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UPLIFTING LOCAL HEALTH: Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) marked another milestone in their journey to bring the first-ever magnetic resonance imagining (MRI) machine to the community on Tuesday (Aug. 5) with the arrival of the prefabricated cassette the MRI suite will be held in

## Prefabricated MRI unit placed at Headwaters Health Care Centre

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC) the community its first-ever magnetic reso-

nance imaging (MRI) suite. The local hospital marked the official arrival and placement of the prefabricated health-care system by ensuring that more the level of increasing magnetic exposure. unit that will house their new MRI suite. The unit, called a cassette, arrived at Headwaters Hospital shortly after noon on Tuesday (Aug. 5) and was lifted by a crane onto a

foundation pad. "Headwaters Health Care Centre is proud to deliver patient-centred quality care with Care Centre's brand-new modular MRI mathe arrival of the Morningview Foundation chine, we are making it faster and easier for MRI Suite. The MRI Suite marks a transfor- more people to access vital diagnostic imagmative moment for health care in Duffer- ing in the community, for years to come." in-Caledon," said Kim Delahunt, president and CEO of Headwaters Hospital. "For the are approximately 4,000 annual scans that first time, residents will have access to MRI are being referred to other facilities for MRI. services right here in our community, help- meaning the new suite will meet a significant ing to reduce wait times, eliminate long travel distances, and support earlier diagnoses and treatment."

Jones announced that the Ontario gov- complete up to 8,000 scans a year, helping to

\$800,000 in annual operating funding for the first MRI suite in the community.

Headwaters Hospital was one of 49 hospitals across Ontario included in the provinhas reached another milestone in bringing cial government's announcement of expanding MRI and CT scan services in an effort to reduce wait times.

people in Orangeville and across Dufferin County can connect to convenient diagnostic care, where and when they need it," said Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "With the installation of Headwaters Health

In 2024, Headwaters reported that there demand for bringing more diagnostic imaging services closer to home for patients.

Once the MRI Suite is up and functioning, In 2022, Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Headwaters said they expect to be able to

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The location of the new MRI Suite is near the hospital's Ambulatory Care Clinic and Emergency Department. The spot was chosen to accommodate the electric and mechanical infrastructure requirements of the MRI Suite.

The MRI Suite is an entirely prefabricated "Our government is protecting Ontario's unit, designed with four zones that specify

"This exciting new MRI Scanner is a game changer for the Dufferin-Caledon community. The MRI advanced technology allows us to capture high-quality diagnostic images with greater precision and most importantly, enables patient to access this level of care closer to home," said Rosie Lye, HHCC's senior MRI technologist.

When construction is completed, healthcare providers can refer patients over the age of eight to Headwaters for services including abdominals, pelvic, brain, spine,

breast, and musculoskeletal imaging. Construction of the MRI Suite at Headwaters was originally projected to be completed earlier this year, but due to delays, is now anticipated to be operating by Fall

For more information about the MRI Suite visit, www.headwatershealth.ca.





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# Council looks to improve local tree preservation standards

Written By JAMES MATTHEWS

do something, then the municipality should operate in a shared manner under the same

Council directed staff in May 2023 to suggest a framework for the development of a py, which is located on private property, is tree preservation bylaw that included community input. The public survey found that the majority of respondents agreed that a tree bylaw should be used to avoid the unnecessary removal of trees and to control how trees are removed.

The town's tree canopy provides many fits. The 2023 Urban Tree Canopy Assessment determined that Orangeville's tree canopy is 24 per cent of the total land mass ly-owned properties and 21 per cent located on public property.

This assessment found that the tree canopy is providing Orangeville with \$471,206 ecosystem services annually. Those are air quality improvement and stormwater management. Each year, the canopy sequesters about 790 metric tons of carbon dioxide valued at more than \$163,000.

In 2024, the town spent a total of \$361,971 on tree-related expenditures, including maintenance, removal, replacement, plant-

ing and removal of public ash trees.

Current investments made by the town If council asks Orangeville's residents to towards the tree canopy are only made on municipal public property. The town invests money into maintaining just over onefifth or 21 per cent of the total tree canopy. The remaining 79 per cent of the tree canoleft unregulated.

> Councillor Tess Prendergast said she supports a tree preservation bylaw because a healthy tree canopy is essential to a community's health, climate resilience, and long-term sustainability.

"If we're going to ask residents to take on economic, social, and environmental bene- new responsibilities, we also need to hold ourselves to the same account, if not higher are well-versed in good forest management not to plant during a heat wave. standards," she said.

There's been much concern among resiwith 79 per cent being located on private- dents about the town's trees and their mainof that worry on many occasions since her said.

> "Just recently, I heard three complaints about trees being planted during the heat wave, which are now dead," Prendergast

> ed services without adequate, consistent oversight.

Specifically, she asked if such incidents

are due to the town's reliance on contract-

tion should be practical and balanced, with replaced at no cost to the town.' clear communication and public education as the foundation, she said.

"It's also important that it be implementfinancial impacts for the town or resident," Prendergast said.

She suggested it is time the town looked at an urban forest management setup in which tree planting, maintenance, and bylaw enforcement fall under clear parameters of accountability and responsibility.

"It seems like the right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing sometimes," Prendergast said.

Orangeville is home to some people who practices, but some hired contractors have what seems to be less of a knowledge base. nected," he said.

"So there's a missing piece I would like to tenance, she said. She heard that evidence see addressed in this bylaw," Prendergast of money on contractors who have done

services general manager, said there were on their properties, the town should do the some trees planted before the recent heat wave. Those days when the sun and humidity enveloped Orangeville like a choking

It was a cool and wet spring that prevented some plantings in the wetter areas.

"We do have a two-year warranty," he plan. The proposed tree preservation legisla-said. "Any trees that do pass away, they're

Prendergast said the concern isn't just about trees.

"These are trees," she said. "And it's ed in a way that does not create significant about the appropriateness of the tree in the right place and people having the wherewithal who call themselves tree professionals planting during a heat wave.'

> She asked why the town would open its coffers for anybody to do that.

> "It doesn't matter if it's covered under warranty," Prendergast said. "It's wasteful." David Smith, the town's CAO, said he doesn't see a connection between Prendergast's comments and a tree preservation bylaw. But their accepted standard will be

"It's two separate things, although con-

Prendergast said the town spends a lot poor work. If residents are expected to em-Tim Kocialek, the town's infrastructure ploy the best tree management practices

Seems quite simple.

Council agreed that staff will provide in September an outline of the proposed bylaw framework, including resourcing implications and a proposed implementation

# Orangeville trustee at Upper Grand District School Board elected as new vice-chair

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Shelburne resident and Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) trustee Alethia O'Hara-Stephenson is stepping

on July 30, O'Hara-Stephenson, who represents the Town of Orangeville through the UGDSB, was elected as the new vice- lated to leadership, equity and community chair. She was elected to the position following the resignation of UGDSB trustee Katherine Hauser, who was appointed to teered with local youth in schools, sat on Guelph City Council on July 23.

"I'm honoured and humbled to have been elected vice-chair by my fellow trustees. It's a privilege to serve in this capacity, and I'm committed to working collaboratively with [the] Chair and the entire Board the UGDSB Board of Trustees in 2023, repto support student success, good governance, and transparent decision-making," wrote O'Hara-Stephenson in an email to from the corporate world, as a public the Free Press. "I recognize the responsibility that comes with this role and I'm ex- gaged member of the communities in Dufcited to continue contributing to the work ferin County," said Chair of the Board Ralf that positively impacts our students, fami- Mesenbrink.

lies, and school communities."

degree in Political Science, a Master's of Business Administration (MBA) in Leadership and Innovation, and the Chartered Insurance Professional (CIP) designation. She has over 20 years of corporate experi-During a special board meeting hosted ence in the financial sector and presented priorities, and working with the Board as a public speaker at conferences locally, nationally and internationally on topics reengagement.

O'Hara-Stephenson has also volunvarious committees in Dufferin County, and is the founder and president of the Dufferin County Canadian Black Association (DCCBA).

O'Hara-Stephenson was appointed to resenting the Town of Orangeville.

"Alethia brings a wealth of experience speaker, a parent and from being an en-

In her new position as Vice Chair of the O'Hara-Stephenson holds a Bachelor's Board of Trustees, O'Hara-Stephenson will support Board Chair Ralf Mesenbrink in leading the governance work of the Board and step up in his absence. She will also be responsible for facilitating board meetings, aligning with the Board's strategic Trustees, senior staff and Director of Ed-

> Speaking with the Free Press, O'Hara-Stephenson said she is particularly focused on maintaining a balanced budget and preparing for potential new legislation such as the re-introduction of School Resource Officers (SROs) in schools.

> "Equally important to me is ensuring that equity, student well-being, and longterm success remain at the heart of every decision," said O'Hara-Stephenson. "Our students deserve more than short-term fixes; they deserve lasting solutions that support them academically, socially, and emotionally. That's where I will continue to focus my efforts."

> for the remainder of the 2022-2026 term.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

**NEW POSITION:** Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) trustee Alethia O'Hara-Stephenson is the board's new vice O'Hara-Stephenson will sit as vice-chair chair, following her election to the position at a July 30 meeting.





