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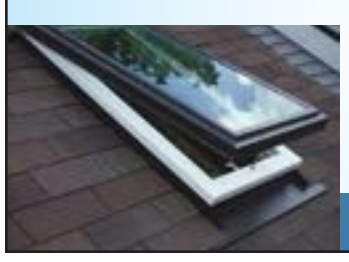
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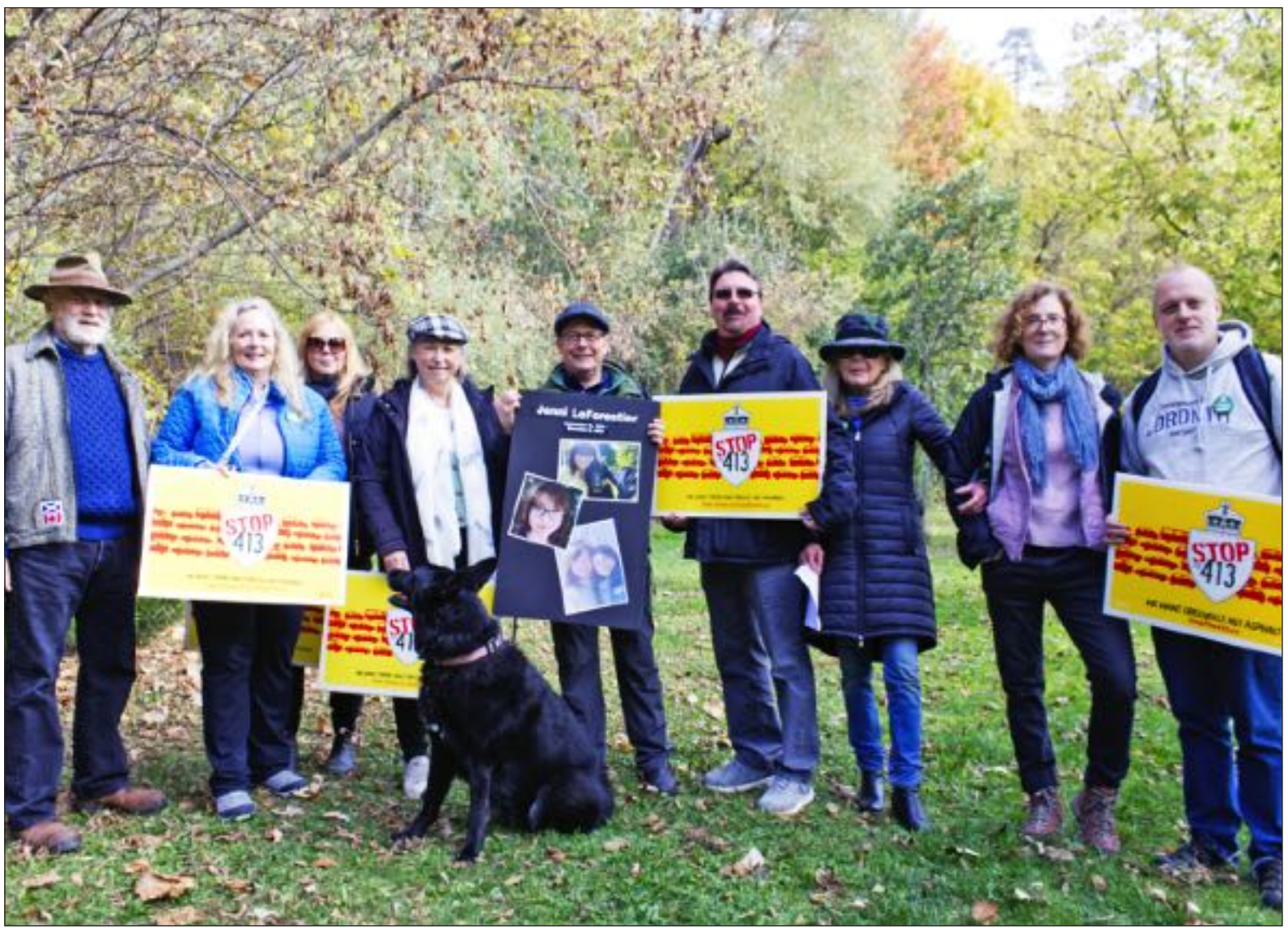
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Green Party of Ontario leader Mike Schreiner holds a sign honouring the memory of Caledon activist Jenni Le Forestier. To his left is Jenni's mother, Janine, and to his right is Ward 3 Councillor Doug Maskell. They were among many who attended a protest against the proposed Highway 413 in Bolton last weekend.
PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Large protest against proposed Highway 413 held in Bolton

Harvest Ontario Walk to Stop the 413 held in memory of Jenni Le Forestier

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Resistance in Caledon to the proposed Highway 413 isn't going away.

On October 14, a large rally against the highway was held in Bolton. That morning, two groups of demonstrators gathered: one at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness on Bolton's north hill, and one at the Albion Bolton Community Centre on Bolton's south hill.

The groups then marched down the hills, met for a rally at Bolton Mill Park, and continued on to the intersection of King and Queen streets to demonstrate their opposition to the 413 to passing traffic.

The protest, called the Harvest Ontario Walk to Stop the 413, was held in memory of Caledon resident and environmental activist Jenni Le Forestier, who passed away in 2022. Le Forestier was a prominent figure in the fight to stop the highway.

The walk was organized by EcoCaledon, Environmental Defence, Grandmothers Act to Save the Planet (GASP) and Seniors for Climate Action.

Carole Holmes, co-chair of GASP, said her group is particularly concerned about leaving a better world for their grandchildren.

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Council supports distance requirements for pits and quarries

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
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Keeping pits and quarries away from places of residence is a priority for Caledon Council, a new motion suggests.

At Council's October 17 Planning and Development committee meeting, Mayor Annette Groves tabled a motion asking that minimum separation distances be implemented between licensed pits and quarries and designated and existing settlement areas.

Specifically, Groves requested the following:

"That the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks be requested to support approval by the Region of Peel

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Peel Region piloting fully-electric waste collection vehicle

Emterra Group adds Mack Low Ride Electric vehicle to fleet

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REGION OF PEEL IMAGE

You might soon see an electric garbage truck in your area.

On October 10, the Region of Peel announced it was beginning use of a fully-electric waste collection vehicle, a first in Ontario.

The Emterra Group, which operates 150 waste collection vehicles in Peel, is adding a Mack Low Ride Electric Vehicle to its fleet.

It has 376 kilowatt hours of battery capacity, and its twin motors generate 448 horsepower.

The Region said the vehicle has fast-charging capabilities to reduce downtime, and boasted of its quieter operation during collection hours. Further, it said the vehicle will decrease air and noise pollution, providing a cleaner and more peaceful environment in Peel.

The Mack Low Ride Electric Vehicle will be making rounds this Fall, collecting recyclables, waste and organic items.

Norman Lee, Peel's Director of Waste Management, said the launch of the vehicle is a big step towards a greener future for Peel.

"The launch of Ontario's first fully electric collection vehicle in Peel Region is a testament to our commitment to sustainability and a healthier environment for our residents and workers," said Lee. "We are excited to lead by example and hope it inspires others to follow suit."

Peel and the Emterra Group said the vehicle will test and promote low-carbon energy as a solution for waste collection.

Paulina Leung, Chief Sustainability Officer of the Emterra Group, said the pilot is "a direct result of Emterra Group and Peel Region's shared commitment to solutions that benefit the environment, workers, and the community."

"Together, we aim to make a beneficial impact on our environment and our planet and help expedite the transition to the next generation of collection services and infrastructure," said Leung. "Each electric vehicle on the road represents less reliance on fossil fuels and cleaner air for people."

Jonathan Randall, President of Mack Trucks North America, said the Mack Low Ride Electric Vehicle features two-stage regenerative braking. He said this helps it recapture energy from the hundreds of stops the vehicle will be making.

Randall said the vehicle's four Nickel Manganese Cobalt Oxide lithium-ion batteries are at the core of its performance. The vehicle is able to generate 4,051 pound-feet of torque.

With the launch of the electric waste collection vehicle comes a partnership between Peel Region, Emterra Group and the Smart Freight Centre.

Smart Freight Centre describes itself as "an international non-profit organization focused on reducing greenhouse gas emission from freight transportation".

Leung said the Smart Freight Centre will work to monitor and evaluate comprehensive data from the electric waste collection vehicle pilot project.

"This project aims to inform municipal and private fleet operators on future fleet electrification, air quality improvement, and noise reduction," said Leung.

COMMUNITY events

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

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

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

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CALEDON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
At the September 14th meeting, a vote was taken and it was agreed that the Caledon Horticultural Society would be closed. Our last ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on October 26, 2023, from 7 to 9 PM at the Cheltenham Community Hall, 14190 Creditview Road (behind the fire hall). If you would like to attend, please contact Bobbie Bennett at gscale3541@gmail.com for more information.

Claude Church Celebrates 180 Years!
Please join us for Claude Presbyterian Church's 180th Anniversary Service on Sunday, October 29th, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Following the church service, there will be an unveiling of the Heritage Plaque and a potluck lunch. Location: 15175 Hurontario St., Caledon, ON L7C 2E3 We are your Community Church on the Highway!

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Additionally, Janet Nelson will give a brief history of the St Andrew's Stone Church and property, and the small Scottish settlement that was established in the area.
There is no cover charge but donations would be appreciated.
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Craft and bake sale, silent auction coming to Caledon Seniors Centre

Spots still available for crafters and vendors at November 4 event

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Creative crafts and tasty treats will take centre stage at an upcoming Caledon Seniors Centre event.

On November 4, the Caledon Seniors Centre will host a combination craft sale, bake sale, and silent auction event.

The event runs from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Seniors centre, which is located at 7 Rotarian Way in Bolton.

Peameal bacon on a bun will be served for breakfast, and there will be a tea room for guests. A barbeque lunch will be served at the event, too.

The sale and silent auction are being held as a fundraiser for the Seniors' Centre, with cash donations also welcome.

There is still room for crafters and vendors to be featured in the event.

The cost of renting a table is $30, and those interested in doing so can call the centre at 905-951-6114. The Seniors' Centre is also looking for silent auction donations, and potential donors can call the same number.

Caledon Seniors' Centre manager Beverley Nurden explained the sale used to happen annually before the pandemic. It returned in a smaller capacity in 2022, and is back in full force for 2023.

"All the baked stuff comes from donations from the seniors," said Nurden. "It's one big fundraiser."



Bolton family transforms home into haunted house

Ferrante family is collecting food and money for Caledon Community Services

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
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On Harvest Moon Drive, one house stands out from the rest.

Rino Ferrante, along with his sons Matteo and Luca, has transformed his home at 58 Harvest Moon Drive in Bolton into a haunted house.

What's more is Rino and his family are using their haunted house to promote a good cause.

Visitors to their haunted house are encouraged to bring a donation for The Exchange, Caledon Community Services' (CCS) food bank and home for social support. Donations of food and money are welcome.

For years now, the Ferrantes have used inflatable, animatronic and traditional Halloween decorations to make their home into a spooky spectacle.

Rino said last year, nearly 1,000 kids came by to trick-or-treat and pass through his haunted house. In 2022, over $700 and 450 pounds of food were donated to The Exchange.

The Ferrantes said they wanted to support The Exchange because they heard about increased demand for food support during the pandemic. They said food prices are higher than ever and it is important to support neighbours in need.

Rino has been creating his haunted house for over 12 years now and it has been growing each year.

"I always love Halloween, it's for the kids," said Rino.

Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer for CCS, said she's beyond grateful for the Ferrante's community spirit.

"Gratitude is the sweetest treat of all," said Kupriianova. "A heartfelt thank you to the Ferrante family, our amazing community 'ChangeMakers', for their spooktacular Halloween food drive, bringing smiles and helping our neighbours in need – year after year."



Rino Ferrante and his family decorate their Bolton home each year for Halloween, raising money and collecting food for Caledon Community Services. **PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN**

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IMPAIRED OPERATIONS

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged two drivers with impaired operation.

"On October 7, 2023, shortly after 11:00 p.m., Caledon OPP located a vehicle stopped in a live lane on Mayfield Road, near Dixie Road, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "During the investigation, the officer formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol and was subsequently arrested."

As a result, Bachan Bhullar, 28, of Brampton, was charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus);
- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs;
- Driving motor vehicle with liquor readily available.

The charges have not been proven.

