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CELEBRATING THE CANADIAN SPIRIT

Caledon was a sea of red and white as residents came out on July 1 for a series of Canada Day celebrations across the community. The Khan Family, above, had fun at the Strawberry Festival, hosted by the Caledon Agricultural Society. For full Canada Day coverage, see Pages 2 & 3.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Fuel prices, inflation add to hardship caused by pandemic

More important than ever for those who are able to support those in need

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The need for social services, such as food banks, has increased in Caledon during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As people still grapple with the effects of

the virus on their lives, Caledon residents, like many others around the world, are now faced with high fuel prices and a higher cost of living.

Michelle Veinot, Director of Community Resources at Caledon Community Services (CCS), said this has led to people needing to ask for help with more than food when they’ve never had to before.

“People are coming through our doors who never thought they would have to access social service support such as a food bank... we’ve seen an increase in clients, but what I would

say is, even the existing clients that we had are struggling much more than they ever have,” said Veinot. “You’re adding on these other challenges around grocery costs, and the cost of fuel, and utilities and those things.”


She explained people are now asking for things like utility subsidies and assistance with expenses for their children, such as money for camp registration and non-prescription medicine like Advil and Tylenol. Veinot said CCS expects to see a large demand for back-to-school supplies come August and September.

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Camp aims to reconnect Indigenous youth with their culture

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Students with First Nation, Inuit and Métis ancestry can attend a free camp this summer. The Peel District School Board's (PDSB) Indigenous Education Department has announced it is hosting an Indigenous Culture Camp for Indigenous students entering Grades Six to 12.

It's being held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the G.W. Finlayson Field Centre in Alton on

July 7, 12, 13, and 14 — the camp also ran on July 5 and 6.

Transportation to and from the camp is available upon request.

“This is the first year the Peel District School Board is running an Indigenous Culture Camp. We are thrilled to be running this camp this summer,” said Malon Edwards, PDSB Communications Manager, in an email to the Citizen.

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(TOP) Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson, accompanied by members of Council, gave his final Canada Day speech to those in attendance. (Below Left) The Kirio family came to the new Celebrate Caledon event. (Below Right) Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School student Sope Duyile performed the National Anthem.

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Caledon residents enjoy Canada Day at Town’s new Celebrate Caledon event

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

With the beautiful Albion Hills Conservation Area as a backdrop, Caledon residents celebrated their town and country on July 1.

The Town of Caledon held its first-ever Celebrate Caledon event at Albion Hills that day. The event combined the previously separately-held Caledon Day and Caledon Canada Day events, both of which were cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Held in partnership with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, the event featured live music, a kids’ zone, fireworks, food and drink vendors and more. The headlining music act was

Juno Award-nominated band Wide Mouth Mason, and local acts Itchy and Scratchy Showband and Vilivant opened for them.

Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson was on hand at the event alongside members of Caledon council.

He gave a speech and said that Canada is the best place in the world, and that Caledon is the best place in Canada.

He remarked it would be his last Canada Day as mayor, a bittersweet moment since he has served in public office in Caledon for nearly 20 years.

He and council wished all who attended the event a happy Canada Day and safe travels home at the end of the night.

Indigenous Culture Camp underway

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“After having run various youth and family events online due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is the first time we will be able to gather in person. It was one of the initiatives determined by our Indigenous Education Advisory Circle and supported by our Board Action Plan for Indigenous Education.”

Edwards said offering the free camp to Indigenous youth upholds the PDSB’s obligations to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, so that Indigenous youth have access

to their culture, language and ways of being in the education system.

“This camp will allow youth to learn from Indigenous Community Partners such as Elders, Knowledge Keepers and artists, on the land — the original teacher. Students will engage in activities such as medicine walks, beaded medallion making, and traditional teachings that honour Indigenous ways of knowing and being,” said Edwards. “Colonialism and imposed policies such as the residential school system removed Indigenous peoples’ connection

to culture, traditions, languages and ways of being. This camp is an opportunity for youth to reconnect with their heritage and celebrate their identities.”

According to the PDSB’s website, the G.W. Finlayson Field Centre where the camp will be held has 194 acres of land on the south shore of Caledon Lake. Shaw’s Creek runs through the site of the centre, and there’s a bog, marshes, swamps, ponds, mature forests and open fields there.

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A sweet return to the Caledon Canada Day and Strawberry Festival

Caledon Agricultural Society pleased to host in person event again

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Fluffy pancakes, fresh local strawberries piled high, whipped cream and maple syrup.

That delicious dish was dug into by many a Caledon resident on July 1 at the Caledon Fairgrounds in Caledon Village.

There, the Caledon Agricultural Society was proud to host its annual Caledon Canada Day and Strawberry Festival event in person for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic struck.

Ed Taccone, the president of the Caledon Agricultural Society, was the emcee for the official opening ceremony for the day.

He explained the Agricultural Society has been doing the Strawberry Festival for over 30 years.

“I think people have been locked up for the past few years and they just want to get out and get back to normal,” said Taccone in an interview, noting it was great for the Agricultural Society to be back out as well. “There were some tense moments but we pulled it through, we did virtual stuff... which kept the public up with what we were doing in preparation for getting back to normal.”

Taccone was quick to thank all those who made the July 1 festival a success. “I can’t say enough for our volunteers and directors, they’re great,” he said.

One such volunteer is David Hansraj, who was happily cooking and flipping pancakes on July 1.

Hansraj explained why he doesn’t actually like the word “volunteer.”

“It is my duty,” he said. “I would like to see that the fair and the Strawberry Festival continue... if these things disappear, what do we have left?” Hansraj said he’s been volunteering with the Caledon Agricultural Society since 2004 and that he loves doing it. He recalls a time when he and his wife were planning a year-long trip around the world — but they made sure they left on July 2 so they could still come to volunteer at the festival.

Festival-goers enjoyed live music, the famous pancake breakfast, barbequed food, a classic car show, garden tractor pull, vendors, craft show and more as they took in all the Caledon Fairgrounds had to offer on Canada Day.



(ABOVE) David Hansraj (second from left) and other volunteers were cooking up pancakes, which were then topped with fresh local strawberries. (Below Left) The Lattanzio family came out to enjoy Canada Day at the Caledon Fairgrounds. (Below Right) Bruce Blears won an award in the Canada Day Classic Car Show. **PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN**







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DEADLY CANADA DAY HOUSE FIRE

Members of the Caledon OPP remain on scene at a house fire that occurred on Canada Day that claimed the life of two victims.

“On July 1, 2022, at approximately 6:40 a.m., Caledon OPP, along with Caledon Fire, attended a house fire on Mountainview Road near Highway 9, in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “When emergency crews arrived, the residence was found to be fully engulfed in flames. Nearby residents were evacuated with two people unaccounted for. The Office of the Ontario Fire Marshal was contracted and attended the scene. Two victims were later recovered.

“The names of the deceased have not yet been released as identities have yet to be confirmed and to allow for family notifications.”

IDENTIFICATION IN COMMERCIAL PROPERTY DEATH

Members of the Caledon OPP are assisting with a death investigation at a commercial property in the Town of Caledon.

“On June 30, 2022, at approximately 3:20 p.m., Caledon OPP responded to a report of an unresponsive male at a commercial property on Airport Road, near King Street, in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “The initial investigation revealed that a male was trapped under a garage bay door. The male was pronounced deceased at the scene.”

The deceased has been identified as Pasquale Salerno, 85, of Caledon.

The Ontario Ministry of Labour (MOL) and the Federal Department of Labour were notified and are investigating. The

Office of the Chief Coroner for Ontario and OPP Forensic Identification Unit (FIS) are assisting with the investigation.