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# Even a field of weeds has benefits, Orangeville council hears

Written By JAMES MATTHEWS

Nobody should get a hefty fine for pursuing efforts that benefit the planet.

Orangeville residents shouldn't have to mindful of pollinator insects and the delicate ecosystem they support.

property standards rules by way of a standalone Clean Yards Bylaw. Some residents have taken to letting their properties, or at tor Protection Plan, it was found that the least some of their properties, grow naturally to facilitate the animals and insects that distribute pollen, enabling pollination and the production of fruits.

But the thing is, growing a pollinator-friendly property doesn't align with the 14 meeting that residents with naturalized requirements of adhering to established tidy property standards.

Orangeville, along with Mono and other municipalities across Canada, has been named a Bee City community by Bee City Canada. It's part of a North American movement to support pollinator protection.

Bee City communities support collaboration and establish and maintain healthy pollinator habitats within the municipality or First Nation's boundaries.

nize and support municipalities, Indigenous bylaw enforcement officers never use tick-Communities, campuses, schools, and other eting or enforcement as their first measure. organizations that are taking action to protect and promote pollinators.

large-scale agricultural operations, climate change, and the spread of pests and diseas-

The new Clean Yards Bylaw is aimed at proach in the interim," Martell said. better compliance for common complaints such as long grass, refuse on residential do the right thing for the planet and I know

properties, and efficient snow removal while that all of our policies are catching up with previously mentioned that council isn't doallowing the Property Standards Bylaw to each other," Prendergast said. focus on critical issues affecting occupant safety and structural matters.

strengthen pollinator-friendly practices and for staff to develop a Pollinator Protection Orangeville council made alterations to its Plan. It was a means to commit to the Bee City designation.

Through the development of the Pollina-Property Standards Bylaw and the Procurement Policy Bylaw contained items and language that were not conducive to pollinator-friendly practices.

Prendergast said during council's July lawns or native pollinator gardens as lawns would be technically non-compliant under the Clean Yards Bylaw.

It is complaint-based.

She asked if those lawns would be exempt in the interim, provided the pollinator protection plan is approved.

Raylene Martell, the town's clerk, said enforcement of the property standards requirements takes months.

"The Clean Yards Bylaw does take a little Bee City Canada's mission is to recog- bit less time (but) I will also advise that our It's always education and discussion.'

Martell said discussions have already Bees have been in decline for a number of taken place between bylaw enforcement years because of habitat loss, pesticide use, officials and municipal sustainability staff on how to amend the property standards to allow pollinator exemptions.

"We would work with an educational ap-

"Nobody wants a \$350 ticket for trying to

Emily McAuley, the town's infrastructure services' senior climate and sustainability Councillor Tess Prendergast brought for-specialist, said an educational component is \$6,000 for a municipal pollinator garden. cover a \$350 municipal fine while being ward in March a motion to town council to essential to correctly establishing pollinator habitats.

> "We don't just want one pollinator habitat the truth," he said. in town," McAuley said. "We really want to have a pollinator corridor. What that means support a community pollinator garden. is we have connectedness through multiple habitats in town."

the spatial distribution of pollinators across the jurisdiction. "This is the real goal with the municipal

Asking residents to include pollinating

pollinator garden," she said. "It can act as an engagement piece."

ing enough to adequately care for such wildgrown gardens. But a proposed Pollinator Protection Plan calls for council to earmark

"It feels like we shouldn't be doing this because we're not looking after it, if that's truly

He suggested maybe the town does not

Prendergast said such initiatives promote Orangeville as a Bee City.

"Should this council not do this, we'll find species on their properties can encourage another way," she said. "This is something that has essentially a nominal cost but a huge payoff with education and community

Council voted to set aside money for a community pollinator garden in the 2026 Deputy Mayor Todd Taylor said it was municipal capital and operating budget.

#### Driver charged with failure to remain at scene of collision

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers have charged an Orton resident with impaired driving offences following a fail-to-remain collision.

On July 30, just before 11 p.m., Dufferin hol concentration (80 plus) OPP officers responded to a fail-to-remain motor vehicle collision near County Road 109 and Highway 10 in Caledon.

While en route, officers located the suspect vehicle and conducted a traffic stop in East Garafraxa. Upon speaking with the female driver, officers observed signs of impairment and initiated an impaired driving investigation.

Dufferin OPP officers reported that the female driver registered over twice the legal limit of blood alcohol level.

As a result of the investigation, Lisa Burgess, 52, from Orton, has been charged with:

• Fail to remain

engagement."

- Operation while impaired blood alco-
- Fail to surrender insurance card
- Fail to surrender permit for motor ve-
- Drive motor vehicle, no currently validated permit
  - Obstruct plate

The accused individual is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville. Her driver's licence was suspended, and her vehicle was impounded.

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

# Town Page

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#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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#### **Date** Time Location Meeting To listen in 7 p.m. Council chambers Council Youtube Monday, August 11 and virtual @orangevillecouncil 1289-801-5774 Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Council chambers Affordable Housing August 14 and by phone ID: 780 227 136# Task Force

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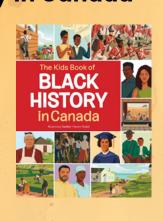




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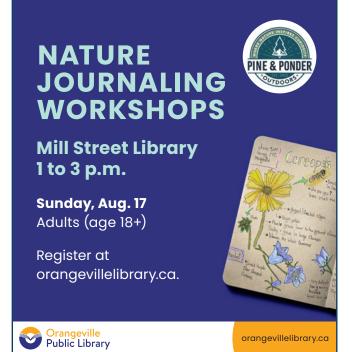
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The APS allows municipalities to issue penalty notices for certain bylaw infractions, such as parking violations, property issues and animal control, without going to court. This makes it faster and easier to resolve issues. If someone wants to dispute a penalty, they can do so through a screening and hearing officer instead of the court.

The APS helps lower costs, ease pressure on the court system and provides residents with a faster, more user-friendly way to contest penalties through administrative hearings. It also supports better service satisfaction and stronger community compliance.

#### **Council meeting details**

Date: August 11, 2025 **Time:** 7 p.m. Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall, 87 Broadway Watch online: livestream available at orangeville.ca/YouTube. Call-in: details will be available in the meeting agenda at

#### Speak at the meeting

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If you want to speak during the Council Zoom meeting, please register at orangeville.ca/CouncilAugust11.

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#### Bolton youth awakens from coma as his family fights to keep repeat offenders off the road

Written By RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

"This never should have happened to my son. This guy should have been punished a long time ago," said Riz Arshad, while sitting in Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.

Many floors above is his son, 21-year-old Gabriel Arshad, who has been in critical condition since July 5.

On that day, the Bolton youth was in a four-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 50 and Coleraine Drive in Bramp-

The driver was Koushal Kasiram, a 58-yearold man from Mississauga.

Kasiram was charged with impaired driving causing bodily harm, driving with excess blood alcohol, and prohibited driving (three counts), reads the Peel Regional Police Re-

He is a five-time repeat offender for impaired driving-related convictions and was also on three separate lifetime driving prohibitions at the time of the collision.

The crash left Gabriel not only in a coma, but also anticipated to have "long-term life-altering injuries," reads the report.

Riz said his son has since woken up from the coma, and is even showing his shining personality through the little movement he currently has.

his sisters in a joking way, exhibiting the clas-  $\,$  coaching soccer. sic sibling rivalries they have always shared with one another.

He can also give his family a big thumbs up. es. "I'm just happy to see my son open his eyes and recognize me. It's so amazing to have that, we'll take whatever comes," says Riz.

The Arshad family's battle is far from over,



SUPPORTING HIS SON: Riz Arshad stands in Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, where his son is in critical condition following a motor vehicle collision with a five-time repeat offender for impaired driving related convictions, Koushal Kasiram. Kasiram also had three separate lifetime driving bans at the time of the collision.

fered as his body heals.

than 15 years, and it's where all their children single time," shared Riz. have grown up.

Gabriel was actively pursuing a career as a for bail reform. He says that his son can "put his fists up" to plumber, seeking apprenticeships while also

> Riz shared Gabriel was constantly showering him and his family with gifts and surpris-

"He's a good kid. He does it not just for me, family-oriented. He looked forward to those out." family occasions where family would come

ple get stressed out when the whole family The family has lived in Bolton for more gets together, and that guy was excited every

Gabriel's family is petitioning and calling

Riz said it was initially his daughters who took to Facebook to ask the community to Sunnybrook. write to the Crown to reconsider Kasiram's

"This guy is already out, and it's wrong," said Riz. "There should have been a little bit Riz. he does it for the whole family. He's very, very more than just don't drink again and you're

Riz continued: "If you're getting into your life-after-a-tragic-collision. as Riz shared they are currently awaiting to over, and he would look forward [to it] more car for the sixth time knowing that your lisee the neurological damage Garbiel has suft and anybody in our house. Sometimes peocense is suspended and you're drunk and form, visit www.kyleseeback.ca/jailnotbail.

you're driving, in his case, a 10,000 pound weapon. If you're going to be driving this huge weapon while you're drinking and you hurt somebody, it should be considered attempted murder or manslaughter. Thank God my son didn't die, but it should be a lot more serious than just 'here's your sixth DUI."