"Only a few hours later, on October 8, 2023, shortly after 2:00 a.m., Caledon OPP received a report of a single motor vehicle collision on Highway 10, near The Grange Sideroad. The vehicle was located in a ditch and no injuries were sustained as a result of the collision. During the investigation, the officer formed grounds that the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle was impaired by alcohol and was subsequently arrested."

As a result, Jag Sharma, 29, of Mono, was charged with:

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

The charges have not been proven.

Both accused are scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on October 26, 2023, to answer to the charges. Additionally, both driver's licences were suspended for a period of 90 days, and their vehicle's impounded for 14.

"Motorists are reminded that no amount of alcohol or drugs in your system is safe when driving. If you plan on drinking or consuming drugs, plan to not drive. Instead, arrange for a designated driver, take a taxi or public transit, or come up with another plan that takes impaired driving out of the picture. If you suspect that someone is driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs, it is important to call 9-1-1 to report it."

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers, you stay anonymous, and you never have to testify.

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

CARJACKING TASK FORCE

The Toronto Police Service (TPS) and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are pleased to announce the creation of a Provincial Carjacking Joint Task Force (PCJTF), aimed at addressing the rising incidents of violence related to auto crimes in our communities.

"Whether it be a carjacking, a home invasion, an assault, or other form of intimidation, the level of violence being used in the commission of these offences represents a new and evolving threat to public safety," say Police.

"Co-led by TPS and the OPP, the task force is a collaboration between police services from across the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), including York Regional Police (YRP), Halton Regional Police Service (HRPS), Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS), Peel Regional Police (PRP) and other external agencies, including Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (CISO)."

The purpose of the PCJTF is to disrupt the networks responsible for high-risk auto thefts, which increasingly involve violence, firearms and other weapons. Members of the task force will work collaboratively to maximize enforcement efforts against criminal organizations involved in violent vehicle crimes who are operating within the GTA.

"The PCJTF will be notified of violent auto crime occurrences taking place in each jurisdiction, which will then be investigated collaboratively by the respective service and the PCJTF."

The PCJTF is being funded by participating police services, and by CISO, through funding provided by the Government of Ontario.

Violent Auto Thefts in the GTA:

The incidents of violence related to auto crimes occurring in Ontario has increased over the last several years. For instance, there have been more than 300 carjackings in the GTA in 2023, with over 200 of those occurring in Toronto.

Thieves are stealing vehicles, and then using those vehicles to carry out other crimes, or are shipping them overseas, where they are resold. Alternatively, vehicle identification numbers (VINs) are altered and the vehicles are sold domestically.

Anyone with information about auto thefts in their community is encouraged to call their police service of jurisdiction. To provide a tip anonymously, call 1-800-222-TIPS (6477) or visit ontariocrimestoppers.ca.

"The violence associated with auto thefts in Toronto and across the GTA is a concerning trend, and can be incredibly traumatic for victims and their loved ones," said Superintendent Steve Watts, Organized Crime Enforcement, Toronto Police Service. "TPS is committed to the safety and well-being of our residents above all else, and we are working around the clock in collaboration with the OPP and our other policing partners to address this issue and hold people who commit these crimes to account."

Added Chief Superintendent Paul Mackey, Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau, Ontario Provincial Police: "Carjackings are a serious public safety issue, which have resulted in assault and even homicides. To evade police, thieves may drive dangerously and recklessly, putting the lives of pedestrians, other motorists and police in danger. The OPP and partners will investigate and hold anyone who is involved in violent auto theft accountable, through a collaborative and intelligence-led approach."

OPP FOCUSED ON PUBLIC SAFETY IN LIGHT OF CONFLICT IN MIDDLE EAST

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is aware of global online threats of violence regarding the situation in the Middle East and "want to assure the people of Ontario that we continue to focus on public safety."

"The OPP and our law enforcement partners are closely monitoring for any situation which could impact public safety in our communities," say Police. "While the OPP respects the right of everyone to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly, everyone also has a right to a safe environment. All those involved in a demonstration have a responsibility to ensure the event remains lawful, peaceful and safe.

"The OPP understands that members within our communities are deeply affected by this ongoing conflict. We have increased police patrols and presence in areas of cultural and religious significance and will maintain open lines of communication with community leaders.

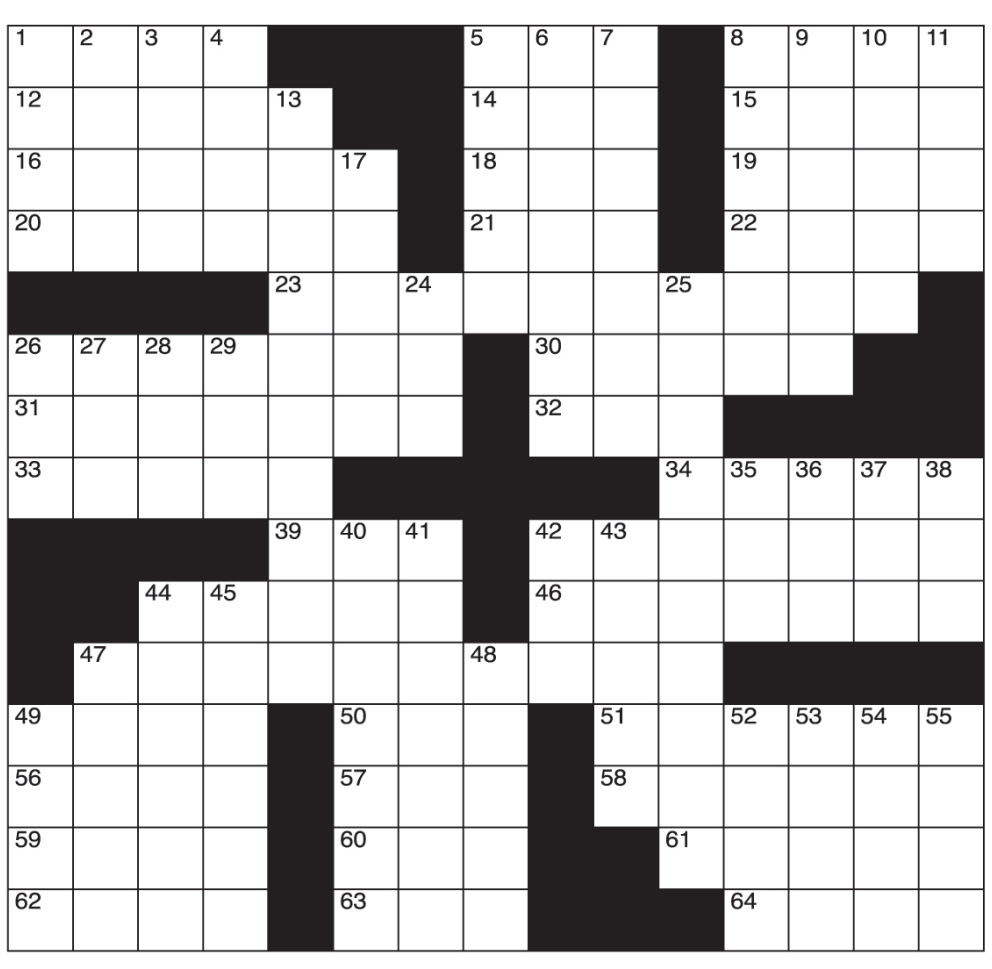
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CLUES ACROSS

1. A device to disengage without a key
5. Subdivision
8. Network of nerves
12. Lounge chair
14. Ocean
15. C. European river
16. Bowl-shaped cavity
18. __ Caesar, comedian
19. Lyric poems
20. Tia's sister
21. A way to develop
22. Cows collectively
23. Areas close by
26. Slightly disreputable
30. Made a mistake
31. One who cites
32. Food stall: __ pai dong
33. Narrow valley between hills
34. Members of people living mainly in the Congo
39. More (Spanish)
42. Classroom implements
44. Cognizant of
46. One who tells on others
47. Free from slavery
49. Thick piece of something
50. Containing two nitrogen atoms between carbon atoms
51. Removed entirely
56. Late rocker Turner
57. Appreciated
58. Observation expedition
59. Opposite of subtracts
60. Unit of work
61. Wreckage on the sea bed
62. Affirmative! (slang)
63. Witness
64. River in England

CLUES DOWN

1. A dissenting clique
2. Japanese city
3. Spiritual leader
4. Second letter of Greek alphabet
5. Musical term
6. Ruled over
7. Fortified wine
8. First year player
9. Moved in a circular way
10. Adolescents
11. Scottish or Irish Gaelic language
13. Someone who serves in the armed forces
17. Bring up
24. Factual written account (abbr.)
25. Having three sides
26. Annoy
27. Hustle
28. American WW2 leader
29. Stale atmosphere
35. US Treasury
36. Sound unit
37. They __
38. Soviet Socialist Republic
40. Places to play video games
41. Medical event
42. When you hope to arrive
43. Fixed prices
44. Popular Boston song
45. Valley in Indiana and Illinois
47. Omit when speaking
48. German explorer of the Congo Basin
49. Stick around
52. From a distance
53. Heroic tale
54. Amounts of time
55. Eat

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Peel paramedics receive exemplary service awards



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Paramedics working in our area have been honoured for their years of great service to the community.

On October 4, the Region of Peel announced that seven of its paramedics were honoured with the 2023 Governor General's Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal.

Paramedics become eligible for this medal after 20 years of service that's deemed exemplary — through good conduct, industry and efficiency. Ten of those years of service must be completed in the field, where there is potential risk to the paramedic.

On September 28, the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chief's Award Ceremony was held at Blue Mountain.

There, paramedics Alison Crossby, Michael Donnelly, Danielle Gingrich, and Brent Gorzynski received their 20-year Exemplary Service Medal.

Later this year, in a ceremony at Queen's Park, 30-year Exemplary Service Bars will be given to paramedics Mark Symington and Keith Young. A 40-year Exemplary Service Bar will be presented to paramedic Brian Parkes.

Peel's Chief Paramedic, Brian Gibson, said the Governor General's Exemplary Service Medal is one of the highest honours a paramedic can receive in Ontario.

"The dedication and contribution of these paramedics over the years not only to Peel's communities but also to the paramedic profession is being recognized and rightfully so," said Gibson. "I hope they wear their medals with pride."

Museum of Dufferin to host special day honouring Veterans

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Museum of Dufferin will host a day to honour Veterans in advance of Remembrance Day, during Veterans Week – the week before November 11.

To honour Veterans, the museum will host a ceremony and an exhibit titled, "Stories of Sacrifice."

The exhibit will feature archival images of Dufferin County military men and women from various historic conflicts.

The ceremony will be led by the Shelburne Legion Branch 220 representatives and the Orangeville Legion Branch 223.

Governor Generals Award Winner and local historian Neil Orford will make a presentation during the event.

The Honouring Our Veterans event will take place on Saturday, November 4, at the Museum, beginning at 10 a.m.

Admission is free for this event.



DEENA SPEAKS DOG

Hi. I'm Deena Cooper, owner of Deena Speaks Dog. And, yes, I really do speak Dog. For the last 30 years I've been helping dog owners all around the GTA with everything they need to have happy, healthy and stress-free relationships with their furry friends. A preeminent behaviour modification specialist, I use my experience, love and lots of treats to help clients have joyful, obedient and confident dogs. At my place I offer boarding, agility training and behaviour modification in amongst the beautiful rolling hills of Caledon. And if you can't come to me, I'll always come to you! Check www.deenaspeakdog.com for details.

I'm excited to bring you a regular column about all things dog. I love sharing my knowledge to help! And if you have any questions, shoot me an email and I might just answer it here! E-mail deena@deenaspeaksdog.com . And give me an insta-follow @deenaspeaksdog for more.



How old is my dog in human years?

I often get asked about a dog's age in human years. The conventional wisdom is that a year is equivalent to seven dog-years. In the broadest sense this is not completely inaccurate, but the truth of the matter is more complicated. Dogs develop at a different rate than humans, and a dog's lifespan is dependent on the breed and the size of the dog, as well as environmental factors such as diet and health care.

Humans take about 18 years to reach adulthood, but puppies are only pups for six to nine months, depending on the size and breed. Dogs typically undergo puberty somewhere between six months and a year of age, which is also when the most growth occurs, so that's their "teenage phase." Then they count as young adults until they get to 2 or 3 years old. The average lifespan of a dog is around 10-12 years. Small dogs tend to live a lot longer, big dogs a bit less. Stogie, my Havanese, is 18 and still going strong, except for a few typical health issues such as eye and ear problems and bouts of incontinence. Female dogs and mixed breeds tend to live a little longer, too. Most of my dogs lived between 9 and 14 years, and I've had a lot of different breeds including a Rottweiler and a Cocker Spaniel. I currently have four young-at-heart dogs including a Labradoodle, a Belgian Malinois, German Shepherd, and a French Bulldog.

