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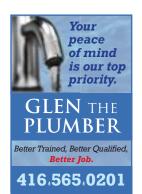


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Members of Caledon Town Council and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Council are pictured with the presentation board, made from a fallen black cherry tree from north central Caledon. It is engraved with both the Town of Caledon and MCFN emblems and the word "friend" in both Anishinaabe and English. From left to right: Councillor Leslie Maracle, Councillor Mario Russo, Mayor Annette Groves, Councillor Larry Sault, Chief Claire Sault, Councillor Christina Early, Councillor Dave Sheen, and Councillor Jesse Herkimer.

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Caledon, Mississaugas of the Credit host Council-to-Council discussion

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

On May 14, the Town of Caledon and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) came together for a council-to-council discussion at the historic and newly renovated Council House in Hagersville.

The gathering helped to reaffirm their commitment to reconciliation, mutual respect, and their goal of working together closely.

held a treaty education session, which was an important step in strengthening relationships between the councils and promoting a better understanding between the Town and Indigenous communities.

In Mayor Groves' presentation on friendship, she presented a wood board in friendship and with respect to Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault of the MCFN.

"The board was crafted by a local artisan,

During the gathering, Elder Darin Wybenga using wood from a fallen black cherry tree in north/central Caledon. The board has both of our logos and the words friends in Anishinaabe/ Ojibway and English," shared Mayor Groves in her speech.

> "At the beginning of every event and formal Council meeting, we say the Land Acknowledgement and while I know that is important, I also know that we need to do so much more than that.

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"You don't need an assessment to understand that" Local voices push back against fill plan



Jean-Francois Morin is pictured at Chickadee Hill Farm.

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BY RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Recent discussion over the aggregate pit located at 0 Shaw's Creek Road has flooded council's walls for the past week.

The original motion was presented at the May 13 Planning and Development Committee Meeting.

Mayor Annette Groves introduced a motion to authorize a grading agreement allowing fill (soil) to be brought in to rehabilitate an old, unused aggregate pit at 0 Shaw's Creek Road.

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Fresh Flavours and Family Fun bloom at **Garden Foods' Spring Fair**

BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Garden Foods is hosting their first-ever Spring Fair this Saturday, May 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside their store.

The event will feature vendors, samples, face painting, balloon artists, music, and a \$200 giveaway from Capogna Flowers.

Their garden centre will also be open and ready to go.

Every vendor available at the event is Canadian.

This includes brands like Pasqualino, who will do a live pasta and sauce to invite everyone in the community demo.

Other attractions at the fair will be vendors from Garofalo pasta and sauce, Vita Coco, Greenhouse Juice Co, Ritter Sport and Chocolate, Loacker Wafers and Illy coffee.

Tony Catinella, General Manager, shared how Garden Foods has been working behind the scenes to bring things forward to the community.

Over the summer, they will roll out a variety of events, such as local Italian Heritage Day and events in support of local communities and organizations, such as Bethell Hospice.

Catinella shared that this is a part of their overall goal of listening to the community, getting feedback from the community, and letting them know they care.

He said he hopes to get out there and interact with everybody.

Catinella shared that the event aims this Saturday for some fun.

"We would be happy to see everybody and for everyone to have a good time," said Catinella.

Garden Foods is located at 501 Queen St S, Bolton.

Bruce Trail gets safer and greener with new **Off-Road Route in Caledon**

BY RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Bruce Trail Conservancy has announced a newly protected natural area that preserves 137 acres in the Town of Caledon called the Meltwater Moraine.

The Meltwater Moraine will secure 640 metres of the Bruce Trail Optimum Route.

The Bruce Trail Conservancy is one of Ontario's largest land trusts. It conserves, manages, and restores land along the Niagara Escarpment UNESCO World Biosphere, making it available to explore by foot through the Bruce Trail and protected

The new Bruce Trail re-route spans four-kilometres and removes 3.3 kilometres of the Main Trail from the high-traffic areas of Airport Road and Escarpment Side Road.

The Bruce Trail Conservancy stated that the creation of this area is about bringing the Bruce Trail off the road and into na-

Adam Brylowski, Manager of Conservation and Trail at Bruce Trail Conservancy, spoke on the impact of taking the trail off Airport Road.

"Safety was sort of one of the big elements that led towards this acquisition. But beyond that, there's also some really great opportunities for conservation," said Brylowski. "We're always protecting land to create this conservation corridor, and we've already observed the presence of four different species at risk on the prop-

Brylowski stated they've seen the following at-risk species on the property already: the bobolink, the meadowlark, the barn swallow, and the butternut tree.

To continue to protect these species, they will do a three-season ecological, biophysical inventory that captures all of the rare species and assign a volunteer land steward to look after the property and the species in the future.

He also shared that one of the Bruce Trail Conservancy's mandates is that if they acquire land for agricultural production, they ensure it stays in agricultural production.

"We appreciate the value of farmers and

their growing food for communities. So, we continue to work with the farmer on the property to keep that land in good agricultural production," said Brylowski.

The relocation didn't come without challenges.

Several pieces of old equipment, including a house, were found in the area. Brylowski shared that the house on the property is quite old.

But the house can't go anywhere; a group of barn swallows have made it their

"We want to ensure that the barn swallow habitat remains because we've noticed that they were actively nesting there. So, we're going to be working with the neighbor to the north of our property, the gentleman whose family grew up there, and he's offered to help us fix up the barn so that we can retain it and make sure that barn swallow habitat stays intact," shared

Brylowski painted a picture of what hikers can expect as they enter the new rerouted area.

As you walk through a portion of agricultural land, you'll see a fence line running through the middle, and along that, there are around 20 butternut trees, an endangered species that is now available to observe on the trail.

Moving on, hikers will see how the area is situated between three different moraines: the Singhampton Moraine, the Gibraltar Moraine, and the Paris Moraine.

Hikers can see moraine features like low, undulating hills and rocky material deposited by glaciers over 10,000 years ago.

"There's a great throwback to geological history of southern Ontario that's alive and sort of on display on the property there," said Brylowski.

"Properties like the Meltwater Moraine property are really, really important in showing not just the value of the conservation land that we protect, but also the fact that we're really trying to encourage safe practices or safe hiking environments for hikers. This is a win in both senses. It's a win for safety, and it's a win for conser-



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Trans Canada Trail awards grant to Caledon Trailway

BY RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Trans Canada Trail has awarded \$248,250 to 222 groups across the country through their Trail Care Grant program to help fund projects nationwide, ranging from major and minor trail maintenance to accessibility and inclusion initiatives to climate emergency support.

One of those initiatives is the spring maintenance on the Caledon Trailway, run by the Town of Caledon.

The Trans Canada Trail began in 1992, and spanned from the idea of a system of trails that stretched from the Atlantic Ocean up to the Arctic Ocean, down to the Pacific Ocean.

Over the next 25 years, they found local trail sections, registered them as part of the Trans Canada Trail, filled in gaps where needed, and eventually connected a continuous multi-use trail stretching from one end of the country to the other, touching all three coastlines.

It was officially fully connected in 2017.

"We're always very purposeful of using the word 'connected' there instead of 'completed,' because the trail's never really finished," said Justin Fauteux, Media and Public Relations at Trans Canada Trail, who spoke on the type of grant-funded projects the Trail Care Grant program provides.

The first is maintenance, similar to what

is happening on the Caledon Trailway; these types of grants help prepare the trails for spring and summer.

The other side of the program is about supporting volunteers.

The Trans Canada Trail comprises more than 600 trail sections, and a lot of those are run by and cared for by volunteer-led groups.

The program has been run by Trans Canada Trail for six years now, amassing over 1.2 million dollars awarded in grants.

Through it all, the Caledon Trailway has been there since the beginning, and it was the first officially registered section of the Trans Canada Trail.

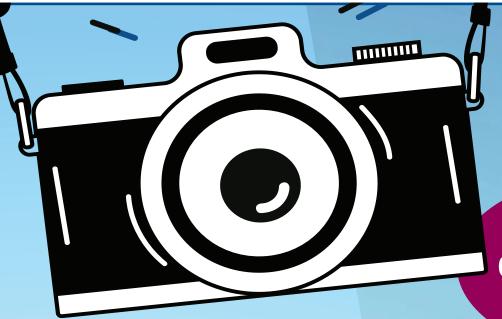
This year, the grant will help post-winter maintenance such as resurfacing, grooming of the trail, clearing dead trees and updating and replacing signs.

Fauteux spoke on how the grant project has helped the Caledon Trailway over the years.

"This year, they're doing more general cleanup of the trail, whereas last year it was a lot more focused. They actually used the funding to replace a number of trail gates," said Fauteux. "The Trail Care Grant is really meant to help wherever it's needed. We know that the local groups will know what's best for their communities."

"It is really great to see that we have that consistent relationship with the local communities along the way that's really lasted all these years."





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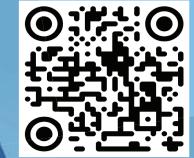
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published in our Thursday June 12, 2025 edition of Caledon Citizen.

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THREE VEHICLE COLLISION

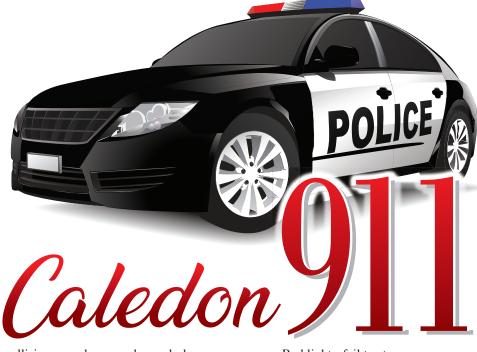
Officers from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Caledon Detachment are investigating a three-vehicle motor vehicle collision that occurred on Highway 10 and Old Base Line Road in the Town of Caledon.

"On Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at approximately 7:58 a.m. officers were dispatched to a three-vehicle collision involving a tractor trailer, cube van and a pickup truck at the intersection of Highway 10 and Old Base Line Road in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "Upon arrival, officers found one driver trapped in a vehicle, while the other two drivers on scene also sustained injuries from the collision.

With the assistance of Peel Regional Paramedic Services and Caledon Fire Services, the trapped occupant was extracted from the vehicle. All three drivers were transported to local area hospitals with injuries ranging from minor to life threatening. However, the injuries for all the drivers were downgraded to non-life threatening."

