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Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones joined the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association for their donation to the Smart Headwaters campaign supporting the Headwaters Health Care Centre. PHOTO BY GG COLE PHOTOGRAPHY

Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association donates \$10,000 to Smart Headwaters campaign

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Campaign aims to bring MRI machine to Headwaters

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Local plowmen are supporting efforts to bring an MRI machine to our local hospital.

On November 27, the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association donated \$10,000 to the Headwaters Health Care Centre for its Smart Headwaters fundraising campaign.

The \$18-million campaign has a final goal of bringing a Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine to the hospital.

Having an MRI machine at the Headwaters Health Care Centre would save more than 4,000 patients per year from having to leave our area for care. It would allow for more accurate and timely diagnosis, improved treatment planning, and enhanced patient outcomes.

The local Peel Dufferin Plowing match is the last one-day agricultural event hosted by a farm organization in Peel, and it's an important one in the agricultural community's calendar. Next year's match will be the 100th, an important milestone.

Paul Johnston, a director with the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association, pitched the idea of donating to Smart Headwaters to his colleagues.

"Our annual Peel Dufferin Plowing Match relies on the continued support of our agricultural and supporting-business partners and we wanted to send a strong signal to our agricultural community that when there is a need in our community, we are here to support," said Johnston.

Glen Early, current president of the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association, said the decision to support the initiative was an easy one.

"The current campaign to raise funds for the MRI is an important initiative so it was an easy decision for us to proudly support such a great community medical resource," said Early.

Construction on the MRI machine at the Headwaters Health Care Centre began this

fall and should be complete next year.

The Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association is inviting fellow farm organizations and agri-businesses across Peel and Dufferin to join them in supporting Smart Headwaters however they are able.

K.C. Carruthers, CEO of the Headwaters Health Care Foundation, extended his sincere thanks to the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association for their recent donation.

"Our relationship with organizations in the community, like the Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association, is invaluable. This gift will help us ensure exceptional care is available close to home for members of our community," said Carruthers.

Bill Duron, Chair of the Headwaters Health Care Foundation Board, also extended his thanks.

"I continue to be thankful that we live in such a philanthropic community. Generous donations like this \$10,000 from the Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association help us give the health care team at Headwaters the tools they need to provide the best care possible, close to home," said Duron. "I am deeply grateful the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association have chosen to support Smart Headwaters; this campaign will transform care at Headwaters Health Care Centre thanks to community donations."

The Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association is a local association within the Ontario Plowmen's Association and the organization will celebrate its centennial in 2025.

They are the only association in Canada to produce two World Plowing Champions — James Eccles in 1953 and William Dixon in 1961.

The International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM) has been held within the association borders on three separate occasions: twice in Peel (1924 in Brampton and 1963 in Caledon) and most recently in Bowling Green, Dufferin County in 2023. The local association also sponsors the Peel Dufferin Queen of the Furrow competition in the Ontario Queen of the Furrow competition.

Since its inception in 1960, eight local representatives have won the provincial honours, including Barbara Cunnington (1962), Irene Lawrence (1967), Mary Dolson (1970), Arlene Wilson (1974), Barbara Taylor (1976), Darlene Downey (2004), Abbie Brander (2005) and Mel Karpenko (2023).

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The recent Bethell Hospice Holiday Bazaar was a great success and raised over \$21,000. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Over \$21,000 raised at Bethell Hospice's Holiday Bazaar

Event held at Inglewood Community Centre last week

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Inglewood Community Centre was jam-packed last Friday and Saturday.

On November 22 and 23, the Bethell Hospice Holiday Bazaar was held there and many residents dropped by to purchase all kinds of holiday goodies like whipped shortbread, cinnamon buns, Christmas cookies, granola, gingerbread, and jams and jellies.

There were also vintage item tables and silent auctions.

Bethell Hospice would like to extend a

sincere thanks to Bonnie Klaassen and the Bazaar Organizing Committee for their fantastic job in setting up and running the event.

Kelly Stronach, Bethell Hospice Senior Manager of Marketing and Communications, said early results show the Bazaar raised over \$21,000 for the Bethell Hospice Foundation.

"Special shout-out to Elizabeth Birnie and her crew of elves who organized the Great Bethell Baking Tent," said Stronach, noting this tent was new for 2024. "The aroma in the tent was exquisite as it was fully stocked with holiday favourites."

Stronach said support from local fundraisers helps to keep the doors of Bethell Hospice open and its programs and services free for those in need.

"Should you have an idea for an event or fundraiser, please reach out to the Foundation Office at 905-838-3534," said Stronach.

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ASSAULT ON BYLAW OFFICER INVESTIGATED

Officers from the Caledon OPP are investigating an assault on a municipal law enforcement officer.

“On November 24, 2024, shortly after 2:00 a.m., Caledon OPP responded to an assault on Fallview Circle, in the community of Southfields Village,” say Police. “A Town of Caledon Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, in the course of their duties, was assaulted by a group of individuals. The officer was transported to hospital and the injuries were later deemed to be minor.”

The investigation is ongoing with the assistance of the Caledon OPP Major Crime Unit. Anyone with information, including dashcam or surveillance video, is urged to contact Caledon OPP at 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.

“Officer health and safety is our top priority. No-one should face the risk of violence when they go to work,” said Town of Caledon Mayor Annette Groves. “Please come forward if you have any information that helps O.P.P. advance its investigation and charge those responsible.”

DRIVER CHARGED FOLLOWING FATAL COLLISION

Officers from the Caledon OPP have charged a driver involved in a fatal collision on Coleraine Drive.

“On September 10, 2024, shortly before 8:00 a.m., Caledon OPP responded to a four-vehicle collision in the intersection of Coleraine Drive and King Street West,” say Police. “One driver, a 23-year-old of Bolton, was pronounced deceased at the scene.”

Coleraine Drive Between Ellwood Drive and Emil Kolb Parkway/King Street was closed for several hours while the OPP Technical Collision Investigators and Reconstructionists assisted with the investigation.

As a result of the investigation, Rajwinder Singh, 43, of Bolton, has been charged with Careless driving cause death, section 130(3) HTA. The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Caledon East on January 16, 2025, to answer to the charge.

The charge has not been proven. If you are affected by this incident or witnessed the collision and wish to speak to victim services, Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services can be reached at 905-951-3838.

SERIOUS COLLISION

Officers from the Caledon OPP are investigating a serious collision on Dixie Road.

“On November 20, 2024, just before 10:00 p.m., officers responded to a collision on Dixie Road, near Mayfield Road, where a pedestrian was struck by a passenger vehicle,” say Police. “No other vehicles were involved. The driver remained at the scene and is co-operating with the investigation. The pedestrian was transported to a Toronto-area trauma centre where they remain with serious and life-threatening injuries.”

Dixie Road between Old School Road and Mayfield Road was closed for several hours while the OPP Technical Collision Investigators and Reconstructionists assisted with the investigation.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has dashcam footage is asked to contact Caledon OPP at 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.

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BE SAFE ON ICY ROADS

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) would like to remind residents and visitors of Dufferin County that it's always better to arrive a little late than not at all.

“While the OPP is committed to keeping our roads safe, your safety begins with you,” say Police. “Drive smart, drive safe, and enjoy a worry-free winter season.”

Winter Driving Tips:

Check Your Tires:

Ensure your vehicle has winter tires. These tires provide better traction on snow and ice, which can be especially important in Dufferin County's often unpredictable winter conditions.

Keep Your Distance:

During winter months, leave plenty of space between you and the car ahead. Snow and ice can extend braking distances, so give yourself extra room to stop.

Watch for Black Ice:

Black ice is a common hazard on Dufferin's rural roads, especially early in the morning and after dark. It can form quickly and be hard to see, so always drive cautiously, even on roads that look clear.

Know Your Roadways:

Dufferin County has a mix of urban and rural roads. Be extra cautious on rural, less-travelled routes, where snow can accumulate quickly, and

plowing may not be as frequent. Keep a shovel, ice scraper, and even a blanket in your car just in case!

Slow Down on Steep Hills:

Dufferin County has some hilly areas, particularly near the escarpment. These areas can become icy, so reduce your speed on inclines and declines, and avoid sudden braking or acceleration.

Be Prepared for Snowstorms:

Dufferin County can experience heavy snowfalls, especially in the winter months. Before heading out, check the weather and road conditions on the Ontario 511 website or app. If you are unsure, it's better to stay home than risk getting stuck in a snowstorm.

Keep Your Gas Tank Full:

If you are heading out into rural areas, ensure your gas tank is topped up. Winter temperatures can be cold enough to cause fuel lines to freeze, and you don't want to run out of fuel during a snowstorm.

Use Your Headlights:

Snowy, cloudy, and overcast days can significantly reduce visibility. Even if it's daytime, always have your headlights on when driving in winter conditions. It's safer for you, and it helps other drivers see you more easily.

Don't Use Cruise Control:

Cruise control is not your friend on slippery roads. It can cause your vehicle to accelerate too quickly if traction is lost, leading to a potential loss of control.

Clear Your Vehicle Completely:

Before hitting the road, take the time to clear all snow and ice from your vehicle - including your roof, headlights, and taillights. Not only is this important for your safety, but it's also the law in Ontario.

Keep Emergency Supplies in Your Car:

Always have the basics on hand: a first aid kit, blankets, non-perishable snacks, water, a flashlight, and extra warm clothing. You never know when winter conditions might cause delays or emergencies.

Listen to Local Alerts:

Dufferin County often posts weather and road condition alerts on its social media channels and local radio. Stay informed about conditions in your area to avoid any surprises on the road.

“Stay safe this winter, and remember, driving slower and more cautiously could save you from a slippery situation. Winter in Dufferin County can be beautiful, but it also requires extra care behind the wheel.”

Members of the OPP are committed to public safety, delivering proactive and innovative policing in partnership with our communities. Officers value your contribution to building safe communities.

If you suspect someone is driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol call 9-1-1. If you have information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or www.crimestoppersdcm.com.

