permit, simplifying the process and minimizing confusion. Implementing a one-trail system would bring clarity to the ever-evolving ORV industry in Ontario. By minimizing confusion and enabling riders to access any trail with a single pass, this unified approach will revolutionize the trail experience for all ATV enthusiasts.

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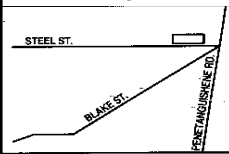


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OPP REPORT

OPP Marine Unit Asks Vessel Operators "Do You Have Enough Life Jackets Aboard For Everyone"?

17-Jul-2023 (MIDLAND, On)- The Marine Unit attached to the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment is wondering why vessel operators seem to be coming up empty handed over the weekend when they ask the vessel operators "Do you have enough life jackets aboard for everyone"? One of the first questions out of the mouths of marine officers as they conduct vessel checks on Georgian Bay is just that, and this past weekend of the 65 vessels checked- nine tickets were issued for not having sufficient life jackets for everyone aboard.

With the warm temperatures of summer here and a marked increase of visitors and tourists this year in cottage country, officers want to remind anyone who is on the water this summer that life jackets save lives. The Lifesaving Society's National Drowning Prevention Week takes place from July 16 to 22, 2023, and officers hope all water users step up their game and wear their life jackets. A great message from our media friends at CTV with the OPP marine unit spells out the importance of water safety - National Drowning Prevention Week kicks off | CTV News

During the officers tour of duty from July 14-17, 2023 they logged 30 hours of patrol on the OPP patrol vessel Thomas P. Coffin patrolling area waterways for equipment compliance and operator sobriety. Officers charged one operator for a Liquor Licence Act offence. and two others for Canada Shipping Act offences.

20 other operators were warned of violations under the Canada Shipping Act relating primarily to the lack of essential safety equipment on their vessel.

Members also attended and extinguished a marine fire near Sand Piper Bay, Beausoleil Island on July 14, 2023 demonstrating that emergencies do happen on the water and the importance of having your safety equipment in good operating order.- https://twitter.com/OPP_CR/status/1681054842578501635

The marine unit also produced a reminder video to raise the awareness of having life jackets and flashlights that are fit for service- https://twitter.com/OPP_CR/status/1679868365257441283

Warmer Summer Weather still means Cool Water Temperatures for Boaters - Life Jacket & Floater Suit Reminder

As of 6:00 p.m. July 17, 2023, the surface water temperature according to the Government of Canada Weather Buoy at Buoy position: 44.95N 80.63W on Georgian Bay was 21 degrees Celsius.

Alcohol Related Crashes Over the Weekend Result in Charges and Suspensions

(MIDLAND, ON)- Members of the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment responded to two calls for service reporting vehicle crashes in Tiny Township over the weekend that resulted in an alcohol related police investigation.

Officers were dispatched at approximately 12:51 p.m. July 16, 2023, to two vehicle crash in the intersection of Balm Beach Road East at Wilson Road. Once at the scene, investigators spoke with the drivers with one of them becoming the subject of an impaired driving investigation.

As a result of this investigation, Mariana ABURTO HERNANDEZ 21 years of Brampton has been charged criminally wit

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Dangerous operation

The accused was released from police custody to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on July 27, 2023. The accused also faces a 90 day drivers licence suspensions as per the Ministry of Transportation (ADLS) guidelines as well the vehicle was towed and impounded for 14 days.

On July 15, 2023, at approximately 7:57 p.m. as a result of a call to the Ontario Provincial Police Communication Centre from a community member, officers responded to a single vehicle that had crashed off Champlain Road near Seneca Court. The driver was spoken to by dispatched officers who entered into a drinking and driving investigation.

As a result of this investigation, the 53 year old female driver of Barrie registered less than 50 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood on the Intoxilyzer and was issued an offence notice for Careless Driving contrary to the Highway Traffic Act.