Highway 10 and Old Base Line Road remained closed while members of Caledon OPP conducted a thorough investigation. Both roads have since been reopened.

As the investigation continues, Caledon OPP is requesting anyone who may have witnessed



the collision or who may have dash camera footage of the area during that time to please contact the Caledon OPP Detachment at (905) 584-2241 or Toll-Free at 1-888-310-1122.

"Caledon OPP would also like to remind all drivers, that every time you get behind the wheel, you're not just responsible for your own safety, but for the safety of everyone around you. Let's all do our part to keep the roads safe. Drive responsibly, follow the signs, and stay

TOW TRUCK DRIVER CHARGED

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have laid charges in relation to an ongoing investigation involving a tow truck operator.

"On April 26, 2025, officers entered into an investigation involving a tow truck operator driving in an unsafe manner," say Police. "Investigators observed a video of a tow truck exiting the paved portion of the roadway in Brampton, ON, mounting the sidewalk to bypass traffic and proceeding through a red traffic

After a thorough investigation, a 27-year-old from Brampton, was charged with:

- Stunt Driving;
- Careless Driving;

Red light - fail to stop.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Caledon at a later date to answer to these charges.

The charges have not been proven.

Additionally, the driver's licence was suspended for a period of 30 days.

For more information about the penalties of stunt driving and aggressive driving, visit: www. ontario.ca/page/speeding-and-aggressive-driving.

"The OPP remains committed to making our roads a safer place through enforcement and public education. Motorists are encouraged to contact the OPP to report unsafe vehicles and unsafe driving behaviours that are observed. Road safety is a shared responsibility."

COPPER THEFTS ON THE RISE: OPP

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating two recent thefts involving significant amounts of stolen copper wire.

"On May 7, 2025, Dufferin OPP responded to a break and enter at a property near County Road 21 and 4th Line in the Township of Mulmur," say Police. "Suspect(s) had cut down utility poles and stolen approximately 300 meters of copper wire.

"A second incident occurred on May 10, 2025, in the same area. Again, suspect(s) cut down poles and removed approximately 150 meters of copper wire. The total estimated value of the stolen copper and related damage is approximately \$180,000.

"The Dufferin OPP are asking for the public's assistance in preventing these types of thefts, which can disrupt essential services and impact local residents. Please report any suspicious activity, especially vehicles parked along rural roads late at night near utility infrastructure."

Anyone with information regarding this investigation or any other criminal activity is asked to contact Dufferin OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). You can also submit your information online at https://ontariocrimestoppers.ca/.

ARMED ROBBERY INVESTIGATION

As a result of an ongoing police investigation, members of the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police have arrested and charged three individuals following an armed robbery in Alliston.

"On May 16, 2025, shortly after 5:00 p.m., the Nottawasaga OPP responded to a retail establishment on Young Street in the Town of New Tecumseth, advising that they had just been robbed by five individuals brandishing a firearm. No injuries were sustained as a result of the incident. The sus-



pects fled prior to officers' arrival," say Police.

"Officers arrived and were provided descriptions of the individuals as well as the vehicle they were using. Electronics were taken valued at nearly \$30,000 and an employee Louis Vuitton purse. A short time later, officers located a vehicle matching the description and were able to safely bring it to a stop in Toronto. Three of the five suspects were placed under arrest and turned over to the Nottawasaga OPP. Two replica firearms were also seized.

Jahshai Cooper, 18, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000;
- Robbery with Weapon;
- Mischief destroys or damages property;
- Possession of Weapon for Dangerous Purpose;
- Disguise with Intent;
- Flight from peace officer;
- Conspiracy to Commit Indictable Offence. The charges have not been proven.

The second accused, a 15-year-old of Brampton, was charged with:

- Disguise with Intent;
- Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000 - in Canada;
- Robbery with Weapon;
- Mischief destroys or damages property;
- Possession of Weapon for Dangerous Pur-
- Flight from peace officer;
- Conspiracy to Commit Indictable Offence;
- Failure to comply with undertaking. The charges have not been proven.

The third accused, a 17-year-old of Mississauga, charged with:

- Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000 - in Canada;
- Robbery with Weapon;
- Mischief destroys or damages property;
- Flight from peace officer;
- Possession of Weapon for Dangerous Pur-
- Conspiracy to Commit Indictable Offence. The charges have not been proven.

All three accused are being held for Bail. Due to the age of two accused parties, their names will not be released as per the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

Two suspects remain outstanding in this ongoing investigation. We ask that anyone who was in the area at the time and who may have dashcam video or any sort of surveillance video, to please contact the Nottawasaga OPP Crime Unit at 1-888-310-1122. If you have information that may assist in this investigation but wish to remain anonymous, you may submit your tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at www.stopcrimehere.ca. Report # (E250619268)

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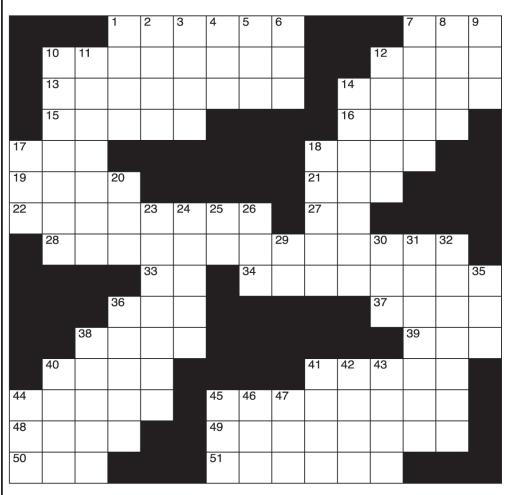
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17. Defunct phone

company 18. Golf scores

19. Afflicts

27. "The Great Lakes

21. Defensive nuclear weapon 22. Prominence

28. SoCal ballplayer

33. Location of White

House

34. Magnificence 36. Hip hop songstress

37. Capital of Yemen

38. __ Blyton,

children's author

39. Bomb

40. Pancake made of buckwheat flour

41. Pinkish-violet color

45. Monument to one

44. A way to make right

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48. Region south of Dead Sea

49. Acts out against

50. Harsh cry of a crow

51. Formal title for a

CLUES DOWN

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5. Matchstick game

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7. Weights

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14. Type of horse 17. More (Spanish)

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47. Head movement

No one has more self-confidence than the person who does a crossword puzzle with a pen.

New Executive Director of Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services brings expertise in trauma-informed support

BY PAULA BROWN

Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services (CDVS) has appointed a new executive director.

The Board of Directors for CDVS announced earlier this month that Julie Elsdon-Height has been named the incoming Executive Director.

Elsdon-Height will replace the organization's previous executive director, Dorothy Davis, who retired after more than 25 years with CDVS.

"I'm deeply honoured to have this position and, of course, excited. CDVS plays such an important role in our community, and stepping into this position feels incredibly meaningful," Elsdon-Height told the Citizen in an email. "I've lived and worked in Dufferin for most of my life, and I care deeply about the people here. This work matters, and I feel grateful for the chance to work alongside the dedicated staff and volunteers who show up every day for people in our community."

Elsdon-Height is a registered social worker and completing her Master of Social Work at the University of Waterloo after obtaining an Honours Bachelor of Indigenous Social Work from Laurentian University.

Over the last 10 years, Elsdon-Height has focused on community-based work in supporting people dealing with trauma, mental health struggles, addictions and violence. She has worked in private practice, co-founded an Indigenous non-profit called the Brave Canoe, and been involved in grassroots efforts around harm reduction, healing and inclusion.

"A lifelong resident of Dufferin County, she brings a strong commitment to building safe, inclusive and trauma-informed services that meet the evolving needs of our community," said the CDVS Board of Directors in

Speaking with the Citizen about her decision to move into the victim services sector, Elsdon-Height said, "DCVS responders are often the first point of contact for someone experiencing the worst moment of their life. To be part of a service that meets people with dignity, care, and concrete support —

that's meaningful to me."

She added, "For years, I've walked alongside survivors of violence, loss, and systemic injustice. I know the importance of trauma-informed advocacy, of having someone in your corner who can help you make sense of what just happened and connect you to the right next step. CDVS does that, and I want to be part of growing that impact."

Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services is a notfor-profit, charitable organization serving Caledon and Dufferin County. The agency offers free, one-to-one, confidential assistance 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to support individuals affected by crime and tragic circumstances.

As she prepares to take on the role of leading Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services, Elsdon-Height said her vision for the future of the agency is focused on listening to the community, staff, volunteers, CDVS partners and survivors.

She is also looking at developing CDVS as a hub of collaboration and a trusted partner for local safety and wellness efforts.

"That means strengthening partnerships with first responders, community social services and health teams, ensuring our services are inclusive and culturally safe, and exploring innovative approaches to rural and mobile service delivery," she explained.

Elsdon-Height also noted the importance of evolving with the needs of the community.

"We're seeing more complex trauma, more diverse needs, and more calls for wraparound support," she said. "I believe CDVS is an organization that exemplifies community support for those facing the most difficult challenges, and we have a responsibility to evolve with intention. That means being responsive, reducing barriers to access, and deepening collaborative care relationships to ensure no one falls through the cracks, especially in moments of crisis."

Elsdon-Height's role as Executive Director went into effect on May 12.

Picture This:

Caledon Citizen holding Father's Day **Photo Contest**

Prize package valued at over \$700 up for grabs

BY SAM ODROWSKI

Daddy, papa bear, father, pop-pop, da-da or daddy-O - no matter what you call him, treat him this Father's Day to a chance at winning a prize package valued at over \$700.

The prize package includes a pair of tickets to a Toronto Blue Jays game, two golf passes at Hockley Valley Resort, and other items for you to enjoy.

Running now until June 3, we're encouraging our readers to submit their

favourite photograph of them with their dad and a couple of sentences on why it's special. Names must be included for the submission to be valid and only one submission can be made per person.

The winner of the contest must consent to the Caledon Citizen publishing their entry photo and an additional photo of them and their father picking up the prize package at the Citizen's office. These photos will be published in the June 12 edition of the Caledon Citizen.

The winner will be selected by a panel of judges and notified on June 5.

