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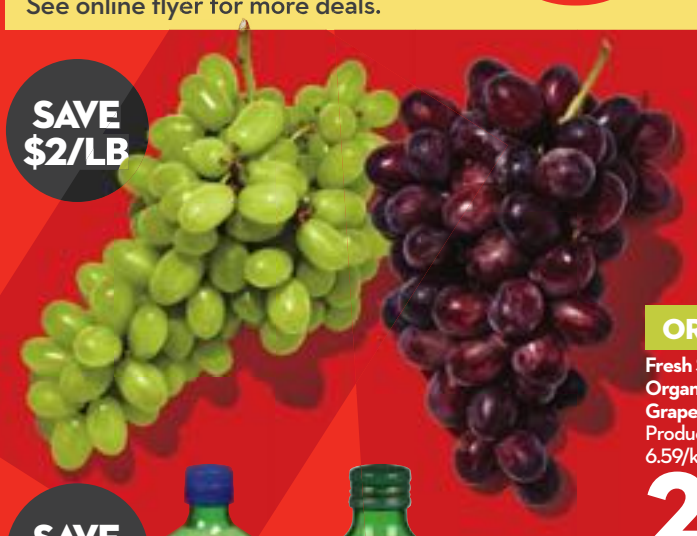
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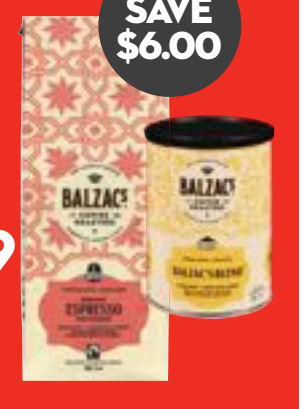
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Thiago (left) and Mia (right) hold up their balloon animals at Midnight Madness.

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Midnight Madness packs Downtown Bolton with food, fun, and festivities

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Cars parked up and down the streets, music roaring from the Downtown strip, and families walking hand-in-hand down the sidewalk – all clear signs that Bolton's Midnight Madness was well under way.

Midnight Madness is an annual event held in Downtown Bolton, where everyone is invited to enjoy a night of food, live music, an outdoor marketplace, multiple vendors, and endless activities.

The word "endless" truly describes this year's Midnight Madness, as there was no shortage of fun activities for all ages.

Every few minutes, a loud bell rang through the streets, and the sound came from the crowd gathered around the Caledon Community Services (CCS) booth.

The High Striker game called on participants to summon all their strength to strike down with a sledgehammer and hopefully reach the top, where a bell would ring out and participants won a prize.

All proceeds raised from the game went to the CCS Exchange Food Bank.

Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer for CCS, said summer hunger is very real in the Caledon Community.

"Here tonight at Midnight Madness we are raising awareness of such a serious cause in a fun way, and we are going to strike hunger out," says Kupriianova.

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Community generosity powers local family's largest aid trip to Cuba yet

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Lora Abramovitch is used to shopping for deals and always looking for a good bargain, but it's not for her; it's for people living in poverty in Cuba.

For years, Abramovitch has been travelling to Cuba with a suitcase full of things to give away upon her arrival.

She and her husband first visited Cuba for their honeymoon and fell in love with it – not just with the resort at which they were staying, but also those who lived there.

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Bernie (left) and Lora (right) Abramovitch.

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MP Kyle Seeback hosts Community Barbecue for Dufferin-Caledon residents

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER



Kyle Seeback and community member at the barbecue.

PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

Dufferin–Caledon MP Kyle Seeback hosted a community barbecue this past weekend at the Bolton Fairgrounds to give the community an opportunity to grab some food, meet their neighbours, and talk to Seeback about the issues that matter to them.

The barbecue attracted quite a large crowd, with over 400 participants pre-registered for the event.

More people poured in, with open registration available at check-in.

Seeback was met with a long lineup of residents and community members eager to discuss the problems on their minds.

Some came prepared with just a few talking points, some held letters and notebooks filled with concerns.

And some didn't come alone.

Daniel Alves, a Bolton Resident, brought his son to the barbecue with him.

"I just want to teach my boy the value of taking an interest in politics. I think it's really important to know who represents us in Ottawa," shared Alves.

He shared he was looking forward to discussing the economic state of the country with Seeback.

"I'm going to have a chat with him, see what he can do, but I know his powers are limited at this point," shared Alves.

Seeback told The Citizen that seeing residents with their handwritten notes was a "first."

"It really shows me how difficult a time people are having. But talking to people about their issues is one of the most important parts of my job. I go to Ottawa to fight for the people I represent. To do that, I have to know the issues that matter to them and this was a great way to hear from so many people," he shared.

Seeback said there was a wide variety of things people wished to discuss with him.

"People talked about how expensive everything is, how going to the grocery store used to be fun and now it's stressful and they're shocked at how much their weekly groceries cost," he says.

The high cost of living wasn't the only topic top of mind that day.

"A lot of people talked about crime and fixing bail. Many were outraged that the drunk driver who hit Gabriel Arshad was out on bail and had five previous convictions for drunk driving," said Seeback.

Seeback has recently begun a petition to demand bail reform, which was available to sign at the barbecue.

"We're calling for urgent action to fix the broken bail system and keep our communities safe.

The federal government must: Repeal Liberal Bill C-75, which mandates Police officers and Judges to consider the 'least onerous conditions' when making release decisions. Keep violent repeat offenders off our streets. Put the safety of our communities ahead of repeat offenders," reads the petition online.

Upon hearing many residents share their feelings around bail reform, Seeback shared he was "really proud of our community."

"They've really rallied behind Gabriel Arshad and his family and are demanding bail reform. The drunk driver who hit him should have been in jail. There's been overwhelming support for my bail reform petition and I really hope Mark Carney and the Liberals fix bail. They can with a very simple change. I cannot for the life of me understand why they haven't," says Seeback.



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NEW RECORD: Over 100 babies born at Headwaters last month

BY PAULA BROWN

A baby boom has come to Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC).

The local hospital announced in a social media post on July 31 that they'd reached a new record for the number of babies born in one month, with more than 100 babies delivered in July.

"This milestone is a proud moment for Headwaters and a reflection of the remarkable growth in our community. Every baby born at Headwaters is special to us, and we're so grateful our outstanding Obstetrics team was able to mark the occasion with this wonderful family," said Kate Kobbes, director of surgery, obstetrics, and ambulatory care at Headwaters Hospital.

Statistics from the hospital show that a total of 106 babies were delivered in July, of which 52 were girls and 54 were boys.

According to Headwaters, the local hospital helps over 850 families welcome newborns each year.

"Our team is made up of dedicated, compassionate, and highly skilled professionals who take great pride in caring for and supporting our community," said Kobbes.

To learn more about the obstetrics department at Headwaters Health Care Centre, visit www.headwatershealth.ca.



Extreme Fire Hazard Rating hits Caledon with Open Air Fire Ban

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The current fire hazard rating for Caledon is extreme; an open-air fire ban has been issued for Caledon.

The ban applies to all open-air and agricultural fires, including recreational fires.

This includes campfires, brush burning, and other outdoor burning activities.

Fueled appliances such as propane or natural gas barbecues, smokers, griddles, fireplaces, and charcoal barbecues used for cooking are still permitted under the ban.

Fire Chief Dave Pelayo shared with The Citizen that an extreme fire hazard rating is issued when a combination of prolonged dry weather, lack of precipitation, and very low moisture in grass, brush, and vegetation creates a high probability of fires starting and spreading rapidly.

"Under extreme conditions, firefighting becomes more dangerous, and fires can quickly get out of control, putting lives, property, and natural areas at significant risk," shared Pelayo.

Anyone found in violation of the ban could face a minimum fine of $245.

In addition, the Town may bill for firefighting services, with a minimum invoice of $514 per fire truck per hour, plus clean-up fees and a 15 per cent administration fee.

"These costs are in place to cover the significant resources required to respond to preventable fires, which can put lives at risk, threaten property, and cause lasting damage to our natural environment," says Pelayo.

Around homes, he urges residents to clear dry leaves, grass, and debris from around their buildings, decks, and fences, as well as store firewood away from structures and ensure that any fueled appliances are used safely on non-combustible surfaces.

Residents should avoid activities that generate sparks, such as welding or grinding outdoors, and never leave any heat source unattended.

Even when the rating returns to high, it doesn't mean residents are in the clear.

"Even under a high rating, conditions remain dry enough for fires to start and spread quickly. Residents should continue to use extreme caution with any outdoor burning that is permitted, keep a water source nearby when using fueled appliances, and avoid burning on windy days," says Pelayo. "Regularly checking the current fire hazard rating and following all permit requirements remains important."



Bill Carroll stands with his painting. PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

"Chaos and Order" Headwaters Arts Show Celebrates the Creative Journey

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

"The creative process requires chaos before form emerges" is the tagline for Headwaters Arts' fifth open members' art show of 2025.

The exhibit, held in the Headwaters Arts Gallery in the Alton Mill Arts Centre, is titled "Chaos and Order."

The show exhibits 25 works of art by 23 artists.

"The creation process is often a journey, following a crooked path filled with obstacles, perhaps even of our own making. But through this chaos, our art emerges triumphant," says Headwaters Arts.

At the opening reception for the exhibit last week, artists shared their reasoning behind their presented works.

Bill Carroll, who has been a member of Headwaters Arts for a few years now, said he finished his piece before the title of the show emerged.

"When I heard of the title of the show, I thought, yeah, I've got exactly that," said Carroll, adding he is not a "chaotic" artist.

His piece, titled "Quietly Contemplating Chaos," is based on a photo his granddaughter sent him, depicting her standing in front of an abstract painting in Los Angeles.

He then painted the image, first creating a painting, then painting his granddaughter in front of it.

He shared that the painting his granddaughter is looking at represents the chaos.

One of his favourite parts of the exhibit, Carroll said, is being able to watch people look at all the paintings.

He shared that it's always interesting to hear a non-objective opinion about the work.

Being an artist, Carroll explained, is throwing something of "you" onto every canvas.

"That's why I love seeing all this stuff, and get into the brain of whoever's done it," he says.

