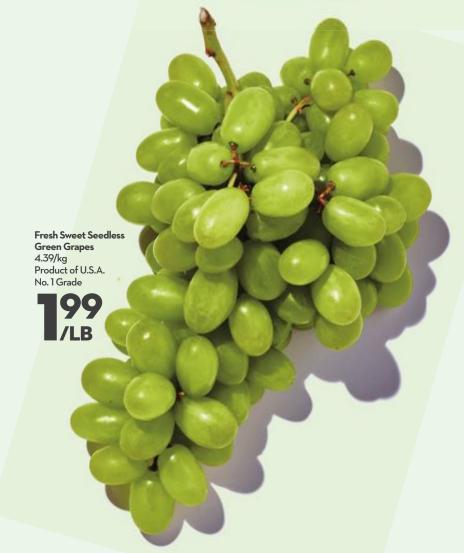


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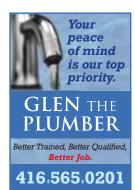
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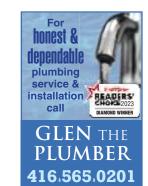
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It Takes a Village: Belfountain Heritage Society gears up for bicentennial bash

LOCAL JOURNALISM

INITIATIVE REPORTER

Many may recognize the Belfountain Heritage Society from the preservation and restoration of the Historic Melville White Church in Caledon, but this year they're taking on another massive project: the Belfountain Bicentennial in October.

The not-for-profit society came together over the designated heritage property of the Historic Melville White Church.

The church, built in 1837, required attention and care, and the Belfountain Heritage Society stepped up to restore, preserve, and maintain the building 30 years ago.

Over the past three decades, they have completed multiple fundraisers to aid in their efforts for the

The church is now available to the community for weddings and events.

Now, they're tackling yet another massive heritage project for the Belfountain Community, the bicentennial event.

Belfountain is turning 200 with a bang this year, thanks to the Heritage Society.

The celebration, set to be held October 4, will be complete with local art and artists, horse-drawn carriage rides, re-enacted battles from the War of 1812, a parade, and the long-awaited unveiling of the commemorative sculpture.

During the rehabilitation of Belfountain last summer, a proposal for a clock tower was made for

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Throughout 2025, Caledon Fire and Emer-

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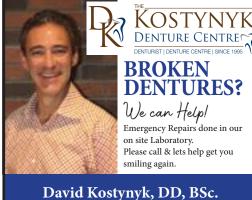
Challenge coins have a long-standing tradition

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Volunteer firefighter Matthew Morton designed the Centennial Challenge Coin.

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BY RILEY MURPHY

INITIATIVE REPORTER

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Tick risk growing in Peel's parks and trails

BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

According to the Government of Canada, in 2025, we are seeing Blacklegged ticks spreading to new areas in Canada, in part due to climate change.

Blacklegged ticks, otherwise known as deer ticks, can transmit bacteria, viruses and parasites that can cause Lyme disease.

Caledon is classified as a high-risk area, according to the Government of Canada's Lyme disease risk areas map.

In 2024, Peel experienced a record number of 50 confirmed human cases of Lyme disease, according to Health Professionals Update – Vol. 18, No. 16 by Peel Region.

Most of these cases reported tick exposures that occurred outside of Peel Region, however, local exposures to blacklegged ticks were also reported by cases in Mississauga, Brampton, and Cale-

Peel Public Health shared with the Citizen that all of Peel is an established risk area for the species of tick that transmits Lyme disease.

"Year-to-date, there are four confirmed cases in Peel, one of which reported a tick exposure in Caledon," said Peel Public Health in a statement.

Peel Public Health shared cases of Lyme disease peak in July and August each year, and there is a reporting lag due to the time it takes for individuals to seek care, undergo testing, and receive a diagnosis.

For this reason, they expect that cases will increase significantly in the next few months.

Notwithstanding the local risk, most Peel cases report tick exposures during travel outside the region, such as camping trips and vacations to Eastern Ontario, Quebec, and the Atlantic provinces.

Peel Public Health shared that the main way to protect against Lyme disease is to prevent tick bites and to remove any ticks promptly.

They advise using a bug spray with DEET or icaridin before going outside, and wear closed-toe shoes, light coloured clothing that covers the skin, and tuck your pant legs into your socks.

While outdoors, stay on groomed or paved paths away from tall grasses and do not sit on rocks or logs

Be sure to check yourself and your pets for ticks after being

Remove any ticks by using tweezers and gently pulling straight up until the tick releases from the skin.

After returning indoors, take a shower and dry your clothes in a dryer on high for 10 minutes.

They urge anyone who has been bitten by a blacklegged tick to speak to their healthcare provider or ask at a participating pharmacy about antibiotics to prevent the development of Lyme disease.

Residents can submit photos of ticks to etick.ca, a free online tick identification service.

An expert will identify the tick, usually within 24 hours, and then provide the results and health-related tips via email.

The Government of Canada advises that you kill the tick before disposing of it by drowning it in rubbing alcohol or by freezing it for several days.

Avoid squashing ticks with bare fingers as infection may enter through breaks in your skin, such as close to the fingernail.

You can dispose of ticks in your household garbage once they're

For more information on Lyme disease cases as well as other vector borne diseases visit www.publichealthontario.ca/en/Data-and-Analysis/Infectious-Disease/VBD-Tool.



John and Ruth Downey

Agritourism Ontario presents the inaugural Legacy Award to John and Ruth Downey

BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

At the Agritourism Ontario annual summer barbecue, John and Ruth Downey were presented with the first-ever Legacy Award.

Agritourism Ontario is a not-forprofit, educational, and promotional organization founded in 1973.

Its general membership is made up of dedicated Ontario farmers with a keen interest in promoting the direct farm sales industry, which includes on-farm markets and pick-your-own operations, and encouraging improvements and maintaining integrity in the industry, according to their website.

The Legacy Award honours those whose vision, resilience, and pioneering spirit have left a lasting impact on agritourism in Ontario.

Recipients are those who have shaped the future of the industry through leadership, innovation, and heart, "True legends".

The Downeys were recognized in this award for their years of hard work shaping the agritourism landscape in

Downey's Farm is a 100-acre farm dairy barn into a farm market. that has been owned and operated by the Downey family since 1920.

It is a 4th-generation farm and a 2nd-generation farm for agri-tourism.

The farm continues to be privately owned and operated by John and Ruth's youngest daughter, Darlene, and her husband, Nathan, here in Caledon.

Darlene Downey shared that growing up on the farm, she saw firsthand the level of commitment her parents brought to Downey's.

"From early mornings in the fields to busy weekends welcoming families, they were fully invested in every part of the operation. They created a place where people could enjoy the farm and learn about agriculture. Their work ethic, adaptability, and focus on the customer experience are what built Downey's into what it is today," she

She said her parents always recognized there was potential to do more with the farm than just traditional agriculture.

In the 1990s, John and Ruth Downey pushed through several regulatory and industry barriers to convert their old

Darlene shared that this was uncommon at the time, and their efforts laid the groundwork for what many farms can do today with far fewer obstacles, both in Caledon and Ontario.

The farm market offers fresh Ontario fruits and vegetables, homemade preserves, honey, maple syrup, and inhouse bakery items.

As an Agritourism Ontario Board Chair, she shared that she is proud to see Agritourism Ontario recognize the people who have played a key role in building this industry.

As their daughter, she said it's as equally meaningful.

"It's rewarding to see my parents be acknowledged as the first recipients of this award through their hard work and long-standing commitment. They've contributed a lot to both the local community and the broader agritourism sector, and this recognition is well-deserved."

Downey's Farm is open daily, and visitors can enjoy the farm store, wagon rides, a Farmyard Play area, and more farm-filled fun.





The patio located outside of Blissfully Baked x The Little Almond, connected to Wine Spot's patio

Downtown Bolton Patio Pilot on through October

BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of Caledon has launched its seasonal patio pilot program in Downtown Bolton.

The pilot, running from July 28 to October 3, 2025, was created to support small businesses and enhance the downtown experience.

Eric Lucic, Commissioner of Planning and Development, said the idea for the patio pilot came directly from feedback they received during community engagement in 2024.

Residents and businesses, he said, told them they wanted to see more seasonal patios, more public gathering space, and a more walkable, lively down-

"This pilot gives us a chance to test those ideas in a real-world setting, gather feedback, and better understand what works for Bolton before making any decisions," says Lucic.

They believe the Downtown Bolton Patio Pilot will bring new energy and foot traffic to the core of downtown.

"It's an opportunity to reimagine how public space can be used to prioritize people, gathering, and local experiences. By enhancing the pedestrian environment and creating space for patios and cafés, we're supporting small businesses, encouraging tourism, and creating a more vibrant, livable downtown," he says.

There are currently two businesses involved in the patio pilot: Wine Spot and Blissfully Baked x The Little Almond.

For Wine Spot, the patio brings back an element that they had during COVID.

They originally had a temporary patio in the back of their restaurant.

"We think it's a fantastic way to bring more peo-

ple to downtown Bolton and to increase pedestrians. The more pedestrians, the better it is for all businesses down there, so as soon as the application came out this year, we filled it out immediately, and we're really excited to see it come together so quickly this summer," shared Kimberly Medeiros, co-owner of Wine Spot.

She shared they have been excited for the pilot since the economic survey for downtown Bolton.

Medeiros says they're excited for people to experience Downtown Bolton in a different way.

"We want to see a great vibrant downtown," she

Blissfully Baked x The Little Almond is using the pilot to help expand their accessibility.

The cozy café is located on the lower floor, and co-owners Taylor Arrowsmith and Shaina Lindeyer said the patio pilot allows their customers another option as opposed to climbing down the stairs to enter their café.