Please use the QR code or email contestcaledon@citizen.on.ca to submit a

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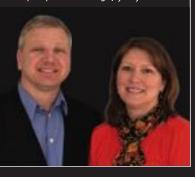


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CULTURE



Turtley Awesome! Youth lead the way at second-annual TurtleFest

BY RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM **INITIATIVE REPORTER**

Last weekend, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) hosted TurtleFest 2025 at Heart Lake Conservation Park.

The TRCA Youth Council ran the event, which marked the second annual edition of the event.

The Youth Council is comprised of youth between the ages of 16 and 30 living within TRCA's jurisdiction. Through the TRCA Youth Council, youth are supported and empowered to plan and lead various events and initiatives throughout each one-year term.

This year marked the seventh year of the Council, with over 700 members and 10 active Youth Council executive members.

Last year, one of the Youth Council executive members, Malhar Patel, conceived a turtle awareness project to bring to the community level as part of their Canadian Conservation Corps program.

Ontario native turtles face many threats, including habitat loss, road mor-



TRCA Youth Council Executives, Alumni, and TRCA Staff.

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tality, predation, and even poaching.

The Turtle Fest event is organized to educate and inspire people about the significance of freshwater turtle species in Ontario. This year, it was hosted in partnership with groups ranging from turtle protection organizations such as Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre, Heartlake Turtle Troopers, and Scales Nature Park, to many youth organizations.

It also included the Toronto Youth Environmental Council, the Brampton Environmental Alliance Youth Group, and the Headwaters Wilderness Program.

People could meet and greet real, live educational turtles from Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre and Scales Nature Park at this event.

There was storytelling and drumming by Indigenous elders from the Four Colours Drum Circle, who are the stewards of the Heart Lake Conservation Park Medicine Wheel Garden.

The storytelling emphasized the importance of the Blanding's turtle in Indigenous culture, and Heartlake Turtle Troopers were also on site, teaching about their Nest Protector program.

"This quickly became a lot bigger than they imagined," said Jessica MacDonald, Coordinator, Government and Community

Relations, TRCA. "It was a great day for learning and to bring awareness to Ontario native turtle species, all of which are considered species at risk with some being designated as endangered. We had over 400 people come to the event," shared MacDonald. "Why TurtleFest is so important and so special is that we're bringing community members to a place in their own community where it's also the turtles' community."

MacDonald shared that most of the turtles at the event, if not all, had come in as injured turtles and could not be released

"We're showing community members this is a real turtle whose life changed because of habitat loss and road mortality; this is what we're working to protect," shared MacDonald.

Evelyn Widner, TRCA Youth Council Executive 2nd Year Member and Turtle Enthusiast, is one of the 10 executives on the Youth Council this year, and spoke on how she first joined.

"I wanted to find something that I could make a local impact on the environment around me, as well as the communities around me that was tangible," said Widner. "What attracted me to the TRCA Youth Council Executive was this broad range of ly good space to learn together and learn events that we can do. When I talk about from each other."

tangible impacts, even seeing the attendance grow for TurtleFest from the first year to this year, it was like an exponential number. That was really amazing to see kind of more people becoming aware of turtles and issues that they're facing."

Widner shared that she worked at a booth at the event where kids could come up and interact with things such as animal pelts and skulls.

"I found it really rewarding to just engage with the kids. They had so many questions about something that they could touch," said Widner. "Just helping spark this curiosity for young kids who maybe have never seen a deer before, but they're able to see the deer skull and see how big it is."

Widner shared that one of the significant parts of the TRCA Youth Council is the area of training and mentorship. TRCA staff members support the council, who are knowledgeable and experienced.

"With their guidance, we're given leadership opportunities, we're given agency over the initiatives that we want to focus on throughout the term, and sometimes unique access to events," she shared.

"The staff members have a guiding hand, but ultimately it's up to us to see how we want the term to take shape. This involves a lot of brainstorming. Since the TRCA has such a wide network, we're able to hear about other events that are happening and get invited to them, which is awesome, because this helps us learn new things and meet new people."

Speaking on leadership opportunities, Widner shared that many of the youth involved wish to be in environmental planning and policy leadership roles.

"Any way that we can be involved, we want to be because we want to keep having these conversations and...keep spreading awareness," shared Widner.

Widner spoke on why youth-led initiatives like Turtle Fest are so vital.

"Involving youth early helps spread this awareness and also fuels our passions. Before I talked about inspiring young kids at TurtleFest, it starts from an early age. Hopefully, they will feel encouraged in the future to be on the youth council or take more leadership roles where it relates to the environment. It's important because we're able to improve our professional skills."

"Things like leadership, communication, advocacy, which will help us in the long run with whatever we plan to do for the future," said Widner. "It's a real-



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Wines of the World date change brings exciting opportunity

BY RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM **INITIATIVE REPORTER**

The Rotary Club of Palgrave is hosting their 26th Annual Wines of the World event on July 19 from 6pm to 9pm.

The event, originally slated for June 20, had to be moved due to unforeseen cir-

Due to the change, the date now coincides with the Nation's Cup of horse jumping—an internationally celebrated equestrian event taking place in Caledon for the first time.

The Nations Cup brings top competitors from around the world to Caledon.

Attendees of Wines of the World will now have the chance to experience both an evening of wine tasting and culinary delights and witness world-class show jumping on the same day.

"It's the perfect pairing of elegance, sport, and community celebration with a worldly flair! We truly believe this new timing will enhance your experience and make this year's event one to remember," said Raphael Boettger, President of Rotary Club of Palgrave.

The event features over 50 wine varieties, as well as craft beer and cider.

Local chefs and food vendors will provide food pairings that highlight the flavours of the season, and live entertainment will ring through the centre.

The event will take place at Caledon Equestrian Centre.

Ticket prices are \$75 before June 25, and \$100 after June 15.

Group prices will be available for parties over 10.

All proceeds go toward vital community projects, youth programs, and international development efforts.

For those that have previously bought tickets are unable to make the new date, an email has been sent out regarding refunding a purchased ticket.

Tickets can be purchased at https://portal.clubrunner.ca/165/Events/wines-ofthe-world-2025.

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice of the Intention to Amend User Fee By-law 2024-106

2025 User Fees - Updates

The amendments to the User Fee By-law is scheduled for consideration at the General Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at the 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East, ON. The Committee will consider amendments to various schedules of User Fee By-law 2024-106, as amended, including:

- Schedule A Administration Fees
- Schedule C Municipal Law Enforcement
- Schedule E Fire and Emergency Services
- Schedule F Recreation & Community Services
- Schedule G Legal, Clerks & Provincial Offences Administration
- Schedule H Animal Services
- Schedule I Service Delivery
- Schedule J Revenue, Purchasing & Risk Management
- · Schedule K Operations
- · Schedule L Engineering
- Schedule M Energy & Environment

Meeting agenda information, including a copy of the related report, will be available for review on the Town's website prior to the meeting at www.caledon.ca/agenda.

Anyone interested in addressing Committee of Council on this matter may file a written submission, or request to delegate in person or remotely at the meeting, by emailing the Clerk's Office at agenda@caledon.ca by June 2, 2025.

In the event Committee chooses to refer or defer consideration of this matter, no further public notice will be given.

Dated at the Town of Caledon, May 22, 2025.

Robert Cummings, Commissioner, Finance **Chief Financial Officer** TOWN OF CALEDON 6311 Old Church Road Caledon East, Ontario, L7C 1J6



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The Town of Caledon is looking to recruit residents to be part of the Caledon Sport Hall of Fame Committee. The Committee consists of five community volunteers (two members on a three-year term and three members on a two-year term, inclusive of one chair), with experience supporting the sports community within Caledon, and will be responsible for recommending Inductees to Council for the Caledon Sport Hall of Fame.

Interested? visit caledon.ca/committees





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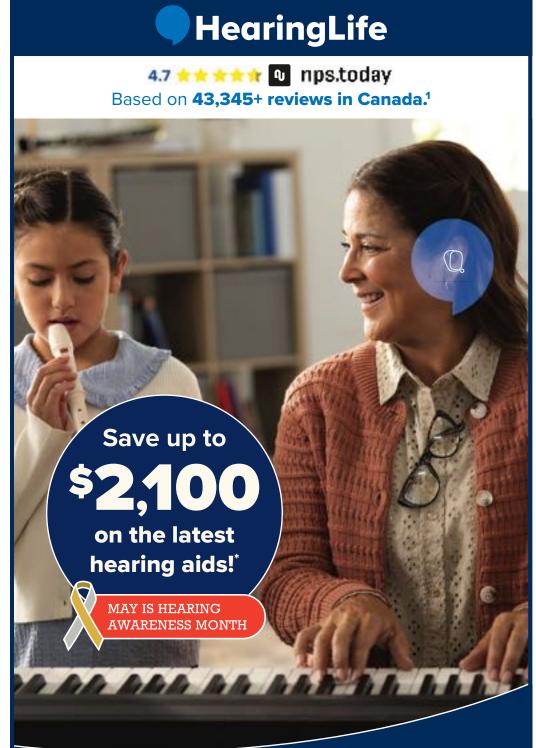
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In 2018 the Town of Caledon commissioned an Anishinaabe artist to create a Wampum Belt which was presented by the Mayor of Caledon to the Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations on Caledon Day, June 2018. The Wampum Belt commitment will be renewed at Caledon Day events next month, Mayor Groves has announced.

TOWN OF CALEDON IMAG

Caledon, Mississaugas of the Credit host Council-to-Council discussion

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The Town of Caledon is on an important path to reconciliation both internally at Town Hall and in leading and supporting reconciliation efforts in our communities."

Mayor Groves spoke on the current steps taken as they work down this important path

It was shared that they established internally a Staff Working Group on Indigenous Relations, developed and implemented a proponent-led Indigenous Engagement Protocol, provided training and education opportunities to staff and created a new position in the CAO's office, Indigenous Engagement Advisor.

In the community they are honouring, celebrating, and commemorating Indigenous Histories, Culture and Traditions through events, public art, curated exhibits, education/awareness, and partnerships.

"Events like these aren't just formalities; they're real steps toward building true partnerships and understanding," said Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault during the meeting. "With National Indigenous History Month coming up, it's a good reminder of the work still ahead of us."

On June 14, during National Indigenous History Month, and as part of Caledon Day celebrations, Mayor Groves, in a ceremony with Chief Sault, will renew the Wampum Belt commitment with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations. The Wampum Belt represents a bond of friendship, peaceful relations and a shared responsibility to the land.

