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LOCAL BUSINESS HONOURED: Rock Garden Farms has been recognized for its ongoing support of worthwhile community causes, after being named 2020 Elizabeth Birnie Leadership Award recipients. The award, handed out by Bethell Hospice annually, honours area businesses that go above and beyond to make a difference in their community. Named after the organization's co-founder, the Elizabeth Birnie Leadership Award was created in 2012. Pictured above, Rock Garden Farms owners Nick and Tish Iuglio, and Margaret and Paul Galati pose for a photo on Wednesday (Oct. 14) as they are presented with the award. For more, see Page A2.

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Caledon forced back into Phase 2 as number of COVID-19 cases rise across Peel Region

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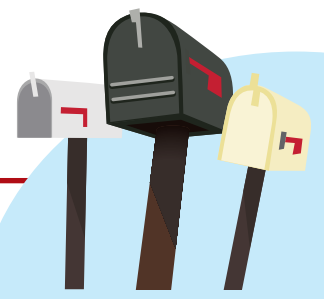
With some areas of Ontario currently in the midst of a 'second wave' of the COVID-19 pandemic, the provincial government has taken steps to scale back day-to-day operations in three Ontario regions - including right here in Caledon.

Premier Doug Ford announced last week that Toronto, Ottawa and Peel Region would be demoted back to Stage 2 of the Province's COVID-19 measures, due to a massive influx in positive cases in the three areas.

The move, which Ford has said will be temporary, came after several consultations between provincial officials and Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. David Williams. The order will remain in place for at least 28 days.

"The health experts presented the most recent health data, which identified some alarming public health trends that require immediate attention and early action to keep people safe," said Premier Doug Ford. "That's why we are making the difficult, but necessary decision to accept the health advice, and impose further restrictions in Toronto, Ottawa and Peel Region."

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Rock Garden Farms presented with local leadership award

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Rock Garden Farms can add another community award to the mantle piece after being recognized by Bethell Hospice for their "tremendous" ongoing support of the local non-profit.

Bethell Hospice presents an annual award to individuals or local businesses that help support and provide assistance to the Bethell Hospice Foundation.

The Elizabeth Birnie Leadership Award was presented to Margaret and Paul Galati, and Nick and Tish Iuglio of Rock Garden Farms on October 14 for their help promoting Bethell Hospice, fundraising and overall support since 2010.

The award, created in 2012, is named after Bethell Hospice co-founder Elizabeth Birnie who remarked how Rock Garden impacts the foundation on a daily basis.

"I personally use Rock Garden Farms produce every Monday when I volunteer in the kitchen, making everything from homemade soups with vegetables to smoothies with berries," she said. "We feel so fortunate to have Rock Garden Farms as our community partner."

Alongside Birnie and other Bethell Hospice staff members, Chair of the Board of Directors John Sanderson also attended to present the award.

"As a business who has been a steadfast supporter of Bethell Hospice since 2010, Rock Garden Farms was the unanimous choice of the Bethell Hospice Foundation to receive the 2020 award," he said.

Rock Garden Foods has been providing Bethell Hospice with fresh produce every week for the past decade. Each and every Thursday the Bethell Hospice kitchen receives their weekly box of fresh produce to help them prepare and serve home-cooked meals for all hospice residents.

"So many of our kitchen volunteers and hospice staff wanted to be here today to show their appreciation but, because of COVID-19, our numbers had to be limited. Please know how widely your generosity is valued by everyone associated with Bethell Hospice, and how grateful we all are for your ongoing support," Birnie remarked.



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ROCK GARDEN HONOURED: Rock Garden Farms was presented the 2020 Elizabeth Birnie Leadership Award for the ongoing support for Bethell Hospice for the past 10 years.

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Caledon forced back into Phase 2 as number of COVID-19 cases rise across Peel

Effective October 10, social gatherings as well as public events are set at a maximum of 10 people indoors, and 25 outdoors across effected regions. Indoor service at restaurants, bars and food establishments is also, once again, prohibited in an attempt to stop the public spread of the virus.

It's bad news too for businesses such as indoor gyms, casinos, bingo halls, movie theatres, art centres and venues, museums, zoos and other interactive exhibits, as they have also been instructed to close their doors for the next four weeks.

Capacity limits are being implemented on tour and guide services, real estate open houses, in-person teaching and meeting and event spaces to 10 people indoors maximum and 25 outdoors.

"We are seeing the percentage of people testing positive for COVID-19 rising, hospitalization rates are growing, and community outbreaks are entering our nursing homes and vulnerable congregate settings," said Chief Medical Officer of Health, Dr. David Williams. "We need to act quickly, and we need everyone to follow the public health guidelines if we are going to stop the spread and contain the second wave."

As of press time, there are believed to be more than 5,000 active cases of COVID-19 across Ontario. Since the beginning of the pandemic, back in March, there have been 61,413 total cases province-wide, with 52,512 of those resolved, with the patients living. There have been 3,017 deaths as a result of the virus, with 231 undividuals currently hospitalized, 64 of those in the ICU.

Here in Peel Region, there have been 11,506 total cases, with 162 new cases reported on Tuesday. In total, 332 people have died within our region. Again, as of press time, 10,356 individuals are considered to have recovered from the virus, meaning there are around 900 active cases across the region. According to Peel Region statistics, Caledon makes up just three percent of the total cases within the region.

With that in mind, Caledon residents, along with Mayor Allan Thompson, have voiced concerns on closing local businesses and how they will be impacted by this latest decision. Thompson took to Facebook discussing his concerns, highlighting conversations he's had with different ministers, and even Premier Ford, about Caledon's numbers and the negative impacts these closures will have on the local business community.

"In a decision like this there is no win. It's going to be hard and leaders from every level of government must continue to work together and do all we can to support business," Thompson stated. "I can't say loudly enough how important it is to shop local and support local as they once again have to adapt and pivot under renewed restrictions."

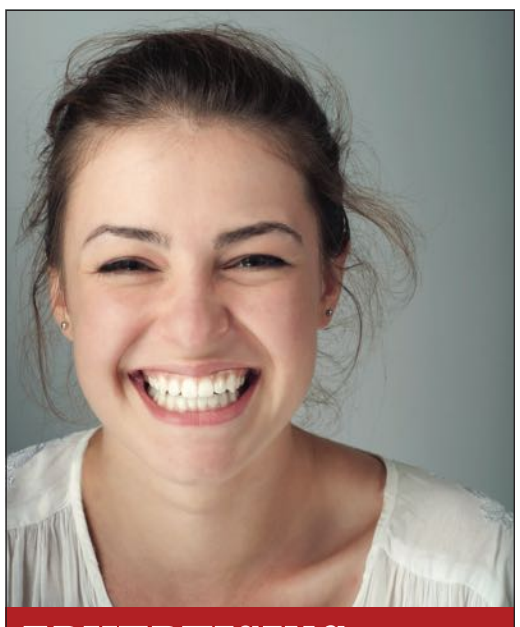
The Town of Caledon last week announced their preparations and modifications as they adapt to the province's new measures, and what will be closed for the next little while.

These included fitness centres and classes, program capacities will be adjusted, hockey, figure skating and swim clubs will be limited to 10 people at the Town's facilities, room rentals will be limited to 10 people and outdoor bookings at 25.

"No doubt this is a tough call, particularly given the tremendous progress we've made in recent weeks here in Caledon," said Thompson. "We need to go by the science and we need to protect the most vulnerable among us, so I ask the citizens of Caledon to continue to support one another: limit trips to essential purposes, wear a mask, physically distance, wash your hands and stay home if you are not feeling well. Together we can prevent something much worse."

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Town hopes to engage local business leaders through Youth Voice Project

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of Caledon is reaching out to local businesses in an attempt to partner up on a new initiative designed to assist some of the community's younger residents transition into the workforce.

Given the appropriate title Caledon Youth Voice Project, the initiative is centred around an online virtual workshop where local businesses and municipal leaders can gather to discuss how best to support local youth who will soon be looking for a job.

> "The goal of the Caledon Youth Voice Project is to increase youth employment by 10 percent in the next six years.
>
> Supa D.A. Meikle
> Coordinator, Youth Voice Project

The youth employment-focused project is funded by the Laidlaw Foundation, an organization with a long history of supporting youth who are impacted through education, justice and child welfare systems and creating a voice for them.

"The goal of the Caledon Youth Voice Project is to increase youth employment by 10 percent in the next six years," said Supa D. A. Meikle, Coordinator, Youth Voice Project, Strategic Initiatives. "A key benefit of the project is that, by increasing employment, youth will stay within or return to Caledon as long-term residents. Retaining and attracting people to grow the economy in the local area is what businesses and leaders depend on."

Local businesses and leaders along with youth members of the community have been asked to partake in a survey, which provides them with an opportunity to attend the free online workshop.

Included in the workshop is a presentation from film professional and communications trainer Kunle Bristow, who has been brought on board to facilitate the workshop. With over two decades of experience, Bristow has been teaching and empowering individuals through online videos and virtual classrooms for much of his adult life.

The project is a key factor in bringing a variety of stakeholders together who all have the same vision of increasing youth employment in their communities.

These stakeholders include the lead applicant, Town of Caledon, as well as Caledon Public Library, Peel District School Board, Volunteer MBC, The Josh Project, and Dufferin-Peel District School Board.

"A key element of the project is giving youth a voice so they can articulate their desires in terms of training and skills," said Meikle. "By working together, this will enhance our ability to continue supporting youth in the community.

The project is a part of the Youth Voice Collective, which looks to bridge the gap between youth and potential employers.

Last year Caledon surveyed individuals between the ages of 19 and 29 years of age,. Results showed that 83 percent of respondents would like to find work in Caledon in the future, 69 per cent felt there was lack of jobs in their desired industries in Caledon, while 44 per cent believe it is hard to find jobs here in Caledon. In total, 78 percent stated they were forced to leave Caledon for employment or education purposes.

"Over the next short while we will be reaching out to key stakeholders for further engagement and discussion on opportunities to align efforts to address the future of youth employment," stated Meikle.

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On Thursday, October 8, 2020 at approximately 7:50 p.m., an officer from the Caledon OPP Detachment was on duty and responding to a call for service in Caledon at the time. While responding to the call, a marked OPP cruiser collided with a tractor trailer in the area of George Bolton Parkway and Coleraine Drive.

The officer sustained non-life threatening injuries and was transported to a local hospital. No injuries were reported by the driver of the transport truck.

While securing the scene, in order to conduct the technical collision investigation, another OPP cruiser was struck by a civilian vehicle. The officer was taken to a nearby hospital where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries. The driver of the other vehicle was uninjured.

The investigation is ongoing. Coleraine Drive closure between Mayfield Road and Healey Road has been extended due to the investigation involving the second collision.

Anyone with information regarding these collisions is asked to contact Caledon OPP Detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to $2,000 upon an arrest.

Caledon OPP would like to remind all motorists to stay alert and keep their distance from all emergency vehicles to ensure safe work space for those responding to emergencies on our roads.

Local drivers need to slow down in community safety zones

Officers from Caledon OPP conducted a "Back to Basics" safe driving initiative starting with the return of school in September.

Officers were looking for motorists failing to adhere to the "basic" rules of the road such as: not stopping for stop signs, failing to stop at red lights when making a right turn, and speeding in Community Safety Zones.