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

Midland Resident Arrested by OPP in Local LCBO Shoplifting Incident While Awaiting Court on Numerous Other Similar Charges

(MIDLAND, ON)- A call to the Ontario Provincial Police Communication Centre for another shoplifting offence from the Midland Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO) has resulted in a the arrest of a Midland resident who is currently awaiting court on a number of related charges.

On July 11, 2023, store security observed a male suspect removing liquor from the retail store without paying and a subsequent investigation by members of the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment identified the male as an accused in similar type incidents at the same location.

In the afternoon of July 15, 2023, an OPP officer on patrol checked a rider of an E-Bike on Highway 12 near the intersection of Old Fort Road in Tay Township and confirmed the rider to be the suspect in the shoplifting investigation. The uncooperative suspect was arrested and eventually complied to be transported to Detachment for further investigation.

Charged is Nathan FONTAINE 31 years of Midland with the following criminal offences.

- Theft Under \$5000- SHOPLIFTING
- Failure to comply with undertaking
- Failure to comply with release order - other than to attend court

And Further Resist Peace Officer
The accused remains in custody awaiting a bail hearing and will appear before the Ontario Court of Justice at a future date.

ine Patrol Report July 5-9, 2023

(MIDLAND, On)- The Marine Unit attached to the Southern Georgian Bay OPP Detachment were out on patrol between July 5-9, 2023 checking a total of 73 vessels during their 39 hours of patrol on area waterways for equipment compliance and operator sobriety. Officers charged three vessel operators that failed to have sufficient life jackets for all persons onboard during their vessel inspections. One operator was charged for a Liquor Licence Act offence. One operator failed to have a Pleasure Craft Operator Card and another was charged for failing to have a spotter in their vessel while towing another person.

16 other operators were warned of violations under the Canada Shipping Act relating primarily to the lack of essential safety equipment on their vessel.

Officers responded to 17 calls for service while they patrolled the Tiny Township shoreline and Giants Tomb & Beckwith Island areas which were quite busy with boaters taking in the first week of July on the water.

OPP LAY CHARGES IN AN ONLINE CHILD SEXUAL

EXPLOITATION INVESTIGATION IN ORO-MEDONTE

(ORO-MEDONTE TWP, ON) - The Ontario

Provincial Police (OPP) has arrested and charged an Oro-Medonte Township resident following a child sexual exploitation investigation.

On July 11, 2023, OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit, Digital Forensics Unit and Orillia Detachment members executed a search warrant in Oro-Medonte Township and seized a quantity of electronic devices. As a result of this investigation, Douglas Lyell CAMPBELL, 63 years of age, was arrested and charged with two counts of Possession of Child Pornography, contrary to Section 163.1(4) of the Criminal Code.

The accused has been released after attending a bail hearing at the Ontario Court of Justice in Barrie.

Children are our most valuable and precious members of society. Many victims of child sexual abuse are so young that they cannot tell their story. Every time an image or video depicting that abuse is shared, that child is re-victimized.

The OPP will continue to aggressively identify and pursue individuals who use technology to exploit children. Parents are reminded to take a proactive approach to help protect their children from online sexual exploitation by speaking with their children regarding Internet safety. Parents can find resources to assist them at cybertip.ca or protectchildren.ca.

If you have information regarding Internet child exploitation and wish to provide information anonymously, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or ontariocrimestoppers.ca. Reporting information may also be made through cybertip.ca.

HURONIA WEST OPP MAKE MULTIPLE IMPAIRED DRIVING ARRESTS THIS PAST WEEKEND

(SPRINGWATER TOWNSHIP, ON)- During this past weekend, officers from the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged two drivers with impaired operation.

On July 8, 2023, just before 12:30 a.m., officers from the Huronia West OPP were conducting a R.I.D.E program on South Orr Lake Road in the Township of Springwater. The officers were led into an impaired driving investigation.

As a result, Jennifer ROBERTS, a 32-year-old from Barrie, has been charged with:

- Operation of a conveyance while ability impaired
- Operation of a conveyance with 80 or more milligrams of alcohol in one hundred milliliters of blood

The accused is scheduled to attend the Ontario Court of Justice in Collingwood, on a date in early August 2023.