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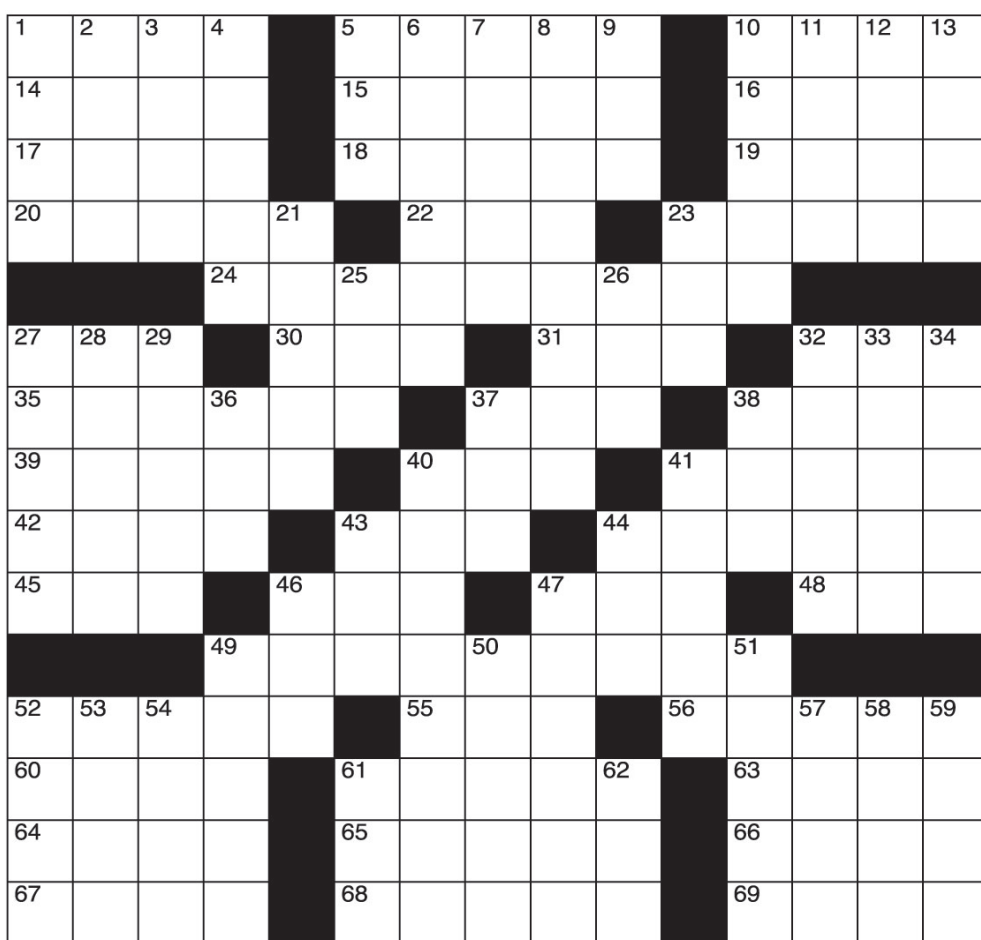
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15. Current unit equal to 10 amperes
16. Older
17. Large, stocky lizard
18. Ringworm
19. Actor Pitt
20. Indian hand clash cymbals
22. Data at rest
23. Jeweled headdress
24. Indicators of when stories were written
27. Check
30. Cigarette (slang)
31. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
32. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
35. Delivered a speech
37. A place to bathe
38. Postmen deliver it
39. Surface in geometry

CLUES DOWN

40. More (Spanish)
41. ___ and Venzetti
42. Exclamation at the end of a prayer
43. Hawaiian dish
44. Aggressively proud men
45. Fellow
46. Mark Wahlberg comedy
47. Mock
48. When you expect to get somewhere
49. Songs
52. Pair of small hand drums
55. Play
56. Sword
60. Evergreens and shrubs genus
61. Filmed
63. Italian Seaport near Dead Sea
64. Ancient kingdom
65. Pores in a leaf
66. U. of Miami mascot is one
67. Snakelike fishes
68. Pretended to be
69. Body part

CLUES DOWN

1. Piece of felted material
2. Ancient Greek City
3. Aquatic plant
4. Potentially harmful fungus (Brit. sp.)
5. Body art (slang)
6. One who follows the rules
7. Ordinary
8. Honorably retired from assigned duties and retaining one's title
9. Relaxing space
10. Japanese socks
11. Indian city
12. Rip
13. Icelandic book
21. Satisfies
23. Where golfers begin
25. Small amount
26. Snag
27. Determine the sum of
28. A distinctive smell
29. Exposed to view
32. Stain or blemish
33. Small loop in embroidery
34. River herring genus
36. Large beer
37. Deep, red-brown sea bream
38. Partner to cheese
40. At a deliberate pace
41. Gurus
43. Of each
44. Angry
46. Popular beverage
47. Flower cluster
49. Blocks
50. Those who benefitted from efforts of relatives (slang)
51. Polio vaccine developer
52. A (usually) large and scholarly book
53. Popular soap ingredient
54. NBAer Bradley
57. Popular movie about a pig
58. Musician Clapton
59. Not a sure thing
61. Recipe measurement (abbr.)
62. Father

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Campaign encourages people to talk about family and intimate partner violence

Continued from FRONT

One of the main goals of the Break the Silence campaign is to let survivors know there is help and support available to them. The campaign also seeks to challenge misconceptions about family and intimate partner violence.

Break the Silence campaign materials are going to be made available in print and online across Peel throughout the campaign's duration.

Nancy Polsinelli, Peel's Commissioner of Health Services, outlined the importance of the initiative.

"Peel's family and intimate partner violence campaign is driven by the priorities of our community partners. It breaks through misconceptions regarding abuse so that people seek the help they need," said Polsinelli. "Fostering collective action also means ensuring the capacity exists to meet the increased demand that comes from raising awareness. This includes supporting the community in advocating to other levels of government to make the needed investments in shelter capacity and other services which can help those escaping family and intimate partner violence to be safe and well."

Andrine Johnson, CEO of Embrace: Agency to End Violence, said ending gender-based violence requires a community-wide response.

"It is critical that we continue to raise awareness about the prevalence and severity of gender-based violence in our community; as well, we all have a role to play in meaningfully eradicating gender-based violence at a systemic level," said Johnson. "It is also essential that survivors know that they do not have to face violence alone, and that there is always someone available to listen and provide

support."

Sharon Mayne, CEO of Catholic Family Services of Peel Dufferin, said violence against women is often misunderstood.

"There are many myths that we need to dispel so that women feel safe to come forward to get the help they need for themselves and their families," said Mayne. "We all share in the responsibility to gain an accurate understanding to counter the misinformation that circulates in our communities. This campaign will help us do that."

Over 25 community organizations, including the Town of Caledon and Caledon OPP, worked in collaboration with the Region of Peel on the campaign.

In June 2023, Region of Peel Councilors unanimously passed a motion to declare intimate partner and gender-based violence an epidemic in Peel, a move meant to draw attention to the growing severity of the issue in Peel.

In 2023, Peel Police laid 617 intimate partner violence strangulation charges. There were six family and intimate partner homicides in Peel that year.

Of all charges laid in Peel in 2023 for intimate partner violence-related incidents, 79 per cent of victims were women.

In addition to 911 for emergencies, there's a number of numbers people can call to receive support:

- Embrace: Agency to End Violence Crisis Line: 1-855-676-8515
- Victim Services of Peel: 905-568-1068
- Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services: 905-951-3838

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GST/HST break announced by PM at independent market

BY BROCK WEIR

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau was in the area last week to deliver an early holiday present to Canadians: a four month break on GST and HST on a number of staples and products.

Trudeau made the announcement November 21, at Vince's Market, a staple in Sharon, Newmarket, Tottenham, and Uxbridge, alongside Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland and area MPs.

Beginning December 14, and expected to be in place until February 15, 2025, a tax exemption will be applied to: prepared foods, including vegetable trays, pre-made meals and salads, sandwiches; restaurant meals, whether dine-in, takeout or delivery; snacks, including chips, candy, and granola bars; beer, wine, cider and pre-mixed alcoholic beverages below 7 per cent ABV; children's clothing and footwear, car seats and diapers; children's toys, including board games, dolls and video game consoles; books, print newspapers, and puzzles for all ages; and, given the upcoming season, Christmas trees.

"As the holidays approach, families, especially parents, are particularly worried," said Trudeau at the independent grocery store. "Canadians have been through a lot, they work hard, we see that. We have been able to get through the past couple of years; everyone had to tighten their belts a little bit. Now, we're going to be able to give a tax break for all Canadians. For two months, starting December 14, we're going to remove the GST, HST from groceries – 100 per cent of groceries... We're going to remove the GST from restaurant meals, take-outs, fast food. Removing the GST from beer and wine, removing GST for essentials like kids' clothing, footwear, diapers and toys – all tax free. For two months, Canadians are going to get a real break on everything they do.

"We also know that there is more that we need to do, particularly for working Canadians. If you worked in 2023 and earned up to \$150,000, we're going to be sending you a cheque for \$250 in just a few months. Our government can't set prices at the checkout, but we can put more money in people's pockets:

the Working Canadians Rebate, which will be sent to people in April, is going to give people the relief they need, and a tax break over the next two months is going to help them with the cost of everything as we approach the holidays, get into the New Year. These are things that recognize people are squeezed and we're there to help. Money that will help people buy the things they need and save up for the things they want."

Throwing down the gauntlet, however, Trudeau noted, "I really hope all parties in the House can get behind this so we can pass this quickly, so Canadians get this relief as soon as December 14."

Additional relief was reiterated by the Federal government elsewhere last week, including a new National School Food Program, which will allocate \$1 billion over five years to provide meals for up to 400,000 more kids each year. They project the program will save the average participating family \$800 per year in grocery costs.

Speaking following the Prime Minister at the event, Freeland recounted a chat earlier in the morning with Vince's partner Giancarlo Trimarchi, alongside Trudeau, Van Bynen, and Vaughan MP Francesco Sorbera, on how money spent at the cash register can be a barometer for how Canadians are getting by.

"It was such a valuable window into the life of this community and also into the lives of Canadians," said Freeland. "What Giancarlo does, you can see what has been happening in the Canadian economy, at the checkout counter here at Vince's. He talked about how things were really hard for Canadians at the beginning of this year, that inflation was coming down but interest rates were still high. That was really biting in the pocket book and he saw it with what people were able to afford to buy.

"One thing he told us that I really loved is he said he could almost measure the trajectory of interest rates by what people were doing at the cash register here. As rates have come down, people have been coming back in to Vince's and have been able to spend a little bit more."

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rate suppression due to speculation of future expropriations,” wrote Groves. “Now, Bill 212’s expedited timelines to take possession of residents’ lands needed for this priority highway will leave those residents vulnerable and potentially unhoused. Resident rights during the construction of Highway 413 must be upheld.”

In last week’s Citizen, the headline for the article announcing this protest stated it would be held on Thursday. As mentioned in the article’s body text, the protest was held Friday, November 22. The Citizen regrets the error.

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“I think it speaks to broad support,” said Sommerville.

Bill 212 is the Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act, and includes the Building Highways Faster and Highway 413 acts.

Among other things, Bill 212 exempts Highway 413 from the Environmental Assessment Act and removes certain rights of landowners whose properties would be expropriated to build the highway — such as their ability to apply for an adjustment to the day their property would be expropriated.

Sommerville said, at the protest, attendees talked about how unneeded the 413 is and how there are better options, such as opening the 407 toll-free to transport trucks. Attendees also talked about keeping pressure on the Province, and advocating to the Federal Government to designate the 413 project for a full environmental impact assessment.

“We are still pressuring the government, doing public education, getting

people to sign our petition and giving out lawn signs... we gave out about 30 signs at the event,” said Sommerville. “There might yet be a Charter challenge to Bill 212 because it does really breach citizens’ rights... there are really serious issues with government overreach for Bill 212.”

Sommerville said the 413 is a corridor for big box stores, truck depots, warehousing, and housing developments. She said it will not meaningfully reduce congestion.

“It’s not going to do the job the Province is telling us it’s going to,” she said.