As a result of the initiative the following charges were laid during week days from September 10 to September 30: 126 charges for Speeding in Community Safety Zone; 25 charges for Stop Sign / Red Light violations; two Careless Driving charges; one charge for Fail to Stop for School Bus.

A further 40 other traffic charges were laid in Community Safety Zones, including distracted driving, seatbelt and cannabis charges.

Even though the initiative has concluded, the Caledon OPP would like ensure motorists remember the ABCs of traffic safety at all times.

A - Always stop for red lights and stop signs. Slowing isn't stopping - the difference could mean life or death for you, a pedestrian, or a cyclist.

B - Bus awareness. When you see a stopped school bus with red lights activated you must stop approaching in either direction unless there is a physical divider (guiderail/median).

C - Community Safety Zones - When you see a Community Safety Zone sign slow down and drive with increased care and attention regardless if school is in.

Officers will continue to patrol the Community Safety Zones in Caledon observing for those drivers who fail to follow the rules of the road.

Fatal road crashes surpass 200 mark

With the annual Operation Impact campaign underway over the Thanksgiving Long Weekend, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has released its latest traffic data, as a cautionary reminder of how many road fatalities Ontario drivers have contributed to this year.

The OPP has responded to 209 fatal motor vehicle collisions so far this year, which claimed the lives of 224 people. Drivers accounted for 155 of those killed, 33 of the victims were passengers and 36 were pedestrians.

Speed leads the list of causal factors in preventable road fatalities, with 41 deaths linked to this dangerous driving behaviour. The OPP has observed a near 30 per cent increase in excessive speeding this year, having laid almost 6,800 racing and stunt driving charges to date.

Not wearing a seat belt -- a behaviour attributed to drivers and passengers - was a contributing factor in 40 of this year's deaths. Inattentive drivers were linked to 37 fatalities and 35 deaths involved drug/alcohol-impaired drivers.

Operation Impact is a Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police-(CACP)-led traffic safety campaign that targets aggressive, distracted and alcohol/drug-impaired driving as well as seat belt non-compliance. Over the long weekend, the OPP will be highly visible supporting the campaign throughout the province, ensuring drivers are doing their part to keep themselves, their passengers and those with whom they share the road safe.

Speeders busted over long weekend

Officers from the Caledon OPP Detachment participated in the Province-wide Operation Impact - Thanksgiving Long Weekend Traffic Safety Campaign that took place from October 9 to October 12.

During the traffic campaign, Caledon OPP officers focused on the causal factors of collisions that have been identified as speeding/aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and lack of seatbelts.

The following charges had been issued as a result: 198 speeding charges, one stunt driving charge, 10 seatbelt violations, 18 other moving violations and four impaired driving charges.

Caledon OPP would like to remind all motorists to Slow down - no one wants to share the road with a speeding driver; Always wear your seat belt - buckling up only takes a few second; Put down your phone and other distractions;

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Local youth calling on community to support Autism Speaks venture

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CALLING FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT: Pictured above, second from left, 12-year-old Caledon resident Marcus Melfi has been a long-time support of Autism Speaks Canada, participating in the organization's annual fundraising walk for several years. This year, the organization is taking its event in a different direction in attempt to raise much-needed funds in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Twelve-year-old Caledon resident Marcus Melfi just can't help himself.

Back in February, the local youngster organized multiple fundraisers to help support the wildfire relief in Australia.

Melfi organized two different events, one at Skyview Lanes and the other at Landmark Cinema, where he ended up raising $4,100 that went to Canadian Red Cross for the wildfire relief.

Now, hee's back at it once again, calling on the Caledon community to help him as he prepares to assist another organization in need. This time, he's setting his sight on Autism Speaks Canada.

Melfi has walked in the Autism Speaks annual walk for the past several years, but due to the pandemic, things have turned out a little differently this time around.

"The walk this year will be done as a car parade so that individuals can stay within the safety of their own vehicles and help protect all members in their bubble, yet still allow individuals and families to achieve a common goal," he explained.

The event has been aptly titled "Walk on Wheels Parade" and will take place on Oct. 18.

Autism Speaks Canada hits close to home for Melfi as he has several friends and family members who are affected by autism. Plus, he genuinely enjoys fundraising and being able to help others. In the six years he has spent fundraising for various causes, Melfi has raised more than $30,000.

"I like raising funds for important causes for multiple reasons. One, it brings the community together towards a common goal and I think that's really cool when people can unite for a common good," said Melfi. "Two, I like raising awareness and money to support important causes. Three, I also like the fact that I know I am helping someone and making a difference, even if it's very small."

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, he's struggled to find ways to continue his fundraising kick, as he isn't able to organize events like the wildfire reflief initiative he set up in February.

With regards to this latest Autism Speaks fundraiser, there's been another transition for Marcus too. He hasn't been able to go door-to-door asking for the communities' support, which he does each year to help raise money for different charities or organizations.

"Getting the word out has been difficult as I usually would bring it up in conversations with friends, family, sports teams, etc. but now that we have to stay socially distanced I am not able to bring it up in as many conversations as I have in the past. So instead, I have email and have texted only friends and family that I have contacts for," Melfi explained. "However, this is not enough."

Along with his pledge to provide continuous support to Autism Speaks Canada, this year is a little more exciting, he said. Melfi has been asked, and has gratefully accepted, to be this year's MC for the now virtual event. Being asked has given Melfi the feeling of appreciation and gratitude that all his hard work and dedication has not gone unnoticed.

"I feel very honoured to have been asked and am excited as I really enjoy bringing people together and getting people excited, and that is what the MC gets to do," he said. "With COVID-19, I will be doing it all virtually this year and am a little disappointed as I enjoy interacting with others in person, though I am still happy for this opportunity."

And this is where the community comes in. The Melfi family has been thankful for all the help the community has contributed in the past several years, but are asking them to once again continue their efforts for a good cause.

"I would say to the residents that even though many things/aspects of our lives have changed due to the pandemic, the one thing that has not changed and that has stayed the same during all of this is that people still need our help, and people with autism who suffer from mental, social, communicative and sometimes physical disabilities still need our help now more than ever," Marcus said.

He added, "By helping raise money, we can all help support the mission of Autism Speaks Canada, which is to help increase understanding, acceptance and inclusion of people with autism spectrum disorder, help advance innovative research and help make connections to lifelong services and supports for the autism community."

To help Marcus and his family raise funds for the "Walk on Wheels Car Parade" and Autism Speaks Canada, please visit austimspeakscanada.akaraisin.com, click the donate button and look of Marcus Melfi under individual.

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Excludes HST.
$141 bi-weekly payment required.

2020 CX-9 GS AWD
7-PASSENGER SEATING
FINANCE FROM
$115† AT 2.50% APR
weekly for 84 months, with $3,545 down.
All-in from $42,102.
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Local brothers have fun launching, building The Mailbox Studio

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Local brothers Thomas and Marcus Dietrich have thunk up a brilliant business idea that will not only help the community, but also keep their hands busy.

It was March Break when the two brothers, aged 16 and 14, noticed the many neglected and run-down mailboxes in their neighbourhood while on their drive back from the movies. Conversation moved from counting the mailboxes that looked like they were on their last legs, to what they could possibly do to help. Lucky for them, they knew how to build and operate tools safely, thanks to their dad.

As the COVID-19 pandemic hit, and the economy being greatly affected, both Marcus and Thomas unfortunately lost their summer jobs. Just a short time later, their summer vacation was also cancelled. Things weren't turning out the way they hoped. So, they took matters into their own hands.

"We then decided to just do our own thing and go the entrepreneurial route of starting The Mailbox Studio. As March break turned into April, we focused on designing three product versions and built prototype samples for the purpose of having a few pictures in hopes of eventually making a webpage," explained Thomas. "Before we could launch our webpage, we had received several orders from friends and neighbours just through word-of-mouth."

They created flyers and got their dad to drive around to residents who may be in need of a new mailbox in Caledon. As soon as news began to spread about Mailbox Studio, business was booming.

"It was only then when we truly realized the demand for what we started. We were getting not only requests for local installations but surprisingly had customers willing to pick up from out of town," said Thomas. "We got orders from as far south as Lakeshore in Mississauga, as far north as Collingwood and even from Kitchener and Scarborough. I'm still not sure how that happened."



SUBMITTED PHOTO

BROTHERLY BUSINESS: Brother-duo Thomas and Marcus Dietrich began their business designing and building new and improved professional mailboxes after noticing the high number of rundown mailboxes in the area.

They began with three main services - the Classic, the Country Lane and the Estate.

"For all three products, we offer address numbering and also local (weekend) installations. Installations have always been restricted to weekends because we both are not old enough to drive and must rely on dad's availability," explained Thomas. "We have also now started offering other services too as a result of several customers' requests who actually did not need a roadside mailbox, but who really appreciated our efforts and liked our woodworking skills."

Some other popular requests the brother-duo got were simple address posts with metal numbers, as well as professionally done carved wooden signs and plaques.

Both Thomas and Marcus are attending high school, and are managing their business on the side. They continue to put their education as their main priority, without forgetting or neglecting time for their business.

"School has become a priority, especially when trying to focus on Grade 11 physics at the moment for me. The business is surprisingly still doing well but has slowed compared to the summer months," said Thomas. "Construction is happening mainly on weekends now due to our availability but we're currently still happily accepting orders."

The Mailbox Studio is a seasonal business and will be stopping production come winter time. They plan to reopen and continue growing their business in the spring.

The brothers have had the opportunity to experience the world of business and entrepreneurship and are excited to see what more they can do to grow and even broaden out to new areas.

"In the future we may want to figure out how to get our mailbox models and services to customers outside of our local area," said Thomas. "At one time, we even got the question if we can ship to Ottawa. Unfortunately, we didn't quite know how to go about shipping anything, but it certainly got me excited to learn more about how other businesses work. Perhaps, with a little help, we might just keep it growing."

The Mailbox Studio has seen tremendous success and unlimited amount of support from their community. Being able to do something they love to do, while meeting new and different kinds of people has been a nonstop thrill for the Dietrichs. They've gotten a demand of orders and even help from total strangers who donated tools to the brothers.

"It has not just been fun for us but surprisingly it became an experience beyond what we ever imagined back during March break," remarked Thomas.

For more information about Thomas and Marcus Dietrich's company The Mailbox Studio, please visit mailboxstudio.ca.