"It's nice that they can still have the treat. We just take their order upstairs and then we bring it up to them; it's nice that they have a place to sit outside now," said Lindeyer.

They are also looking forward to another aspect of the pilot, the opportunity for more people to enjoy their outdoor space, and become more aware of

Since they are located downstairs, some people say they didn't even know they were there and wish they had found them sooner.

"But now with the patio you literally run into us now because we're on the street. So, I feel like it might also help grab more people's attention toward us," laughed Arrowsmith.

Walkway removal will begin on October 4, 2025; until then residents can soak up the sun with these new patios.



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On Wednesday, Old Elwood Dr. West and Hwy. 50 in Bolton were closed at the train tracks due to a fire on a train car. No injuries were reported by the OPP and the closure was lifted at 9.03 a.m.

SUSPENDED DRIVER

Officers from the Caledon OPP have laid numerous charges upon a suspended driver in Caledon.

"On July 24, 2025, just before 7:30 p.m., officers were on general patrol in the area of Airport Road and King Street, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "The in-cruiser Automated Licence Plate Recognition (ALPR) system issued an alert regarding a suspended driver. A traffic stop was conducted upon the vehicle and an investigation began."

Following the investigation, Karamjot Singh, 29, of Cambridge, was charged with:

- Obstruct peace officer;
- Possession of a Schedule I sub-
- Driving while under suspension;



Operate a motor vehicle without insurance.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on August 28, 2025 to answer to these charges.

The charges have not been proven.

Additionally, the driver's vehicle was impounded for a period of seven days.

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.

For more information about licence suspensions and penalties, please visit: www. ontario.ca/page/reinstate-suspended-drivers-licence.

ALCOHOL-RELATED CHARGES

Officers from the Caledon OPP have laid numerous charges following four alcohol related investigations in less than 48 hours.

"On July 19, 2025, at approximately

2:15 a.m., Caledon OPP officers responded to a report of a single vehicle collision on Mayfield Road, near McLaughlin Road, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "Officers arrived on scene and subsequently formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by

Following the investigation, Parmveer Boyal, 27, of Shelburne, was charged with:

• Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus).

The charge has not been proven.

"Just minutes later, Caledon OPP officers responded to reports of a traffic complaint regarding a vehicle stopped within a live lane of traffic on Old School Road, at Dixie Road, in the Town of Caledon. Shortly after 2:30 a.m., officers arrived on scene and subsequently formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol."

As a result of the investigation, Bikramjit Singh, 33, of Caledon, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired alcohol;
- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus).

The charges have not been proven.

"The following day, on July 20, 2025, at approximately 2:45 a.m., Caledon OPP officers were on general patrol in the area of Innis Lake

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Road and Healey Road, in the Town of Caledon, when a vehicle was observed displaying poor driving behaviour. A traffic stop was conducted and officers formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol, in addition to other criminal offences."

Following the investigation, a 31-year-old from Caledon, was charged with:

• Failure to comply with release order - two

The charge has not been proven.

The driver was also issued a seven-day driver's licence suspension as a result of their blood alcohol concentration.

"Later that same day, at approximately 4:15 p.m., Caledon OPP officers responded to a report of a three-vehicle collision on Highway 10, at Olde Base Line Road, in the Town of Caledon. Officers arrived on scene and subsequently formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol."

As a result, Giovanna Vespasiani, 55, of Mississauga, was charged with:

- Fail to remain;
- Operation while impaired alcohol;
- Operation while impaired blood alcohol concentration (80 plus).

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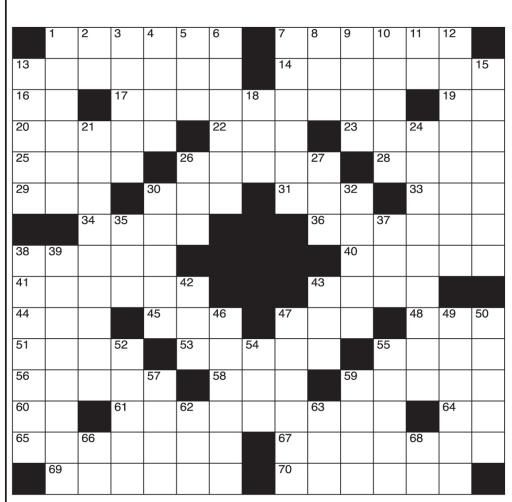
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Centennial Challenge Coin honours Past, Present, and Future of Caledon Fire & Emergency Services

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"Challenge coins carry stories of courage, commitment, and community," says Fire Chief Dave Pelayo. "As we mark 100 years of service, this challenge coin is a tribute to every firefighter who has helped shape our department's legacy. It symbolizes where we've been, who we are, and the values that will guide us into the future."

This coin captures the 100th anniversary of CFES in a multitude of different ways.

To showcase the past and present, the coin shows a historic pumper truck and a modern squad vehicle, symbolizing the evolution of firefighting equipment and techniques over the last century.

The piece also incorporates elements of the CFES logo, such as the badge shape and the maple leaf.

This was a nod to both the department's identity and its proud place in the Canadian fire service tradition. Matthew Morton, a volunteer firefighter from Station 303, designed

the challenge coin. In the Town of Caledon's media release, they shared he has been with Station 303 for two years as a volunteer firefighter, and he wanted to be a

part of such a significant milestone in the department's history. He's always had an artistic side to him, and was happy to share it in a meaningful way.

In the release, Pelayo says Morton was able to take their history and include their future in the coin design, which allows them to remember where they came from, and look forward to the future and what is before

"Designing the coin is my way of giving thanks to the Chiefs, Captains, and fellow firefighters who have mentored me. I hope this coin reflects the growth, dedication, and unity of our department," says Morton.

Judith D'Souza Soares, Commissioner of Community Services, in a statement to the Citizen, said having a member of the CFES team design the coin is incredibly meaningful.

"When someone steps forward to take on something like this, not because they have to, but because they want to, it says a lot about the pride and connection they feel to the department and community. Hearing Matthew speak about how his fellow firefighters inspired the design really brought it full circle. This coin is as much theirs as it is his," says

Soares said the challenge coin captures both the history and momentum of CFES, and it's a quiet but powerful reminder that the strength has always come from working together and that every member plays a role in shaping who they are.

"This coin is more than a keepsake. It's a symbol of service, of stepping up when it matters, and of belonging to something that stretches across generations. For those who came before, it's recognition. For those currently serving, it's a moment to pause and reflect. And for those still to come, I hope it's a reminder that their story will help shape the next hundred years," she says.



Campers from the D2D July camp are pictured collecting zucchini for their zucchini brownies.

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Palgrave United Community Kitchen "Dirt to Delicious" camp returns in August

BY RILEY MURPHY

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

There's still time to register for Palgrave United Community Kitchen's (PUCK) last Dirt to Delicious (D2D) Summer Day Camp for the 2025 Summer.

The camp will run from August 11 to 15, for children ages 8 to 12.

At D2D, campers will learn valuable cooking and baking skills, make new friends, explore different cuisines, and learn about local agriculture.

When they're not cooking, campers enjoy both indoor and outdoor games and hikes, personalizing their aprons, and getting a break from the heat with some water games.

In the July camp, the campers travelled around the world with their cooking.

They made pizza, Greek wraps, salad kits, garlic bread, tacos, bruschetta, and many other dishes.

Maureen Ramsay, a volunteer with PUCK, shared that often during the camp, kids get to experience food and cuisines they haven't tried before.

Another aspect of the camp is the day trip to Albion Hills Community Farm, where the campers can learn about local

agriculture and the importance of sustainable farming. The trip offers the opportunity to learn about different

aspects of food harvesting and local produce. In the most recent camp, kids were able to suit up and

check out the bees and monarch meadows.

The activities are tailored to the farm's seasonal activi-

Ramsay noted a significant aspect of the camp is the diverse range of cooking and food knowledge among the

The farm acts as another part of that, she said, and the campers can discuss the food web, where food comes from, and much more.

Alongside the food web, one of the essential things the campers learn is food safety.

Ramsay said they put a lot of emphasis on things like washing hands, knife safety, and washing dishes.

When it comes to local produce, the campers learn how to wash and prepare their food, as well as how to tell when something is "fresh."

"They used rosemary and basil from the garden, and zucchini from the garden to make zucchini brownies," shared Ramsay. "They were able to associate those things with what we were growing."

The camp and kitchen work also teaches the valuable tool of cooperation and working in teams.

At the end of the last camp, parents were able to attend, and Ramsay said the kids enjoyed when their parents got to see them in their chef's apron.

"The kids really liked the special events. They really, really enjoy working towards that goal."

She said the camp is something different than most, with a strong mix of inside and outside time.

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Amazon donates 150 school supply bags to **Tony Pontes Public School students**

BY RILEY MURPHY

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Amazon representatives visited Tony Pontes Public School in Caledon this week to distribute 150 bags of school supplies to students during their first week back to school.

Students who attend Tony Pontes Public School follow the Balanced School Year Calendar, which features a shorter summer break than the regular calendar, but more breaks during the rest of the year.

Although their learning spans the year, students attending the Balanced Calendar School will receive the same number of instructional days as all Peel students.

These students just returned from their July break on Monday, and what better way to kick off returning to school than brand new school supplies.

The bags held items such as notebooks, pens, scissors, erasers, sharpeners, pencil cases, highlighters, and more.

Amanda Zarifopoulos, General Manager's Assistant with Amazon, shared that Amazon encourages all associates to give back.

As a very large company, she said Amazon can truly make an impact through volunteering.