I should explain that all dogs are the same species; that the genetic make-up of a Yorkshire Terrier and a German Shepherd is the same. Different breeds have different physical and behavioural traits as a result of human involvement, they are bred to be a certain way to make them adept at certain tasks. So, when we consider giant breeds such as the Great Dane, we are looking at a dog with the same genes as a Chihuahua, but has been bred over centuries, originally to hunt boar. I can't imagine a Chihuahua doing that very effectively! In the Dane's case, the all-important characteristics of size, speed and scent can come attached to certain other traits on the dog genome that are less desirable. Great Danes typically have short life-spans. Research shows that they are not generally "aged" in terms of behaviour or neurology when they die, so the sad truth is that this breed rarely reaches old age. Other breeds, such as the Bernese Mountain Dog and the Golden Retriever are predisposed to cancer. It's one of the reasons that some mixed breed dogs tend to have fewer health issues and longer lifespans.



So based on the science, we can say a one-year-old dog is equivalent to a 14 year-old human. After that, the 1:7 ratio starts to make more sense. And then there are the factors that are in our control as owners/custodians, and we can extend the life of our pets somewhat with proper care.

Just as is the case with humans, studies show that a longer life is associated with your dog being a healthy weight, so keeping an eye on their weight will help. Ask your veterinarian for advice on diet as you take your dog in for their regular visits. Unlike with humans, there's no willpower required on behalf of the dog, you control the quantity and quality of their food! Whether it be cooked, raw or processed.

Last week we touched on the quality of dog treats (go to www.deenaspeaksdog.com for my recommendations). We'll discuss dog food in a future article. Dental cleanings are also linked to a longer lifespan, as well as better general health care.

So, to sum up: Calculating a dog's age in human terms is more complicated than you might think, with the weeks and months of puppydom counting for a lot, even though they're over in a flash. We all think of the torturous times of the needle like teeth and the endless trips outside in the middle of the night during housetraining…Just enjoy your time with your best friend and do what you can to make what time you have together the best it can be.

SCAN FOR MORE DETAILS

Bolton Rotary hosting annual Haunted Hill Walk/Run

Tickets on sale now for October 29 event benefiting local youth programs

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

It's almost time for the year's spookiest run.

On October 29, Bolton Rotary is hosting its annual Haunted Hill Walk/Run at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness.

The one-kilometre kids fun run starts at 9 a.m. and the five-kilometre walk/run starts half an hour later. Participants are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes, and there will be prizes for the best ones.

The fun run is free, and the five-kilometre walk/run is $25 for those ages 12 and up. Those interested in registering for the run can visit rotaryhauntedhill.com. All proceeds from the run will go to youth programs in Caledon.

Karen Fast of Bolton Rotary said she loves this time of year and the positive energy it brings to Caledon.

"We love the energy that the costumes bring… the concept of getting outside, fresh air, family getting together, it really sends a nice message to the community," said Fast.

Recruitment of sponsors and volunteers for the event has been great, said Fast, and she encouraged runners to sign up as soon as they can.

"The kids are absolutely darling running around the track… we're looking forward to such a great day," said Fast. Runners will get medals to acknowledge their completion of their run.

There will be chili and hot dogs served after the runs, and there will be coffee, hot chocolate and snacks too. Something new available this year is face painting. Humberview Secondary School drama students will also be helping out with the run.

"Last year, the family that won best costume were all dressed as Ghostbusters," said Fast. "They won a pizza party and they were thrilled… the parents were just as into it as the kids were."

Fast said the annual run gets everyone involved and provides great opportunities for photos.

"It's one more opportunity for the kids to wear their costumes," said Fast. "It's a great morning."



Bolton Rotary's annual Haunted Hill Walk/Run gets the community active and celebrating Halloween. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**



PHOTO BY ZACHARY ROMAN

Harvest Ontario Walk to Stop the 413 held in memory of Jenni Le Forestier

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"We acknowledge that we were part of the problem… using all the energy we wanted… and that we were in fact destroying the planet," said Holmes. "That really affects grandmothers because we care about our grandkids; this is their health, their future."

Holmes said the proposed 413 is a bad idea because it will create more sprawl and pave over valuable farmland and environmentally sensitive areas.

"We've got so much to do, that's why we're here today," said Holmes.

Caledon resident Dan O'Reilly, who helped organize the protest, said he was quite happy with the turnout. He estimated there were around 300 people participating.

"It says that people are opposed to (the 413) other than developers and Doug Ford's friends," said O'Reilly. "We've got to keep the momentum going. We won the battle of the Greenbelt, but we've also got to win this battle."

He said those in opposition to the 413 should contact Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones and let her know their stance.

O'Reilly spoke of Le Forestier at the protest. He said she was a remarkable individual; an amazing music teacher and mother who still found the time to fight against the 413, protect the Greenbelt, and stop pits and quarries.

Le Forestier's mother, Janine, and daughter, Josephine were at the protest.

Janine said she was amazed to see the event being held in Jenni's honour.

"She was the best daughter, best mum. She would be overwhelmed by today in memory of her," said Janine. "Thank you. We have a big fight ahead of us still."

The leader of the Green Party of Ontario, Mike Schreiner, attended the protest.

"Each and every one of you gives me the strength to carry on," he said to the crowd. "It's your relentless tenacity and tireless hard work that led to Doug Ford finally backing down on his plan to open the Greenbelt for development."

Schreiner said people need to continue to stand up and protect farmland, wetlands and forests. He said if people keep fighting they will win the battle against the 413.

"People are going to tell you the 413 is a done deal… Doug Ford is going to try to tell you that they have a mandate to build the 413," said Schreiner. "Well, six months ago they said the exact same thing about the Greenbelt."

Matt Lie-Paehlke of Environmental Defence said the 413 would be both extremely expensive and ineffective.

"It's going to pave 400 acres of the Greenbelt and 2,000 acres of our best farmland, as well as drive sprawl to pave over even more important land in the area," said Lie-Paehlke, noting the highway would threaten species at risk too.

Lie-Paehlke said people need to put pressure on their local MPPs and let them know their opposition to the highway.

Ward 3 Councillor Doug Maskell attended the protest. He said when he was campaigning to be elected, one of the things he said he'd do is try and stop the 413.

"Ward 3, which I represent, is going to be disproportionately affected by the 413," said Maskell. "A large segment would go right across the bottom of Ward 3."

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Council supports minimum separation distance requirements for pits and quarries

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policies in the new Caledon Official Plan that establish positive criteria for minimum influence areas and separation distances between the licensed pits and quarries, identified high potential mineral resource areas, designated and existing settlement areas, villages, hamlets, residential clusters and other sensitive land uses in order to achieve permanent land use compatibility within Caledon."

Groves' motion was approved on consent by Council and will be brought to a future Council meeting.

In her motion, Groves said Caledon has 23 active, licensed aggregate extraction operations. Of these, 19 are pits and four are quarries.

Caledon has 6,150 hectares that have been designated as "High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas (HPMARA)" — that equates to 10 per cent of the total area of Caledon.

Groves said it's likely demand for aggregate will increase as the Provincial Government looks to build more homes.

"These operations will continue to have impacts on Caledon residents and our community," reads the motion.

Groves said Caledon Council wants to ensure the community's concerns about aggregate are heard. These concerns include noise, dust, vibration, increased truck traffic, traffic safety, air pollution, impact to the water table and road degradation.

In her motion, Groves said the impacts of aggregate operations are felt most in Caledon's villages, hamlets, and rural residential clusters that are near HPMARA.

Groves' motion comes as Caledon is in the middle of reviewing the aggregate policies in its official plan.

Debra Wilson of the Forks of the Credit Preservation Group (FCPG) delegated to Groves' motion at the planning meeting.

She said the FCPG has been working with the experts it hired in areas like air quality, natural heritage, and hydrogeology to determine what a defensible separation distance might look like.

Wilson said the word defensible is key because any new aggregate policies Caledon implements will be challenged by the aggregate industry.

Wilson said the FCPG was hoping to see a report on the progress made towards Caledon's new aggregate policies at the meeting, and was dismayed to not see one on the meeting's agenda.

Town staff said such a report will be coming to Council on November 21.

Alliston man wins Auctioneer Challenge at International Plowing Match

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

It was a first-time competitor's energetic auctioneer chant that caught the judges' attention at the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo held in Amaranth in September.

At the end of the competition, John Dunn of Alliston came out on top.

Held on Friday, September 22, of this year's event in the Holmes Agro Agricultural Showcase Tent, Dunn caught the judges attention when it was his turn to take the stage.

Competition judges looked for clearness of speech, rhythm, how well the participants caught the bidder's eyes, dress code, and how correctly information about the winning bid was relayed to the clerk.

As the winner, Dunn earned the right to join in on the live auction fun at the Celebration of Excellence event that same evening.

Veteran auctioneer Bob Severn of Severn Auctioneering Inc., from Shelburne, led the night's live auction, with Dunn saying he was thrilled when Severn invited him to the stage to get in on the auction action.

"That is the biggest crowd I have ever auctioned for," Dunn said.

The International Plowing Match and Rural Expo ran from September 19-23, attracting competitors and visitors from around the country and the world.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Passing of Interim Control By-law 2023-084

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Caledon passed By-law No. 2023-084 on Monday, September 26, 2023, under Section 38 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13.

And take notice that By-law 2023-084 is an extension of By-law 2022-075, passed by Town Council on October 18, 2022, in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Planning Act in which Council has the authority to extend the period for which the by-law will be in effect for a total period not exceeding 2 years. The by-law will be in effect until October 18, 2024.

And take notice that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Caledon no later than the close of business on the **15th day of November, 2023** a Notice of Appeal.

And take notice that the notice of appeal,

i. must be filed with the clerk of the municipality,

ii. must set out the reasons for the appeal, and

iii. must be accompanied by the fee required by the Tribunal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal an interim control by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of Interim By-law No. 2023-084 is to amend Interim Control By-law 2022-075 to extend the period of time during which it will be in effect to October 18, 2024. Interim Control By-law 2022-075, passed by Town Council on October 18, 2022, restricts the use of land for the establishment of new gravel pits of quarries, while a study is completed to examine mineral aggregate resource Official Plan policies and zoning by-law standards/regulations, and identify improvements or updates to those policies and standards/regulations.

This by-law applies to those lands within the Caledon High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Area (CHPMARA) as identified on Schedule L of the Town of Caledon Official Plan, excluding properties zoned MX Extractive Industrial in Zoning By-law 2006-050, within the Town of Caledon. A key map has not been provided due to the large area to which the interim control by-law applies. A complete copy of the by-law, including a map, is available on the Town's website at: **haveyoursaycaledon.ca/natural-resources** under the "CHPMARA Interim Control By-Law 2023-084 link, and is available for inspection at the Town of Caledon Town Hall (6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6), weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

For more information about this contact Steven Burke, Manager, Strategic Policy Planning, 905-584-2272 x4264 or steven.burke@caledon.ca.

DATED at the Town of Caledon
This 19 day of October, 2023.

Patrick Trafford
Acting Town Clerk

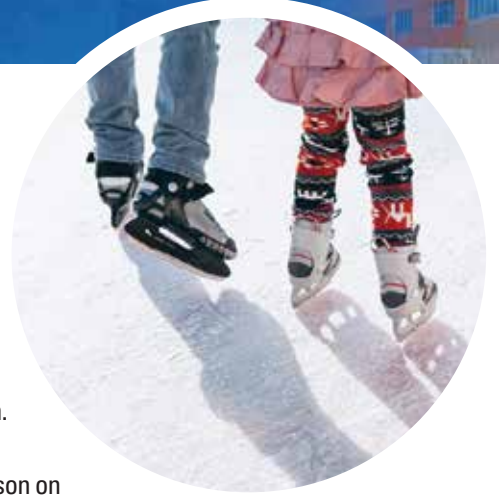
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Volunteers Needed for Community Rinks



Skating is a favourite pastime for many of our residents, and we need your help to provide outdoor skating opportunities this winter.

We're looking for volunteers to support several community rinks around town. You will be responsible for maintaining the ice surface from during the winter months (weather dependent) and communicating with a Town-appointed liaison on the status of the rink throughout the season.