Each artist in "Chaos and Order" drew inspiration from different sources; some drew from real life.

Patty Maher, a Caledon artist, brought pieces to the exhibition from her series titled "The Salvage Mission."

The pieces are inspired by a car graveyard in Rockwood, she shared, where she went one day and took pictures of the vehicles.

"It was really chaotic," said Maher. "They're everywhere and they're overgrown with bushes and trees. But I really loved them, and I wanted to kind of give them a new life somewhere else."

"There's nothing more chaotic than what I found there," explained Maher when asked why she added these pieces to the exhibition.

She said the exhibition itself represents a wide range of talent that is here in Caledon and the surrounding areas.

"What I love about these group shows is that there's everything here. There are paintings and collages and woodworking and photography," says Maher. "It really shows a wide range of talents and a wide range of mediums."

One artist who used a different medium is Lynn Gilbank.

In her piece at the exhibit, she used textiles to create the image.

"It's all textile, layering and over-layering and stitching of different fabrics to make it more of a painting, but using textile as paint," explained Gilbank.

She has been a part of Headwaters Arts for a couple of years, and volunteers on the gallery committee.

Gilbank shared that the variety of artwork in the exhibition is "astounding."

"There's lovely, lovely things, many different styles and types and ingredients that all go into it," she says.

The exhibition will run until September 14, 2025; until then, everyone can see the variety of artworks available.





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BREAK AND ENTER ARRESTS

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged four individuals after a recent series of break and enters.

"On July 30, 2025, just before 3:00 a.m., officers from the Caledon OPP responded to a report of a break and enter at a local business in the area of Highway 50 and Ellwood Drive, in the Town of Caledon," say Police. "Four suspects gained entry by physical force while the business was closed and stole a variety of high value items. The suspects fled the area prior to officers arriving on scene.

"On August 1, 2025, shortly after 3:00 a.m., officers from the Caledon OPP responded to a report of a break and enter at a local business in the area of Highway 50 and Allan Drive, in the Town of Caledon. Four suspects gained entry through the roof of the business while it was closed. Officers arrived on scene and took four suspects into custody shortly after."

As a result of the investigations, four individuals were arrested and charged.

Jairo Meza, 28, of no fixed address, was charged with:

- Obstruct peace officer;
- Break, enter a place - commit indictable offence - two counts;
- Possession of break in instruments;
- Possession of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Mischief over $5000;
- Participation in criminal organization.

Adrian Perez Marquez, 39, of no fixed address, was charged with:

- Possession of break in instruments;
- Break, enter a place - commit indictable offence - two counts;
- Possession of proceeds of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Possession of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Mischief over $5000;
- Participation in criminal organization;
- Concealment of identity.

Mario Carrasco Pizarro, 43, of no fixed address, was charged with:

- Possession of break in instruments;
- Break, enter a place - commit indictable offence - two counts;
- Concealment of identity;
- Possession of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Mischief over $5000;
- Participation in criminal organization.

Israel Diaz, 44, of no fixed address, was charged with:

- Obstruct peace officer;
- Possession of break in instruments;
- Break, enter a place - commit indictable offence - two counts;
- Possession of proceeds of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Possession of property obtained by crime under $5000;
- Mischief over $5000;
- Participation in criminal organization.

All four individuals were held for a bail hearing at the Ontario Court of Justice.

The charges have not been proven.

For anyone with information regarding these incidents, please contact the Caledon Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) at (905) 584-2241. 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.

DRUG CHARGES

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) executed search warrants at residences in Alliston and Fergus, as well as two vehicles, one in Orangeville and one in Alliston.

"During the operation, police seized a quantity of drugs, including cocaine, cash, cell phones, and a vehicle," say Police. "Two individuals were arrested in connection with the investigation. In Spring 2025, the Dufferin OPP launched a drug trafficking investigation targeting the Towns of Orangeville and Shelburne based on information received by police. On August 6, 2025, members of the Dufferin OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), with assistance from the Collingwood CSCU, Nottawasaga CSCU, and Huronia West CSCU, executed several search warrants."

As a result, Cory Stoneham, 31-year-old, from Alliston has been charged with:

- Traffick in Schedule I substance- Cocaine;
- Poss of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking – Cocaine;
- Poss of proceeds of property obtained by crime over $5000 - in Canada.

The charges have not been proven.

As a result, Sharle Milks, 57, from Mulmur has been charged with:

- Traffick in Schedule I substance- Cocaine;
- Poss of a Schedule I substance for the purpose of Trafficking – Cocaine;
- Poss of proceeds of property obtained by crime over $5000 - in Canada.

The charges have not been proven.

The following items were seized during the investigation:

- 61 grams of cocaine;
- Large quantity of Canadian currency;
- Debt list;
- Three cell phones;
- Scales;
- Food mixers containing cocaine residue.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Dufferin OPP.

Members of the Dufferin OPP are committed to ensuring public safety through proactive and innovative policing in partnership with the community. If you have any information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS) or visit www.crimestopperssdm.com.

DAYTIME BANK ROBBERY IN ORANGEVILLE

Officers from the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating a robbery that occurred at a financial institution on Broadway in Orangeville and are appealing to the public for any witnesses or information related to the incident.

"On August 5, 2025, at approximately 4:15 p.m., Dufferin OPP responded to a report of a robbery at a financial institution on Broadway in the Town of Orangeville," say Police. "Officers arrived shortly after the incident and spoke with key witnesses to gather information. According to reports, three male suspects entered the financial institution while a fourth individual remained in a small black vehicle nearby.

"The suspects are described as Black males, all wearing black clothing, masks, glasses, and gloves. Victims were restrained as the suspects stole a cash box and multiple phones. The suspects fled the scene prior to police arrival."

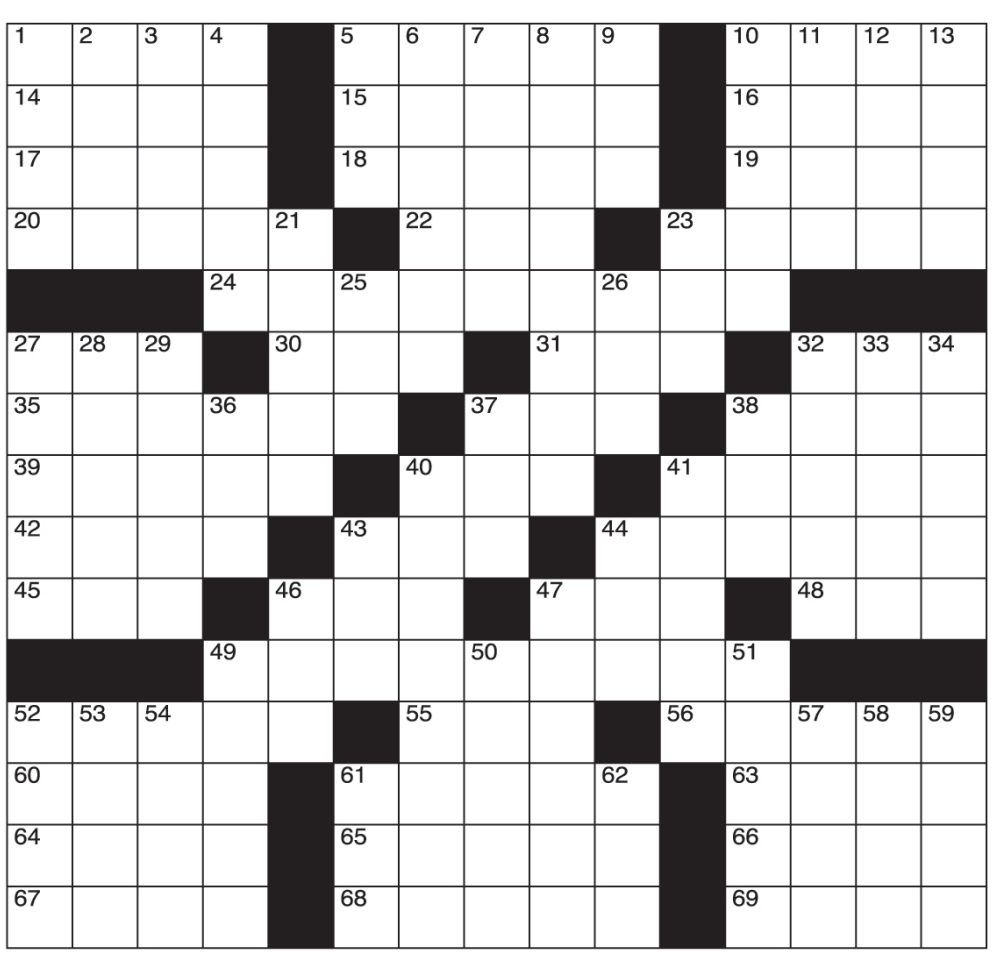
The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the Dufferin OPP Major Crime Unit, with assistance from the OPP Forensic Identification Services (FIS).

Anyone with information related to this incident is asked to contact the Dufferin OPP Major Crime Unit at 1-888-310-1122. To remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or visit www.crimestopperssdm.com. You will not be asked to identify yourself, and you will never be required to testify in court.

The effects of crime can be emotionally and physically devastating. If you or someone you know need support, Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services can be reached at 905-951-3838.