"I look forward to our Caledon Day celebration on June 14 when we will renew our friendship Wampum Belt in front of thousands of residents and visitors who will be in attendance," shared Mayor Groves.



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"We're Breaking Down Barriers" PDSB and TMU Healthcare Series highlights representation and possibility



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BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

150 students from Peel District School Board gathered last week for the final chapter of the Future of Healthcare Speaker Series — a day-long event hosted by PDSB and Toronto Metropolitan University's School of Medicine to inspire future healthcare leaders through mentorship and representation.

Peel District School Board and Toronto Metropolitan University have come together to develop their Future of Healthcare program with three phases: a speaker series, a course offering, and an experimental component

The Speaker Series launched in October 2024 and ended on May 15.

The course offering and experimental component will be finalized when TMU's new school of medicine in Brampton opens.

Rashmi Swarup, Director of Education at PDSB, stated that Peel is trying to expand learning beyond the classroom.

"What we want to do is have our students know that they can dream the world," said

Swarup.

Swarup shared that one of the main things they are trying to accomplish through this

Speaker Series is the idea of representation.

They focused on including speakers from multiple professions and backgrounds.

Swarup said she had a student's mother contact her; her daughter had dreamed of being a nurse for seven years. Before the Speaker Series, she didn't know where to

"She said, 'I'm a single mom. I've had challenges. I didn't know how to do it. But this has opened the world. I carry my daughter's dreams to work every day.' This one event has now made them full of hope and

promise," said Swarup.

"TMU and Peel District School Board have worked very hard to ensure the quality and that the impact of the Speaker Series has on students and to make sure that it is not just two organizations coming and delivering, but really seeing what the students need and to make sure that the students walk away feeling inspired and motivated that they can do anything," remarked Swarup.

Mirjan Krstovic, Resource Teacher at PDSB, shared similar sentiments.

"We want to inspire students who traditionally have not been, perhaps, reflected in the healthcare profession. Representation matters," said Krstovic.

Krstovic shared that part of the Speaker Series' hopes is that students take away the diversity of careers in healthcare.

"We really hope the students walk away feeling inspired and that they can consider various pathways in healthcare that maybe they didn't think of in the past. Not just being a doctor or a nurse, there's a lot more in healthcare," said Krstovic, noting their overall goal is for the students to feel empowered.

Lisa Barnoff, Interim Vice-Dean: Community, Culture and Belonging, TMU School of Medicine, added they have been working with PDSB for over a year to bring this to fruition.

"To see that what we hoped to achieve has come to life, and to hear the stories of the students who have participated, and their parents, to the impact that it's had on them to connect with healthcare professionals who look like them, who come from this community, and how inspired they've been by it. That's the point. That's what we're trying to do," shared Barnoff.

Barnoff said she has noticed how focused and committed the students are to the series

at every event.

"I'm so inspired by the energy of the young people. This is one of the most delightful parts of my job, coming to these events."

The Speaker Series featured multiple presenters from different backgrounds.

The presentations featured titles such as "A Day in the Life: Nursing and Youth Coach in Action" and "Brains and Hearts: Careers that Care".

Dr. Teresa Chan is the Founding Dean of the Toronto Metropolitan University School of Medicine, TMU's Vice-President, and Medical Affairs, presented the workshop, "Think like an ER Doctor: Navigating Emergency Medicine."

Dr. Chan taught the course alongside two practicing emergency physicians who are

also teaching in the medical school.

In the workshop, they taught students how to perform chest compressions.

"It's really important for us to keep people sharp and for them to have some practice," said Dr. Chan.

"It gives me a real warm, fuzzy feeling in my heart to know that the future of healthcare is in the room," Dr. Chan shared. "It's really important to see the future of health care reflected in today's groups. I'm hoping some of them will go into healthcare, and I'm hoping they'll be awesome."

Levar Bailey was another presenter that day is and a TMU Nursing Student.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING



Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment & Draft Plan of Subdivision

FILE NUMBERS: RZ 2024-0023 & 21T-24007C

A Public Meeting will be held to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment & Draft Plan of Subdivision. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

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

Meeting Date: June 17th, 2025

Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- Submit Written Comments: Submit written comments by completing the Participation Request Form, available at http://www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council
- Virtually: Upon request, participate via phone or WebEx. For more information, please visit http://www.caledon.ca/notice or contact the Planning Department. Please note that there are deadlines by which the request to participate need to be made.

YOU CAN ALSO ASK QUESTIONS OR PROVIDE COMMENTS BY:

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

APPLICANT:

Municipal Development & Planning Services Inc. (MDPS) on behalf of 2868577 Ontario Inc.

LOCATION 0 Malaugh

0 McLaughlin Road (Victoria Street & McKenzie Street Intersection)
Part Lot 1, Concession 2 (WHS), Designated as Parts 1-3 on Plan 43R-39966
Ward 1

PROPOSED CHANGE

The applicant has submitted applications for a Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision to facilitate the development of twelve (12) single detached dwelling units on a future municipal roadway. The Zoning By-law Amendment proposes to rezone the lands from Rural Residential (RR) to a site-specific Residential One – XX (R1-XX) and Open Space zones. The Draft Plan of Subdivision seeks to establish residential blocks, open space blocks, and blocks for stormwater management and easements





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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

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BROCK WEIR BROCK'S BANTER

Giving yourself a mental vacation

Despite the cold snap, it was an outdoorsy and artist - who became a consequential figure weekend.

It started off with our first lengthy beach day of the season and despite it still being a bit too chilly to dip more than a foot in a water, the experience and busy week.

ever before, it's always a balm to be able to disconnect just for a little bit and take a break from sules of the era. what sometimes feels like a constant bombardment from all angles.

Things aligned just right to finish surprisingly early on Friday, so the beach was an unexpected treat, and not the worst way to set the tone for the rest of the weekend, even if Friday's heat was the last we'll have for a week or two.

Outdoorsiness continued on Sunday with another seasonal first: the inaugural visit to an outdoor antique market in Wellington County that's always been a favourite destination for our family.

It's invariably a great opportunity to get some fresh air while indulging in a bit of... well, not quite retail therapy, but close enough. It's also a fun way to step back in time just a little bit.

The history enthusiast in me is always interested in seeing what has survived the decades, and even the centuries, to entice the customers of 2025. As one might expect, there is plenty of furniture to be found, ranging from rustic-looking tables and benches made for the pioneer homestead, to goldleafed numbers that would not have been too out of place in some of Versailles' more humble sa-

There are paintings that had been passed down through the generations now just waiting to catch the eye of a new connoisseur. There are jewellery vendors, those who specialise in pottery of all ages and cultures, some who specialise in products and mementos from very specific periods of time, and vinyl vendors galore.

Heck, from a personal perspective, I had a bit of a reality check when the toys and tchotchkes of my own childhood, including some of the more creative toys that were once part and parcel of a 1990s McDonalds Happy Meal, were the focus of a "vintage" booth... But, time does march on. I guess. A prolonged linger in the booth, however, sadly did not provide any insight on whether their primary customers are people my age looking to recapture an element of youth, or comparative kids for whom our stuff is now their kitsch.

What's always particularly caught my eye, however, is the ephemera – that is, by definition, things that are intended to be used or enjoyed for just a little while, but have somehow beaten the odds to survive as cherished items.

You can find old pop bottles from long-lost Ontario and Canadian pop and beer companies somebody kept and passed down for reasons known were never as "good" as our rose-coloured memonly to them, which now command a hefty price. On the other hand, there are bins and baskets of old photographs spanning a good 150 years, the talgia. identities and stories of the sitters now lost to time. This last example always saddens me as, if they had survived until now, they were once cherished mementos of loved ones but became meaningless dust collectors down the line.

Amid these baskets of anonymity, I found one treasure - a beautiful, but tiny framed hand-tinted snapshot of Queen Elizabeth (later the Queen Mother) taken in Fredericton in 1939 during her coast-to-coast tour with George VI. It was a fitting find given the present King's plans to open tween your toes, turning off, or even going on a Parliament in Ottawa this coming Tuesday, but it treasure hunt, excavating one box of antiques at also told a story; on the back of the frame was the a time. stamp of a female entrepreneur - photographer

Thanks for your walk down memory lane.

These are (were) the best of times and

memories and life seemed so simple, good

and FUN. You forgot to mention putting card-

board in your bicycle spokes with a clothes

pin to give your bike that throaty Harley

Songs like Alan Jackson's 1976 or Glenn

Cambpell's unanswered phone Ringing off

the wall, Jack & Diane, Sheryl Crow's "ALL

I WANNA DO" and so many more reflect a

time our current youth will never know nor

appreciate as we did. Such a simple lifestyle

looking back, but so, so good as we lived it.

in Canadian art and a key documentarian of New Brunswick's history through to the late 1970s. Everything has a story if you know where to look!

Scrapbooks of days gone by are another draw. always helps recalibrate body and soul after a long It's always interesting to see what people clipped from their newspapers and magazines and why. Living in a world that's more connected than Some volumes might simply be a collection of pretty pictures, but others can be perfect time cap-

> This past Sunday there were, for whatever reason, copious time capsules to explore.

> Some held clippings from the 1953 Coronation. Others, the 1963 assassination of John F. Kennedy and the subsequent mourning period. Others still were reasonably comprehensive narratives of Canadian elections in the 1960s and American presential campaigns of the 1950s and earlier. Some scrapbookers were drawn to glamourous cut-outs of figures from the Golden Age of Hollywood; others, tomes of Sunshine Girls and Sunshine Boys the curators were evidently saving for

> As evocative as those last examples may have been, it was the political ones that fascinated me most. While they showcased the victor and their subsequent spoils, they also shed light on the issues of the day, differences of opinion, and how they were handled. Editorials contained therein, of course, were firm in stating their views, particularly if they didn't align with the power(s) that were.

> They pulled no punches in skewering their political opponent, but surprisingly enough they did largely give credit where credit is due. It was a peek behind the curtain to our not-so-distant past, and, in some ways, it was a refreshing retrospec-

> I always leave the market feeling like I've come away richer from the experience, even if the wallet is almost always a little bit lighter afterwards. That feeling this time around, however, was slightly tempered by the realization how far civility has slipped from our public discourse.

> It didn't help that less than an hour after we left, news broke that former U.S. President Joe Biden was living with advanced prostate cancer that had metastasised to his bones.