Later that night, shortly before 11:30 p.m., police responded to a single motor vehicle collision on Forbes Road, in the Township of Springwater. Officers entered into an impaired and collision investigation.

As a result, Turner WATSON, a 26-year-old from Oro-Medonte, has been charged with:

- Operation of a conveyance while ability impaired
- Operation of a conveyance with 80 or more milligrams of alcohol in one hundred milliliters of blood

- Driving while under suspension
- Fail to remain
- Fail to report accident

The accused is scheduled to attend the Ontario Court of Justice in Collingwood, on a date in early August 2023.

Both received a 90-day licence suspension and a seven-day vehicle impound.

Members of the Huronia West OPP are committed to public safety, delivering proactive and innovative policing in partnership with our communities. Officers value your contribution to building safe communities. If you have information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122



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Barrie Fire’s Hot Summer Night Event is Back on July 27



(July 6, 2023 - Barrie, ON) Back from hiatus after the pandemic, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service (BFES) will host a free Hot Summer Night event at Sunnisdale Park on Thursday, July 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. Geared toward families with children, all are invited to join the fun. There will be hands-on activities, lifesaving fire tips, fire safety information, fire truck tours, and a fire hose shower to help cool everyone down. Sunnisdale Park is located at 265 Sunnisdale Road in Barrie.

- Additional event features include:
- Mini combat challenge obstacle course
 - Story time with Sparky
 - Barrie Recreation’s summer fun trailer
 - Barrie Police Service education tent
 - Painting a school bus with fire safety messages
 - Nature play activities featuring a mud kitchen
 - Fire safety games and prizes

Domino’s Pizza will also be on site selling slices for \$2 each, with proceeds going to the BFES charity fund, which gives back to local community and charitable groups. For further event details, visit barrie.ca/HotSummerNight. If the event needs to be rescheduled due to inclement weather, updates will be shared on Barrie Fire’s Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts. The Hot Summer Night event is supported by the Barrie Public Library, 107.5 KOOL FM, and Domino’s Pizza Barrie.

There’s Money in Your Stuff

Let me teach you the difference between “VALUE” N “STUFF”

This is a column by Mr David Kai for VMLC. David Kai is a published author nationally, a TV and radio commentator on investments, asset classes, collector and investment markets.



Furniture as an investment

Most are familiar with depreciation when looking at buying a new vehicle. Have you ever thought about applying that same concept to everything else you buy new. Let’s discuss furniture as an

example. Quality and longevity, the beauty of real wood, the types of wood, the different finishes and colours created a lush and elegant home. Then came, what I call sawdust furniture. This stuff is made of materials with glues and resins binding them, then covered with vinyl and laminates, but very little real wood. Modern technology gave the ability to provide colorful, vibrant decorating colours and shapes. Common problems with this type of furniture, it does not disassemble well, it does not move well, and it is not built to last. Modern furniture is disposable, primarily designed for a single use, no historic or artistic integrity or value. No body wants your used sawdust cabinet, other than possible as a junk piece for a secondary usage. You would be surprised how little you can buy a hundred-year-old piece that is a gorgeous colour of wood, but not grey or the current designer colour fad. Companies such as ours, provide opportunities for reinventions of older furniture, in either a finished or a do it your self refinish basis.

Paying \$3,000 for items that will depreciate almost immediately to only 20 percent of the cost, is a quick way to lose money. Instead, I suggest you look to use quality wooden pieces, and adjust the colour integration with accessories. Accessories carry the colour matches in your desire to move towards designer colours. The fabrics you attach to your items, such as a seat, throw cushion or blanket will give you all the modernization. Think about this, you can get items that are timeless, solid, and will go on to your children and their children, from things built in the past from real wood. Somebody else already paid the depreciation for you. You get these items for less than the sales tax on a new bedroom set or kitchen set. Do you think that there will be any sort of appreciation or desire for the current items manufactured and sold as furniture today. I can see the banners on an antique store in the future. Real sawdust furniture sold here! Buy things in your home as an investment.

