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NO MATTER WHAT – Bolton Kin volunteer John Stegeman and his grandchildren came out on Sunday to take part in the annual Terry Fox Run. For more on how the community furthered the legacy of Fox's Marathon of Hope and raised money for cancer research, see Pages 14 and 15. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

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Culture Days coming to Caledon this weekend with dozens of events

Nearly 100 events happening during weeks-long celebration of arts and culture

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Caledon is celebrating arts and culture like

never before this fall. From September 20 to October 13, the Town of Caledon will host nearly 100 events for Culture Days. Culture Days is a celebration of arts, culture and heritage that takes place in communities across Canada each year. It engages communities with free and pay-what-you-can activities like studio tours, performances, festivals, workshops, classes and more. Giuliana Giancotta, a Project Manager in the Town of Caledon's recreation and culture department, says the Town has gone all

in to mark Culture Days. "This year, we've gone full throttle and are doing so much... we want Caledon to be a destination," she said. "We have almost 95 registered opportunities for people to check out arts and culture across Caledon." The Town of Caledon has three flagship events for culture days this year. The first is "Caledon Studio Tours" which goes from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on September 21 and 22.

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Caledon Community Services bringing programs to Caledon Public Library branches

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

A Caledon non-profit's services will now be available at more locations across Caledon. Starting October 1, Caledon Community Services (CCS) will partner with the Caledon Public Library (CPL) to offer employment services and community support at branches across Town. The announcement was made in a September 16. CCS will provide services at the Caledon East, Southfields Village, and Albion Bolton branches of the CPL on select days.

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The Railway Flower: Local author releases fourth book

The fourth installment in Lisa Oatway's Blue Crescent Moon series is out now

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Teaching children about Canada's history is a passion for a Bolton author.

Lisa Oatway is the author of the Blue Crescent Moon series, fantasy novels for junior readers that follow the adventures of the Stonehart family across Canada.

The fourth book in the series, The Railway Flower, is out now at local bookstore Forster's Book Garden and online on Amazon.

There are four Stonehart siblings: Daniel, Veronica, James, and Victoria.

Victoria, affectionately called Tori by her family, has the ability to travel back in time to help people in need — and if that wasn't cool enough, she can talk to animals, too.

Each adventure the Stonehart family embarks on is in a different province. In the first three books, they traveled to Alberta, Nova Scotia, and Ontario (the latter

of which was a staycation).

In The Railway Flower, the Stoneharts travel to B.C. and the children go back in time to help a young Chinese girl who becomes stuck on a frozen lake. It's set in 1883, a time when the labour of Chinese workers was exploited to build railroads. Chinese workers received half the pay white workers did, and were subject to dangerous working and living conditions.

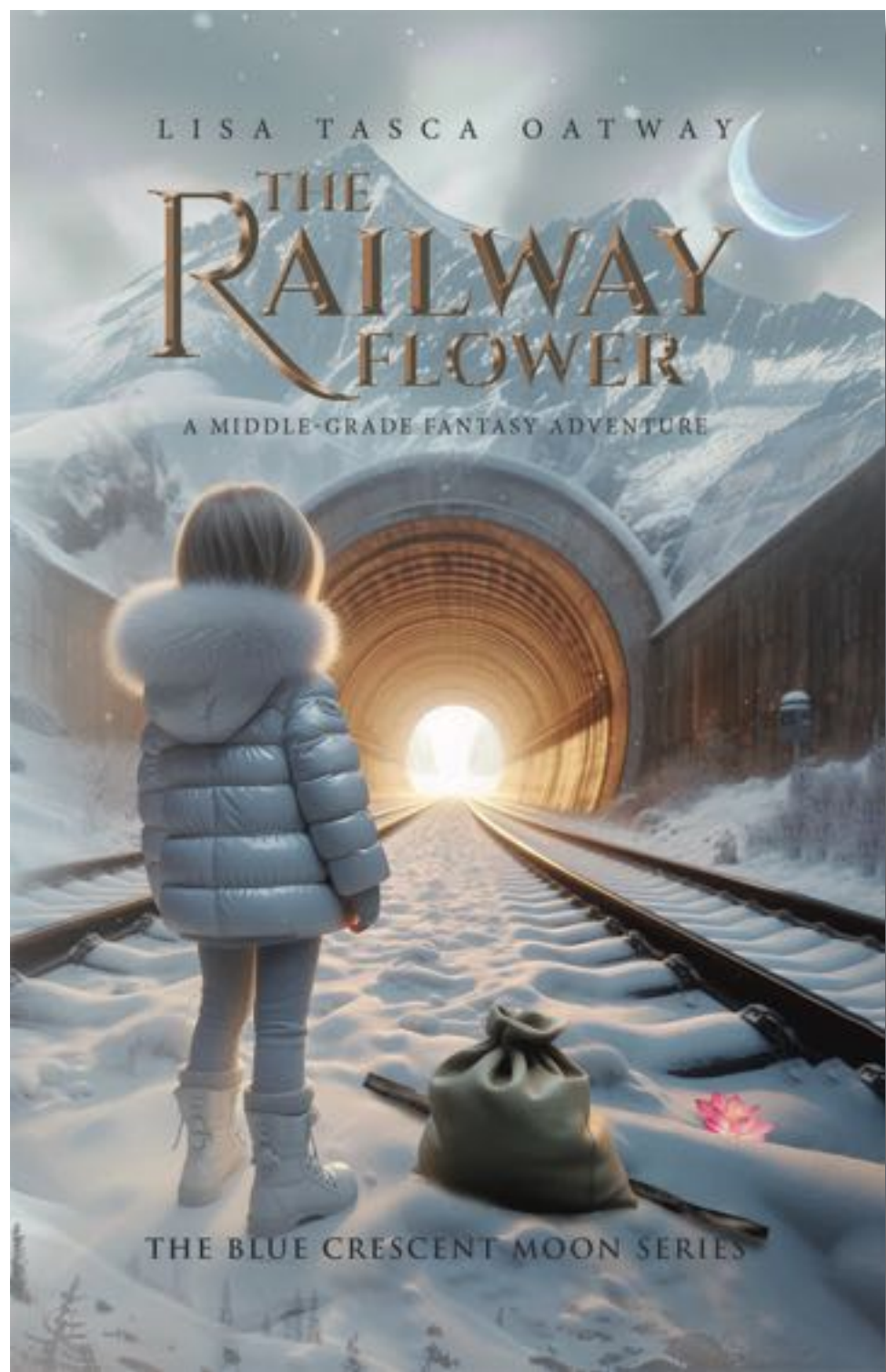
In the early chapters of The Railway Flower, children are also taught about food insecurity and helping others as the Stoneharts volunteer at their local food bank.

Oatway said sharing her stories with children and seeing their excitement is all the motivation she needs to keep writing. She's an advocate for the power of writing and encourages everyone to give it a try.

"We all have a story that's worth telling," said Oatway.

When she's writing a novel, Oatway aims to write 500 words per day. It's a number that works for her, and she said every writer has their own rhythm and way of doing things. Before writing a book, she'll usually do three or four months of research as all her books involve historical facts. Oatway will also complete a high-level plotline before starting to write.

Oatway has decided her next book will take place in Newfoundland, where Vikings visited Canada over 1,000 years ago.



Lisa Oatway's fourth book sees the Stonehart siblings travel back in time to British Columbia in 1883. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

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Bolton Kin's Kin of the Year Lori Schickedanz and Bolton Kin president Kathy McFarlane are pictured at the Bolton Terry Fox Run.

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Bolton Kin recognize Kin of the Year

Kin of the Year Award is given to someone who exemplifies the values of Kin

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A Bolton woman has been recognized for her outstanding volunteerism.

Recently, the Bolton Kin recognized Lori Schickedanz as their Kin of the Year. The award is given out annually to a volunteer who is a shining example of the Kin's mission to serve the community's

greatest need.

Bolton Kin President Kathy McFarlane said Schickedanz truly exemplifies the Kin spirit.

"Lori does everything in our club, she supports everything," said McFarlane.

McFarlane said Schickedanz is a big part of the Kin's toonie clothing sales and hall management committee. She also helped to start a unique initiative to provide an affordable prom dress shopping experience for local youth.

Schickedanz has been volunteering with the Bolton Kin for six years. She's a long-time Bolton resident, having lived there since 1966.

"I joined to have a fun time with a good group of people, and give back to the community," said Schickedanz.

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DRUG TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATION

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in connection to a drug trafficking investigation.

“Earlier this year, the Caledon OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) entered into a drug trafficking investigation in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “On September 12, 2024, with the assistance of the Dufferin/Nottawasaga/Southern Georgian Bay CSCUs and Peel Regional Police, search warrants were executed at residences and vehicles in Caledon and Brampton. Police seized items including suspected cocaine, fentanyl, methamphetamine, as well as identity documents, credit cards, and currency.”

As a result of the investigation, Teddy Fordjour, 33, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Possession of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking - Cocaine - two counts;
- Possession of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking - Methamphetamine;
- Possession of a Schedule I substance for

- the purpose of Trafficking - Opioiod;
- Possession of property obtained by crime under \$5000;
- Failure to comply with release order;
- Possession of a credit card;
- Possession of an identify document;
- Fail to comply with probation order;
- Traffic in Schedule I substance - Cocaine.

The accused was held for a Bail Hearing at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville. The charges have not been proven.

If you suspect illegal activity in your neighbourhood, call 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

FACEBOOK SCAM WARNING

The Central Region of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is warning the public about the risks of purchasing concert tickets and other items on Facebook.

“There has been an increase in fraud reports on Facebook, particularly through Facebook Marketplace and Messenger,” say Police. “A

common trend involves hacked Facebook accounts, making it seem like friends are selling concert tickets or other items. However, their profiles have been hacked by scammers exploiting the trust between you and your friends. The OPP advises the public to verify these transactions by contacting the person directly outside of Facebook or arranging to meet them in person.”

- Be aware of warning signs:
- The price is suspiciously low compared to typical prices, seeming too good to be true;
- The seller requests payment via e-transfer;
- The messages consistently contain grammatical errors;
- Listings are being posted for sale in Facebook groups.

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

Anyone who suspects they have been the victim of cybercrime or fraud should report it to their local police and to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre’s online reporting system or by phone 1-888-495-8501. If not a victim but an attempt was made, report it to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre regardless. For more information, please visit: CanadianAnti-FraudCentre.ca.

investigating a mischief at a local business that left a front door shattered.

“On September 13, 2024 at approximately 4:30 a.m., officers responded to a report of an alarm at a local business on Fourth Ave in the Town of Orangeville,” say Police. “The investigation revealed that a front door had been shattered. At this time, investigators are actively looking for information that may lead to the identification of the individual(s) responsible.”

If you have information regarding this incident, please contact the Dufferin County OPP at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Crime Stoppers Simcoe, Dufferin & Muskoka at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.crimestoppersdm.com. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

OPP OPEN HOUSE IN MONO

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are hosting a community open house at the Primrose detachment located at 506312 Highway 89 in the Town of Mono.

Dufferin OPP welcomes the residents in our community to drop by and experience some of the many specialized services available to help keep Dufferin County a safe and wonderful place to live.

Some of the exciting features of this event include:

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“Please join us, this is a great opportunity to view the specialized equipment that is used to maintain public safety. We are always looking for ways to connect with our community and look forward to meeting you.”

VEHICLE FIRE

The Dufferin County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is investigating a vehicle fire that occurred in the Township of Melancthon.

“On September 15, 2024, at approximately 9:00 p.m., Dufferin OPP officers, along with Shelburne Fire, responded to a report of a fully engulfed vehicle,” say Police. “The vehicle was located on the shoulder of 270 Sideroad in the Township of Melancthon.

“Upon police arrival, a confirmation was made that there were zero occupants within the vehicle. A license plate was recovered from the vehicle described as a small sedan, and it was reported as stolen a short time after by the registered owner.”

This investigation is ongoing, and police are asking if you have information regarding this incident, please contact the Dufferin County OPP at (519) 942-1711 or 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Crime Stoppers Simcoe, Dufferin & Muskoka at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.crimestoppersdm.com. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

MISCHIEF INVESTIGATION

Members of the Dufferin County Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are in-

FAIL TO REMAIN CHARGES

Members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) attended a multiple motor vehicle collision in a residential area.