> As much as my first thoughts were of genuine sympathy for Biden and his family, the reality is my second thought was hope his political opponents would put partisanship aside, offer their support and, in short, simply avoid being horrible

Those hopes were dashed almost immediately

I've never been the type to long for what's often described as "the good old days," because no matter which time period you're referring to, they ories would tell us

But maybe there's something to be said for nos-

Perhaps it's a mental vacation from the stressors so many of us experience each and every day, a reminder not necessarily of "good old days" writ large, but of very personal happy memories, or even the kind of society we can cultivate if we truly put our minds to it.

Now, mind you, I don't think I'm likely to pick up and admire any Happy Meal toys that might still be lingering in my storage unit, but doing so is no less valid a brain break than feeling sand be-

We put an 8 track in my older brother's car

I know we can never go home again, nor

should we live in the past (Springsteen's Glo-

ry Days) but we can reflect back to what I

still consider The Best of Times with fond and

Thanks again, Mark. Wishing you well,

good health, as we age gracefully and surren-

der our youth to middle age...and I have you

OMG, we were McGyvers back then.

We all need 'em.

happy memories.

beat by nine years (1954).

Our Readers Write

"Thanks, Mark"

I so enjoyed your May 15 memories/reflec- in the early 70s and we had music on the road,

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"Friends are the siblings God never gave us." Mencius

I never had a brother and often wonder what that would have been like.

apart so, for most of my childhood, we weren't close. And, in those days, having your little brother tag along just wasn't cool.

When she became ill and moved back into my parents' home, we got a bit closer. She received a kidney transplant and went blind – definitely a lot fers to me as "brother" in our email exchanges. for a person to go through.

clude Angela in as many activities as possible. oured, of course, but I could never rise to the level Verbally explaining a movie in a crowded theatre did present its challenges, but we weren't fazed. It also provided some comical moments.

There were many trips to dialysis, between Bolton and St. Mike's, and then Alliston. My dad chose not to lend a hand so the responsibility fell on me and my mom's shoulders. It was tough sometimes, but it was family.

You do what's required.

some siblings enjoy.

She died prematurely before her 50th birthday,

leaving a daughter behind. Unfortunately, my sister wasn't my "bestie" as

For me, the term "brotherhood" is an elusive and incomprehensible concept. As young men in the 1980s, our friends were buds, pals, and mates.

We'd make sure everyone got home safe, and they always had an open invitation to our home.

We enjoyed summer trips, backyard gatherings and hanging out.

But it was a different kind of relationship – as Boomers we still weren't comfortable sharing emotions, hugging or saying the "L" word.

We called one another regularly, and on weekends we went down the list to see who was free and willing to venture out.

always polite.

But even with my own sister, I never had that strong, unbreakable bond of a brother. Maybe I didn't try hard enough.

As I ponder my life in recent years and play tugof-war with the demons in my head, I feel somewhat isolated, alone, walking but leaving only one set of footprints behind. Would a brother or sis-

Would they offer a shoulder to cry on? I have no idea.

And despite my self-imposed solitude, I am re-**CALEDON** minded that we are all brothers and sisters, sib- of all of us, brothers and sisters alike.

by Mark Pavilons

lings if you will. Sure, we may be distant cousins, fair-weather friends, or acquaintances who gather infrequently for coffee or lunch.

But isn't knowing they're there, rooting for us during all of our trials and tribulations, somewhat comforting?

At times, yes.

Many of us share a brotherhood in many areas sports teams, organizations, service clubs, first responders, and of course our military men and

One of my friends from high school came from a long line of military veterans. When he entered the service out of high school, we didn't always understand his passion, but I get it now.

I appreciate and even respect his choice and continuing his family's military heritage. It's quite unique these days.

He definitely understands the term "brother."

Martin Luther King, Jr., once noted "the beauty My older sister and I were almost eight years of genuine brotherhood and peace is more precious than diamonds or silver or gold."

> Not being familiar with the salutation of "brotherhood," imagine my surprise and love when such a term was bestowed upon me recently.

King's former fire chief Jim Wall constantly re-I'm sure it comes from the brotherhood enjoyed My wife Kim went above and beyond to in- by firefighters, a unique breed to be sure. I'm honof fire-fighting brethren who have crazy amounts of courage, strength and commitment. I feel almost ashamed to have this moniker. Yet I feel it deeply and for that, Jim, I am truly grateful.

I only hope I can live up to such a title.

One of my faithful readers and well-known King residents, Joe S., also recently referred to me as "brother" in a text message. He loves my columns and I think we share a lot of common ground.

Perhaps, in this case it's more like brother in a Christian sense, a spiritual kinship if you will. You can never too many spiritual brothers and sisters.

"It takes two men to make one brother."

I appreciate the salutation, Joe.

I envy those with such strong sibling bonds.

I often remind my children that when they get older, they will come to rely on one another – as rocks, as friends, companions, guidance counsellors, and sounding boards. One day, they will reminisce about their childhoods, share laughs and raise a glass now and again. They will raise families and ideally stay close, if not in distance, then in heart.

Perhaps, if I have done my job well, they will We got to know our friends' parents and were speak my name with pride. And I will smile from my heavenly perch as I look down.

> I will not be there to guide them or offer fatherly advice. They may already have what they need, if they've been listening to me over the years.

Tears flow down my careworn face when I think that I won't be there to walk them down the aisle or share the joys of their own children. I will be a ghost, a shadow of what once was. But I will ter help me along my current journey and path? argue and plead with the ultimate powers to allow me to stretch out my hand and place it lovingly on their shoulders.

Such is the circle of life. And such is the destiny

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SHERALYN ROMAN TALK CALEDON

It's hard to know what to feel ...

Today we take a deep dive into the mental already dangerously meanderings of a scattered mind. These are busy stretch of road, the kinds of things that sometimes keep me the quality of the inawake at night, or randomly intrude into ev- fill headed our way, along with who will be both here and around the world. Sometimes Area...' it's hard not to feel defeated, or in turn, to Rehabilitation is a grand notion and the feel delighted. About what? Read on.

cil's recent decision NOT to make changes environmental rehabilitation progress. Alto how Regional Councillors are elected. A lowing infill for the sake of infill, however, significant number of delegates spoke to this with no clear direction as to the long term item, expressing their concerns and we'd like outcomes, and which increases heavy truck to think that citizen engagement, at least to traffic on already overloaded roads, seems some degree, played a role in the Council's questionable at best, especially when even as conclusion. Whether it did or didn't, resi- we write this column Highway 10 is closed dents can have some reasonable expecta- yet again for another horrific accident intion that both rural and urban concerns will volving an 18-wheeler. continue to be reflected around the regional Finally, still on the topic of traffic, I'll atcouncil table and that is good news.

defeated, including the Ford budget and con- read about a motion that seeks to address at tinued commitments to run roughshod over least some of Caledon residents' traffic conthe environment by removing any last pro- cerns. tections that might have prevented the 413 Moved by Councillor D. Sheen and secfrom ruining Caledon countryside. Bills are onded by Councillor C. Early the following being proposed to help pave over the prov- motion asked staff to investigate the use of ince without regard to species at risk and the red light cameras. Noting that "WHEREAS Ford government has already posted numer- traffic safety remains a significant concern ous signs about their intent. Another recent for residents of the Town of Caledon; ... one popped up on the northbound 410 proud- and that the Town of Caledon has declared ly announcing it will be extended to the 413 a road safety emergency, ... and that despite interchange at Old School Rd. It seems all this declaration, Caledon residents regularbut certain the new highway will be built and 1y witness drivers, including large transport the 407 will continue to be underutilized and truck drivers, running red lights and stop overpriced.

lighted however, that at the very least Coun- Caledon roadways is on the rise ... Council cil passed a motion to notify the Ford govern- directs staff to investigate options for implement of its concerns about the environment, menting a Red Light Camera program within stating, as part of a recent motion that Cale- the Town of Caledon." No doubt some few of don: "1. Opposes the provisions in Bill 5 that you might view this motion as a "cash grab," reduce environmental protections or override and nothing more than a thinly veiled attempt existing municipal planning authority; and 2. to infringe upon your rights as drivers to play Urges the Province of Ontario to draft legis- fast and loose with the rules of the road. For lation that supports housing construction and the rest of us, who DO follow the rules of infrastructure development in a manner that the road, for our own and the greater good, respects environmental planning and main- and who recognize there can be no denial of tains environmental protections across Cale- the carnage facing Caledon residents on our don ..." It's something at least.

cent motion before Council concerning the step, but an important one, toward improving infill of an unused gravel pit will not please road safety. those concerned with protecting it and has us This meandering mind is no closer to a feeling defeated.

cil featured a "Direction that the Director of remain, as ever, alternating between states Engineering enter into Grading Agreement to of disillusionment or determined to focus on import fill to rehabilitate an old aggregate pit optimism above all else. It's hard to know located at 0 Shaw's Creek Road." There are, what to feel and honestly, some days how we of course, many concerns about this action feel is kind of like the weather: fickle and including: increased truck traffic along an hard to predict!

ery other waking moment, announcing their responsible for monitoring it, and the overarpresence with just enough gusto to distract ching question of what is the intended future me from the more important work of, well, land use for this location? Also of concern, working. Different for everybody, there are one hopes that any decisions about allowing no doubt some commonalities in our collec- this so-called "rehabilitation" to take place tive consciousness, especially for us Caledon was not influenced by the acknowledgement, residents who might be worried about things in the main motion, that "the Owner of 0 like increasing traffic woes, environmental Shaw's Creek Road is a prominent developdestruction or even the state of democracy er within Caledon and the Greater Toronto

CVC's "Pits to Parks" initiative is a great We were delighted to read about Coun- example of unleashing the potential for true

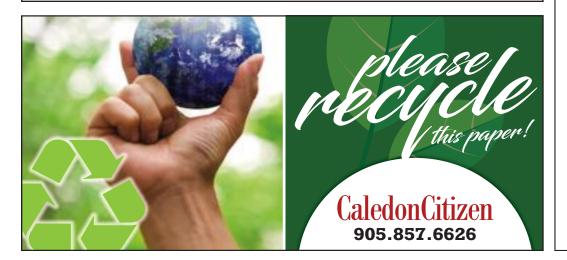
tempt to end this column on a more positive Conversely, several things have us feeling note by acknowledging we are delighted to

signs, creating dangerous situations on local While it may not mean much, we are de- roads ... and that the number of fatalities on roads these days, the implementation of a Still on the topic of the environment, a re- red light camera program might be one small

decision about whether we should feel, gen-Item 11.1 on the May 13 agenda of Coun- erally speaking, defeated or delighted. We

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Our Readers Write

Speaking out against Bill 5

Bill 5, if enacted, would allow the provin-tection laws are the basis for preserving the cial government to fully ignore any municipal deeply rooted structure which supports the and provincial laws.

our internationally famous Endangered Species Act (2007) and replace it with a much weaker Species Conservation Act (2025), Bill 5 also has the power which allows government to bypass ANY provincial or municipal laws - environmental, labour, health, and indigenous rights-in "Special Economic Zones" designed to fast-track development.