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1. Mongolian politician
5. Coconut palms
10. Rounded knob
14. Japanese city
15. Covers in soft material
16. Walk around
17. Ancient region in Syria
18. French painter
19. Grandmother
20. Cow part
22. Rocky peak
23. Secret plan
24. Sings to one's lover
27. More (Spanish)
30. Father
31. Chinese philosophical principle
32. Hat
35. In agreement
37. A person's brother or sister
38. Evil spirit
39. Monetary units
40. Partner to cheese
41. About Sun
42. A place to dance
43. Performer __ Lo Green
44. Beach accessory
45. Recipe measurement (abbr.)
46. Partly digested food
47. Pooch
48. Honorific title added to family name
49. Salts
52. Lichens genus
55. Lowest point of a ridge
56. Type of sword
60. Albanian language
61. Gold measurement
63. Italian seaport
64. Longtime late night host
65. Extremely angry
66. U. of Miami mascot
67. Mid-month day
68. Omitted from printed matter
69. Upper body part

CLUES DOWN

1. Two-toed sloth
2. Cooking ingredient
3. Iranian city
4. Publicly outs
5. Steep-sided hollow
6. Spoke
7. General law or rule
8. Extravagantly theatrical
9. Very fast airplane
10. Arm bones
11. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
12. __ fide: legitimate
13. Gemstone
21. Counsels
23. Top exec
25. Cool!
26. Touch lightly
27. Extract money via taxation
28. Dyes
29. Cloying sweetness
32. Soft drinks
33. Capital of Guam
34. Chemical compound
36. The bill in a restaurant
37. Car mechanics group
38. Late comedian Newhart
40. Health care for the aged
41. Wise individuals
43. A passage with access only at one end
44. Trim
46. Former OSS
47. The upper surface of the mouth
49. Edible lily bulbs
50. Type of reef
51. Vaccine developer
52. Mottled citrus fruit
53. A place to store lawn tools
54. Rare goose native to Hawaii
57. Hollywood pig
58. Musician Clapton
59. Take a chance
61. Spanish soldier
62. Mark Wahlberg comedy

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Off-duty nurse jumps into action to help man having medical emergency at Tim Horton's

BY PAULA BROWN
LOCAL JOURNALISM
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A Shelburne woman is praising the quick actions of an off-duty nurse from Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC), who assisted a man experiencing a medical emergency at a Tim Hortons in Orangeville last month.

Bella Carter was sitting at a table in the Tim Hortons on the morning of July 18 when she watched off-duty nurse, Heather Swayze, step in to assist a man experiencing a medical emergency.

"I had finished a meeting and I turned around to see a man on the ground and he's bleeding out of his head," recalled Carter. "She was in action right away helping him."

Swayze, who lives in Melancthon, was in the Tim Hortons waiting for the brakes on her vehicle to be changed when the medical emergency occurred.

Speaking with the Citizen, Swayze said she was standing up to throw away her coffee cup when she was alerted to the medical emergency.

"I heard a big thump and I looked over and a gentleman had collapsed at the front counter."

From there Swayze jumped into action and began administering first-aid to the man.

"I checked his pulse and he was having a seizure so I put him into the recovery position. As I put him over, I found there was a big pool of blood under him because he had quite a big laceration on the back of his head," said Swayze.

While yelling for someone to call 9-1-1, Swayze, who was wearing a shirt over a tank top, ended up using her own shirt to apply pressure to the wound and stem the bleeding.

"I didn't know if he had a neck injury or any broken bones so I just stayed still until the ambulance came," she explained.

Swayze has been a nurse at Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) since April of 2023, where she works on the medicine and surgery floor.

Swayze received her practical nursing diploma from Conestoga College in 2018. Her first job in nursing was in Dufferin County as a palliative and end-of-life nurse. She spent two years working at Matthews House Hospice in Alliston before moving to Headwaters Hospital.

Swayze is currently a part-time student at Toronto Metropolitan University, where she is completing a bachelor's degree in nursing to obtain her Registered Nurse (RN) license.

Speaking with the Citizen, Carter recalled the emotions of witnessing the medical emergency.

"I was paralyzed in my space and I think everyone was really scared, but the fact she sounded so confident and very calm I think not only comforted the patient, but all of us there," she said.

Carter reached out to the Citizen to share with the community the action and initiative taken by Swayze to assist the man in distress.

"She exemplified to me, what a good citizen should be and she didn't even think twice about acting," said Carter.

Swayze humbly described her actions as simply part of her training as a nurse.

"It's just my natural intuition because that's what I do for a living. I feel that the empathy and the compassion that I have is ingrained in me," said Swayze.



Shelburne resident Bella Carter (left) witnessed the quick actions of Melancthon resident and Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) nurse, Heather Swayze, that helped a man experiencing a medical emergency in a Tim Hortons location in Orangeville on the morning on July 18. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Art in the Halls calls on Caledon artists for Autumn in the Hills

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of Caledon is calling for artists for its fall intake for the Art in the Halls program.

The Art in the Halls program is designed to showcase original artwork from Caledon artists to the public in recreation and culture facilities across Caledon.

It began in 2024 as a way to promote and provide opportunities for exposure to local artists.

The program utilizes the highly visible and well-attended community facilities in Caledon as a space for artists to showcase their work, provide an opportunity for sales, and beautify public spaces.

The Town of Caledon has delivered four intakes of the program since its beginning.

"The program has been well-received by both artists and members of the public, sharing that our community centres are more vibrant and that artists enjoy having the free opportunity to showcase their work," shared a Town Official.

The Town of Caledon's Art in the Halls program operates at four facilities across Caledon.

Space in each facility is available to artists for 12 weeks each season.

The current exhibition, Caledon in Living Colour, has been the largest yet, with eight artists.

The Town Hall exhibit features the Brampton Caledon Community Living (BCCL) exhibit, titled Art Beyond Labels: The Power of Inclusion.

"This was an exciting new edition to our Art in the Halls program and marked the beginning of May, which is Community Living Month. This inspiring collection features quilts, sculptures, and paintings created by the talented artists of BCCL. Through their artwork, these artists express their authentic selves, showcasing the power of creativity and the importance of inclusion. BCCL is committed to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to lead enriched, meaningful lives and to actively participate as members of their community," says a Town Official.

The theme for the Fall 2025 exhibition period is Autumn in the Hills.

All artists, teams of artists or groups who reside, work, study or teach in Caledon are eligible.

"If you are looking for opportunities to showcase your work for the first time and want to share it with the community in a more relaxed setting, this is a perfect opportunity. We accept all different types of artwork from photography, to small sculptural work, to larger scale pieces," says a Town Official.

The application submission is free of charge to all artists.

This year's Art in the Halls Fall intake and exhibition happens during Culture Days, providing an additional opportunity for exposure for artists.

Culture Days is a national celebration of arts, culture and heritage culminating in three weeks of free "behind the scenes" activities to discover Caledon artists, creators, performers and heritage from September 19 to October 12.

To learn more, visit caledon.ca/culturedays.

To apply for Art in the Halls Autumn in the Hills follow the registration link here https://forms.caledon.ca/do.aspx?interviewID=E000021_ArtintheHallsApplication&lang=en&AppName=%20E000021_ArtintheHallsApplication.



ARTS & CULTURE







(LEFT) Albion Hills Farm was well-represented at the event. (RIGHT) Sofia tried all her might to raise the bell in the high striker. (INSET) Members of Caledon Fire demonstrated how it's done.

PHOTOS BY RILEY MURPHY

Midnight Madness packs Downtown Bolton with food, fun, and festivities

Continued from FRONT

"As school programs spread out over the summer, hundreds of local children and their families are at risk of going hungry, they are at risk of going without. That's when they turn to our community, to CCS for support, and we can only be there for them thanks to our wonderful community," she shared.

Through CCS, they can support 450 local children, as one in three of their food bank clients is a child.

Kupriianova says it's thanks to the community that they can provide the urgent relief that's needed.

"Our children will have food in lunchboxes, and they will be able to go back to school not hungry, confident and proud," she shared.

The original plan to raise money was through a dunk booth, but a significant water main break that occurred north of Mayfield Road on Coleraine Drive sent the community into a 72-hour mandatory water use restriction.

"We're very sad that we had to cancel the dunk tank fundraiser. However, we stand in solidarity with our community," shared Kupriianova. "We're very grateful to Caledon Emergency and Fire Services, and we're so grateful we were able to pivot fast. We didn't make a splash at Midnight Madness this year, but we certainly will strike hunger out."

CCS wasn't the only group that felt the pivot of the plan.

With the original plan to dunk local Caledon Councillors to raise funds put to a halt, Bolton Councillors stepped up to aid in the new plan.

Councillor Mario Russo for Wards 4, 5, and 6 shared that, upon seeing CCS pivot and unsure if they could attract the same response, he, along with Councillors Rosa for Ward 5 and Councillor Napoli for Ward 6, wanted to kickstart the CCS fundraising and jointly donated $500 to CCS and their event.

Soon after, Scotia Bank matched their donation.

The good times continued rolling down the streets with other fundraising efforts.

The Bolton Kin Club were set up handing out free freezies, and raffling off a historical quilt to raise funds that will be donated back into the community.

They were also spreading the word about their upcoming fundraising events in September: The Toonie Sale and the Terry Fox Run.

Through their events, the Bolton Kin raise money to continue supporting the greatest needs of the community.

Joe Luschak has been with the Kin Club of Bolton for 52 years now, and shared the many reasons he loves to be a part of the club.

"I believe in what we do," said Luschak. "I love the community, I love contributing, I love giving back, and I love being part of the camaraderie that comes with being a member. We've got some great, wonderful people in this club."

As well as clubs and societies, Midnight Madness featured an outdoor marketplace, where vendors from all over gathered to showcase their businesses.

Albion Hills Farm was one of these vendors; they have been selling their products to Bolton for the past 35 years.

Albion Hills is a family-based, handcrafted, cured and smoked meat company.

They said one of their favourite parts about coming to Bolton as a vendor is the people who come and support from the community.

One of the big attractions of the night was the Kids Zone, where kids could enjoy bouncy castles, face painting, and a magic show.

Vanesa Gomez stood with her family while they waited for the magic show to begin. She said they moved to Bolton four years ago and have been coming to Midnight Madness every year.

"The kids love the kids zone and they love being able to interact with the police officers and the firefighters and just have a lot of fun. So, we do that, have an ice cream and have a good time," she said.

Set up right beside the kids' zone were Caledon OPP and Caledon Fire and Emergency Services.

Caledon OPP had an interactive booth for both the community and the kids.

Kids were able to climb inside the OPP cruiser, play with the controls, and then enjoy the button station, where they could craft their own buttons for their shirts.

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Two subdivision applications up for review: Here's what you need to know

BY RILEY MURPHY
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With two subdivision applications currently in the works for different areas of Caledon, residents can stay informed through the Town of Caledon website.

The notice board brought updates to two subdivision proposals last week.