"We had him in jail. He was in custody. Why do we let him out if he's that much of a concern?

Riz urges everyone across Ontario to call their Members of Parliament and express that this situation "is not tolerable."

"It's not just for drinking and driving. It's giving bail to criminals that don't deserve it, that they've proven themselves, and proven to us, that they have a problem and they need some help, and they need to be locked up for a while," says Riz.

Kyle Seeback, MP for Dufferin-Caledon, has started a petition following the accident to demand bail reform.

"Demand bail reform now. Let's protect our families, our roads, and our communities before another life is shattered," reads the petition.

The GoFundMe for Gabriel, created by his sisters, is currently at \$46,000 of the \$75,000 goal, aiming to "cover his rising medical and legal expenses now, and to support what will be a long and difficult road ahead," according to the website.

His family spends every day with him at

"I'm not sure what's going to come in the next couple of years for us. But I know that's something we're having to think about," says

To donate to the family's GoFundMe, visit gofundme.com/f/help-gabriel-fight-for-his-

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MISSING HIS INSTRUMENT: The "Saxophonist" art installment along Broadway is missing its gold baritone saxophone after it was vandalized between July 29 and 30. Anyone with information related to the incident is asked to contact Dufferin OPP.

# 'Saxophonist' art display vandalized in Orangeville, police seek public's help

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

In the days leading up to this year's Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival, the "Saxtown Orangeville, alongside the "Drum Kit" and "Big Blue Bass" displays.

The addition, located between Mill Street a popular spot for tourists and residents to take fun photos.

cently vandalized. While the statue is still standing, its gold baritone saxophone has pers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). been destroyed. Fortunately, the Orangeville to have it replaced. Most of the pieces of partnership with Long & McQuade.

the saxophone were left in the garden beds surrounding the musical trio art display and have been recovered.

The vandalism was reported to Dufferin ophonist" sculpture was installed in down- Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) on July 31, and it is believed the incident occurred overnight between July 29 and 30.

Dufferin OPP Const. Andrew Fines is and Second Street on Broadway, has been asking the public to report any information well-received by the public and has become about this incident or anything they observed that may be suspicious.

Anyone with information regarding this Unfortunately, the "Saxophonist" was re-incident can contact the OPP at 1 888 310-1122 or anonymously through Crime Stop-

The baritone saxophone featured in the Business Improvement Area (OBIA), which sculpture was generously donated by local is behind the public art display, is working jazz musician and educator Ryan Grist, in

# First confirmed case of EEEV detected by **Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health**

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

to-borne virus has infected a horse in the thew Tenenbaum, associate medical officer Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health of health for WDGPH. (WDGPH) region.

cephalitis virus (EEEV) has been detected gion, but everyone should take basic steps to in a horse in Wellington County. It's the first avoid mosquito bites." case of EEEV in the region. No human cases have ever been reported.

The infected horse had no travel history, which indicates EEEV is present locally.

While EEEV mainly affects horses and poses low risk to humans, severe cases can be life-threatening, according to the WDGPH.

EEEV symptoms may include fever, head- to bites. ache, nausea, vomiting, weakness, seizures and behavioural changes.

While there is a low risk of horse-to-hu-helpful as well. man transmission, there is no risk of human-to-human transmission.

"Although EEEV is rare in humans, this EEEV and West Nile virus.

local case highlights the ongoing presence of mosquito-borne viruses and the impor-A rare but potentially serious mosqui-tance of staying protected," said Dr. Mat-

"We remain proactive in monitoring and A confirmed case of Eastern Equine Encontrolling mosquito populations in our re-

> The WDGPH is asking the public to reduce their risk of contracting a mosquito-borne illness by wearing light-coloured, long-sleeved shirts and pants, especially outdoors at dawn and dusk.

> Using Health Canada-approved mosquito repellent can also reduce the risk of mosqui-

> Repairing window/door screens and drain-

WDGPH conducts surveillance of mosquitoes throughout the region to monitor for



COMMUNITY SAFETY: The County of Dufferin's Safety and Well-Being Integration Table has introduced its official plan for 2025 to 2028

### County of Dufferin develops Community Safety Plan

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The County of Dufferin is introducing a four-year plan to address community safety and well-being.

The County of Dufferin announced in a press release on July 31 that the Community Safety and Well-Being Integration Table have introduced its official plan for 2025 to 2028. The Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plan is a framework that aims to help ensure residents of Dufferin County are ton-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health. safe, healthy, connected and have access to

essential services. "Dufferin County is defined by strong partnerships and a shared commitment to en- er-tier municipalities. hancing the quality of life for all residents. The 2025 to 2028 Community Safety and Well-being Plan represents the collective insights and efforts of our community, providing a thoughtful and coordinated roadmap toward a safer, healthier and more connected future.," reads a joint statement from Jennifer Payne and Anna Vanderlaan, co-chairs of the Community Safety and Well-Being Integration Table.

County Community Safety and Well-Being Integration Table launching a comprehensive public survey aimed at gathering insights to improve quality of life in the community.

The data collected from the survey responses was analyzed and distributed to the Integration Table for input.

In November 2024, the Integration Table held a Data Deep Dive with community partners to dis-cuss the results of the survey and add relevant data from key sources such as the County, Dufferin OPP and Welling-

The CSWB Plan for 2025 to 2028 was approved by Dufferin County Council in May, and delegations were made to all the low-

Based on the community engagement, the Integration Table narrowed down five priority areas of focus for the updated plan, which

- Community Safety
- Housing and Homelessness
- Mental Health and Well-Being
- Family Support • Food Insecurity

The entirety of the 2025-2028 Community The County began the early stages of the Safety and Wellbeing Plan can be found on plan in December of 2023 with the Dufferin the County of Dufferin website.































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# End of the Summer Party returns to Mono College Park next month

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

Sun's out, fun's out!

Summer Party in the Park is planned for Sept. 7, and organizers promise a day filled with family fun, food, and community con-

The event takes place at Mono College the event. Park and gets underway at noon.

"There's lots to do for everyone — from games and activities to music and entertainpay for each activity. Everything is included in the ticket price, making it a stress-free, affordable way to enjoy a full day out with the can email cardinalwoodssocial@gmail.com. family," said Shaista Pabla, who co-organizes the event with Kim Moore.

Some of the highlights for this year include pony rides, a petting zoo, meet and out breaking the bank," said Pabla. "Whethgreet with fun characters, live bands and er you're a returning guest or it's your first performances, face painting, a crafts table, time, you'll leave with great memories multiple bouncy castles, a vendor market- and probably a few new friends too."

place and food trucks on site.

"We host this event annually to celebrate the community, strengthen relationships, The 4th Annual Cardinal Woods End of and give families a chance to enjoy a meaningful, affordable day together. It's become a tradition that helps bring people together in a positive, relaxed setting," Pabla explained.

Last year, roughly 1,200 people attended

A raffle that's being held at the event will support Caledon Dufferin Victim Services.

Tickets are \$10 and provide all-inclusive ment — and best of all, parents don't have to access to the event. Kids two and under can enter for free.

Anyone who has questions about the event

"Come out and make the most of the end of summer! This is your chance to enjoy a full day of fun, food, and connection with-



FAMILY FUN: The 4th Annual Cardinal Woods End of Summer Party in the Park will be held Sept. 7 at Mono College Park. Face painting is among the activities children can enjoy.

# 'Anguish' in the courtroom says judge, as Adrianna McCauley trial delayed again

Written By RILEY MURPHY LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Pia, the mother of Adrianna McCauley, sat in the Caledon East Courts on July 31 and was told the hearing would be delayed once again, with no plea entered that day.

Adrianna tragically lost her life in September 2024 in a four-vehicle collision on Coleraine Drive at King Street West in Bolton.

At the time of the accident, residents alleged the defendant's truck was going far too fast to be able to stop in time, resulting in the four-vehicle crash.

Since September 2024, Pia has shared that she has attended every hearing and call, of- to be resolved, will have to wait more than ed closure. ten taking days off from work to be there.

Yet, on July 31, the defendant and his attorney did not attend.

The court met at 10 a.m., and by 11 a.m. present, either in person or online.

In their absence, the hearing was once move forward with the plea. again postponed, much to the visible frustration of Pia and those with her.

The judge shared that there was "anguish" in the courtroom from those that the matter had to be delayed yet again.

a year to finally hear a plea from the defendant accused in the crash that took her ignated Coleraine Drive/Emil Kolb Parkway daughter's life.

The Assistant Crown Attorney spoke to Drive West to De Rose Avenue in Bolton. neither the defendant nor his attorney was the victim's family on July 24, yet shared in court that they did not anticipate that day to Harvest Moon Drive, where the accident oc-

> The court is expected to reconvene in October to hear a plea, with the intention of re- under provincial legislation and have strict solving the matter that day.

The court stated that, come October, all matters will be addressed in one hearing, a nity Safety Zone will happen this summer.

Pia, who has been waiting for this case date Pia hopes will finally bring long-await-

As of July 11, Peel Regional Council desas a Community Safety Zone from Ellwood

This section of road is intersected by curred.