“On September 16, 2024, at 9:00 p.m., police were dispatched to a report of a dark-colored pickup truck that had collided with several parked cars on Margaret Street in Angus,” say Police. “Upon arrival, officers discovered that the driver had fled the scene. By tracing the debris and damage along the roadway, they were able to locate the vehicle. The driver was found inside the truck and subsequently taken into custody.”

Dylan Stroud of Angus was subsequently charged with the following:

- Operation while Impaired - alcohol or drugs;
- Operation while Impaired - Blood alcohol concentration (80 plus);
- Fail to Remain;
- Driving motor vehicle with open container of liquor.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Bradford at a later court date.

The charges have not been proven.

The driver is facing a 90-day licence suspension and a 7-day vehicle impoundment.

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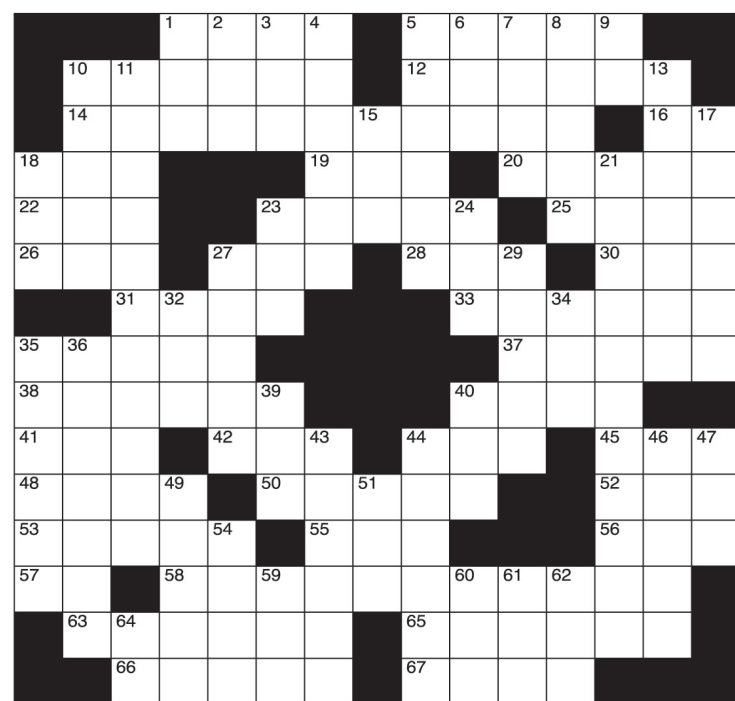
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10. Grupo Montparnasse founder
12. One who quits prematurely
14. Related to the nature of being
16. Early multimedia
18. Indigenous Tibetan religion
19. Tease
20. J.M. __, Irish dramatist
22. Pounds per square inch
23. Surrendered
25. Notable Dallas Cowboy Leon
26. Dash
27. Man who behaves dishonorably
28. British Air Aces
30. Data executive
31. Spiritual leader

33. Flower cluster
35. Of the cheek
37. Tears down
38. Uncoordinated
40. Touches lightly
41. Soak
42. Founder of Babism
44. Not good
45. Inches per minute (abbr.)
48. Type of casino game
50. Skills assessments for adults
52. Check
53. Gives a job
55. Fifth note of a major scale
56. Small, faint constellation
57. Thou
58. Reduce
63. Another recording
65. Removes for good
66. Jill and Catherine are two

CLUES DOWN

1. Greenwich Time
2. Metropolis
3. Complete
4. Scheduled
5. One who obeys
6. Resinlike substance secreted by certain lac insects
7. Days (Spanish)
8. Unsaturated hydrocarbon radical
9. Region of the U.S. (abbr.)
10. Tributary of the Alabama River
11. One who eliminates
13. Ballroom music
15. Officer in the Book of Mormon
17. Denies
18. Barrels per day (abbr.)
21. Make vital
23. Former NFLer

- Newton
24. Kashmiri tribe
27. Indigenous S. American person
29. Capacitance unit
32. MLB great
- Scherzer
34. Taxi
35. Boggy
36. Artist’s workshop
39. Feline
40. Prosecutors
43. Freshwater perches
44. Young ladies
46. Whittles
47. Licensed for Wall Street
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Fourth Annual tree-planting Initiative at Cold Creek Conservation Area spearheaded by Ontario Streams

Mayfield students have strong presence at event

BY JIM STEWART

Over 400 native trees and shrubs were planted by volunteers from across York and Peel regions at Cold Creek Conservation Area on Saturday afternoon.

The annual planting initiative was organized by Ontario Streams whose motto, “helping people and their rivers,” manifests itself in the group’s planting and fish restocking programs at the headlands of numerous rivers across central Ontario.

Kat Lucas, Outreach and Communications Coordinator for Ontario Streams, outlined the goals and logistics of her company’s fourth annual planting initiative at Cold Creek.

“We’re creating biodiversity by removing invasive species, especially buckthorn. Our crews arrived three days ago to clear buckthorn and prep the planting sites. It’s Year 4 for us at Cold Creek so we’re starting to see the results of our volunteers’ labor. The sumac we planted in 2021 along the roadway behind us is maturing nicely.”

Lucas noted that Saturday’s planting contingent was comprised of volunteers from Ontario Streams as well as “young families, retirees, students from Seneca’s landscaping program, former King-Vaughan MPP Deb Schulte, a group of Nobleton Girl Guides, and “So Fly” podcast hosts Mitch Duesling and Aldo Pescatore-Tardioli.”

Conspicuous among the participants was a group of six diligent Grade 12 students from Mayfield Secondary School in Caledon—Anita Okoth, Sireen Mursal, Vanessa Sharma, Anoushka Anil, Olivia Athanassoulis, Abbey Bennett—who were celebrating Anita’s 17th birthday by planting trees at Cold Creek.

Olivia Athanassoulis outlined the bene-

fits of the tree-planting party: “Just being outdoors with my friends and connecting with nature. It’s our last year of high school and it’s great to be together outside.”

“Athanassoulis’s planting partner Abbey Bennett echoed her friend’s sentiments.

“Being outdoors is enjoyable—I was studying for a test this morning so this is a nice break from school work. It’s really relaxing to do this and help plant the trees.”

The importance of planting trees and community service were two factors that drew Nobleton Girl Guides Charlotte Killman and Celeste Maietta to Cold Creek. Both veteran Guides are accruing community service hours through activities such as tree-planting to earn the prestigious Lady Baden Powell Award.

Maietta—in her seventh year of Guiding—described the benefits of planting native shrubs and trees: “It’s fun and we’re helping the environment, especially with the deforestation that’s taken place due to the wildfires.”

Killman, now in her fifth year of Guiding, noted the importance of camaraderie and the societal benefits of planting trees and shrubs.

“I get to plant with my best friend, Celeste, and I get to take part in something that helps lots of people.”

Charlotte’s mom and local Girl Guide leader Meghan Killman accompanied the dynamic planting duo to Cold Creek and acknowledged the connections and service associated with Guiding: “Celeste and Charlotte are part of the First Nobleton Girl Guides. It’s great to be here with the girls and support them in becoming responsible citizens.”

Another pair of responsible citizens across the laneway was a husband-and-wife team, Inkwon and Songssoon Kim who planted over a dozen shrubs and trees in their sizeable zone. The six-year residents of Nobleton were drawn to the beauty of the Cold Creek Conservation nature preserve.



Mayfield Secondary School was well-represented at last weekend’s tree planting event.

PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

Songssoon noted that “This is a very nice area to plant trees and it will be nice to see them grow.”

Inkwon, leaning on his shovel after a productive and busy afternoon of planting, acknowledged that “After the work, we can enjoy.”

Much work was put in by the Kim Fam-

ily, Mayfield SS students, Nobleton Girl Guides, a Schomberg Red Wing, Seneca College Landscaping students, former MPP Deb Schulte, the hosts of So Fly, countless other good souls, and the noble folks from Ontario Streams—all for a greater good and for the enjoyment of generations to come.

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Employment and training services coming to Caledon East, Southfields, and Bolton



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Employment and training services, and community resources, will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Caledon East branch and Wednesdays at the Southfields Village branch.

Employment and training services will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays at the Albion Bolton branch. In the announcement, CCS CEO GERAL-

dine Aguiar said CCS is thrilled to collaborate with the CPL.

“Libraries are trusted, accessible spaces, and this partnership will help us reach individuals who may otherwise face barriers to receiving the employment and life-changing supports that promote well-being that they can benefit from,” said Aguiar. “This is the next logical step to the hybrid mix of service delivery that is already in place.”

Colleen Lipp, CEO and Chief Librarian of the CPL, shared in Aguiar’s excitement for the new partnership.

“We are excited to help break down barriers by bringing services closer to Caledon residents. This partnership will give library visitors immediate access to community service professionals and resources that compliment what CPL already offers — safe public spaces, knowledgeable staff, access to information and technology, a wide array of courses and tools, and programming that supports social connections and all types of literacy,” said Lipp in a statement.

CCS and the CPL will celebrate their new partnership with an event at the Southfields Village library branch at

10:30 a.m. on October 2.

Official remarks will begin at 11 a.m.

Those looking for more information

about the services offered by CCS and the CPL can visit caledon.library.on.ca or ccs4u.org.

Conservative MPs see NDP’s move as lack of confidence

BY MARK PAVILONS
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Conservative MPs are calling for an early election, following a move by the NDP to rip up their agreement with Justin Trudeau’s Liberals.

Dufferin-Caledon MP Kyle Seeback says the Conservatives will be submitting a non-confidence motion as soon as a possible. The party receives “Opposition Days” five times per session where they are allowed to bring forth anything they like and Seeback sees this happening in the coming week or so.

These days are set by the government and should the Liberals push back these days to the fall, it would be “dirty pool,” he says.

He calls the NDP move a “stunt” and leader Jagmeet Singh has realized just how unpopular the Liberals are and he’s tried to “divorce himself” from them.

The “proof is in the pudding” regarding Singh’s intentions and Seeback said the NDP leader should support their vote of non-confidence.

“The NDP have twisted themselves into a pretzel to keep the unpopular Prime Minister in power,” he said.

Canadians, Seeback claimed, have had

enough and want an election. Citizens have comments on how expensive life is; the rise in crime and cost of housing. Canadians are facing significant problems and “we’ve had enough.”

Singh made a “grandiose display” of ripping up the supply and confidence agreement he made with Justin Trudeau.

“Canadians want real action, not just a media stunt to gain favour with the electors. For years he has propped up the Liberal party voting with them on every bad policy that came before the House for one reason only, to maintain power,” said King-Vaughan MP Anna Roberts.

“In particular, he has voted in favour of every increase of the Carbon Tax at a time when Canadians are struggling. Canadians need a carbon tax election now to decide between the costly coalition of NDP-Liberals who tax your food, punish your work, take your money, double your housing costs and unleash crime and drugs in your communities or the common sense Conservatives who will axe the tax, build the homes, fix the budget, and stop the crime. Pierre Poilievre has promised to call a non-confidence vote at the earliest time possible. “How Jagmeet Singh votes at that time will show Canadians if he is a man of his word or a man playing political stunts.”

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Application and Public Meeting Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2024-0022 RELATED FILE NUMBER: 21T-24006C

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received a Zoning By-law Amendment application and a Public Meeting will be held to provide the public an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is now offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model offering options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: October 15, 2024
Public Meeting Start Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- Submit Written Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at caledon.ca/speak-at-council
- Virtually: Members of the public are welcome to participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information on how to participate, please visit caledon.ca/notice or contact the Planning Department. Please note that there are deadlines by which the request to participate need to be made.

You can also ask questions or provide comments by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca for consideration during the Public Meeting. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

APPLICANT: Humphries Planning Group Inc. on behalf of Humberking (1) Developments Limited and Humberking (IV) Developments Limited
LOCATION: 14100, 14166 and 14196 Humber Station Road Part of Lot 11, Concession 4

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has submitted a Zoning By-law Amendment application to amend the Town’s Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2006-50, as amended, to facilitate a residential subdivision consisting of a mixture of medium density residential buildings, parks, roads, SWM ponds, and other future development blocks.