One application concerns the locations of 9408 Columbia Way, 0 Mount Hope Road, and 14320 Mount Hope Road.

The proposed site is situated on the northwest corner of Mount Hope Road and Columbia Way.

With this application, the applicant, SGL Planning & Design Inc., on behalf of United Holdings Inc., wishes to create a new "Mount Hope West Secondary Plan," which is a smaller, area-specific plan within the Town's overall Official Plan.

The proposed Mount Hope West Secondary Plan has an area of approximately 76.60 acres of the net developable area.

The developer has put forward a proposed official plan amendment and draft plan of subdivision.

The proposed amendment will redesignate the lands to neighbourhood area, parkette, and natural features and areas designations to allow for the development.

A conceptual road network is also shown on the proposed Land Use Plan.

The draft plan of the subdivision features a mix of housing types, a neighbourhood park, a commercial plaza, and various features such as stormwater ponds.

This is currently just a proposal; the Town is reviewing it, and nothing has been decided yet.

The layout and details could change.

For residents wishing to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision applications, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon.

The next update published is for 0 Mount Pleasant Road, (Palgrave Estate Residential Community).

A public meeting will be held to consider the proposed official plan amendment, zoning bylaw amendment, and subdivision applications.

The applicant is Rob Lavecchia, KLM Planning Partners, Inc., on behalf of Stellar Homes Inc.

They have proposed an official plan amendment, zoning bylaw amendment, and draft plan of subdivision to permit the creation of five Estate Residential lots.

The official plan amendment is to address the density requirements outlined in the Official Plan.

The rules in the Official Plan set limits on how dense a neighbourhood can be, and the developer wants to change this to allow for their proposed number of houses.

The zoning bylaw amendment is to rezone the lands from Rural and Environmental to Estate Residential, with exceptions to protect natural heritage features along the eastern portion of the subject lands.

The proposed draft plan of subdivision seeks the creation of five Estate Residential Lots, a road widening block, and an environmental protection area block.

Each lot is proposed to range in size from approximately 1.57 acres to 2.92 acres, with lot frontage ranging from approximately 177 ft to 302 ft.

The proposed development is phase two of the existing Mulloy Court residential subdivision.

A formal first submission to the Town was made on February 12, 2025, for a zoning bylaw amendment application and draft plan.

For complete application details and materials, visit https://www.caledon.ca/en/town-services/0-mount-pleasant-road.aspx?fbclid=IwY2xjawMIe4NleHRuA2FlbQIxMABicmlkETFiUGZ4YXlSZWVNVUszSUU3AR6WfZcfKKtJyXGRArxnwrYEwThveu-RCmoSYZlZibbB0Jjkhh95BN-vUTzr6g_aem_z9Nzxw-azMknpnbUE9sV0A#Materials-Submitted.

The public meeting regarding this matter will be held on September 2, 2025, at 7 p.m. at Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East.

The meeting will also be held virtually.

To participate in the matter, you can attend in person, send written comments to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca, which become part of the public record, or participate virtually.

You can also call or email the planning staff or book an appointment at Town Hall.

Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

For residents wishing to be notified of the adoption or refusal of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the Planning Department of the Town of Caledon.

The Town of Caledon is looking for your input and insight that will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of the community.

Submit your LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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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.*

Terra Cotta Community Centre is hosting a golf tournament to raise funds to maintain the hall.

The event will be held
September 5, 2025
Calerin Golf Course

Information can be obtained by visiting our website
http//:terracottacommunitycentre.com
golf@terracottacommunitycentre.com

Audrey Partridge, 2025 Chair

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August 13 @ 7 a.m. –
Online viewing of available programs

August 20 @ 7 a.m. –
Resident registration opens

August 27 @ 7 a.m. – Non-Resident registration opens

Register using the Caledon Recreation App or visit **Caledon.ca/Recreation**

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Regarding Area Specific Development Charges – Simpson Road (Phase 2)

On Tuesday, September 16, 2025, the Council of the municipality of The Town of Caledon will hold a public meeting, pursuant to section 12 of the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended, to present and obtain public input on the municipality's proposed area specific development charges (A.S.D.C.) by-law and underlying background study for Simpson Road (Phase 2 – from George Bolton Parkway to 125m North).

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the proposed A.S.D.C. by-law and background study. The meeting is to be held:

Tuesday September 16, 2025
7:00 pm
The Council Chambers
6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East, ON

In order that sufficient information is made available to the public, the Simpson Road (Phase 2 – from George Bolton Parkway to 125m North) A.S.D.C. background study and proposed by-law were made available online at the municipality's website on July 23, 2025. Copies of the proposed A.S.D.C. by-law and the background study are also available as of July 23, 2025 from the municipal Clerk at the above location (905-584-2272).

Interested persons may express their comments at the public meeting or in writing, addressed to the municipal Clerk, at the above address prior to September 8, 2025. [1]

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAVE YOUR SAY

Notice of Public Open House – Bylaw Updates

The Town of Caledon is hosting a public open house to discuss the following bylaws:

- Site Alteration By-law
- Property Standards By-law
- Clean Yards By-law
- Tree Preservation By-Law
- Entrance Permit by-law

Open House Details:

Date: **Wednesday, September 3, 2025**

Time: **5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Location: **Town Hall (6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East)**

This is an opportunity for all members of the public to learn about the proposed changes and provide feedback.

For more information or questions, please contact Municipal Law Enforcement at info@caledon.ca.

Notice Date: Thursday, August 14, 2025

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If you don't laugh, you'll cry

As I approach my 40th birthday next month, I find myself becoming – much to my own surprise – a little more wrinkle-conscious than I have ever been before.

Don't get me wrong, I don't begrudge the ones I've accumulated so far. Much like the scar I sport dead-centre in my forehead after being mowed down by a rogue soapbox derby racer while covering an event for the Shelburne Free Press ten years ago, the lines tell a story – no matter how unlikely that story might be!

Heck, I don't even mind the so-called laugh lines; even if that's just a more palatable label for a facial feature that denotes the passage of time, it's nice to be reminded of joy, good times, and, of course, laughter.

If I ever get hostile towards the laugh lines, should I send the bill to some of those who are responsible for them? Surely, Mel Brooks has bigger fish to fry at this stage of his life, but the estates of all four Golden Girls? No, that would smack of ingratitude for all the laughter they have provided, something of a medicine in and of itself.

Whether you laugh at a pratfall, a bit of slapstick, a witty remark, or even a meme, you're laughing and that's the important thing. We all feel better after a good laugh, and there's science behind it.

The Mayo Clinic, for instance, thoroughly outlines the benefits of a good chuckle both long-term and short-term. It increases your intake of oxygen, benefiting your heart, lungs, muscles, and endorphin production, stimulates your body's natural anti-stress response, and aids circulation to help soothe tension. Some of the longer-term benefits of laughter include triggering chemical reactions within that improve the immune system, the production of natural pain killers, and so much more.

Does it take a fair bit of effort to elicit laughter for you? Well, the Mayo Clinic has a few tips as well.

"Developing or refining your sense of humour may be easier than you think," they say. "Put humour on your horizon. Find a few simple items, such as photos, greeting cards or comic strips, that make you chuckle. Then hang them up at home or in your office, or collect them in a file or notebook. Keep funny movies, TV shows, books, magazines, or comedy videos on hand for when you need an added humour boost. Look online at joke websites or silly videos. Listen to humorous podcasts. Go to a comedy club.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you. Find a way to laugh about your own situations and watch your stress begin to fade away. Even if it feels forced at first, practice laughing. It does your body good…. Share a laugh – make it a habit to spend time with friends who make you laugh. And then return the favour by sharing funny stories or jokes with those around you. Knock, knock – browse through your local bookstore or library's selection of joke books and add a few jokes to your list that you can share with friends. Know what isn't funny – don't laugh at the expense of others. Some forms of humour aren't appropriate. Use your best judgement to discern a good joke from a bad or hurtful one."

That last point, in my view, speaks to the world we live in today; a time and a place where what's an appropriate bit of humour for one person can be wildly inappropriate to others in certain circumstances, or even simply inappropriate in general given the state of the world internationally. But laughter still important.

August is the time of year when my family takes its annual trip to Jamestown, NY, for its annual Lucille Ball Comedy Festival. It's been a tradition we've maintained more or less every year, sometimes twice a year, since 1999, and has always been a joy.

This year, however, was shaping up to be a slightly different story.

Given the ongoing disputes between our countries, it simply didn't feel right, no matter who was involved, to make the trek this year and unnecessarily pump revenue into an economy that is currently battling wits with our own. The friends we've made there along the way understood this perspective and there was disappointment all around, but such are the circumstances we're living in.

When I made the decision not to attend earlier this year, other circumstances were a bit different. In the intervening weeks and months, my family has found itself in a particularly stressful situation as a close family member has found themselves quite literally in the fight for their life. As our family navigates these challenging waters together, laughter has found renewed resonance in this household – hey, if you don't laugh, you cry – and my perspective shifted slightly.

In desperate need for a mental break, however brief, we struck a compromise and decided to do an overnight there on Friday, rather than the traditional five-day affair. Sealing the deal was the ability to attend a tribute to writer Bob Carroll, Jr., who is at least partially responsible for some of the biggest laughs in my life.

No matter how stress-relieving a gut-busting laugh is, however, I have to say the laugh mechanism had its work cut out for it over those 24-or-so-hours.

In addition to the stress of the border crossing and not knowing just what to expect (full disclosure: our crossing was smooth sailing, but it appeared the same could not be said for the vehicle in front of us), there was the fraught nature of comedy in the country to the south.

The Lucille Ball Comedy Festival came hot on the heels of Paramount's decision to axe the top-rated Late Night with Stephen Colbert for apparent political reasons, and while there were laughs aplenty at the Festival, it was a somewhat different experience.

Observational humour was the order of the day, for the most part, but when anything – and I do mean ANYTHING – political came out of the mouths of the assembled stand-ups, there was a new phenomenon: quite literally feeling the oxygen, such an important benefit of laughter, get sucked clear out of the room, whether the target of the joke was a Republican or Democrat.