Community Safety Zones are recognized speed limits and increased fines.

The implementation of this new Commu-

# Town of Grand Valley requests public input on future of Lions Park Ball Diamonds

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

Titch Boswell Memorial Lions Park Ball Dia-voices heard.

meeting on July 22, town staff were directed of Greta and Titch Boswell Memorial Lions use this diamond to help unwind, get exercise Town Council at its Sept. 23 meeting.

to gather community feedback via email.

The Town of Grand Valley is seeking pub- zation with ideas or suggestions can email lic input on the future uses of the Greta and mail@townofgrandvalley.ca to have their

Park Ball Diamond, the majority of com- and create wonderful summer memories," Any person, community group or organi- ments expressed support for keeping it as is, wrote Grand Valley resident Tony Fenech. or making no drastic changes.

the past decade with two girls who love noth-On a Town of Grand Valley Facebook post ing more than to play on these grounds, I can of Grand Valley through the mail@townof-

"It's truly is one of our most beloved assets "As a father who neighbours this park for and I pray nothing should ever come of it."

All of the feedback collected by the Town During Grand Valley Council's regular requesting public feedback on the future use attest that hundreds and hundreds of people grandvalley.ca email will be presented to

# Two Mississauga residents charged with assaulting police officer during traffic stop in Shelburne

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) travelling at a high rate of speed. The officer both the driver and passenger were subsehave charged two Mississauga residents with activated their emergency equipment and quently charged. assaulting police and other offences follow- conducted a traffic stop. ing a traffic stop for speeding in Shelburne.

in OPP officers were conducting radar traffic and refused to provide the required informaenforcement on County Road 124 in the Town tion under the Highway Traffic Act. Despite of Shelburne when they observed a vehicle several attempts to de-escalate the situation,

Dufferin OPP said upon speaking with the On Aug. 3, 2025, just before 2 p.m., Duffermale driver, he became extremely belligerent

A 32-year-old male from Mississauga has been charged with:

- been charged with: • Resist Peace Officer
  - Assault a Peace Officer (two counts)
  - Speeding 1 49 Km/h over posted limit • Fail to surrender insurance card
- Resist Peace Officer • Assault a Peace Officer (two counts)

• Fail to surrender permit for motor vehicle

A 31-year-old male, from Mississauga has

The accused individual is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville.



# Theatre Orangeville's Young Company prepares for latest play, 'The Neverending Story'

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

"The NeverEnding Story" is about the end of stories, of wondrous fictional characters and places - the end of people's imagining these times. It is so important them. Theatre Orangeville's Young Company to bring these messages of very Drama has chosen to tell this story on the weekend of Aug. 22 to 24, with four perfor- ity. Theatre gives people hope mances on the David Nairn Stage at the Or- and inspiration.' angeville Opera House.

The NeverEnding Story is a considerable challenge "fully embraced" by this year's 12 Young Company members, each playing many characters and making us all want to remember the thrill of imagination and the lest part of this tale, he said, Land of Fantasia.

Pat Rundell is back from Victoria as directers travel to many fantastical tor of the show, as he did last year for "Mean places. To bring those to life, Girls" here at Theatre Orangeville.

He took some time this week for a Zoom ated by Theatre Orangeville's interview with the Citizen to praise the production manager Beckie young actors, the creative team and to talk Morris, technical director Lisa about producing this amazing show.

"The ambition has been to portray the for whom Rundell has huge re-37 characters with 12 actors wearing many hats. This is old school theatre magic. This Casey (McDowell) and Hanis using your imagination and not letting nah (Alvarado) are the show's go," Rundell said, adding that the show is a dream team, "so creative and whimsical play.

Kevin May, who has been in many productions, plays the role of Bastian, the shy so many characters is Wendy young boy who, by running away from buler is reading a strange-looking book called lighting, and Brian Bleasdale is in charge of their own town. the NeverEnding Story. He advises Bastian not to read it, but the boy takes the book and hides in the school's attic to read it. He falls Otten is the stage manager, into such a strange adventure, partly inside and out of the story.

style – larger than life. It is quite unrealistic positive. Actors and directors – whoever and none of them knew the story as kids. come here to participate in a production on Falkor is a dragon that doesn't need wings."

or read the book beforehand.

It is good to have some nostalgia. The reason the story works, as Rundell explained, the entertainment, loving the fact that they is not forgetting that Fantasia exists only do not have to go to the city for such a fine

because people in the world believe.

Rundell said, "This is appropriate to produce this show in strong imagination and creativ-

Rundell brings along his experience of working on The NeverEnding Story 12 years ago as a stage manager.

When asked about the trickit is a quest where the characthe set design has been cre-Lahue, and their creative team, spect and appreciation, saying collaborative."

Working her own magic for Speck as the costume design-

It was clear that no matter where Rundell All the cast made a point to see the movie welcome and a theatre company keen on producing the best in live theatre.



BREAK A LEG: The cast for "The NeverEnding Story," presented by Theatre Orangeville's Young Company Program, rehearses with director Pat Rundell in preparation of the play's weekend run from Aug. 22 to 24.

lies, dashed into an old bookstore. The own- er, while Alyssa Campbell has designed the couple of hours of live theatre right here in Rundell said, "The audiences are going to

Remarking on the sets for this production, now before they move on to bigger opportu-Speaking of taking on challenges, Arlen Rundell pointed out, "This is a very ensem- nities and careers." ble piece and everyone on the dream team has worked hard on this wonderful world. goes in Canada and mentions Theatre Oran- As for the actors, never was it more true in be another marvellous chance to experience Rundell commented, "This is a different geville, the response has been consistently this story than the old adage, 'there are no small parts."

> The NeverEnding Story has many layers, the David Nairn Stage - find a very cordial and Rundell hopes audiences will walk away believing in the power of the imagination.

Audiences appreciate the high quality of to our own worlds," was his opinion. As to why people should fill the theatre

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For those who have seen the movie, maybe more than once, or read the book, this will

see remarkable young artists and see them

experience it must be for the young participants on and off the stage to be a part of it. If you are wondering just how they portray the wonderful guiding light that is Falkor for

it on stage and understand the tremendous

"We have the capacity to bring big change those who remember it well, Rundell urges us, "Come and see it."

For more information and to purchase over the Aug. 22 to 24 weekend for the show, tickets, go to www.theatreorangeville.ca



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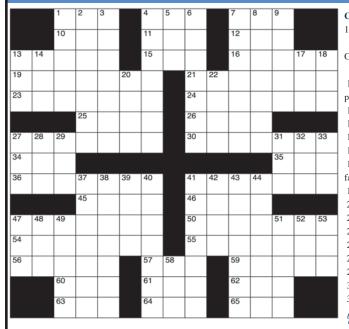
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11. Airborne (abbr.) 12. Actress de Armas 13. Not moving

15. Cool! 16. Plants of the arum family 19. Perceptible by touch

21. Rorschach test 23. Monetary units 24. Art

25. Cardinal number 26. Dueling sword 27. Hates 30. Fixed in one place

35. Moved on foot 36. Passenger's spot on a motorcycle

41. A way through 45. "Rule, Britannia" composer

46. Leader 47. Flowing 50. Common greetings in

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32. A way to travel behind 33. Midway between northeast and east

37. Head pain 38. Loud lawn insect 39. Actress Hathaway

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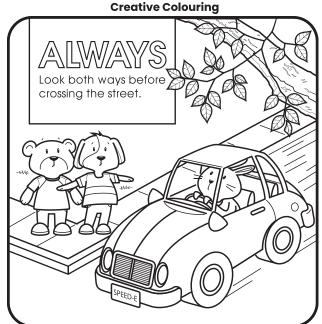
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#### **Double Word Puzzle**

Unscramble the words to reveal the sentence.

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# Much-anticipated Authors in the Hills of Mulmur returns this weekend

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

Once again, Nancy Frater, owner of Book-Lore, is bringing us back to the beautiful Fofor another Authors in the Hills event on Aug.

Frater notes in her email to the Citizen this week that the Authors in Mulmur events are the brainchild of Mulmur Mayor Janet Horner, and are a literary 'sense of occasion,' with tickets selling out early.

Frater writes, "This annual event is a collaboration between the Township of Mulmur, story writer, and novel writer. Shelburne Public Library, BookLore and hard-working volunteers."

Taking on the theme of History, Mystery and Mayhem, the three authors featured in the Aug. 10 event are bringing the best of summer reading for interest, fun and humour, a murder that hasn't happened yet. Frater calling it a "cutting-edge line up."

**History**: For history buffs, The Resistance

tle-known story of Poland's extraordinary nail-biting! WWll resistance army and the contemporary lives of two artists, grandmother and granddaughter, inextricably linked by a wartime most foul, and more spells than you can their own. ley Barn, located on Sideroad 10 in Mulmur, betrayal. This year we wanted something that would have a wide appeal. There is a great interest in historical fiction so The Resistance Painter was the perfect fit," Frater comment-

> The Resistance Painter has seen reviews saying, "immersive, heart-wrenching but hopeful; not to be missed."