The subject lands are currently zoned Mixed Density Residential (RMD-695-H44A-H44B) and Environmental Policy Area 1 (EPA1-H44A-H44B). The applicant is proposing to amend the by-law to add, remove or revise definitions, amend minimum parking provisions, yard setbacks, and amenity area requirements. Through this application, the applicant is also requesting to lift the holds that are in place as a result of By-law 2024-0055.

LEAD PLANNER: Tanjot Bal Senior Planner, Development & Design Planning Department 905-584-2272 ext. 4418 Tanjot.bal@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For more information about this matter, including appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, additional information and material, please visit 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.

ACCESSIBILITY: If you require an accessibility accommodation to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca.



*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.

APPEAL PROCEDURE: The applicant or specified persons as defined by the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, public bodies as defined by the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended and registered owners of land to which the by-law would apply who made oral or written submissions to Council prior to the adoption of the amendment may appeal a decision of the municipality or planning board to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

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

HOW TO STAY INFORMED: If you wish to be notified of the adoption or refusal of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Planning Department of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6 or planning@caledon.ca.

Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: September 19, 2024



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COMMUNITY events

This column is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce up-coming events. Please contact the Caledon Citizen by calling (905) 857-6626 or emailing admin@caledoncitizen.com if you wish to have an announcement published.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton – Real People, Real Weight Loss is a non-profit group. We meet weekly on Wed. evenings in the basement of Bolton United Church. Weigh-ins are 6:00-6:30 followed by a meeting. The initial annual fee incl. a bi-monthly magazine and starter kit is \$59, and monthly dues are \$20. Today is the best day to make changes to your lifestyle! If you have weight to lose and/or want to improve your health, we can help! We promote healthy eating and support the efforts of all our members, and your first meeting is free. Come join us. For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or see www.tops.org. Online memberships are also available.

The Bolton AI-Anon Group has recently moved the regular meeting location to the Bolton United Church at 8 Nancy Street (across from Bolton Post Office). We still meet every Thursday at 8:30 pm. We welcome anyone who is/ or has been affected by someone who has problem with alcohol. If you have any questions please come any Thursday evening or email: boltonanon@gmail.com.

Caledon Church of Canada. Every Sunday morning @ 10 am. Monday prayer meeting @ 7 pm. Resources: Prayer counselling, Baby/child dedication, Visit the sick, Wedding Services, Food bank and more. For all your pastoral services: 647-891-9400 • caledoncoc@gmail.com Location: 34 Nixon Rd., Bolton

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Monthly Dinner – Sept. 27

The Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton is having their Monthly Dinner on Friday, September 27. The menu is lasagna, caesar salad, garlic bread and chocolate eclair dessert. Cost is \$16. Pick-up at 5:15 pm, dine-in served at 5:30 pm, local delivery available for \$2. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 by Wed. September 25 at 3:30 pm to buy your tickets! Everyone is welcome!

The Bolton Seventh-day Adventist Church presents “PROPHECY TODAY” Evangelistic Series with Pastor Bill Santos!

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www.boltonon.adventistchurch.org
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The Small Change Fund is hosting a barn dance fundraiser with great food & beverages, much of which is locally sourced, a performance by Ken Whitley, children’s activities, interactive art and nature walks. The event is Sept. 29th from noon to 5pm at Bela Farm, 5760 6th Line in Hillsburgh. Tickets are \$54.48 and children are free. For more information: <https://smallchangefund.ca/dance-for-the-greenbelt/>

Caledon Chamber Concerts presents: Four Hands...One Piano
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www.CaledonChamberConcerts.com

The Albion Bolton Historical Society is holding their next meeting on Monday, October 7th - 7:30 pm start, at the Albion Bolton Community Centre, 150 Queen Street South, Bolton, Meeting Room C, 2nd floor. John McFall will present “The History of Milling in Bolton: 1821-1967”. Questions, please contact Nathan at 905-584-2801 or nhillerphoto@bell.net
Visit our website boltonhistory.com

Tuesday September 24 @ 6 pm
Free Bingo Night at Bolton United Church, 8 Nancy Street, Bolton, L7E 1C7
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Kingcraft Annual Art Sale 10am-4pm, on September 28th and 29th at Kingcrafts Studio, 12936 Keele St., King City

Caledon bringing back drone show to celebrate Diwali this fall

Town looking for show sponsors

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of Caledon is bringing back a unique light show to celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights.

On September 18, the Town announced it would once again host its Diwali Drone Show, holding it at 7:30 p.m. on November 2.

The inclement weather date for the show is November 3 at the same time.

The show will be held in the parking lot of the Southfields Community Centre.

Last year, the show won the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility award from Parks and Recreation Ontario. Over 2,500 people attended the show in 2023.

“The drone show embodies the spirit of inclusion, education, and community engagement,” said the Town in a statement. “It is also a great example of innovation and responding to the needs of our community while adhering to our fireworks bylaw regulations.”

This year’s drone show will feature over 200 drones that will fly in formation to create symbols that embody the essence of Diwali.

Caledon’s Commissioner of Community and Human Services Catherine McLean said the Town is excited to be bringing back the show.



Caledon’s Diwali Drone Show will be returning this November.

TOWN OF CALEDON IMAGE

“Our Diwali Drone Show is an environmentally-friendly and safe alternative to fireworks, and we are thrilled to turn this award-winning event into an annual attraction,” said McLean. “Events like this are a vital part of our commitment to elevating the livability and vitality of our community, and we’re excited for another fantastic show this fall.” The Town is seeking sponsors for the show, and interested parties can contact events@caledon.ca.

Celebrate the food, drink, music and dance of Bavarian culture at Cold Creek

Break out your lederhosen and dirndl for King Township’s inaugural Kingtoberfest, a cultural celebration where the essence of Oktoberfest will meet the natural beauty of Cold Creek Conservation Area on Saturday, October 19 from 5 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Festival-goers ages 19 and older can now buy their tickets online at king.ca/kingtoberfest.

Immerse in the lively rhythms of polka music,

rock out to a German rock and cover band, and enjoy traditional games and activities.

Savour German cuisine including bratwursts, pretzels, schnitzels and soup as well as desserts from local food vendors including Get & Go Grill, Mustache Burger, That Pretzel Dough, and official sausage sponsor, Wagener’s Meat, and more.

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The Town of Caledon is looking to recruit residents to be part of the new Community Recognition Task Force. The task force will consist of five community volunteers (four members and one chair) with experience supporting various initiatives within Caledon and will be responsible for recommending award winners to Council for the Caledon Civic Awards Program and Caledon’s Walk of Fame.

Interested? Apply today at caledon.ca/committees

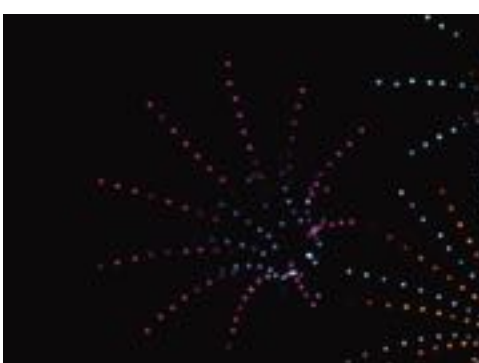
CULTURE DAYS



Culture Days 2024!

We welcome back the annual celebration of Culture Days! This national celebration of arts, culture and heritage is scheduled to take place from **September 20 to October 13** across Caledon and seeks to eliminate barriers, engage residents and attract visitors while celebrating vibrancy in our communities. During this month-long event, the Town invites the community to participate in **FREE** “behind the scenes,” activities to discover Caledon artists, creators, performers and heritage for our 50th anniversary.

For full event details, visit caledon.ca/culturedays



Sponsorship Opportunity

Illuminate Diwali in the Sky with Caledon’s Stunning Drone Show!

Experience the magic of Diwali like never before at the annual Diwali Drone Show in Caledon! Watch in awe as 200+ drones light up the sky, joining over 2,500 attendees in a spectacular celebration of the festival of lights.

This year’s event will take place on **Saturday, November 2 7:30 p.m. at the Southfields Community Centre.**

Be part of the celebration! Sponsorship opportunities are available. Visit caledon.ca/diwalidroneshow for details.



Volunteer Opportunities

Join us at our VolunTour Caledon showcase! Explore volunteer opportunities and discover the benefits of community involvement.

October 2 | 2 - 4 p.m. | Caledon East Community Complex

Registration is encouraged by October 1 but walk ins are welcome.

Need a ride? Call 905-584-2272 x4106 or email adult55@caledon.ca

For complete details, visit caledon.ca/adult55.

BROCK WEIR
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Don't unpack the sweaters just yet

Are you ready for sweater weather? Autumn arrives this Friday, and, depending on your internal thermostat, you're probably either dreading the arrival of the fall equinox or looking forward to a decidedly cozier season ahead.

Personally, I've always had a love-hate relationship with the change of seasons.

As a kid, I loved the chance to decompress from life in the classroom or lecture hall over the summer, but as my thermostat generally runs a bit on the warm side, the heat and humidity was, at best, a bit of a buzzkill – or, at worst, my very own climate nemesis. In short, I wilted pretty easily and the younger me looked forward to returning to elementary school in my unfortunate trademark of trackpants – but, in my defence, these Zellers numbers had Gordie Howe's name slapped on 'em for some reason, so sporty by default!

Maybe I was a bit ahead of my time when it came to the North American embrace of the Danish principle of Hygge – that is, the cultivation of coziness – but it was strictly a matter of comfort at the time.

As I got older, however, I became fonder of summer and what has become an alarmingly increasing number of warmer months throughout the year. I'm not sure exactly when and how this shift took place, but maybe it was just a matter of learning how to maximize what I could get out of summer and squeeze the most out of it.

Maybe wisdom does indeed come with age – no matter what that age happens to be.

I couldn't help but smile last week when my colleague, Sheralyn Roman, wrote her column for the Caledon Citizen on the subject of "Adulthood." We've all been there when it comes to adulthood, but the timing of the column made me chuckle because I entered my fortieth year on Tuesday – or, as I now prefer to think of it, in honour of late, great comedian Jack Benny, hitting 39 and holding.

"Remember when you were a kid and couldn't wait to be an adult?" she posed. "Without exception, I am sure at least once as a child you thought to yourself, 'I can't wait 'til I'm grown up and can do whatever I want! Implication being that as an adult, life would be so much fun."

"It turns out being an adult is all the internet memes happening to you all at once. All the time. It's cleaning up the dirty dishes and pots and pans, after every single meal, three times a day, every damn day. Meals that first you have to dream up, then grocery shop for, and after all that – plan, prepare and serve. Adulthood is looking forward to a rainy Saturday so you can get 'caught up' (News Flash: You'll never, ever catch up) with your laundry, or cleaning, or yard work or...whatever else is on your long list of to-dos. Adulthood is coming home from the grocery store with just one bag of groceries that cost the equivalent of the mortgage payment on your first home. Worse, as you unpack it, you realize you've forgotten the one thing you actually went for in the first place!"

Sher's comments were, in part, based on being a parent, but even as a "childless cat dad," to borrow a phrase from Taylor Swift and her bizarre coterie of unlikely political

adversaries, they resonated. Yet, no matter what one's age, family situation, and how furry those in your life might be, I'm noticing an increase in people just looking to hit the fast-forward button on life.

Summer will still have one final official gasp in it by the time this paper arrives at your door on Thursday, but this might come as a surprise to all those who have been looking for just about any excuse to count it out.

The August Long Weekend saw the first round of this metaphorical nail-biting and tooth-gnashing that "summer's almost over!" It wasn't. By the time Labour Day came around, those same people, and probably a few more in their ranks, they were using any measure but a calendar to usher the season towards its demise – from the end of the CNE, to the first day of school, and anything in between.

Then there are those festive types who begin the countdown to Christmas on December 27 of any given year, trying to move the needle forward to a holiday season that is, more often than not, even in this day of Climate Change, typified by cold, snow and ice.

Others still are looking to mentally fast-forward for some more concerning reasons.

A friend who just happens to be a "childless pet dad" recently mused they were in the throes of pre-mourning one of their pets simply because they crossed an arbitrary age threshold. Another wished we could be in the middle of November with the snap of the fingers because, to hear them tell it, the lead-up to and worry about that month's U.S. Presidential Election was causing ulcers. No word at press time whether Jagmeet Singh's decision to "rip up" its agreement with the governing Liberals is also causing peptic upset. I suspect it might be, but pressing that particular fast-forward button to see how that turns out could take us into next week or next fall.