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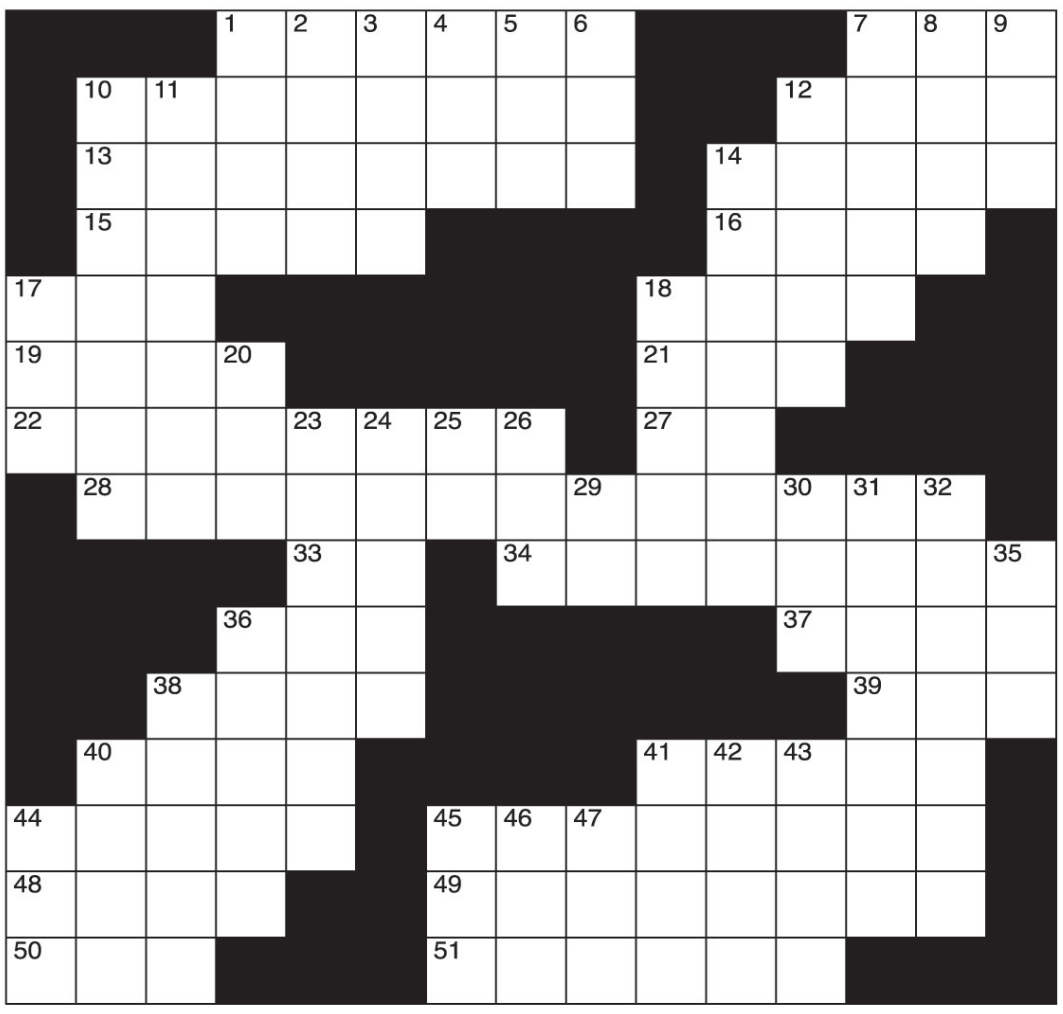
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Lunar crater
7. Upstate NY airport (abbr.)
10. Fruit
12. Seventh avatar of Vishnu
13. Organism that grows without air
14. Heals
15. A book has one
16. Open
17. Twitch
18. Plant of the mint family
19. Soon
21. Witch
22. Long, mournful complaint
27. Killer clown film
28. Keeps us occupied
33. Influential lawyer
34. Formation of concepts
36. Insecticide
37. Swiss river
38. Actress Lucy
39. Unit of g-force
40. Can repel attackers
41. Essential oil used as perfume
44. Cut into small pieces
45. Mexican agricultural worker
48. Best pitchers
49. Benign tumors
50. Danish krone
51. Looms above

CLUES DOWN

1. Make a map of
2. Cain and __
3. Dried-up
4. Corporate exec (abbr.)
5. Trading floor hand gesture
6. Strongly alkaline solution
7. Yemen capital
8. Military leader (abbr.)
9. Maintains possession of
10. Afternoon show
11. Imaginary being
12. Rearrange
14. Holy person or sage
17. __ Mahal
18. Backbone
20. Brooklyn hoopster
23. Intervened
24. Extremely angry
25. Indicates position
26. Chinese surname
29. Potato state
30. When you think you'll get there
31. __ Falls
32. Bullfighters
35. Born of
36. Small fishes
38. "Father of chemical warfare"
40. Waste matter
41. Skin disease
42. Scandinavian mythological god
43. __ and haws
44. Villain
45. Tell on
46. Difficulty
47. Not old

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

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COVID-19 Update

SEVERAL RESTRICTIONS BACK IN PLACE

In response to the Provincial announcement last week Peel Region is scaling back to a modified Stage 2 until November 6, 2020. The Town of Caledon is taking action to implement the necessary health and safety measures to protect its most vulnerable citizens and contain the spread of COVID-19.

Learn more: **caledon.ca/COVID**



Property Tax Assistance Program

For low income seniors and persons with disabilities



A property tax credit may be available for those who qualify.

CRITERIA:

FOR SENIORS:

1. 65 years of age or older by the application date; and
2. In receipt of the monthly guaranteed income supplement as provided under the Old Age Security Act (Canada); and
3. Continuously assessed as the owner and reside on residential real property within the Town of Caledon for a period of not less than one year immediately preceding the application date.

FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

1. In receipt of benefits under the Ontario Disability Support Program Act (ODSPA); and
2. Continuously assessed as the owner and reside on residential real property within the Town of Caledon for a period of not less than one year immediately preceding the application date.

In addition, all owners of the property must either be a qualifying senior or qualifying person with disabilities or their spouse.

This residential property tax rebate, where allowed, will be an outright grant made by the Town and will not entail repayment of any kind. Application forms may be obtained at Town Hall, or by calling 905.584.2272 x.4521, or by visiting the Town's website at **caledon.ca/taxhelp.**

Staying and supporting local is more important than ever before!

In honour of Small Business Week (October 18 to 24), show your love to our local businesses! Help them recover from the devastating economic impacts of the pandemic by shopping local!

Mayor, Allan Thompson



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Film Professional & Communications Trainer, Kunle Bristow (CBS "Star Trek: Discovery"; Amazon Prime's "The Expanse") will facilitate the workshop and as a bonus will pull excerpts from his course "Virtual Facilitation Mastery."

Complete a quick survey about youth employment to secure a spot.

Register today: **kunle.tv/caledon-next/**

Workshop schedule

YOUTH

(16-17 years)
October 15 | 4-5 p.m.

(18 - 29 years)
October 17 | 1 - 2 p.m.

BUSINESS LEADERS

October 15 | 7 - 8 p.m.
October 17 | 10 - 11 a.m.

Funding for Community Organizations

Is your not-for-profit community organization planning an event or working on a new project in 2021 that will enrich the lives of Caledon residents?

You may qualify to receive funding through the Town's MACG Program.

Additional funding is now available through the Town's MACG program to support the community's recovery from the pandemic. This includes support for not-for-profit organizations with less revenue or increased costs due to the pandemic.



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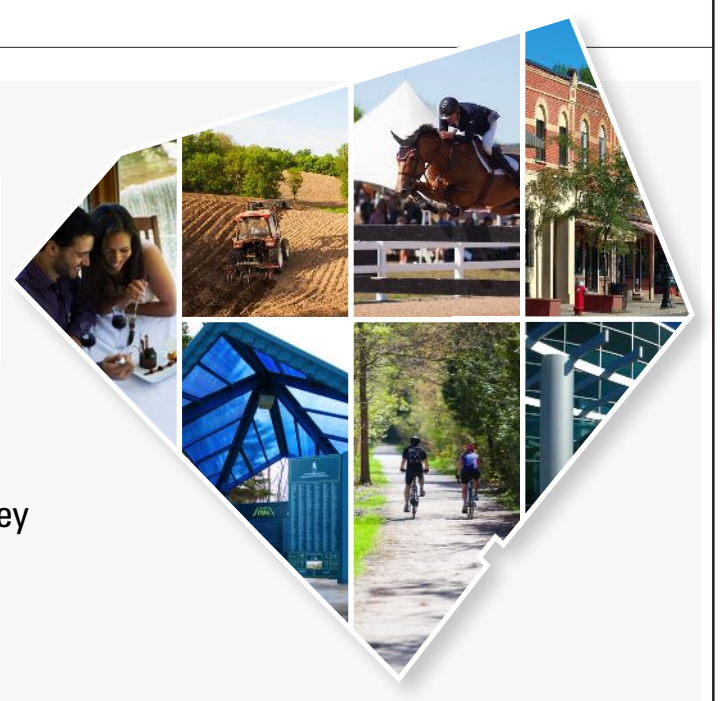
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Kim Delahunt reflects on first year at Headwaters hospital

Written By MIKE BAKER

When Kim Delahunt looks back on her first 12 months at the helm of Headwaters Health Care Centre, she proudly declares it to have been a period of progression and perseverance.

Taking on the role of president and CEO at the local hospital in October of 2019, Ms. Delahunt has led the charge on numerous projects and initiatives designed to bolster services and improve safety at Headwaters, both for patients and staff members alike. While plans were already in place to renovate the main entrance and lobby prior to her arrival, Kim has pushed forward proposals to expand the facility's emergency department and increase capacity for its obstetrical, oncology and urology units.

But it hasn't all been plain sailing. For the bulk of her first year in Orangeville, Ms. Delahunt has had to contend with this little thing called the COVID-19 pandemic and the incredible pressure that has put on our health care system here in Dufferin County.

"What a year this has been. It's certainly not the year I expected as a first-time hospital CEO, but it has been very busy, with a lot of positives, and certainly a lot of challenges with the onset of the pandemic back in March," Ms. Delahunt told the Citizen.

Services at the hospital were massively scaled back during the facility's initial response to the pandemic, with much of Headwaters' non-essential, non-emergency clinics and programs shutdown from March to June. Only staff and patients were permitted to be on-site during that time, with the hospital, essentially, closed to the public for around four months. It was a distressing time for hospital employees, Ms. Delahunt recalls, but was a "necessary pain" as the community's health care professionals fought to stem the spread of coronavirus.

When talking about her most significant accomplishments in her first year, Kim's list is dominated by the many measures implemented at the hospital to combat COVID-19.

"What I am most proud of is our COVID-19 response at the hospital, and how quick everyone pivoted to fight this horrible virus," Ms. Delahunt said. "We turned around a plan for our outdoor assessment centre in less than a week. Getting that up to speed, and figuring out what worked was no small feat, and it's still there today, super busy and super efficient. I think it's one of the most efficient drive-thru assessment centres anywhere in Ontario, and I'm super proud of that."



CITIZEN FILE PHOTO

ONE YEAR IN: Headwaters Health Care Centre President and CEO Kim Delahunt recently celebrated her first anniversary at the local hospital. She discussed some of her accomplishments during a recent interview with the Citizen.

She continued, "Then, on top of ramping everything down at the hospital and figuring things out there, we responded to a very bad COVID-19 outbreak at one of our long-term care homes in Shelburne. It was incredible the way our team came together and stepped up to the plate to help stabilize the situation."

Upwards of 25 staff members from Headwaters hospital were involved in the response to the outbreak at Shelburne Retirement Residence. Around 90 percent of the facility's residents were infected by the virus, with 55 residents testing positive for COVID-19. In total, there were 15 deaths reported at the home.

Another area in which Headwaters hospital has stepped up recently is in providing personal protective equipment (PPE), such as masks, gloves and hand sanitizer to its many community partners. The hospital has become a regional hub of sorts, as Ms. Delahunt describes it, for those in the health and service industries to access the equipment they need to ensure they are remaining safe while on the job.