They brainstormed a few ideas, and one of them was to donate 500 bags of school sup-

They had a budget to produce 150 bags and applied for a grant to help create and distribute 350 more, which was approved.

She said the Balanced School Calendar worked out extremely well for this idea, allowing them to distribute the 150 now and give out 350 in September.

Raffalina Cosentino, an area manager with Amazon, said when Zarifopoulos put the idea out, she volunteered right away.

Cosentino said she was a member of the parents' association for her daughter's school, and says she knows what a struggle it is to fundraise and make money for things the schools need.

"To actually be here and then see it going to the kids is actually really rewarding," said Cosentino. "It's such a great cause."

Zarifopoulos shared she also used to volunteer at her kids' school, and said knowing how the kids will respond is a great feeling.

"[Amazon is] a great company in terms of what they want us to do, and by giving back, the message that they send to the associates, people that work there, is a really positive one of getting out there and giving back to the community, which is what we're trying to do," said Zarifopoulos.

Anthony Barron, General Manager working out of an Amazon facility in Calgary, said the event was "tremendously humbling."

"We often think about giving back and doing these volunteer or donation events, and you don't always get to see the end result of it all. Walking into the room and seeing the faculty and all the students, along with the overall appreciation, was truly remarkable. It just shows what the impact we can have," says Barron. "We often say we ship boxes, but we do so much more in our communities that I think when we bring that to the forefront, it shows the impact it has. Especially this young group of students, having supplies to be able to start their day. This shows that we can empower them to continue to learn and

really succeed in this next year

of school."

In the future, Barron said, they hope to look at branching out from just back to school and looking at the whole calendar

"From my view, it's a chance for us not only to partner with one school within the community and see if there's ways to give back in numerous ways, meeting so many great people today, it's also a great chance to see where we can do more. I think for me, it's a good step forward to having a foot in the door to be able to expand this partnership further."

Principal Mohan Mathews led the students in saying thank you to Amazon.

He spoke on the importance of the words "thank you" and "volunteer", and what it truly means to give back and the meaning of kindness.

Stan Cameron, Trustee for Caledon Peel District School Board, said the principal's focus for Tony Pontes Public School is kindness.

"What we're about to experience in the receiving end of kindness is what our Amazon friends are bringing us today," said Cameron.

He helped organize the event and shared, "before they knew it," the act of gift-giving had been arranged.

Grade Two and Three classes created individual thankyou messages, each colourfully written on a Bristol board and read aloud by the students.

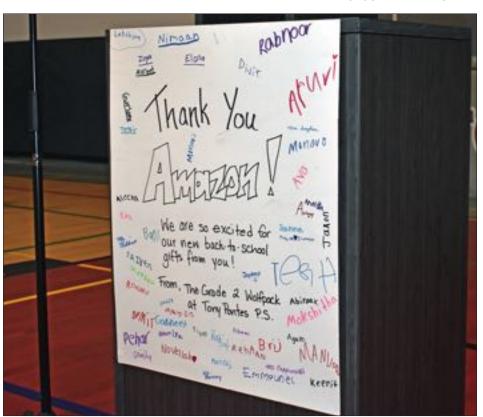
Students were then able to line up and collect their bags from the "Thank you Amazon" table that students from Tony Pontes Public School had put

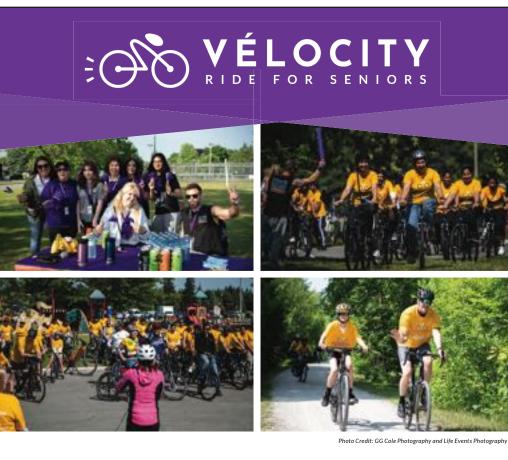
They then filed out of the gym, eager to start their new school season with brand new supplies.



(Above) Nishi Misra and Niam Raisi are pictured with their Amazon Bag, which were distributed in multiple colours. (Below) A poster made by Tony Pontes Public School students thanked Amazon for their donations.

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Sleeping on the job and the ballot

Sleep and I have often had a love-hate retimelines – but for different reasons. lationship.

slumber can be a pesky, but necessary, incon-

It's a feeling that lingers despite being fuldeep snore-fest.

Just a couple of weeks ago, for instance, at around 10.45 p.m. or so, I went into the bedroom to put some freshly-laundered sheets back on the bed before that evening's lightsout, which, at that point, wasn't planned for a few hours yet. After tucking in the hardest-toreach corner, however, the next thing I knew it was 11 a.m. the next morning – and thankfully that turned out to be a Sunday, so I didn't have anywhere special to be!

Before that point, I can't remember the last time I got more than a good eight hours of sleep, but I certainly did feel turbo-charged afterwards. I got so much accomplished on that particular Sunday, the only speed bump coming that evening when it was time to get ahead of the game for a busy Monday; I was completely wide awake well beyond midnight, which caused its own problems the next day.

One of these days, however, I'm confident I'll crack the code. As so many like to say, it's all about finding that balance. It's eluded me so far, but I won't give up.

My earliest days at our Aurora paper were something of a free-for-all in the quest for balance until I finally found my footing.

Duties at that time were a bit lighter as I was a reporter rather than an editor, and although my first editor here, Ron Wallace, rarely had any weekend assignments for me then, he also rarely ruled them out, so I had to keep on my

Perhaps in a bad habit I picked up at university, my idea of balance those many years ago was blitzing through all the stories I had to write on Friday night, sometimes working through to the following morning's sunrise, sleeping for a few hours, and then having the rest of the weekend free for myself, family

It seemed like a good idea at the time, but this method proved itself to be unsustainable in the long-term, so the hunt for balance was back on. Such a balance was eventually found, but it needed some further tweaking once I eye-watering list of candidates, protestors, succeeded Ron in 2011. But, still, every once rabble-rousers, or however you want to define in a while, some near-all-nighters are neces-

Take election nights, for instance.

As someone with a healthy interest in politics, election nights always have their own special brand of excitement and much of that comes with uncertainty. If you think you know what your Election Day will entail when you wake up in the morning, you're wrong. There are too many variables. You might get all the results you need in quick order, but, more often than not, there are factors that can get in the way of an early night.

Election campaign began, I couldn't have foreseen that my evening would conclude not only at 2 a.m., but in the kitchen of one of the victorious candidates, getting commentary on of politics in Alberta, I'd wager the chances her successful bid for a seat in the House of Commons. A memorable evening, to be sure, similarly lithe – so, regardless of your politibut not ideal conditions to be fully functional cal leanings, I think we can all be grateful we the next day.

The most recent election ran along similar er for this race's thrilling conclusion!

The results came in quickly for many of Don't get me wrong - I fully recognize the the ridings in which our newspapers operate importance of a good night's rest, and all the - bar a later-than-expected count in Brampton wonderful health benefits that come with it - North-Caledon - so I was home shortly after but in a day and age where time always seems midnight, but it was still several hours before I to be at a premium, it sometimes feels that turned in...but only after giving up hope hearing the final results in the riding of Carleton in real-time before my personal gas tank ran dry.

As we know, that was the long-held riding of ly aware of how good one feels after a really Conservative leader Pierre Poilievre, and, as it turned out, he ultimately lost his own election to Liberal candidate Bruce Fanjoy, who sealed the deal due to a long and successful ground game and, as some would argue, because there were a whopping 91 candidates on the ballot.

> The riding was targeted by the Longest Ballot Committee, an activist movement that has been advocating for significant electoral reform across the country since its foundation

> Critics of the move to have an eye-watering number of names on the ballot say their efforts were deliberately targeting Poilievre - and, of course they were - but aside from raising the profile of their activist organization, their efforts were rather inconsequential.

> Fanjoy, for instance, received an impressive 43,846 votes, coming ahead of Poilievre, who garnered 39,333 votes. Looking solely at the independent candidates in the race - that is, those who declined to state any party affiliation - the grand total failed to crack 1,000 votes, so whatever the mission, I don't think it was quite accomplished. Nor can it be attributed to the leader's eventual loss.

> The real victory may just have been all those who took the time to learn the Latin alphabet they could find their candidate of choice on the lengthy ballot!

> Now, as the Conservative leader vies for another seat in the House of Commons in the upcoming by election in the Alberta riding of Battle River-Crowfoot, the Longest Ballot Committee is at it again - and, at press time, had long exceeded their record with more than 200 candidates signed up.

> Elections Canada announced Monday that due to the sheer number of candidates on the ballot, the traditional ballots in which each candidate is listed alphabetically will be replaced with one in which voters will be able to write in the name of their candidate of choice.

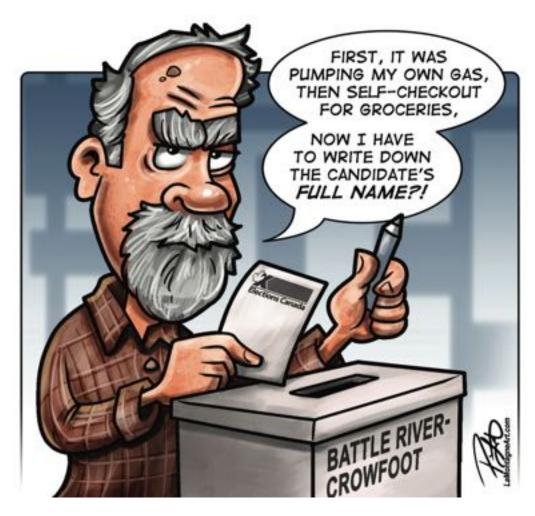
> So much for the impact of seeing another

In their quest for the longest ballot, it seems as though their real objective of opposing the idea that "politicians shouldn't be in charge of their own ethics and election rules" and doing away with Canada's long-held first-past-thepost electoral system are getting lost in the noise - no matter how warranted their concerns might be. And there is always a conversation to be had on these subjects.