POLICE WARN AGAINST AGRICULTURAL TRESSPASSING

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is noticing an increase in agricultural trespassing in Dufferin County, culminating in a serious instance being shared on social media.

“On the Canada [Day] Long Weekend there were two occurrences of people stopping on the side of Highway 10 in Melancthon Township and entering a Canola field to take photos,” say Police. “While Canola is beautiful at this time of year, it is a crop. It is a large part of plant-based diets and a source of income for our farmers. The potential damage to this crop is valued at \$2,000 if only one acre is damaged. It will increase if there was a larger area affected.

“Fields containing crops are not required to have fences or signage to deter people from entering, as stated in the Trespass to Property Act. Therefore, entering a field, whether it is on foot or with an off-road vehicle, is trespassing. If a person damages crops, then a criminal charge of Mischief could be considered by a responding police officer.

“While Dufferin OPP will be monitoring for these situations, we do need public assistance. The situation that happened this past weekend was captured by photo, but a timely phone call to the police was not made. Dufferin OPP asks that if you see this happening, please call 1-888-310-1122 and report it immediately.”

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Police are hoping that informing the public will help reduce further scams.


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- Requests you to purchase prepaid gift cards and asking you to provide the gift card numbers
- Often times, there will be a request not to tell anyone, to keep it a secret to avoid further trouble


How to protect yourself:

- If something doesn’t seem right hang up
- Call your local police service and meet with an officer
- Make a follow up call to the actual banking institution to confirm information

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



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Ancient Greek sophist
5. Genus of insects
11. Culinary herb
12. Neutralizing antibody
16. Plan
17. Pa’s partner
18. A city in S Louisiana
19. TNT sportscaster
24. Atomic #25 (abbr.)
25. Well-known bug
26. Body parts
27. Monetary unit of Albania
28. Kids’ play things
29. Coastal city in Malaysia
30. Famed French physician
31. Flourishing
33. Excessively overweight
34. Pampered
38. Emerged
39. Order of tailless amphibians
40. Indian term of respect
43. Shift sails (Brit.)
44. Beloved Mexican dish
45. Scottish tax
49. Health insurance
50. Monetary unit of Samoa
51. Move about
53. Execute or perform
54. Taste property
56. Unit of dry measure
58. Blood group
59. Something you can up
60. In great need
63. Breezes through
64. Spoke
65. Become acquainted with

CLUES DOWN

1. A particular part
2. Spanish neighborhood
3. Business
4. Reddish browns
5. Extinct Hawaiian bird
6. Disney town
7. Part of the Bible (abbr.)
8. Atomic #22 (abbr.)
9. The distinctive spirit of a people or an era
10. In a moment
13. Monetary unit of Vietnam
14. Submerge in a liquid
15. Yellowish cotton cloth
20. —, denotes past
21. Hoopster Morant
22. Not
23. Indian title of respect
27. Horsley and Marvin are two
29. One thousandth of a liter (abbr.)
30. Hoover’s organization
31. Round globular seed
32. University official
33. Spherical body
34. Iraq’s capital
35. To any further extent
36. Swollen lymph node
37. Anger
38. Technological marvel
40. Peruvian district
41. Salt of acetic acid
42. What Santa says
44. Israeli city ___ Aviv
45. Late Heisman winner
46. Reveal the presence of
47. Long upholstered seat
48. Most wily
50. Sword
51. Respiratory disease
52. The Ocean State
54. Fleishy watery fruit
55. Lying down
57. Superheavy metal
61. The ancient Egyptian sun god
62. Indicates position

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The new Cadillac LYRIQ electric vehicle.

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Caledon electric vehicle event to feature first in person look at new Cadillac EV

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Caledon residents can get a first look Saturday at an electric vehicle that isn't yet at dealerships.

On July 9, the Town of Caledon, the Caledon chapter of the Electric Vehicle Society (EVS), and EcoCaledon are hosting the Electrify Caledon event at the Southfields Village Community Centre.

It runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and at the event people will be able to test drive electric cars, learn from guest speakers and organizations, meet electric vehicle owners and ask them questions, and see a vehicle that's not yet at dealerships.

Since the Citizen's June 23 article on the event, Caledon EVS chapter pres-

ident Kenneth Bokor said he's been able to secure a Cadillac LYRIQ to be shown off on the ninth. He said to his knowledge it's going to be the first time people in Canada can see the vehicle in person.

Bokor, who runs an electric vehicle Youtube channel with over 24,000 subscribers, was invited to the media launch of the LYRIQ in the Salt Lake City Area. He went to do a review of the vehicle for his channel, and while there he talked to the people at Cadillac to see if he could get one of their LYRIQs at the event he's helping to host.

"I figured it'd be a great showcase vehicle... the timing seemed to work out," said Bokor. "I think it's going to be pretty spe-

cial for people to see this vehicle; they'll be quite impressed with it as well."

The EVS and Bokor himself are not affiliated with any automotive manufacturer, they just wish to promote the benefits of electric vehicles and help save the environment.

Another vehicle Bokor has been able to secure to showcase at Electrify Caledon is the Ford F-150 Lightning all-electric pickup truck, which has only just started to ship to customers this month.

There's also going to be a BMW iX, which has been out for a few months but is still quite new and on a new platform, said Bokor.

The speaker schedule for Electrify Caledon has been confirmed, and is as fol-

lows: From 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and 2:15 to 3:15 p.m., the EVS will be doing an "EV 101" presentation; from 11:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. EcoCaledon will be doing a presentation; and from 1:00 to 1:45 p.m. the Town of Caledon will present.

When it comes to the LYRIQ, Bokor said his impression was that it's a solidly built car and that the early production units he and other journalists got to test drive were great.

"It's extremely quiet, extremely smooth, and I kind of summarized it in my video as cool, calm and collected," said Bokor. "Everything on it is new. So, it's a completely new design and all the materials are new for that vehicle, they put a lot of thought and effort into that."

Peel libraries partner to offer Pride Book Club

Virtual book club meets once per month

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The Caledon, Brampton, and Mississauga Public Libraries have teamed up to host a virtual Pride Book Club each month.

The club welcomes 2 Spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (2SLGBTQ+) readers and allies to talk about books that spark meaningful conversations.

Natalie Spaan, Youth Services Coordinator at the Caledon Public Library (CPL), said the CPL started its own Pride Book Club in 2019, but then the pandemic hit.

Then, a few months ago, the Brampton Public Library reached out about starting their own Pride Book Club, so the two libraries decided to partner with the Mississauga library to create the club that runs online now.

"Some people in the community actually prefer doing it virtually because maybe they're not out to their family or friends," said Spaan. "This way they're able to just attend in their home and feel comfortable."

Registration for the book club conversations each month is done on the online platform Eventbrite. Information about upcoming book discussions, and registration links, are available online at caledon.library.on.ca/pride.

Spaan explained since registration is online, even people from outside of Peel Region have been joining the book club. She said some people from the United States have attended, as in some states there there's been pushes to remove 2SLGBTQ+ books from libraries and those books are now hard for those people to access.

It is important for the library to be a community space where everyone feels welcome, said Spaan, and that's one of the reasons why she said the Pride Book Club is so important.

"We welcome everyone and offer a comfortable space for people... to come together and celebrate the great LGBTQ books there are... just offer that safe space for discussion," said Spaan.

Response to the book club has been great, said Spaan, as the libraries have received emails after the book club discussions thanking the library for hosting them. There are some regulars who attend the book club, and new people that come each time too.

Two librarians from each of the Caledon, Brampton, and Mississauga libraries got together to make a giant list of possible books for the Pride Book Club to read, then narrowed them down.

People who attend the book club can also recommend books for the club to read.

The next running of the Pride Book Club is July 14, when Carmen Maria Machado's memoir In the Dream House will be discussed.