Was it a matter of people simply sick of the political bombardment, or a matter of waiting for the next shoe to drop and brace for abuse from the audience, depending on their allegiance?

My sense was it was the latter and, for the comedians on stage, it was certainly a difficult tightrope act.

While I returned after the brief visit feeling like my batteries were somewhat re-charged after reconnecting with friends and having my laughter mechanism thoroughly worked out, I couldn't help but feel more relaxed getting home, the vague sense of tension in the air down south now behind me.

While I don't foresee going back there any time soon given our current situation, at least sources of laughter can be found all around us, if you know where to look – and that's nothing to sneeze at. Seek them out – it will do all of us a world of good.

Our Readers Write

Is this what young people deserve? Reflections on World Youth Day

Five months ago, when Mark Carney was on a mission to woo Canadians in his bid to lead both party and country, he wrote: "Young people deserve more from their government. They deserve to have optimism and confidence in their future. That's the Canada I want to build."

58 days after being elected and nearly ten years after his landmark "tragedy of the horizon" speech about acting with foresight to prevent climate harms, Carney's government rammed through Bill C-5 – legislation that gives cabinet sweeping powers to bypass environmental reviews and protections. As the second-worst wildfire season in Canadian history forces evacuations from coast to coast to coast and leaders muse about taxpayer-funded fossil fuel expansion, I have to ask: is this the "more" that young people deserve? Or are we seeing the continued sidelining of young peoples' rights to a climate-safe future, leaving them with no choice but to litigate?

On World Youth Day, I celebrated the bravery of the seven young Ontarians in Mathur v. Ontario for taking their government to court over climate harms. For them, and for me, actions speak louder than words.

LYNN PATERSON
BRAMPTON



Amazing food, atmosphere permeates Village

by Mark Pavilons



They say it "takes a village" – a term emphasizing the importance of community involvement in achieving a goal.

The Village at Blue Mountain in Collingwood is a prime example of a cohesive "community" that never fails to impress.

An all-season resort destination, the Village offers a cornucopia of fantastic food, events, accommodations and activities.

My wife and I were fortunate to get away for a couple of days to celebrate our milestone 30th anniversary, and the Village seemed our best option. We visit almost every year and for many reasons, it keeps calling us back.

It's the epitome of destinations, offering a high level of accommodations, top-notch food choices and treats of all descriptions. It's one of the best options within easy reach of anywhere in the GTA.

The charming cobblestone streets never get old and even though we've been there literally dozens of times, there's always something new, some new aspect we discover and explore.

We needed to just get away, reconnect and enjoy one another's company.

Our one-bedroom suite in The Seasons was very nice and well equipped. A kitchen, fireplace, living room and two balconies were just what the doctor ordered! Spacious, clean and updated.

And top of our list was sampling some of the best dining establishments in the province. There's nothing like sharing a great meal with a loved one.

As Alan D. Wolfelt put it: "Food is symbolic of love when words are inadequate."

One would think that the iconic restaurants that have been cornerstones of the Village for decades may get boring or tired. Not so. If anything, they continue to up the ante, and up their game.

The service industry is about quality, atmosphere and customer service. Our choices were tops in all three categories.

My wife's favourite place of all time (and it retains its crown) is Oliver & Bonacini – O&B Cafe Grill nestled in the Westin hotel.

The outdoor terrace offers one of the best views and that's topped by its menu and attention to every detail. One would think patio dining may lose something, but not here, not at all.

Our anniversary lunch began with house recommendations – artichoke and spinach dip and cauliflower bites. Some may think a simple spinach dip is rather straightforward and plain. Not so. This is beautifully presented with a ring of vegetables, corn chips and flatbread. It's the first time we tried a watermelon radish – beautiful.

Cauliflower bites seem to be growing in popularity and this was our first time trying the dish. It was crazy good, with hot and sour sauce, sesame seeds, green onion and a creamy dill dressing.

This is our new go-to appetizer – thank you O&B.

One of the restaurant's top crowd-pleasers is the beef tenderloin kebab, and for good reason.

They are made to perfection and complemented by outstanding truffle parmesan frites, truffle aioli and charred broccoli. Again, the presentation was meticulous, matched only by its taste.

The management and wait staff were every attentive, exemplifying the restaurant's stellar reputation. The manager also presented us with glasses of Prosecco, Cabert, IT – wonderful bonus.

O&B, you're always in our hearts! A bit shout-out to Margot and her team.

The best way to start any day is with a hearty breakfast.

Sunset Grill is known far and wide and there are outlets in our community, too.

The one at Blue is spacious, with a large outdoor patio. Service is lightning-fast and staff were constantly checking to see if everything was to our liking. The food – elevated standard breakfast fare – is always good, fresh and hot.

The place gets really busy, and it's amazing how efficient staff are at serving, cleaning up and preparing for the next table. I've never seen anything like it.

The expanded menu has everything your heart desires, whether it's 8 a.m. or 2 p.m.

Kim and I also had our first Mimosas – my wife's new-found favourite. A pleasant surprise that made our morning even brighter. Thanks to staff and co-owner Kim.

Our dining experience was blown away for the third time by the dishes at Rusty's at Blue, run by the Substance Food Group. This is not your typical road house fare, not by a long shot. While the decor screams rustic and wildly entertaining, the food is definitely fine dining.

It's a great place for a group or family meal. Weekends, the place comes alive with music and dancing, so it's a must-visit locale. It also has the largest outdoor space of any restaurant in the Village.

The restaurant's favourites are slow-cooked to perfection. The kitchen staff are to be congratulated – every bite exceeded our expectations. Dare we say we enjoyed the best BBQ ever?

Yes. Award-winning Pitmaster Stephen Perrin shows off his championship-level skills in every dish.

My slow roasted prime rib was outstanding. It was a staple of mine, but I hadn't had it a few years. I was welcomed back into the fold this time. The portion is generous and cooked just right, together with veggies and melt-in-your-mouth mashed potatoes.

Kim said her pork side ribs were the best she's ever had in her entire life! And when they say fall of the bone, they mean it. You just have to look at them, and they slide off the bone. Heavenly.

Had we had more time, we probably would have ordered the Pitmaster Platter, with prime beef, wings, pulled pork, ribs, mac & cheese, coleslaw and pickled veggies.

This place is a meat-lovers dream and there are tons of amazing items on the menu, including typical children's favourites.

Stop in for a burger or dive into BBQ and get messy.

As I mentioned, there's nothing plain, simple or average in these establishments. All have raised the bar to keep customers coming back for more.

"This magical, marvelous food on our plate ... has a story to tell. It has a journey," according to Joel Salatin. It's our journey, too.

Alongside the Village's charm and international flavour, staff at its restaurants welcome you like family. And that's the best feeling in the world.

Kim and I sipped wine late into the wee hours of the morning on our balcony, watching the moon make its way through the night sky.

We relished in our togetherness, enjoyed over some fabulous meals.

This was an anniversary to remember.

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We're all in this together

For what I'm sure are obvious reasons, particularly of late, traffic safety continues to be a topic of conversation in Caledon homes, coffee shops and even at Council meetings.

We are at a critical juncture in Caledon. Faced with already maddeningly dangerous roads, rampant illegal truck yards, a focus on rapid new housing builds and either (or both!) new quarries and the filling of lakes with construction debris, there will potentially be hundreds more cars and trucks on already crowded roads not meant to accommodate them. All of which points to Caledon facing a literal road emergency. It doesn't matter where you live in Caledon, we're all in this mess together and we need to work together to figure a way out.

Recently, I had the opportunity to meet with Amanda Corbett and Carmela Anzelmo-Palkowski of the CCRSA. Together with Franca Pisani they founded a movement, the Caledon Community Road Safety Advocacy Group, which seems to be gaining traction not just locally but across the country. It's a movement I have written about before and is focussed on several of the key issues outlined in the opening paragraph. I appreciated their time visiting the little hamlet of Alton which, as local residents will know, is not immune to truck traffic and road safety issues. It was an opportunity for them to see first-hand some of what is happening there and what I learned at the same time is how they have been travelling throughout all the villages and hamlets that comprise Caledon, in an effort to learn how each community is being impacted by traffic and safety issues.

The CCRSA might originally have been born out of frustration concerning illegal truck yards and traffic issues in the south Bolton area, but what they have learned by travelling throughout the region is that "major public safety issues exist across Caledon, and that we are all in this together regardless of the Ward we live in." They acknowledge the hard work already done through the efforts of other local residents, (Kate Hepworth in Caledon Village comes to my mind, as do the residents who comprise the Alton Village Association) and of local and area Councillors like Christina Early and Lynn Kiernan to address traffic safety and reaffirm that, "everyone has a role to play, that there is so much opportunity to do good things together." To this layperson, it seems like an uphill battle, but I remain motivated by CCRSA's optimism and commitment and agree with the sentiment "we can't stop now."

As frustratingly slow as the wheels of progress move, even the Town plays a role through bylaw efforts to curb illegal trucking yards and through the implementation of the Illegal Land Use Task Force. But we need more. Likening the many issues impacting road safety to an "octopus," the CCRSA acknowledges that issues like bail reform, red light cameras, ASEs, and penalties, both financial (for businesses) and punitive (for bad drivers) must also play a role in helping to make Caledon roads safer. And, let's face it, we also need people to learn how to drive their damn cars properly! While it's tempting to blame all of our ills on a few "bad actors" in the trucking industry, there are equally as many motor vehicle operators who have no business being behind the wheels of a car.

Incidents recently in the news highlight this latter issue. A five-times convicted, three times "lifetime ban on driving" impaired driver was let out on bail after causing irreparable harm to local resident Gabriel Arshad. In another matter, the same person who sideswiped Premier Doug Ford's vehicle earlier this year was behind the wheel when his car slammed into another head-on, causing the death of a father of three whose wife is battling stage four cancer. That driver, Jaiwan Victor Kirubananthan, aged 18, has been charged with dangerous driving causing death and dangerous driving causing bodily harm in this most recent accident and with dangerous operation of a motor vehicle in connection with the accident involving Premier Ford.

Why was this individual even on the road after the first incident?