The chances of a substantive talk about these issues happening before the voters of Battle River-Crowfoot have their pencils in When the final day of the 2021 Federal hand are, in my opinion, slim - so, it will be interesting to see what these Canadians do next to keep the conversation going.

> In the meantime, given the current state of anyone but Poilievre carrying the day are probably won't have to pull another all-night-





Reflecting on 30 years of togetherness



Thirty years - three decades, 120 seasons, had over the years. 10,950 days of breathing, living, experiencing and holding hands with the woman I married.

Sounds like a lot, but in reality, time has flown by. My eyes well up more often lately, and in my at their earliest opportunity and knew where near-sighted corneas, Kim never looked so good.

> For you see, while hindsight may be 20-20, true vision lies in seeing what's behind those baby blues of hers.

heart per se, but in the part of the brain that glows terness and heartache. with emotion.

ished, calming chemicals like oxytocin and va- to do. sopressin keep us close. Love, technically, never dwindles, and the hypothalamus keeps us strong.

was, I remember, with crystal clarity, the evening I proposed to Kim on the deck of the Empire Sandy sailing on Lake Ontario. My effort to recreate once, most like part of a poem I penned on a this experience didn't come together this year, but it's ingrained in both our minds.

Over dinner recently, we discussed bringing to- to go." gether a "collection" of great memories, events, foods, experiences that spring to mind. Not an easy task after 30 years, but there are always many fond moments and countless fun times to around inside our heads and hearts. choose from.

bits are more valuable than diamond anniversary gold or jewels or fancy baubles. How could they compare to what's right in front of me?

play of things from our vacations - passport pages, souvenirs, bits of Bahamian currency, and a few key chains. It's a really cool piece to look at over and over.

In trying to prepare for our 30th, hurdles kept popping up – new cell phone upgrades, car repair ready for the next round, which is sure to come. bills, a visit from a plumber and appliance repairman. Oh, and credit card fraud!

I told her that time away together is likely the best salve, the salt around the rim of a margarita, mitment. the coconut rum in a pina colada. Rentals in cottage country command a pretty penny these days, especially during long weekends.

Our lives were so carefree when we were hope for the best. young. Couples often lose themselves when children enter the picture. The focus switches, becomes dead-straight. We do what we must to teach, protect and provide for our families, often at our own expense.

I have lost countless nights of sleep, worrying about whether I'm doing enough, providing enough and being enough for my wife and kids.

The jury is still out.

Life is work. It's not easy and seldom is anything handed to us. We continue to work, strive and set examples.

Mine would be a perfect combination of Spock and Jack Black, with a bit of Howard Wolowitz I wouldn't change a second! tossed in for good measure.

Maybe not the most outstanding role model, until it's time to go.

by Mark Pavilons

but one filled with colourful metaphors, logic, humour and a bit of craziness. I'm the unexpected tangy flavour on a gourmet plate!

When I tell my wife I love her "more," I don't mean more than she loves me. I mean more than any sunrise over any tropical beach. More than a dozen shooting stars, or the largest display of fireworks. More than all the silly arguments we've

I love her more than meets the eye, the gentle-

ness of her soul and her compassionate nature. I love her strength and "mama bear" ferocity.

I love the way she calms the waters when things get rocky and we're all clinging to the sides of the lifeboat.

Sometimes we get to a stage of life where we look back with regrets or misgivings. If we dwell That's where the magic happens, not in the too long in the past, we can be overcome by bit-

I remember a high school friend telling me While the initial dopaminergic thrill has dimin- never to regret the things we do, but those we fail

That advice rings true, always.

"We had us a time, didn't we?" I tell her, re-While my memory isn't as good as it once citing a line from Jack Frost. Tears well up at the finite nature of that statement.

> My wife never forgets a line I wrote to her restaurant napkin.

"Take my hand and let's walk, until it's time

Again, a bit of a human mortality there.

The reason I bring these up is that you can nevoverlook, ignore or bury the love that bounces

Some couples believe the tremendous gravita-A visit to Blue Mountain; ordering conch frit- tional forces that brought them together should ters from a Bahamian restaurant; These cherished remain bright and vibrant, like the sun itself. Love is fluid – it learns new dance steps along the way. bands (but I'm still trying to get one). I don't need It learns to adapt, to cut to the chase, to embrace blessings.

I sometimes joke about how much fun we had A few years ago, I created a shadow box dis- BK (Before Kids), before we had to get serious about "adulting."

> Yes, there have been many times where I felt like flopping face-down on the driveway, asking about missed soccer games like the TV commercial. But you get up, dust yourself off, and get

> We plan, prepare, raise, teach, guide, support and strengthen one another. We do it because we're bound, not just by a promise, but a com-Humans are multi-faceted creatures and have a

lot "going on." Life can be a crap shoot – you roll the dice and

If you're lucky enough to enjoy some prosperity, great. If these multi-sided pieces of plastic land in such a way that you find your soul-mate - you're the luckiest person alive!

Life is challenging and we must always strive to do better and be better.

As the cards turn face up, we're "all in." I can't even fathom a life without Kim in it.

There's no questions in my mind that I would not have made it this far without her. She deserves the world. If only I could "wish

away" my mistakes and personal failures. While we've annoyed one another since 1995,

Kim, hold my hand and let's continue to walk,

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Heat, Hunger and Healthy Vegetables

on, hunger is always an issue, and healthy vegcamp or a cottage, take little day trips locally or farther afield, or simply bask in the sun. For others, however, summer changes nothing and may even make day to day existence more of a struggle, particularly during the extreme heat events like those we seem to be experiencing more and more these days. If you are able, perhaps you can tle additional reminder stems from a lifetime of help make a difference in the lives of those who managing food allergies, wherever possible (and find summer yet one more challenge to be dealt with rather than enjoyed.

Thoughts of summer being particularly hot similar products have a peanut free label on them! this year got me thinking about winter, back to

vival mode" in winter with only the thoughts wonderful veggie gardens, an initiative driven by dents who visit the Exchange." of a beautiful summer BBQ on a beach helping School Trustee Stan Cameron and supported by them push through, for many others summer is no different from winter in terms of just trying to those with underlying medical issues, all are at a fabulous example of what can happen when risk and respite is hard to come by. Combine that an idea is championed and a community comes with hunger and the heat isn't just unbearable, it's together in support of it. They present teachers potentially downright dangerous.

Checking in with the Exchange, located at 55 Healey Road in Bolton, Caledon Community Services confirms what I anticipated to be true. volved in nurturing garden growth from seed to cottage or camping experience, donations to the of growing at least some of their own veggies. Exchange tend to drop at this time of year.

Heading out of town for a break is wonderful, Exchange and those who depend on it, too. but it often means we've forgotten to consider a donation (food or monetary) to the food bank be- harvest is shared in three ways: "anyone in the fore we go. For those left behind relying on the Exchange for all, or to augment their weekly nutritional requirements, the bare shelves that greet them are demoralizing, yet another stark reminder of the different kind of summer they are experiencing. You can help.

Donna Cragg, Director of Communications

Three things are on the menu today: the heat is exception. Additionally, summer presents a two-from their school's fold challenge; not only are the shelves depleted, garden harvest." etables are available now, fresh from gardens but CCS is "challenged with building up the inacross Caledon. Summer for many is a time of ventory of nutritious kids snacks to support the escape: a chance to dispense with routine, go to fast approaching back to school time that starts

> Learning on an empty belly presents its own unique challenges. Here's what the Exchange is most in need of right now: canned soup, mac & cheese, cereal, oatmeal, peanut butter and staples such as flour, rice, and potatoes. My own lita requirement) make sure those granola bars and

> have a child registered in the Peel District School

with curriculum and learning opportunities and to table," where food comes from, and what's in-

Mr. Cameron shared that the veggie program community can take whatever food they need," and in at least seven of the local schools partial harvesting of items like lettuce, zucchini and cucumbers is already taking place, about which Stan says, "we are happy that community members get access to these veggies."

Finally, the third way the bounty is shared is through the Exchange. Just last week, "22lbs of fresh beets, radishes, multiple varieties of kale, zucchini, beans, peas and Swiss chard" (all from your article, particularly those of our elected polthe Humberview SS garden) were dropped off at iticians, who see the OLT's decision as a victory. the Exchange and the week prior, proceeds from the Alloa PS garden were shared. It appears to me that this heat is good for one thing; if a garden through Caledon East back in 1979. Our famiis tended well, and watered regularly, the harvest can be shared throughout the summer months.