Whiling away doesn't seem like the best use of anyone's time.

Rather than mourning a death that hasn't happened, this particular time could be used to make years of wonderful memories. Rather than worrying about a political outcome beyond our borders, although deeply concerning, the same could be used to try to affect meaningful change in ways large and small. Worry can be a valuable motivator, but it's just as important not to drown in it.

With international wars ongoing with little signs of a resolution, with economic and affordability challenges continuing in a rampant way, with political turmoil impacting just about every aspect of our lives, including those factors of conflict and cash, it's understandable why some might wish away weeks and months in hopes of a smoother road ahead or ripping the proverbial Band-Aid off something that could very well be unpleasant.

But, at the same time, it's more important than ever to live in the here and now, whether you're looking to make the most of a season, advance a cause, or do something that is otherwise important to you.

But maybe that's just being 364 days away from 40 talking!



Car ownership comes with a hefty cost

by Mark Pavilons



same time last year. Fatal collisions have risen this year to 20 so far, compared to 21 for all of 2023. And 20 people have been killed this year, compared to 22 in all of 2023.

Major injuries aside, even losing one's faithful daily driver can be quite impactful.

A police report is necessary if the damage is over \$2,000 and let's face it, it will be! YRP responded quickly and were quite efficient and even compassionate.

Luckily, the rear wheels of Lexie's Mazda 2 weren't obstructed so we were able to drive it home some 15 kilometres away.

The insurance made arrangements for a rental car and a tow to the closest repair shop where this little green beast will be examined.

Our fingers are crossed that it can be repaired, and not written off.

Lexie shed a tear at its condition and told me, "Don't let the insurance company take my car."

Alas, herein lies the modern catch-22 of car insurance.

Our broker and claims people were quite nice, and explained everything but going over the details on the phone is still quite a process.

This was my daughter's first car and we all remember our first! Mine was a 1973 Dodge Dart Sport with a slant-6. No power steering, no power brakes and manual window cranks! Loved that car! I also fondly remember ALL the others – a 1980 VW Rabbit, 1970 Camaro RS, 1973 VW Super Beetle, 1973 Dodge Charger, the list goes on.

Back to insurance. So, the repair shop sends an estimate to the insurance company. They decide whether it's feasible to have the car fixed. They go by the book value of the automobile and if the repairs amount to more than the value, they will write off your vehicle. If the vehicle can't be repaired and is deemed unsafe, it's also written off.

We don't have much of a say, but can "buy it back" if we like. What? Don't I already own it?

This is another can of worms. You can buy the car back, but then it may end up with a new title of "rebuilt," or even "salvage." Getting new insurance on such vehicles may be difficult and will be more expensive. They may also be harder to sell.

Buyers should keep this in mind when shopping for a vehicle.

Insurance is mandatory in Ontario and so we are at the mercy of provincial mandates and rates set by the big insurers. These are based on the data collected in the area in which you live, even though we often work and play outside our home region.

I like to break things down simply to offer my perspective. Let's say I pay \$200 per month in car insurance, or \$2,400 annually. I should have access to that \$2,400 to pay for any damages in a given year.

Let's say I paid \$2,000 a year for car insurance for 40 years. That amounts to \$80,000 – the cost of a very nice luxury automobile, or 10 decent used cars.

Insurance companies are always more apt to cut a cheque and be done with a claim, rather than have cars repaired and back on the road.

I will say I received top-notch service from my broker, Jon at Anna Raeli Desjardins in King City.

He comes to our rescue every time and explains everything. This is so important, especially when it comes to navigating something like insurance.

Collisions can disrupt our lives, even change them forever. They will cause stress and inconvenience.

My advice is stay calm and carry on; take things one step at a time, and don't fret over material things.

Our Readers Write

Block and barricade illegal trucking yards: resident

In response to the article dated August 22, 2024, Caledon Shares Illegal Land Use Struggles, Mayor Groves states that: the Town of Caledon really wants the ability to barricade illegal trucking yards so that trucks cannot drive in and out of them.

So, what is stopping her from doing this and enforcing it?

If illegal truck depots are continuing to operate in clear defiance of the law and just pay legal fees as a cost of doing business, enforcement should be taken to block the entrance to their properties.

Let these owners take government to court if they don't like it.

This is the only way to stop the illegal land use. The risks to public safety is the primary concern. Especially the illegal trucking yards on east

side of Albion Vaughan Road (York Region), which Caledon and York Region share.

Land designated as Agricultural paved over to make an illegal truck trailer distribution and parking. Negative impacts to the environment, infrastructure damage and pollution/noise. Truck operations that disrupt residential communities with air, light and noise pollution. Operations that pave over farmland and damage sensitive soil and water systems and damage to roads that weren't designed or built for trucks.

Immediate action should be taken to stop illegal activity like this. Block and barricade the illegal trucking yards.

JOSEPH DIFEDERICO
BOLTON

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If Taylor Swift says it....

I've never been much of a fan of celebrities who make political endorsements.

I don't mind celebrities or sports figures who make commercial endorsements. That's just earning a living.

If a famous actor is paid a million dollars to say they like a certain brand of pickles, or a famous athlete gets paid big bucks to say they use a certain kind of flip-flop shoe on the beach – keep smiling and take the money to the bank. With fame, does come fortune.

Famous pianist Liberace, the rather flamboyant, all-time greatest showman, used to show his furs and very expensive jewellery to his audience and say, "Do you like them? You should – you paid for them!"

He was a character.

Being famous does not make you smart, more intelligent, more politically aware, or more in-tune with any political strategies, platforms, or occurrences, than any other person.

Most of these famous Hollywood types who endorse a candidate likely couldn't name a single policy or party platform of the party or candidate they just endorsed. I'll bet if there were voting records, most of them don't even bother to make a trip to the polls to cast a vote.

Some Hollywood celebrities get this – they don't

make endorsements and they don't make political statements. They are the smart ones. They realize they just may be called on to explain their endorsement at a later interview and end up looking stupid. This has happened on more than one occasion.

Some celebrities are smart enough to keep their political leanings private.

Actor and comedian Ricky Gervais said a mouthful at the Golden Globe Awards in 2020.

I like Ricky. He's made some great movies, and he's a pretty funny guy.

This particular year, he hosted the awards, and during his opening monologue, he pretty much said what he thought about celebrities making political statements at awards shows.

"Apple roared into the TV game with a morning show - a superb drama," he said to his audience. "A superb drama about the importance of dignity and doing the right thing – made by a company that runs sweat shops in China. If ISIS started a streaming service, you would call your agent."

The comment received a lukewarm response, for obvious reasons.

He went on to say, "If you do win an award tonight, don't use it as a platform to make a political

speech. You're in no position to lecture the public, about anything. You know nothing about the real world. Most of you spent less time in school than Greta Thunberg. If you win, accept your little award, thank your agent, and your god, and F****."

To be fair, part of Ricky's comedy shtick is an abrasive delivery, but I think in this case, he was being sincere.

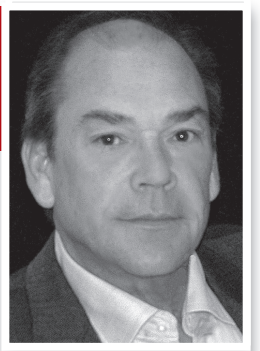
It is now reported, after the recent U.S. presidential debate, that pop star Taylor Swift's Instagram call for voter registration prompted around 400,000 people to visit an American government website in under 24 hours, to learn how to register to vote. The week prior, the website reported it had around 30,000 visitors per day.

Taylor Swift is now the biggest pop star on the planet. I'm not really a fan – her music seems to be geared more toward teenage and younger, girls. But I will admit she is a talented songwriter and gifted performer, and her audiences love her.

She's also quite attractive, so I'll count myself in as a fan in that respect.

The scary thing here is not that Taylor Swift encouraged people to register to vote, it's the fact that it took a celebrity to make this happen.

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW



Why haven't these people already registered? Why does a person who is so complacent, they haven't bothered to register to vote, suddenly make the effort because a celebrity suggested it?

Are some people that dim that they haven't bothered to cast a vote in previous federal elections, but are suddenly spurred into action because a pop singer told them to register to vote?

Even if they register, and go to vote in the upcoming American presidential election, they will likely have to check their iPhone prior to entering the voting station so they will know which candidate's name to place the "X" beside.

I'm glad I won't be voting in this foreign election – what a nightmare – but if I did, I would like to think that the people joining me at the polls at least had an idea of what the candidates are about, their policies and platforms, and not cast a vote based on a celebrity endorsement.

Stepping Up

It seems to me that a part of being a responsible citizen is contributing to the greater good of the community. At some point or another, we must all assume the burden of ownership. That is, ownership for one's own actions and any potential negative impacts, but also, ownership for those actions that help to promote the health, safety and well-being of our fellow citizens.

Simply put, in "stepping up," you are literally showing others that you care about their lives as well as your own. Collectively, that spirit of caring means we all win.

There are so many ways to build "stepping up" into your life, and many of them are decidedly easy. Yes, sometimes it means stepping out from behind your keyboard, and stepping forward into unfamiliar territory to help "be the change you want to see in this world," but other times it can be as simple as ordering a pizza or grabbing a coffee. In case you missed it, here are just a few of the things going on around town – things that I would whole-heartedly encourage you to, or thank you for, being a part of.

First, an easy thank you to all those who literally stepped up during this past weekend's annual Terry Fox runs. In Palgrave and in Bolton (and countless other locations) individuals and families came together in memory of one remarkable young man who galvanized a nation to action in 1980.

If you've ever wondered about whether the actions of "just one person" could have an impact, Terry Fox single-handedly began a movement that today has seen more than \$850 million raised in support of

cancer research. Thank you is far too simple an expression for the monumental impact Terry's efforts have had but sometimes, even for a wordsmith, it's all we've got. To those here in Caledon who kept the pledge again this year – including local school children too – thank YOU.

If you are thinking of starting small, looking for a simple way to have your say and perhaps also help shape the future of Caledon, consider something that doesn't even require you (this one time) to step out from behind your keyboard. Take the Town of Caledon's Budget Survey anytime between now through September 30, 2024. I took it, it certainly didn't take very long, and with it being online you can do it anytime that suits you best. Late night at the office? Take a few minutes to complete it before you head home. Waiting for your kids outside hockey, or dance, or gymnastics or music practice? Do it from your phone while you wait in the parking lot. If you want to have a say in what happens next in Caledon rather than simply complaining about it afterwards on social media, now is your opportunity. Want more parks? Maybe transit is your top priority? How about more by-law enforcement? Tell the town, you literally have no excuse not to. <https://haveyoursaycaledon.ca/budget2025>.

Something that has been on everyone's minds lately is traffic. Regularly we hear about horrendous accidents on our local roads, many of them seeming to involve large transport trucks. Our Mayor and Council have delegated to the province on this topic and continue to advocate for change. The province seems

to be responding at a glacial pace, and no doubt the issue is a complicated one but that's never a reason to not continue the fight. How can you get involved? There are two upcoming meetings on traffic safety that would very much benefit from having as many people in the room as possible. The first is on October 3, taking place at the Humber River Centre from 6:30-8:30 pm. Both the OPP and Town staff will be in attendance.

In light of the most recent tragedy in Bolton it's fair to say that "thoughts and prayers," and condolences are no longer enough. We need action and if ever there was a time to step up and get involved, this is it. The second meeting will take place in Alton on October 23, at the Alton Legion, also between 6:30-8:30 pm. With the main road through Town currently designated as a "Strategic Goods Movement Network," meaning gravel/quarry truck traffic can thunder past a K-6 elementary school (within just 15 metres or so of the front door) not to mention equally as close to area businesses, homes and a local seniors residence, a traffic safety discussion where residents show up in the multitudes has never been so important.