Caledon Mayor Annette Groves recently sent a letter to the Province voicing Caledon Council’s opposition to “significant elements” of Bill 212.

“More than 45 per cent of Highway 413’s length spans Caledon. Residents with properties in the 413’s Focused Analysis Area have ostensibly had their land uses frozen since the

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Is this who we are?

Whenever we go to the polls, at least at the Federal level, we're invariably told it is going to be one of the most consequential of our lives.

We were told this when reasonably freshly-minted Liberal leader Justin Trudeau took on Stephen Harper in 2015, sweeping the Liberals into power with a voter turnout of 68.3 per cent. We were told this again in 2019 when Justin Trudeau took on Andrew Scheer and his Conservatives and swept back into power with a voter turnout of 67 per cent. We were told this once more in 2021 when he again took on the Conservatives, this time led by Erin O'Toole. While he swept back into power that time around, it was with a Minority Government and a voter turnout of just 62.3 per cent.

It appears by almost all estimation that we will be back at the Federal polls sometime – any time – in the next six to twelve months – and while some things remain the same, other factors are certainly up in the air.

Trudeau insists he will be carrying the Liberal banner again whenever the time comes, but the reality could be quite different. Polls indicate it is increasingly unlikely Trudeau will make it four out of four. And, with even a week being a long time in politics, it's hard to say with absolute certainty just who will be on the final ballot for any party once the writ is dropped. Yet, I'm reasonably certain we're going to be told once again that that this will be the most consequential election of our lifetimes.

Recent events in the United States might give this claim a bit more heft than it's had in the last few go-rounds, but will it make a difference in voter turnout?

Who can tell these days?

On the one hand, turnout has been on a downward trajectory, on average, for several years now, and there doesn't appear, at least on first glance, any "magic bullet" is on the horizon to turn things around.

On the other hand, it seems that, by and large, we're collectively a far angrier set of voters than we were in September of 2021, although at that point the myriad and desperate issues that have come together to make so many Canadians' blood boil was just beginning to simmer.

Come poll time, we're told it could prove cataclysmic and, at the same time,

Each time we go to the polls told that this will be the one with cataclysmic and, at the same, it often prompts something of a cross-country identity crisis, with many questioning who we are as Canadians; who we want to be; and, given the polls, the blueprint we want to follow to get as close as possible to the goal.

As angry as it feels we're collectively becoming, however, the less I'm seeing us go down the road of soul-searching.

Back in June of 2021, at a time when the remains of 215 First Nations children were found in graves associated with a former residential school in Kamloops, snapped our attention back to a grim reality in our past, another horrific event, the terrorist act in London, ON, which decimated a Muslim family simply out on a neighbourhood walk, also snapped our attention back to a grim reality in our present.

While leaders offered words of support on both fronts, the words of the NDP's Jagmeet Singh struck a particular chord with me.

"Today is a hard day," he said. We think about what this means to Muslims and their families across the country. We have heard people mention this, but it is so common. All of us have gone for walks with our families in this pandemic because there is nowhere to go... to think a family going for a walk could not make it home, that a casual walk around the block in our neighbourhood would be one's last, that one cannot walk safely down one's own street, we need to think about what that means for a Muslim family. Right now, people are talking to their families and saying maybe they should not go for a walk. There are people literally thinking about whether they should walk out their front door in our own country.

"Some people have said that this is not our Canada, and I think about what that means when people say this is not our Canada. I love this place, but the reality is this is our Canada. Our Canada is a place where 215 little kids were found dead in unmarked graves. Our Canada is a place where people cannot walk down the street if they wear a hijab, because they would be killed. This is our Canada. We cannot deny it. We cannot reject that because it does not one any help."

"We have to make this a moment when we decide to do something differently as a country, when we come together to say that we are going to put an end to hatred, that we are going to put an end to violence, and that we're not going to allow political leaders to use this type of divisive hatred to gain political points. We have to be serious about this."

Three years on, and it's clear we haven't heeded this warning – and rhetoric has only become more heated.

This past weekend saw an expansive demonstration, organized by the Divest for Palestine Collective, in Montreal ostensibly to protest the NATO meeting held in the city. The protest, which was intended to denounce NATO itself, snowballed into a melee which saw windows broken, cars set ablaze and other non-peaceful forms of taking a position.

It comes on the heels of scores of attacks on Jewish- and Muslim-owned businesses across the country, a reflection of the current conflict between Israel and Hamas reaching far beyond its epicentre.

The weekend's events were at times called anti-Semitic by the Prime Minister, although local police said they could not make a "correlation" on whether the demonstration was or was not.

As the conflict continues unabated, so too is our homegrown response to it, but over the last year or two, one thing I've been hearing less and less of is the response, "This is not who we are" generally, or "This is not who we are as Canadians."

Is that a sign, at best, that we're collectively tired of constant introspection – or, worse, that this is who we've decided to be?

I certainly hope it's the former, rather than the latter – but we can't take our eyes off who we are, who we want to be, and how we want to represent ourselves to others.



Try to avoid the evil urges of consumerism

by Mark Pavilons



about things.

When did we become corrupt and morally bankrupt?

I think what many of us do (and I'm guilty) is to show our love for our friends and family members through tokens of gifts. Whether gag gifts or thoughtful mementos, we like to bring a smile to other people's faces. We like to light up their eyes and hearts if we can.

I get it. And I also understand giving our children what they need – clothes, gizmos for their school work, and items they use every day. For working offspring, gift cards are great to give them a buffer between pay cheques.

We've scaled back a bit this year, partially out of necessity and also because we've all reached a point where we require very little. I began the crusade, telling my wife and kids there's nothing they can buy me to fulfill my life or give me supreme joy. I only want to spend time together, enjoy some great meals and even some holiday Hallmark movies. I want to cuddle with my dogs on the couch and eat cheese balls until my fingers turn a bright orange. I want to feel the warmth and love.

Okay, socks and underwear go a long way, but I'd rather have my stocking filled with chocolatey treats.

Some parents will also agree that when our children become adults, their wants and needs change, too. They become more practical. They no longer race down the stairs and fling wrapping paper all over the living room in a child-like frenzy.

Those days are gone, but still quite memorable. "Home for the holidays" becomes the mantra for many of us.

My oldest daughter already made a trip to a homeless shelter, donating a ton of clothing and other items. Our closets, it seems, are filled with much, too much stuff, things we will never use.

And that right there is sad, considering there are many who don't have enough, or even the basic necessities.

Lexie is also planning another humanitarian trip to help Haitian workers in the Dominican Republic in the new year. This has been her comfort over the years – to roll up her sleeves, give selflessly and be the "boots on the ground."

"Blessed is the one who cares for the poor ..."

I went on one of these missions myself, to see first-hand the conditions and the need. I wanted to do more.

I think of that experience often, and more so these days when I take stock of the goodness in my life.

I shake my head when I compare the plight of such people with our rampant, perilous consumerism. Shame on us.

And don't get me started on the huge amount of post-holiday waste and garbage. Despite our dedication to climate change, consumer packaging is at its all-time worst – evil plastic packages that will never degrade but only kill our planet.

I say encourage those itchy, ill fitting handmade sweaters and cheesy slippers with faces on them.

I will gladly recite a poem of my own creation, to share with my family. I will count by blessings, not by price, but by love.

Enjoy, everyone!

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SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



I can't make this column any more black and white than this: In the post-pandemic, highly-charged political climate we find ourselves in, a world where economically many are struggling, it's only those who are fortunate that might be looking forward to tomorrow's "Black Friday."

It's a day synonymous with deals – a chance to buy an enormous TV for half price or to stock up on goodies and gifts for the holiday season. For others however, those who only dream of either a white Christmas or a happy holiday season, Black Friday is just that: it's black, bleak and leaves little room for any type of holiday joy. That's why today I'm hoping that our Caledon community will rally around those who may have worked hard all year, but are still no farther ahead, or families burdened with continued debt, or without employment, or the many who often go to school or bed hungry. Even if you don't believe in Christmas in a religious way, many of us do still dream of a white Christmas filled with plenty of snow, bright lights and the "spirit of the season." If you're one of the lucky ones, turn your Black Friday deals into an opportunity to give back, spreading a little white Christmas/seasonal joy to your neighbours throughout Caledon.

There are a number of ways you can help out locally, either using your Black Friday savings on gift items to maximize donations to places like CCS, Family Transition Place or the Milo Foundation (just a few examples) or through direct monetary donations and support. There are so many community-minded and charitable organizations doing great things this holiday season that while I draw your attention to the few listed here, I also encourage families to discuss together where and how you might be able to make a donation that's meaningful to you on a personal level.

Perhaps it's through your local faith-based institution, dropping a toy in the "Toys for Tots" box or a monetary donation in the Salvation Army kettle. Get the kids involved to help them both learn about, and understand the importance of, charitable giving. Speaking of kids, while we often think of little ones during the holiday season, let's not forget that teens are as deserving as those wee ones and they have wish lists too, as do those impacted by gender-based violence who might perhaps be spending this time of year seeking safety in a shelter. Locally, you can check out the Family Transition Place Amazon wish list by following the link from their website at family-transitionplace.ca/give/

How else can you help? Caledon Community

Services is a name no doubt many residents are already familiar with; an agency providing an array of support not just now but throughout the year, from employment and English language support to transportation, a food pantry and more. New this year, if you NEED help, CCS is offering a confidential online form for families to complete, or you can register for assistance at either the Southfields or Caledon East library branches. If you OFFERING help, any monetary donations between now and December 31st, 2024 will be doubled through a matching gift from Mars Canada (up to \$25,000) meaning your support will go twice as far! Food donations and basic needs are always welcome (check their website for what's most needed right now) or you can check out the CCS Amazon wish list registry at www.amazon.ca/registries/gl/guest-view/MC2GS51ONSL4. Finally, if your family is planning to attend the Santa Claus parade this year, you might want to take part in the Family Holiday Giving Day at the Exchange afterwards. Activities for all ages will be available from sorting food donations to lending a hand in the kitchen. Visit the CCS website to learn more.

Another local institution you might consider donating to is Caledon Meals on Wheels, an organization supporting and connecting seniors to health, nutrition and community, through a variety of programs and services – not just meals! Their clients include shut-ins and many who find the holidays an especially difficult time. If you are able and in a GIVING frame of mind, their Friendly Visiting Program is critical for local seniors and could use your help. This program matches volunteers with seniors to foster meaningful relationships through regular visits, phone calls, or outings. These connections provide not only companionship but also a lifeline to the community for seniors who may otherwise feel forgotten not just through the holiday season but all year long. In another example of corporate goodwill, the Stafford Group, owners of the Bolton Tim Hortons, are supporting the "Match Our Meals" Fundraiser. From December 1 to 31s every dollar donated will be matched, up to a total of \$7,500. Finally, if you NEED support, or know of someone who might benefit from a friendly face and listening ear, contact CMOW today.