Looking ahead, Kim said it's likely that we will be dealing with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic well into 2021, and potentially beyond. With a second wave well and truly here in Ontario and the number of positive cases on a daily upward trajectory, it doesn't appear the virus is going anywhere anytime soon. While there are currently around 100 COVID-19 vaccines in various stages of development, none are close to receiving the all-important thumbs up from the World Health Organization (WHO). It has been estimated that a WHO-sanctioned vaccine may not be readily available until 2022 at the earliest.

So, what does that mean for our hospital here in Orangeville? Ms. Delahunt highlights several potential impacts, most notably the potential financial repercussions of continuing to fund the many COVID-19 enforced safety measures enacted at Headwaters hospital in recent months, and the significance of cancelled, or scaled back, fundraising events and cutting other revenue streams condensing the facility's bottom line.

"With the COVID-19 expenses, we are faced with a couple of different challenges. Back in July, we submitted over $3 million in expenses to the province for all of our COVID-19 efforts to date. That was primarily to do with staffing of the assessment centre, costs of implementing new rules and procedures at the hospital, we've had to up staff, a lot of different things," she said. "They did reimburse us for our operating expenses for March and April, however they have not funded, and did not cover any capital expenses. So, any new pieces of equipment, or anything we needed to purchase to react to the pandemic, and there's been a good amount (of money spent) there."

She added, "They have also not yet committed to funding any lost revenue. Currently, our assessment centre is located in one of our parking lots. That particular lot typically has a lot of traffic flow through it, so we're estimating we're going to lose $1.4 million in revenues by the end of this year. As of now, there's no plan or no mention of covering something like that. For a hospital of our size, that's going to be a big pressure, and a big loss."

Simply put, Ms. Delahunt says bluntly, unless the provincial government intervenes, Headwaters hospital will be running a deficit this fiscal year. The local hospital, likely, will not be alone in doing so, Kim says.

"This is not just a local thing, a local issue. This is something that is impacting every hospital across Ontario. But, where I think it impacts medium-sized hospitals like us a little more, is that we don't have the bigger budgets, or any extra funds anywhere where could potentially find savings and help balance the books," Kim said. "It's a lot harder for us because we're smaller and leaner."

With things changing on a weekly basis due to the coronavirus, Ms. Delahunt says hospital staff have prepared for any eventuality, and have plans in place if they have to scale back operations, or respond to any further outbreaks within the community. Staff have also been working on a plan to move Orangeville's assessment centre indoors for the winter.

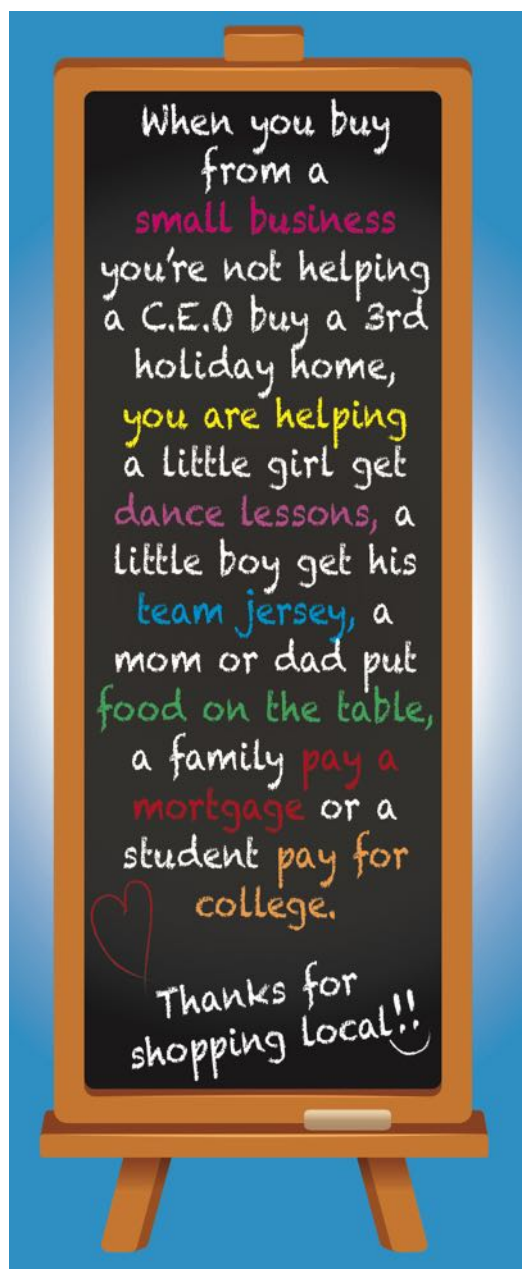
"We will have more information to share (on an indoor assessment centre) soon. We are making plans to wind down (our outdoor facility) in early November and move inside the hospital for the winter months," Ms. Delahunt said.

With her first full year now under her belt, and having had to tackle the greatest health crisis of our generation, Kim feels she's well equipped to move Headwaters hospital forward into the future. It's a path she fully intends to walk with a sense of optimism and belief in the work carried out at our hospital each and every day.

"The community, and really everyone at the hospital has been amazing in this first year. I really want to thank everyone for the warm welcome they have extended to me," she said. "Looking ahead, I'm an optimist. Despite the adversity we have faced and will continue to face in the months ahead, we will remain hopeful and positive at Headwaters hospital."

She concluded, "I am truly honoured to be a part of the team here and the community here, because it is an amazing place. There's honestly nowhere else I would rather be during this pandemic than at Headwaters Health Care Centre. It's an amazing, amazing place."







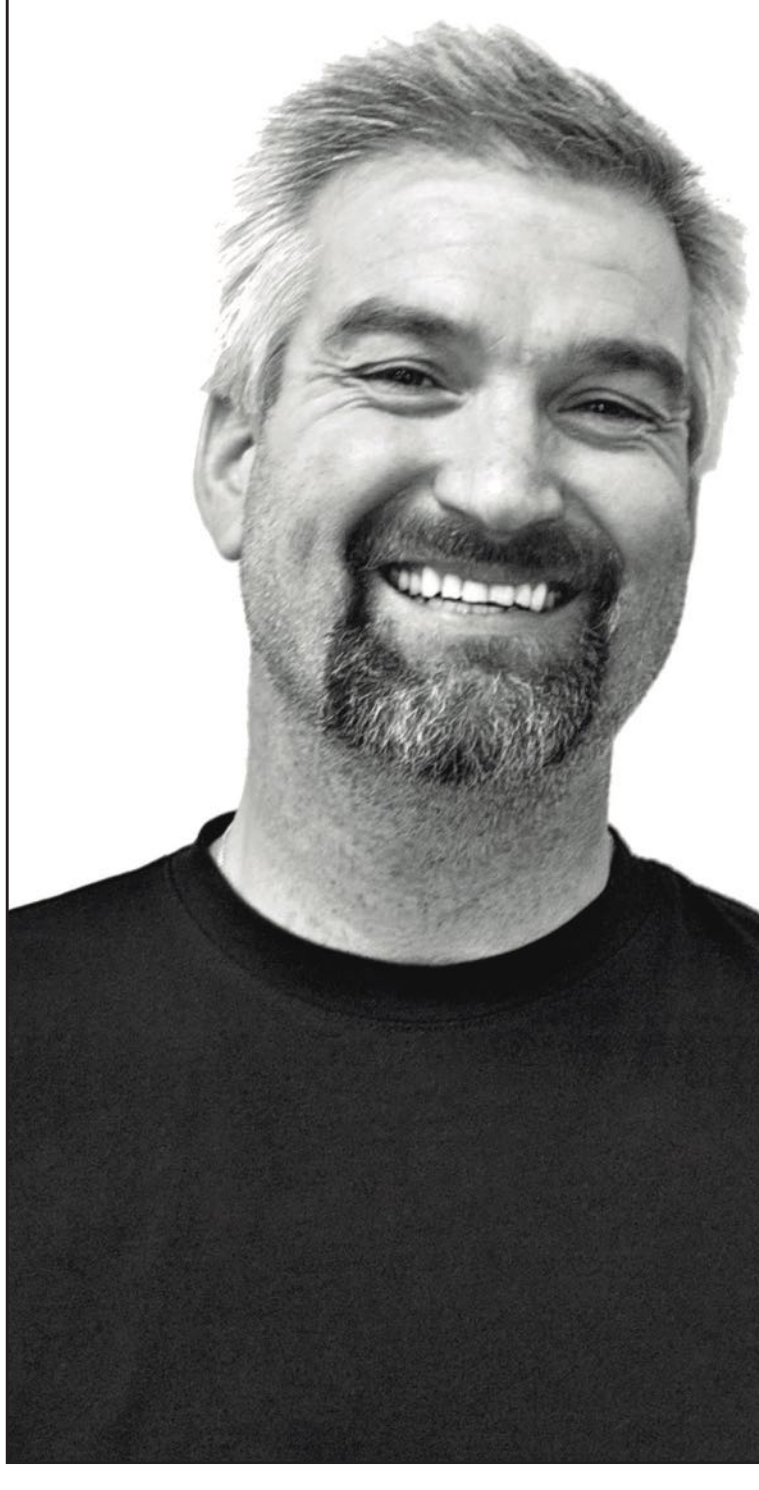
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Mother Nature offers stress relief in spades

by Mark Pavilons

Reality is the leading cause of stress, according to Lily Tomlin.

There's nothing quite like a dose of reality first thing in the morning to get you moving.

I prefer a freshly brewed cup of coffee.

Many believe that stress doesn't occur naturally, like thunderstorms or the changing of the leaves. Stress is what we do to our own bodies, reacting to stressful situations.

Of course there are stressful situations, some of our own making. Others are beyond our control. There are many reasons to get stressed out these days, maybe more than ever before in our lives. Again, we have to choose how we react.

Yes, we have a choice – get worked up, or learn to relax, channel, ease, and release the tension as it builds.

Many people also contend that you can actually see stress on someone's face. I call it "careworn," a term I fondly remember from The Wizard of Oz, used describing Aunt Em.

Our mind set is extremely important and if you think about it, it's all that matters. Most of us have our own ways of dealing with stress on a daily basis.

While it may not be practical to dart out during our lunch hour for a stint of hot yoga, we can simply take a few moments to decompress, meditate, of head outside, where the real "cure" to stress lies.

Yes, my friends, as much as stress is a creation of our own minds, the relief is Nature itself. The outdoors offer a cornucopia of sights, sounds and feelings to ease a troubled mind.

"Earth and sky, woods and fields, lakes and rivers, the mountain and the sea, are excellent schoolmasters, and teach some of us more than we can ever learn from books," said John Lubbock.

To me, there's nothing more peaceful than sitting outside in my back yard in the summer, feeling the sun kiss my face, and enjoying a gentle breeze as it surrounds me. It's like a fresh blanket for the soul.

You may have already known this and ask why it's taking so long for people to figure it out.

The Dutch, for instance, undertake "outblowing," or "uitwaaien."

It's basically activity spent outdoors in the wind, whether going for a walk, run or bike ride. I suppose a car ride works too, if the windows are down. Uitwaaien is something they do to clear their minds and it's literally out with the bad air, in with the good.

I fully concur with Shrek on this: "Better out than in." Okay, he was talking about the other end, but it's still good advice!