In another matter before the courts recently, a Superior Court Justice attempted to rectify a decision that allowed driver Joseph LeClaire, impaired by fentanyl (his fourth such conviction) to walk free. Reviewing an appeal of an incident that bears an eerie resemblance to the facts of the driver involved in the Arshad accident, SC Justice Jennifer Woollcombe called it "an affront to the administration of justice for a judge to choose to knowingly disregard and decline to follow the law that must be applied." As a result, her response to that appeal was to impose a mandatory four-month jail sentence on LeClaire. In doing so, she acknowledged the four-time convicted LeClaire, who was also under a "driving prohibition at the time of his arrest," was receiving in her view, "an extremely lenient sentence" but one that the criminal code requires as a "minimum sentence … for a third and successive impaired driving offense." At least one bad driver will see some jail time but one wonders, how many times are bad drivers, including those under lifetime driving bans, going to be allowed to escape the consequences of their actions? At this point, I think it's safe to infer that bad drivers keep driving badly at least in part because the consequences of doing so are negligible.

The octopus in the room just keeps growing more tentacles. Groups like the CCRSA, local resident associations, and the Town of Caledon and its municipal and elected representatives must work together to advocate for change. We need the Ministry of Transportation, the Region of Peel, the Government of Ontario and the justice system to do better. Bail reform, stricter truck driver training and licensing and perhaps even the involvement of the Federal government, are all required to even begin the process of making real, lasting and meaningful change to the issues impacting road safety here in Caledon and across the province.

The CCRSA has the right idea though – "we're all in this together" because the lasting consequences of our failure to work together for change impacts us all.

Our Readers Write

Open Letter to Mayor Annette Groves

I have been hearing a lot of concern from neighbours and friends about a property near Caledon Village that has a large lake in what used to be a gravel pit. The pictures, and front page article I saw in the Caledon Citizen, indicate that this old gravel pit is now a lush wildlife area.

This aptly named "Swan Lake" does not look like the "old aggregate pit" that you indicated to Council in your motion, if I am reading the news correctly.

I remember your mayoralty campaign where you promised to stop "developer driven planning...and push back against the powerful development industry." You also promised "to preserve the Town's character and natural features... and the preservation of Caledon's greenspaces." You also expressed your concern about increasing "the number of trucks on the road increasing air pollution and other environmental impacts." These were all reported in the October 25, 2022 edition of The Pointer.

Help me to understand how a motion to allow a powerful developer from Vaughan to grade the land and fill the lake in this rehabilitated gravel pit area with excess construction soil and waste is beneficial to the citizens of Caledon.

Please help me to understand how the hundreds of trucks carrying fill along an already overcrowded Highway 10 and Charleston Sideroad through Caledon Village and environs will reduce our air pollution and impact on the environment.

Please help me to understand how this is helping to preserve one of Caledon's newly established greenspaces.

I see these pictures of "Swan Lake" in the newspaper and cannot fathom how you would want to destroy it. Please explain your thinking to me.

At this point, I can honestly say that, in the next municipal election, I would not vote for any member of Council who supports the destruction of Swan Lake.

SHAWNA M. GATES
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A Statement from Mayor Groves

I want to address a matter that is important to the community, and one that I take very seriously – O Shaw Creek Road/593 Charleston Side Road site.

You may recall, that following a lengthy discussion and concerns raised at the May 20, 2025 Town Council meeting, the motion was amended to include a staff report back to Council so that the matter can be considered before entering into a fill agreement.

To clarify, the amended motion does not approve a fill import operation at the location. The motion relies on the landowner to complete a series of engineering studies to the Town's satisfaction before any approval of a fill import or infilling operation.

There will also be a public information session, where residents will have the opportunity to share their feedback.

As well, you may submit a delegation request to the Clerk when the staff report with complete information is placed on a future Planning and Development Committee meeting agenda.

To reiterate, no decision has been taken on the matter.

If you have any other questions or comments, please email communications@caledon.ca

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SPORTS

Brewers storm back from 5-0 deficit with twelve-run inning to mercy Lisle 15-5 in NDBL playoff opener

BY JIM STEWART

The dog days of August are renowned for sudden heat storms that fill the sky with explosive light shows.

A localized storm touched down at North Hill Park on Thursday evening that will be discussed by friends, family, and fans of the Brewers' franchise for years to come.

Trailing 5-0 as they took their at-bats at the bottom of third, Bolton's season seemed in the balance.

Having been swept by the Lisle Astros in their regular season series and down a quintet of runs to the visitors almost midway through their opening game of the 2025 NDBL playoffs, things looked extremely doubtful for the Bolton Nine at North Hill.

The Astros had tacked on four runs to their 1-0 lead on back-to-back extra base hits at the top of the third: a 2-RBI double into the right-centre gap by Kris Allary and a 2-run homer crushed by Zach Scragg that flew over the centerfield fence.

It was a confident young Lisle club that took the field at the bottom of the third.

Astros' starter Eric Jones had restricted the Brewers to a single over two innings of work and was gifted a 5-run lead.

However, in one of the most dramatic turnarounds in the franchise's 21-year playoff history, the Brewers' remarkable 10-hit, 3-walk, 12-run onslaught produced an uncanny comeback for the ages.

Brewers' centerfielder Ben Sterritt initiated the fireworks with a hustling double.

After Carter Burnside drew a walk, Steve Warden drilled an RBI double over the third base bag to plate Sterritt and reduce the deficit to 5-1.

Mike Wallace followed with a 2-run single that darted between first and second to narrow the visitors' lead to two.

After Carson Burns blasted a line drive up the middle to put two on and none out, Chris Fafalios laid down a perfect sacrifice bunt to move Wallace and Burns into scoring position.

Promptly, Reid Deibert drove a 2-RBI double down the left field line to tie the game 5-5 and the Brewers' bench was vocalizing its approval.

After Logan Hart made the second out of the inning on a fielder's choice, Chater kept the rally going with a key 2-out single, Sterritt was hit by a pitch, and Burnside drew a bases-loaded walk to give the Brewers a 6-5 lead.

Burnside's keen batting eye would loom largely as Warden's second extra base hit of the inning plated four runs. Warden's majestic Grand Slam over the centerfield fence swelled Bolton's lead to 10-5.

Wallace kept the momentum going by pounding out his second single of the inning followed as did Burns whose double put two more in scoring position for Fafalios. The Brewers' steady leftfielder gave his surging squad a 12-5 lead with a rally-capping 2-RBI single off reliever Ethan Kennedy-Mumsterman.

Wallace's shot ended Jones's night.

The crafty lefty—who subdued Bolton 3-1 in a masterful mound performance at North Hill in June--surrendered ten hits, ten earned runs, and flirted with danger by walking six Brewers in the first three frames.

Veteran first baseman/slugger John Hutchinson—a Brewers' original since 2004 and 7-time NDBL champion—marveled at his squad's comeback effort.

"It was impressive. So many were hard-hit balls. A 12-spot in ten minutes got the ship going in the right direction."

"Hutch" praised the five-RBI performance and veteran presence of Warden.

"Steve's always been a leader on our team. With nine rings—two with Ivy and seven with us – he's a 43-year-old who's so highly-respected in the league."

After being handed 12 runs by the Warden-led offense, Brewers' starter Matteo Stothers delivered a tidy 1-2-3 top of the fourth.

He induced Ryan Young to lineout to Burnside at second, struck out Daniel Morningstar swinging, coaxed Kyle Windsor to flyout to Fafalios in left field, and preserved his club's 7-run lead.



Brewers' veteran first baseman Steve Warden blasted a Grand Slam to cap off a 5-RBI performance and helped turn a rare 1-3-6 double play to lead Bolton to a 15-5 win over Lisle.

PHOTO BY JIM STEWART

Hutchinson complimented his starter's shutdown performance to seal the victory.

"Matteo's a gamer. He was able to bounce back to get the win. Matteo's going to have to throw some big innings for us in the playoffs. Those outs he got in the fourth were big for the team."

In the bottom of the fourth, the Brewers responded to their starter's efficiency.

Chater's lead-off double clanged off the fence and Sterritt's shot to centerfield made it 13-5.

Burnside's single up the middle moved the runners to first and third and pinch-hitter Dan Accardo drew a walk to load the bases. Burns' deep fly ball was the third knock of the inning to hit the centerfield warning track. It plated two more runs and the home side moved into the 'mercy zone' with a 15-5 lead.

Stothers turned in his second-consecutive 1-2-3 inning when his curveball froze Lisle's Travis Hall for strike three, second baseman Burnside snared Josh Young's hot shot to secure the second out, and Liam Reynolds went down swinging on the starter's fastest pitch of the night—a tantalizing four-seamer that missed the barrel and sealed the mercy win by the gritty Brewers.

The green-clad Astros—a comparatively younger ballclub compared to the cagy, championship-forged Brewers—made a youthful base-running error at the top of the first that might have been a harbinger for the events that followed.

Warden took advantage of overly-aggressive baserunning by speedy Astros' leadoff hitter Hall and played the middle role of a rare 1-3-6 double play started by Matteo Stothers.

The Bolton righty fielded Young's sac bunt, tossed to Warden for the out, and the alert nine-time NDBL champion threw a seed to shortstop Brett Chater who caught Hall rounding the bag at second.

Little things, like the 1-3-6 defensive gem, prevented the visitors from getting a quick start in Game 1.

Alas, amid muggy Sunday afternoon playing conditions in lightless Lisle, the Brewers' bats went cold in a narrow 4-1 Game 2 loss to the Astros to even the opening round six-point series at 1-1.

NDBL seniors battle it out in first round of playoffs

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

Playoff action is underway across the region as the North Dufferin Baseball League wraps up the season with playoffs in the Senior Division and the championship series in the Junior Division.

The Senior Division of the NDBL has entered the first round of the 2025 playoffs for the Strother Cup championship.

The top eight teams in the regular season entered the playoffs on August 5, with a best-of-five series format.

After the weekend, the series between the Owen Sound Baysox and the Midland Mariners is tied at one.

Midland won Game One by a score of 5-2. The Baysox came out on top in Game Two, winning 4-3.

The New Lowell Knights are up against the Creemore Padres in their first-round series.