The discussion will take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and registration is already open for it. Copies of the book can be taken out from the Caledon Public Library.

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Fuel prices, inflation add to hardship caused by pandemic

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To meet this demand, CCS is pushing for donations to its Kidz in Caledon initiative. Veinot explained it is a catch-all program when it comes to supporting families with kids, as money donated to it can be used to sign kids up for camp or recreational activities, provide them with healthy food, and more.

“Before COVID, parents, we would provide them with food support and some of those other subsidies and they would try to make the recreation programs and the camp programs for kids work on their own, but they’re really struggling now,” said Veinot. “So, we’re seeing everybody asking for help around those items... it’s an expensive time for families that are struggling. So that would be my push, or my ask, for support for the Kidz in Caledon campaign.”

Veinot said the pandemic has made people realize that we’re all not far away from needing help. That’s why when it comes to food donations, she always encourages people to donate what they would feed their own family.

If someone is able to make a food donation to The Exchange, the place where people can access food support from CCS in Bolton, Veinot recommends the person buy two of some of the items they get for their family when grocery shopping, then donate one and keep one.

Something people may not know about The Exchange is that it’s welcoming of fresh produce. Veinot encourages Caledon gardeners to grow a row for themselves and grow a row for The Exchange. She said CCS is proud to be able to provide items like fresh produce to clients — she said if you bring in some fresh produce,

it will be on someone’s table that night.

“It makes a big difference, people having that nutritious food to feed their families,” said Veinot. “Those who are accessing our food support program [are] parents that are working extra hard to make ends meet.”

Coffee, for example, is another item that is very welcome at The Exchange that people may not think to donate.

“I know myself, I would struggle with no coffee in the morning,” said Veinot. “But the majority of those who access our food support program [are] parents that are working extra hard to make ends meet.”

Donations of things like coffee are a big deal and can make a big difference to those people working extra hard.

Veinot said CCS runs the Kidz in Caledon program every year to support local kids and their families, but that this year kids are being signed up for it “left, right and centre.”

She explained all the camps and activities kids in the program are enrolled in are Caledon-based.

Veinot also wanted to let Caledon residents know The Exchange is welcoming and encouraging visitors, and giving tours again, now that pandemic restrictions have been lessened.

“The purpose of the exchange is to bring you back in to look at community challenges and how we can tackle them together, how we can create solutions together,” said Veinot. “We’d love to have people come visit.”

The Exchange is located at 55 Healey Road in Bolton, and can be reached by phone at 905-584-2300, extension 201.

More information about CCS and all its programs and services can be found online at ccs4u.org.



(ABOVE) Debbie Dale, Susan Vint, and Tina Liegghio are pictured participating in the CCS Velocity Ride. (BELOW) Ted’s Terra Cotta Trailblazers were the team that raised the most money for this year’s event. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Cyclists pedal past fundraising goal for Caledon seniors

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Cyclists were all smiles as they pedalled for miles in support of Caledon seniors on July 1.

For Caledon Community Services’ (CCS) annual Velocity Ride, which began in the morning on Canada Day, riders gathered at Caledon’s Town Hall in Caledon

East. There, they could register their teams if they hadn’t yet, partake in a generous spread of breakfast food and beverages, or make last minute bicycle repairs. For when riders would return later in the day, lunch was provided, and complimentary massages too.

Riders of all ages and skill levels participated in the event, and chose from routes of 10, 25, 50, or 100 kilometres in length. Each group was given a send-off and began their rides together.

Susan Vint, who has run an accounting business in Caledon for over 30 years, entered this year’s Velocity Ride with her friends Debbie Dale and Tina Liegghio. Dale said she first let Vint know about Velocity, and explained CCS has helped out her mom and hus-

band. Dale and her teammates said the Velocity Ride is a great way to give back to the community, get out and have fun, and see people you haven’t seen in a while.

Melina Zammit, a university student who volunteered at the Velocity Ride, was the event’s official photographer, and said her experience volunteering with CCS was really good. Zammit said everyone was so excited for the ride this year.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2021 Velocity ride had to be held in a virtual format. This year, riders were happy to be back together in person.

Ted Webb is a champion of the Velocity event. Last week prior to the ride, the Citizen profiled his extensive fundraising efforts, and Webb’s team, the Terra Cotta Trailblazers, ended

up as the number one fundraisers for the 2022 Velocity Ride.

It was his fourth Velocity Ride, Webb explained, but he’s been riding bikes for his entire life. He moved to Terra Cotta 22 years ago, and said there’s not a road in Caledon that he hasn’t ridden his bike on. He commended the Town of Caledon for adding bike lanes when they have redone roads in recent years.

Webb was the event’s highest male fundraiser, bringing in a total of \$4,288.50. Maria Marignani was the event’s highest female fundraiser, bringing in \$2,000. They were both awarded gift bags from Caledon Hills Cycling for their efforts.

Norman Wolverton, the rider who got the most single donations with 33 as of July 3, was awarded a gift card to Glen

Echo Nursery. Team Agalateya, captained by Mohamed Abdelwahab, had the highest number of riders with 29. They received a gift card to the Consulate Dining Room at the Royal Ambassador Event Centre.

CCS Director of Communications and Marketing Donna Cragg called team Agalateya’s number of riders phenomenal.

“In addition, there was a flurry of door prizes,” said Cragg. “The business community really stepped up generously with the prizes... awarding the highest number of donations and the team with the most riders really epitomizes the heart of the event. It is all about helping community and supporting our seniors.”

As of July 4, almost \$58,000 was raised for Caledon seniors from this year’s Velocity ride, well over the goal of \$50,000.

Comic Expo coming to Southfields Village

BY ZACHARY ROMAN

A comic expo is coming to Caledon and it’s set to be a super time.

On July 16, the Caledon Public Library (CPL) is hosting its annual comic expo at its Southfields Village branch, which is located inside the Southfields Village Community Centre at 225 Dougall Ave.

The expo will be divided into events for two age groups, kids ages 12 and under, and teens aged 13 to 17. For the kids, there will be an “Infinity Stone Scavenger Hunt” around the community centre, story time with the Caledon Parent Child Centre, trivia, a costume parade, a superhero swim, and baking of Spiderman cookies. For the teens, there will be a fandom-themed maker lab, anime screening, a drawing workshop with a special guest, prize presentation for CPL’s teen fan art contest, a cosplay contest, trivia, and a board game cafe with bubble tea.

For more details and the times of each event, those interested can visit caledon.library.on.ca/comic-expo.

Attendees are encouraged to dress up in costume or their favorite superhero/fan shirt for the event.

Natalie Spaan works for the CPL and was in charge of planning the comic expo. She’s a huge comic, graphic novel and manga fan herself, and is actually the one responsible for ordering those materials to Caledon’s library branches.

Spaan explained the special guest doing a drawing workshop for teens, Megan Huang, is from

Mississauga. She attended last year’s virtual comic expo for a Q&A and such good feedback was received by the CPL that Huang was invited back again.

“We’re excited for Megan this year, she’s great... she works a lot with Dark Horse Comics, she’s doing a lot of the drawings for them. And just this past February, she published her first graphic novel that was just done completely by herself, which was very exciting,” said Spaan. “She’s done tons of cover work... she just did one for a Star Wars comic book series.”

There can be misconceptions around comics, graphic novels, and manga that reading them is not “real reading.” But Spaan explained studies have shown that is completely false. She said reading a comic requires just as much reading comprehension as a novel, and provides an interesting extra layer as the reader has to interpret the image too.

The comic expo event Spaan is most excited for on the teen side is Huang’s drawing workshop.

She said seeing her work in person is going to be a great and valuable experience for the teens.