Volunteers are needed for the following community rinks:

- Inglewood Community Rink
- Alton Community Rink
- Valleywood Community Rink
- Mono Mills Community Rink
- Caledon Village Rink
- Palgrave Community Rink
- Humberview Secondary School

Volunteer by October 31, 2023. For more details on our community rinks and to volunteer today, visit **caledon.ca/skating**.

Movies in the Park



Get in the 'spirit' at our final Movies in the Park featuring Disney's Hocus Pocus (PG) and a costume contest! Join us at the Caledon Fairgrounds at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, October 27 and support your community by bringing a non-perishable food item to donate to Caledon Community Services. Visit **caledon.ca/movies** for more information. See you there!

Funding for Community Organizations



Is your not-for-profit community organization planning an event or working on a new project in 2024 that will enrich the lives of Caledon residents? Does your organization support activities that serve our community throughout the year?

You may qualify to receive funding through the Town's Municipal Agriculture Communities Grant (MACG) Program.

Caledon.ca/MACG
905.584.2272 x. 4373

Deadline for submissions:
October 20, 2023

Waste Reduction Week



Join your neighbours and Town staff in keeping Caledon clean and green on Saturday, October 21 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Bonnie Glenn Park. For more information and registration, visit **caledon.ca/energyandenvironment.**

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Learning from the past and changing the direction of the future

You always try to keep a few steps ahead in a newsroom, whether it's an upcoming event or a hot community topic on the horizon, so you're not completely unprepared for what the future might hold.

Often the landscape changes significantly from the laying of the groundwork to the unrolling of the story, but being prepared, whatever the eventuality, saves crucial time.

Some plans are easier to make than others.

It might sound morbid, but I think it's common knowledge that when it comes to certain notables of a certain age obituaries, eulogies, and other forms of tribute are compiled well in advance so as to be ready to go, with a few tweaks, with the push of a button.

Other areas of preparation are decidedly less macabre, such as writing in advance of Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee, even if there was a degree of uncertainty over how active a role the Monarch would ultimately be able to play in the celebrations or, close to home, myriad ways new and time-tested our communities commemorate Canada Day.

Elsewhere, fixed election dates, wherever possible, give us enough lead-time to have a bare-bones framework ready to go once the writ is dropped; prominent "feast days" like the Thanksgiving that was, gives us, sadly, a real-time snapshot of food insecurity in our towns and cities; and now that the colder weather is rolling in, as has become the new rhythm of our new normal, we're on the lookout for stats related to the triple-barrelled threats of calamity that are influenza, RSV and, of course, COVID-19.

With Thanksgiving now behind us, and despite what the early arrival of Christmas-themed commercials and ads will have us believe, many are turning their attentions to all the weird and wonderful traditions Halloween has to offer.

It's a time of amassing candy for the onslaught of pint-sized neighbourhood ghouls and goblins to come, of letting creative juices flow through an array of crafting ideas limited only by your budget, of getting hands dirty with pumpkin guts in the request for the perfect jack-o-lantern, and of ingenuity when it comes to the creation of eye-catching costumes.

At home, things are no different. Work, on the other hand, is a very different story.

In my efforts to stay just a little bit ahead of the curve, my focus is now shifting towards Remembrance Day coverage.

Every year in my role as editor I strive to interview at least one veteran who has seen active service in a theatre of war, in peacekeeping, or in smaller but significant conflicts around the world, to share their stories, memories that are often troubling and terrifying, honest accounts of their struggles on the frontlines, and of their journey of re-establishing their lives as civilians.

These are, I believe, the histories we need to embrace, warts and all, but with each passing year it is getting harder and harder to find those who are willing and able to talk – and we're all the poorer for it.

Just a few short years ago, there seemed to be, perhaps optimistically, a bevy of veterans of the Second World War and Korean War eager to share their experiences, both good and bad. Not everything they shared was bad; there was no shortage of laughter when it came to sharing some of the more ribald off-duty antics of themselves and their comrades; but, most often, when the laughter died down, their message was serious – not a single degree of shyness in sharing their views on the true costs of war, but sometimes a pregnant pause before they answered whether they would do it all over again.

Few, if any, ever tried to sell the "glories" of war. They lived it. They knew it.

Yet, the more they shared, the more galvanized they were to spread the message, particularly in connecting with younger generations to make sure that the up-and-comers learned from history so that it wouldn't, they hoped, ever happen again.

As time marched on and their ranks became fewer and fewer over the last decade, to just a handful of Second World War and Korean War veterans still active members of our Legions, I noticed that many veterans began shifting their messages.

They shared that they were dismayed with the direction the world was going in. They had seen this kind of division and rhetoric before. They knew what they meant. They were damned if they were going to let it happen again without putting up as much of a fight as they could muster.

But, nature being what it is, these voices have been largely silenced from expounding further.

They have been stifled by the sands of time and veterans who served in more recent conflicts, like Afghanistan, often seem to be reluctant to wear the mantle of "veteran" – and, truth be told, they have myriad reasons why not, including a lack of support to help them address the costs of war they live with every day in their post-war civilian lives.

But these voices are needed now more than ever.

History can be cyclical and it often feels that without the voices of the men and women who stood up to walk the walk for King, Queen and Country, those who were inspired to give so much of themselves to a common cause, to fight a common threat, and, in many cases, went in with the full knowledge that this particular sacrifice might be their last, we're veering dangerously close to a rerun.

In a time where it might feel that every day our world is at a different, more perilous crossroads we can all do well by talking to and truly learn from the veterans of the Second World War still with us and able to share – and they do have plenty of insight and real worries about our current trajectory – and we would all benefit from younger veterans with lived experiences to pick up the mantle of those who are now gone and to continue the advocacy work of what Tom Brokaw so memorably coined "the Greatest Generation."

When we look at the turmoil that is now a hallmark of our world, it feels as though we've heard this story before and might have a good idea of some of the outcomes. They sure do, and we need to take every opportunity to listen.



Some things really do last forever



by Mark Pavilons

There are times when I think about how fleeting our lives are.

After seven or eight decades on the planet (if we're lucky) what remains of our existence?

Well, let's take a look at that, shall we?

We don't really think about our deep lineage all that often. Sure, we have ties to our grandparents and great-grandparents if we're fortunate. So, our focus is narrow, concentrating on the past and current generation. But most of us humans long to know our roots, where we came from.

But, my friends, the human lineage has lasted forever, and will continue to do so?

Genealogists say we can reliably and accurately trace a family tree back to the 1600s.

Okay, that's cool. Here in Canada some 250,000 First Nations and Inuit inhabited Canada and in May of 1603 Samuel de Champlain arrived in Quebec.

There are many long-lasting things from the 1600s.

The King James Bible was published in 1611, which is what we know today as the standard among Christians.

The pendulum clock arrived in 1656 and time-keeping devices like this have been part of our lives ever since. In fact, it's hard to replicate, or improve upon some of those early designs. Plus, they're quite beautiful.

Science took a leap forward when Romer and Cassini measured the speed of light. And Galileo, in 1610, discovered four of Jupiter's moons and disproved the former earth-centric theory.

Arriving in Germany in 1682 was the Easter Bunny! He gave coloured eggs to the good kids.

Common, everyday necessities have been with us for literally thousands of years. I can see these lasting another thousand at least.

Scissors date back 4,000 years in spring form, and the current model dates to the 1600s as well. Once perfected, its design likely can't be improved upon.

Forks date back to 2,000 BC and while we've come up with some fancy ones, the four-tined fork remains the standard. I admit that I really miss the two-pronged wooden French fry fork! And those flat wooden spoons for ice cream.

Most of our parents had cast iron pans and if you've ever used one you know just how durable they are. While they arrived in China around 200 AD, casting techniques became widespread in Europe by the 16th century, and since then, this has been a staple in households all over the world.

The ruler, which I'm sure we all used in school at one point, dates back a long way. It became more standard once the metric system arrived in the 18th century. Who remembers the wooden one with the metal edge? And who used it for many other things than its intended purpose?

I know it's hard to believe, faithful readers, but I was struck by a ruler on the back of the hand by my principal in Grade 7. It wasn't me, honest!

The toilet arrived in 1596 and if you think about it, its design hasn't changed much at all. I think humans will continue to use this necessity forever.

There are likely hundreds, if not thousands, of items that have historic origins that we humans continue to use. Many have remained unchanged, like socks, mouse traps, buttons, zippers ...

I'm quite fond of history – artifacts, architecture, and ancient towns. I could literally get lost exploring, contemplating our past.

I collect a few baubles, some that date back a couple hundred years BC. I wonder who owned them, touched them, passed them along. How did these things survive the ages? In the big picture, I'm but a caretaker, a temporary guardian of such objects. Hopefully they will find continued long life when they are passed down.

Enough about trinkets.

Our society was built, like bricks in a high-rise. The foundations may still be relevant and even revered today.

Works of literature, like the aforementioned Bible, are permanent. Works by Milton, Shakespeare, Hemingway, are not only part of our literary library, but are still taught in school today.

These are lasting words, ideas and thoughts. These writers are immortal.

While I'm far from a literary genius, I have penned a few pearls of honest wisdom. My columns may exist online and on the internet, but one day they could vanish without a trace. So too, will any trace of my work.

From looking back to looking ahead, just how do average folks leave a lasting impression, a legacy if you will?

I mentioned our children. But they are unique creatures unto themselves and while they carry our DNA, they are not us. They will hold memories of us and perhaps a few keepsakes, but once we fade from the stage of life ...

Nevertheless, they are our tangible witnesses, products of just why we are here on Earth.

I mentioned lineage, and looking back. But the reality is, each one of our "family trees" go back much, much farther. In order for you and I to be here, watching TV and eating fast food, our lineage would have to be unbroken, since the beginning of time. Our ancestors didn't just pop out of nowhere, they were part of a long, long line of men and women. We are all brothers and sisters, from ancient lands.

My recent tree is riddled with a series of unfortunate events, as are many. My parents survived the Second World War, coming to Canada in search of peace and opportunity.

They didn't really accomplish much, but they had me and my late sister. I am all that remains of that branch of the tree.

My wife and I worked hard to create a positive family atmosphere and give our children all they needed to thrive. We still do.

I don't have a crystal ball, and can't predict the future. I don't know what 2050 holds for them.

Sadly, we are all reduced to a collection of photos, stories and knick-knacks that were once cherished.

We can't all be famous or accomplished.

Maybe we don't have to be. Maybe the people we've loved and touched in our lives will carry a bit of us, a small flame or spark, that will erupt into a beautiful fire.

If we keep that fire going, maybe we can last forever!

Our Readers Write

Reader responds to MP's request on priorities

My number one priority is better quality of life living in Bolton.

There are costs to irresponsible endless warehouse development and container yards in the area of Bolton, The current trend is the expansion of massive warehouses, logistics centers, container yards and truck parking lots in and around the Bolton village. No thanks to the past and present Mayors and Council. No thanks to York Region and Brampton Council who continue to dump their warehouse developments, and trailer parking lots, right on Bolton's borders.

The majority of the Town Mayors and Council refused to listen and take action against this development or to the concerns of residents in the immediate area.

With these projects come the subsequent increase in truck traffic, diesel fumes, infrastructure damage. Also increased crime from stolen goods in cargo containers.

Warehouses and logistics centers have severe consequences for the health of the surrounding communities and the environment, and very few benefits.

While developers are offered tax breaks, tax payers end up covering the cost of damaged infrastructure and the increased needs for municipal services. What's more is that communities that already experience the impacts of pollution and a lack of green space are exposed to increased diesel fumes from heavy truck traffic.

Local government officials have to realize that land use laws and zoning codes need to change to put an end to this expansion.

The Municipal Planning Code was established to protect the health, safety, and character of communities. Every municipality must allow for every "use," but first and foremost housing development.

When we allow for this unchecked development of warehouses, container yards and truck parking lots, we are choosing corporate profits and convenient consumption over healthy communities and a healthy environment.

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BOLTON

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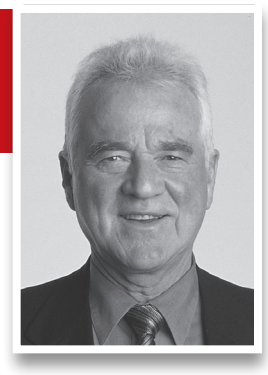
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It's time to unshackle Canada's small businesses

FRANK STRONACH
THE PRINCIPLES OF AN ECONOMIC CHARTER OF RIGHTS



It's understandable why many people often refer to small businesses as the backbone of our economy.