By PDSB sharing this bounty with the Exparticularly for back-to-school snacks where it's change, everyone in the community benefits! Donna Cragg comments, "the PDSB program that Stan is involved in is amazing - and that is There's also some good news to share about a bright spot within Caledon's rich agricultural school and food supplies at the Exchange. I know summer however, and that's where the reference tradition." She added, "fresh produce from this - weird, but that's the way my brain works some- to vegetables in the headline comes in. If you program, CCS' Grow a Row initiative for home gardeners, and the generosity of local farm pro-While it's true many Canadians go into "sur- Board no doubt you already know about their ducers make a huge difference to Caledon resi-

The heat is on and forecasted to hang around parents, teachers, staff and of course, the children. for a little while longer. No doubt fuelled in part Checking in with Stan recently we learned "all by climate change (despite #47 and others who survive. Every Canadian home has some form of 16 Caledon public schools have a vegetable gardeny that it exists) and locally, by the potential heat, but not everyone has air conditioning and I den on site. Most are absolutely full of life, en- impact of decisions concerning our environment think we'd all agree that lately, the heat has been ergy, (and) colourful vegetables." These gardens, ("Swan Lake" and other former pit rehabilitation pretty unbearable. Seniors and young children, in my humble opinion (as the kids might say) are efforts come to mind) the heat might have an enormous impact on Caledon residents for years to come. But at least for today, let's focus on what good can come from it.

Local school gardens are flourishing and that give students a chance to truly learn about "farm means donations of fresh produce are plentiful at the Exchange. As for the rest of the shelves, summer has left them bare. If you are one of the With many residents lucky enough to enjoy a harvest. It may even set them on a lifetime path lucky ones and are leaving for a long weekend or summer trip to the cottage, consider scheduling a Not only is this a wonderful thing, but it helps the stop to drop off a donation to the Exchange along the way. Summer should be something everyone looks forward to.

(Ongoing issues with water, pits and environmental degradation continue. Opportunities for public input on two additional proposed "changes to the site plan for a pit or quarry," meaning the potential dumping of construction fill into existing water-filled quarries, are due on or before Additionally, teachers are invited, when school August 5. Visit the Environmental Registry of Onand Marketing at CCS, shares that donations are returns, to take "some of the harvest into the tario to learn more and register your opposition typically down in the summer and this year is no school to teach their students what they can make to the continued degradation of Caledon lands!)

Our Readers Write

Reader disappointed by OLT decision

(Re: Caledon, OLT say no to Caledon East Tim Hortons drive-thru. July 24, 2025)

I was disappointed and perhaps I can even say appalled to read the glad handing and self-congratulatory statements by those persons quoted in

In fact, it is a loss for everyone.

I began weekend commuting to ski country ly moved to Caledon in 2009 and I have lived in Caledon East since 2021. I have always looked upon Caledon East as forgettable and unremarkable yet I have seen potential since day one. The biggest challenge with small town development is that everyone without money to invest tries to tell those people with money to invest how and where best to do it. Such an incongruity often leads small towns to be underdeveloped, which is how I have seen Caledon East since 1979.

After reading the article on Saturday morning, I decided to take a walk around Town and better visualize the issues at play. I had a great laugh when I located the properties in question and associated with the word "heritage" in your article. One is a tiny, beaten-up single-story home apparently not lived in for years. The second is a large, two-story cement block house you could not pay me enough to call home. The third is the property that includes the tiny ice cream stand. The world's first "heritage ice cream stand?"

Just how did a commercial business such as this get permission to be this close to the sidewalk? Can Tom's Family Restaurant now expand its outdoor seating right to the sidewalk as well?

Although it is the land that is of obvious interest to the Tim Hortons developers and the battle seems to be over the issue of a drive-thru, I can't see the future of development on these sites should be held up by the importance of the buildings involved.

Are decision-makers making bad decisions here to compensate for horrendous decisions in

I have an MBA and a long career in retail marketing so I feel I might have something worthwhile to add to the debate about drive-thrus in downtown Caledon East.

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Belfountain Heritage Society gears up for bicentennial bash

Continued from FRONT

When it was brought to the Heritage Society, Sarah Bohan, President, Belfountain Heritage Society & Chair, Belfountain Bicentennial Committee, said they saw a golden opportunity for something more for the community.

If the community agreed, they could begin working on a proposal for something other than the clock to help ring in the 200th anniversary of Belfountain.

The community jumped on board, and after a presentation to the Belfountain Community Organization as well, the process began.

Wendy Mitchell, a member of the Belfountain Heritage Society, was commissioned to make a sample, or a maquette, of what the resulting statue would look like.

The statue currently stands at over six feet, and "encapsulates the Niagara Escarpment and Belfountain", said Bohan.

The statue will represent the rich history of Belfountain over the past 200 years, and when bronzed, it will weigh around 550 pounds.

Following plans for the statue, other pieces began to fall into place for the bicentennial cel-

In 1975, residents shared with the society that for the 150th anniversary of Belfountain, there was a parade.

Bohan shared they were excited to replicate that idea, and soon the event grew into what it is now, with Sandhill Pipes and Drums from Caledon set to lead the parade.

Bohan is asking residents to bring a float to the event, or even walk along in the parade.

As long as people are dressed in something of heritage, she said it could be anything from a pioneer outfit to a settler's attire.

The society is also inviting the community to bring their vintage cars for the parade.

Another exciting aspect of the day will be a local art show.

"We're so fortunate in Belfountain, we've got a number of artists," shared Bohan.

One of those artists and long-term residents, Cindy Leeman, has been holding art and decorating workshops where residents can attend to create a piece for the art show.

They're inviting participants to paint, draw, or create in any medium, a heritage feature of Belfountain.

The pieces will be on display before and after the event as well.

Bohan shared that there are numerous heritage properties in Belfountain, and the art show will help to showcase the features of the community they work to protect and preserve.

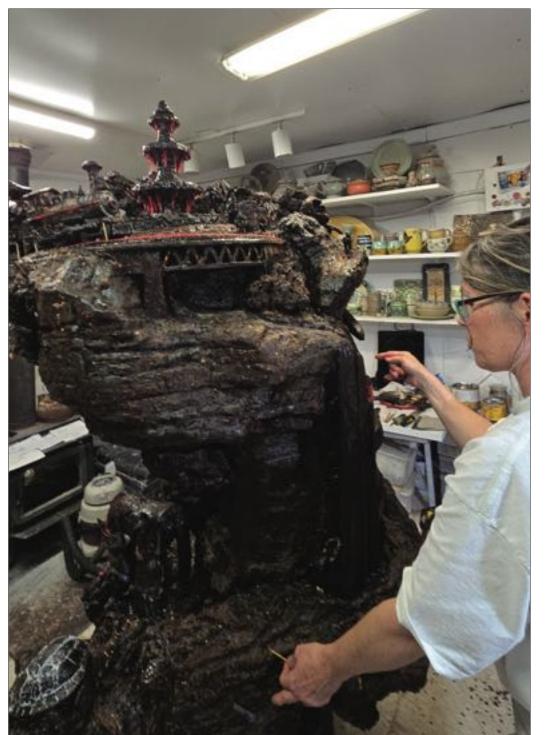
"It's worthy of saving, it's worthy of preserving, it's worthy of keeping it in place, so that the next group of people, the next generation, can appreciate it, and enjoy it," said Bohan.

Mitchell runs the decorating part of the workshop, and said she has created multiple stamps that are going onto pennant flags to represent the heritage and history of Belfountain.

The pennants will then be sewn together by volunteers and displayed in the hamlet during

As the event will be free for the community, Bohan said they are relying on volunteers and donations, as well as their sponsors, to help make the event unforgettable.

Many organizations have stepped up to partner and support the event, including the Belfountain Community organization, the Policaro



Wendy Mitchell can be seen working on the commemorative statue.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Proposed Temporary Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2025-0017

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

Madison Van West, KLM Planning, Inc., on behalf of Amarjit Singh Sandhu

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The applicant proposes a temporary Zoning By-law Amendment to permit the existing use of a Place of Worship (Sikh temple) and an accessory Place of Assembly on the subject lands for a period of three (3) years.

The Place of Worship (Sikh temple) will be used for prayer and meditation, with accessory uses including a free community kitchen, classes (language, music, martial arts, scripture), outdoor activities (volleyball, basketball), occasional youth camps twice a year, workshops once every couple of months, and and prayer services in remembrance of a death or birth in a family once or twice a month, and a total of proposed 60 parking spaces.

The subject lands are currently zoned Agricultural - A1, with the eastern portion zoned Environmental Policy Area 2 -EPA2, which will remain protected.

LEAD PLANNER:

Muhammad Shahid Mughal, MCIP, RPP (905) 584-2272 ext. 4557 or muhammad.mughal@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment, and for supporting material, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner from Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

6600 Mayfield Road, Caledon Part of Lot 1, Concession 2 (Albion) Northeast Intersection of Innis Lake Road and Mayfield Road



change. The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon

ACCESSIBILITY:

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

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

Notice Date: July 31st, 2025

Group, Optimist Club of Caledon, Caledon Ski Club, Caledon Heritage Foundation, and many

To help fundraise, the society has also been holding Belfountain Trivia nights where the community can test their vast knowledge of the community.

Prizes are awarded at each trivia night, including passes to the Caledon Ski Club.

She shared that it is a once-in-a-lifetime event for the community, and they're calling for vol-

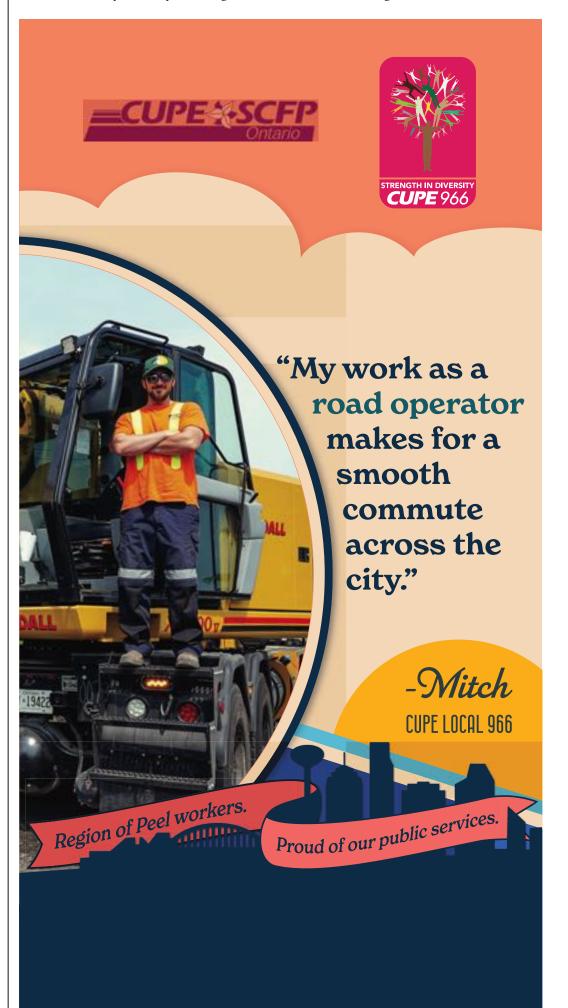
unteers to make it happen.