On the kids side of things, Spaan is excited to see all the costumes kids will be wearing for the costume parade around the community centre. She noted the teen cosplay contest is also always amazing. The time, dedication and detail the teens put into their cosplay costumes is amazing, she said.

“It’s jaw-dropping,” said Spaan.

Comic expo events for both kids and teens begin at 10 a.m. on July 16.



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Notice of Application

Proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision, and Draft Plan of Condominium

FILE NUMBER(S): POPA 2022-0003, RZ 2022-0004, 21T-22003C & 21CDM-22003C

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision and Draft Plan of Condominium Applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

APPLICANT:

WSP Canada Inc. on behalf of Bolton Summit Developments Inc.

LOCATION:

13290 Nunnville Road
Part of Lot 7, Concession 7, 8 (ALB) and Part of Lot 33 on Road Plan ALB 4 and Parts 4 to 6 on Plan 43R-3366
Ward 5

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has applied for an Official Plan Amendment (POPA 2022-0003), Zoning By-law Amendment (RZ 2022-0004), Draft Plan of Subdivision (21T-22003C) and Draft Plan of Condominium (21CDM-22003C) to facilitate the development of fifteen(15) 3-storey townhouse dwelling units on an internal private roadway. The Official Plan Amendment proposes to redesignate the lands from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential. The Zoning By-law Amendment proposes to rezone the lands from Residential One – Exception 56 (R1-56) to Residential Townhouse – Exception XX (RT-XX) with site specific permissions. The proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision seeks to establish a residential block and the Draft Plan of Condominium seeks to establish common elements condominium including the common element road, sidewalk and parking areas.



**The illustration is a conceptual plan for information purposes and it is subject to change. The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon.*

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision, and/or, Draft Plan of Condominium, additional information and material, please visit [caledon.ca/notices](https://www.caledon.ca/notices) or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Notice Date: July 7, 2022



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Chinguacousy Road Improvements

Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Notice of Public Information Centre No. 1

THE PROJECT

The Town of Caledon through their consultant Ainley Group is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for improvements to Chinguacousy Road from Mayfield Road to Old School Road (see the image). This project is being carried out under the planning and design process for a Schedule C project as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015) which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Through the 2051 planning horizon, Caledon is forecasted to grow from a population of approximately 80,000 residents to approximately 300,000. The Caledon Transportation Master Plan (TMP) has identified the corridor of Chinguacousy Road from Mayfield Road to Old School Road as an area needing road improvements to service the current growth in the area and the future planned Peel Region's urban boundary expansion. Recommendations for the corridor will consider road widening, geometric and intersection improvements, active transportation and transit facilities, and access management.



PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Consultation with stakeholders is a key element of this Class EA. To facilitate this a virtual Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held on Tuesday, July 5th, 2022 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the PIC is to provide information regarding the existing conditions in the study area and the identification, evaluation and selection of alternative solutions. The PIC will provide an opportunity for you to ask questions and discuss the project with the Project Team.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

To participate in the virtual PIC please visit the project website

caledon.ca/en/government/chinguacousy-road-improvements-class-environmental-assessment.aspx and follow the instructions provided.

COMMENTS INVITED

We want to hear from you and would welcome your feedback about the PIC until July 30, 2022. The link to the feedback form will be available on the project website after the PIC. The feedback received will be used to help confirm the preferred alternative solution(s). After PIC No. 1 the Project Team will begin to develop and assess Alternative Design Concepts which will be presented in PIC No. 2. If you are unable to attend the PIC, a recording of the PIC presentation and copy of presentation material will be available on the Project website. To obtain additional information, please contact either of the following members of the study team:

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Notice of Intention to Designate

12035 Dixie Road



TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Caledon intends to designate an 8.64 acre portion of the property at 12035 Dixie Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

The property is located on the east side of Dixie Road at the northeast corner of the intersection of Dixie Road and Mayfield Road, being part of the west half of Lot 18, Concession 4 EHS, geographic Chinguacousy Township, Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel. The property is east of the historic village of Snelgrove.

The historical or associative value of this property is found in its direct association with two prominent Chinguacousy families, Hearn and Cation, and its longevity of occupancy/ownership by both. The farm was developed by William Hearn, who had received the Crown Patent for the 100 acres of the west half of Lot 18 in 1838. The Hearn family owned the property until 1900, when it was sold to David H. Cation; the property has remained in the Cation family for over 120 years.

The design or physical value of the property rests with its Italianate-style brick residence and late 19th century Central Ontario style barn. Likely built between 1847 and 1861, the dwelling is an early and significant example of the vernacular interpretation of an Italianate farmhouse in Caledon. Its Italianate design elements include a hip roof, projecting gable bay, strong corners, tall chimneys, brackets, and dichromatic brickwork. The barn is a representative example of a Central Ontario gambrel-roofed barn style, which were commonly constructed throughout rural Ontario in the late 19th to early 20th centuries. The barn is characterized by its gambrel-roofed silhouette, hand-hewn timber framing, vertical wood board cladding, and the remnants of its original stone foundation.

The property has contextual value as a prominent landmark, contributing to an understanding of the character and evolution of the farming community in this area. It is a remnant feature of the historic crossroads hamlet of Mayfield.

CONTACT

Please contact Heritage staff at heritage@caledon.ca for further information regarding the heritage attributes and cultural heritage value of this property.

Any person may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, serve the Clerk notice of their objection to the proposed designation in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts.

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If you choose to cycle to the event, Bike Brampton can help with minor bike tune-ups and repairs.

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A return to the sea of red and white

By any measure of the sea of red and white before us, it was a remarkable return to form for Canada Day.

After more than two years of not being able to gather as we have always in the past, the arrival of what has been an elusive sense of normalcy was both palpable and comforting.

We were able to meet up and spend quality time with family and friends, take in some of the family-friendly programs our communities had to offer, all capped with dazzling fireworks displays.

Event planning of any kind has been fraught for the last two-and-a-half years.

Once a plan was finalized, it was a crap shoot whether the very next day new public health rules would be handed down by the Province, making months and months of preparation all for naught.

When things got a bit better, long-gestating plans would not have to be fully scrapped but retooled and rethought as gathering numbers were tweaked, expanded or contracted.

Then again, if all the hard work going into such events was able to stay in place, there was the ultimate question of whether or not the public would be ready to come out of their self-imposed bubbles and celebrate with their neighbours again.

Maybe that wasn't the ultimate question; for many people across Canada there was also the question of just what we would be celebrating come Canada Day.

The global pandemic upended our world, even in ways we couldn't begin to fathom before March of 2000. As we had more time in those early days away from whatever rat race we ran in between statutory holidays, it gave us, for better or worse, more time to focus on the issues of the day and what really mattered to us.

For many, it was an enlightening experience as the luxury of time afforded us the opportunity to, perhaps, try to put ourselves into the shoes of others and see the world from their perspective, one that was undoubtedly very different from our own.

But, in some respects, the inability to go about our regular routine created different pressures, some of which spilled over in ways they hadn't previously when we witnessed injustice to others or even the bristle of what we've come to know as our freedoms temporarily limited by obvious circumstances.

Injustices that had been sadly occurring and reoccurring for decades came into sharp new focus, as did the level of energy to go out, health restrictions be damned, and do something about it for your fellow human.

Conversely, what would have in eras past been seen as making a small sacrifice for the greater good was apparently too much to ask for as so many looked narrowly at a very broad-based issue in terms of how it might affect them and only them.

Things that were once safe ground for apolitical discussion turned out to be fraught with politically-charged pitfalls and the most innocuous-seeming circumstances turned out to be anything but, depending on where you were or who you were talking to.