For one, small businesses develop a majority of the new breakthrough products and innovative technologies that fuel Canada's economic growth.

But more importantly, they generate most of the new jobs in this country. According to the latest Government of Canada statistics, small businesses accounted for 98 percent of all companies that employed people. As of 2021, small businesses employed more than 8 million people in Canada, which represents close to 70 percent of the total private sector workforce.

So, if small business is so vital to our country's economic well-being, why aren't we doing more to champion their success and promote even greater growth?

World-famous entrepreneur Sir Richard Branson, the founder of global companies such as Virgin Atlantic and Virgin Mobile, once noted that all big businesses start small.

That's certainly true of my own company. When I started Magna International Inc. in the late 1950s, I opened a one-man tool and die shop in a rented garage in downtown Toronto. I bought some used equipment and slept on a small cot inside the shop. I drummed up my first sale by knocking on the door of the American Standard factory right next to my tool shop.

I hired my first employee after one month. And by the end of my first year of operation, I had ten workers on the company payroll. My small company began to take off: we added new customers, hired more people, and made more money.

We should have thousands of new startups like the company I founded all over Canada today. But unfortunately, we don't.

In fact, I've often wondered: if I were to start Magna all over again today, instead of more than 50 years ago, would I have been able to grow the company as quickly as I did with all the shackles we put on small business nowadays? I very much doubt it.

We've placed so many obstacles in the way of small businesses and burdened them with countless regulations and rules that it's no wonder so many small business don't survive more than a few years after opening their doors.

So, what's the answer? I've been arguing in this column for the creation of a new Canadian Economic Charter of Rights and Responsibilities, and one of the foremost principles in that charter is the elimination of corporate income tax for any small business with 300 employees or less.

The one condition attached to eliminating income tax is that the small business owner has to reinvest most of the profits back into growing the business and hiring more employees. The government would receive far more in personal income taxes from the new jobs that small business creates than it ever would by simply taxing those same businesses.

We've got to stop holding back our entrepreneurs by taxing them into the ground and making them jump through countless bureaucratic hoops. If we eliminated all income tax for small business, everyone would win: government would rake in more taxes on business sales, Canadians would have more job opportunities, and entrepreneurs would finally get a fair reward for bearing all of the risks associated with running a business.

By implementing this one single economic action and unshackling small business, we would ignite the Canadian economy and set our country on a path of phenomenal growth.

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Grateful

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



I know Thanksgiving, traditionally a time for expressing gratitude, was just a couple of weeks ago, but with so much going on in the world right now it just seems like a really appropriate time to talk about being grateful again. Why? Because for those of us living locally, to be reminded that all is good in our little corner of the world, is important. The fall colours are bright and the sunlight beautiful and even if a tad chillier in the mornings, Caledon is lovely and for that, we should be really, really grateful. No matter your trials and tribulations (recognizing some carry many burdens) we are in a free country and in this little corner we are not at war, not facing famine, disease nor persecution of any kind. So, despite my tendencies toward complaints about highways and greenbelts and the state of local politics, I'm thinking I should be grateful - because right now there are many in the world who have very little to be grateful about at all.

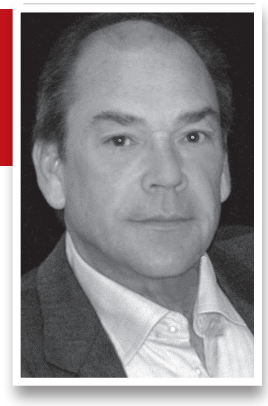
- Our sky is not raining missiles. If there's rain, it's watering the trees, cleaning out the gutters and replenishing the land, all simply part of a cycle that sustains us, not one that is trying to eliminate us.
- The ground is not shaking both above and beneath us as we huddle in a shelter. Instead, we're sheltered in a home with windows that offer a view of sky or trees, of flowers or sunlight, of green grass or even just busy roads and a patch of concrete but it's a view that shows people safely going about their daily lives.
- The earth is not scorched, our harvest hasn't been decimated by troops or ground warfare, or extreme climate change and our children are at school rather than fleeing for their lives from starvation, ammunition, tanks, terrorists or invading armies who seek to expand and occupy historically disputed lands around the world.
- Even if we don't have the bounty we might hope for, and our own medical system leaves much to be desired due to chronic underfunding, there are community organizations and services in place who try their hardest to support us with food, donations, subsidies, clothing and many other forms of assistance. Most importantly of all, we are not relying on international aid agencies like the Red Cross or Doctors Without Borders for the absolute basic necessities of life like food, water and medical assistance.
- Chances are, your neighbour does not hate you, at least not actively enough to seek your annihilation. I'm not choosing sides here in any of the world's current major conflicts, I'm simply acknowledging that in Canada, we have the "luxury" of hate without the fear of its deadly consequences unlike what those in other parts of the world are experiencing.

Speaking of hate - just simply this - why? When my "littles" were actually little we used to tell them, "hate is a strong word, an unnecessary one." We'd explain that you can dislike something, it's ok to not be a fan of Brussels sprouts or kale, but hate is too strong a word for almost any circumstance. I still feel this way today. True hate is almost always anger, thinly disguised as a valid emotion. It's an attitude, a choice we make and one that often arises from misinformation and a lack of willingness to listen and to learn. It arises from conditions like systemic poverty, colonization and sustained injustice. It is, at its core, a fundamental flaw of humanity in general, one that actively relies on us to forget our shared humanity. That which makes us more alike than different. That which makes us human.

I'm reminded of a song in which the words ask: "What if God was one of us, just a stranger on the bus, trying to make his way home…." What if indeed? Even if you don't believe in God, substitute the name of any other person (or deity) who has meaning to you and ask yourself; "What if this person was just trying to make their way home after a hard day at work?" What if home meant there was a family awaiting, perhaps even dependent upon, that person's safe arrival? What if, rather than perpetuating historical divisions, we recognized our shared humanity first? That we are all just trying to make our way home? What if the "what if" questions focussed instead on what's possible in a world where we are all just humans first? Until that day comes, be grateful that Caledon is where you get to call home.

International law?

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



At the end of the American Civil War, there were lot of guys hopping around on crutches because they only had one leg.

In the movies, getting shot in the leg means you only limp around for a while until a back-alley doctor pulls out the bullet, and you're good to go with a bandage.

The truth is, any kind of bullet entering your body can kill you no matter where you are hit.

During the Civil War they introduced a new kind of bullet called a Minié Ball, name after its inventor, Claude-Étienne Minié. It was a low velocity bullet with a large calibre - .58.

It improved the accuracy of the rifles of the day and also improved loading times and overall performance.

Unfortunately, if you were on the receiving end of one of these bullets, the wound was devastating.

When one of these bullets entered a soldier's leg and struck bone, the bone would be shattered by the impact. The surgeons of the day had little choice but to amputate the leg to save the soldier's life.

Warfare is a brutal business. There are only two goals in warfare, as explained by a top general I saw during an interview once – destroy property and kill people. That's what it's all about.

Even while killing each other, countries decided it should be done "humanely."

During the Hauge Convention of 1899, it was decided that "Dum Dum" bullets, as they were known, were prohibited in warfare. Dum Dum bullets are hollow point or soft point bullets that expand when hitting a target causing massive damage.

It was decided that shooting a person this way was not "humane." However, I think they missed the point entirely. Apparently, it's inhumane to shoot someone with this type of bullet but it's okay to kill someone if you have the right bullet or blow them to pieces with an artillery shell. The end result is the same – the person is dead.

The PM made a statement a few days ago in support of Israel saying "Israel has the right to defend itself in accordance with international law."

Obviously, any country is going to defend itself when threatened, but since when does international law have anything to do with it?

Would Israel sit back and do nothing if "international law" declared a reprisal to a military attack was not allowed?

The term "international law" should be replaced with the phrase "international suggestion."

There are no real laws that cross borders.

"Under international law" is a buzzword used by politicians all the time, but rarely, if ever, is it enforced, because you can't enforce laws in another country.

The United Nations has never been united – it's just a name, and it has no real power.

The permanent Security Council at the UN, has five countries – China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, and they can't agree on anything.

Try getting a vote where Russia and China, vote in the same way as the U.S. and the United Kingdom.

Try introducing some legislation where North Korea will support a motion by France – not going to happen.

The United Nations makes declarations and "laws" all the time, and can't, or won't enforce any of them.

They can't stop a country from invading its neighbour and they can't stop international crime, because many countries don't even have extradition treaties and the UN can't force a country to turn over a wanted citizen to another country.

If there were truly a "United Nations", wars would be a thing of the past.

You can invade your neighbour, and the best your neighbour can hope for from the UN, is to have the Security Council say, "Hey, you shouldn't do that." Even then, half of the Security Council would come out in favour of the invasion in one way or another.

It happens all the time.

If they really wanted to make the United Nations building in Manhattan a useful place, they should kick out the diplomats and turn the entire building into condominiums. It least it would be a useful place for people to live, and they could produce a new version of Friends, with happy young single people enjoying life while overlooking the East River.

Yes, they can ban certain kinds of weapons, but that doesn't work either.

Cluster bombs are once again being used, and mine fields are being laid in many places near the Ukraine border.

So go ahead and defend your border and forget what international law has to say about it.

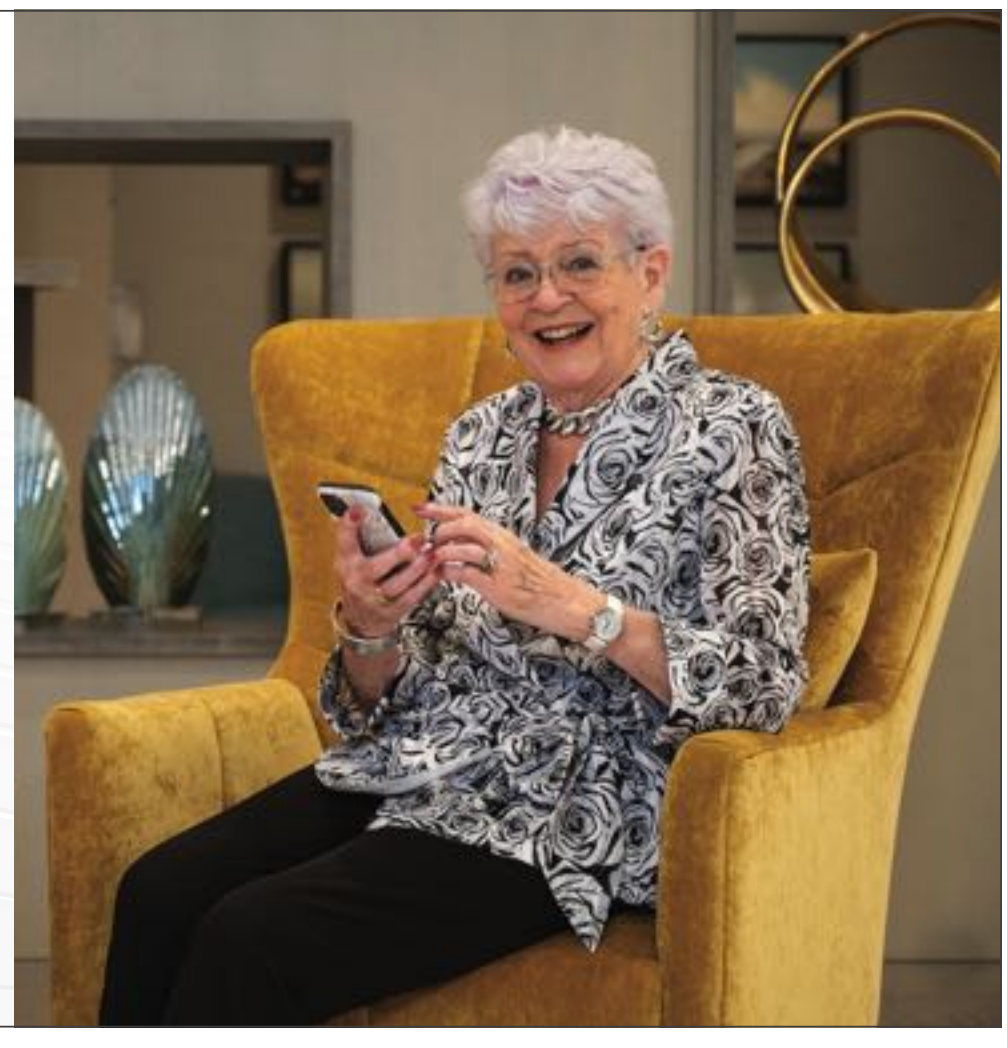
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Jason Scorcia, mid-driver swing, at the 2023 Special Olympics North America Golf Championships. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Caledon Special Olympics athletes compete in New Jersey golf tournament

Tournament held at Seaview Golf Club in Galloway

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Caledon athletes have been enjoying some Fall golf.