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Youth Haven Capital Campaign Get \$15K



Photo from L to R: May Court Club of Barrie members Teena Francis, Pam MacLeod, Bev Jackson (President), Darlene Mooney, Lucy Gowers (Executive Director Youth Haven), Jodi Graham and Val Carson. Photo by Marianne Schall

July 7, 2023 - The May Court Club of Barrie gave \$15,000 (plus we had given \$5,000 for appliances) to the Youth Haven Capital Campaign towards their new building.

The goal of the campaign is \$2 million. They have raised \$280,000 to date. This will ensure that the new facility can house 30 youth between the ages of 16 - 24. By Marianne Schall

May Court Mystery Car Tour.



Photo from left to right: May Court Club of Barrie members Pam MacLeod, Jill Carr (Past-President), Rosemary Johnston, Bev Jackson (President), Val Carson, Sharon Palmer (Executive Director Barrie Food Bank) and Darren Vaillancourt (Manager, Fundraising & Donor Engagement Barrie Food Bank) Photo by Marianne Schall

July 7, 2023 -May Court Club of Barrie members Linda Linton and Margot Scott organized the SOLD OUT May Court Mystery Car Tour.

Supported by the Past President's Committee as a fundraiser, it was decided to give \$2000,00 of the ticket proceeds to the Barrie Food Bank.

Sharon Palmer, Executive Director of the Barrie Food Bank gave photo attendees a tour of the facility. Clients register and then shop prepared shelves so they can select what their own families need. There

is also a new emergency pantry to assist clients who cannot make the 30 days between pickups. The Barrie Food Bank supports mini pantries at 6 churches and 2 social housing properties. This year 187,517 pounds of rescued food has already been redirected to feed those in need versus the landfill from grocery stores.

Last month - June 2023 - they had 700 new clients. In June 2023 the Barrie Food Bank served 2,517 households which translated to 5,531 individuals.

By Marianne Schall

(July 6, 2023 - Barrie, ON) – The City of Barrie is offering some free activities this summer, aimed at getting kids and youth engaged in active play, outdoor activities, and nature. Two pop-up trailers, run by City staff will travel to various parks and recreation facilities this summer, offering free programming and sports equipment for loan.

The City’s Nature Play Trailer will offer nature play games and educational activities for kids and families starting July 5. The trailer is part of Nature Play Days, which also offers nature-based activities and crafts. Visit barrie.ca/NaturePlayDays for the full schedule of dates, times and locations.

The City’s Summer Fun trailer will travel to various parks and recreation facilities this summer season, starting in mid-July. The trailer will feature loanable outdoor sports equipment and arts and crafts activities. All trailer contents will be free to use and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Equipment is for all ages and can be signed out by participants 12 years and older. Equipment will change based on the location of the trailer and could include items such as basketballs, soccer balls, pickle ball equipment, grass games and arts and crafts activities. Visit barrie.ca/SummerFunTrailer for updates, and the schedule as it's announced.

Please note that the programming schedule is subject to change, and inclement weather or extreme heat cancellations are possible.

By Emma Sharpe, Communications Advisor

Obituaries



WATSON, Barbara Annette

In loving memory of Barbara Annette Watson who passed away on Monday, July 3rd in her 86th year. Loving wife, of the late Gary Watson and the late Jim Culver. Barbara leaves behind her sister Sandra Warburton and joins her late sister Vera.

Dearly missed by her children Vera, Eileen Cooke (Jim), Ken, Glen Cooke (Jo-Anne), Ken Cooke, Kevin Cooke (Tammy) and grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

In keeping with Barbara's wishes, there will be no funeral service.

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



ST. DENIS, Mark Albert

Mark Albert St. Denis of Vasey passed away at home Friday, July 7th in his 66th year. Devoted husband of Lorraine (Crowe). Proud and caring father to Ken (Alexis) of Hillsdale. Loving papa to Denver and River. Mark will be sadly missed by many family, friends, neighbours, and musicians.

Mark will be fondly remembered for his musical talents, storytelling, and larger than life personality. Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

If desired, memorial donations may be made to Diabetes Canada, Heart and Stroke, or the charity of your choice.