As such, as we returned to a fully-fledged, restriction free, almost-normal-in-a-new-normal Canada Day, I was slightly trepidatious on what to expect on the day itself.

Don't get me wrong, I knew our commu-

nities would rise to the occasion and both celebrate what's great about Canada and contemplate some of the not-so-great aspects of where we are with a constructive eye to where we're going – but it was anyone's guess at how the celebration would unfold as a whole across the country.

Thankfully, from this observational standpoint, it was more or less smooth sailing as revellers settled into the festivities.

From my personal perspective, a part in fostering a feeling of celebration and unity were the words of our Governor General Mary Simon.

As this country grapples with fully understanding and appreciating the terrible history of Indigenous-settler relations, I found it heartening to see the first Indigenous person to hold the office of Governor General deliver such a unifying and calming message to all Canadians – without the political baggage that comes with being the leader of a government or party, serving or aspiring.

"Let me begin by thanking Canadians for their efforts during the pandemic," she said. "Thank you, Canada, for all your efforts during the pandemic, particularly the frontline workers who made a difference. They're a big part of the reason we can once again be out in the world and I applaud their work. I am delighted that we can once again see friends and family and show love for our country."

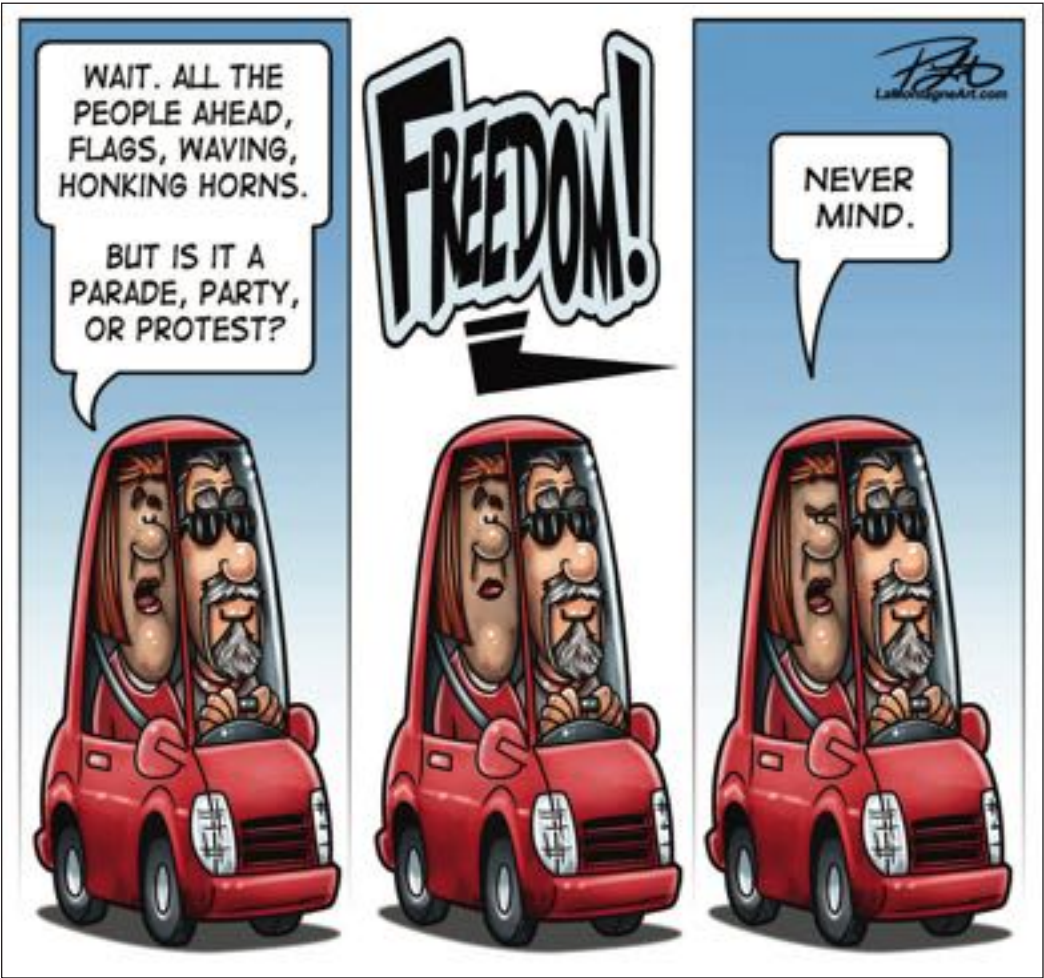
"As a country, we must remember that the spirit of celebration doesn't extend to everyone. This day may also be a reminder of what we have lost. Of course, we suffered tragic losses during the pandemic, and increasingly from climate disasters. And I've met with Indigenous peoples who continue to show strength and resilience but still grieve lost culture, languages and lives. This pain is renewed as they uncover locations of unmarked graves at residential schools. We must all work together to walk the road of reconciliation. It begins with understanding and respect."

"You may have heard me speak of 'ajuinna-ta' in the past year. It's a phrase in Inuktitut and important to Inuit. It means to never give up, to commit yourselves to action. The spirit of ajuinna-ta surrounds us. It's in the perseverance shown during the pandemic. In the tireless work in communities across Canada. And in the determination and hope of our youth to work toward building a Canada that lives up to our dreams."

"As we celebrate Canada Day, I want to encourage people in the same spirit to continue building an inclusive society, one where we can be who we are without judgement, where everyone belongs. Lead with kindness and compassion."

By leading with those two core attributes, we just might be able to rediscover common ground that has become somewhat eroded over the past two-and-a-half years. Kindness and compassion, along with ajuinna-ta, will help us continue building the kind of country that we want, the one we've always aspired to be, and the one we've often told ourselves has been here all along.

Congratulations to all those behind the events that so aptly celebrated our country with a thoughtful and considered balance, as well as to all those who took part. It was nice to be back!



Our children are our ultimate legacy

by Mark Pavilons



"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children." – Nelson Mandela

H. Jackson Brown Jr. once said that we parents should live in a way that when our kids think of fairness, caring and integrity, they think of us.

There are many lasting bequests we can pass on to our kids. All we can do is try, and hope that we give them the qualities, characteristics and moral fibre to be decent, contributing members of society.

We hope they explore, experience, love and feel joy. We hope they have the intestinal fortitude to face and overcome obstacles. We hope they embrace change, opportunity and one another.

We time-limited humans often talk about leaving a "legacy" – heirlooms that are both tangible and intangible.

I'm not sure why we feel this way, other than perhaps it gives us a tiny sense of immortality. In a way, we all live much longer in the hearts and minds of those who love us.

I recently heard a great line from a TV show that indicated our best gift to our children are their siblings. When mom and dad are gone, they will still have one another to love, lean on and console.

Our trio will hopefully rely on one another's best qualities to succeed, to share, to achieve.

I told them they have a whole lifetime to celebrate one another's milestones – weddings, children, family gatherings and holidays.

The cycle continues as it always has, and always will.

Kids are like wind-up toy boats placed in a calm pond. Tighen the spring mechanism and let them loose. Watch as they navigate the waters, dashing to and fro. Sure, they will likely bump into things along the way, but ultimately, the ride is a fun one, while it lasts.

Of course, our children grow up quite quickly, almost too quickly. I blame it on the processed cheese slices and those delicious tiny white donuts.

Our 20-somethings seldom ask for advice. Sure, they're quick to ask for favours and other stuff, but advice, na, they think they know better.

My oldest daughter told me recently, she's an entrepreneur, a self-made woman who has to make her own destiny. She is juggling a couple part-time gigs, while trying to pursue her career options. She takes courses, she learns, she expands her horizons.

Like Bigweld from that great animated film Robots, she sees a need, fills a need.

So far, she's doing well, and good for her.