After three games, New Lowell is leading the series.

Creemore won the first game 4-2. New Lowell responded with a 13-2 win in Game Two of the series.

The Knights took the lead after a 7-1 win in Game Three on their home diamond in New Lowell.

In the Ivy Rangers and Barrie Angels series, the teams have completed three games.

Ivy won 4-2 in Game One.

Game Two resulted in a 1-1 tie.

The Angels won Game Three, 7-0.

As a tie gives one point to each squad, both teams have three points. In the event of a tie game, the first team to get six points wins the series.

The Bolton Brewers and Lisle Astros' first-round series has Bolton in the lead after three games.

Bolton won Game One, 15-5. Lisle won the second game, 4-1, to even things up.

Game Three got underway in Bolton on August 11 and ended with an 11-1 win for the Brewers.

The Senior Division's first round of playoffs will wrap up no later than Aug. 15.

Junior Division

The Creemore Padres will face the Innisfil Cardinals 1 team in the NBDL Junior Championship Final series this year.

Creemore is going to the final after eliminating the Orillia Royals in the second round of playoffs.

The Padres won that best-of-three series with a 15-9 win in Game Three on July 30.

The Cardinals 1 team eliminated the Cardinals 2 team in the second round, winning the two opening games to take the series.

The Junior Championship series is scheduled to get underway on Wednesday, Aug. 13, in Creemore.

If the series goes the full distance, which is unlikely, the championship team will claim the title no later than August 20.

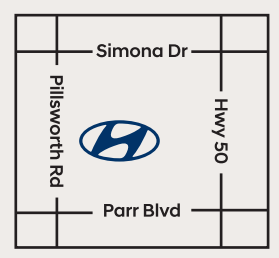


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New Venue, Bigger Goals: motionball Marathon of Sport Caledon 2025 set for September

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motionball for Special Olympics has announced its 2025 Marathon of Sport Caledon will take place on September 13 in a brand-new location.

The new location, Caledon East Community Complex, provides the organization with the flexibility to hold both indoor and outdoor activities.

motionball for Special Olympics is a national non-profit organization that was started by the Etherington Brothers in 2002.

Their mission is to raise funds and awareness for the Special Olympics Canada Foundation, and to do so in an inclusive way.

Since its creation, they have raised $20 million.

The Caledon chapter has raised approximately $56,000 over the last three years, spearheaded by the hard work of Jason Scorcia and others.

Scorcia participated in motionball in Toronto and wanted to see it brought to Caledon.

"Jason Scorcia is not only an Event Director for motionball Caledon, he is a Special Olympic athlete and was the driving force behind bringing motionball to the Caledon community. Jason represents the values of inclusion and teamwork and he embodies the spirit of the motionball movement," shared motionball.

The Caledon chapter is now heading into its fourth year.

Teams from the cities surrounding Caledon, including Vaughan, Brampton and Orangeville, are welcome to sign up for motionball's Marathon of Sport Caledon.

A local Special Olympics athlete will join each team as they compete in a day of sports, including soccer, ultimate frisbee, basketball, and benchball.

Last year, they were able to invite 28 Special Olympics athletes from the Caledon area.

This year, they're aiming to include even more.

"The more teams that come out, the more Special Olympic Caledon athletes that we can invite," explained Lucrezia Chiappetta, Event Co-Director.

"The athletes are always excited to come out and participate in this event. But, with only so many teams registered, you can only have so many athletes per team," she said.

With the switch in location, Chiappetta explained they're hoping more teams and businesses from Caledon East will get involved, whether they're cheering on the athletes, donating raffle prizes, or creating their own teams.

"All of it is just about building that awareness and getting more community engagement," says Chiappetta.

The new location also brings fresh ideas and new sports, things they were unable to do at their previous location.

The event will feature an indoor banquet hub for athletes to hang out, accompanied by a DJ.

Pizzaville will sponsor lunch, and once all sporting activities are done, a barbecue hosted by Maple Lodge Farms will commence.

"There's so many ways to get involved," says Chiappetta regarding the day.

Those looking to join can sign up as a team or as an individual and get paired up with a team.

Other ways to get involved include donating to the motionball Marathon of Sport Caledon, donating a prize, or even volunteering for the event.

Registration for teams and individuals is advised to be done before September 1 to allow motionball to prep shirts and swag bags.

"It's a really incredible way to raise money for the Special Olympics Foundation," shared Chiappetta.

To register, donate, or volunteer, visit motionball.com/caledon.

Community generosity powers local family's largest aid trip to Cuba yet

Continued from FRONT

Abramovitch shared that for many living in Cuba, it is almost impossible for them to improve their financial situation. With low wages and high living costs, it's hard for them to catch up.

According to The State of Social Rights in Cuba VII Report 2024 conducted by the Cuban Observatory of Human Rights, they concluded that in 2024 "at least 89% of Cubans live in extreme poverty."

Abramovitch and her family fill their carry-ons, suitcases, and bags with desperately needed items in Cuba.

She mentioned that not even half the suitcase holds their personal items; it only has the essentials to make room for more.

They try to keep costs low, explained Abramovitch, as they pay out of pocket for all of the extra baggage, sometimes even the bags they bring; they leave them for those in need.

They bring anything, from hygiene products and shoes to t-shirts and even toilet seats.

With the need growing, so are Abramovitch's donations.

Within the past year, she turned to the Caledon Facebook Community Groups to ask if the community had any products they weren't using.

She has since been overwhelmed with the mass amounts of items people are bringing to her door.

She says people are frequently messaging her not only asking what she needs, but what they can do to help.

"It's really overwhelming the feelings of how people are so generous in this community. I don't know any other community, but this one is," said Abramovitch.

She moved to Bolton 25 years ago and says she instantly realized how friendly the community was.

Abramovitch's next trip is in October, and she has been collecting a large variety of items for her trip.

She mentioned she usually brings a main item she knows is desperately needed, and for this upcoming trip, it's hygiene products.

"Everything we take for granted, they need," shared Abramovitch. "They're so happy. It's like they won the lottery."

She shared during her last trip, when she dropped off feminine hygiene products, she was told that such items are costly there.

This insight gave her the inspiration for this trip's items.

Her trips are getting bigger every time, and this year has grown more with community support.

Abramovitch said this will be her biggest trip yet, the most she has ever brought.

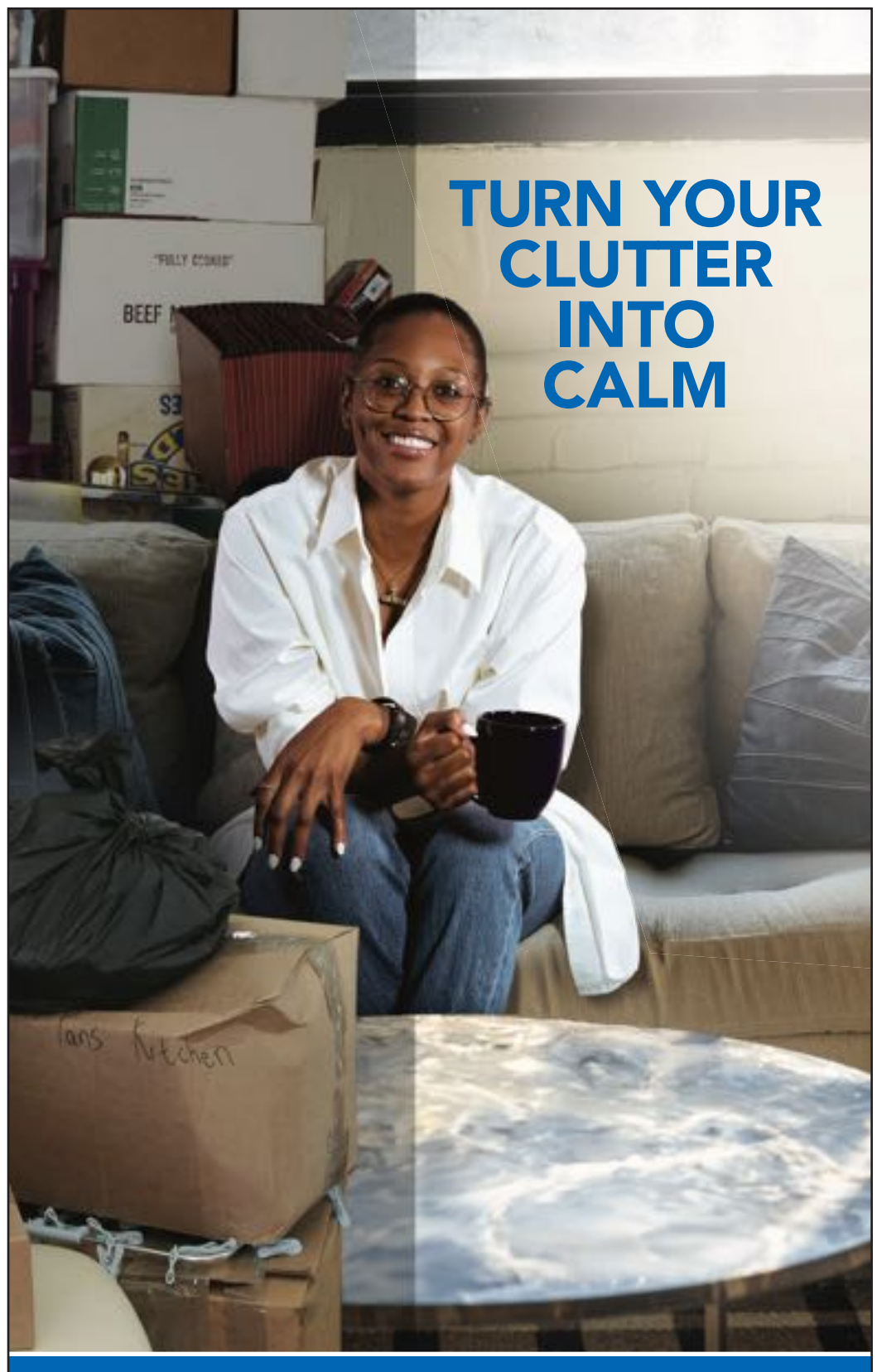
Reflecting on her past trips, Abramovitch watches videos on her phone that she has taken of her time in Cuba. On the screen, multiple young boys can be seen playing with soccer balls.