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DUNSFORD, Arthur Reese

Arthur Reese Dunsford Jr (Reese) born November 11, 1943 passed away peacefully in his home at Wymbolwood Beach on Tuesday July 11, 2023. An entrepreneur with multiple businesses over the years, Reese was a devoted family man and loving husband to his wife Rosalyn (Hussey) and two daughters Katie (Ryan) Mustard and Sandy Dunsford.

He was predeceased by his parents Art and Becky Dunsford and his siblings Doreen and Bob.

He will be remembered for his long chats, love of traveling and rocking out to the oldies. He was always ready with a story about a place or a song. He loved the beach and what his family had built there. We know that you are dancing in Heaven to your favourite tunes.

There will be a memorial service at later date.

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LUCAS, Frances Noreen

Passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 15, 2023 at the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in Barrie. Fran Lucas (nee Draper) of Barrie in her 75th year. Pre-deceased by husbands, Murray Johnston and Robert Lucas, survived by

partner Gord Schlamb. Beloved mother of Keith Johnston and Kathy Johnston (Harry Mann). Grandmother of Jesse (Shannon) Johnston, Zack Johnston, Mikaela Knuff-Johnston, pre-deceased by Matthew Johnston, and a proud and loving great-grandmother. Sister of the late Lois Swan (survived by Brian) and Trace Draper (survived by Marlene). Fran will be missed by her many nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held at the Lynn-Stone Funeral Home in Elmvale from 2-4 and 7-9 pm on Thursday, July 20. A memorial service will be held in the funeral home chapel on Friday, July 21 at 11 am. Interment Elmvale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Cancer Society in Fran's memory.

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Food Bank - Forty Individuals Volunteer on a Regular Basis



Photo above R-L, B-F: Allie, Myra, Madison, Summer and Carly with a carload of donations from Tim Horton’s Soccer League.

July 16, 2021 - Did you know...there are as many as 40 individuals who volunteer with our food bank on a regular basis?

It’s been a quiet time for incoming donations these past few weeks at the Elmvale & District Food Bank, however we recently have been delighted with contributions by two local sports groups. The Elmvale Ladies Ball Hockey League dropped by last week with their generous collections and the Elmvale Tim Horton’s Soccer League surprised us with a carload of items collected at their final fun night. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to them and to all who have contributed to the food security of those in need. We are happy to accept any donations from your group or family anytime. Please contact us for information 705-322-9096

By Debbie Craddock

Elmvale Food Bank

Elmvale & District Food Bank is Giving Back Through a Caring Community.

Food list of Items Currently Needed

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|----------------|-----------------|
| Peanut butter | Canned potatoes |
| Jam | Hamburg helper |
| Snack crackers | Canned fruit |
| Beef gravy | Stew |
| Cream corn | |

The food bank will gratefully accept any donations of food items. When these items are donated it will save them from having to purchase these items.

Residents Encouraged to Submit Their Favourite ‘Places and Spaces’

(Barrie, ON) – The City wants to hear about your favourite place or space in Barrie! Residents are encouraged to submit Barrie’s best open, public places for consideration for feature in the City’s 2024 Waste Collection Calendar.

Typically, the City collects resident photo submissions of Barrie sights and scenes to feature in the calendar each year. This year, the City will accept written submissions of residents’ favourite places and spaces.

The City will narrow down the submissions, and

then allow residents to vote for their favourites after the submission period ends. The most popular locations will be featured in the City’s 2024 Waste Collection Calendar.

How to enter:

- Tell us your favourite place or space in Barrie! Some ideas could be your favourite place to relax, your go-to waterfront spot or where you head to embrace and appreciate the city’s culture, heritage or natural beauty.
- Visit the online contest submission form via

barrie.ca/calendar to share your favourite place or space.

The following submission rules apply:

- The location must be within the City of Barrie and be an open, public place (no organizations, businesses or establishments).
- You must be a City of Barrie resident to participate.

Submit a place or space idea until July 31, 2023 via barrie.ca/calendar.



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