Looking for an easy way to make a difference and perhaps feed the family, or treat yourself to something yummy at the same time? For the month of September, a number of local businesses are helping raise funds for Bethell Hospice Foundation. Whether it's coffee from Coywolf Coffee or the Bike Shop Cafe, or pizza from Gather Cafe, Airport Pizza or Spirit Tree Cidery, a portion of the proceeds will be donated back to Bethell. Caledon Hills Brewery will set you up with

SHERALYN ROMAN TALK CALEDON



a pretzel (they're enormous and delicious) and there are other restaurants and specials available in Erin, Orangeville and Mono as well who are all taking part. Doing your part has never been easier - or more delicious!

I could go on for days about ways to get involved in our community. You could volunteer with a non-profit, sit on a board of directors, or apply to be a part of one of the town's many committees, but I'll end with this one last shout out to two groups doing great work, PUCK (Palgrave United Community Kitchen) and Eco-Caledon. I highly recommend you check out their facebook pages and website content to see what they are up to and how you can both get involved and benefit from stepping up. From rain barrels and conserving water, to community cooking programs benefiting visitors to The Exchange, or innovative programs helping kids learn how to navigate the kitchen, you'll feel good while doing some good.

It's never been easier as a citizen and a good neighbour to step up and help the community. It's our responsibility, and frankly I think it is our nature as Canadians, to work together towards the social welfare of every citizen. No one ever has enough "time" to get involved, but if everyone got involved just a little bit, the impact over time would be enormous. Stepping up, in some of the ways identified in today's column, requires very little time indeed and you'll benefit too, right alongside our community. Together we all win!

Uncharted Territory

No sirens are blaring, nobody even looks frightened, but they should be. Last week the world moved into uncharted territory. The "aspirational" goal of never allowing the average global temperature to rise more than 1.5 degrees Celsius higher than the pre-industrial norm (+1.5°C) has been breached for a whole year – and probably forever.

"Never" is a long time, so the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC), when it set that target in 2018, actually said that it should remain achievable until at least 2050. You may have noticed that the year is only 2024, and we are already there. Something has gone wrong, and there is a scramble to cover it up.

This takes two forms. One was to say that it's just a temporary effect related to the recent El Niño, a cyclical ocean event that occasionally raises the average global temperature a bit for nine to twelve months, then subsides again.

The trouble with that explanation was that the "anomaly", as climate scientists were calling the unexpected warming, was twice as big as any El Niño event has ever been. It also began months before this El Niño got going – and it did not go away when the El Niño died out, in April. The "anomaly" is still there.

So much for that attempt to explain the "anomaly"

away, but there's another. What if a whole year above +1.5°C doesn't count as "breaching the limit?" It doesn't, according to the IPCC's counting rules. Those rules say it won't be reached until the average global temperature has been +1.5°C for the past twenty years – so about ten years from now, in practice.

Calculating long-term averages for global temperature made sense when the climate was basically stable and just jiggled around a bit from year to year, but those days are long gone.

The trend in average global temperature has been relentlessly upwards for decades now. To insist on mixing in cooler temperatures from twenty years ago to come up with a number that understates the reality of the present would be self-deception at best.

What would it be at worst? I wouldn't use the words 'deliberate misrepresentation', but something complicated and largely invisible happens at the conclusion of each Assessment Report, the scientific document on which the IPCC's now-annual conferences are based.

The data and conclusions in the hundreds of pages of the reports are valid and unbiased, but the "executive summary" (the only part most journalists will ever read) is a political document negotiated between the scientists and the governments that are paying for the

whole IPCC enterprise.

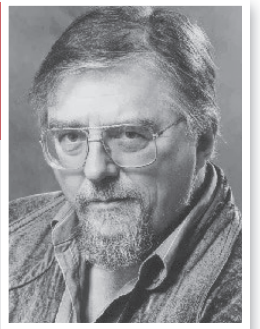
The scientists are already hampered by their own professional reluctance to discuss their private and tentative conclusions in public. Alas, that handicaps them in their protracted arm-wrestle over the executive summary with governments that are deeply concerned about climate change, but always want to avoid large spending commitments right now.

I'm relying on private information from some scientists who have been involved in the process, but the governments usually win. ("He who pays the piper calls the tune.") This may explain the widening gap between what the IPCC says and what we can see with our own eyes: monster wildfires, unprecedented heatwaves, killer landslides and all the rest.

So, what is causing all this heat and havoc? Nobody knows for certain yet why the planet's average surface temperature has jumped more than two-tenths of a degree C in just one year. However, the prime suspects are feedbacks that have been triggered by our own emissions-related heating and are also adding to the warming.

There are three leading candidates. Melting ice and snow are uncovering open water and dark rock that absorb more sunlight. Cleaning up the emissions from

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60,000 giant merchant ships has eliminated the "ship tracks" that used to reflect much incoming sunlight. The huge forest fires that are devastating the Americas may be a much bigger feedback than we thought.

What can we do about all this? The stock answer is "cut your greenhouse gas emissions", and we should move as fast as we can on that front, but it is delusional to go on pretending that this is all we can and must do. After thirty years of trying, our emissions are still growing almost every year (although we may start to make a little progress soon).

We need to hold the heat down while the emissions work proceeds, or the growing chaos, damage and violence will make further progress on any front impossible. The various ways to do that are called "geoengineering" or climate engineering, and for a long time it was taboo. That never made sense, and now the prejudice is fading fast.

Geoengineering is a very big subject, but if you're interested I recently wrote a book about it.

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Winners must be willing to make a batch of 12 cookies that can be used in photographs for the magazine. Submissions can be emailed to: contactus@ourroutes.com Deadline to enter is October 18, 2024 at 5p.m.

“The Knitting Pilgrim”: Palgrave United Community Kitchen to host unique show

Performance from Kirk Dunn set for November 2

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A unique show is coming to Caledon this fall.

On November 2, the Palgrave United Community Kitchen (PUCK) will host actor and knitter Kirk Dunn for his show, *The Knitting Pilgrim*.

The show runs from 7 to 9 p.m. and PUCK is located at 34 Pine Avenue. Tickets to the show are \$40 for adults and \$20 for students and can be purchased by calling 905-880-0303 or emailing info@palgravekitchen.org.

PUCK bills *The Knitting Pilgrim* as a “multidisciplinary one-man show that combines personal storytelling, image projection, and three huge knitted panels that look like stained glass windows to explore the connection among the Abrahamic



Actor and knitter Kirk Dunn will bring his magnificent knit work, *Stitched Glass*, to Palgrave for his performance of *The Knitting Pilgrim*. *Stitched Glass* took Dunn 15 years to finish. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

faiths: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.”

The *Knitting Pilgrim* is a show directed by Jennifer Tarver and performed by Dunn. It’s been performed over 85 times in countries like Canada, the United States,

Austria and Germany.

The show, which premiered in 2019, has received many rave reviews.

The program features Dunn’s hand-knit artwork, *Stitched Glass*. It’s a triptych of large panels knit in the style of stained glass windows, and looks at the commonalities and conflicts among the Abrahamic faiths. *Stitched Glass* took Dunn 15 years to complete and is made of over 90 pounds of knitting.

Dunn said the hope of his performance has always been to create conversation and contribute to the conversation about xenophobia,

Antisemitism and Islamophobia.

“A conversation between all people—believers and non-believers—who find themselves in conflict. How can we better understand and empathize with each other? Everyone has a unique background, point of view, and experience, and at the same time, many experiences are universal. Focusing on what knits us together, rather than what pulls us apart, is a place to start,” said Dunn.

Knitting during Dunn’s show is encouraged, and attendees can bring their own knitting or use yarn and needles Dunn will provide.

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General admission and VIP passes can be purchased online at king.ca/kingtoberfest until Friday, October 18 at 11 p.m. Tickets prices will increase at the door.

Pre-sale general admission is \$20 (+ HST) and the VIP ticket of \$40 includes a signature stein and drink tickets. General admission the day of is \$25.

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FOR THE PURPOSE(S) OF to provide access to the contractor and work zone required for trenchless replacement of center-line culverts and all other works related thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described in the schedule attached hereto.

The approving authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:

Minister of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 1Z8
416-327-9200

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SCHEDULE A

A limited interest from March 1, 2025, to December 1, 2025, in the nature of a free right and easement for the Minister of Transportation, successors, and assigns, and any representative of the Minister of Transportation to enter with all necessary vehicles, machinery and equipment over and upon the lands described as follows:

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1. Part of PIN 58523-0523 (LT), being Part of Lot 12, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Medonte; shown as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-3346-0164 being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Simcoe as Plan 51R-44520.

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The Ministry will review the comments for their technical/engineering information, having regard to the need for the land for the purposes of the project.

The Assistant Deputy Minister must receive the comments within thirty days after the owner is served with this notice, or within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

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Ministry of Transportation
4th Floor, Garden City Tower
301 St. Paul Street
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Please include the municipal address of the land in the comment.

The expropriating authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:
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Each year, AHCF volunteers have fun braiding softneck garlic ahead of the farm's Honey & Garlic Festival. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Albion Hills Community Farm hosts Honey & Garlic Festival

Residents came out to buy local honey, garlic and more last Saturday

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
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Caledon residents will be enjoying the results of a local community farm's harvest this fall.

On September 14, the Albion Hills Community Farm (AHCF) hosted its annual Honey & Garlic Festival.

As its name suggests, there was a plethora of honey and garlic for sale at the festival, fresh from the farm. The honey sold out quickly and proved to be quite popular, and the AHCF sold many of the nearly 20,000 bulbs of garlic it harvested this

year. AHCF volunteer Karen Hutchinson said there was great traffic all day at the festival, which ran from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the farm.

"There were lots of returning people who picked up their annual order, and lots of new people too," said Hutchinson.

For those who missed the festival, orders for honey and garlic can be placed online at the following link: albionhillscommunityfarm.org.

In addition to the honey and garlic, there were fresh vegetables and honey and garlic-flavoured products at the festival — like garlic pesto. The festival has been running since 2019, except for a pause due to the pandemic.

The AHCF donates some of its garlic each year to Caledon Community Services, which sends it out as an ingredient in its holiday hampers for families in need.

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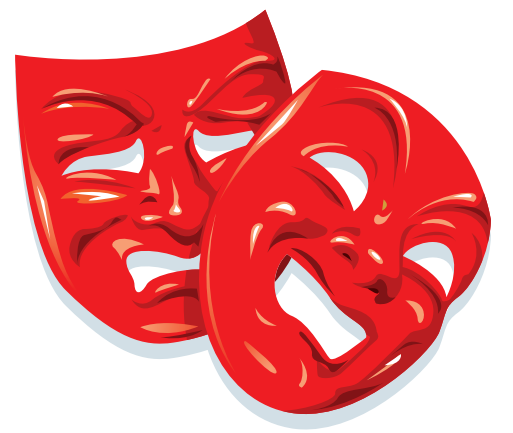
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With 18 stops and 26 participating artists, the self-guided tour will give participants unprecedented behind-the-scenes access to artist studios across Caledon. The tour is being held for the first time this year, and at 11 a.m. on September 21, there will be an opening re-

ception for it at the Alton Mill Arts Centre.

“There’s a lot of artists in Caledon with beautiful studios on their property,” said Giancotta. “The artists will invite you into their homes and studios to see up close and personal how they work, how they create.”

The second flagship event is the Caledon Creative Arts Festival, which runs from 11



A drone photo of last year’s Caledon Creative Arts Festival grounds, set up and ready for visitors. TOWN OF CALEDON IMAGE

a.m. to 4 p.m. on September 28 at the Caledon East Community Complex.

The festival is now in its third year and will feature artist workshops, arts activities for kids, a vendor market and live music. Some of the workshops being held include watercolour painting and braiding Indigenous bracelets. Live music acts set to perform include The Rolling Coyotes Band, Irie Vibes, and The Matthew Richard Jazz Duo.

Giancotta said the festival has grown from something small into a big event that’s highly-anticipated.

The third flagship event of Culture Days in Caledon is Caledon CultureFest, which runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on October 5 at the Humber River Centre in Bolton.

Being held for the first time, the festival is a celebration of the many unique cultures that make up the Town of Caledon.

There will be an African dance performance, Ukrainian egg making, and a chance to learn

about Caledon’s Scottish history, to name a few things going on at the event.

“It’s a chance to celebrate and learn about all the different cultures within Caledon,” said Giancotta.