Jonathan is a former educator, poet, short

**Mystery**: Author of "Hum if you Don't the Words," "If you Want to Make God Laugh," and "The Witches of Moonshyne Manor," Bianca Marais is back by popular demand. She takes readers through the process of solving

Novelist Nita Prose praised the book.

shake a stick at, this original novel is a puzzler's delight," she said.

Marais to our area readers. 'Hum If You Don't nanigans move fast and furiously." Know The Words' was presented at The Opera House with Theatre Orangeville; 'If you and refreshments at all of her author's pre-Want to Make God Laugh' was chosen as Dufferin's One Book choice; 'The Witches' was 10, starting at 1 p.m., to watch the discussion presented at the Headwaters Arts Festival at the Alton Mill."

Marais is now called back by fans wanting to read more of her work.

said Sue Hincenbergs, former TV producer, Shelburne Public Library also has tickets and brings a tremendously comic novel overflow- can be contacted at 519-925-2168. As well, ing with wicked, murderous fun in "The Re-tickets can be bought at the Mulmur Town-Her book for this Aug. 10 event is "A Most tirement Plan." In a clear tale of how old mar-ship Office. Puzzling Murder." It is "an interactive, quirky, riages can sour, three middle-aged friends Painter by Kath Jonathan, examines "the lit- locked-room murder mystery." Positively turn to murder with a view of collecting on purchase a ticket online.

their husbands' life insurance policies. Their plans may be shaken as they are unaware "[It is] filled with conundrums, murder that their husbands have a devious plan of

Crime Time says, "Think Richard Osman, mischievous, elderly pensioners meets Bad Frater related, "BookLore launched Bianca Sisters and Desperate Housewives... the she-

> Frater always treats patrons to a reception sentations. Come to the Foley Barn on Aug. among the three authors, have a chance to meet them and let sign the books you want.

Tickets are limited to 150 in total and can be purchased at BookLore in Orangeville, Mayhem: In an email to the Citizen, Frater which can be called at 519-942-3830. The

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# Dufferin Film Festival to feature three industry professionals at Speaker Series Brunch

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

Movie buffs looking to learn about the inner workings of film production can take a peek behind the curtain at the Dufferin Film Festival's 2025 Speaker Series.

The Dufferin Film Festival's Speaker Series Brunch is taking over the Orangeville Library on Aug. 16 at 10 a.m., with three acclaimed industry voices presenting over sion is titled "Business Affairs coffee, tea and a light brunch provided by Mochaberry.

Producer Anthony Leo will be present- film financing, copyright, buding a case study of his feature film, "The Breadwinner," where he shares the process of optioning it through to its festival CMF. and awards run.

Leo has been producing scripted con- line producer and production tent for kids' families and young adults for manager with credits on more over 20 years with his production compathan 50 professional film, television, and ny, Aircraft Pictures, which he co-founded with Andrew Rosen.

Award nominee, with many credits in the searchers Society of Canada. world of film.

tion with Cartoon Saloon, in association with executive producer Angelina Jolie, and has been nominated for an Academy Award and Golden Globe Award for Best Feature Film.

Top 10 live-action Young Adult (YA) series

Currently, he is in post-production for tored emerging filmmakers through his in-

the live-action feature film "Youngblood," which has been adapted from the 1986 MGM film with the same name.

This conversation will be an informative and interesting look at "The Breadwinner."

Fellow producer Andrew Martin-Smith's topic of discusfor Independent Producers." The conversation will look at geting, and working with Canadian funders, such as Telefilm/

Martin-Smith is a seasoned

interactive projects. He is a member of the Documentary

Leo is an Academy Award and Emmy Organization of Canada and the Visual Re-Martin-Smith's recent productions in-

"The Breadwinner" is a co-produc- clude "The Nest," and "Parade: Queer Acts of Love & Resistance," which were both featured at Hot Docs earlier this year. His Peabody Award-winning film, "Any

Other Way: The Jackie Shane Story," can be found on Crave, and the Oscar-nomi-Leo is also behind the Netflix Global nated film "To Kill a Tiger" is available on

Martin-Smith has supported and men-







SPEAKER SERIES: From left, Joseph Nanni, Anthony Leo and Andrew Martin-Smith, will be discussing various topics related to film production at the Orangeville Public Library on Aug. 16 as part of the Dufferin Film Festival.

volvement with the National Film Board's Assistance Program.

He presently works as a freelance production consultant, advising independent case, and National Geographic, Nanni has producers on production financing and business affairs.

of discussion is: "From the Big Screen to the CBC. the Small Screen - Working as a Director After The Premiere."

continue to build momentum after premiering a film at a festival.

Nanni is an accomplished writer, director, and creative director whose career bridges marketing, content, and filmmaking.

Working on campaigns for some of the world's most recognizable brands and specialty channels like History, Showhoned a unique storytelling perspective. This has led him to the director's chair on Writer and director Joseph Nanni's topic documentary projects aired on Netflix and

Nanni brings a discerning eye, a wealth of creative experience, and a deep appre-The talk will look at how filmmakers can ciation for innovative, boundary-pushing storytelling to this year's Dufferin Film

For tickets to the Speaker Series Brunch or other film festival events, visit dufferinfilmfest.com/tickets.



# Caledon Music Festival opens with record-breaking crowd

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The opening weekend for the Caledon tor Piazzolla. Music Festival saw a record-breaking attendance of 200 people at their event at ed in their camping chairs to enjoy the Manager of the Caledon Music Festival, see so much support from the community, Davis Family Farm.

Lim, Emily Vondrejsova, Joonghun Cho scenery. and Amahl Arulanandam.

and Dance.

Lim said the pieces performed were all

from Piazzolla to "pop-ish".

The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires by As-

The fields were lined with some seat-The event featured performers Terry ground to take in the ambient sounds and

Many even decided to bring their own The theme for the evening was Song picnic to make the evening all the more from the festival was seeing the communiited seating. unforgettable.

"That's exactly what we were aiming

cert, enjoying the moments of sunset," beauty, and the weather could not be any better."

festival, but many sitting directly on the noted only about 50 attendees were re- so that pushes me to keep going and doing turning from previous years, while every- it every year for sure." one else was new to the festival.

ty coming together.

very different from one another, ranging for. Just relaxing and enjoying the con- lots of great comments, having that kind avoid missing out, as seating will be limof community support for small arts or- ited. ganizations, it really makes a huge difference for us," explained Lim.

able to get grants to help run the events, so they often heavily rely on the community to run them continuously.

"To see so many people showing up and Performed as well were elements from said Lim. "Out in nature and enjoying the be very happy, that's a big part of it for me. To see community engagement and support is the best part of running organiza-Lim, the Artistic Director and General tions like this," says Lim. "Every year you

> The festival achieved a large turnout Lim said one of his favourite moments thanks to the Davis Family Farm's unlim-

> However, Lim advises attendees to pur-"We had lots of community support and chase tickets early for future events to

> The following events will be Youthful Passions on Aug. 17, A Journey into Cab-He shared some years the festival is unaret and Broadway on Aug. 23, and The Grand Finale will take place on Aug. 31.

Tickets are available at www.caledonmusicfest.ca.

# Single motor vehicle collision results in impaired driving charges for Mississauga man

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Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers have charged a Mississauga resident D'Souza, 53, from Mississauga, has been with impaired driving offences following a charged with: single-vehicle collision.

On Aug. 3, shortly after 12:30 a.m., Duffer-hol concentration (80 plus) in OPP officers responded to a single-vehicle collision on County Road 25, just north drugs investigation.

As a result of the investigation, Terrance

- Operation while impaired blood alco-
- Operation while impaired alcohol and



NEW LOCAL DOCTOR: Orangeville's healthcare community is expanding. Jeanette Egyir is accepting patients at Lifeline Clinics for her family practice and will be providing walk-in clinic services. Lifeline Clinics is located at 310 Broadway, Unit 109. Anyone interested in becoming a patient enroll themselves and book appointments online at lifelinemedclinic.com or by calling the office at 519-733-5862. While Egyir isn't in Orangeville yet, she will begin practicing at Lifeline Clinics in the coming weeks.



# Local initiative provides essential supplies for students in need

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The start of a new school year is rapidly approaching, which means it's time for families to start getting ready with back-to-school shopping.

another school year can be a struggle to ensure they have the basic supplies needed to succeed in the classroom.

Backpack Program is asking for the commu- in Shelburne and the surrounding areas with nity's help in raising funds to provide students from junior kindergarten to Grade 12 with back-to-school supplies.

"We all know the importance of sending students reaching out for its services. kids back to school with the essentials they backpack project. "If you can give a little, it bottles and lunch kits, which were delivered also collected \$2,256 in supplemented funds would be appreciated to help us reach our goal of helping any kid that needs it."

The Backpack Program is an annual ini-But for some students, the preparation for tiative run by the service clubs of Shelburne, which looks to provide school supplies such as backpacks, lunch bags, and water bottles to families in need. The program was launched To help with this, the Shelburne Rotary in 2020, and in its first year, it provided 85 kids essential back-to-school supplies.

> Since its inception, the Backpack Program has seen a steady increase in the number of

On July 31, Rotarians and Friends of Rota- Ferguson. need," said Bobbi Ferguson, chair of the local ry assembled over 170 backpacks with water to the Shelburne Food Bank for distribution.