Abramovitch and her family were able to bring more than 12 soccer balls on their last trip, and then pump them up for the children to play with upon arrival.

Some were so excited they took off right away to play, laughed Abramovitch.

"If I can help somebody, I will," she says. "I'm sure a lot of people feel the same way. It makes me happy that I can make somebody happy."

Abramovitch is currently collecting a wide range of items, including crayons, pencils, colouring books, glue sticks, hair accessories, hygiene products, small rechargeable fans, solar lights, soap bars, sunglasses, and more.



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Thank you to Terry Gauthier and Dods & McNair for helping us in our time of need. And to Reverend Creola Simpson, the service, the thoughts and prayers – Thank You. Also, to the ladies at the Tweedsmuir Church for the wonderful luncheon. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

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OBITUARIES

JAMES (JIM) ALLAN PIPHER

OCTOBER 8, 1941 - JULY 29, 2025



Jim Pipher, age 83, of Bruce Mines, Ontario, passed away at home on July 29th, 2025, surrounded by family and birdsong, after a courageous face off with cancer. He outlived his prognosis by three years.

Born on October 8th, 1941, in Oshawa, Ontario, Jim was the eldest son of Bill and Dorothy Pipher. He married Barbara (nee Patterson) in 1964 and together raised two daughters, Catherine & Becky on the farm.

Baseball was one of Jim's primary loves. At one point in his youth, he was on three teams at once and was ultimately scouted by the Detroit Tigers in the position of pitcher.

He was a newspaper pressman by trade (Toronto Star) who ultimately followed his heart into farming, inspired by summer work on an uncle's farm. Ever the athlete, Jim was also very active on local hockey teams and belonged to the local men's golf club up until the time of his death. He was a people person who loved the camaraderie of "the game".

Admired for his stockmanship, Jim was sought after for his practical veterinary skills by neighbouring farmers.

In midlife, he became known in purebred beef cattle circles for the prized Hereford herd he raised in his role as farm manager for filmmaker Norman Jewison (also family) in the Caledon Hills north of Toronto.

Jim had a passion for animal husbandry, birding, hunting and the outdoors.

He acknowledged and connected with people from all walks of life who crossed his path, with no discrimination. He was a man of strong values and impeccable integrity.

His friendships are too numerous to count.

Jim is predeceased by his younger brother John and his parents. He is survived by his wife Barbara of 61 years, his daughters Catherine Brown (Phil) and Becky Brownell (Jason), and his one and only grandchild Cayley Brown (Cody).

Open-minded and a lifelong learner, Jim was a mentor to many young people. He was skillful in many disciplines, as most farmers are. He loved the land, the cattle, the birds and wildlife and all the people and places that connected him to his wild way of life.

A celebration of life will be held in Caledon East on September 27th from 1-5 pm. For more details contact the family.

GARY ROBERT COULTER

MAY 5, 1953 - AUGUST 5, 2025



Gary Robert Coulter passed away peacefully on August 5, 2025, while visiting family in St. John's, Newfoundland. He was surrounded by love and warmth in his final moments - just as he lived his life. Born on Cinco de Mayo, 1953, Gary brought color, spirit, and a touch of mischief everywhere he went. He was 72 years old.

Gary made his home in Orangeville, Ontario, where he was a well-known and deeply loved figure in the community. A lifelong entrepreneur, he owned and ran a number of bars and restaurants - places that became more than just businesses, but homes for stories, laughter, and friendship. He had a quick wit, a gentle heart, and a gift for making anyone feel welcome.

He is survived by his loving daughter Angela Rose Coulter, and his five adoring grandchildren: Mackenzie Mae Pittman, Kaylene Paige Coulter Bodhaine, Tea Louise Pittman, Carter Daniel Pittman, and Pierson Che Pittman. He also leaves behind his brother Greg Coulter and Greg's partner Gwen Dumer.

Gary is reunited now with his beloved wife, Lesley Jane Coulter (Jane), and his cherished son, Sean Cameron Coulter. The bond they shared in life endures beyond.

Gary lived with music in his soul, and fittingly, he carried his favorite song with him - "Drink a Beer"by Luke Bryan - tattooed on his arm. That song, like Gary himself, is a reminder to pause, reflect, and remember those we've lost, with love.

He will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew him - for his humor, his hugs, and the quiet kindness that never needed to announce itself.

We'll raise a glass, play his song, and remember the man who gave us so much to smile about.

TED DERBYSHIRE



Peacefully at Bethell Hospice, Inglewood, on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, Edward Gordon Derbyshire, in his 96th year. Dear father of Steven and Candy Derbyshire, Jeff Derbyshire, Cindy Derbyshire and Pete Brunskole, Chris Derbyshire. Lovingly remembered by 7 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren. Predeceased by his grandson Jimmy Dupon and his brothers John and his wife Florence Derbyshire, Robert and his wife Shirley Derbyshire. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S., Bolton on Monday, August 11 from 12 Noon until time of funeral service in the chapel at one o'clock. Interment Laurel Hill Cemetery, Bolton. If desired, memorial donations may be made to Bethell Hospice Foundation, 15835 McLaughlin Road, Inglewood L7C 1H4 (www.bethellhospice.org).

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

EDNA LESCHYSHYN

Passed away peacefully with her loving family by her side at Toronto General Hosptal on Wednesday, July 30, 2025. Beloved wife of Peter Leschyshyn – 2013. Dear Mother of Brian, Steven (Laura) and David – 2013. Cherished Grandmother of Justine. Dear Sister of Isabelle Nosworthy, and John Snell (Ruth). Predeceased by her siblings Doug Snell (Ellen), Marie Brown (Don), and Joe Snell. Dearest sister-in-law to Ruth Snell and Grace Buziak. Edna will also be greatly remembered by her many nieces and nephews, other relatives and many friends.

The family received their friends at Dods & McNair Funeral Home, 21 First St, Orangeville on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Funeral Service was held at Tweedsmuir Presbyterian Church, 6 John St, Orangeville on Wednesday, August 6, 2025 at 11:00 am. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery – Mono. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the Family in lieu of flowers.



ELIZABETH "BETTY" ELEANOR BRECKENRIDGE (NEE COOK)

DECEMBER 14, 1927 - JULY 30, 2025

On July 30, 2025, at the age of 97, Betty peacefully left this world. She was the loving wife and partner of George Breckenridge (2019), with whom she enjoyed 67 years of marriage. Born in Toronto to Sophia and Wesley Cook, she was the youngest of three children.

Betty was the proud and supportive mom of Jane & Angelo Diana, Cathie Breckenridge & Clive Sharpe, Ian Breckenridge & Tracey Hand-Breckenridge, and Beth Breckenridge. She was treasured by her grandchildren Scott, Carrie (Leah), Valerie (Josh), Alex (Genevieve), Nicole (Lance), Sarah (Tim), and Ian Andrew (Jessica). Betty was absolutely delighted to be great-grandma to Ambrose, Luc, Jack, and Liam.

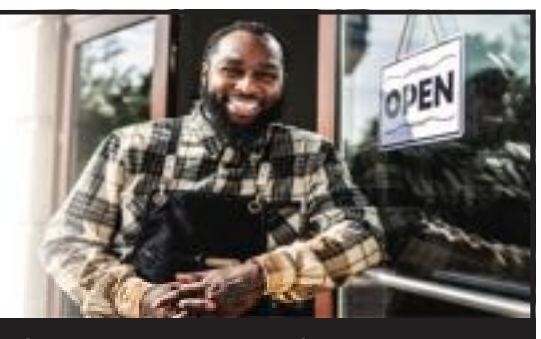
In addition to her family, church was an important part of Betty's life and she enjoyed singing in a number of church and community choirs with George. They spent 19 years living near Orangeville, where they were active in Westminster United Church, later when living in Bowmanville at St. Paul's United Church, and in Toronto at Islington United Church.

Baking, cooking, knitting, crocheting and ceramics were things at which Betty excelled, often entering items in the fall fair. In her earlier years, she was a skilled swimmer and, as the years passed, remained graceful in the pool. An avid gardener, she was a member of the Orangeville and District Horticultural Society and also volunteered at Mono Amaranth Public School. She passed on her love of nature and birds to her children. Betty was a word and number puzzle enthusiast, solving Sudoku, Jumble and Cryptoquip right up until her passing. Betty and George enjoyed many years as snowbirds, travelling between Wilmot Creek and Venice, Florida, where they were active members of their communities. Betty volunteered in the kindergarten of Garden Elementary School in Venice for 30 years. Betty's calm and gentle demeanour and her wittiness made her a caring and dear friend to many. She will be missed by her friends at Delmanor West Village and Parkland.

Cremation has occurred, and the ashes of Betty and George will be scattered at a private celebration for immediate family.

If you so wish, donations in Betty's name can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, Heart and Stroke, or a charity of your choice.

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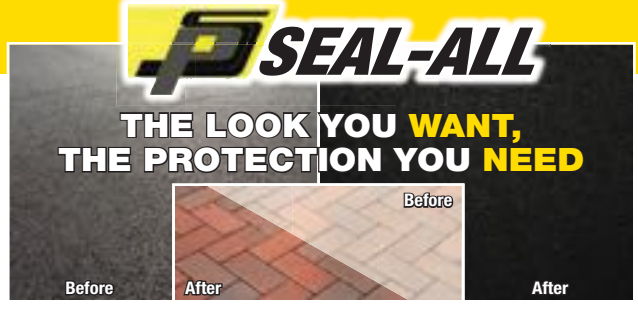
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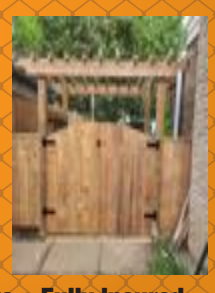
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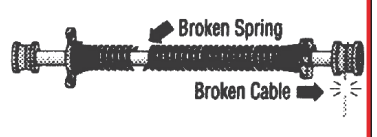
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