She has also made some very strong bonds with friends from high school through university. I have

no doubt these friendships will last a lifetime.

My highschooler wrapped up a challenging year and it's evident that the middle teen years can be tough ones. There are so many selfies to take!

I really can't comment on what it's like to be a young woman these days and it's been a few decades since I suffered from teen angst myself. I do sympathize and try to be supportive. We have her back. And she has good friends and that is valuable these days. Hopefully the bonds she's made will last.

My young man child is an interesting soul. He's smart as a whip (I wonder where he gets that from?) and absorbs information like a sea sponge. He casts a critical eye on society and its current limitations. He's not a rebel, but he's definitely one to go against the grain and maybe even buck convention.

Some great people in our history were just like that.

Kim and I help, but the world changes constantly, so much so that it's hard to keep up sometimes.

There are so many self-help books, videos and resources available to us. But maybe finding happiness is not our ultimate goal at all. It's like digging for gold your entire life and coming up empty.

We spend too much time counting money, calories and the minutes and hours that make up our days. How much time do we spend counting our blessings?

No, my friends, our purpose is not to seek out fame, fortune or happiness. It's to be useful, responsible, compassionate, empathetic, generous and more. It's about making a difference. Just think how our society could blossom if we eliminated selfish, greedy pursuits, and concentrated on being better, raising better, contributing more and taking less.

My hope is that our children grasp these humanitarian concepts and carry them forward. They are the future. They may not fully realize the weight they will carry, but they are the movers, shakers, decision-makers, shapers and healers.

We only play a small part in all of that. Sure, we gave them life, something we love to throw in their faces when they upset us. And thanks to our high-end DNA they have some great internal ingredients. We pass on what we know and some of the qualities we wish we had ourselves.

We give them a head start and maybe, if we're good, we give them hope.

I can't take much of the credit in our three little ducklings. They got the best stuff from their mom.

I sometimes shed a tear at sad movies or TV shows when characters bid farewell to their parents on their deathbed. I never had the chance. In each case of losing a family member, I arrived shortly after their ascension.

I don't think I have many regrets and I didn't leave anything unsaid. My parents may not have been the smartest, richest and most successful, but they did pretty well, if you ask me. I admit that I learned some very good, fundamental lessons from them, along with a good work ethic, sense of honesty, humility, love of family, love of nature and well, just plain love.

Loving our kids ain't always easy. But it's vital. And, in the end, they'll thank us for it.

Legacy, hell ya!

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Perhaps You Can Relate?

Not too long ago I had occasion to travel within Canada with my younger brother, his partner and mine.

Even though I’m older by a good five years, we made fun of him relentlessly for being tired while we walked significantly more than 10,000 steps a day and enjoyed ourselves late into the evenings, well past the time he called it quits and went to bed. I refuse to let my age define me, “it’s just a number” and all that, until it isn’t.

My great comeuppance occurred over the Canada Day weekend once we had returned home. What comes of gloating? Nothing good I can assure you and I’m left wondering whether anyone else can relate to my experience?

Before I explain what happened, I really need to share some insight into my personality.

Probably a little too much, but I’ve got nothing to hide – I don’t even hide my roots anymore having made the decision to let my silvers shine during the pandemic. True to form, however, I’ve never been content with just one hair colour so even though I’ve “gone grey” my lovely stylist has thrown in some purple too, just for fun! (If you just took a quick glance at the picture accompanying

this column, change is coming soon, I promise.)

I’m not “embracing” old age so much as I am having fun with it. I got my first tattoo when I was 38, my nose pierced in my mid 40s and tattoo number four will be onboarded soon. In my mind, I stalled out counting my age at about 45 and see no reason to count any higher than that, despite what the mirror tells me some mornings. All of this is my way of saying I’m not denying my age but I’m sure as heck not using it as an excuse for anything either. That is, until this past weekend.

After having first confirmed the bank balance and our available line of credit, off I headed to the grocery store, Visa card also in the wallet just in case it was needed because let’s face it, buying food for five adults is about the equivalent of what a mortgage payment was back in the year I first got married. I shopped wisely, if one can call a \$10 bag of milk prudent (I might be ignoring my age, but ignoring my lactose intolerance is simply not possible) and was almost ready to cash out when I remembered the eggs. They were my undoing. Scrambling back to collect a dozen, I picked them up then decided 18 might be better and bent down to retrieve the larger carton. And froze in place. I

may even have yelped. Out loud. I can only describe what occurred as a back spasm, for it was certainly nothing more dramatic than that. I didn’t slip and fall on a wet floor. No one bashed a cart into me. I simply bent over to pick up some eggs and I’ve been virtually incapacitated ever since. Please tell me you can relate and I am not the only one?

Despite years of yoga practise, Pilates and even some recent weight training classes; along with a healthy attitude toward aging and perpetually being busy and in motion, it was a carton of eggs that brought me down. I now reek of camphor courtesy of dual action “ice to heat” lotion rather than my favourite eau de parfum. Muscle relaxants weren’t touching the pain so a combination of painkillers that would frighten my doctor is what’s currently keeping me afloat. A heating pad was procured and has accompanied me everywhere, even to the office, and my drive to and from work is a strange combination of heated seats for the pain relief and the AC set to “Arctic” to counter-balance the resulting overheating of every other part of my body.

I haven’t called my brother yet to share the good news because I can hear his laughter already.

I’m pretty certain such comments as, “serves you right,” will be top of mind and even if he doesn’t say this, I’ll know he’s thinking it. I suppose that’s only fair.

All of this time spent laying around feeling sorry for myself has also forced me to finally acknowledge what anyone around me has probably known for far longer than I care to admit – I AM getting older. I took the downtime now available to me to also start the process of changing all my social media pictures, profiles and LinkedIn accounts to finally acknowledge the grey hair is here to stay. I expect two more things to happen as a direct result: When you meet me in the street you’ll no longer have to try and hide your surprise at the colour of my hair and I predict I’ll be receiving far fewer “invites” to connect over Facebook with recently widowed, retired naval officers who also just happen to be medical doctors.

Perhaps you can relate?



SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON

Put down your phone

I read a posting on one of the forums I am involved in by a teacher who tried somewhat of an experiment in her classroom.

At the end of the school, several minutes before the bell rang, she separated the class into several small groups and told them to talk among themselves about whichever topic they thought would be interesting.

These kids where in the seven- and eight-year-old, range. Her experiment was designed to just give the kids five minutes to themselves at the end of the day when they could spend a few minutes speaking to other kids about something they might think is important.

The teacher noticed that in a couple of the groups, the kids weren’t talking to each other and seemed distracted. She realized that most of them seemed to be looking for a device like a phone or tablet.

The teacher was astonished to see that quite a few of the kids in her class did not want to, or could not, seem to form a conversation and instead were more focused when they had a device of some sort in front of their eyes.

Cell phone are great devices. You can contact

someone from anywhere or pull up information at the drop of a hat. You can map your destination and receive directions when on the road, and you can order a coffee at Tim Hortons which will be ready for you when you get there.

At the same time these phones are becoming a menace to society.

There was a great photograph going around online of a subway car in Japan posted by a guy who lived there, with a funny caption attached.

Every single person on that subway car was looking at a phone - every one.

If you get caught driving while using your phone, you’re going to pay a hefty fine – and with good reason. If you are using your phone you are distracted from the task of driving, which can have fatal consequences.

Phones have become the great distraction in society. If you are on the phone, you are distracted from everything else around you, and that includes people.

A while ago I was seated in a local wing joint, waiting for my order to arrive.

A family of four entered and were seated beside me. The father entered the restaurant look-

ing at his phone. He didn’t put that phone down once, the entire time they were there.