The answer, my friend, may very well be blowing in the wind. Thanks, Bob Dylan!

As little as five minutes per day spent outside immersed in nature can do wonders.

Many researchers have found similar results, linking activities like nature walks with reduced levels of depression, perceived stress, and negative emotions. Some research goes even further, reporting that walking in nature can help reduce headaches, improve immune function, and even increase anticancer protein production.

We all have our favourite places or things that trigger joy. Who doesn't love water, or the sound of waves crashing to shore? Who doesn't enjoy the chatter of birds, the smell of a camp fire?

I visited someone in the Holland Marsh recently. There, I stood in amazement of the acres and acres of flat, fertile lands. Just staring at the horizon made me feel at peace.

Research shows time spent in forests or just looking at trees or photos of them, boosts immune systems, lowers blood pressure, improves mood and ability to focus, and increases energy levels and sleep quality.

Studies have shown that people who live closer to the coast, report better physical and psychological health than those farther inland. Water may have a restorative effect, helping us overcome negative emotions and diminish our mental distress.

I'm a firm believer that this is no accident. All life on this planet emerged from the water, so we have an inherent connection with it.

"Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads," Henry David Thoreau once wrote.

And John Burroughs said he went to nature "to have my senses put in order."

And scientists have more evidence to support this. One Japanese physician said trees and plants and release antibacterial and antimicrobial substances in the air. If we breathe them in, they can help us get stronger, too, and help fight disease.

We are all well aware by this point – made quite evident by COVID-19 – that stress can damage our health and well-being. We take vitamins and eat well to help our bodies. A "dose" of Nature is abundant, and free.

I've been told to meditate now and then and that it does wonders to calm both mind and body. I've watched "The Secret," which indicates we need to connect with the universe, and it will respond. Friends and family members swear by yoga, Reiki, prayer and aromatherapy.

There's a lot that we still don't know about existence, human origins and life in the universe.

We may very well be connected in ways we can't even imagine.

What is obvious is the abundance and beauty of Nature – it's all around us. From a blade of grass to the oldest of redwoods, the natural world is simply amazing. Again, this is no accident.

Just as we can surround ourselves with positivity and optimism, so should we wrap our loving arms around what the world offers.

Breathe deeply and let it all out!

Waiter, there's a fly on my head

"And that's the way it is."

If you're old enough to remember that catchphrase, you're old enough to remember when Walter Cronkite delivered the nightly news on the CBS network.

Over time, he became known as the 'most trusted man in America.'

Cronkite wasn't hired to deliver the nightly news based on his pretty-boy good looks, straight teeth, beaming smile, and a full head of wavy blonde hair.

He was hired because he was a seasoned journalist having reported from the war theatres in Europe, the Nuremberg trials, and many other historic events.

He is probably best remembered for announcing the death of President John F. Kennedy.

During that emergency broadcast, even when it became apparent that Kennedy was dead based on eyewitness reports of what was happening in the hospital and reports from people who had witnessed the actual and obviously fatal shot, he refused to announce it as fact.

It wasn't until he received an official 'news flash' from a trusted news source that he announced the president was indeed dead.

It was also the only time he really showed emotion on air. He had a catch in his voice, and he had to pause and compose himself before continuing, as he realized the full power of the overwhelming message he had just delivered.

Cronkite gained the reputation as the 'most trusted man' based on what he did and how he delivered the news.

He gave the facts. He didn't editorialize, didn't take sides, and didn't turn a mountain into a molehill.

You would think major news outlets would have learned from Cronkite's insistence on facts.

During the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan, in 1981, White House press secretary James Brady took the first bullet right in the forehead. Yes, it was an obviously serious wound.

Within minutes, most major networks were reporting the shooting and also reporting the Brady had been killed by the gunfire. They were embarrassed later to find out he had not been killed and was very much alive – although in very serious condition.

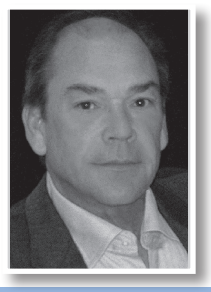
The recent American political debate between current U.S. vice president Mike Pence and challenger Kamala Harris, proved to be a rather interesting debate. It was civil compared to the earlier presidential debate and refrained from name calling and the other shenanigans we have seen.

Both candidates did a decent job of promoting their ideas and platform.

So what was the top reported issue after the debate?

You might think it had something to do with law and order, the economy, or an issue about national affairs.

Nope. It was the fact that a fly landed on Pence's head during the debate.



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

I will admit it was kind of funny. The fly stood out like a tree in a desert against Pence's white hair.

It took about two minutes before photos of that fly started popping up on Facebook and Youtube.

That can be expected.

However the next morning, the fly on the head story was reported by major news outlets as a 'story.'

On one news outlet, their major on-line story had a close-up photo of the offending insect perched on Pence's noggin.

While a fly on a guy's head during such a serious moment might be something that is amusing, does it really constitute hard news about a major event?

If they needed to make light of it, a humorous jab at the end of the story would have sufficed – it did not require a headline.

American news outlets have certainly tilted to left field over the past few years. It seems news directors have forgotten what is hard news, and what is glitz or glamour, and 'cowboy spots UFO' stories.

The shift started happening in the mid 90's.

During the 1996 Super Bowl between the Dallas Cowboys and the Pittsburgh Steelers, Diana Ross performed during the halftime show.

The next morning, most of the stories about the game were focused on the fact that Ross changed her outfit four times during her 12 minute performance.

Wait a minute – wasn't there a football game wrapped around that show? Apparently a costume change and a field of dancers relegated that actual game to second place.

I don't mind news sources doing fun and unusual stories. In fact some journalists have made a career out of it. The late broadcasters Andy Rooney and Paul Harvey come to mind.

However, when it comes to serious news, some stories should be delivered without the nonsense.

I think our Canadian broadcasters do a much better job of reporting the serious news and keeping the fluff for an appropriate slot in the program.

There's no word on if they caught the fly.



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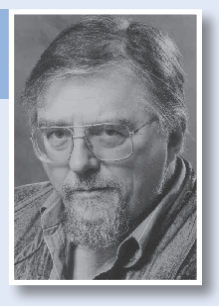
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Bolivia - a free & fair election

GWYNNE DYER
OUR WORLD TODAY



Evo Morales, president of Bolivia for 14 years, is certainly a great man: the first person of indigenous descent ever elected to lead a country where only 5% of the population is of European origin. But he was ousted from power late last year, and he deserved to be. (He is sitting out next Sunday's election in exile in Argentina.)

This has been taken by most people elsewhere (and not just people on the left) to mean that there was a 'coup' in Bolivia last year, and that democracy there is in danger, or even at an end. That impression was reinforced by the fact that the caretaker president for the past eleven months has been an extreme right-wing politician.

But it wasn't really a coup; more of a car-crash. The presidential election last year was followed by weeks of popular protests claiming that it had been rigged to give Morales a narrow victory in the first round of voting.

Morales resigned when an investigation by the Organisation of American States reported that there had been "serious irregularities" in the vote and "clear manipulations" of the voting system". That was the right thing to do, but then his party, the Movement Towards Socialism (MAS), made an incredible blunder.

It boycotted an ad hoc meeting held by the opposition parties, the Catholic Church and representatives of the European Union to choose an interim president. All the senior MAS officials having resigned together with Morales, the choice fell on the second vice-president of the senate, an obscure politician called Jeanine Añez – who turned out to be a monster.

Within a week journalists were digging up racist tweets in which she called Morales a "poor Indian" and declared an indigenous new year celebration "satanic". In the same week, she fired all the military top brass, replacing them with her own appointees, and gave the police and soldiers blanket authority to use lethal force against protesters. At least 28 were killed.

Añez seemed well on the way to enshrining the rule of the extreme right. Morales was banned from seeking the presidency again, and in May she declared that she would run for the presidency herself when the election was re-run. But now that election, much postponed because of Covid-19, has come round at last – and she has just withdrawn her candidacy.

It turns out that mourning for the death of Bolivian democracy has been a bit premature. The leading candidate in this election is still from the MAS: Luis Arce, a former economy minister who oversaw the nationalisation program under Morales.

Arce's main opponent is the same man Morales faced last year: ex-president Carlos Mesa, a former journalist and professor who is centre-left politically. Añez withdrew to give the other hard-right candidate, Luis Fernando Camacho, a better chance of getting through to the second round, but he still probably won't make it.

The second round remains the key issue. The rules say that the leading candidate wins in the first round if he or she gets 40% of the vote, and is at least ten points ahead of the nearest rival. If not, the two leading candidates go through to the second round – but then the supporters of all the losing candidates will probably unite behind the challenger to defeat the socialist (who is invariably the leader in the first round).

Morales did not have a ten-point lead over Mesa last year when 85% of the votes had been counted – but then the 'quick count' stopped for no clear reason for a full day, and when it resumed Morales ended up with a 10.1% lead. So no second round: Morales wins. That's when the mass protests started, and rightly so.

An unexplained halt of that duration in the vote-counting always means they are fixing the outcome. Given Morales's past record – he held a referendum to end the two-term limit on the presidency, lost it, then got an MAS-dominated court to set the referendum result aside and end term limits – not too many people were willing to give him the benefit of the doubt.

His time is up, but the MAS under Arce's leadership could still win this election, and if it doesn't then Mesa will probably become president, which would not be a disaster either. Democracy is not dead in Bolivia.

Where's our moral outrage now?

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



Earlier this year, despite COVID concerns, we shared a collective moral outrage about the treatment of persons of colour and joined in community support of the BLM movement. Rightly so, but in the meantime, Indigenous persons were also dying and continue to do so while we say nothing. Already it's "yesterday's news" that Joyce Echaquan died alone, in pain, in a hospital bed while being verbally abused and taunted by the very medical staff in whom she should have been able to place her trust, especially while at her most vulnerable. She is not the first Indigenous person to suffer such a fate. That her death occurred just days before "Orange Shirt Day," on Sept. 30 is particularly egregious. Where's our moral outrage now?

Orange Shirt Day passed with little fanfare. A few posts on social media, a picture of some politicians wearing orange, and – at least to my mind – very little else. It began in 2013 for the purposes of educating people about, and promoting awareness of, "the Indian residential school system and the impact it has had on Indigenous communities for over a century." Yet, just two days before celebrating the day (and despite many towns, cities and schools now proudly declaring "land acknowledgements" before public meetings or during morning announcements) Joyce lay on a hospital bed near death, possibly given medication she was allergic to and alternately ignored or harassed. If she hadn't turned on her phone and recorded her abusers – there's a pretty good chance we wouldn't be writing about this now and that's just wrong. How does something like this happen in a developed country with full, relatively unfettered access to health care? How is it that collectively, we did not hear about this death and rise up in anger to gather on the streets, online or even on social media in support of our Indigenous brothers and sisters, as willingly as we embraced Black Lives Matter this past summer?

More than 10 years ago, in 2008, another Indigenous person named Brian Sinclair also fell victim to the health care system. Having gone to the emergency room for what an inquest deemed an entirely treatable bladder infection, he waited there for over 34 hours before someone realized he was in fact dead! Brian, a double amputee who used a wheelchair, had sat in emergency for so long that when someone finally did check on him, rigor mortis had already set in. The best estimates suggest he had been dead for anywhere between 2-7 hours! Again I ask you how does this happen? How is it that someone in obvious need, with a disability, is not only ignored but actually dies without anyone realizing for several hours? The inquest into his death found in part, that medical staff had assumed he was drunk. We've had better than 10 years since then to make improvements in the system yet here we are still sharing horrific stories of Indigenous people dying because they seemingly aren't able to access the same health care as their fellow Canadians. We should be ashamed.