In early October, Caledon Special Olympics athletes travelled to New Jersey for a golf tournament.

Held at Seaview Golf Club from October 2 to 5, the 2023 Special Olympics North America Golf Championship was the 22nd in the event's history.

Caledon Special Olympics athlete Jason Scorcia was competing, and said teammates Justin Crooks and Matthew De Stefano were competing, too. Crooks won a silver medal at the event.

Caledon Woods Golf Club is the home course for Caledon Special Olympics athletes, and they practice there once per week during golf season.

Scorcia is in his sixth year of golf competition, but has been playing recreationally with his brother for much longer — especially in charity tournaments.

Scorcia's favourite part of golf?

"It's just nice to be outside," he said with a smile. "It's really nice right now with the leaves; when you're at the golf course you can see all the changing leaves."

The most challenging part of Seaview Golf Club was the thick rough, said Scorcia.

"A lot of people were having problems getting [the golf ball] out," he said.

Scorcia said the weather was great for the tournament, sunny and warm. Athletes from Ontario and across the United States competed in the tournament.



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Tickets for Caledon Community Services' annual holiday gala selling fast



Caledon Community Services is encouraging people to get their dancing shoes ready for the 2023 Home for the Holidays Gala. GG COLE PHOTOGRAPHY

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
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Caledon Community Services' annual holiday gala is fast approaching.

Held at the Royal Ambassador Event Centre in Caledon East, the Home for the Holidays Gala is one of Caledon Community Services' (CCS) largest fundraising events. This year, it's being held on December 1 with a theme of "Hope Under the Stars."

Mariia Kupriianova, CCS' Chief Development Officer, said with less than 50 days to the gala she's getting really excited.

She said the gala is a night of kindness and giving and that it has become known for bringing the community together for a good cause.

"We are delighted to have everybody back," said Kupriianova. "We encourage everybody to secure their tickets now before they sell out."

Those interested in buying a ticket for the event can do so online at ccshome4th-heholidays.com.

Kupriianova said there are amazing live performances scheduled and that the decor will be stunning.

"With our theme of 'Hope Under the Stars', the night will take your breath away," she said. "This will be a night to remember."

The gala will have a full menu, live and silent auctions, starlit decorations, and dancing.

"Get your dancing shoes ready," said Kupriianova.

In a previous Caledon Citizen article, Geraldine Aguiar, CCS' CEO, explained proceeds from the gala will provide nourishing meals, warm homes, and health and independence to hundreds of Caledon families, youth, and seniors.

The Home for the Holidays Gala has raised over $2.5 million for CCS since its inception in 1998. It's led entirely by volunteers.

Theatre Orangeville opens season with The View from Here

BY CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

What a terrific show "The View from Here" is, the first of Theatre Orangeville's 30th Season.

It opened last Friday, October 13 and is running until October 29.

Written by and starring Jamie Williams and Melanie Janzen, this couple give us an evening that is so good it lasts a long time in your head afterwards.

In brief, Michael and Mary have been married for 32 years. Running over a year from New Year's Eve to New Year's Eve, the cleverness of the play and the actors' delivery keep us laughing, involved and irresistibly loving this adorable couple.

The magic between them works so well because they are, in fact, a married (to each other) couple, bringing, as director of the play, David Nairn said "their own short-hand."

In his playwright notes, Jamie Williams admits the idea for this comic view of married life sprung from "our own completely unsexy bedtime routine...a far cry from what I believe our bedtime looked like in our younger days."

"My aim was to highlight those moments that are at once ordinary and extraordinary in a marriage. It is a love letter to those relationships that endure because of and in spite of ourselves."

In course of this year's challenges, Mary's elderly father is slated to retire to a seniors' home and her dealing with this move, her fear for her father and her repulsion for the place may well ring true in the hearts of many in the audience.

Elsewhere is the upcoming wedding of their daughter to Rob, a philosophy graduate whose constant output of big words and long-winded rhetoric irritates the father-of-the-bride- to-be.

All that and the sudden closure of the newspaper for which Michael has written over many years forces his abrupt retirement with perhaps unexpected reactions on his part.

Beckie Morris, Set Designer and Production Manager, created a revolve, the device that swings the sets around on stage and is usually round. This one is square, showing the two sets of bedrooms on one side and living room on the other.

Propelled to swing between the sets during scene changes and a song plays, its job is really to push the story into its next moment. A simplistic cut-out of a roof and windows is the backdrop. Running across the surfaces is the printed dialogue, a true Beckie Morris for its innovation, best design for the play.

Louise Guinand's lighting beautifully follows the same theme of the shift in time and life to perfection.

Directing, David Nairn presents us with a show of great timing, a pleasure to enjoy that touches our minds and our emotions. That is his particular skill.

Theatre Orangeville's brilliant creative team pull it off again to give us the very lovely to look at production.

From the really silly opening to the perfect touch at the end, The View from Here is a must enjoy couple of hours of theatre.

Jamie Williams ended his notes by reminding us, "It is, of course a love letter to, and for my wife, Melanie."

For tickets, subscriptions and tickets to the 'Twas the Night Gala, Theatre Orangeville's biggest fund raiser of the year, go to www.theatreorangeville.ca or call the charming folk at the Box Office at 519-942-3423.

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Dufferin County's Transportation Master Plan aimed at addressing growing population

BY PAULA BROWN
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Dufferin County is looking to prepare its roadways to accommodate the growing population and changes in the modes of transport by implementing a new transportation master plan.

During their meeting on October 12, Dufferin County Councillors were presented with the transportation master plan from Brett Sears, project manager for WSP, an engineering firm. The transportation master plan looked at existing travel patterns and brought forward recommendations to address different modes of transportation, the widening and rehabilitation of roadways, and constructing bypasses needed to accommodate the projected population growth by 2051.

"We can recognize that there are different needs, and we're trying to say these are the ones we should focus on and dedicate the financial resources for," said Sears. "Generally, the County Road network has capacity to meet the volumes that are here today, but if this growth materializes as forecast, and we think it will, we need to be prepared for that."

The report to council laid out improvements to roadways that can be done on the County level and the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) level.

The four projects at the County level include widening County Rd. 109 to four lanes between County Rd. 25 and Hwy. 10, widening County Rd. 16 to four lanes between Hwy. 10 and Mono Amaranth Towline Rd., widening County Rd. 7 to four lanes between Hwy. 10 and Side Rd. 5, and constructing a new two-lane road along Amaranth East Luther Towline to bypass Grand Valley.

The recommendations for improvement at the MTO level included widening Hwy. 9 to a four-lane roadway from Hwy. 10 to County Rd. 18 and widening Hwy. 10 to a four-lane roadway between Side Rd. 15/ Mono Center Rd. and Hwy. 89.

One of the main concerns raised by Councillors was the timeline associated with the widening of Highway 10 to four lanes from Mono Centre Rd. (Camilla) to Hwy. 89. According to the Transportation Master Plan, the widening of Hwy. 10 is a "long-term" phase to be constructed by 2051.

"My problem with the Highway 10 issue is it talks out to the 2051 threshold, which means best case scenario building starts around 2043. That highway needs to be upgraded now it doesn't need to be upgraded 20 years from now, unless you're willing to accept the continued carnage, deaths, accidents, detours and closures that happen on a regular basis, particularly in winter – I'm not willing to accept it," said Councillor Darren White, Mayor of Melanchthon.

"I don't know how we can pass something that doesn't focus on Highway 10, I would suggest that that's probably our largest problem," added Councillor Todd Taylor, Deputy Mayor of Orangeville.

Melanchthon Deputy Mayor James McLean raised questions about an assessment on County Rd. 124, and whether there were any considerations to widening the roadway similar to Highway 10.

"It's a busy throughway during rush hour during the week, and it serves as a major artery on weekends during the summer and winter," said McLean.

Sears explained that County Rd. 124 did not come up as a project recommended for the County to spend resources on due to a focus on the Shelburne bypass.

McLean also questioned whether motor vehicle collision data is looked at when determining the need for road upgrades.

"It depends on the circumstance. If we're looking at intersections than yes there are typical protocols, we can flow the data through and that includes collision data. There are some for roads, but it's predominantly driven by total volume of vehicles and percentage of heavy vehicles within the compositions of total traffic," said Scott Burns, Director of Public Works.

The recommended Shelburne bypass was also a project of concern for Councillors, particularly the need to move forward with consulting the Ministry of Transportation to have the project developed as well as the suggested location.

According to the report, the recommended location of the Shelburne bypass is across 30 Side Rd. between County Rd. 11 and 4th Line, then along 4th Line to meet Hwy. 10.

Councillors from neighbouring municipalities to Shelburne noted their disappointment in not having their Council consulted in the proposed location for the bypass.

"My Council is not against the bypass; we just think there is probably a better route. Part of the problem is we weren't consulted, nobody asked us what our thoughts were, nobody came to us and said, 'We're doing this'; it just showed up in a glossy document and now it puts us in a position where we almost have to take a position oppositional to the report," said White.

Sears noted they looked at three options for the bypass location and determined the route based on where the majority of vehicles were travelling. He added that the recommendation is not the final solution but a proposed solution for MTO to use.

Dufferin County Warden Wade Mills spoke to the timeline of both the Shelburne bypass and the expansion of Hwy. 10 lanes.

"These are not projects that we are going to undertake ourselves, but they're projects for which we'll be advocating. I think from an advocacy point of view they should be high priority and they should be in the near term because quite frankly from an expectation point of view, it's what our constituents are expecting," said Mills, who's also Shelburne's Mayor.

The Transportation Master Plan will be updated periodically to align with changes in need.

Future steps in the Transportation Master Plan needed before construction include issuing a study completion with a 30-day public review period, allocating a budget to specific projects, environmental assessments for each project, and design.

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CDS's Debate Team prepped to take on the world at the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition



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BY JIM STEWART

Kerstin Wyndham-West, the legendary Debate and Public Speaking Coach at Country Day School in King City, fills a room with positive energy when we meet for a Friday afternoon interview. The educator has been retired for four years, but continues to teach the fine art of debate and rhetoric in the most inspirational manner.

Wyndham-West has been coaching the CDS Debate Team to lofty heights for over 22 years, but she derives the most satisfaction in both seeing her students succeed after they have left her mentorship and in seeing the debate program flourish.

"It's very satisfying to watch students later in life using their skills. They often come back to visit and share stories about their success. Seeing the growth of the program is really satisfying, too. Our team is currently comprised of 25-30 students."

Coach Wyndham-West has been diligently preparing her team for success in Vancouver next week at the IISPSC (International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition) and is quietly optimistic about her team's prospects on the West Coast.

"We've got a pretty strong team. Two of our three competitors were at the World Championships last year in South Africa. This is an experienced team, they're accustomed to a very high level of competition, and they're prepped for all the challenges that come with competing against students from across the world."

In addition to preparing her team of 30 students for various levels of competition during the 2023-24 school year, the veteran teacher-coach is also mentoring Antonella Costanzo, a CDS colleague, a Middle and Senior School Math/Science teacher, who has been assisting and learning from a seasoned Debate Coach.

"Antonella has been a big help in growing our program and I appreciate her contributions as a teacher at CDS. She has helped make our team as successful as it is."

When asked about how important the art of debating and public speaking is in 2023, Wyndham-West makes a great case for its value as both a co-curricular activity and, more importantly, a key life skill that's necessary in a high-functioning democracy.

"In the 21st century, it is extremely relevant to provide arguments and support them with real content.

The art of persuasion is an important part of the democratic process and being able to persuade is an important skill for today's students. The same skills apply. Listening to nuances and noting body language expression are just as important as they've always been. All work environments—especially ones with daily interactions between people—require a certain level of confidence when a person enters a room. Learning the art of debating and public speaking prepares our students for success and the confidence they need in the 21st century workplace."

Preparing for that 21st century workplace and the IISPSC in Vancouver is the energetic quartet of Sarah Croxon, Diviya Amarnath, Millie Steinmann, and Ethan Walba who join us after Period 3 for our interview and inject another dose of positive energy into the room on a Friday afternoon.