You may recall the tragic story of Milo Yekmalian who lost his life in a car accident several years ago. Milo was a gifted basketball player and athlete who, as a young teen realizing not every family had the advantages he'd grown up with, started an informal program he called

"Hoops for Hunger." Working with local school principals, families who needed assistance were asked to provide a list of "3 wants and 3 needs" and Milo personally, along with the support of community and fundraising efforts, raised money to fulfill these wish lists. Since that time, and now carrying on the work in his name, the family has created and registered the Milo Foundation, a charitable organization last year helping over 500 people! You can support them through cash and/or food donations of canned goods or with gift cards to No Frills where the foundation organizes a giant shopping trip to augment canned food donations with fresh food items like produce and more. Finally, new clothing including warm winter jackets, boots and gloves are matched with children who might not otherwise have access to outdoor gear. Learn more by visiting milofoundation.ca/about-milo.

I encourage you, if you are able, not just on Black Friday, but throughout the holiday season, to consider supporting those in need in a way that is meaningful to you and your family. You might keep it simple by just stopping by one of the many local businesses like Alton Greenhouse

in Alton or Bolton's British Bites, to drop off an item on their suggested donations list and let them take care of the delivery. Some schools and local churches have "Angel Trees" or similar where you can pick a note from the tree with a promise to fulfill the request listed. Even grocery stores make donating easy with many offering pre packed bags of needed food bank items - all you have to do is pay for it! There are so many other local businesses, real estate agents and community minded citizens offering to collect food, cash or other specific items in support of a variety of agencies that we couldn't possibly list them all here, but what that means to me is there are many ways to help, if you are in a position to do so. We might not be able to guarantee a white Christmas in terms of snow, but every little donation helps to ensure a struggling family, a single-parent or someone experiencing loneliness, homelessness or illness to maybe, just maybe, have a little brighter holiday season.

Question: I am a shareholder in a private company and I believe that the decisions being made by the management are hurting the company. What can I do?

Answer: If you are involved just as a shareholder, your options are typically limited by your rights as stated in the shareholder agreement (if there is one). If you are also a director or officer of the company, then you typically have additional rights (and obligations) under the corporation's bylaws as well as under relevant legislation. When you form a new corporation with business partners or buy shares in an existing corporation, you should have a shareholder agreement (and hopefully you had it reviewed by a lawyer before signing it and/or purchasing shares). Generally, a shareholder has the ability to vote at shareholders' meetings, elect directors, and receive residual equity upon the sale or dissolution of the company, however, it is dependent on the types of shares you own. A shareholder is also entitled to review corporate records and financials. The directors of the company are responsible for the management of the company, and if they manage the company in a manner that is not in the best interests of the company and its shareholders, then it may make sense to ask the courts for help. Such issues may be considered "oppression claims". Keep in mind, that if you are a director and/or officer of the company, and you do nothing regarding the detrimental conduct, other individuals affected by the conduct may include you in a claim. Whether it affects you individually as a shareholder, or the corporation itself, will determine how you proceed.

If you have an existing interest in a business and have questions, or are looking at becoming a shareholder in a business, give us a call to set up a free 1/2 hour consultation. Enjoy the weekend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Information Meeting for Alloa Local Subwatershed Study

A public meeting is scheduled to discuss a Local Subwatershed Study (LSS) for the Alloa Secondary Plan Study Area. The Primary Study Area is generally bounded by Chinguacousy Road (east), Mayfield Road (south), and Highway 413 (north and west).

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an overview of the multi-disciplinary LSS process. A LSS intends to establish a baseline characterization of environmental conditions and natural systems in a study area. The LSS is being prepared in support of an application for Official Plan Amendment (POPA-2024-0004) to establish a secondary plan in southwest Caledon. Please note that no Council decisions have been made with respect to the Alloa Secondary Plan application.

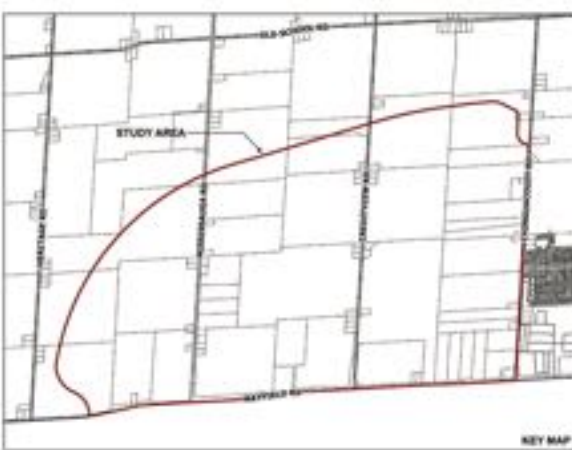
The meeting is virtual and will include a presentation from the LSS project team. Following the presentation there will be a question and comment period. To register for the virtual meeting, please send your name and address to breannasb@gsai.ca, with "Alloa Subwatershed Study" as the subject. A link with access instructions will be sent to you.

If you have any questions about the LSS or Alloa Secondary Plan, please contact Zechariah Bouchard (GSAI) at zechariahb@gsai.ca or 416-930-4958.

ORGANIZED BY:
Glen Schnarr & Associates Inc. (GSAI)
C.F. Crozier & Associates Inc. (Crozier)
Alloa Landowners Group Inc.

MEETING DATE:
Monday December 9, 2024

MEETING TIME:
5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (the presentation will begin at 5:40 p.m.)



PUBLIC NOTICE

Chinguacousy Road Class Environmental Assessment Study from Mayfield Road to Old School Road

THE STUDY

The Town of Caledon has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for improvements to Chinguacousy Road between Mayfield Road and Old School Road. In addressing the need to reconstruct the road, the study recommended several improvements to intersections including a new traffic signal at Tim Manley, improved pedestrian and cyclist amenities including a new multi-use path and widening the road from two to four lanes. The Study was conducted in compliance with Schedule 'C' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Municipal Engineers Association, as amended in 2015), which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT (ESR) REVIEW PERIOD

An ESR has been prepared to document the planning and decision-making process for this study. By this Notice, the ESR is being placed on the public record for a 30-day review period from November 29, 2024, to December 28, 2024. The ESR is available for review through the Town of Caledon website at:

caledon.ca/en/government/chinguacousy-road-improvements-class-environmental-assessment.aspx

If you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding this study, please contact one of the Project Team members below by December 28, 2024:

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In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring a higher level of study, or that conditions may be imposed, only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Request on other grounds will not be considered. Requests should include the requesters contact information and full name for the ministry.

Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested, how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy those potential adverse impacts, and any information in support of the statements in the request. The request should be sent in writing or by email to the project contacts noted above and the following:

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Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
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Comments submitted to the Town of Caledon for the purpose of providing feedback regarding this Municipal Class Environmental Assessment are collected under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Questions relating to the collection, use and disclosure of this information may be addressed to George Golding, P.Eng., Senior Project Manager, Engineering Services at 905.584.2272 ext. 4523 or george.golding@caledon.ca.

This notice was first issued on November 28, 2024.



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HARVEY KALLES

Great turnout for opening reception of Artful Giving show and sale

Show runs until January 5

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Headwaters Arts Gallery was full last weekend for the opening reception of this year's Artful Giving show and sale.

On November 23 at the Alton Mill Arts Centre, artists and art enthusiasts gathered to enjoy Headwaters Arts' latest show, meet the artists participating in it, and purchase art.

Hildegard Sausik was one of the artists exhibiting her work at Artful Giving. She's a fashion designer, painter, and mixed media artist. She created a variety of silk-screened velvet shawls for the show, created in a unique way that allows them to comfortably stay in place on the wearer.

Sausik loves being involved with Headwaters Arts, and also created a number of mixed-media paintings for Artful Giving.

Gilbert Sipkema was another artist featured at the show. He created a variety of handcrafted jewelry, and decorative masks, using natural and recycled materials.

He's been an artist as long as he can remember, and creates beautifully-intricate pieces. The masks he created for the Artful Giving show have a deep meaning: they serve as a reminder of missing persons.

Artful Giving will be showing at the Alton Mill Arts Centre until January 5, and features all kinds of handcrafted art like Christmas ornaments, jewelry, clay and ceramics, wood-turned items, glass, textiles, paintings, and cards.



Gilbert Sipkema showed off his jewelry and masks at the Artful Giving show.

PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

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.

Church of the Holy Family
Christmas Bazaar
Saturday, November 30th, 2024
9am-2pm
\$1.00 Admission with Door Prizes
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Caledon East United Church, 6046 Old Church Rd.
All are welcome!

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7:30 pm
St. James Anglican Church, Great Hall
6025 Old Church Road
Caledon East
www.CaledonChamberConcerts.com
Call Janice Reed for more information:
905-838-0888
Adults: \$40
Students 18 years and under: FREE

A different take on an old fairy tale in the Blackhorse Village Players production of A Snow White Christmas

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

Once upon a time – was a long time ago. Snow White no longer lives with seven dwarfs, and her looks may have faded a bit over the years.

She now runs a “Sweat Shop” – the “a” is silent – and employs several orphans to work in her bakery, in the Blackhorse Village Player’s production of A Snow White Christmas.

Written by Norm Foster and directed by Andrew M. Ladd, this production has a different take on what happened to Snow White years after she bit into the poisoned apple and was revived by a kiss from a prince.

This production features a cast from around the region. Actors and crew from New Tecumseth, Caledon, Aurora, and Bolton, came together to make this production a reality and brought their talent to the Blackhorse Village Players stage.

In the role of Snow White, Julia Okoth plays the beloved fairy tale character in the years after

she met her prince, and takes great offence when anyone mentions that Cinderella is the fairest girl in the land.

She is visited by Vincent Charming, a new neighbour who has a store next to the Sweet Shop that sells copies of famous artwork.

Vincent, played by Thomas Pearson, is a smooth-talking philanderer who makes a great effort to get to know Snow White.

In the role of Max, Julian Guerrero-Hirsch is one of the orphans whose primary focus in life is getting a decent meal for a change. He works in the bakery and quite often works through his lunch with other children because there is no food.

In order to raise money, Snow White retrieves a magic mirror she obtained years earlier, that has the power to answer any question. She gives the mirror to Max and tells him to sell it to someone on the street.

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The Blackhorse Village Players production of A Snow White Christmas is now on stage at their Highway 9 and Mount Wolf Rd. location. The play is a new take on an old fairy tale that finds Snow White running a bakery with the help of some orphans. The play is running through to December 8. PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

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Enter Derek and Freddy. They are two ne'er-do-wells played by Ricar Giachini and Walter Stewart, who are unemployed and desperate for money. When they meet up with Max, he shows the magic mirror. They can't agree on a price because neither Derek nor Freddy have any money.

That night, Snow White's "Fairly Good Mother" arrives by materializing in a broom closet.

Played by Laurie Laing, The Fairly Good Mother tells Snow White that she is one level below Fairy Godmother.

Derek and Freddy devise a plan to steal the magic mirror so Derek can find out what happened to his true love, and where she is now. They decide to kidnap one of the orphans named

Prudence and hold her for ransom.

The plan is not well thought out, as Freddy signs their names at the bottom of the ransom note, just to be polite.

They have an even bigger problem when the orphan escapes by crawling out an open window.