"It takes a village. Please join us and help because it is fun [and] once you get together with your community, it's like, 'Oh, gosh, it's work, but it's worth it'," laughed Bohan.

To volunteer for the event, or to donate, email belfountainheritage@gmail.com

The final art and decorating workshop and trivia night will be held on August 30.

Details can be found on their website at www. belfountain-heritage.com.





Caledon, ON L7C 1J6 caledon.ca T. 905.584.2272 | 1.888.225.3366 | F. 905.584.4325

6311 Old Church Road

Region of Peel working with you

ALCOHOL-RELATED CHARGES

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All accused parties are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on August 7, 2025, to answer to their charges. Those charged with operation while impaired offences were also subject to a seven-day vehicle impoundment and 90-day driver's licence suspension.

"The OPP remains committed to keeping our communities safe through enforcement and public education. In Ontario, alcohol-impaired driving is one of the leading causes of death on the roads. You can face criminal charges if your blood alcohol concentration is 0.08 or more. You can also face penalties if you are within the "warn range", meaning your blood alcohol concentration between 0.05 and 0.079. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it."

For more information about the penalties of driving impaired, visit: www.ontario.ca/page/impaired-driving.

PROJECT LIFESAVER

The Caledon and Dufferin Detachments of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are proud to share a partnership with Caledon Meals on Wheels, with additional support from the Orangeville Lions Club to help maintain this program.

For the last several years, Caledon OPP, Dufferin OPP, Caledon Meals on Wheels, and Orangeville Lions Club have worked together to bring Project Lifesaver to our communities. This program helps families protect members who may wander, typically individuals living with Alzheimer's disease, Autism, or other cognitive impairments.

Many officers from Caledon and Dufferin OPP have specialized Project Lifesaver training which helps keep vulnerable members of our community safe at home with their loved ones.

Please see the frequently asked questions listed below, and for more information visit, www.cmow. org/project-lifesaver.

What is Project Lifesaver?

Established in 1999, Project Lifesaver is a community based, public safety, non-profit organization that provides law enforcement and caregivers with a program designed to protect, and when necessary, quickly locate individuals with cognitive disorders who are prone to the life-threatening behaviour of wandering.

How does the Project Lifesaver program work?

Once registered, the participant is required to wear a one-ounce wrist transmitter that can tracked up to a two-kilometre radius, 24-hours a day, 365 days a year. When notified by caregivers that an individual is missing, specially trained police officers use mobile tracking equipment to find them.

How do you register into the Project Lifesaver program?

There is a simple three step application process.

- 1. Applicants are screened to confirm if they meet Project Lifesaver criteria.
- 2. Information is provided to applicants about
- the program and the equipment.3. Applicants are registered into the program.

How much does Project Lifesaver cost?

There is an initial charge of approximately \$400 (CAD) to purchase the transmitter; however, a subsidy may be available for participants who qualify. An additional \$10 (CAD) monthly fee for replacement batteries and bracelets is also required.

Is there anything else I should know about the Project Lifesaver program?

Participants must live in Caledon or Dufferin. Participants who move from this area will have to withdraw from the program. However, the program is also available in many other jurisdictions in the province.

Participants must understand and agree that radio-locating technology used in this project is not intended as a substitute for responsible childcare or caregiver practices.



Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land

Form 2

Expropriations Act, R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 363

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of Peel for approval to expropriate the lands, as set out in Schedule "A" herein, in the Town of Caledon, in the Regional Municipality of Peel being:

- 1. **Fee Simple:** All Right, Title and Interest in the land.
 - Permanent Hydro Easement: Limited Interests in Perpetuity for the purpose of a free, uninterrupted and unobstructed permanent easement in gross or rights in the nature of a permanent easement in gross to access, enter, occupy and re-enter the easement lands at any time by The Regional Municipality of Peel and its authorized users, including but not limited to its servants, agents, employees, contractors, sub-contractors, workers, and by The Regional Municipality of Peel's successors and assigns and their authorized users, and by entities authorized by statute to enter and occupy lands for the purposes set out herein, with all necessary material, including, but not limited to, vehicles, machinery, tools, supplies and equipment at all times in, on, through, under, over, across, along and upon, the easement lands for the purposes of facilitating the reconstruction and improvement of Winston Churchill Boulevard and Olde Base Line Road together with all works ancillary thereto including, but not limited to: (i) to erect, maintain, operate, repair, replace, relocate, upgrade, reconstruct and remove at any time and from time to time, an electrical transmission line or lines and communication line or lines consisting of poles and anchors with all necessary guys, braces, wires, cables, padmount equipment, if necessary, underground cable and associated material and equipment (all or any of which works are herein called the "Line"); (ii) to enter on and erect, maintain and use such gates in any fences which are now or may hereafter be installed on the easement lands required for access to the Line; (iii) to enter on and mark the location of the Line under the easement lands, where applicable, by suitable markers, located so as to minimize interference with any reasonable use of the easement lands; (iv) to enter on and selectively cut trees and shrubs on the easement lands and to keep same clear of all trees, shrubs and brush which may interfere with the safe operation and maintenance of the Line; (v) to conduct engineering and legal surveys in, on and over the easement lands; (vi) to clear those portions of the easement lands on which the Line is located and keep such lands clear of all buildings, structures or other obstructions of any nature whatsoever (including swimming pools and wading pools) including removal of any materials which are

hazardous to the Line; and (vii) to remove, relocate and reconstruct the Line on or under the easement lands. ("Permanent Hydro Easement").

3. **Temporary Construction Easement:** Temporary Limited Interests for the purpose of a free, uninterrupted and unobstructed temporary easement in gross or rights in the nature of a temporary easement in gross, on an exclusive basis as necessary, for a term of five (5) years commencing upon the date of registration of the plan of expropriation for the purposes of entering upon and occupying the lands by The Regional Municipality of Peel including its servants, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and workers with all necessary vehicles, machinery, equipment, material and supplies required to facilitate the reconstruction and improvement of Winston Churchill Boulevard and Olde Base Line Road, and other works ancillary thereto ("**Temporary Construction Easement**").

For the municipal purpose of facilitating the reconstruction and improvement of Winston Churchill Boulevard from Bush Street to Olde Base Line Road and the reconstruction and improvement of Olde Base Line Road from Winston Churchill Boulevard to Mississauga Road, in the Town of Caledon together with works ancillary thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the interests herein described in the lands described in Schedule "A" set out herein

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires a hearing into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing,

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty (30) days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice;
- (b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is: **The Council of The Regional Municipality of Peel** 10 Peel Centre Drive Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

Name of expropriating authority: **The Regional Municipality of Peel** 10 Peel Centre Drive Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

The Regional Municipality of Peel Christine Thomson, Deputy Clerk

THIS NOTICE FIRST PUBLISHED ON JULY 24, 2025

SCHEDULE "A"

Those lands in the Town of Caledon in the Regional Municipality of Peel described as follows:

1. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0056 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10
on Reference Plan 43R-41838

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0056 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10 and
11 on Reference Plan 43R-41838

2. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Part of PIN 14266-0055 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 3 on Reference Plan
43R-41857

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0055 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 4 and 5 on
Reference Plan 43R-41857

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0055 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 2 and 4 on
Reference Plan 43R-41857

Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

in the land.
Part of PIN 14266-0051 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 5, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-39914

4. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Part of PIN 14259-0148 (LT)
Part of Lot 34, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Chinguacousy),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1 and 5 on
Reference Plan 43R-41913

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14259-0148 (LT)
Part of Lot 34, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Chinguacousy),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 2, 3 and 4 on

5. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Reference Plan 43R-41913

Part of PIN 14266-0019 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41738

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0019 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan
43R-41738

6. Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0017 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1 and 2 on
Reference Plan 43R-41739

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0015 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on
Reference Plan 43R-41772

Temporary Construction Easement Part of PIN 14266-0015 (LT) Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Caledon), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Parts 3 and 4 on

Reference Plan 43R-41772

8. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Part of PIN 14266-0266 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 3, 5, 7 and 8 on
Reference Plan 43R-41881

Permanent Hydro Easement

Part of PIN 14266-0266 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 4 on Reference Plan
43R-41881

Temporary Construction Easement Part of PIN 14266-0266 (LT) Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Caledon), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Parts 2 and 6 on Reference Plan 43R-41881

9. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Part of PIN. 14266-0010 (LT)
Part of Lot 2, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 2, 4, 5 and 10 on
Reference Plan 43R-41861

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0010 (LT)
Part of Lot 2, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9 on
Reference Plan 43R-41861

O. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0246 (LT)
Part of Lot 4, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 2 on Reference Pla

Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 43R-41905

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0246 (LT)
Part of Lot 4, Concession 6, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon

(Geographic Township of Caledon), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 43R-41905

Part of Lot 5, Concession 6, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Caledon), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Part 3 on Reference Plan 43R-41905

11. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

in the land.
Part of PIN 14266-0001 (LT)
Part of Lot 5, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan

43R-41901

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0001 (LT)
Part of Lot 5, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan
43R-41901

Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.
 Part of PIN 14267-0011 (LT)

Part of PIN 14267-0011 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41956

Temporary Construction Easement Part of PIN 14267-0011 (LT) Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Caledon), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Parts 2, 3 and 4 on Reference Plan 43R-41956

13. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.