Croxon, Amarnath, and Steinmann are the experienced debaters to which Coach Wyndham-West alluded earlier and they provide insight into the value of competing in the World Championships in Durban, South Africa in the 2022-23 school year.

Amarnath, a Grade 11 student, noted that the 2023 competition in South Africa was a valuable experience because "it was the first time I made the Finals and in addition to learning about apartheid while we were in South Africa, there were opportunities to learn about South African customs and traditions. We enjoyed the week prior to the tournament and to see so many different things made the trip so enjoyable. I made lots of friends, too."

Croxon, a Grade 12 student, concurred with her teammate regarding the value of the competition and travel as the best educator.

"Finding out that I made the Final and that all three of us qualified for the Final was the highlight of the competition for me. We all got to do something very special together. Travelling to South Africa was my first international trip where I could truly appreciate what I was experiencing and really spend time learning about culture. It was so cool to travel beforehand and I was coming back from a year off competing. We had our families with us, too, so it was a unique experience."

Steinmann, a Grade 11 student, commented on not only the level of competition, but on the eye-opening experience of travelling to another continent.

"It was incredible how much we saw during the sight-seeing tours prior to the competition. It was great to see the culture and history of South Africa, but it was also enjoyable to meet students from South Africa and to talk to them about their customs."

In addition to being moved by both the competition in Durban and the experience of international travel, the trio competing in the IISPSC in Vancouver this coming week—Croxon, Steinmann, and Ethan Walba—commented on what they're looking forward to most from their trip to British Columbia.

Walba, a Grade 12 student, noted that "Being able to get away to a different Canadian province is great—each part of Canada has its charms." Steinmann expressed her relief that the competition won't be virtual:

"Going to a live competition rather than on-line is so much better. I've never been to Vancouver so meeting people will be so much more enjoyable in person instead of a virtual experience."

Croxon spoke of the trip as a climactic event in her four-year high school career: "I wanted to get back into this after a year off. In some ways it seems surreal that I'm going back to Vancouver in my final year. It feels really good and this competition will be rewarding for all of us."

When asked to be prognosticators and describe their prospect of winning in Vancouver, all three competitors couch their language effectively.

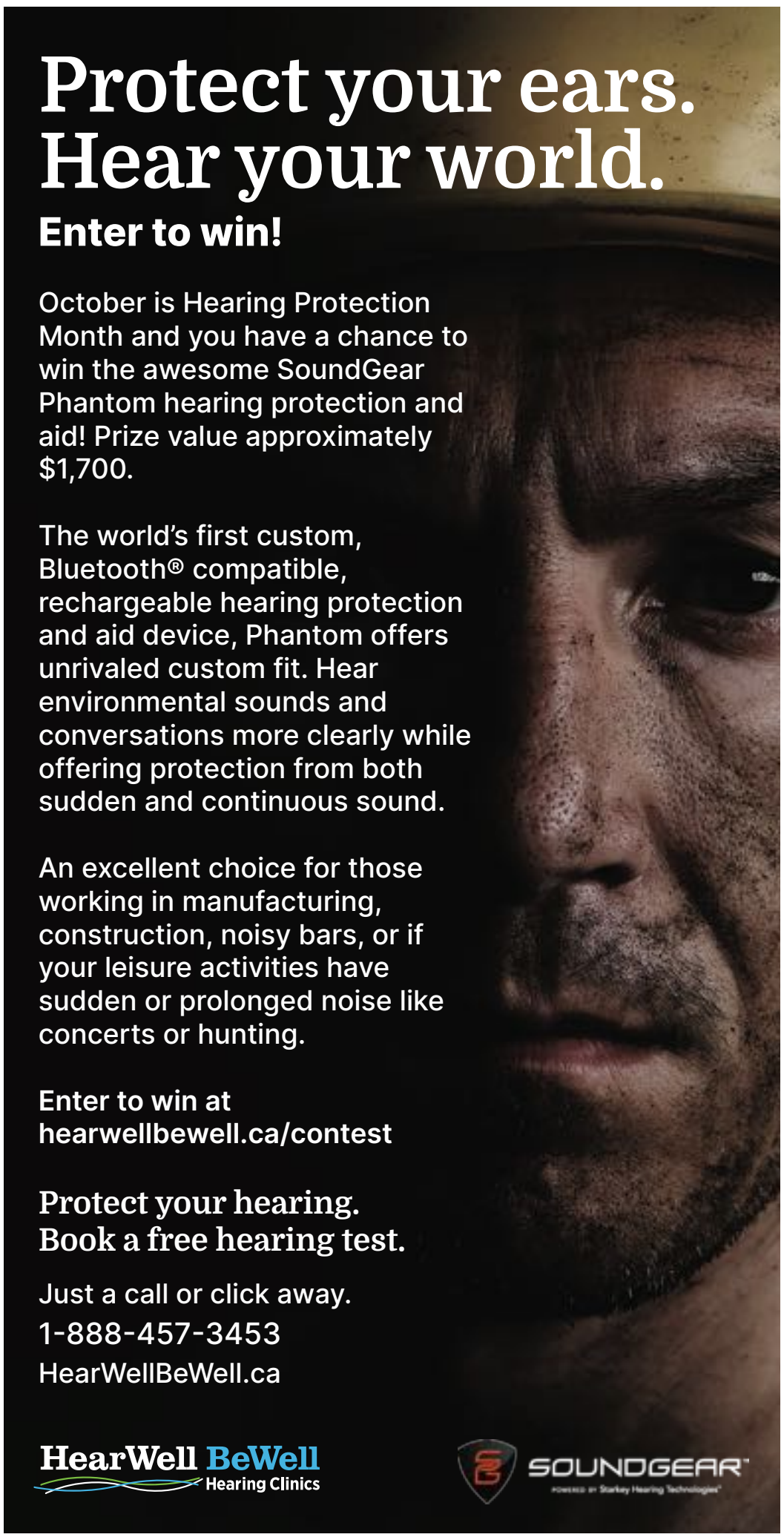
Walba, a veteran debater, expresses an air of confidence and feels "cautiously optimistic as a Grade 12 student in this competition," Steinmann notes that "knock on wood – that we do well. It's about the experience, too," and Croxton acknowledges that many elements make predicting an outcome difficult.

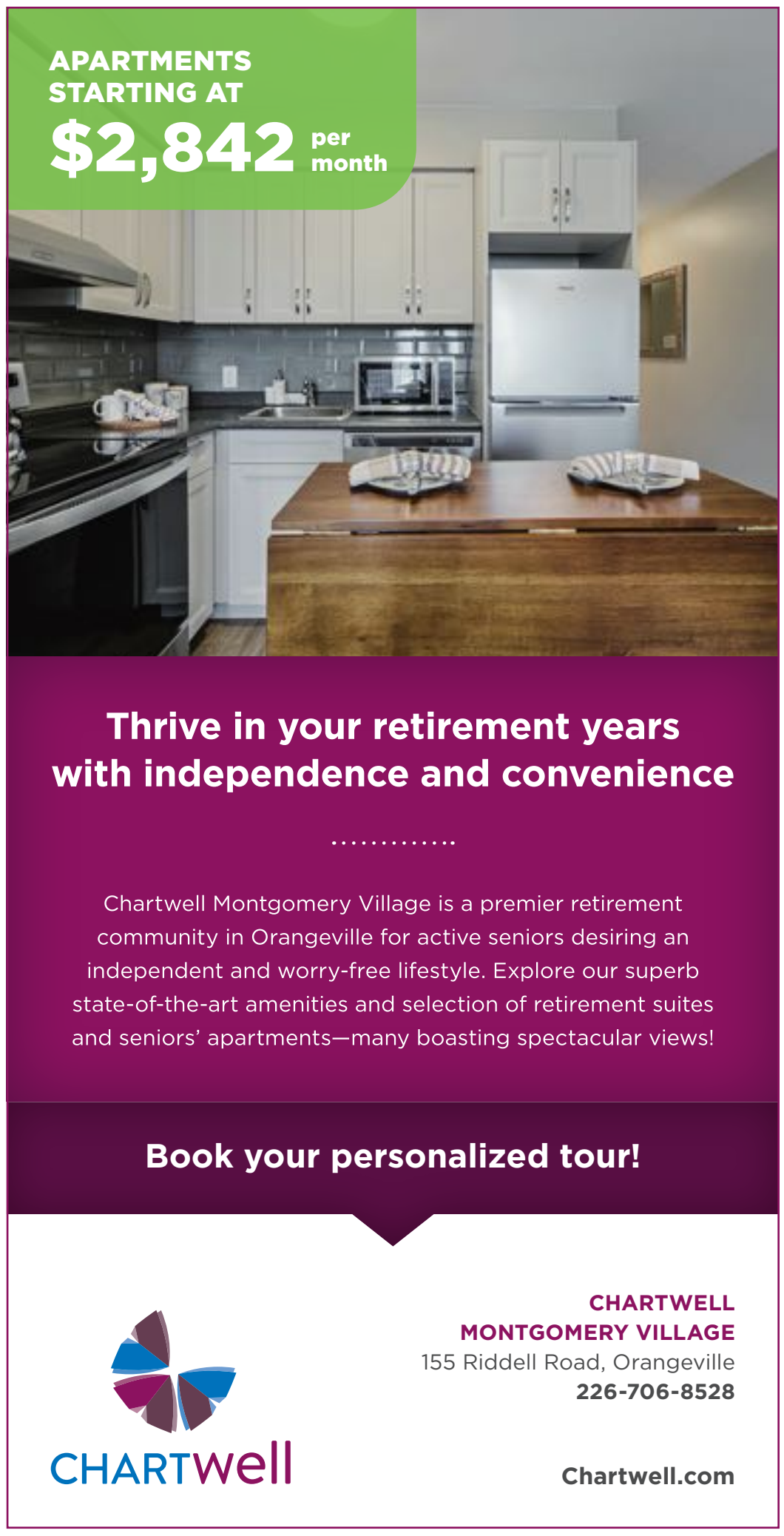
"Debates and public speaking can be so subjective. Success depends on so many factors. We've got a really good team that is experienced as well."

There's no debate about it. Coach Kerstin Wyndham-West has her CDS competitors ready to take the West Coast by storm—one persuasive argument and rhetorical device at a time.

Upcoming Debating and Public Speaking Events at CDS this month:

In addition to travelling to debating and public speaking events, Country Day School will host the Fulford Cup for the first time since 2017. This competition is in need of judges. Community members interested in volunteering to judge at the upcoming Fulford Debate Tournament at CDS on Friday, October 27th from 3 – 8 p.m. should email volunteer@cds.on.ca. Dinner is included.





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Catching Up with the PJHL Golden Hawks, OJHL Admirals, and GOJHL Bombers

BY JIM STEWART

Approximately 25 per cent of the 2023-24 PJHL, OJHL, and GOJHL seasons have been played by mid-October and this week we look at how our community's Junior Hockey teams—the Caledon Golden Hawks (Junior C), the Caledon Admirals (Junior A), and the Caledon Bombers (Junior B) – are faring in their respective leagues.

Caledon Golden Hawks (PJHL—Junior C)

5th Place in the 9-team North Carruthers Division with a 4-5-1-1 record (GF 27-GA 36)

Top Four Scorers: Nathan Gelsomini--11 GP/6G+3A=9 PTS; Joseph Poma—9 GP/4G+4A=8 PTS; Patrick Polaczek—11 GP/4G+2A=6PTS; Nicholas Volpe—11 GP/1G+5A=6 PTS.

Recent Games:

The Golden Hawks lost 3-2 in OT versus the second-place Stayner Siskins on Sunday at the Mayfield Recreation Complex. Chad Walker turned aside 38 of 41 Siskins shots in another noble effort between the pipes. Caledon jumped out to a 1-0 lead on Sunday when Edward Rebelo—on assists from Nicholas Volpe and Arunas Scott—beat Siskins' goaltender Coulter Taylor at 5:22 of the opening frame. Seven minutes later, the Golden Hawks took a two-goal lead when Andrew Perrino finished off a pass from Chad Van Wheelie. Caledon kept mighty Stayner off the scoreboard until 19:24 when Ryan Russell fired home his tenth goal of the season to narrow the Golden Hawks' lead to 2-1 heading into the first intermission.

The Golden Hawks' one-goal lead held for seventeen minutes in the second period until Connor Hiles—on assists from Russell and Cole Dubowsky—lifted the Siskins into a 2-2 tie.