Rounding out the cast are Cassandra Sima, Vivian Rose Genz, Maya Genz, and Amanda Tessier in the role of orphans.

Produced by Jo-Anne Pulfer and Julie Kovach, and set design by Myles Stromm, A Snow White Christmas is suitable for all members of the family and is on the Blackhorse Village Players stage through to December 8.

For tickets, visit the website at: www.blackhorsetheatre.ca.

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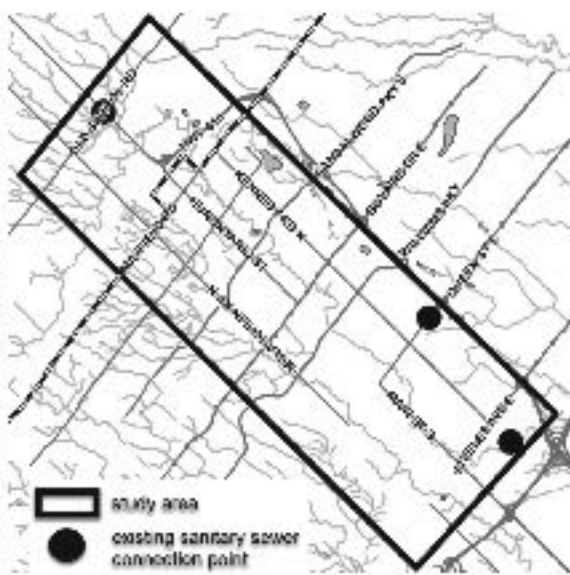
Public Notice



NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT and PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1 Schedule C Class Environmental Assessment Kennedy Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer Project

Background:

To help make new homes available faster, Peel Region has taken a significant step toward building the water infrastructure needed to meet the housing targets outlined in the "More Homes Built Faster Act" (Bill 23). By adopting a program management approach, Peel Region is expediting the construction of essential water and wastewater infrastructure to meet community and provincial needs, both now and into the future. Committed to supporting a growing population, Peel Region is focused on creating a thriving, inclusive, and sustainable community that promotes robust infrastructure, economic growth, environmental resilience, and overall well-being.



To help achieve this goal, Peel Region is initiating a variety of projects, including a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) Study for the Kennedy Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer Project. The Project will help ensure sewage capacity requirements are met by 2051 to support growth in Peel Region.

Study Area:

The EA for the Kennedy Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer Project will be taking place in the area between Old School Road in the Town of Caledon and at Llobikoke Creek and Kennedy Road South (north of Highway 407) in the City of Brampton. The Project will also include a connection from the existing Rutherford North Sanitary Trunk Sewer at Queen Street East.

Process:

This study will follow the 2023 process for a Schedule "C" MCEA project, which includes:

- Indigenous community engagement and public and stakeholder consultation
- Background studies
- Development and evaluation of sewer route options: impact assessment, and mitigation measures.
- Selection of the preferred sewer route including design, and schedule.

Your Input is Important, We Want to Hear from You:

Two Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held to present the findings of the MCEA study and provide opportunities to give feedback to the project team. Community engagement is key to the MCEA process. Early discussions will help identify ways to reduce project impacts on residents, businesses, and commuters.

About PIC #1

Peel Region invites all interested community members to join the first online PIC to learn more about the Kennedy Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer Project. This PIC will be held in an online format with a narrated video and online comment form.

When: December 4th, 2024

Where: Visit the Kennedy Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer Project webpage at: <https://peelregion.ca/construction/environmental-assessments> under Brampton

The information presented at PIC #1 will be available for the duration of the study. A second PIC will be held in early 2025 with similar notification. Once the study is complete, results will be published in an Environmental Study Report (ESR) and will be made available for public review and comment.

Contact the Team:

To be added to the mailing list or to receive further information about the study, please contact:

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The Region of Peel is committed to ensuring that all Regional services, programs, and facilities are inclusive and accessible. Please contact the Project Manager if you need any accommodations to provide comments and/or feedback for this study.

This Notice was first published on November 21, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Application

Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Application

FILE NUMBERS: POPA 2024-0007 and RZ 2024-0024

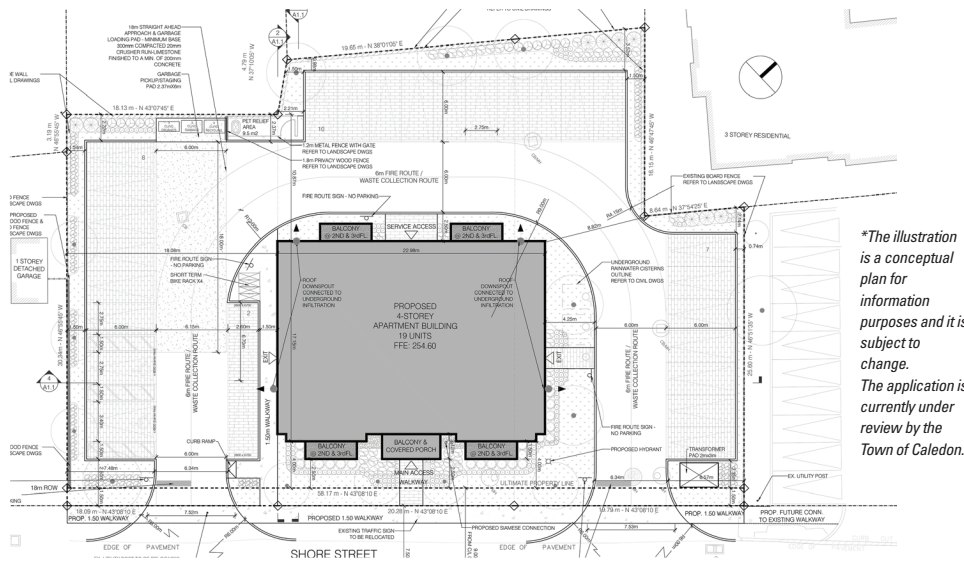
This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received applications for an Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

APPLICANT: Blackthorn Development Corp. (Maurizio Rogato) on behalf of Roscan Management Ltd. (Mark Cancian) & Trican Estates Ltd.

LOCATION: 15, 21 and 27 Shore Street, Town of Caledon
West of Queen Street South and North of Ellwood Drive West
Part Lots 10 to 13, Designated as Block 6 on Plan BOL-7
Ward 5

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant has applied for Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications to facilitate the creation of a four storey apartment building with 19 apartment dwelling units, 27 surface parking spaces, bicycle parking, accessed by an internal U-shaped lane off of Shore Street. The purpose of the Official Plan Amendment is to redesignate the lands from Low-Density Residential to High-Density Residential with a site-specific policy to permit a 4-storey Apartment Building with a net density of 96 units per hectare. The purpose of the Zoning By-law Amendment is to re-zone the lands from Residential One (R1) to a site-specific Multiple Residential (RM-XX) Zone.



LEAD PLANNER:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, additional information and material, please visit caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner 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 Legislative Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca.

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

Notice Date: November 21st, 2024



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Diamond Blackfan Anemia Canada recently celebrated a \$500,000 donation from David Vink. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Diamond Blackfan Anemia Canada receives \$500,000 donation

Local charity supports research on Diamond Blackfan Anemia Syndrome

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A generous donor has given renewed hope to a local charity that supports those suffering from a rare genetic disorder.

Last week, David Vink donated \$500,000 to Diamond Blackfan Anemia Canada (DBAC) to support research on Diamond Blackfan Anemia Syndrome (DBAS). DBAC also provides vital resources for families affected by DBAS.

Janet Pereira, Executive Director and co-founder of DBAC, said the organization is truly and deeply appreciative of the donation.

She said the generous contribution will significantly advance DBAC's ability to fund critical research and provide essential resources.

"This remarkable donation is truly transformational for our charity. When I founded Diamond Blackfan Anemia Canada in 2009 after my son Jack's diagnosis, my dream was to help fund a cure," she explained. "While I still hold onto that hope, I've also realized how important it is to focus on improving the

quality of life and longevity for those living with DBAS."

In recent years, fundraising for DBAC had slowed and Pereira was becoming very concerned about how DBAC could continue to support the initiatives it wanted to.

Pereira said Vink's donation was nothing short of an answered prayer.

"It ensures we can sustain vital programs like funding innovative research, supporting the international consensus conference, and providing much-needed resources, including a dedicated DBA nurse," said Pereira.

Vink's philanthropic efforts come from a deeply personal place. Vink, who has previously donated to cancer research in honour of his late wife, donated to DBAC in recognition of his grandson who lives with DBAS.

Pereira said on behalf of every DBAS patient and family, she wanted to offer sincere thanks to Vink.

"Mr. Vink's generosity has brought immense relief and renewed hope to our organization and community... we are committed to using every penny wisely and will keep Mr. Vink updated on the impact of his gift," said Pereira.

DBAC is a small charity run entirely by volunteers. Those interested in learning more about it can visit dbacanada.com or email Pereira at janet@dbacanada.com.

"This record-breaking donation will ensure the organization's mission continues to thrive and inspire hope for families affected by this rare genetic disorder," said Pereira.



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Headwaters Arts requests more funding for community arts organizations

Councillor suggests creation of "Arts Council"

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A local non-profit arts group would like to see more funding for groups like it in Caledon.

At Caledon Council's November 26 meeting, Headwaters Arts president Margi Taylor made a presentation to Council on the matter.

Taylor explained that Headwaters Arts formed in 2008 and began renting space in the Alton Mill Arts Centre. Its mission is to promote the development, appreciation and enjoyment of the arts through monthly art shows, fundraising events, and a youth scholarship program. The group has over 150 members, most of whom are from Caledon.

It's well known for its many art shows and events it hosts throughout the year.

Being a non-profit, Headwaters Arts faces financial and operating challenges. It has one part-time staff member and depends on volunteers for most of its work; it also has no stable source of funding.

Currently, Headwaters Arts is funded through sponsorships, art sale commissions, annual membership fees, and grant applications.

With the Town of Caledon investing in arts and culture in other ways, such as through its

Culture Days event and support of the Peel Art Gallery, Museum, and Archives, Taylor said Caledon should also invest in arts and culture through its own community organizations.

Taylor presented three requests to the town on behalf of Headwaters Arts: that it set up a grant program specific to arts and culture organizations; that it increase its arts and culture program budget; and that it fund a full-time gallery coordinator for Headwaters Arts at a cost of \$45,000.

Taylor said arts unify communities, improve individual well-being and mental health, have a social impact, and drive tourism to Caledon and therefore revenue to local businesses.

Ward 4 Councillor Nick de Boer said Headwaters Arts' requests are not unrealistic and asked that Town staff review them for Caledon's 2025 budget. He said he doesn't want Taylor's requests to get lost and suggested he could make a motion in support of it.

Town staff notified de Boer he could bring a motion forward as an amendment at Caledon's budget meetings to support the requests.

Regional Councillor Mario Russo said he liked that Taylor's presentation highlighted that arts grant applications and other grant applications shouldn't need to compete with each other and that he looks forward to the upcoming discussions at budget time.