The Town of Caledon is turning 50 this year, and that’s playing a role in this year’s Culture Days celebrations. On September 20, the Town will unveil a new 50th anniversary community mural by artist Nikita Mistry and raise the Culture Days flag at Town Hall.

To take a closer look at the massive amount of events planned for Culture Days, Caledon residents can check out the following link: caledon.ca/culturedays

The Town’s website has a schedule of all the events planned.

“We’ve tried to reach all different areas of people’s interests throughout all of our programming... all of it with the intention to celebrate and recognize how unbelievably fortunate Caledon is to be home to so many artists,” said Giancotta.



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Orangeville Art Group ends 52nd Annual Art Show and Sale with well-attended reception

Show and sale took place from September 4 to 15 at the Alton Mill Arts Centre

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Orangeville artists displayed amazing artwork at a recent show.

From September 4 to 15, the Orangeville Art Group (OAG) hosted its 52nd Annual Art Show and Sale in the Pond Gallery at the Alton Mill Arts Centre.

On the September 15, a reception was held so guests could meet the artists participating in the show, and many people came out to enjoy an afternoon in the gallery.

Michele Taras was one of the artists featured in the show. Her artistic journey started long ago with photography; she began with family portraits and moved on to become a fashion photographer who got published in major magazines.

Six years ago, she began painting. "My whole life I wished I could draw, but I always thought I couldn't do it, I was missing the confidence," said Taras.

One day, she bought her first canvas, and gave painting a try. She posted the resulting painting on social media, and someone ended up buying it. It was an affirming moment and Taras has been painting ever since – and loving it.

Taras encourages anyone interested in painting to give it a go because it has been an amazing journey for her.

"You have to just trust what's coming from within you," said Taras. "I think that's the whole essence of art."

Taras' paintings that were on display at the OAG's show featured very vivid colours. Taras explained she achieves this effect by painting her canvas with a base layer before her subject(s). For example, in one of her paintings, she painted the whole canvas a bright orange before beginning anything else. Layering paint is also great for making colours more vivid, Taras added, as is painting without blending paint

colours. "In all my paintings, I like to put stories, but also make them in such a way that as a viewer you can imagine your own story," said Taras. "I'm all about imagination."

Margo Young was another artist featured in the show. Now 73, she's been an artist since she was a child.

"On a Sunday afternoon, my father used to put something on the coffee table and say, 'see if you can draw this,'" said Young.

Young has been following her creative passion all her life. In addition to painting and being a part of the OAG, she's a musician who plays in the Caledon Concert Band and an interior designer.

"If you're creative, you're creative... it comes out in everything," said Young.

Before painting, Young draws what she'll be creating and makes a plan for the direction her painting will take. Young loves to paint with all types of paint, particularly watercolours, oils, and acrylics.

Young likes to include texture in her work. In one painting of women in elegant dresses, Young added glitter. In another of a vase and two plants, she added moss.

Young said the OAG's show was amazing.

"There's a lot of talent here and it's so varied, I feel privileged to be a part of it," she said. "As artists, we like to come together."

Michelle Hudson was another of the artists showcasing their work at the OAG show. She's been painting as long as she can remember as a way to express herself.

At the OAG show, Hudson displayed a set of watercolour wildlife paintings made with organic pigments.

Many of Hudson's exhibited paintings were of foxes and owls, animals she feels a deep connection to. She shared a story of visiting her aunt in British Columbia and painting her a picture of an owl while there as a gift.

Hudson's aunt said the painting looked exactly like an owl that visited her property every day, an owl she believed watched over her. When Hudson came back to Ontario, her aunt shared with her that the owl in question came to her property and died while sharing its last moments with her.



Michele Taras showcased her vibrant paintings at the OAG's recent show. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN



Margo Young likes to creatively use texture in her paintings. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN



Michelle Hudson often paints wildlife that inspires her. PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

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Caledon residents gathered at the Kin Centre in Downtown Bolton on Sunday for the Bolton Terry Fox Run.

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Bolton Kin volunteer Judy Bennett and long-time Bolton Terry Fox Run participant Doreen Huard, who was participating in her 26th run.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Participants enjoy beautiful weather at Bolton Terry Fox Run

Bolton Kin hosted run in Downtown Bolton

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The 44th annual Bolton Terry Fox Run was a great success. At 9 a.m. on September 15, Caledon residents gathered at the Kin Centre in Bolton for the Terry Fox Run.

Bolton Kin volunteers set up a one-kilometre loop for participants and cheered them on as they came around. Bolton Kin grilled hot dogs and gave out cold water to participants, who were enjoying the run on a hot and sunny morning.

In total, over \$26,000 was raised for cancer research from this year's Bolton Terry Fox Run. There were 187 participants in the run, with ages ranging from as young as one to as old as 85.

Kathy McFarlane, president of the Bolton Kin, said she thinks this year's run might have been the largest ever in Bolton. She said it was great to see such a nice turnout.

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The Palgrave community was in great spirits for the return of their local Terry Fox Run event.

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Great turnout as Terry Fox Run returns to Palgrave

Over \$13,000 raised by community participants

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Terry Fox Run returned to Palgrave last weekend. Just before 9 a.m. on September 15, Palgrave residents gathered at Norma Bangay Park for the Palgrave Terry Fox Run. Together, the Palgrave community raised over \$13,000 for cancer research ahead of the run. Palgrave Rotary volunteers provided breakfast for the runners and walkers, who at 9 a.m., departed for a 1, 2, 5, or 10-kilometre journey along the Caledon Trailway. Shirley Horsley, a volunteer that helped organize the run, said Palgrave is a very close-knit community and she's proud of how the community rallied to support the run — around 150 people came out for it.



Dylan Robinson and Ashleigh Turner brought their dog Merly to check out the Palgrave Terry Fox Run.

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King City home part of hospital lottery grand prize

BY MARK PAVILONS
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A King City mansion is the highlight of the fall Home Lottery, by The Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation.

The Home Lottery features a spectacular \$7.4 million grand prize, which includes the magnificent King City Showhome, custom-built by Kingsmore and designed by Erica Gelman Design. The winner also receives \$500,000 in cash.

The home boasts more than 6,400 square feet of living space, 5 bedrooms, 6 bathrooms, expansive windows highlighting serene views and manicured landscaping from every angle, plus a sparkling swimming pool in the backyard.

The open concept kitchen/family room is designed with an emphasis on layering finishes, textures, and materials to create a dynamic space. The countertops, backsplash, and island are all clad in a striking natural stone, giving the room a cohesive yet luxurious look.

The banquette style eat-in dining provides ample seating and creates a functional room divider between the living space overlooking the breath taking four seasons logia.

The foyer is the entryway into a sophisticated and luxurious home, highlighting how several different materials can be used together to create a harmonious design. The archways are framed with thick slabs of lilac-veined marble, giving the space a grand and opulent feel. The floor features a bold geometric custom cut pattern made up of large-scale tiles in black, white, and shades of mint. The pattern creates a visual interest, drawing the eye toward the different areas of the space all while keeping the walls soft in color, yet subtle in paneling design. The built-in bench is the moment. A small nook for seating framed with both upholstery and wallpaper and finished with a soft fringe and round custom pillows.

The living and dining room spaces are curated with all custom furnishings from the sculptural mohair sofa, the leather lounge chairs to the custom area rug and even the marble vases were carefully selected to complement the existing stones within the space. The rooms are detailed with tone-on-tone wall paneling and yet the living room is accented with a limewash fireplace feature.

The dining room, the perfect conversational arrangement with a square table situated directly under a draping black leather fringe chandelier and a silk wrapped dropped ceiling. The finishing touch is the double-sided glass enclosed wine display visible into the kitchen and seen as a feature from the hallway.

The primary suite features a dream-sized walk-in closet and a spa inspired Ensuite with a marble clad shower and vanities and a concrete bathtub. The bedroom is cocooned in a textured caramel-colored wallpaper and is offset against a built-in bed wrapped in a two-tone mohair fabric that spans the width of the entire wall.

The lower level feels like a state-of-the-art entertainment complex. A private elevator leads to the

level, where you step right into the games room and stroll into a cool lounge perfect for hosting or relaxing. Designed with a focus on contemporary style, and nightlife features such a bar, a dining table and a sitting lounge tucked into the perfect candle lit corner. The bar itself is wrapped in a white oak finish with a curve edging and a stone backsplash with striking purple and pink, not-so subtle hues.

Grab the popcorn, your favorite snacks at the candy bar and jump into your oversized theatre seating in your private screening room. The black painted walls and matching ceiling let you focus on the 86" LG TV. The large, wall-mounted screen, which dominates the back wall rests in between two dimly lit wall sconces cresting a moody atmosphere. The setup of this private theater is a room not only designed for traditional movie-watching but also for lounging and resting. The seating arrangement is tiered allowing you clear, unobstructed views from either level of your plush, deep blue velvet sofas and built-in tables.

Other big prizes in the Fall 2024 Home Lottery include a remarkable \$2.4 Million Grand Prize (Georgian Bay Showhome plus \$50,000 cash); the World-Famous \$2.7 Million Early Bird Prize (Kawartha Lakefront Cottage plus \$50,000 cash); a breathtaking \$1.2 Million Dollar Bonus Prize (Downtown Toronto Condo plus a pair of season tickets for the Toronto Maple Leafs, Toronto Raptors, and Toronto FC plus \$50,000 cash); 3 incredible VIP Prizes (Porsche 718 Boxster & a trip for two to Hawaii or take \$100,000 Cash); plus a line up of luxury vehicles, worldwide vacations and so much more.

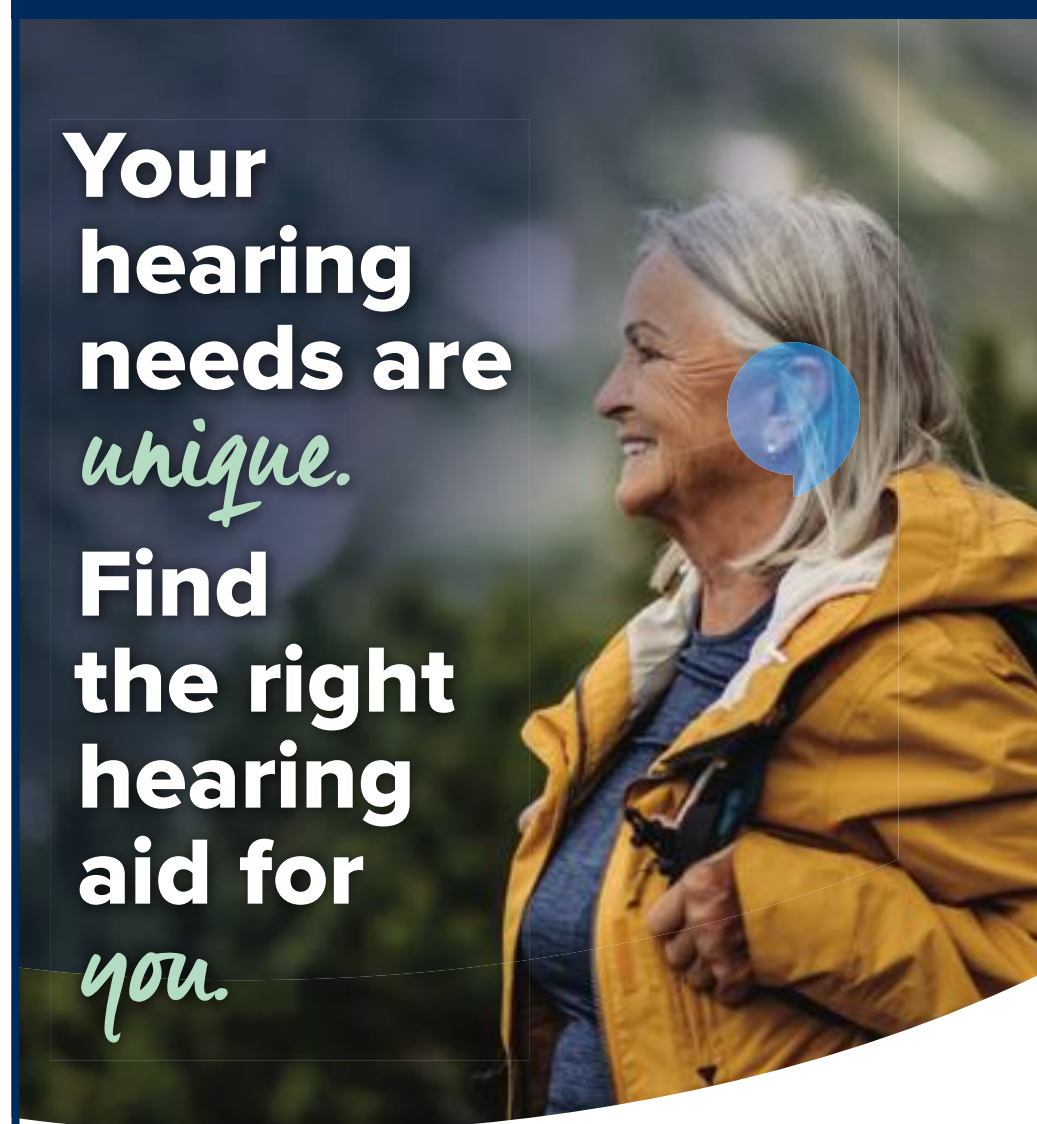
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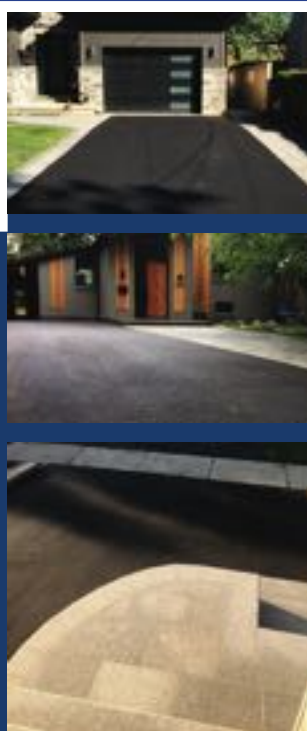
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- ALL NIGHT Tiger Paws Petting Zoo (Old McDonald's Farm)
- Ag Learning Kids Zone (President's Building)
- 6:00 PM Opening Ceremonies (Main Stage)
- Ambassador Competition (Main Stage)
- 6:30 PM Rawhide Rodeo Performance (Track)
- 9:00 PM Barn Dance (Hospitality Barn)
- Hillbilly Martini (Live Band) (Main Stage)