> Speaking with the Free Press, Ferguson said they may have upwards of 190 to 200 students in need of backpacks and other back-to- of time putting together the backpacks to enschool supplies this year.

The cost of putting together the backpacks for the local students is not a cheap endeavour and varies for each age group. To put together a backpack, a water bottle, and a lunch Bank. bag for one student costs the program roughly

According to Ferguson, the total cost of their regular visits to Shepherd's Cupboard. funding the backpack program each year is around \$12,000.

Program received a donation of \$5,000 through the Tim Horton's Smile Cookie Campaign.

didn't get this support, we certainly wouldn't information and ways to donate by visiting be able to do what we do. It's almost half of www.shelburnerotaryclub.ca.

what we need so it's a significant part," said

The Shelburne Rotary Backpack Program through donations from Friends of the Rotary to bring the total donation to \$7,256.

The organizers spend a significant amount sure that each one is tailored to be age-appropriate for specific students. The demographic need for supplies is determined based on the registration through the Shelburne Food

After the backpacks are packed, they are handed out to the families when they make

"I don't speak directly with the families, but I do hear from the people volunteering at the In June, the Shelburne Rotary Backpack foodbank about how happy the students are to get their backpack," said Ferguson.

Anyone who is interested in making a do-"It [the donation] means everything. If we nation to the Backpack Project can find more

# **Orangeville Dairy Queen to fundraise** through Miracle Treat Day next week

Written By SAM ODROWSKI

A fundraising flurry is coming to Orangeville, with Miracle Treat Day returning to the local Dairy Queen on Thursday, Aug. 14.

Customers have the opportunity to support SickKids Foundation with the purchase of a Blizzard Treat at 540 Riddell Rd, Orangeville. The net proceeds of the Blizzard sales Day it's part of something so much bigger." will be provided to the foundation.

decades, and Miracle Treat Day is a power-ceive the care and support they need most. ful example of what happens when communities rally together," said Adam Starkman, had over 3 million visits. President and CEO of Canada's Children's Hospital Foundation. "Every Blizzard Treat staff and volunteers come together in comsold helps fuel ground breaking research and discovery, life-changing innovations and healing environments that make the hospital experience less overwhelming for families, close to home," reads a statement from DQ ultimately, helping kids get back to being Canada. kids.

has raised over \$55 million since its inception. - Aug. 14.

This year, DQ Canada is partnering with known Blizzard lover Brad Marchand, who hails from Halifax, Nova Scotia.

"As a dad, supporting children's health, especially through Canadian children's hospitals, is something I care deeply about," said Marchand. "Buying a Blizzard Treat may seem like a small thing but on Miracle Treat

Money raised through Miracle Treat Day "DQ Canada has been a committed part- will support SickKids Hospital's most urgent ner in children's health for more than four priorities. This helps to ensure children re-

Last year, children's hospitals in Canada

"On Miracle Treat Day, DQ franchisees, munities across the country to raise money for local hospital foundations and help ensure kids can access the care they need,

The Orangeville Dairy Queen will be open Miracle Treat Day is in its 23rd year, and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Miracle Treat Day



**CUTLINE HEADER:** Congratulations to John Pomeroy of Melancthon for winning \$1,145 in the Grand Valley Lions 50-50 draw on Canada Day at the Grand Valley BIA's Car Show. The proceeds will go to the Grand Valley Food Bank. Pictured here is Lion Karla, John, Lion Randy and Lion Crystal. The Grand Valley Lions would like to thank everyone who supported the club's 50-50 draw and the Grand Valley Food Bank.

### RIDE spot check nets impaired driving charges

(OPP) officers have charged an Orangeville charged with: resident with impaired driving-related offences following a Reduce Impaired Driv- hol concentration (80 plus) ing Everywhere (R.I.D.E.) program.

On Aug. 3, just after 10:30 p.m., Dufferin readily available OPP officers were conducting a R.I.D.E. spot check in the area of Townline in Oran- appear before the Ontario Court of Jusgeville. A vehicle entered the checkpoint tice in Orangeville. The accused's driver's and, after a brief interaction with officers, licence was suspended, and their vehicle an impaired driving investigation was ini- was impounded.

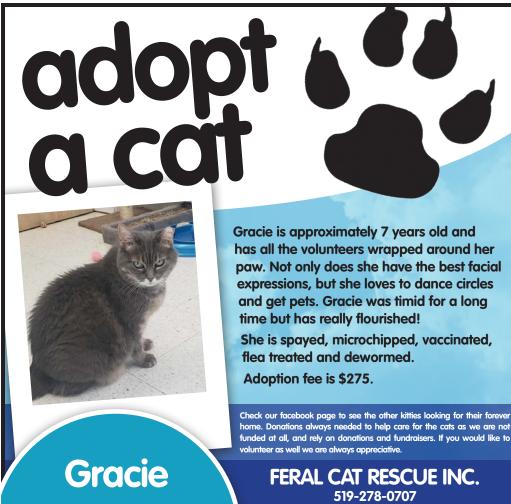
As a result of the investigation, Lucky proven in court.

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police Gill, 27, from Orangeville, has been

- Operation while impaired Blood alco-
- Drive vehicle or boat with cannabis

The accused individual is scheduled to

None of the listed charges have been



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MADE THE CATCH: Orangeville Bengals U10 player Zach Brown makes the catch and the tag for the out at home plate during a game against the Markham Mariners at Idyllwilde Park in Orangeville on Tuesday, Aug. 5. Minor baseball is now heading into the playoffs around the region.

## Orangeville Northmen's Junior A Lacrosse Championship series tied after two games

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The Ontario Junior A Lacrosse League Orangeville on Aug. 1. (OJALL) championship series is tied after the Orangeville Junior A Northmen took a teams, and the game went into overtime loss to the Whitby Warriors in Game Two in when Liam Matthews scored with 2:44 re-Whitby on Monday, Aug. 4.

Orangeville and Whitby finished the regleague this year and were separated by only win in the opening game. four points when the season wrapped up.

The Northmen eliminated Kitchener-Waterloo in the first round, then went on to dispatch the Peterborough Lakers in the riors had a one-goal lead, going ahead 2-1. second round in a series that went six games.

It was a good start for the Northmen in the championship series when they won early in the second period to tie the game

Game One with a score of 7-6 in front of at two. a hometown crowd at Tony Rose Arena in

It was a real battle between the two top maining in the third period to tie it up.

Orangeville's Owen Rahn got the winning midway in the period. ular season as the top two teams in the goal in overtime to give the Northmen the

Whitby on Monday, Aug. 4.

At the end of the first period, the War-

Trey Deere got the only Orangeville goal in the first period. Deere got his second goal of the night

in the second period to make it a 4-2 game utes left in the game. with one period left.

goal lead.

The real damage for the Northmen came when Whitby scored three in a row over series returned to Orangeville on Wednes-Game Two of the series got underway in three minutes to lead 8-3 with just over four minutes remaining on the clock.

> The Northmen put out a good final effort in a bid to close the gap, scoring two late goals, but that's all they could do for the night.

Whitby scored two final goals in the final 8 p.m. three minutes of the game to leave the floor with a 10-5 win and tie the series at one.

Trey Deere got his third goal of the night late in the final period.

Jaden Ciappara got the final Northmen The Warriors pulled ahead with two goals goal of the night with just over three min-

Liam Matthews continues to lead the Whitby scored in the third to get a three- Northmen team in points this year. After 27 games, Matthews has scored 63 goals and Owen Tovell scored for the Northmen recorded 88 assists for the season for a to-

tal of 151 points. The best-of-seven OJALL championship day, August 6, for Game Three.

Results were not available at press time.

Remaining games:

- Game 4 Friday, Aug. 8, @ Whitby 8 p.m.
- Game 5 Saturday, Aug. 9 @ Orangeville
- Game 6 Monday, Aug. 11 @Whitby 8 p.m. (if necessary)
- Game 7 Tuesday, Aug. 12 @ Orangeville 8 p.m. (if necessary)



#### Junior B Northmen done for the season after loss to Elora

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART** 

The Orangeville Junior B Northmen are done for the season after taking a loss in the final game of the best-of-seven West Divi- 25. After scoring the only goal in the first pesion championship series against the Elora riod, the Northmen had a 7-5 lead at the end

The Northmen arrived at the final series in a three-game sweep in the second round overtime period. of playoffs.

Division met to see who would be this season's cham-pions.

The Northmen finished in first place with 38 points in the regular season. Elora was close behind with 32 points.

18 at the Alder Street Arena in Orangeville ond period, Elora had extended that lead to and ended with a 13-8 win for the Northmen. 14-0.

The series was tied after Game Two in Elora on July 20. The Hawks squeezed out a in Jennings with 58 seconds left on the clock two-goal lead to take the game 9-7.

The return to Orangeville for Game Three on July 23 proved to be a disaster for the goals in the third period to give the Hawks Northmen. Af-ter trailing 4-0 at the end of a 17-1 win and the Division championship. the second period, the Orangeville squad faced a tough third period where they need- the Hawks up against the Kahnawake Hunted to start scoring to get back into the game. ers for the 2025 title.