Ward 5 Councillor Tony Rosa said having an active arts community is so important and that providing more financial support to arts

groups is also very important. He said Caledon should look into starting a "Caledon Arts Council" to bring all of Caledon's arts groups together.

Regional Councillor Christina Early said creating a dedicated grant program for the arts is a good idea and something Caledon should look into.

Donations to local charities encouraged for Giving Tuesday

BY PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Dufferin Community Foundation (DCF) is urging residents to "give where you live" as local charities prepare for their busiest fundraising efforts on Giving Tuesday.

The local foundation announced in a press release on Monday, November 25, that they have launched a campaign for Giving Tuesday, which will be held on December 3, to help connect residents from across the county with local charities in need of their support.

"Our community is known for its caring and generosity, and we need to keep up the momentum to support our fellow citizens through this time of increasing need," said Debbi Goss, Board Chair of the Dufferin Community Foundation. "Every gift counts – whether it's a donation of money or a gift of time or care."

Giving Tuesday was founded in Canada in 2013 by Canada Helps and several other founding partners.

The day was originally created as a way to counteract the consumerism of Black Friday and Cyber Monday but has since grown to become a larger movement of supporting, giving and donating.

Giving Tuesday boosts all areas of the local helping sector – human services, conservation and environmental organizations, arts & culture, animal welfare, health care, providing basic necessities and much more.

"This is the biggest giving day of the year," said Michele Fisher, Executive Di-

rector of the Dufferin Community Foundation. "We've all seen that needs are increasing and that people are grappling with affordability. The charities are always on the frontlines, responding to that need. We thought it was important to focus on giving locally so that our charities could take action locally."

Close to 30 charities serving the Dufferin County and Caledon communities will be taking part in Giving Tuesday this year.

Some of the charities will be using the day to reach specific fundraising goals, such as Services & Housing in the Province (SHIP), who is hoping to raise \$10,000 for safe and supportive community-based housing, and CMHA Peel Dufferin, which is seeking \$2,000 for local mental health services.


Other charities will be running matching campaigns for Giving Tuesday, where a donor's impact can be doubled by individuals or businesses contributing matching funds. Headwaters Health Care Foundation is offering matching funds up to \$15,000, while National Wildlife Foundation is matching gifts up to a maximum of \$25,000.

Choices Shelter and Support Service has teamed up with Home Depot through their Orange Door Campaign, which will see \$2, \$5, or \$10 donations given to the local men's and youth shelter, which will be matched by the retailer.

Local charities will not just be raising donations for their own initiatives on Giving Tuesday but will be using the movement to give back to the community at the same time.

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Public Notice




NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE NO. 3

Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment

Bolton Water and Wastewater Capacity Improvements

Background:

The Region of Peel is completing the Bolton Water and Wastewater Capacity Improvements Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) study. This MCEA builds off a Feasibility Study completed in 2023 by the Region which outlined conceptual water and wastewater projects that service the additional development proposed within both the intensification and greenfield growth areas in the Community of Bolton. Additionally, the MCEA is completing a comprehensive evaluation of alternatives to develop the optimal water and wastewater servicing solutions to meet existing needs and growth within the Bolton study area.



Process:

The study follows a Schedule 'C' Class FA process, including:

- Consultation with Indigenous Rights Holders
- Engagement with Indigenous stakeholder, agencies, and the public
- Investigating alternative water and wastewater servicing strategies, routes, and design concepts
- Confirming the preferred solution including alignments, siting, design, and construction timing

Your Input is Important:

Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2 was held in-person on June 12, 2024, and presented the evaluation of alternative solutions, including the selected preliminary preferred servicing solution. PIC materials can be found on the project webpage below.

Virtual PIC No. 3:

You are invited to a virtual PIC No. 3 to learn more about the study and to give feedback to the project team. PIC No. 3 will present the preliminary preferred design concept for the water and wastewater servicing strategies, including the following elements:

- Sewer and watermain alignments
- Shaft compound sites
- New sanitary pumping station site, and,
- Sanitary forcemain alignments

All content and instructions on how to submit questions and provide feedback will be posted on the project website. Your feedback is important and will help the project team further refine the preliminary preferred design concept.

Launch Date: Thursday, December 12, 2024

Comment Period Closing: Friday, January 31, 2025


Format: Online

Location: <https://peelregion.ca/construction/environmental-assessments/bolton-water-wastewater-capacity-improvements>

Contact:

To be added to the mailing list or to receive further information about the study, please contact:

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For more information on this study, please visit the Region's website at: <https://www.peelregion.ca/public-works/environmental-assessments/caledon/bolton.asp> or by scanning the QR code with your smartphone.

The Region of Peel is committed to ensure that all Regional services, programs, and facilities are inclusive and accessible. Please contact the Project Manager if you need any accommodations to provide comments and/or feedback for this study.

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Caledon Area Families For Inclusion hosting annual Candy Cane Social

(ABOVE) Last year's CAFFI Candy Cane Social was a great success and this year's event is coming soon.

FILE PHOTO

Event is inclusive of everyone

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A local group is hosting an inclusive holiday event this weekend.

From 4 to 6 p.m. on December 1, Caledon Area Families For Inclusion (CAFFI) is hosting its annual Candy Cane Social at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and

Wellness.

The event is a way to bring together families and friends with loved ones of all abilities for a fun and festive celebration.

Mike Brunetto, a volunteer with CAFFI, said this year's event has reached capacity and that it's a testament to the need for events like it in the Caledon community.

"People are still struggling with getting to know others, who's going through the same things they are... it's amazing, when you open the door, people will come in," he said. "My quest to make sure the whole community is included is top of mind, but

I still find that there's a lot of kids and families with complex needs that are still hesitant and thinking, 'is this a place for me?'... I keep wanting to remind people that yes, it is."

CAFFI is able to host the event free to attendees thanks to a grant from Community Living Ontario.

CAFFI is already planning to host more social events in the new year.

Brunetto said CAFFI events are a place where everyone can fit in.

"We need to get the word out there that there are events coming up and that it's

important to build a network around your loved ones, because, as they get older the social aspect is challenging... having these networks, realizing other people have a lot of similarities, is key," said Brunetto. "There's a lot of kids and families out there that are not making their way out... I'm always trying to figure out, what can I do? What can we do to make them feel comfortable?"

To stay updated with CAFFI, people can visit cafficonnect.ca.



(LEFT) An example of one of The Sisters' new embroidered ornaments. (RIGHT) The Sisters have a hard time keeping their famous gingerbread cookies in stock.

PHOTOS BY ZACHARY ROMAN

The Sisters Touch of Christmas store welcomes customers for another season of magic

Famous one-of-a-kind ornaments waiting to be discovered

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

A sure sign Christmas is approaching is the opening of the Sisters Touch of Christmas store.

Located at 14155 Caledon-King Townline South, the seasonal fundraising store is a true winter wonderland. It's run by the nuns of the St. Kosmas Aitolos Greek Orthodox Monastery.

The nuns create many of the items for sale in the store, such as hand-painted and hand-embroidered Christmas ornaments, gingerbread cookies, and tea blends.

Sister Philothei said the store always tries to bring in a variety of unique items at different price points in addition to the items it makes.

"Hand-painted ornaments are what

we're known for, and now we do embroidery work, too," she said. "They're very popular and it takes time to make them."

Sister Philothei said many families purchase an ornament each year and get it customized — the Sisters offer free personalization of ornaments.

"Our ornaments are so popular because they're all one-of-a-kind," she said. "People like to look for something different."

Sister Philothei said the Sisters work on Christmas items year-round to prepare for the annual opening of their store.

"We work as a team, it's really nice," she said.

The store is open now through December 24, and its hours are as follows: Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Fridays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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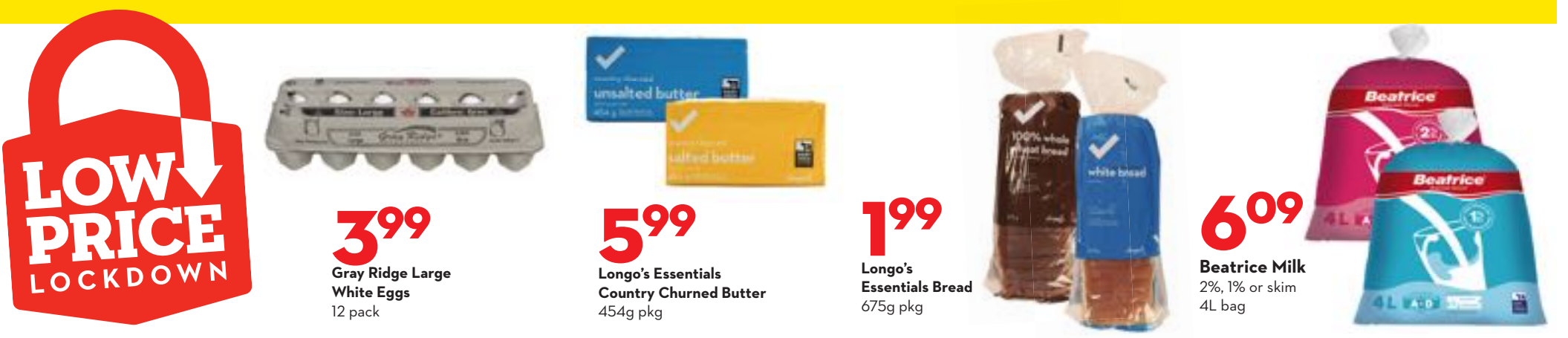
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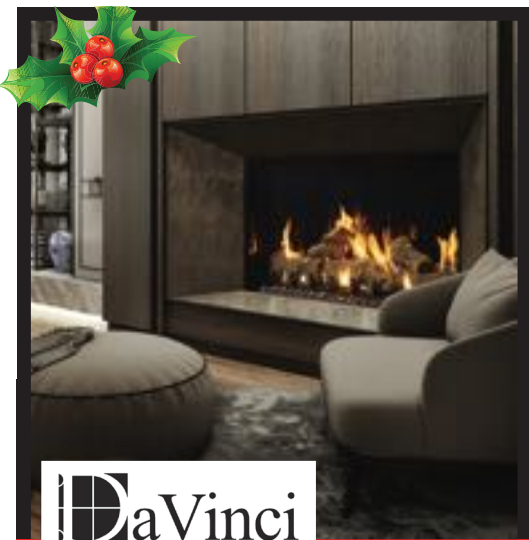
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Caledon Citizen's Student-Athlete of the Week

Mayfield Mavericks' Brooklynn Corbett stars in Varsity Flag Football, Volleyball, and Rugby



BROOKLYN CORBETT

ONTRIBUTED PHOTO

BY JIM STEWART

Brooklynn Corbett's recent run of play-off success is enviable.

The three-sport athlete from Mayfield Secondary School advanced to the ROPSSAA playoffs in flag football, volleyball, and rugby in 2023-24.

Although the Mavericks were eliminated in the quarterfinals in flag football and volleyball, Corbett's Varsity Girls Rugby team won ROPSSAA.

It was Mayfield's fifth consecutive girls' regional rugby championship and Corbett's impressive run in rugby included provincial championships with the Mavericks in 2022 and 2023.