Bill 5 amendments to environmental protection and assessment, endangered species, and heritage preservation laws, in order to expedite infrastructure development and mining extraction, are akin to degrading safety laws in our building code to accelerate the creation of a high-rise condominium.

Such a move would surely raise red flags which we live. around the long-term integrity of the building. Our environmental protection and assessment, endangered species, and heritage pro-

very projects we need to address the econom-While its initial onslaught is to eradicate ic uncertainty associated with events south of the border.

> Bill 5 also proposes to use the very same tactics on Ontario citizens that the leader south of the border is trying to use on U.S. citizens - the removal of rights in order to enable accelerated development at any price. We should not be removing indigenous or any resident rights at any time, especially when thoughtful, long-term planning is essential for our existence as a stable and strong province.

> I respectfully request that Bill 5 be withdrawn in full to ensure the protection of the people of Ontario and the environment in

> > **LEAH PRESSEY** PRESIDENT, DUFFERIN-CALEDON GREENS

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment (Temporary Use)

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2025-0011

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

Meeting Date: June 17, 2025 **Public Meeting Start Time:** 7:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

The Town of Caledon offers a Hybrid meeting model with multiple ways for members of the public to participate and engage with Council.

- Attend In-Person: Attend a meeting in-person and provide verbal comments regarding the application or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting. Although registration is not mandatory, members of the public are encouraged to complete the Participation Request Form, available at www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council.
- Submit Written Comments: Submit written comments regarding the application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council
- Virtually: Participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information on how to participate, please complete the Participation Request Form, available at www.caledon.ca/notice. In addition, members of the public can watch meetings through the live stream on the Town's website.

YOU CAN ALSO PROVIDE INPUT BY:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email
- (See contact information below). **APPLICANT AND LOCATION:**

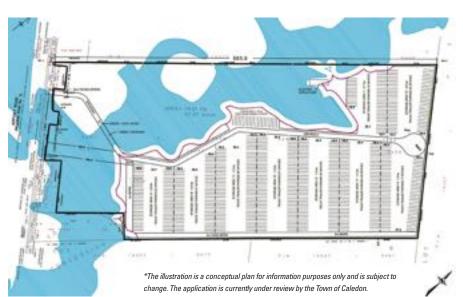
APPLICANT:

Humphries Planning Group Inc. on behalf of Giampaolo Developments

13291 Airport Road, Caledon Part Lot 7, Concession 1, Albion; RP 43R-1991

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The purpose of the Zoning By-law amendment is to permit truck and trailer parking on the property for a period



LEAD PLANNER:

Sagar Babbar, MA Community Planner, Development and Design Planning and Development Department

905-584-2272 ext. 4041 or sagar.babbar@caledon.ca ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment or a copy of supporting materials, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Town of Caledon to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon regarding the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:

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Notice Date: May 22, 2025



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OPP encourages boaters to exercise caution during Safe Boating Awareness Week

BY SAM ODROWSKI

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is encouraging people within the province to be cautious, prepared and mindful when boating to prevent avoidable tragedies.

Safe Boating Awareness Week runs from May 17-23 this year, led by the Canadian Safe Boating Council, with a focus on taking actions to limit or prevent injuries and death in Ontario's waterways.

Among the 131 people who lost their lives due to boating incidents in OPP-patrolled waterways in the last five years, 56 were paddlers. Between 2020-2024, 34 of those who died in marine incidents were canoeists, 17 were kayakers and five were using stand-up paddleboards.

"Whether you and your family are in motorized or human-propelled vessels, be mindful that falling overboard as well as capsized vessels remain the leading causes of OPP-investigated boating and paddling deaths year after year," said Central Region OPP in a press

"The data makes a compelling case for the value in wearing a lifejacket. It is virtually impossible to drown if you are floating in the water with a properly fitted lifejacket. Even if you are rendered unconscious in a paddling/boating incident, a lifejacket will keep your head above water and keep you breathing. This is a particularly important message for paddlers/boaters who cannot swim, as a lifejacket is the one piece of equipment that you can count on to save your life."

Alcohol or drug impairment, hazardous waterways and operator inexperience are among the top contributing factors in marine deaths, according to the OPP.

OPP marine officers have been out on the water promoting marine safety and enforcing boating laws for the duration of Safe Boating Awareness Week, which concludes tomorrow, Friday, May

"For a safe and enjoyable boating season, always be well-prepared. Familiarize yourself with Canada's Safe Boating Guide (https://tc.canada.ca/sites/default/files/2024-03/tp 511e.pdf). Ensure your vessel is properly functioning and equipped. Check the weather forecast to determine if it is safe to go out and always boat sober and drug-free," said Central Region OPP's press release.

"Finally, remember – the only lifejacket that can save your life is the one you are wearing."

GWYNNE DYER OUR WORLD TODAY

Afrikaner "Refugees"

As my flight landed in South Africa on empted from the ref-Sunday, I looked in vain for the plane that ugee ban). However, was due to take off with the first 49 white, it still doesn't work. Afrikaans-speaking "refugees" of the many At least half the "Coloureds" have some thousands who are supposedly going to find Dutch or French ancestry if you go back far safety from racist persecution in Donald enough. Trump's United States.

taking a charter flight from a different terminal. It would have been a lot cheaper to buy them tickets on a scheduled commercial flight, but the notion of "refugees" demands a certain amount of drama and this piece of times the wealth of the average black South theatre needed all the help it could get.

They aren't actually refugees. They are bit-players in a secular passion play staged by Trump, probably at the suggestion of his more-or-less-faithful sidekick Elon Musk, who grew up very rich in apartheid-era South Africa and shares Trump's belief in the "Great Replacement" conspiracy theory.

Musk, of course, is also fighting his own private battle against the Great Replacement by having as many white babies as possible. You'd think the world's richest man would realise that his goal could be more efficiently achieved by artificial insemination (and a modest trust fund for every successful Musk baby), but it turns out that he prefers the human touch.

Another way to get up white numbers, especially in the United States, is white immigration, but that is quite tricky because white people in most other countries don't want to move to the United States. You can see why not, given the violence, the politics and the dreadful health care system, but it therefore puts a very high premium on white refugees.

Getting around Trump's ban on asylum for refugees was easy. The ban on refugees is really meant to keep out people from "shithole ships", is not a "shithole" at all.

Trump can't simply say all "white South Af- will always be with us. ricans" are welcome, because to exclude oth-

Language is a less offensive distinction, ral blacks speak it as a second language).

That is why the presidential decree says that only people "of Dutch and French de- time perspectives. They are doing the best scent" will be given refugee status (but ex- they can.

There will still not be an avalanche of Then I realised that they were probably white South Africans arriving in the United States, because the great majority of white South Africans live quite comfortable lives. Three decades after the end of apartheid the average white South African still has twenty

Two particular grievances drive South Africans arriving in the United States this week and those who may follow. One is the belief that whites, and especially white farmers living on isolated farmsteads, are being killed just because of their race. The other is an allegation that white-owned farms are being expropriated without compensation.

White South Africans on the far right and the MAGA hard right in the United States believe both those things, but they are both untrue. No farms have been expropriated without fair compensation. A new law makes expropriation without compensation possible in extreme circumstances, but it has not yet been used at all.

Whites are 7% of South Africa's population, but they are only 2% of the murder victims. Almost all of the farm murders occur in the context of armed robberies gone wrong, and black farmers are equally affected. Forty-nine white farmers were murdered in 2022-23, but bear in mind that most farmers are white: 85% of the country's farmland belongs to whites.

South Africa is burdened by a particularcountries", as Trump calls them. South Afri- ly bad history of oppression and inequality ca, despite some truly terrible "black town- which it will take generations to alleviate. The great majority of its people try to behave The problem then becomes what to call well, but it has the usual case-load of excepthese "desirable" white immigrants. Even tions: the feckless, the cruel and the greedy

I'll give the last word to an old friend, a ers simply on the basis of colour is blatant white South African who shared the African racism. He might think it, but he can't say it. National Congress's struggles in the old days.

"If you had told me in 1984 (the height of but you can't just say Afrikaans-speakers apartheid) what South Africa would be like or you will also get millions of non-whites: now," he said, "I would have been delighted. more than half of Afrikaans-speakers are If you had told me the same thing in 1994 "Coloured" (mixed-race) or black (many ru- (the first free election), I would have wanted to cut my throat."

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Local voices push back against fill plan: "You don't need an assessment to understand that"

Continued from FRONT

The owner of 0 Shaw's Creek Road is a developer and has approached the Town about rehabilitating an old aggregate pit located on the property with fill created from their development sites across Caledon and the Greater Toronto Area.

The area is currently zoned Extractive Industrial (MX), which is outside the typical scope of the Town's Fill By-law. Normally, that by-law only covers lands zoned A-1, A-2,

Councillors Kiernan and Early moved a motion to pause the process and refer the proposal to staff to conduct public consultation before making a decision.

This motion was tied and defeated.

The original motion was then carried at a vote of 5 to 3.

On Tuesday, the motion was raised at Council where multiple Caledon residents came forward to speak against the main motion.

The delegations included members from West Caledon Communities Traffic Group, Democracy Caledon, and independent residents such as former Councillor Ian Sinclair who delegated at the Planning and Development Committee meeting as well.

The concerns raised by residents regarded an increase of trucking in Caledon and possible contamination of the soil and water from Maskell.

Kate Hepworth from West Caledon Communities Traffic Tourism Group spoke on the challenges that Caledon has been facing regarding dangerous truck traffic up and down the streets.