The Northmen couldn't score and were shut out 8-0 to give the Hawks a 2-1 lead in the series.

Orangeville rallied in Game Four on July of the second.

The Hawks fought back and tied the game after eliminating the St. Catharines Athletics with 27 seconds left on the clock to force an

Orangeville outscored the Hawks 2-1 in In the final series, the two top teams in the OT to take the game with a 10-9 win.

The series was back in Orangeville for the

deciding game on July 27. It was an aggressive game that turned out to be a disaster for the Northmen.

At the end of the first period, the North-Game One of the series took place on July men were trailing 8-0. At the end of the sec-

> The only Northmen goal came from Guerin the sec-ond period.

The game ended with three more Elora

The League championship will now have



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# **OPINION**

## Play that music

Almost every weekend during the summer, I attend a concert in a local park.

Some of the bands and performers are local, while others come from different parts of the province.

I am always amazed at the level of musical talent out there.

When thinking of talent, it seems only those performers who make it big are thought of as the best.

However, over the years, at various venues, I have seen guitarists who could rival Eddie Van Halen and heard singers who could sing just as well as the top pop divas of the day. And yet they never made it big in terms of fame and fortune.

Maybe they were just never discovered, or maybe they really had no interest other than just being a local person and having some fun with music.

My best friend growing up had musical talent that I envied. He could pick up a new instrument and just know how to play it, and play it well.

It seems every generation comes up with a new style of music. There is a definite difference in the music of the first few decades of the 20th century, when music first started being recorded.

There was a remarkable change from the

50s to the 60s, and another big change in the 70s.

Probably my favourite decade was the 80s when New Wave started a whole new style. Although I can enjoy music from just about every era.

Music really became important in culture during the Classical Period, at least in my

For some reason, many people refer to any 'old' music, or music performed by an orchestra, as 'classical.' However, the Classic Period only lasted from around 1750 to

This was during a time when many new instruments were invented or were still recent, which changed the sound of an orchestra or ensemble.

Prior to that period, there really weren't that many instruments.

I once was trapped in an art store for eight hours as the cameraman on a movie a friend of mine was directing.

The owner of the store had a constant stream of pre-Baroque period music playing - all day long. I guess he thought it went well with the atmosphere of the store.

During that era, there were a lot of flutes of different sorts. Somehow, you can picture Henry VIII eating a large drumstick while his

**BRIAN LOCKHART** FROM THE SECOND ROW

court jester dances around the room. By the end of the day, I decided I never wanted to hear flute music ever again.

There is also, what I would call, a misconception that all Classical era music is beautiful and written by great composers. I will have to challenge that.

If you took piano lessons as a kid and had to suffer through the grade books issued by the Conservatory of Music, you will under-

I am now grateful that my parents insisted I take piano lessons. It gave me a foundation in music, and by the time I took music classes in school, I could already read, write, and play music, which made it much easier to learn other instruments.

However, the Conservatory books were filled with old music that was just not fun to either learn or play. I didn't want to play some 200-year-old Allegro written on a single page.

Maybe things have changed, but back then the Conservatory apparently didn't think any music written after 1820 was worthy of being in their books.

There are still plenty of musical geniuses out there who are working and creating great music.

One of the best resources for musical tal-

ent is Hollywood.

When you really listen to movie music scores, they

incredible. Movies are a visual

medium, so the music complements what is happening on screen. But if you took out the music, it would totally change the dynamic of the movie.

Sometimes the music outshines the movie.

You have probably heard the song Unchained Melody, performed beautifully by The Righteous Brothers' Bobby Hatfield. But have you ever seen the movie Unchained?

The song was written for the prison movie

Any fan of the 1982 sci-fi film "Blade Runner" will recognize the music theme from that film

The theme from the film "A Summer Place" is instantly recognizable. But how many people have seen the movie?

Music is one thing that transcends language.

You don't have to speak the same language as the person sitting next to you to enjoy a concert.

## Of apes, men and war

Now would be a good time to watch a Netflix documentary series called 'Chimp Empire'. It's about one year of an ongoing war between two bands of chimpanzees, shot up close and personal, and the narrator never suggests that there is any similarity between their war and our wars. He doesn't need to. You'd have to be dead to miss it.

The central issue, as in most human wars, is about territory, or more precisely the resources it contains. Fruit trees near the constantly patrolled border between the territories of the two chimp groups in Uganda's Kibale National Park are the apple of discord in this case.

The aim of the game is to shift that boundary eastward to include those trees (the Western band) or to keep it where it is (the Central group). It's rather like the recent mini-war between Thailand and Cambodia, currently stalled by a ceasefire - although the bone of contention in the human case is only a symbol (an ancient temple) rather than a resource of real value.

But it's not a single-minded struggle over resources in the case of the rival chimpanzee bands either. It has only been a few decades since the Western band broke away from the bigger Central group (chimpanzees bands fission if they grow much past a hundred members), and the rivalries between powerful senior males of the two groups have continued to fester.

It would be disrespectful to compare the high drama of the broken alliance between the Shinawatra and Hun families who dominated Thai and Cambodian politics in recent times to a border war led by high-status members of two neighbouring chimpanzee bands in Uganda. Nevertheless, there is a certain resonance in the circumstances.

By the time we come to big wars between major developed states like Russia and Ukraine, the causes of the wars are often abstract 'strategic' concerns far removed from the realities of daily life for their citizens. Yet still the echoes of past behaviours resonate.

What drove Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine, for example, was regret at the collapse of the Soviet empire almost forty years ago and determination to reassemble at least the Slavic parts of it ('Russky Mir') into a single, powerful Orthodox state. Even though he is probably not a believer

At that point we have left our primate relatives far behind. So far as we know, they

are not prone to abstract thinking, so their wars are always about real resources and/ or personal advantage. Whereas the 'world wars' of the 20th century and the possible global nuclear holocaust of the 21st are not rational: the cost vastly outweighs any potential gain.

That does not mean that no country will ever again resort to violence, nor does it mean that non-violence is the answer. Naked violence always trumps sweet reason. The only answer is what is now known as the 'international rule of law': a de facto alliance of countries that outlaw military conquest and is willing to enforce that law by violence if necessary.

That alliance already exists and its rules are spelled out in the Charter of the United Nations, signed in 1945. The fact that many countries have ignored its ban on changing international boundaries by force (and in some cases got away with it for long periods of time) is less important than the fact that it exists at all.

The diplomats who wrote that Charter did not know how old and deeply rooted the institution of war was. They knew nothing about war among non-human primates. They did not realise that war was universal among human hunter-gatherers even long

before the rise of the

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first civilisations.

But they knew that their attempt to end war would fail many times in many places

before it succeeded, if it ever did. Over the past eighty years many millions of people have been killed in wars, but their project has been more successful than most of them expected: the death toll from war dropped steeply as the decades passed, and nuclear weapons were never used

In the past few years, however, there has been a sense that the project is backsliding. Not only are major powers resorting to war more often, but they are doing so without even trying to justify it under the UN Charter rules for the use of force: Russia in Ukraine, Israel in Gaza, the United States over Iran.

Maybe so much time has passed that they have forgotten what everybody's objective was at the end of the Second World War: to replace the rule of war with the rule of law. If so, they should all be obliged to watch 'Chimp Empire', to remind them where we have come from and why we need to get to a better place.

#### No excuses

The photographs from Gaza filling our newsfeeds of people and their children dying right before our eyes by the direct order of a madman, determined to match the evil that was committed during WWII with his own version, his own genocide. In WWII, the wholesale and intentional deaths of millions of people were denied – more or less – hidden from worldwide witness.

This present time, these months, the wholesale and intentional killing by starvation is worldwide public knowledge, indeed has been flaunted as though justified amid lies and

During those unbelievable wartime months and years of murder by gas chambers, the rest of the world's nations did nothing. How much they actually knew and denied such things could ever be; whether some truly did not know, for sure some did, and they did nothing. Only by capturing the perpetrators and bringing the war to an end did the absolute proof shown over and over come to light, and retribution to the survivors and their descendants for generations begin.

At this moment, the strength and justice of that retribution cannot be measured in this column. The memories the elderly survivors hold likely still haunt their sleep. Especially that they were not rescued over all the time they suffered by cowardly and/or indifferent world leaders might have planted resentment in their hearts that is passed on through the generations now and perhaps forever.

Yet here is another madman, who is one of them, in his national identity at least, one who may use those memories of those other deaths as reason enough for his own reign of death by starvation now.

We are all very well informed this time about the proofs of this genocide.

Speaking of haunting, the terrors cast upon so many millions of victims, seem to still shake the resolve for action among today's world leaders as they watch the same news as we do and tremble to imagine what actions they can truly take in view of the tender hands that have tried to manage resolutions with the madman in recent times.

When a thunderous push back to demanding restraint and compassion for the starving men, women and children, when every attempt to bring relief of food and other necessities from outside Gaza meets armed denial, meets being shot, all by order of the madman's own government.

Can you picture a soldier being told to deny access, to actually shoot people coming for the relief and rescue of food and medicine, to actually shoot to death the volunteers bringing the goods? How must that soldier feel, no matter his "education." The sight of a purposely starved child must surely broach any conceding mindset.