She expressed her connectivity to this winning tradition at Mayfield: "It's special to be part of this legacy."

Although the Mavericks flag football team lost in the ROPSSAA quarterfinals this Fall, the three-season athlete is "hoping to compete in the playoffs in volleyball and potentially win another championship in rugby."

Nominating Mavericks' coach Pamela Ireland explained the exceptional qualities that the Grade 12 Honor Roll student-athlete exhibits at Mayfield Secondary School.

"Brooklynn is adaptable, stays calm, sees the field well, and is an excellent teammate."

In addition, Coach Ireland noted that Corbett is "involved in a wide variety of extracurricular activities" and demonstrates "Lots of school spirit."

Coach Ireland described a series of key performance moments on the flag football field to highlight Corbett's athletic prowess.

"Over the last three years, Brooklynn has played offence as both a receiver and QB. When dealing with a shoulder injury that limited her ability to throw, she converted to a front row defence player and excelled quickly. She is important player on her teams because she is a good teammate, works hard, and others follow this example."

Brooklynn Corbett took time from her varsity volleyball responsibilities and her Grade 12 studies to answer our newspaper's interview questions:

Caledon Citizen: What qualities did

you demonstrate in your sports season to earn Student-Athlete of the Week honors?

Brooklynn Corbett: "Over the last three years at Mayfield, I've really developed both mentally and physically through sports I had almost no experience with before I came here. It's definitely something that has helped improve my self-confidence and has taught me to be both a good teammate and leader. I'd say I have definitely become a confident, well-rounded athlete."

Caledon Citizen: What were your key statistics and performance moments from the 2023-24 season that you are most proud of?

Brooklynn Corbett: "Last year, I made it to the ROPSSAA playoffs for all three teams I was a part of. We were eliminated in the quarter finals in flag football and volleyball, but won ROPSSAA and attended OFSAA for rugby. This was our 5th consecutive ROPSSAA championship in rugby and it is special to be a part of this legacy. This year we again lost out in the quarterfinals in flag football and are hoping to compete in the playoffs in volleyball and potentially win another championship in rugby."

Caledon Citizen: In addition to your high school sports team(s), what other community teams do you play for and at what level?

Brooklynn Corbett: "Outside of school, I grew up playing rep hockey in Orangeville until last year. I have recently started playing rugby for North Halton RFC."

Caledon Citizen: How would you describe yourself as a student at Mayfield? To which sports teams and clubs do you belong? Honour Roll?

Brooklynn Corbett: "While attending Mayfield, I've played on varsity sports teams since Grade 9 when I played hockey and started rugby. In Grade 10, I joined the varsity flag football and volleyball teams. I have continued to play flag football, volleyball, and rugby and have proven myself to be a valuable member of each team I've played on. I am proud of being a part of Mayfield's 2022 and 2023 OFSAA winning rugby teams. I am also excited to take part in the rugby tour to Wales this March."

Outside of sports, I am a member of Mayfield's Athletic Association and participate in all the school events I can. I also maintain an 80% average in my classes."

Caledon Citizen: What are your post-secondary plans regarding prospective academic/athletic destinations?

Brooklynn Corbett: "I would like to attend university after graduating, and if the opportunity presents itself, playing a sport at the university level would be an honour."

Caledon Citizen: Who is your role model in terms of the person you admire the most?

Brooklynn Corbett: "Someone who is definitely a role model to me when it comes to being an athlete is my grandfather, Jim Moxey. He made a career being a competitive hockey player and even made it to the NHL. He is living proof of what hard work in sports can bring and someone I think a lot of people can really learn from."

Caledon Citizen: How do you feel about being nominated as The Caledon Citizen's Student-Athlete of the Week?

Brooklynn Corbett: "I am very appreciative of the nomination and think it's very rewarding after all the work I've put in to my athletics."

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Help name Canadian-made lunar rover

BY MARK PAVILONS
LOCAL JOURNALISM
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A Bolton-based aerospace firm is asking the public to help make history.

Canadensys Aerospace Corporation needs your help to name the first Canadian rover to explore the Moon.

The lunar rover will test key technologies and help in the international search for water ice, a key component needed for the future of human space exploration.

The Canadian Space Agency (CSA) wants its name to be representative of the mission or to allude to Canada's legacy or future in space. The rover will be the first in a series of anticipated lunar rovers, and its name should be inspiring!

Four names were selected as serious contenders for citizens to choose from.

Athabasca: Athabasca is a river flowing from the Rockies through Alberta to Lake Athabasca. Canada's rivers and streams have been the routes of the continent for millennia and continue to be pathways of discovery, transport and exchange. The names of the rivers also reflect Canada's diversity and heritage. Future rovers from our fleet could continue this trend by taking names of other Canadian natural wonders.

Courage: To be brave and confident to do what you believe in, Courage is representative of the work that has led to the Canadian lunar rover. This lunar rover mission is the outcome of over two decades of building and refining our expertise in rover technology with Canadian industry and academia.

Glacier: Glaciers are made of ice, and that is what the rover will be looking for: water in the form of ice. The name also appeals to Canada's northness: glaciers are important features of Canada's West and Arctic. Our country is home to approximately 20% of Earth's glacier ice volume (excluding the Antarctic and Greenland ice sheets).

Pol-R: Creative spelling of Polar, which refers to regions close to the North Pole or South Pole. A big part of Canada is located in the north polar circle, and the rover mission will be landing in the south polar region of

the Moon.

The public is invited to vote at <https://lnkd.in/d/vajYfkj>

You can only vote once and voting ends Dec. 20.

The Canadian rover will land on the south pole of the Moon. It will have an onboard suite of scientific payloads. Thanks to a close and ongoing collaboration between NASA and the Canadian Space Agency (CSA), the Canadian lunar rover will fly as part of NASA's Commercial Lunar Payload Services initiative.

For decades, as part of Canada's plan for robotic space exploration, the CSA has been actively working on refining rover designs and building Canadian expertise in rover technologies.

The rover will explore a region of the lunar south pole. With the help of its scientific payloads, it will gather scientific data to help find water ice and allow scientists to better understand the lunar geology and environment.

The rover will have the ability to drive into and operate inside of permanently shadowed regions for up to one hour; survive lunar nights, which can last up to 14 Earth days at less than -200 °C; use multiple modes of communication; maximize lunar surface operations and scientific data return, and provide panoramic imagery and video of the lunar surface.

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“Employment Forecast: Support is Available Closer Than Ever” by Vishaka Wanigasinghe, Manager, Employment Services



Statistics Canada is reports that the economy added 47,000 jobs in September, while the unemployment rate declined for the first time since January, to 6.5 per cent.

While this is encouraging, analysts who spoke to CBC News are divided about what it means for the future, noting that the employment rate has been on a downward trend as population growth is outpacing employment growth.

Last year, Caledon Community Services' (CCS) Employment and Training team supported 1,292 of our Caledon neighbours along their employment journeys and 103 local businesses with recruitment assistance.

This year we've taken another step forward to support Caledon residents closer to home by partnering with the Caledon Public Library (CPL) to improve access to life-changing community services as challenges grow.

“We are thrilled to collaborate with the Caledon Public Library to bring our services directly to the heart of the community,” says Geraldine Aguiar, CCS CEO. “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.”

“We are excited to help break down barriers by bringing services closer to residents,” says Colleen Lipp, CPL CEO and Chief Librarian. “This partnership will give Library visitors immediate access to community service professionals and resources that complement 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 connection and all types of literacy.”

CCS staff will be available at CPL branches on select days every week, bringing services closer to you:

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Caledon East Branch, Employment and Training and Community Resources.

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Southfields Village Branch, Employment and Training and Community Resources.

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Albion Bolton Community Centre Employment and Training.

To learn more about all of the services that can benefit you and your loved ones across Caledon, please visit: www.ccs4u.org.

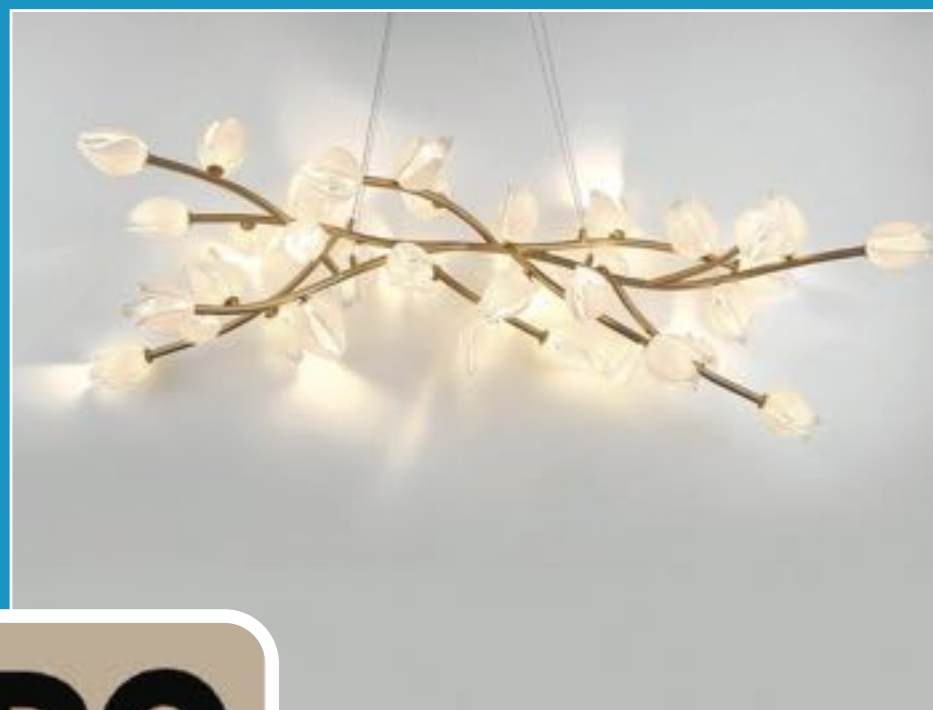
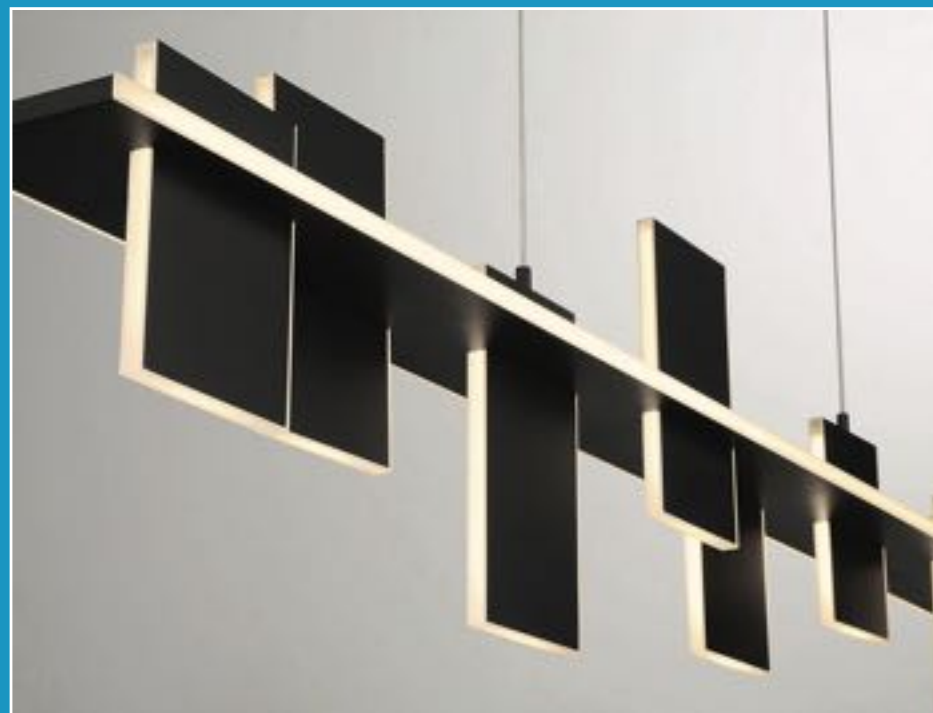
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“A voice for serious independent authors” Local woman launches publishing company



Angela McKenna and Hammet Grieve reading *A Case of Stolen Dreams*. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
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Getting a book published can be a daunting process for any author.