"I'm hoping [the motion] gets defeated tonight because, quite frankly, I can't stand the thought that we would have to have more of these memorials. We have them all over Caledon," said Hepworth.

Another delegate was Kathleen Wilson, who lives beside a once large-scale fill operation that now is no longer running.

Wilson stated that due to the fill, the area is now full of contaminants.

She shared she fears the same will happen with 0 Shaw's Creek Road.

One of the delegates was Jean-Francois Morin, from Chickadee Hill Farm, whose property borders on the property of the proposed fill site.

Morin has been farming on that property for more than eight years now, and has cows, chickens, pigs, ducks and more all on his property.

Morin shared his concerns over potential water contamination.

"We're depending on the water and the soil and everything. For us, that's vital. The quality of the water, that's what we have. It's important for us. We cannot run a day without water. It's impossible," stated Morin.

Walking through Morin's farm, he shared he relies on the land itself to help take care of his wildlife through the soil and the water.

Morin stated the proposed site is mostly a lake that has been rehabilitated properly with quality topsoil and certified to keep the lake in place and the border clean and accessible.

"If you remove it or contaminate the water there, that's us, that's our neighbour, and that's all the people in the street, depending on this water there," stated Morin.

Morin said it's not only the neighbours and the farm that rely on the state of the water, but wildlife that have made the site their home.

"In the spring and in the fall, we're talking about over a thousand geese coming there the lake, the swan and ducks, they're living there. They're coming to have babies there every year," said Morin.

Morin reiterated to the Citizen that he is very concerned about the quality of the water and soil being contaminated by the fill.

"It's a big piece of land that will affect everybody here," said Morin. "You don't need an assessment to understand that."

With concerns arising from councillors and residents, Councillor Maskell proposed an amendment to the original motion.

"I brought the amendment forward in an attempt to change the tone and tenor of the discussion," Councillor Maskell told the Citizen.

Maskell stated that the amendment to the motion accomplished four significant goals: it removed delegated authority from Town staff; it ensured that when all the studies were completed and analyzed by Town staff, a staff report would be submitted to Council; once the report is submitted to Council, it can accept or reject the Staff recommendations; if Council accepts the Staff recommendations, then an agreement will be signed. If the Council rejects the staff recommendations, then the matter is settled.

"I was quite astonished to see four Councillors opposing an amendment that, in an effective compromise, accomplished exactly what they were asking for. I was mystified by their arguments against the amendment and unfortunately some gave no reason for their objection to the amendment," said Councillor



Jean-Francois Morin from Chickadee Hill Farm with the proposed fill site.

PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

The amended motion passed five to four. Councillors Early, Sheen, and Kiernan shared their thoughts with the Citizen.

"There are numerous issues with this motion. The risk to public health and the safety of our community's drinking water is just too high. The large-scale de-watering involved could have significant environmental impacts, including the unpredictable effects of the water table rising through newly imported materials. Additionally, the plan would require thousands of truckloads of questionable fill, raising serious concerns about road safety and environmental quality," shared Regional Councillor Early.

Added Councillor Sheen: "As a member of Council, I am concerned that, under the current Strong Mayor system, residents' voices about the Mayor's motion concerning the Shaw's Creek fill proposal are not being heard or fully appreciated, and that decision-making may be rushed or influenced

by political priorities. The proposed timelines for producing the required professional reports on hauling and dumping thousands of truckloads of fill seem unrealistic, and I question whether Town staff will have the capacity to properly review these reports, even if they are produced on such short notice. And even if the Mayor's motion is approved and the fill operation proceeds, I remain skeptical that the Town has the enforcement resources to adequately monitor the quality of the fill or the conditions surrounding the operation, given the Town's enforcement staff's current workload. I urge Council to prioritize transparency and ensure that community interests and safeguards are not compromised."

Area Councillor for Ward 1 Kiernan shared her thoughts as well.

"I am extremely disappointed in the outcome at the Council meeting last night. The process was bypassed, frankly it should never have gotten this far this fast. Concerned residents came forward with compelling and valid concerns, to no avail. This below the water table fill operation poses a very real threat to their drinking water, and should not have been dismissed.

"Ward 1, specifically the area surrounding this location, relies on ground water for their drinking water, for farming, it is their life source. Large scale fill operations such as this are currently having devastating impacts on residents in northeast Caledon, not mythical, but actual contamination of groundwater. I believe the outcome from last night will be disastrous to Ward 1 for years to come. Those who supported the motion have also sanctioned additional truck traffic through Caledon Village, an area we already acknowledge is under siege with trucks."

The Citizen reached out to Mayor Groves and additional Council members for further comment, but formal responses had not been received at press time.

This story will be updated online.



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Nominations close on June 30 for Caledon Sport Hall of Fame's Class of 2026

BY JIM STEWART

The Town of Caledon has announced that nominations for the 2026 Caledon Sport Hall of Fame are now open, but will close on Monday, June 30.

Categories include Athlete, Builder, and Team. To qualify, nominees for all categories must have: been born in Caledon; or maintained residency in Caledon for a minimum of five consecutive years; or been raised or spent their formative years (through training, competing, or working) in Caledon.

Mayor Annette Groves applauded the Caledon Sport Hall of Fame's importance to the community and encouraged residents to nominate candidates.

"Earlier this year, we had the honour of welcoming eight amazing inductees

into our Sport Hall of Fame — a special looking forward to seeing new nomina-

Eight athletes and builders-- along with shrined in the second annual Caledon Sport Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in January.

egory were Triathlete Lisa Bentley, Synchronized Swimmer Beverly (McKnight) Holden, Field Hockey Goaltender Zoe MacKinnon, NHL Power Forward Keith McCreary, and Pole Vaulter Douglas Salvian.

Wood was also enshrined in the Builder moment that emphasized Caledon's rich Category as a Pole Vaulting Coach. Two sports history," said Mayor Groves. "Now, other Builders were inducted: Nordic Skias we gear up for the 2026 class, we're ing Coach and High School Sports Coach Angus Doughty; and Triathlon Coach Bartions that display the passion, dedication, rie Shepley who multi-tasked seamlessly and excellence you find in our communi- and masterfully as the event's emcee for the second consecutive year.

Enshrined in the Team Category were a championship hockey team - were en- the members of the 1967 Juvenile 'C' Ontario Hockey Champion Bolton Kinsmen: Don Casey, Jim Casey, Bill Clements, John Deachman, Jim Farquharson, Eu-The 2025 Inductees in the Athlete Cat- gene Fewster, Perry Ford, Wayne Kirby, Karl Koper, Dale Lemon, Manager John Lostchuck, Chris Markey, Trainer Peter Markle, Bruce Matson, Coach Roy McKay, Henry Newlove, Ted Praught, and Rob

The 2024 Inductees in the Athlete Cate-

gory were legendary downhill skier Laurie Graham, Triathlete and Marathoner Bob Knuckey, Racing Hall of Fame Jockey Robin Platts, and Stanley Cup and Olympic Hockey Champion Bert McCaffrey.

In the Builder category, Caledon Enterprise editor and reporter Bill Whitbread, Horse Racing legend Conn Smythe, and High School and Elite Basketball Coach Gord Everett were inducted.

In the Team category, the 2004 Mayfield SS Nordic Ski Team-comprised of Brittany Webster, Julie Porter, Gillian Montgomery, Brittany Barclay, and Robyn Kemp—was immortalized for winning four consecutive OFSSAA cross country skiing championships.

To submit a nomination for the Caledon Sports Hall of Fame's Class of 2026, please visit Caledon.ca/CSHOF.



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PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

An Evening with Jim Lang generates much timely talk about the rise and fall of the Maple Leafs

BY JIM STEWART

Guest Jim Lang entertained an appreciative crowd at Richmond Hill's Central Branch Library on Thursday night.

"An Evening with Jim Lang" was enjoyed by dozens of guests and generated much discussion about a team near and dear to the hearts of hundreds of thousands: the ill-fated Toronto Maple Leafs.

Lang's insights on Thursday evening into the Leafs' ongoing woes proved to be prescient as Toronto lost 6-1 to Florida on home ice in Game 7 on Sunday night.

The long-time Morning Man from The Region FM 105.5 pulled no punches regarding the root causes of the NHL squad's malaise and bemoaned a significant Game 5 mistake.

"Marner's behind the back pass that cost the Leafs a goal would have been ridiculed in our beer league."

He predicted with prophetic accuracy Host Andrew Applebaum and Special the outcome of Games 6 and 7: "Here's what's going to happen. The Leafs need to counter what the Panthers have been doing to them in Florida, but they can't play like they did in Game 5 if they come back for Game 7. To lose and play like that with no heart was so embarrassing."

In a post-event interview, Lang was asked if the Leafs have become the Chicago Cubs (circa 1908-2016) of hockey.

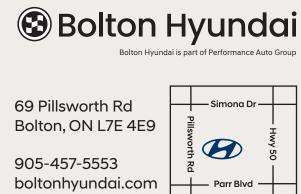
"They are. Both franchises are beloved and both make money from the TV coverage. The similarities are eerie. Both franchises have found ways to break your heart for decades, but the stadiums remain full and the fans remain loyal."

Applebaum was even more pointed in his criticism of the beloved Leafs.

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Peacefully, at Matthews House Hospice, Alliston, on Saturday, May 10, 2025, Albert Clarkson, at the age of 95 years, beloved life partner for 32 years of Ursula Dehne. Loving father of Wendy,

Kathleen, Darlene (deceased), Janet, Ruth (Darrell Schaffer), Ronald (Kim Dacres), Judith, Heather (George AuCoin) and Ursula's son Rudi. Cherished grandfather of Stewart (Lisa), Bradley (Melissa), Bryan (Melissa), Malarie, Megan (Tim), Robert (Doina), Brittany (Jake), Style (Michelle), Derek, Chase (Samantha), Jazmin (Adam), Jaimee (Chris), Rachel, and Jordon (Samanthaa). Proud great-grandfather of Owen, James, Hudson, Brooklyn, Kevin, Liam, Isabel, Emmit, Gabriella, Scarlet, Kowen, Wesley, Iris, Maverick, Marcus, and Alainah. Dear brother of the late James (Dorothy), Lorne (Margaret), Roy (Joan), Stewart, Marie (Robert Lowden) and step-brother of Muriel (Dan Grummett) (both deceased), Shirley (deceased) (Jack Bentley), George May (deceased), and Clifford May (deceased). Fondly remembered by many nieces

Thank you sincerely to Carol, Tracy, and Nancy for your supportive presence and kind and compassionate care of Albert while at home. Honouring Albert's wishes, there will not be a funeral service. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

If desired, memorial donations may be made to Matthews House Hospice (matthewshousehospice), Caledon Meals on Wheels (caledonmealsonwheels); or Caledon Animal Shelter, 12889 Coleraine Drive, Bolton L7E 3B5.