Part of PIN 14267-0010 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41926

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0010 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 3 and 4 on
Reference Plan 43R-41926

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0010 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 on
Reference Plan 43R-41926

14. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land. Part of PIN 14267-0009 (LT)

Part of PIN 14267-0009 (LI)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1 and 2 on
Reference Plan 43R-41931

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0009 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 3 and 4 on
Reference Plan 43R-41931

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0009 (LT)
Part of Lot 7, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10
on Reference Plan 43R-41931

15. Fee Simple: All Right, Title and Interest in the land.
Part of PIN 14267-0224 (LT)
Part of Lot 8, Concession 6, West of

Part of PIN 14267-0224 (LT)
Part of Lot 8, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan
43R-41822

Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0224 (LT)
Part of Lot 8, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13
on Reference Plan 43R-41822

Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14267-0224 (LT)
Part of Lot 8, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11
and 12 on Reference Plan 43R-41822

16. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0018 (LT)
Part of Lot 1, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41817

17. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0007 (LT)
Part of Lot 3, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41890

18. Temporary Construction Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0006 (LT)
Part of Lot 3, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan
43R-41933

19. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0005 (LT)
Part of Lot 3, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan
43R-41819

20. Permanent Hydro Easement
Part of PIN 14266-0004 (LT)
Part of Lot 4, Concession 6, West of
Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon
(Geographic Township of Caledon),
Regional Municipality of Peel,
designated as Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 on
Reference Plan 43R-41834





HUGE SALE Heat Pumps A/C · BBQ's



Brewers' bats sizzle in seven-run second inning in 10-5 romp over Rangers

BY JIM STEWART

The Bolton Brewers blasted eight hits in a seven-run second inning and coasted to a 10-5 win over the Ivy Rangers on a muggy Monday night at North Hill Park.

Brewers' veteran shortstop and leadoff hitter Brett Chater attributed the team's blazing start versus Ivy to having the full team at the ball-

"We had our whole roster here tonight and our batting lineup was strong from top to bottom. We needed the win and our hitters really responded. We had all our pitchers here tonight, too."

Chater complimented Brewers' youthful starting pitcher Jack Perry on the three strong innings he threw versus Ivy.

"He's a really good young pitcher for an 18-year-old and he was commanding all four of his pitches tonight. He threw a lot of curveballs for strikes. Jack struck out the side at the top of the second and struck out two more at the top of the third. In his only other pitching appearance against Clarksburg, he struck out three in one inning."

The lanky southpaw left the game leading 10-0 and was the recipient of a relentless Brewers' attack early in the game.

After Perry kept the Rangers off the scoreboard at the top of the first, Mike Wallace, Carson Burns, and Ben Sterritt delivered RBIs to

Perry responded to the three-run cushion by promptly striking out the side at the top of the second with the last two Rangers batters caught to most onlookers.

The Brewers followed up their starter's 1-2-3 of the second.

Chris Fafalios initiated the onslaught by Rangers' infield.

Chater followed up Fafalios's hard knock by an savvy that belied his age. The lefty induced a



PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

scorching a single past third base.

With one out, Ben Sterritt collected the first of six consecutive hits by the Brewers when he smashed a single up the middle to plate Chater. Stephen Warden drove in Fafalios and Sterritt with another shot through the left side of the infield.

The nightmare start for Rangers' pitcher Brad Besley continued when Carter Burnside's single was followed by Mike Wallace's second RBI single give the Brewers a 3-0 lead after one inning of of the ballgame—another blast up the middle of the

> Carson Burns's sharp single between second and first loaded the bases.

Jack Larmer cleared those bases and collected looking at off-speed stuff that looked unhittable three RBI when his line drive handcuffed the Rangers' leftfielder.

Falfalios and Chater grounded out to close the ininning by bashing out eight hits at the bottom ning, but the damage was done as the Brewers' lead swelled to double figures after two innings of play.

Despite walking Rangers' lead off Jamie Gillessmashing a single through the left side of the pie at the top of the third after being handed a 10-0 lead, Perry bore down and demonstrated veter-

ground ball out to first base and struck out Mike Kriegizas and Ryan Barr to complete his abbreviated start—a dress rehearsal for a starting role with the club in the first round of the playoffs.

Coach Wallace substituted freely with a tenrun lead in the fourth inning and Brewers' middle reliever Nick Fiorucci found himself in a bases-loaded, none-out jam after yielding a double, single, and walk to the Rangers. However, a sparkling defensive effort by Chater—who sprinted from where he was shaded toward second base to the fence behind third base to snag a sinking foul ball. The athletic shortstop's catch froze the Ivy baserunners.

The highlight reel play righted the Brewers'

Fiorucci struck out Brayden French and induced a tricky popup from Gillespie that was cked down by catcher Logan Hart who dashed from behind the dish to corral the dipping baseball halfway up the first baseline.

Chater discussed the importance of those midgame defensive plays: "We made those efforts for our pitcher to pick him up. After we got the first out for him, Nick settled in and got two big outs with the bases loaded to keep our ten-run lead."

Although Ivy plated three runs in the fifth and two more in the sixth to narrow the deficit to 10-5. Brewers' closer Carson Burns cooled off the Rangers' suddenly hot bats in the seventh.

Although Burns walked Kirby Smith to lead off the inning, veteran John Hutchinson flashed the leather at first base to steal a double from Parker Walker and get the key first out.

After the young closer induced a popout from pinchhitter Ralph Murray that was collected coolly by Chater, Burns issued a free pass to Gillespie, but recalibrated to strikeout Wes Kobelka looking with runners at 2 and 3rd to earn

The five-run win over the Rangers had no impact on the first round playoff matchups since Ivy (13-6-2) had clinched third place.

Bolton, heading into Monday's contest at 11-9-1 and in fifth-place, leapt over Lisle (11-9-2) into fourth spot with the victory.

Win or lose, the Brewers' first round opponent was going to be the Lisle Astros. The only thing at stake for the Brewers in their last game of the regular season was home field advantage over the Astros in the teams' upcoming six-point se-

Mission accomplished.

Ominously, the Brewers lost both of their reg-

ular season games against the Astros-most recently, 3-1 at home on June 26 and 8-3 in Lisle to open the 2025 season, but Chater looked ahead to the opening round with confidence.

The Brewers' leading hitter—who closed the regular season with a .519 batting average – outlined the keys to beating Lisle: "Their pitching is different than other teams—they throw lots of off-speed pitches, lots of curveballs and changeups—so we'll have to sit back and be patient as hitters. One of the keys is that their pitching and hitting might not match up to our hitting and pitching when our entire roster is ready to go. We'll definitely need to outhit them to win the

The win over the Rangers gave the Brewers some much-needed momentum in their quest for the franchise's eighth Strother Cup. Bolton's disappointing 2025 regular season (12-9-1)—in which the traditional powerhouse lost games to playoff-eliminated teams like Orillia (8-12-2), Clarksburg (7-15-0), and Mansfield (3-17-2) has been a rollercoaster ride of winning streaks and losing streaks.

On Monday night, the Brewers' excellent starting pitching, productive batting order, and three brilliant defensive plays against the third-place Rangers made the veteran squad appear to be playoff-ready.

NDBL Notes

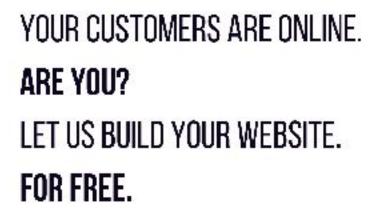
Round One match-ups for the North Dufferin Baseball League Senior Division playoffs include the pennant-winning New Lowell Knights versus the eighth-place Creemore Padres. The 2024 champion Owen Sound Baysox (2) begin their title defense against the seventh-place Midland Mariners. The third-seeded Rangers will play the sixth-seeded Barrie Angels.

Since 1995, the Strother Cup had resided in the hands of only four franchises before Owen Sound broke into the winners' circle in 2024. The New Lowell Knights have won nine titles during that time period, the Bolton Brewers seven, the Creemore Padres six, and the Ivy Rangers five.

The league's trophy was donated and presented by L.C.A. Strother, ESQ, in 1931. The hamlet of Honeywood was the first NDBL champion. The NDBL was founded in 1930 in Lisle and is one of the oldest sports leagues in Ontario.

The Brewers' franchise name has been etched on the Strother Cup's plates in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2017, and 2021.

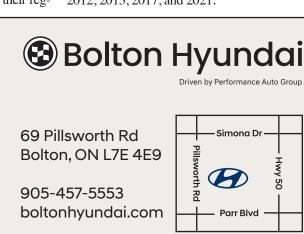
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\$75K grant to help fund new AV system at Caledon Seniors Centre

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Caledon Seniors Centre has been selected as the Primary Grant recipient of this year's Caledon Council Community Golf Tournament (CCCGT).

They will receive \$75,000 of the funds raised from the 2025 tournament.

These funds will be put towards a new, state-ofthe-art sound and audiovisual (AV) system in the original wing of Rotary Place, the Centre's central location in Bolton.