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

- 10:00 AM Grounds/ Midway Opens
- ALL DAY Tiger Paws Petting Zoo (Old McDonald's Farm)
- Ag Learning Kids Zone (President's Building)
- Free Face Balloon Animals (President's Building)
- Free Pony Rides (12:30pm-5:30pm)
- Antique Tractor and Farm Equipment Display
- 10:30 AM Global Pet Foods SuperDogs Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 11:00 AM Rawhide Rodeo Performance (Track)
- 1:00 PM 4-H Dairy Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 1:00 PM Bingo (Hospitality Barn)
- 2:00 PM Lip Sync Battle (Main Stage)
- 2:30 PM Global Pet Foods SuperDogs Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 2:30 PM Corn Eating and Pie Eating Contests (Main Stage)
- 3:30 PM Arm Wrestling Competition (Hospitality Barn)
- 4:30 PM Ramblin Soul (Local Band) (Main Stage)
- 5:00 PM Global Pet Foods SuperDogs Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 6:00 PM Power Wheels (Track)
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- 8:30 PM Van Hillert (Main Stage)

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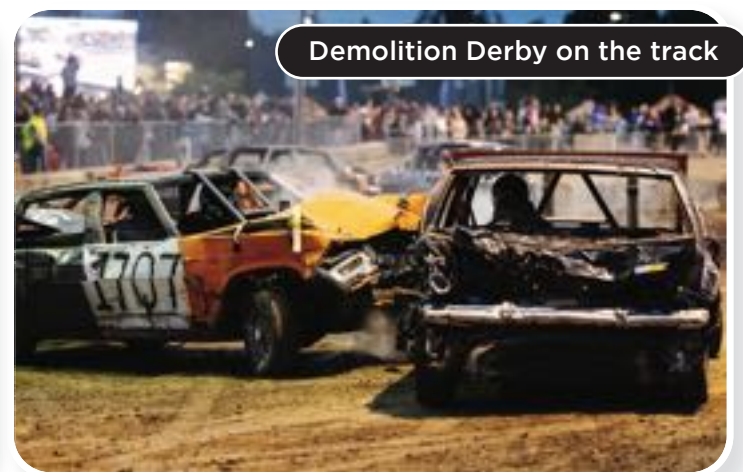
- 8:00 AM Grounds Open
- Pancake Breakfast (Hospitality Barn)
- ALL DAY Tiger Paws Petting Zoo (Old McDonald's Farm)
- Ag Learning Kids Zone (President's Building)
- Free Face Painting and Balloon Animals (President's Building)
- Free Pony Rides (10am - 4pm)
- Princess Meet and Greet (11am-2pm) (Arena)
- Antique Tractor and Farm Equipment Display
- Car Show
- 9:30 AM Global Pet Foods SuperDogs Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 10:00 AM Midway Opens
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- 12:00 PM Bingo (Hospitality Barn)
- Global Pet Foods SuperDogs Show (Outdoor Show Ring)
- 12:30 PM Princess Sing-along (Main Stage)
- 1:00 PM Tug of War (Track)
- 1:30 PM Fun for Mimma Family Games (Track)
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Orangeville race car driver secures TCA Championship, advances career

BY SAM ODROWSKI

An Orangeville man has achieved great success on the racing track.

Eric Kunz, 21, secured the TCA Championship in the Sports Car Championship Canada (SCCC) race on August 31 in Bowmanville, ON, at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park Labour Day Sprints.

The SCCC is considered one of the most competitive sports car racing series nationwide, making Kunz success a significant accomplishment and milestone in his motorsports career.

He set the goal of winning the TCA championship at the start of this year's racing season, and despite some challenges, he reached it over the Labour Day weekend.

"This championship is more than just a title—it's the culmination of unwavering support, countless hours of hard work and dedication from my sponsors, team, and family," said Kunz. "When I crossed the finish line in first on Saturday, (August 31) I knew we had won the Championship. I still don't have the words to express the emotions – I'm overwhelmed with joy and gratitude. It is a dream come true!"

Not only is the SCCC considered the most competitive sports car racing series in Canada, it was created to provide talented Canadian drivers with a racing platform that is aligned with the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge series in the United States.

A ladder system is used in the SCCC, made up of three classes – GT4, TCR and TCA.

Drivers who compete in the SCCC race at iconic North American tracks, including Canadian Tire Motorsport Park, Honda Indy Toronto, and Grand Prix de Trois-Rivières.

"Eric's journey to the championship has been nothing short of remarkable. After beginning his racing career in karting just four years ago, he transitioned to car racing last year and quickly excelled," said a press release from Driven Living, a not-for-profit founded by Kunz, focused on using motorsport to raise money and awareness for rare diseases.

"In 2023, he finished as the Vice Champion in the SCCC TCA class. This season, he returned stronger than ever, with victories that ultimately led him to clinch the championship title."

In addition to his success on the race track, as founder of Driven Living, Kunz has dedicated his time to raising awareness for rare diseases, knowing firsthand their impact, as a former SickKids patient himself.

Over the September long weekend, with the help of his title sponsor, Amico Design Build, Kunz hosted an event at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park Labour Day Sprints with a group of 14 SickKids Patient Ambassadors and their families. They joined Kunz and the Michelin Man for a lunch in the FEL Motorsports hospitality area.

Afterwards, the families were taken through a behind-the-scenes SCCC paddock tour where the children met the other drivers and teams and picked out their favorite cars.

To cap off the day, a memorable podium photo shoot was held. "Seeing the joy on those kids' faces was one of the highlights of my weekend," Kunz said. "It's a reminder of how important it is to give back and make a difference beyond the racetrack."

In other news, Kunz has partnered with CSN Leggett's Collision Service in Orangeville.

Owner of the collision centre, JP Venditti, he been a supporter of Kunz motorsports career.

"As they say in Days of Thunder, 'Rubbin', son, is racin'." Kunz said with a grin. "Of course, I do my best to avoid contact, but in close competition, it's inevitable that rubbing happens. Working with the number one auto body shop in town has been a huge help and I cannot thank JP and his team enough!"

With the 2024 racing season wrapping up, Kunz is planning his off-season.

"This period is crucial for drivers and teams, marked by contract negotiations, strategic decisions, and new opportunities. With his recent success, Kunz is focused on building momentum, securing partnerships, and exploring new opportunities that align with his long-term goals. While his ambition is to move up the motorsport ladder, ultimately, it comes down to securing the necessary funding. He is excited for what 2025 holds, aiming to build on this year's success and continue making a difference both on and off the track," said Driven Living's press release.



Golden Hawk defenders Sam Dean (27), Jake Henderson (4), and Tyler Von Dehn (10) surround Caledon Goaltender Johnnie Krush (33) in a third period goal mouth scramble versus Schomberg. Krush made 45 saves in a 4-2 loss to the Cougars. PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

Caledon's Roenik Mahal fires two goals to cue 4-3 comeback victory over the Port Perry Lumberjacks in PJHL action

BY JIM STEWART

The Caledon Golden Hawks bounced back from a narrow 4-2 loss in Schomberg on Thursday night by defeating the Lumberjacks 4-3 in Port Perry on Sunday afternoon.

Roenik Mahal paced the Golden Hawks offence versus Port Perry with two goals. Josiah Dunkley opened the scoring against the Lumberjacks and Anton Smirov closed the scoring by firing the game winner with 62 seconds left to complete Caledon's comeback victory.

On Thursday night, the Golden Hawks came out flying in Schomberg. Liam Noonan took a pass from Josiah Dunkley and beat Cougars netminder Anthony Paolini 31 seconds into the game to send a shock wave through the Trisan Centre. Dunkley, hot off a preseason hat trick against Midland, put Caledon up 2-0 before five minutes had elapsed.

Grady Duggan pulled the home side within one at 16:09 of the opening frame, but the Golden Hawks held their precarious 2-1 lead for over 50 minutes, despite being outshot 16-3 in second period. The heroic play of Caledon goaltender Johnnie Krush helped the Golden Hawks protect their

slim margin. Krush made two breakaway saves on speedy Jordyn Palazzo to open and close the second period and the Caledon goaltender turned aside 45 of the 48 shots he faced to earn Second Star honors as selected by PJHL staff. Despite Krush's acrobatic efforts, Duggan tallied his second goal of the game at 10:30 to tie the contest, Luke Szabo put the Cougars ahead 3-2 at 12:27 when he banged a rebound behind Krush, and Mark Sifri slid the puck into the empty net with 1:51 on the clock after Krush had been lifted for an extra attacker with 2:03 left to play.

On Sunday afternoon in Port Perry, the Golden Hawks flipped Thursday's script and created a third period comeback victory of their own versus the Lumberjacks.

Mahal's marker at 16:59 in the final frame tied the game and Smirov completed the comeback for Caledon with an unassisted goal at 18:58 to pull out the much-needed road victory for the Golden Hawks.

Caledon continues its road trip on Thursday when they take on the Eagles in Clarington. The Golden Hawks host the Schomberg Cougars in their regular season home opener on Sunday, September 22 at 2:30 PM at the Mayfield Recre-

ation Complex.

OJHL Update

The Caledon Junior 'A' Admirals earned their first win of the season by defeating the Mississauga Chargers 5-3 at the Mayfield Recreation Complex on Sunday afternoon. It was a much-needed bounce-back victory by the Admirals who fell 9-0 on home ice on Thursday night to the CJHL champion and OJHL powerhouse Collingwood Blues.

On Sunday afternoon, Lucas Tsaparis gave the Chargers a 1-0 lead at 11:01 of the opening period, but the Admirals roared back with five consecutive goals to take a commanding 5-1 lead at 15:22 of the middle frame. Henry Brady, Clarence Allain, Braeden Van Gelder, Owen O'Grady, and Cam Lang contributed one goal each to the 20-minute onslaught that paced Caledon's offense and turned the game in the Admirals' favor.

Caledon goaltender Calem Yorke earned the W, turning aside 33 of the 36 shots fired by the Chargers.

The Admirals (1-3-0-0) host the Georgetown Raiders (0-1-1-1) at the Mayfield Recreation Complex on Thursday, September 19. Puck drop will be 7:30 p.m.