I'm tempted to say wearing an orange shirt does nothing to address chronic inequities and yet there is research to support that it could. There is a movement toward "Trauma Informed Care" that could potentially help eliminate situations like those experienced by Sinclair and Echaquan. A 2019 paper on social determinants of health pointed to glaring discrepancies in the treatment of Indigenous persons who have experienced trauma. Understanding that trauma, and how to approach treatment is key. What are social determinants? They include: historical experiences with colonialism, racism, experiences of the residential school system and point to how each impacts not just the generation who experienced it first-hand but also those who are raised by them and subsequent generations too. Resulting inequities in education, diet, parenting skills, mental health and lifestyle choices each have a further impact on potential health outcomes for Indigenous persons. Is it possible therefore, that something as simple as wearing an orange shirt may help to enlighten and inform both this and future generations of medical health care professionals about trauma informed care, resulting in treating Indigenous persons appropriately and with care and compassion? Would such an approach prevent future unnecessary deaths? Given the little fanfare around Orange Shirt Day this year, I tend to believe the answer is no but it's equally tempting to have hope.

The husband of Joyce Echaquan said it best: "She's Canadian, Indigenous also….. there's no human being that deserves to die with indignity, with humiliation and in fear." He, and many others, would suggest Joyce was "abused because the nurses thought "they could" and that they would get away with it." Certainly from my perspective, the lack of moral outrage amongst us would suggest they were right. Other than a lightening flash of attention in the news, a recent Google search doesn't really turn up anything new; the promise of an inquiry and, eventually, a nurse and an orderly fired. So far – that's it.

Collectively, we should be disgusted, disheartened and disturbed by the death of Joyce Echaquan, a mother of 7, just as we should have been disheartened, disgusted and disturbed when Brian Sinclair died. The time for demanding change is nigh. What will it take? Why aren't you outraged?



Galt Family Foundation aims to reward local volunteer work

Written By MARK PAVILONS
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE EDITOR



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GIVING BACK: John Galt (left), president and CEO of Husky Injection Molding Systems, likes to give back to his community. He and his family - wife Sandra, son Thomas and daughter Sandra, launched the Galt Family Foundation in 2018 to reward local residents who regularly volunteer in our community.

When John and Sandra Galt first moved to King 20 years ago, they were immediately struck by the selflessness of the community's volunteers.

Volunteers formed the backbone of their son's baseball league and daughter's Girl Guide troop, and were the driving force behind family events like the Schomberg Fair and Main Street Christmas. Charity auctions and dinners, hosted by the local Lions Clubs, were another source of entertainment for the couple.

"All the community events- the Lions' pancake supper, the Schomberg Agricultural Society's fair, the Parade of Lights, put on by King's farmers- they all brought the area together and created a sense of belonging to something unique," said John Galt. "You didn't feel like just a name or a number, as we did in the city at times."

Today, John, Sandra, daughter Julia, and son Thomas helm the Galt Family Foundation, a self-funded charity that aims to reward outstanding volunteer efforts in King Township and beyond. Founded in 2018, the foundation is a way for the family to give back to their community in a larger way than ever before.

"We've been fortunate in terms of our lives and some of the opportunities we've had," said John. "We'd been giving back with smaller donations for years and wanted to do so in a more meaningful way. So we formalized that into a foundation."

Galt, president and CEO of injection molding equipment manufacturer Husky Injection Molding Systems, has long been accustomed to the ins and outs of designating large-scale donations. Well before the formation of the Galt Family Foundation, he'd been annually involved in the selection of Husky's corporate beneficiaries. It was a position that allowed him to become familiar with the causes and volunteer groups in the area, and one that led him to the Galt Family Foundation's first charitable undertaking in 2019.

"Husky had been a sponsor of the Schomberg Agricultural Spring Fair for several years, and because of that Sandra and I were invited to a sponsor appreciation dinner with the Schomberg Agricultural Society," said Galt. "Over the course of the dinner, the Society kept mentioning something about a bridge. We enquired and it went from there."

The bridge in question was the one connecting Schomberg's Main Street to the fairgrounds – a historic, frequently used structure that had stood in place for over 80 years. Cracks had been spotted in the bridge's foundation, and a survey of the structure had indicated it could not be repaired. With an estimated replacement cost in the hundreds of thousands, the society's stress was running high.

"The Agricultural Society has been volunteering their time and resources into putting on the Schomberg Fair and Main Street Christmas for decades and decades. Our family has been enjoying both events for years, so it was fitting that funding the bridge would be our first act as a foundation."

Though the process of replacing the bridge remains ongoing as of 2020, it was not the only cause the Galt Family Foundation supported that year. With a self-described ethos to reward volunteer-based activities that raise money for community charities and healthcare, it made sense to support Orangeville's Headwaters Health Care Centre when the opportunity arose. To help raise money for urgently needed replacement medical equipment, the Galt Family Foundation committed itself to matching all donations received during the hospital's holiday fundraiser. The campaign was a resounding and unprecedented success, raising over $374,000.

The Galt Family Foundation's newest undertaking represents another first for the family. They've been working with Newmarket's George Markow, a 99-year-old WW2 veteran who has, for the past several months, been circling the grounds of his retirement home in an effort to raise $100,000 for medical research. In an effort to help Markow surpass his goal, the Galt Family Foundation has pledged to match contributions to his GoFundMe (https://ca.gofundme.com/f/99-yr-old-walking-100-km-for-medical-research), dollar-for-dollar, up to $100,000 – putting Markow's current donations at an impressive $120,000.

"George exemplifies everything our foundation values: perseverance, hard-work, selflessness." Galt said. "Here's a man who's survived WW2, years imprisoned in concentration camps, health crises, and more, and is still, at 99 years old, finding a way to give back to the community."

As the Galt Family Foundation continues to grow in the coming years, John and Sandra hope it will provide support to those who feel their volunteer work isn't being recognized.

"We have people in our community who have spent their lives volunteering, and have never asked anything for it," said Galt. "It's these people that are the measure of a great community, and it's these people we aim to thank."

Local resident continuing with 'Homemade Masks for Hometown Heroes' venture

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Carole Williams was enjoying the sunshine in Florida much to the dismay of all Canadian's who were enjoying the slush, the snow and the rain north of the border.

The Aurora native was there with her mom Sylvia Salmon in March; who was down there all Winter and when the news continued to emerge that a virus had been spreading like wildfire, it was time to hop in the car and drive back home.

When she returned, she saw the lack of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) available for front-line workers going head to head to COVID-19.

Williams, a former teacher for the blind with the Peel District School board for 17 years and worker for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind for eight years, couldn't simply stand back and hope something would happen. In her eyes, it was indispensable she got involved to make a difference.

"My daughter and I decided to start making masks for frontline workers," Williams said.

"We created a Facebook page, in order to see if any of our family or friends might be interested in helping. The answer was a resounding yes!"

Williams and her daughter entitled their initiative "Homemade Masks for Hometown Heroes."

Over 3,000 volunteers joined in to help. Country Concessions Quilt Shop in Cookstown and The Quilt Shop in Newmarket donated fabric to support the cause as every volunteer stitched and seemed masks together to donate free of charge.

"We provided masks and scrub caps primarily to hospitals, nursing homes and masks to essential workers (grocery stores, vet clinics, day care centre's etc.) who continued to work during the crisis."

Sunrise of Aurora, Chartwell, Kingsway Place Retirement in Aurora benefitted from this work. King City Lodge, King Township Foodbank and Headwaters Health Centre in Orangeville are some other local institutions that have benefitted from this effort.

The Facebook page was archived due to a decrease in requests from the community and volunteers had to head back to work. But most recently, last week, Williams has reopened the page under a different name and some volunteers continued making masks since face coverings have become mandatory in the province.

You can follow the new page "Homemade Masks for York Region."

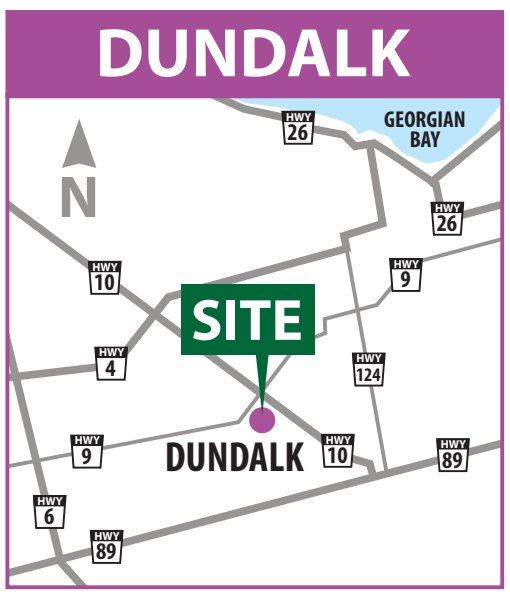
"This pandemic has been a global tragedy and there has been so much suffering. All I can say is that I am so grateful to all our volunteers who stepped up during the crisis. I've been told by many that our group was a life saver, not only for those who received donations of masks and caps, but also for the volunteers themselves!"

Williams is humbled by the kindness, generosity and love from many people. She and her daughter, pulled together a dedicated group of compassionate citizens that have vehemently worked in support for frontline health care workers.

An act, that should go down in community history books when remembering COVID-19.

As of three weeks ago, Williams has officially moved out to British Columbia with her husband to join her daughter Jessica Mitchell and her two lovely grandchildren.









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Dress Purple in October to mark Child Abuse Prevention month

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

On Oct. 27 communities across the country will wear purple to honour and support vulnerable children and families.

Each October, Children's Aid Societies encourage communities to wear purple in the month of October across the province.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the importance of the Dress Purple Day campaign is as high as ever to give families, youth and vulnerable individuals within communities the help and support that they need.

According to Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies, "COVID-19 can lead to an increase in risk factors surrounding mental health, intimate partner violence, and maltreatment of children and youth. Ontarians in need of help are encouraged to reach out to the services available in their community, including Children's Aid Societies, or if they know a young person or family in need of support."

Peel Children's Aid Society is planning to host a free online presentation and workshop on Oct. 27, in celebration of Dress Purple Day and is encouraging residents of Peel Region to join in. The campaign aims to raise awareness of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

"This year, myself and fellow Peel Children's Aid board members, staff and community advocates will dress purple to show families facing challenges that we care and we can help," said Board President Juliet Jackson in a statement online.

Communities and residents are encouraged to wear purple on Oct. 27, and share on social media with friends and their families to spread the message that help is available.

Bethell Hospice receives $5,400 from 100 Women Caledon

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The 100 Women Who Care Caledon, though unable to hold their annually meetings in person due to COVID-19 pandemic, have still chosen a recipient to support this month.

The group of local women who get together to support local charities, organizations and those who contribute to their community in Caledon. The one-hour meeting equals $100 donation from 100 Women Who Care Caledon participants/

The meeting, which took place virtually on Sept. 24, announced Bethell Hospice as their recipient to receive the generous donation.