Angela McKenna, founder of Caledon-based Omera Press, wants to give serious independent authors a voice, brand, and presence with her new company.

McKenna ran a literary agency from 2005 to 2010 in B.C. before moving to Ontario and embarking on a successful career in sales and marketing for top corporations — though she never stopped attending writing and publishing workshops and conferences.

In 2021, she knew it was time to realize her dream, and help others realize theirs, by founding Omera Press.

McKenna said Omera Press helps authors gain access to proper publishing processes and a network of qualified professionals in areas like editing and book design. Ultimately, she said Omera Press allows authors to create a polished product that stands out from the pack.

Using all her skills from the worlds of literature, sales, and marketing, McKenna is dedicated to helping authors hone their craft, find their voice, and gain the notoriety they deserve.

She said in today's world, readers can bring your book to the top, so it's critical to engage with them. McKenna helps authors get into trade shows, organize book launches, and promote their work online. She said this is because even if your book is amazing, it won't get noticed without the right promotion.

Omera Press' website is a platform for the

publisher's authors to promote themselves and their books, saving authors the hefty cost of starting their own website.

McKenna takes pride in working with authors to ensure their manuscript, cover art, style, formatting and more will all hit with their target audience.

“Everyone has a story to share... I'll help you position yourself as a credible and active participant in the literary community,” said McKenna.

Omera Press is already representing a number of authors and is getting manuscripts in daily. McKenna said she strives to bring Omera Press authors' books to a worldwide audience.

She'll soon start a quarterly podcast panel online with Omera Press authors, and Publishers Weekly is profiling Omera Press and the authors it represents for its subscribers.

“I want to work with people looking to level up,” said McKenna.

Omera Press offers its authors access to courses in writing, sales and marketing so they can level up their skills.

McKenna said anyone looking to find out more about Omera Press, or its authors, can visit omerapress.com.

An author herself, McKenna is currently finishing the second book in her series for children ages eight to 12: *The Chronicles of Burning Candles*.

The first book is titled *A Case of Stolen Dreams*, and the soon-to-be-released second book is called *The Inkwell of Terton's Termas*.

The books feature a bookish, smart, funny and sarcastic 10-year-old, James Dawson, who solves interesting mysteries.

Donations to local charities encouraged for Giving Tuesday

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“It's in the DNA of anybody who's working in a charity to give to others. The service of helping people and strengthening communities is just part of what we all do,” said Fisher.

Some other initiatives that will be happening on the day include the Shelburne Rotary collecting donations for its Holiday Hamper Program; Bethell Hospice Foundation inviting donors to give in memory of a loved one to their Light and Love campaign and tree lighting ceremony on December 5; and Dufferin Film Festival launching a crowdfunding campaign to raise money for film showcases and workshops in 2025.

Dufferin Community Foundation's campaign for Giving Tuesday has a specific focus on donating and supporting charities within the Dufferin County area.

“At Dufferin Community Foundation, it's our mission to support local charities, and to invest in them. So, for us, it was a natural thing to launch a giving campaign that's going to benefit all of our local charities, and not just us,” said Fisher. “Donating locally makes a huge difference because you can see your gift in action when you give to local charities,” said Fisher.

Those who are not able to help on Giving Tuesday, are still encouraged to try to give over the holiday season, whether it's volunteering, supporting a community member or donating.

“We all have a little something that we can give,” said Fisher. “By giving locally, you can see your gift in action. There's no better feeling.”

For a list of the charities participating in Giving Tuesday, visit Dufferin Community Foundation's website: dufferincommunityfoundation.ca/giving-tuesday.

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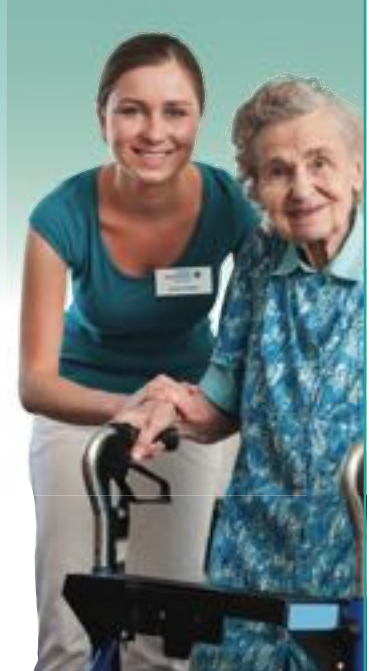
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OBITUARIES

KATHRYN GAIL THOMSON

October 16, 1955 to November 23, 2024, passed away after a short, courageous battle with cancer. Kathryn is remembered with love by her extended family and many friends as a sweet, kind, gentle soul who touched others through her thoughtfulness and caring. Her spirit, her joy, her love of life will live on in our fond memories and her amazing art. Kathryn loved "the dance and excitement of creating with hot glass. Hot or cold, glass is, in all its beauty and possibilities, a wondrous medium to work with."



Kathryn was a member of 'Headwaters Arts', and a long-time volunteer at Theatre Orangeville.

It is Kathryn's wish that her ashes and the ashes of her late husband, Wayne, be "given to the wind".

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ANDREW ARCHIBALD MCINTYRE
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Beloved husband, father and grandfather, Andrew "Andy" Archibald McIntyre, died peacefully surrounded by his close family in the Guelph General Hospital on Saturday November 16th.

Andy was a passionate husband, a devoted family man, a successful businessman, a sportsman and coach whose life was defined by his resilience and love. He is deeply mourned by his wife of 58 years, Barbara; his sons, Scott and Stuart; his brother Peter; nephew Tomas; sister, Barbara; daughters-in-law Eva Salinas Redondo and Stephanie Pigott; and cherished grandchildren, Suriñe Constance McIntyre Salinas, Aitor Archibald McIntyre Salinas, and Rupert Pigott McIntyre.

Andrew had a long and eventful business career. After graduating, in 1965, from the University of Western Ontario he earned a MA Economics from the University of Toronto and then, in 1970, a Chartered Accountant designation. This foundation was used to continually deepen his knowledge of successfully operating businesses. This journey encompassed peaks and valleys which spanned varied industries from software/computers, soft drinks (Pop Shoppes), Securities (Gordon Capital), Oil and Gas Exploration (Solid State), Insurance (Principal Group), Drainage Pipe (The Big 'O') and spanned several continents. It was his final constellation of companies, Prism Medical Ltd. that afforded him his biggest impact, transforming the durable medical industry on two continents, shaping innumerable careers, and making him an industry legend.

Andy was a lifelong golfer, a sport that provided great companionship, and much-needed serenity. His love for the game was nurtured by his mother at the Oakville Club and flourished at the National and Devil's Pulpit/Paintbrush. Just as he was always mentoring people in business, a generation of boys in Caledon knew him as a baseball/softball coach with both the Bolton Braves and the Cheltenham Softball Association. He particularly enjoyed helping the boys work on their swing or watching one of his teams complete a successful run-down. Because of his respect for each boy's individual strengths, they loved being on his teams.

In 2016, Andy beat stage 4 non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, defying the odds and gifting his family eight more precious years for which they are forever grateful.

Since 1979, Andy found his greatest peace at home in Belfountain, perched atop the Niagara Escarpment's steep cliffs — his personal forested sanctuary. He will be remembered for his sharp mind, quiet strength, and enduring love for his family and community. Andy leaves behind a legacy of perseverance, generosity, and a life well-lived.

Andy's Celebration of Life is on Friday, December 13, at the Caledon Ski Club, West Lodge, 12:30 pm. If desired donations can be made in memory of Andy to the Charity of your choice or to Diabetes Canada.



IRENE "MARILYN" LAMSON

Our family is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Irene Marilyn Lamson ("Marilyn"). Marilyn passed peacefully at the age of 80, on November 14, 2024, in Orangeville. Marilyn was a loving friend to Dolores Haws, a devoted sister to Jeanne Satchel (Bob), and a cherished aunt to Stephen Satchel (Gillian Shaw) and Laura Taylor (Michael). She was a proud great-aunt to Ben, Isabel, Owen, and Megan, and will be deeply missed by her many friends and extended family.



Marilyn grew up with a love for nature, fitness, animals, and music. She embraced life with a great sense of humour and an eagerness to share joy. Her love for animals was lifelong and she always had dogs and cats.

Marilyn had a passion for learning and growth. She earned a degree in Physical Education from the University of Toronto and later became a dedicated educator and coach in Peel Region, rising to the position of Vice-Principal and Acting Principal before retiring in 1998, after which she worked as a librarian for the Peel School Board. As an educator, Marilyn coached numerous high school teams, led school camping trips, and instilled a love for the outdoors in countless students. In retirement, she stayed active by becoming a Tai Chi instructor and volunteering at Bethel Hospice in Inglewood.

Outside of her career, Marilyn accomplished many things that brought her joy. She was a proud member of Canada's national women's field hockey team, a passionate cyclist, and an avid camper and hiker. In 2007, she completed the El Camino de Santiago, walking approximately 825 kms. She also spent many years singing with Oriana Women's Choir.

Marilyn's greatest legacy was her unwavering positivity and the way she touched the lives of those around her. Her sharp mind and wide-ranging knowledge - on topics from astronomy to history, literature to cars - made her a wonderful conversationalist. She was a staunch feminist, a protector of nature, and a champion for the underdog, always willing to hear others' views and engage in thoughtful conversation. She listened with an open heart and mind, making her someone who could connect with people from all walks of life.

The family is deeply grateful to the caregivers and volunteers who supported Marilyn during her final journey at Headwaters Hospital and Bethel Hospice.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, December 15th at Adamo Estate Winery, 793366 3rd Line EHS, Mono, ON from 1 - 4 pm. We invite you to drop in as you are able or stay awhile. Refreshments will be served and fond memories shared in a casual and warm atmosphere. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or Bethel Hospice Foundation.

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