Rotary Place has long served as a vital hub for senior programs, meals, social events, and exercise

However, poor acoustics in the older portion of the building have created ongoing challenges, especially for those with hearing impairments.

The new sound and AV system will significantly improve audio clarity and overall accessibility, ensuring that seniors can fully engage in all activities, according to the Town of Caledon in a statement.

The sound and AV system will be used in the Bob Smith Room and the Egan Room.

Beverley Nurden, Manager of the Caledon Seniors Centre, said the new system will create a pleasing environment in the rooms.

In addition to eliminating the current echo that seniors often experience in the room, the system will enhance the overall experience and improve the acoustics of the rooms.

The Centre had an existing AV system installed

25 years ago, but it was removed during the renovations.

They currently use a transportable speaker with a microphone and a projector in one of the rooms.

Nurden said this was an item at the top of their wish list, so that everyone, no matter their different hearing abilities, could have an enjoyable experi-

As they currently hold a multitude of events in these rooms, such as lunch-and-learns and movie nights, it was a high priority to have accessibility for everyone.

The design basis will be an audio system, video system, assisted listening system, lecture/presentation system, control, and web conferencing sys-

"We are incredibly grateful to the Town of Caledon and all the golfers, sponsors, and community members who helped make this grant possible," said Nurden. "This investment directly supports our goal of fostering social inclusion and improving quality of life for older adults in our community."

The Caledon Seniors Centre offers a wide range of programs at Rotary Place and six satellite locations across the Town of Caledon, with the majority of activities run by volunteers.

This funding marks a key milestone in the Centre's ongoing commitment to creating welcoming, accessible spaces for older adults, as stated in the

The grant will help the Centre begin to take on this project, aiming for an enjoyable experience for

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In 2024-2025, 26 youth were supported with training and placements. Qingwan's journey is one of self-discovery and hands-on learning, setting her up for a brighter future.

Qingwan first heard about LIFE for Youth from her mother, a long-time CCS supporter. "She told me about the program and I thought it sounded like the perfect bridge between school and career," she shared.

After graduating in Visual and Creative Arts from Sheridan College, Qingwan felt lost. "I had the skills, but I didn't know where to use them. I needed clarity... I needed direction." LIFE for Youth provided both.

Through hands-on workshops, mentorship and paid placements providing real-world experience, she honed practical skills and gained confidence. "The best part was the community. I felt like I belonged."

Her placement at a signage shop led to a full-time role as a graphic designer. Now, inspired by her love of animals and the environment, Qingwan dreams of studying biology.

Qingwan shares, "I finally feel like I'm on the right path," and encourages other youth to "be open, stay positive – this program could change your life, just like it did mine."

If you're experiencing similar challenges or know a friend or family member who is, our youth team is here to help! Visit www.ccs4u.org, call 905-584-2300 ext. 232 or email youth@ccs4u.org to learn about eligibility and how you can create a brighter future.

How Do You See It?

Tell us how you see it. Mary Falcone Manager, LIFE for Youth, Caledon Community Services at 905-584-2300 ext. 232 or mfalcone@ccs4u.org

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Kin Club struggling with dumping in charity bins

BY RILEY MURPHY

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more than 61 years.

To collect items for the Kin Club of Bolton's "Toonie Sale", an event where they sell clothing items for only a toonie to raise money to help in their efforts to aid various organizations around Caledon, the Kin has two red bins located in the com-

Each week, Joe Luschak, President of the Kin Club of Bolton, and other members pull out bags of garbage, furniture, mattresses, broken drywall, and more from these donation bins.

Luschak shared that the Kin has to use their own funds and volunteers' time to have the excess removed and disposed of

"The effort and cost associated with disposal takes away from the funds needed to support all of the other needed causes in the community," said Luschak. The Kin Club of Bolton has been serving the community for

The non-profit gives their time and efforts to raise funds to

help countless organizations, projects and worthy causes.

Some of these organizations include Caledon Community Services, Meals on Wheels, Heart and Stroke, Bethell Hospice,

Many may also recognize Bolton Kin from their annual Terry Fox Run or Santa Claus Parade.

To support these organizations and efforts, the Bolton Kin has clothing drives, and the previously mentioned "toonie sales", to raise money.

The clothing collected from the bins is collected, sorted, cleaned and then put out for sale.

Each item, no matter the size, costs a toonie.

For this sale, they collect clothing, shoes, purses and jew-

The donation bins are solely for items for the toonie sale. The club is asking residents and community members not to place anything besides these items in the bins.

Luschak urges everyone to use the Region of Peel recycling centers and disposal facilities located in Caledon to dump their excess belongings.





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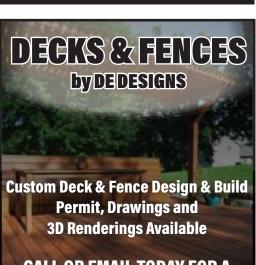
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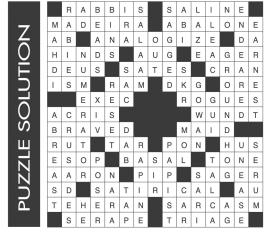


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Peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at the

Hugh, Liam, Anderson, Madeleine, Gwen, Thomas, Spencer, Evan, Cade, and Tate. Loving brother of Patricia and the late Margaret (2003). Fondly remembered by Jane's family—Helen Dowd (Tim), Dorothy McKay (Carl)—as well as extended family, dear friends, and the Orangeville community, who will deeply miss him.

Clark was a lawyer, judge, entrepreneur, father, grandfather, author, skier, pilot, cottager, gentleman farmer, and world traveller. Born on April 29, 1932, in Long Branch, Ontario, he graduated from the University of Toronto's Ontario Agricultural

College (OAC) and subsequently from Osgoode Hall Law School. He moved to Orangeville, Ontario in 1962 and practiced law for over 30 years. A passionate contributor to his community, Clark served on many local organizations, including the Rotary Club, and was Chair of the Dufferin County School Board. He was appointed Queen's Counsel and was honoured by the Law Society of Upper Canada with the Bicentennial Award of Merit for Public Service.

A lifelong optimist, Clark had the perfect temperament to be a devoted Toronto Maple Leaf fan. His sharp wit, dry humour, and deep love of music were well known. He had a beautiful singing voice—performing in musicals in his youth—and continued to sing nightly alongside Jane at the piano, even at 93.

Clark led by example, modelling kindness, humility, and unconditional love. He was a devoted father and grandfather, never missing a game, recital, or milestone, and always beaming with pride at his family's accomplishments. He lived a remarkable life, but his greatest legacy is the strong and loving family he built.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home & Chapel, 21 First Street, Orangeville, on Thursday, August 14, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Headwaters Health Care Centre Foundation.

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> on June 9, 1951, to the late Howard and Elva Ritchie. He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Dianne, their four children: Jeffrey (Lorna), Kevin (Shelley), Michelle (Francisco) and Nicole, his brother Harold (Marg) and ten grandchildren: Trent,

Hailey, Kaylyn, Eri, Jayce, Darian, Rylie, Ashley, Kyree and Myla. He was preceded in death by his brothers Bruce, Don (Marg) and sister Lois (Garnet).

Dennis's memory will be cherished by Nieces and Nephews, extended family and friends. Special thanks to Headwaters Healthcare Centre for taking great care of Dennis.

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Our Readers Write

Reader disappointed by OLT decision

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On balance, I support a drive-thru. They are the much-preferred option for seniors, the disabled, parents with small children and commuters and we should not ignore the needs of any of these groups. I also understand the "slippery slope" argument against a drive-thru. Say "yes" to one and it is possible the entire downtown might just become a collection of drive-thrus. I think, though, the OLT's decision might have actually done Ganni Properties a big favour.

How?

It is a well-known fact that high volume retail businesses like coffee shops and gas stations should be located on the side of the road that most commuters take to work in the morning. In this case, to be on the west side is the correct decision for the developers. However, another truism is that commuters do not like to backtrack in the morning.

If we look at the hundreds of people soon to live in the homes being built on Airport Road just south of our downtown, I really question the wisdom of a decision to build a drive thru coffee shop north of this impending mass of new commuters. Were the Tim Hortons to be built on the property in question, few of these residents would, in my opinion, make the trip north to get a donut and coffee before heading south to work each morning. I think a far better location for a drive-thru Tim Hortons would be on the west side of Airport Road somewhere just south of this new development.

I also think the potential exists to open a satellite Tim Hortons location (without a drive-th-

ru) on the properties in question. Why two locations? The downtown location represents a wonderful opportunity for the decision-makers at city hall (and elsewhere) to work with the developers to find ways to say "yes." Why not find a way to make this Tim Hortons a "heritage" design triumph? If so, others will follow and the results will be unbelievable.

Ultimately, economic development only moves forward when we start hearing "yes" a lot more than hearing "no."

In my walk around town on Saturday, I see all the evidence of the decades that our decision-makers have been saying "no." The empty block beside the LCBO. A long-abandoned pet grooming business right on Airport Road. A short-lived thrift store, now sitting empty. A bakery restaurant finally realizing dark gray has no curb appeal. A giant, mostly empty, parking lot beside the Pizza Hut. I could go on (and on) but I won't.

I had breakfast at Tom's on Saturday morning. Great food, great value, great people. What brings more people downtown will help Tom's and the others to thrive.

A final thought. The Town can talk about "heritage" but many easy steps can be taken now in that direction. For example, if you look at many other so-called "heritage" small towns, you will see that all the street signs reflect a heritage design. It's a small touch that would go a long way in downtown Caledon

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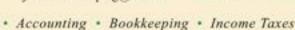
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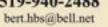
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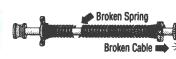
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