Arrangements by Egan Funeral Home, Bolton (905-857-2213).

Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



CAREN CHRISTINE DIGASPARRO (NÉE COULTER)

Passed away peacefully on Friday, May 9, 2025.

Caren is lovingly remembered by her husband Kenny Digasparro, daughters Krystal Shaw (Brad) and Shirley Digasparro (Trevor), grandchildren Aubrey, Evelyn, and Anthony, brother Casey Coulter (Jutta), nieces Christine, Jessica (Clint), and

their families. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her, including her cherished quilting guild.

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

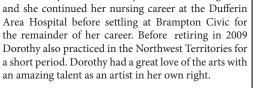
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DOROTHY HILLIARD JUNE 16, 1945 - MAY 15, 2025

We are saddened to announce the sudden passing of Dorothy Ethel Hilliard in her 80th year. Dorothy is survived by her sons Timothy (Holly) and Alexander, her two grandsons Braeden and Zachary and her brother Jim McCleary and Sister Margaret Shaughnessy



Dorothy was an RN for more than 40 years. At the start of her career Dorothy was a float nurse around what now makes up University Health Network (UHN). In the early



70's Dorothy and her family moved to Orangeville,

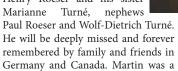
Dorothy's legacy and what made her most proud, were her sons Tim and Alex and her Grandsons Braeden and

Dorothy will be missed by many friends and family. Online condolences can be made at www.imfunerals.

In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. has been given the honour of serving the Hilliard family.

MARTIN PAUL HEINRICH **ROESER** JULY 30, 1928 - MAY 13, 2025

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing, at the age of 96, of our beloved father Martin Roeser, on Tuesday May 13, 2025. Predeceased by his wife Alice. He was the devoted father of Ann Roeser and Carolyn Haddock (Greg). Also sadly missed by his brother Henry Roeser and his sister Marianne Turné, nephews



true gentleman and leaves behind a legacy of generosity, excellence, and kindness. Martin was born in Berlin, Germany and emigrated to Canada in 1953. He had a successful career building jet engines for Bombardier.

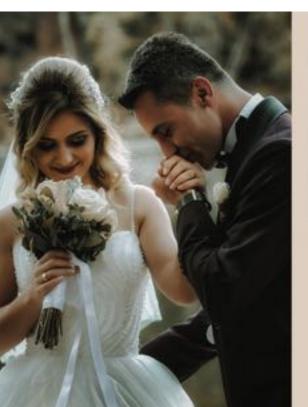
Martin's Memorial Service will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre, 21 First St., Orangeville on Saturday, May 24th, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. Schlafe Schön

EVERETT ROSS LANGILLE

Headwaters Health Care Centre on Thursday, May 15th, 2025 at the age of 69. Beloved husband of Linda Langille. He will be greatly missed by his furry companion, Coco. Everett was a truly kind and compassionate person with a good heart. Everett will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.



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Youth lead the way at second-annual TurtleFest

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Bailey has presented in two other panel discussions for the Future of Healthcare series. He shared the day meant a lot to him as he can remember when he was on the other side of the presentation.

"As a youth, we used to have presenters come in and speak to us and it was very influential and impactful to see people in these positions, in these professions, and it helped me to visualize myself in those same spaces and I have the opportunity now to pour into children and to youth the same way I was poured into and to give them a good sense of what's possible for them," said Bailey.

"We're breaking down barriers to help the medical field be more representative of the population that we're serving and that's a very big aspect that I think is missing in the medical industry right now. It gives them a good sense of what's possible in their lives in connection to change in the world."

Bailey said that through his presentation, he hopes to teach the students about values and to stay true to who they are.

Two Grade 10 students from Humberview Secondary School, Arya Azizi and Tripat Kaur, said the healthcare series helped them to think about their future, as they are both considering careers in healthcare.

Azizi said she had been confused before about her future, and even though ta. it's far away, through the speakers sharing their journeys and their stories, she felt it helped her.

"We can research about what these jobs are like, what their journeys are like, but [here] we can hear from someone that has gone through that same exact thing and what to do and what they've done," said

Kaur shared seeing the representation among the speakers had an impact on her.

"A lot of the speakers are people of colour; it's easy to see myself in their same roles and that really inspires me. It gives me some sort of backbone to know that chance of also getting to that point. Conbarriers, I know what I'm going to face off the Stanley Cup-it was a special day." because of their feedback," said Kaur.

Arianna Malcom, a Grade 12 student at Applewood Heights Secondary School, has been through the entire speaker series. Malcolm shared that this series was

a healthcare career, specifically as a pediatrician or a pediatric surgeon.

Through the series, she could speak to current pediatricians and students in their thought they would end up versus where

very inspirational as she hopes to achieve undergrad and med school, following the they did. same path.

> She shared that she enjoyed hearing about everyone's journeys, and where they

"My main takeaway would be to not limit myself and that I can do anything once I put my mind to it," reflected Malcolm.

An Evening with Jim Lang generates much timely talk about the rise and fall of the Maple Leafs

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When asked why the Leafs can't seem to win the Big Game, the Toronto Legends host cited Toronto's problems between the pipes.

"Since they last won in 1967, 93 different goalies have played for the Leafs. Goaltending wasn't an issue this year until it was when Stolarz got hurt. Also, we don't have a Captain that plays like a Captain. They've brought in guys that were captains, but nothing works. The issue remains the disappearance of The Core Four in the playoffs."

The congenial host noted how much he enjoyed "getting all kinds of great stories from Jim about great athletes" and Applebaum spurred Lang to roll through the highlights of his illustrious broadcasting and writing career, including insights into his entry level job at Q107 where he worked with legendary radio voices including Steve Warden, John Gallagher, John Derringer, and Joey Vendet-

"I was surrounded by broadcasting allstars and my job was to 'show up, keep up, and shut up."

Lang discussed his transition from radio to television when he moved to Montreal just in time to cover the Canadiens' 1992-93 season that culminated with a charmed Stanley Cup

"It was a magical Spring in Montreal and we enjoyed a very memorable beer-soaked parade. All the players were paraded in flatbed trucks and when I looked over the sides inside the flatbeds, there were over 200 empty cans of beer. One of the players explained to me that they had been drinking since 8 I can become what they are and I have a a.m. in celebration and had to pee into their beer cans due to the length of the parade. As sidering that they had their obstacles and the flatbeds rolled by—the sun was gleaming

In addition to eliciting commentary from when he would be up at 5 a.m. doing chores Lang about The Magical Spring of 1993— on his family's farm in Saskatchewan." net as a Leafs beat reporter in 1995.

was King and there was an etiquette. Milt Adam Graves explained why. Graves de-Dunnell, Jim Hunt—the legendary reporters scribed Tie as freakishly strong. His neck all asked their questions first and TV waited size was 19 inches. When he got hit, his its turn."

The veteran broadcaster was also remind- 100-pound dumb bell with one hand." ed about his Super Bowl coverage by Ap- After sharing insights into Max Domi – plebaum and Lang recalled "Eli Manning's "How many people get the chance to write

witnessed. It showed that anything is possi- an Berard who lost the sight in one eye after ble in sports."

One of the more charming segments of Berard's famous self-effacing humor was ed by Applebaum entitled Internet—True teammates on losing coverage on a forward or False. Lang engaged the audience with by saying, "Sorry guys-I didn't see him." a number of true responses to getting a pro- Applebaum shifted the focus on books duction credit on the Tragically Hip's Wheat about hockey players to Lang's more recent Kings album, bonding with Jesse Palmer and works that celebrate the sport itself. In the enjoying night life venues in New York that best-selling series Everyday Hockey Heonly Palmer had exclusive access to, and roes (Volumes 1,2, and 3), Lang expressed dressing up as Q-107's bear mascot.

ing non-fiction, Applebaum explored Lang's for so many people. Hockey is for everyone writing career that sprung from the broad- and I wanted to tell their stories." caster's many connections with Leafs players In My Day with the Cup—which Tie Domi, Max Domi, and Brian Berard.

day and the importance of a good work ethic library privileges."

the last time a Canadian-based team won the In Lang's book on Tie Domi, entitled Stanley Cup - Applebaum moved the fea- Shift Work, he described the famous Leaf tured guest seamlessly into his era at Sports- enforcer's "333 fighting majors that he picked up over his career."

Lang noted that "In the 90s, Print Media" Domi rarely lost a fight and teammate head didn't move. He could pick up a

amazing performance to defeat Tom Brady." books about a father and a son?"-Lang "It was one of the craziest things I've ever moved his focus to valiant defenseman Brian accidental high stick by Marian Hossa.

Thursday night's event was a game initiat- most evident when he apologized to his

his intent to "tell the stories of all the heroic In a smooth segue out of fun facts into writ- people who have made hockey accessible

that resulted in books about Wendel Clark, climbed to #2 on the Canadian Non-Fiction Best-Sellers List—Lang described the Lang spoke warmly about Clark and not- protocols surrounding Lord Stanley's Mug: ed that "Wendel never lost a tooth fighting "The rule is you have to have won the Cup in the NHL. He was a legend as a Toronto to touch it." At that moment, the animated Maple Leaf. He's such a good example of Lang knocked over an amplifier—causing being humble and how to behave. He would Library tech staff to scurry to his aid and arrive early for treatments from the training eliciting a warning from Applebaum: "If staff and he learned about early starts to the you do that again, you're going to lose your

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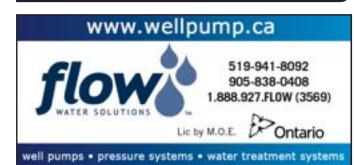




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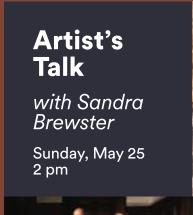
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