After a scoreless third period, Hiles knocked in the game-winning goal forty seconds into overtime, but the Golden Hawks picked up a key point in the standings against perennial powerhouse Stayner.

On Friday the 13th, the Golden Hawks earned a tidy 3-2 road win in Penetang over the Kings. Chad Walker was selected as the First Star of the Game by PJHL staff and earned the win by repelling 42 of the 44 shots sent his way by the home side.

After a scoreless first period in which Walker made 17 saves to keep his team in the contest, the Golden Hawks took a 1-0 lead five minutes into the middle frame when Arunas Scott—with helpers from Liam Noonan and Nathan Gelsomini—fired a power play goal past Kings' netminder Sawyer Lammle.

The Golden Hawks took their one-goal margin into the second intermission and Nicholas Volpe gave Caledon a 2-0 lead at 2:59 of the final frame. The Kings' Tanner Thayer scored the first of his two third period goals at 7:01 to pull Penetang within one, but Patrick Polaszek's power play marker at 11:45 restored the Golden Hawks' 2-goal lead. Thayer's second goal at 12:24 reduced the home team's deficit to one, but Walker closed the door in Caledon's 3-2 win.

The improving Golden Hawks have won three of the last five games to move into the middle of the PJHL's very competitive North Carruthers Division where Schomberg, Stayner, and Alliston are currently in a three-way tie for first place with 14 points. The PJHL is comprised of 61 teams across Ontario.

Caledon Admirals (OJHL—Junior A)

11th Place in the 12-team West Conference with a 1-7-0-4 record (GF 24-GA 61)

Top Four Scorers: Deandreas de Jesus--12 GP/3G+3A=6 PTS; Deacon King—11 GP/2G+4A=6 PTS; Dawson Doner—12 GP/2G+3A=5PTS; Tanner Greenwood—12 GP/1G+4A=5 PTS.

Recent Games:

The Admirals started their OJHL season on a promising note with a 3-1 home ice win over the Toronto Patriots. Unfortunately, the squad is mired in an eleven-game losing streak, having lost all three of its games in October: 5-0 on Friday night to Oakville at Sixteen Mile Arena; 2-1 on Thursday night to Buffalo and 6-3 last Friday night to Georgetown—both games were played at the Mayfield Recreational Complex.

The OJHL is comprised of 24 teams across Ontario and Western New York.

Caledon Bombers (GOJHL—Junior B)

8th Place in the 8-team Midwest Conference with a 0-9-0-1 record (GF 14-GA 42)

Top Four Scorers: Ryan Tackaberry--10 GP/3G+1A=4 PTS; Dylan Kelly—10 GP/3G+0A=3 PTS; Evan Grigor—6 GP/2G+1A=3PTS; Brady Hunter—9 GP/1G+2A=3 PTS.

Recent Games:

The Bombers currently reside in last place in the 23-team Junior B loop; unfortunately, the Caledon squad has lost all three of its games this month: 2-0 on Friday to the Elmira Sugar Kings; 5-2 on Wednesday also to the Sugar Kings; and 5-0 to the Cambridge Redhawks last Saturday.

Youth dance to benefit Caledon Hawks Minor Hockey

Fines Ford Lincoln sponsoring dance at Caledon East Community Complex

BY ZACHARY ROMAN
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

There's a big party coming to Caledon.

On November 3, Fines Ford Lincoln is hosting "It's Finally Friday", a youth dance that is also a fundraiser for Caledon Hawks Minor Hockey.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. and is for youth in Grades 5 to 8. It's being held in the banquet room at the Caledon East Community Complex and tickets are $15.

Those looking to purchase tickets can do so online at itsfinallyfriday.ca. A list of frequently asked questions is also available on the site.

Party Rockers Entertainment is DJing the dance and there will be volunteer adult chaperones from the Caledon Hawks.

Carlos Martins, General Manager of Fines Ford Lincoln, and his wife, Katie Fines, Human Resources Manager for Fines Ford Lincoln, said they wanted to provide an opportunity for kids in Caledon to go to a fun dance event.

"Grades 5 to 8 is what we are targeting… once they get to high school, there's more social opportunities. But this is an age group that is underserved," said Martins.

Fines said she and Martins wanted to support the Caledon Hawks because they are a Caledon-wide organization with deep roots in the community.

Martins said 100 per cent of ticket sales will be going to the Caledon Hawks, and there will be a concession stand with proceeds being donated too.

"We're covering all of the costs of the event," said Martins. "It's a great opportunity for kids to have a fun time, and at the same time, 100 per cent of the funds are going to a worthwhile organization."

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OBITUARIES

HERLUF (HARVEY) RASMUSSEN



Herluf (Harvey) passed away peacefully at his home in Caledon, on Sunday, October 15, 2023 with his wife Susan of 35 years and his daughter Kristine by his side. Herluf leaves behind his wife Susan Rasmussen, daughters Kristine Rasmussen (Stuart Snyder) Chesley, Ontario, Lisa (Michael) Ekelid and grandson Alexander Ekelid of Denmark. He will be missed by many nieces and nephews and their children both here in Canada and Denmark as he always took an active part in spending time with the next generation, they kept him young at heart. The youngest of 11, he immigrated to Canada in 1958 at the age of 20 and was proud to call Canada home. Herluf spent his life farming. Starting out as a herdsman, then working for Connaught Labs before starting his own dairy herd. He then went on to own and operate HR Trucking, supplying wood shavings across Ontario. Harvey really was an icon in this area. He was everyone's guy, he knew everybody. Stubborn as an ox at times, but such a wonderful man. He was a "Doer", if you had a project that needed to get done he was an "All hands on deck until it was finished", rounding up resources and persons to help until it got done. Right up until the last few days of his life, he had a list and he would muster the strength to supervise that it got done correctly and how he wanted it done. Herluf hated funerals and did not want one. He always said "You visit people when they are alive, their funeral is too late". Respecting his wishes, family and friends have spent the last few weeks calling or visiting him, reminiscing over good times and adventures and sometimes being assigned a task. Interment will take place at a later date with family present. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Headwaters Hospital or better yet, you share a story about Herluf with them. Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

FINLAY, EVA MAE

FEBRUARY 27, 1923 - OCTOBER 8, 2023



Eva Mae Finlay peacefully passed away on October 8, 2023 in her 101st year. She leaves us to join her beloved husband Ken (2005) and her loving son John (2002).
A loving and cherished mother to her daughter Shirley (Tom) and her daughter-in-law Glenda.
She is treasured by her grandchildren Matthew and Whitney (Scott) and great grandchildren Shawn, Rachel, Charlotte and Delaney. Eva will also be missed by many nieces and nephews.
Eva had many friends who kept in touch through phone calls, visits, letters and cards. She cherished these connections.
Her favorite pastimes included doing jigsaw puzzles and watching the Blue Jays. She knew exactly what they needed to do to win their games, but they just didn't listen.
The family would like to thank the staff at Chartwell Montgomery Village Retirement Residence, the nursing staff from Bayshore Home Care and Comfort Keepers Care Services. A very special thank you to Dr. Karen Sandhu who guided Eva on her journey.
A Celebration of Life will be held at In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. - 28 Main Street. North. Grand Valley, ON. L9W 5S7 on October 28, 2023 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. Words of Remembrance will take place at 12:00 pm.
As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.
In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. has been given the honour to serve the Finlay Family.

GREER: DONALD WINSTON



Peacefully on Saturday, October 7, 2023, at the Uxbridge Hospital at the age of 82 years. Loving father of Richard (Beth), Terry and Debbie. Beloved grandfather of Christopher (Caleigh), Rachel and Aiden. Donald is predeceased by his parents Minnie and Robert Greer. Loved son of his adoptive parents the late Evelyn and the late Fred Prothero. Dear brother to Tom Greer, Peggy Carville, Jean Langdon, the late Jack Greer, the late Sammy Greer and the late Robert Edwin Greer. Donald will be missed by many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences and memories may be left for the family at www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com.

DEL ZOTTO, HEATHER ANNE



Peacefully at Matthews Hospice in Alliston on Thursday, October 12 at the age of 55. Beloved wife of Danny for 32 memorable years. Caring Mother of Cooper (Lauren) & dearest son, Scott. Cherished daughter of Isabelle and the late Dean Anderson. Dear sister of Neil Anderson (Michelle) Mary McLean (Jim) and the late Scott Anderson. Heather will be greatly missed by her close friends and relatives.

Heather cared with a heart and soul that exceeded human capacity. She personified what it meant to be brave, loving, outgoing & charismatic. Her bond with Danny exemplified love, connection and trust. Her relationship with Cooper and Scott will be a forever-lasting connection that can never be broken, a bond that can only exist between a mother and her boys. Heather's adventurous, curious and driven spirit will flourish in the lives of the people she encountered in her journey of life.

A Memorial Visitation will be held at the ***Dods & McNair Reception Centre***, 21 First St., Orangeville Saturday, Oct 21st, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. In memory contributions to the Matthews House Hospice in Alliston or the Credit Valley Hospital Oncology Unit would be appreciated by the family. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

HAWS, KENNETH NORMAN



Peacefully at Bethell Hospice on Saturday October 14, 2023 at the age of 89. Beloved husband of Dorothy Haws. Dear father of Rose Marie Middlebrook (David) of Orangeville, William George (Deborah) of Cambridge, Sherry Lee David (Ernie) of Orangeville, Christine Mary Ann Hunt (Garry). Cherished grandfather of Lisa Marie, Doug, Julia, David, Robert, Matthew, Nicole and Maxwell. Loving great-grandfather of Trenton, Tyler, Michael, Eliona, Dominic, Valerie, Cameron and Callie and Aurora. Predeceased by his sisters Doreen and Mary. Kenneth will also be greatly missed by other relatives and many friends.

Visitation will be held at the ***Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre***, 21 First Street, Orangeville on Wednesday October 18, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Thursday October 19, 2023 at 11:00 am. Memorial donations to the Salvation Army would be appreciated by the family.
Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

MARIA CELESTE TARASCA



Died peacefully at Brampton Civic Hospital, on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, Maria Tarasca, at the age of 80 years, beloved wife for 60 years of Mike. Loving mother of Teresa and her husband Mike Lapadula, Vince and his wife Michelle Tarasca. Cherished Nonna of Liana Medeiros, Cecilia Vennare, Mario Lapadula, Elisa Lapadula, Michael Tarasca, Sabrina Tarasca, and Gabriel Tarasca. Dear sister of Carmelina Fiorentino, Celestina Vitullo, Leo Lalli, and predeceased by Carlo Lalli, Fernando Lalli and Franco Lalli. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy. 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) on Sunday afternoon from 2 - 6 o'clock. Funeral Mass was held in Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, 60 Allan Drive, Bolton on Monday morning, October 16 at 10 o'clock. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery, 7300 Hwy. 27, Woodbridge. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society (www.cancer.ca). Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



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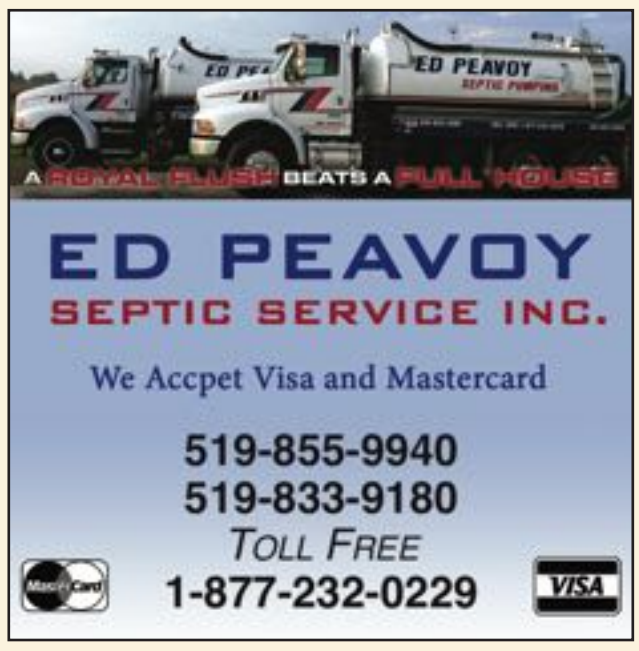
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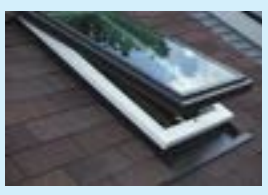


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