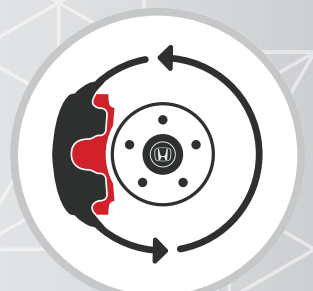
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SMULLEN, DR. MERRIL JAY



It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Dr. Merrill Jay Smullen on September 11th, 2024, at the age of 71 years. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 38 years Norine; children: Malcolm, Kim, Daniel & spouse Lizzie, Emma & spouse Matt; grandchildren: Elise, Joel, Hannah; his sister Sharon & spouse Henry; nephew Isaak & partner Carolina, niece Rebecca; sister-in-law Joanne, nieces Sarah, Nadia & spouse Frank, nephew Stephen & spouse Sydnee; and life-long friends Peter, Belinda, Mike, and Brenda. As a family physician in Bolton, Ontario for nearly four decades, Dr. Smullen cared for and touched the lives of hundreds of people in the community, spanning generations. Born in Glasgow, Scotland to parents Abraham and Rita, Merrill immigrated to Manitoba, Canada in 1980, then to Ontario in 1982 where he met and married Norine. He cherished family life, loved playing golf, told countless jokes, and enjoyed the Florida sunshine with friends and family. Merrill was dearly loved by his family, friends, and patients alike. Though he passed suddenly during a period of respite from serious illness, he is now resting in peace next to the sunny glades of the golf course where he played for twenty years. A funeral service for Dr. Smullen took place at Glen Oaks Funeral Home (3164 Ninth Line, Oakville, Ontario, Canada) on Tuesday September 17th, 2024. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada. If you are able, please consider donating blood.

OBITUARIES



DR. TOM STANTON
April 28, 1963 - August 30, 2024

On a beautiful Muskoka morning, Tom set out for his end-of-season Friday bike ride around Lake Rosseau with his cycling pals. After their blueberry muffin stop, Tom suffered a catastrophic heart episode. Despite the heroic efforts of his fellow cyclists and three good Samaritans, Tom passed away.

Born to Katherine "Kay" and Cliff Stanton, Tom grew up in Caledon on the family farm with his two brothers, Ray and Bill. There are countless stories of mischief amongst the brothers on the farm, including being called out of school to round up their wayward cows! He graduated from Mayfield Secondary and headed off to Queen's University to study medicine. Tom remained very close with his brothers and their families. With Ray, he developed his real estate business, always talking shop about the next deal, and with Bill, he enjoyed his love of sport and antiques, pairing up for golf matches or conquering epic mountain climbs on their bikes.

Tom was the master of work hard and play hard; often the last to bed, but always the first at the library the next morning. Many of his closest friends he has today he met at Queen's. When it came time for his children to go to University, Queen's was the only choice.

Having graduated in 1989 with his Doctorate of Medicine and completing his residency in family medicine at McMaster University, Tom returned to Oakville, where he eventually took over a Family Practice and joined Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital in 1991.

For the next 33 years, Tom served his community with exemplary skill, compassion and leadership. He took care of multiple generations of families over the decades in his family practice. He saw families grow up, he saw them at their best and most challenged. He was their safety net - an integral part of their lives. At OTMH, Tom provided obstetrical and inpatient care, often taking his children on rounds to see the new babies or visit those in the hospital over the holidays. Tom was also a physician in the Emergency Department until his early 50s. He thrived on the challenge and the pace of the ER Department; he believed it kept him current and allowed him to make an impact in the Oakville community as a whole.

Tom's dedication to medicine was equalled only by his success in business. The same qualities that made him an exceptional doctor - curiosity, attentiveness, a commitment to lifelong learning, and sharp intellect - were instrumental in his achievement as a real estate investor. Starting in 1990, Tom built a significant portfolio of apartment buildings and commercial buildings in Ontario, purchasing his first building the year he graduated from medical school, and continuing to acquire properties for the rest of his life. Tom remained an enthusiastic and dedicated buyer, refusing to sell any of his buildings, no matter how tempting the offers, a testament to his steadfast commitment to growth and long-term vision.

Tom's passion in life was activity... he never sat still. He was an accomplished golfer - always working towards a better index. As a Triathlete, he became an Ironman in 2004, taking his training partner right along with him. Tom embraced winter weekends at Osler Bluff Ski Club, summer days in Muskoka, and more recently, the off-season in Naples surrounded by family and friends.

His greatest love was his family - his wife and best friend, Julie (née Rennie), they would have celebrated their 29th anniversary in December; and his three children, Madeline, Charlie and Allie. They formed the tightest of family circles - living, loving, laughing and dancing through life together. Tom was their greatest supporter, celebrating their successes but teaching them to accept them humbly.

A celebration of Tom's life will be held from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 19, at The Pearle Hotel, 3 Elizabeth St., Burlington, ON. A private service will be held earlier.

Tom's empathy and care knew no bounds. To honour Tom, please consider a donation to the Oakville Hospital Foundation's "Best Foot Forward" (BFF) campaign for mental health - a new initiative funding resources to expand mental health programs and compassionate care for the at-risk community. Call the Foundation Office at 905-338-4642 or make a gift online at www.oakvillehospitalfoundation.com - simply click the "Donate Now" button and dedicate your donation to "Tom Stanton" so gifts can be directed to BFF.

WILLA (WILLEMINA HENDRIKA) SAWYER NEE LIMBEEK

Willa was born in Veendaal, Holland on December 10, 1937. Came to Canada in 1951 at the age of 14 years old. She passed away peacefully at Dufferin Oaks on August 8th, 2024 in her 86th year. Reunites in heaven with her husband Glen Sawyer (1996). Loving Mother to Annemarie Sawyer of Vancouver and Glenna Sawyer of Orangeville. Cherished grandma to Laura Windmoller (Kyle Windmoller) and Kyle Barratt. Oma to Liam Barratt and Jack Windmoller. Remembered by her sister Pauline Edwards (Jim Edwards). Predeceased by her siblings Peter Limbeek (Lois Limbeek Wismer) and John Limbeek (Late Eleanor Limbeek). Willa will be sadly missed by her family and friends.



Memorial Visitation will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre, 21 First St., Orangeville on Saturday, October 5th, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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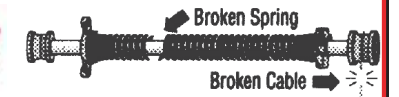
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Baysox take lead in NDBL senior championship over Ivy

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

After a second weekend of back-to-back games, the Owen Sound Baysox are leading the Ivy Rangers 3-1 in the North Dufferin Baseball League senior championship series.

This is a best-of-seven series, so the Baysox can wrap up the 2024 championship with another win this coming weekend.

The series got underway on Saturday, September 7, in Owen Sound. Game One ended with a close 5-4 win for the Baysox.

Moving to the diamond in Ivy the following day, the series was tied when the Rangers managed to shut-out the Baysox 3-0 to even things up.

The teams were given a week off and returned to Owen Sound on Saturday, September

14, for Game Three.

Owen Sound got the edge in this game and left the field with a 4-3 win in a well-played game by both teams.

The Baysox had a huge advantage in the series after Game 4. Played in Owen Sound on Sunday, September 15, the afternoon game was one both teams needed to win.

The final score was a repeat of Game 3 with the Baysox leaving the diamond with a 4-3 win.

This gives the Owen Sound team a huge advantage going into Game 5.

The Rangers will have to dig deep and win this upcoming game to keep the series alive.

Owen Sound will be the 2024 champions if they keep it all together and manage a win this weekend.

Both teams had good sea-

sons this year.

The Baysox finished as the second place team in the regular season finishing with a 17-5-2 record and 36 points.

The Rangers finished well back in fifth place, but came alive during the playoffs and knocked the first place Bolton Brewers out of competition in the second round.

Game 5 of the Owen Sound / Ivy championship series will take place in Ivy on Saturday, September 21, with a 2:00 p.m. start.

If the Rangers manage a win, Game 6 of the series will also be in Ivy on Sunday, September 22, at 2:00 p.m.

If the series goes the distance, the final game will take place in Owen Sound on Saturday, September 28, at 2:00 p.m.

Peel reports first human case of West Nile Virus this year

Peel Public Health has confirmed the first human case of West Nile Virus (WNV) for 2024 in a Mississauga resident.

WNV is transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. While most people who contract the disease will show no symptoms, some will experience mild flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, body ache, mild rash, and swollen lymph glands. In rare cases, persons infected with WNV will develop a more severe form of the disease. People over 50 and those with a compromised immune system are at the highest risk of becoming severely ill when infected with WNV.

Disease activity fluctuates yearly and depends on rainfall and temperature. Peel Public Health monitors WNV activity in the local adult mosquito population across the Region during the summer season. Mosquitoes collected in Peel began to test positive for the WNV beginning in early July and residents are most likely to encounter infected mosquitoes between July and September.

Residents are encouraged to protect themselves from mosquito bites by:

- Applying an approved insect repellent containing an ingredient effective against mosquitoes, such as DEET or icaridin, to exposed skin

and clothing. Read and follow the manufacturer's directions for safe use;

- Note: Infants younger than 6 months old, should not use an insect repellent containing DEET or icaridin. Instead, use a mosquito net when babies are outdoors in a crib or stroller;
- Avoiding areas with large mosquito populations and taking extra precautions between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active, and at any time in or near shady, wooded areas;
- Wearing light-coloured, tightly woven, loose-fitting clothing such as long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, shoes and socks to protect exposed skin;
- Making sure all window and door screens fit securely and are free of tears and holes;
- Ensuring that openings to rain barrels are always covered with a screen mesh;
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Authors on Stage coming to Theatre Orangeville



Col. Chris Hadfield is among the authors appearing in Orangeville this fall.

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BY CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

Once again, BookLore and Theatre Orangeville are bringing four authors to the Main Stage over three dates.

On September 26, Diana Beresford-Kroeger will be centre stage; Marc Garneau and Carol Off on October 6; and people are invited for a discussion with Tanya Talaga on November 6.

Bernadette Hardacre returns as moderator for all three evening events.

Irish scientist/author Beresford-Kroeger is the author of many books and producer of the documentary film, Call of the For-

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Beresford-Kroeger's new book, Our

Green Heart, the Soul and Science of Forests, brings ancient and holistic attitudes to the science of trees and how closely we are tied to the natural world.

Garneau and Off will join Hardacre with their books on Theatre Orangeville's Main Stage. The first Canadian to fly to outer space, Garneau's memoir of that 1984 historical adventure is captured in *A Most Extraordinary Ride*. This proud achievement "ushered in a new era of space exploration for Canada," says the publisher.

Another first, in 2008, Garneau became the first astronaut to be elected as a Member of Parliament.

Off, award-winning author, broadcast journalist and long-time co-host of CBC Radio's *As It Happens* is bringing her book, *At A Loss For Words*.

In this important work, she examines the current critical change to six words intrinsically connected to our democracy, both sociologically and politically: freedom, democracy, truth, woke, choice and taxes.

Off points to the perils in how our words are being mutilated in this fascinating approach to the manipulation of language, "unpacking the forces, from right and left, that have altered them beyond recognition," according to the publisher.

Talaga is scheduled to appear for a talk about her latest book, *The Knowing*. This work defines the tragedy of missing children and family members after being sent to residential schools, so-called "Indian

hospitals" and asylums which people knew and understood as the attempt to destroy who are the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people, through a system designed for the purpose.

From the publisher, "The Knowing is the unfolding of Canadian history unlike anything we have ever read before...as only she can - through the Indigenous lens."

Talaga is a multi-award winner, best-seller Anishinaabe journalist, author and speaker. Her mother's family is from Fort William First Nation and her father was Polish-Canadian.

She was the 2018 CBC Massey Lecturer, the first Anishinaabe woman to be so.

Talaga is the head of Makwa Creative Inc., a production company producing documentary films, TV and podcasts as a focus for amplifying Indigenous voices. She also holds an honorary doctorate from Lakehead University in Thunder Bay. Each of these fascinating evenings welcomes audiences to join the authors in the Atrium downstairs for refreshments, a chance to meet the authors and purchased their books.

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