Yet, there appears to be no international united and firm stance against this brutality. Once again, the world leaders stand, wringing their hands, making threatening gestures of recognizing Palestine as a country with insipid and unworkable conditions.

There are weak demands with no teeth to insist on relief, only the indefinite plan of incarceration for an entire nation of people, in a city jail of millions, reminiscent of WWII, where there were hideous concentration camps, mere holding cages to the trains of final death.

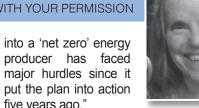
In other news floats another idea about a Middle East Riviera hosting the rich and handsome with their yachts docking once Gaza is cleaned up...

All our lives, we are fed the stories of human brutality, and somehow it amazes me that we only seem to update our basic failing of offering harm over the common-sense approach of caring. Yet, every invention of strength to heal, aid, and benefit is quickly perverted to a tool of control and – without hesitation – as weapons.

In this extremely critical time to reduce to nearly nothing the use of fossil fuel, BP has discovered the largest source of oil and gas in the last 25 years in the oceans off Brazil's east coast. Naturally, they immediately plan to "shift away from renewables" and are actively looking to "maximizing shareholder value moving forward." (BBC)

Apparently, "BP's attempt to transform itself

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five years ago." But they are going to be okay now.

Here we are with so much to do to stop the harm, our feet on the ground, our signs held high. The weight and corruption of harm stands against us as it has all through our history, but we have knocked it down many times. It bounces back, and eventually so do we.

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There must be an international stance against the ruin in Gaza, a force so serious that the madman is reduced in power to nothing and the people in his own country protesting the starvation and insanity in Gaza can bring sanity and safety back.

All this can be negotiated without a single shot being fired.

It can. It must, and citizens around the world and here in Dufferin - we must urge our own politicians to show leadership.

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# <u>CUMUNTTY V</u>

## Monthly Message: A new chapter for the food bank's Dufferin Food Share in Grand Valley

There's a quiet kind of magic that happens when people come together with a shared purpose. At Dufferin Food Share, that magic has been building for months — and now, we are proud and excited to announce the opening of our brand-new location at the old schoolhouse, 27 Main Street North in Grand Valley.

To celebrate this milestone, we're inviting the entire community to our Community Open House on Monday, Aug. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. Whether you're a long time supporter, a curious neighbour, or someone in need of support, we want you there.

change in address. It's a commitment to the helps us ensure that every person who walks gest when we come together, when we sup- the Orangeville Food Bank's donor engagepeople of Grand Valley and our rural commu-through our doors is met with care and comport one another, and when we choose comment and outreach manager. nities — a promise that no one should be left passion. behind when it comes to accessing healthy food, support, and community care. For too ing initiative: our Summerlicious Food Drive, long, rural Dufferin has been underserved. With this new space, we're working to change

We're transforming the building at 27 Main Street North into a warm, welcoming hub a way that preserves dignity and offers choice. We'll also be offering shared space for local agencies to provide services on-site, making support more accessible for those who live in and around Grand Valley. It's about bringing back, and we'd love for you to be part of it. help closer to home.

As we prepare to open our doors, I want to extend a personal invitation to everyone in the community to be part of this exciting new chapter. Join us on Aug. 25 to tour the new space, meet our team, enjoy refreshments, and learn more about the services we'll be offering. You'll also have the opportunity to on Tuesday, Aug. 5, and throughout his jourconnect with our amazing volunteers and dis-ney, he raised nearly \$7,000 to support food cover how you can get involved.

Our journey to this point has been made possible by the generous spirit of this com- ty are nothing short of inspiring. He didn't just munity. But we still need your help. The costs ride for the challenge — he rode for change. of renovating, outfitting, and maintaining our As a volunteer and advocate, Randy has new space are ongoing, and we're actively shown us all what's possible when passion looking for financial partners who can walk and purpose combine. We couldn't be more with us into this new season of service.

a one-time gift or as a monthly donor — please he's brought to our cause. reach out to me directly at 226-558-2109 or





carrie-anne.decaprio@orangevillefoodbank. Valley opening, the Summerlicious food drive, org. Every dollar helps us keep the shelves and Randy's incredible ride — is the belief

We're also in the middle of another excithappening Friday, Aug. 16. This is a one-day, all-hands-on-deck effort to fill our shelves at a time when food donations typically drop off but community need remains high.

You'll find us at No Frills, Metro, Freshwhere residents can access nutritious food in Co., and Sobeys, collecting food donations. And over at Zehrs, we'll be joined by FM 101, broadcasting live from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., bringing even more energy and awareness to the campaign. It's a fun and impactful way to give

And speaking of incredible efforts to fight food insecurity, I want to take a moment to thank someone truly special — Randy Hunter, one of our volunteers, who just completed a 700-kilometre cycling journey across Ontario as part of his Ride Food Bank Ride campaign. His ride ended at the Orangeville Food Bank programs across our community.

Randy's dedication, strength, and generosiproud of his accomplishment, and we are so If you're able to contribute — either through deeply grateful for the awareness and support

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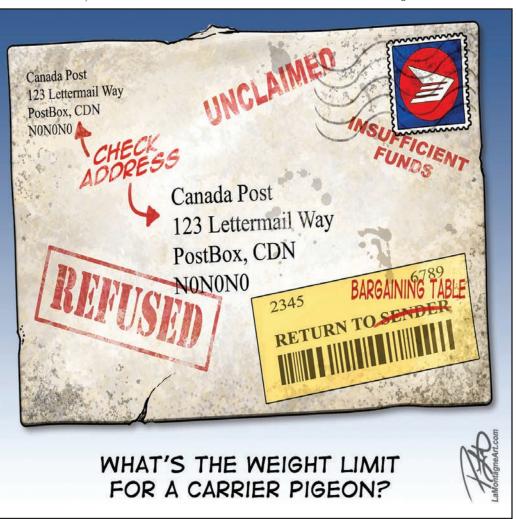
So please, mark your calendars:

• Aug. 16 - Summerlicious Food Drive at local grocery stores

• Aug. 25 – Community Open House at 27 Main Street North, Grand Valley from 4 to 6

Come see what we're building. Come be part of something meaningful. Come help us create a stronger, more connected community — where no one goes hungry, and everyone is welcome.

The following Community Voice submis-This new location represents more than a stocked and the lights on. More importantly, it that food is a basic human right. We are stron- sion was written by Carrie-Anne DeCaprio,









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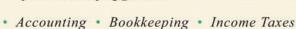
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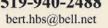
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Beloved wife of David Gislason. Loving mother of Callahan and Brendan.

Proud grandmother of Kaiden and Karson. Cherished daughter of the late Doug and Bunny Chalk. Treasured sister of Gary Jeninga (deceased), Kimberly Graber, and Adam Chalk. Caring sister-in-law of Ian and Cindy Gislason. Dear niece of Ruth and Frank Costello. Tammi will be fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews Krista Gislason, Emma Graber, Jordan Jeninga, Nathan Chalk, and Aria Chalk.

The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen St. S. (Hwy 50), Bolton on Friday, August 1 from 4:00-8:00 pm. The funeral service was held in the chapel on Saturday morning, August 2nd at 11 o'clock. Followed by cremation.

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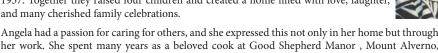
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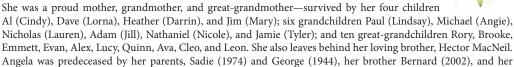
Angela McLean (nee MacNeil), of Orangeville, passed away peacefully on August 2, 🎆 2025, at the age of 93.

Born in Ottawa Brook, Nova Scotia, Angela was the daughter of Sadie and George MacNeil. She grew up in a close-knit home where her father served as the local merchant and postmaster, and her mother was known for her warmth and generosity, welcoming countless friends and relatives over the years. Angela carried those same qualities throughout her life—a deep sense of care for others and a gift for making people feel

In 1952, Angela moved to Toronto, where she began working for Bell Canada. It was there she built a life, met the love of her life, James McLean, and married him on July 28, 1957. Together they raised four children and created a home filled with love, laughter, and many cherished family celebrations.



her work. She spent many years as a beloved cook at Good Shepherd Manor , Mount Alverno, Adam's Place, and Bethesda Retirement Home, where her meals and her kindness nourished many.



Angela will be remembered for her warm heart, her wonderful cooking, and her unwavering love for her family. Her life was one of service, joy, quiet strength—and deep faith. She found comfort, purpose, and community through her church, and it guided the way she treated others: with compassion, humility, and grace. Her dinner table was more than a place to share a meal; it was a place of laughter, storytelling, and togetherness—where everyone felt welcome and loved.

Angela will be deeply missed by many, especially her dear friends at the Bromount.

beloved husband James (1985).

The family would like to give special thanks to Dr. Mills and the staff at Headwaters Health Care Centre for the extraordinary care they provided. In Lieu of flowers, a donation to Headwaters Health Care Centre would be greatly appreciated.

Funeral Mass to take place Monday 11 August, 2025 11:00 am, at St. Timothys Parish, 42 Dawson Road, Orangeville Reception to follow at Dods & McNair Funeral Home 21 First Street, Orangeville Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

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