While the mother fussed with the two young boys, helping them with their dinner, the father looked at his phone – even when the meal arrived.

He ate the meal with one hand while his other hand manipulated the phone. He didn’t say one word the entire time.

I felt like yelling out, “put down the phone and interact with your family!”

I’ve seen couples enter a donut shop, order a coffee, then both pull out their phones and spend the next 20 minutes looking at the phone while saying nothing to the person they are with.

I think if I sat down with a person to have a coffee with and they pulled out a phone instead of engaging in conversation, I would most likely say, “Well, have a nice night,” get up and leave.

There are people that walk through a busy intersection while looking at their phone and are totally oblivious to what is happening around them.

I’m not sure what the stats are on people being hit by cars while phone walking, but I’m sure



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

there have been several incidents. Winding up as a hood ornament because you are looking at your Facebook page isn’t a good excuse for ending up in the emergency ward or local morgue.

The worst part of this situation is people are choosing a device rather than interacting with other people. I’ve been at parties, where a couple of people are off in the corner with a phone rather than conversing with others in the room. It’s a party, not a solo trip on the Orient Express.

I’ve also been to dinner where the host, at the beginning of the meal, told everyone that cell phones are not allowed at the table. It’s sad when a host has to ask guests in advance, to behave like people and not ruin her party.

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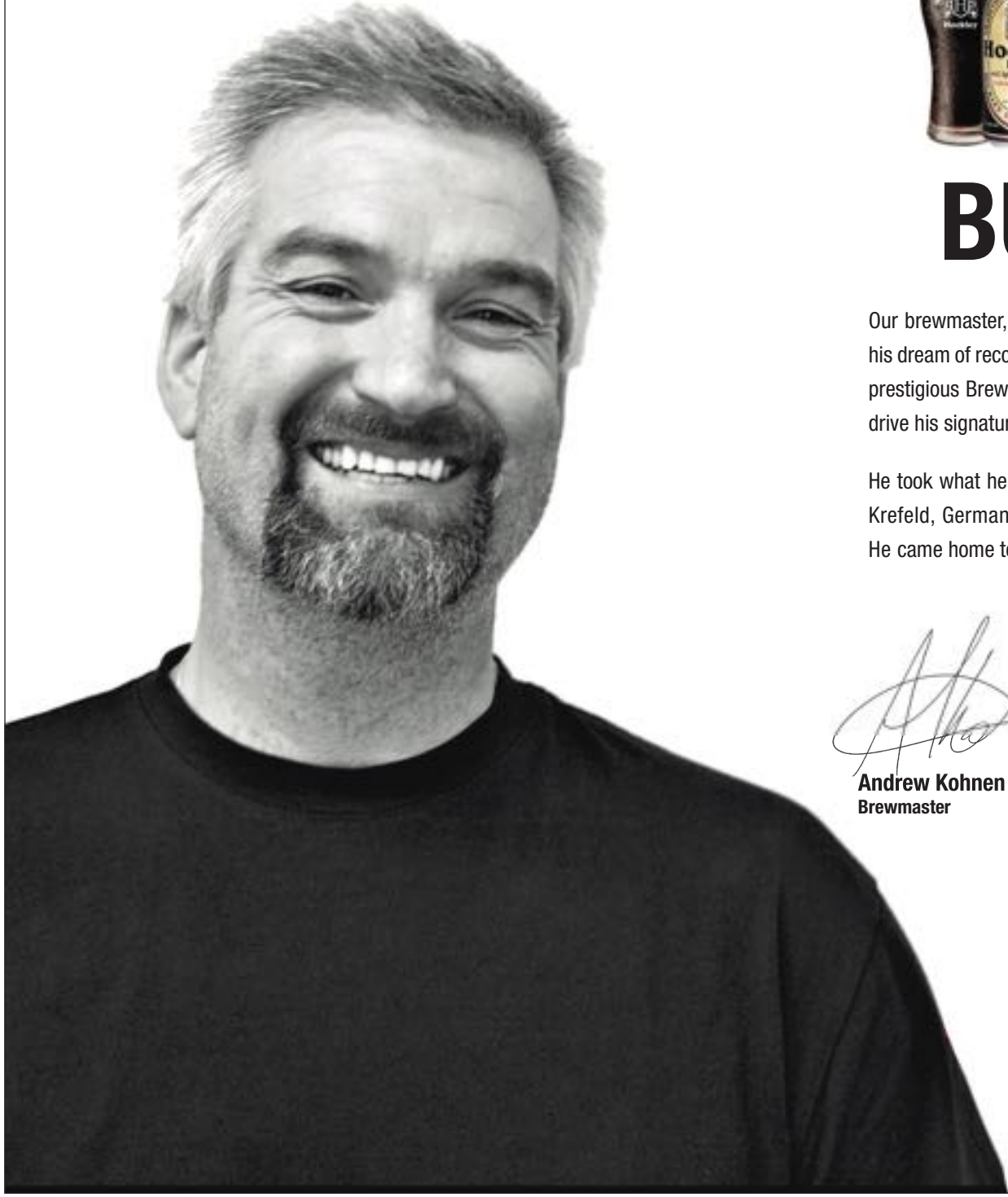
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Caledon Cavaliers hosted rugby festival, took part in North 7s tournament



The Caledon Guardian Angels rugby team are pictured last week..

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BY ROBERT BELARDI

It’s been quite the inaugural season for the Caledon Cavaliers, to say the least. The Caledon Cavaliers rugby program featured a Minis Festival almost two weeks back that saw over 350 people attend and 176 cars parked in the lot in Palgrave Park.

Five other minor league rugby clubs attended the festival. This six-team tournament even shocked Councillors Jennifer Innis and Tony Rosa. “I think they were quite shocked with the scope. I know I’ve been correspondents with them for a few months now with regards to rugby because it’s so new in Cale-

don,” said president Mike Iacovelli. “And that was only six clubs.” With the return of rugby for the first time in 15 years, Iacovelli, said he had a hope of having 75 players registered. Currently, there are 115 registered players, the club uses Palgrave Park and Humberview Secondary School to train and play and he said, this all would not be possible, thanks to the wonderful support from the Town of Caledon themselves. After having achieved such a feat, Iacovelli said that parents had told him there has never been this kind of engagement for rugby Town before. And when parents go to other festivals and they see the festival right here at home, they are completely thrilled. Coming off the weekend, Iacovelli began preparing his U14 boys and U18 girls for the Great North 7s tournament held at Fletchers Field in Markham. It was set to be the first major tournament of the year.

In this round-robin style tournament, each team played one another once in the division. the club with the best record at the end of the day, won it all. Rugby 7’s is a competitive game with seven players a side and with only seven minutes in a half. The U14 Cavaliers took on the Aurora Barbarians in their first game of the day and suffered a 50-0 defeat. The boys then went on to lose 49-0 to Barrie, 46-5 to Southwest and 22-15 to the Barr Scottish. The U18 women’s team, the Caledon Guardian Angels – who play under the Cavaliers umbrella – also had quite a tough outing. The Guardian Angels fell to the Misfits 39-0, 52-0 to NRU, 34-5 to Southwest and 24-10 to NRU. Despite the results, Iacovelli was pleased with the effort on the field and says there is a lot of work to do for the Fall.