Bethell Hospice received the majority of the votes from the group of women. They were chosen because "Bethell provides excellent, person-centered, palliative care through partnerships with our community."

The women donated a total of $5,400 which will help fund food, medication, community counselling and grief support programs at Bethell Hospice.

"We are absolutely thrilled to have been selected," said Julie Hymers, Associate Director of Marketing and Communications for Bethell Hospice Foundation. "With the impacts of COVID-19, fundraising has been particularly challenging in 2020, and we are so grateful to 100 Women Who Care Caledon for their belief in the importance of Bethell Hospice in our community."

The group of women have in total raised around $90,000 for communities in Caledon including Meaghan Zaremba Music Room, Caledon Community Services, Caledon Meals on Wheels, Canadian Mental Health Association, Special Olympics Caledon and many others.

Since 2017, 100 Women of Caledon have come together in support and to raise money for those in the Caledon community and look forward to continuing either virtually or in-person.

"We are always happy to welcome new members. The more members we have, the bigger the impact we can have on local charities. Many charities have had to alter how they fundraise, and many are not able to raise the money they need to keep local programs running," said Chair, Karen McDonald back in August. "A donation from 100 Women Who Care Caledon can make all the difference for a charity that is struggling to find ways to raise money."

For more information, please visit 100womenwhocarecaledon.com.



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GRATEFUL RECIPIENT: Bethell Hospice has been chosen for the 100 Women Who Care Caledon recipient this past meeting. This marks the second time receiving donations from the group, the first in 2018.

Our Readers Write

It takes training to become a teacher

The "local teacher" featured (last) Thursday, seeking to open a private school, is *not* a teacher.

To be a teacher in Ontario, you must be certified, have successfully completed a minimum three-year post-secondary degree, and have successfully completed a four semester teacher ed program.

You must also apply to the Ontario College of Teachers for certification and pay the annual membership and registration fees in order to be a registered member. This high standard applies to every teacher who seeks to work for a publically funded school in Ontario. And the training for administrators is of an equal high standard.

However, you don't have to meet Ontario's high standards for teacher education or administrative training if you own or work in a private school.

Ms. Kroeger's limited experience spending time in a "unique one room school in Las Vegas" and "teaching in Kenya" are applaudable but don't count as "teacher" or headmaster qualifications.

She notes, "I've been seeing, especially lately, that schools can be really chaotic." Astute. That could be because we are in the midst of a global pandemic that has thrown schools and everything else into coronavirus chaos.

An eager entrepreneur who has spent time in a classroom does not a teacher make. Check the tires.

Skid Crease, Caledon resident

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Bolton native drafted by Calgary Flames in 2020 NHL Entry Draft

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Oct. 7 was a long day for Rory Kerins

The Caledon native, a reasonable prospect in the 2020 NHL Entry Draft, had an idea where he was going to be picked. He was ranked 107 by Future Considerations and 109 by McKeens. But the wait, was completely worth it, the local native tells the Citizen.

He had talks with teams before the National Hockey League draft last week. One of which, was his boyhood club the Calgary Flames. Imagine that.

Now into the sixth round of the draft, Kerins had been nervous. His heart palpitated the entire afternoon as he anxiously waited for his name to be spoken.

"The Calgary Flames select..."

It was time. At pick 174, the Flames selected the Soo Greyhounds forward.

"When I got picked it was amazing, hard to explain or put into words. So many things go through your head for 15 seconds, I got pretty emotional," Kerins wrote to The Citizen.

"Then you get calls from Brad Treliving (GM of Calgary) and Geoff Ward (coach) congratulating you and it all happens so fast. So, it was awesome, in terms of being nervous, i just wanted to get drafted, I just wanted to go to a team that believed in me and I believe I did in Calgary."

The Flames, took the No. 72 ranked skater amongst North American players in the draft. Kerins had the fourth most even-strength goals in the OHL, only behind top first-round selections Marco Rossi, Cole Perfetti and Jack Quinn.

He recorded 30 goals and 29 assists on the year.



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A DREAM COME TRUE: Bolton native and Soo Greyhounds forward Rory Kerins was selected 174th overall by the Calgary Flames in the 2020 NHL Draft last week.

Growing up in Bolton, Kerins, grew a love for the Calgary Flames due to his relationship with Flames assistant captain Sean Monahan. Kerins' brother and Monahan, became close friends growing up and his father coached them for years.

"I was around him a lot and I took a liking to him early on in my life. We still keep in touch. Ever since he was drafted to Calgary in 2013 that was my team and I fell in love with the way they played and the "C of Red" at the Saddle-dome."

He says it's really cool, to be drafted by his boyhood team. He did grow a liking for the Toronto Maple Leafs as well, but when the Flames came to town and Kerins had tickets to the hockey game, he never forgot to put his Flames jersey on before heading off to Scotiabank Arena.

Now, he says he has not received any direction on reporting to camp.

To Kerins, that will come. As an OHL draftee when he was 16 to the Greyhounds, all Kerins wants to do is focus on working hard and enjoying the journey.

"I really look forward to the journey, most guys say the real work starts now - but for me, it started a couple years ago, so I just look forward to the process and continuing to put in the work I have been."

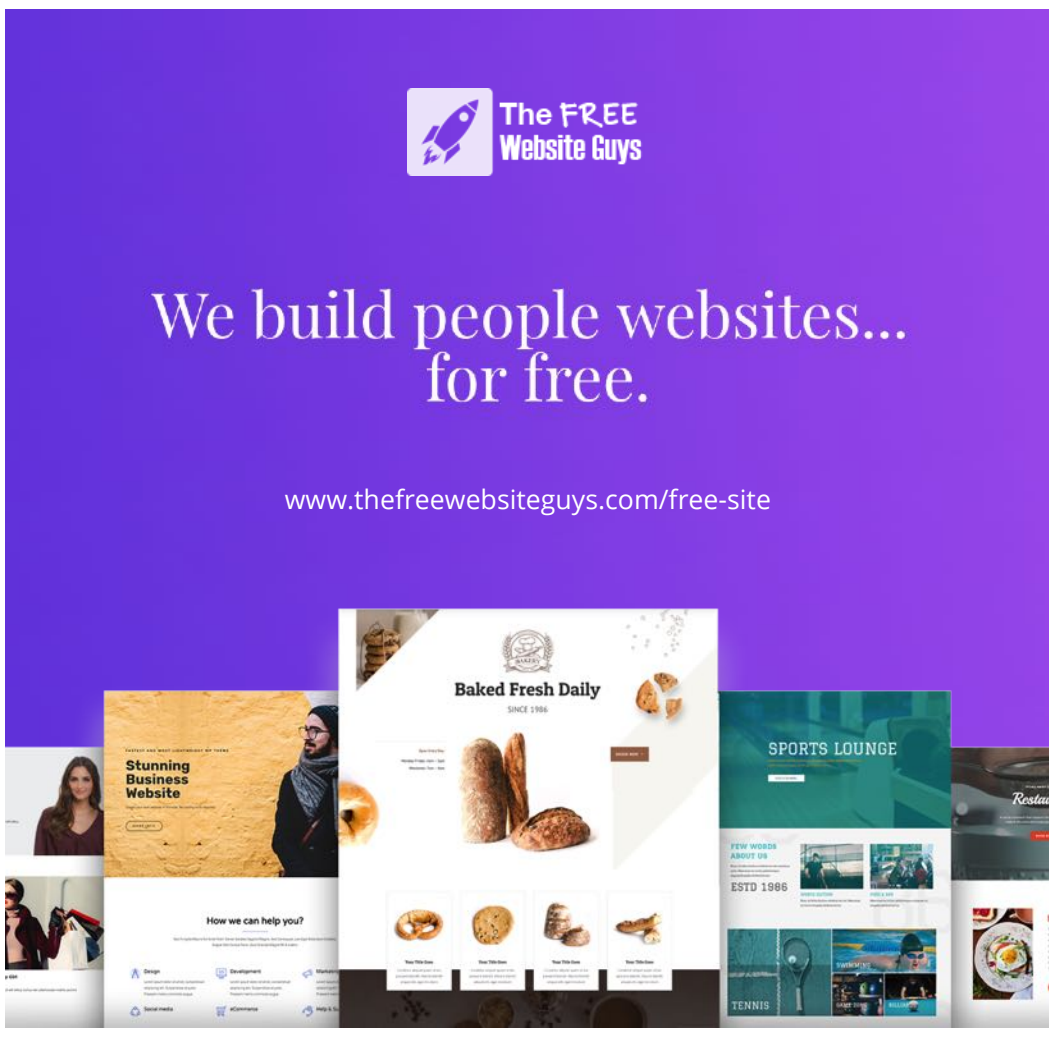
He will return to the Greyhounds for this upcoming year with the hopes of chasing the OHL cup.

"At this point that's all I want. I miss hockey."

The NHL is pursuing a January 1 2021 start date for the next season should everything run smoothly. Further announcements are expected to be made as the Fall rolls along.

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Basketball trickster inspiring the next generation through virtual learning

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Brantford native Quincy Mack always loved basketball. He grew up, idolizing the one and only Michael Jordan.

A professional career in the sport was far-fetched, but he garnered an innovative interest with the sport. That was, learning how to perform tricks and creative moves.

"To be honest with you, it was a bit of a compensation that I was never one of the tallest guys or fastest guys on any basketball team that I've played on," Mack said.

"While the rest of my buddies were slam dunking or attempting to dunk having that type of athletic ability so I started shooting half court shots and spinning the ball on my finger and juggling."

He went off to school for radio broadcasting at Humber College. He is an excellent speaker.

Originally, he had planned to get into radio. Then his friend, got into the marketing department at Nike back in 1998-99. He told Mack, you got tricks and the voice, why don't you come and host some summer time three on three events?

"It kind of started like that and NBA Canada picked me up the next summer time to do all of their other events and it kind of snowballed from there."

He came up with his own name Q-Mack.

He began creating more tricks and making a name for himself. Instead of spinning a basketball on his finger he would spin a basketball on a 25-foot-pole and bounce it on his chin.

He took his talents to NBA All-Star weekend, Wal-Mart Christmas parties and national junior NBA day. His own career took flight and now Mack, can proudly say he has been a part of the NBA for the past 20-years and most importantly, inspiring children.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

VIDEO LEARNING: Ontario native Quincy Mack has made a name for himself in the world of professional basketball. Now, he's aiming to inspire the next generation of kids back in his home province through his 'Virtual Learning Pack'. Pictured above, Mack alongside NBA All-Star Steph Curry, of the Golden State Warriors.

Mack says, he has been hired by three-quarters of all the school's in Ontario.

He has been to schools locally such as James Grieve Public School, Caledon East PS, St. Evan Catholic, Macville Public School, Allan Drive Middle School, James Bolton Public School and St. Nicholas and Holy Family Elementary School.

He's been hired by over 4,000 school's in total and energizing over two million students.

He loves entertaining and introducing famous NBA basketball players in the process to children waiting to see them up close and personal.

But now, with large gatherings being prohibited by public health, Q-Mack, has designed his own "Virtual Learning Pack" for schools to use, with tricks that don't involve shooting and involve character traits that are often preached in curriculums.

"School boards call them core character values or core character attributes. Every school board has eight to 10 that they focus on specifically. So, I take the most common ones such as inclusiveness for example."