NDBL Senior division will have a battle for final playoff berth



The Senior division of the North Dufferin Baseball League is heading toward the final few games of the regular season. While some teams are assured a spot in the playoffs, there will be a battle for the lowest seed as teams try to get some extra points to move them up in the standings. PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

With most teams having five or six

games left on the regular season schedule, the Senior division of North Dufferin Baseball League is gearing up for playoff mode with some teams assured of a spot in the playoffs and few others hoping to get a few wins and move up in the standings. Only the top eight teams in the 13-team division will get a playoff berth when the regular season ends. The New Lowell Knights are in the number one spot after a good season that brought them 14 wins and three losses so far. They have some big competition with the Bolton Brewers, who are just one point behind for a second place standing and 13 wins for the season. Another top contender are the Ivy Rangers who have won 13 games this year to accumulate 26 points so far this season. They are followed by the Midland Mariners, the Creemore Padres, the Lisle Astros, and the Clearview Orioles. It is going to be a battle for the number eight spot in the standings as it is still open depending on the final remaining games. The Barrie Angles and the Owen Sound Baysox are separated by a single point and are in eighth and ninth spot respectively. Either one of those teams could make the playoffs. The Mansfield Cubs and the Clarksburg Blues both have nine points. To get a shot at the playoffs they would pretty much have to win all their remaining games while the teams ahead of them would have to start losing. In the basement, the Orillia Majors and Bolton Dodgers have won only two games each this year and have no chance of advancing. The Senior division of the NDBL will play its final regular season games on July 23, 24, and those games have all been rescheduled from earlier in the season. The playoffs will commence the following week.

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Canada Day wasn't all smiles for York United

BY ROBERT BELARDI

To put it bluntly, York United didn't have a great Canada Day this year. The Nine Stripes were out on the road to take on last-place team FC Edmonton last Friday and York United suffered a 3-0 defeat.

Haitian international Bicou Bissainthe opened the scoring in the 24-minute off a corner kick and and FC Edmonton, could have easily made it 2-0 after being awarded a penalty in the 29-minute.

York United reserve goalkeeper Gianluca Catalano came to the rescue to prevent that from happening.

In the 48th minute Max Ferrari found himself on the edge of the six-yard box thanks to a nice pass from Osaze De Rosario but Ferrari, unfortunately, skied the ball over the crossbar.

That was by-far York United's best chance to get level. From here it was all downhill.

Mamadi Camara made it 2-0 in the 57-minute left all alone in the box from a cross sent in by Marcus Simmons.

Then two minutes later, Jordan Wilson – indecisive on what to do with the ball in his own penalty box – was stripped off the ball by Wesley Timoteo.

Timoteo passed it across to Gabriel Bitar who made no mistake and the game was over from there.

In what were a disastrous three minutes for York United, it summarized what has been a tough stretch for the York Region based club.

In the last 10 matches in all competitions, York United have scored only four goals, and earned just one win, which came against Pacific FC in the Canadian Championship and in penalties to boot.

Finding offence has been seldom for York United and it seems when it comes down to big games the boys come out to play.

Especially against the Vancouver Whitecaps, for instance. It was a great game minus the result.

However, the bulk of the season has been trying to understand why the offence can't seem to get it going. Yes, there are a lot of new names in the squad this year and chemistry ultimately takes time.

But chances have been scarce per game and the shots just aren't coming. This year might just be a bit of a learning curve for most of the players in the locker room. We'll see as the season continues to roll along if something will give.

York United currently sit in seventh place with a 2-5-6 record. They are six points outside of a playoff spot.

Friday night will be a tough test. The Nine Stripes take on Forge FC at York Lions Stadium. Kick-off is at 7:30p.m.

Theatre Orangeville holding summer arts festival at Mount Alverno

BY SAM ODROWSKI

Just when it seemed like summer couldn't get much better, with the return of many annual events local residents know and love, Theatre Orangeville has stepped in with a new one.

The Summer Arts Festival, which is the first of its kind for Dufferin, is bringing live music, stand-up comedy, theatre, drag performances and visual arts to Mount Alverno Luxury Resorts from August 10 to 14.

"It's a little bit of everything," said Lisa Lahue, Theatre Orangeville (TOV) technical director and event organizer. "It's a five-day event that ropes in the Toronto Fringe Festival, children's programming, aspects of our Young Company Shows. We have Drag Queen Bingo with some performances, and local musicians."

Visual art will be on display throughout Mount Alverno's property.

TOV partnered with Mount Alverno last summer for their annual Young Company program and from the partnership, the idea for a Summer Arts Festival was born.

"It's such a beautiful property and they're such a great team out there and so supportive of us, and also of the entire arts scene in our community, not just in Orangeville," said David Naim, TOV's artistic director. "They were hoping to partner on something with us again, and it just made sense for us to bring together creative perform-

ers from all of our communities."

Naim noted that the Summer Arts Festival has a diversity of experiences for attendees to enjoy.

"People could come every day and experience something completely different, be it sketch comedy or be it stand up or open mic – any of those opportunities," he said. "If they want to perform themselves...I think of this is a real emphasis on local, not exclusively, but there's a real emphasis on showcasing local talent."

The stand-up and comedic components of the festival is a new style of entertainment for TOV. Naim said they're really looking forward to bringing it to the community.

For a few years leading up to the pandemic in early 2020, Theatre Orangeville partnered with Toronto Fringe Festival and Naim also noted that he's looking forward to bringing their shows out to Orangeville for the festival.

He stressed that the five-day event is a full arts festival and not just theatre.

"As much as I don't believe it – Theatre's not everybody's thing – but if it's music, or if it's comedy, or if it's something that you think your kids would really like, come on out," he said.

Schedule of events

When looking at some of the events planned for the Summer Arts Festival, Broadway Bound is a family friendly show, hosted by TOV's Musical Theatre Company, diving into musical theatre with students in grades 7-12. It starts at

7 p.m. on August 10.

Toronto-based female sketch comedy group, Herbeaver, will get audiences laughing with their fast paces, feminist and absurd comedy, shared through music and satire. It starts at 8 p.m. on August 11.

Music Together Class will engage old and young audiences alike with song, rhythmic rhymes, movement, and instruments. The family friendly event will get attendees singing and dancing at 4 p.m. on August 12.

After attending dozens of productions from the Toronto Fringe Festival, TOV is bringing the "Best of Fringe!" to Mount Alverno, featuring two carefully selected shows to entertain local audiences at 8 p.m. on August 12.

Dungee the Dragon and the Just Okay Juggler is journeying back to the Medieval Ages where the Kingdom of Awesome is under attack by a sassy fire-breathing dragon! The show is back by popular demand and is on at 11 a.m. on August 13.

Fay and Fluffy Storytime will feature culturally diverse books, a few off key songs, and a supportive/inclusive environment focused on having fun. Fay and Fluffy are Drag Queens who will be doing their storytime at 12:45 p.m. on August 13.

Drag Music Bingo brings a twist to the classic game, songs are played and must be matched to attendees' bingo cards, with drag queens there to host and provide entertainment. The bingo game will be followed by a drag show and

kicks off at 9 p.m. on August 13

The Campy Camp Campfire Show brings original songs and a summer's worth of camping fun to the Summer Arts Festival on August 14 at 12:15 p.m.

Nicholas Mustapha and his quartet will be at the festival on August 14 at 7 p.m., closing it out. They'll provide easy listening swing and jazz music over a sunset.

There's a wandering art gallery featuring visual, performance, and wearable art, artisan creations, music, magic and interactive workshops on August 14 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Patio stage programming features Larry Kurtz on August 10, Emily Gilbert on August 11, Andrew McArthur on August 12, and Sara May on August 13.

When looking at stand-up comedy there's a youth open mic night on August 10 from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. and an adult open mic night from 9:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on August 11.

A lot of the events going on over the five-day festival are free, while others will cost \$10 per ticket to help Theatre Orangeville recover some of the money they put into hiring artists and performers. Main stage events will be \$25 and attendees who buy more than one ticket get 50 per cent off each of them.

Tickets are available at theatrangeville.ca.

"We double dog dare you to be bored. I don't think it's possible," said Naim. "There's something there for everyone."

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