Then others would revolve respect, responsibility, perseverance, kindness and teamwork.

Using these videos, Q-Mack, introduces his character traits and follows them with tricks and caps it off with an interesting segment.

"In the last minute of every video is something called rewind your mind. Where I set a 24 second shot-clock and you got to get the multiple choice done before the shot clock runs out. First one is a free throw it's worth one point, then a jump shot that's worth two points and the three pointer which is the hardest question yet, that's worth three points."

Each question revolves around content explained within that video.

Schools have already begun purchasing Q-Mack's product. This Virtual Learning Pack consists of 10 video tutorials and 10 video traits. These videos are guaranteed to influence children between the ages of 7-14.

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For more information on his product, you can head to qmack.com.

Alpine programs back underway at Caledon Ski Club, new measures in place

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Alpine programs at the Caledon Ski Club commence today, General Manager Craig MacDonald and Board Chair Katherine Tremble-Taylor wrote in the latest Planning and Operational Update on the club's website.

MacDonald said registration will change for this year.

"We're going to look at November 3 registration," Macdonald said over the phone.

"We're thinking about making our programs either a morning or afternoon. That way if the weather isn't conducive or if people wish to commit to a morning or an afternoon and not being committed to a full day."

Programming will consist of smaller cohorts as per public health guidelines. The club, has to confirm a few times before going live with memberships.

Members this year; unlike in past years, will be limited to bringing guests to the club. Immediate family members may be permitted as guests to ski.

Masks and sanitization protocols will be enforced. Masks must be worn lifts and are strongly recommended when riding.

Indoor food and beverage options will be available within the lodge as well as outdoor BBQ's should the weather permit. The club may resort to mobile orders and pre-order options.

MacDonald confirmed, some operations such as indoor spacing could be curtailed depending on the status of the virus.

Contact tracing will be conducted through a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) system.

In this back to basics approach for this year, it is imperative that families enjoy skiing with the club.

There will be no inter-club competitions this year unless things change by March, so everyone can enjoy skiing at their leisure.

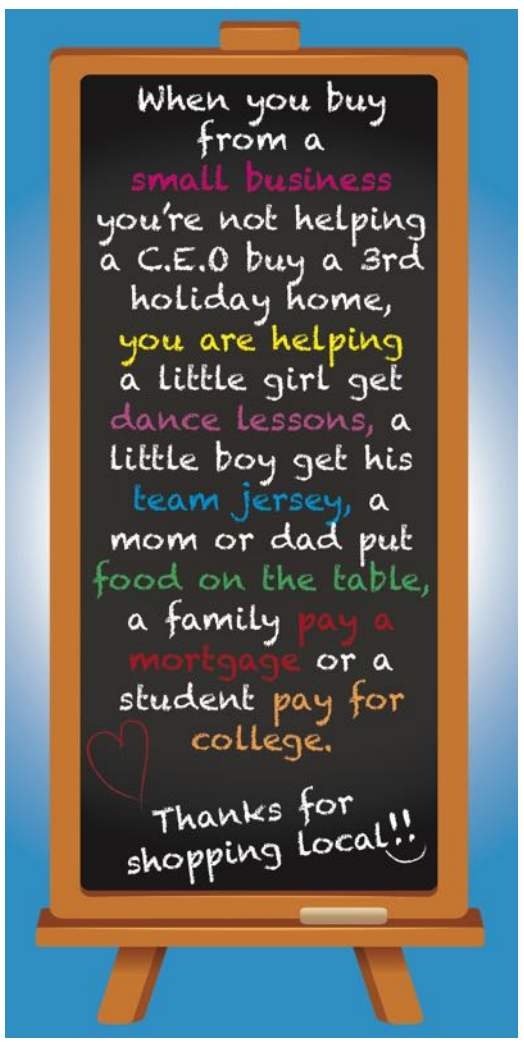
The club has worked continuously to ensure everyone's safety and remains highly optimistic that sooner rather than later, skiing will overcome this setback.

"Our club has been strong going into this and it will be strong going out. Skiing is a social sport and it's a family sport and those things are definitely first and foremost and they will come back the way they were. It's just a pause for now."

This Sunday (October 18) the annual shareholders meeting to appoint a new board for this year will be conducted over ZOOM, to discuss yearly financials and all the plans moving forward.

For further information on the plans set out by the Caledon Ski Club you may head to caledonskiclub.com and scroll down to 2020/2021 updates.

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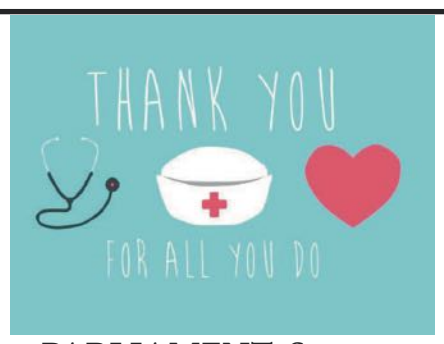
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He was born to loving parents, Annie May and Wesley Norman Button in Lead Cove, NL.
Winston is survived by his sisters, Loretta Morgan, and Renee Button, his nieces Deborah Morgan, Cheryl Button, LeeAnn Button, Jill Gill, Leah Poteet, Jeannine Smith and his nephews, Glenn Morgan and Vincent Poteet.
Winston was predeceased by his parents, Annie May and Wesley Norman Button, his brother Harvey Lloyd Button, his sister Sylvia Poteet, his niece, Dawn Poteet and his nephews Gary Button, Travis Poteet, his brother-in-law, Lawrence Morgan and his sister-in-law, Shirley Button.
Winston was a very special person who faced many challenges throughout his life.
Winston worked at "The Joinery" for many years, learning various skills. Winston learned "sign language" and he used it well! He loved music, loved to dance, and loved to laugh. He was very affectionate and such a kind, gentle sole and left an impression on everyone he touched.
We would like to acknowledge the caregivers at Dufferin Community Living for there continual support and kindness towards Winston throughout the years.
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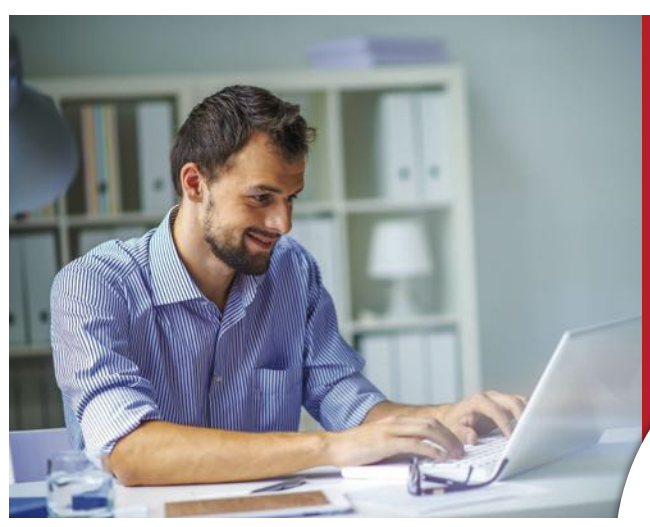
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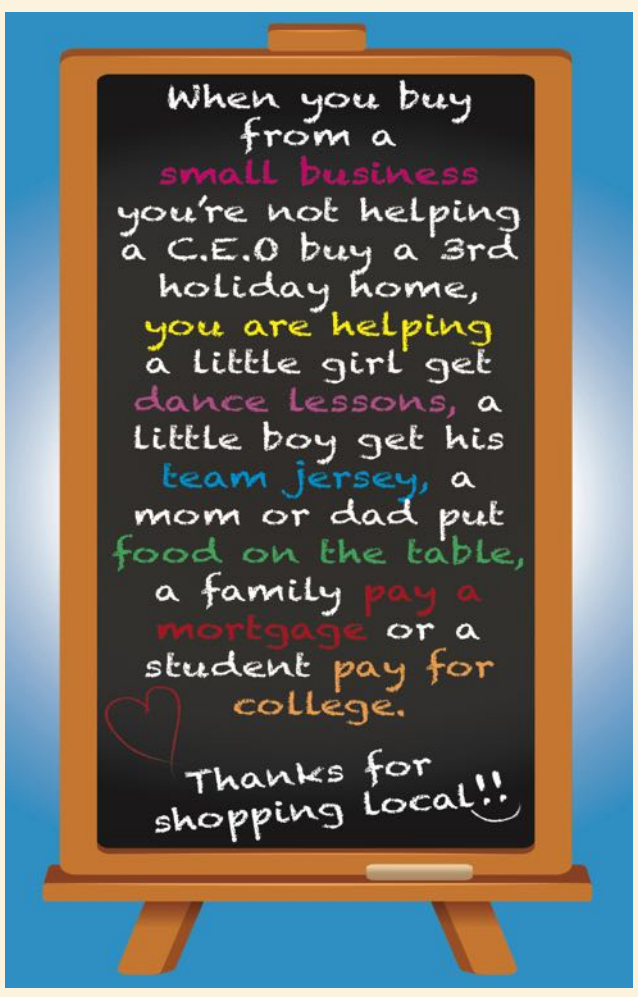
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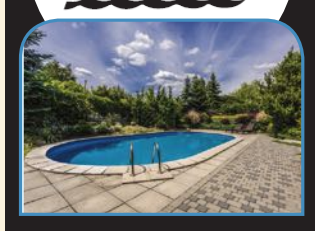
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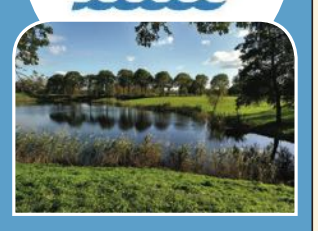
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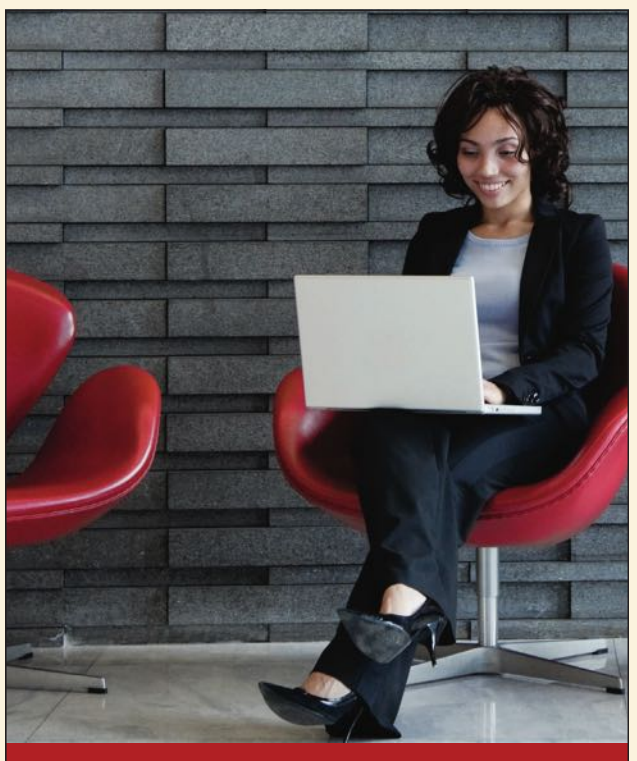
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