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ANNUAL TRADITION: Mud splashes as vehicles collide during the Orangeville Fall Fair's Moms Motor Sports Demolition Derby event on Saturday, Aug. 30. The fair ran from Aug. 29 to 31 at the Orangeville Fairgrounds and featured a wide variety of activities for families and individuals to enjoy. To see more

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Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association celebrates 100 years

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association celebrated their 100 years as an association

with its annual plowing match. Despite the on-and-off showers, Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association president Glen Early shared that "even with the less than desirable weather, the community came out and supported us."

end of the day.

Attendees gathered around to celebrate the day, renew acquaintances and see the horse and mule teams as well as tractor competitors.

doing the plowing.

MPP Sylvia Jones for Dufferin-Caledon, MP Kyle Seeback for Dufferin-Caledon, and Acting Mayor Dave Sheen all tried their hand at plowing straight, neat, and uniform was to see the interest from the horse team furrows.

the most stressful thing that I do once a year, 100, 150 miles away. so good job keeping me honest."

strengthens them as a whole.

Councillor Sheen, who was crowned victorious in the competition against Seeback and Jones, says that after attending for three years and "learning so much," this was "the straightest furrow that he's ever plowed."

Aside from enjoying the various competitors, attendees also enjoyed the different

types of plows. The event had nearly 300 visitors by the mover that day, bringing attendees around

the event. Not only was a Rumley people mover present, but a Rumley competitor as well,

the host farmer of the event Burt Speirs. "Great to see the competitors, both on the Some especially enjoyed seeing who was horse team side, as well as the tractor side determined to come out and compete to the best of their ability in those conditions," said

Early also touched upon how incredible it competitors, as "you can imagine the effort Jones shared with the crowd that, "it is it takes to bring a horse team from 20, 50, a

"It's the great history of the Peel-Dufferin She said when everyone comes together match that attracts the competitors as well.

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families, it makes them a community and it's going to be a good match and it's going to be organized," he says.

Early said the event felt very intimate this year, and it was the smallest footprint he could imagine for many years.

"The foundation principles of this match is seeing people, [that you] maybe haven't seen in a year or more, come out and enjoy and celebrate," says Early.

Early shared the event was another in A Rumely tractor was acting as a people the series of successful plowing matches for Peel-Dufferin, "continuing on a tradition that started a hundred years ago."

The Albion Bolton Historical Society (ABHS) was in attendance at the event, showcasing research on the beginnings of

the Peel-Dufferfin Plowmen's Association. They also brought advertisements for locally made plows in Bolton, some dating back to the pre-1900s, as well as one advertisement from 1925, which marks the first date of the Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association plowing match.

"We bring some inner knowledge to answer questions and point out things," shared Nathan Hiller, the current president of the Albion Bolton Historical Society.

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New Mono noise bylaw won't ban activities, Mono mayor says

Written By JAMES MATTHEWS LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Mono's proposed updated municipal noise bylaw has received its second reading. The second reading during council's Aug.

closer to becoming enacted. Fred Simpson, the town's clerk, inked amendments to the last version of the pro- er this year pertained to regulating specific idents near the Fairgrounds have brought posed updated noise bylaw in May. The cursources of noise at certain times of the day. rent version takes into account concerns A number of residents advocated for the about expected activities and timeframes.

"It has incorporated language that addresses the concern of farmers," Mono Mayor John Creelman said. "I think it goes a long way towards what we are ultimately trying to achieve."

Changes were made to the list of prohibitions that pertained to the time and day of activities. What remains includes commercial contracting activities, domestic tools, and lawn maintenance, Simpson said.

"Everything else was removed," he said. Initially, the proposed change to the leg-

islation came about because of certain events at the Island Lake Conservation Area and Orangeville Agricultural Society (OAS) Event Centre.

Much of the proposed changes have been informed by Mono residents. Public input was gathered by way of a survey sent to all (OAS Event Centre) for concerts, music, residents, written comments submitted by rodeos, circuses, etc. but this stupid bylaw from residents he believes would be good Creelman said. "But this is more complicatresidents and stakeholders, and oral com- will kill the sort of fun that people like to additions to the proposed bylaw include ed because it's attempting to control noise ments during two public sessions.

As many as 377 people responded to the wrote. survey, and that is considered statistically

the bylaw.

Respondents were asked to indicate their level of agreement or disagreement with each of six prohibitions detailed. Do you 26 meeting brought the draft legislation agree or disagree with the prohibited days and times for this activity?

> elimination of Prohibition by Time. Stakeholders, on the other hand, generally argued in favour of maintaining that mechanism.

Deputy Mayor Fred Nix asked if the proposed bylaw would enable landowners to be that have nothing else better to do than fined if they rent their properties to people for events that violate the noise bylaw.

Simpson said that was specifically discussed by municipal staff when the proposed updated bylaw was being drafted.

"Right now we lay charges (against) either or both, depending on the situation," Simpson said.

The new noise bylaw has opponents. email to council that at least people from Mono can go to nearby Orangeville to "party and enjoy life" after 5 p.m.

"We have a great facility in Mono at the said. have especially in the summer," Terentiak

She said it is ridiculous to prohibit am-

representative of the community. The surplified noise after 5 p.m. when many music stitutes amplified noise. vey focused on the Prohibitions by Time of festivals and backyard parties take place in the evenings.

> "This is gone too far," she wrote. "You have taken away my right to play Neil Di- town have always prohibited noise that disamond in my backyard at a party level of turbs people. As such, the definition of noise noise at 7 p.m. That is too far."

Gudrun Eves said in an email to council Many of those comments solicited earli- that it's a shame a few complaints from rescouncil to such a decision.

> and think about how many families this po-selves are banned by the legislation, Davie tential new law will impact," Eves wrote. said. "There are so many events that will have to be shut down due to a few squeaky wheels complain."

Councillor Melinda Davie suggested council allow questions during the meeting from people about aspects of the proposed rules.

Mono resident Marc Darby said no "entity" should get an exemption until they are in good standing with the town.

Coun. Elaine Capes asked if the definition Conservation Authority, which owns property in the town.

"Corporations are persons," Creelman

Darby's suggestion and details that deal with amplified noise.

Capes asked for a definition of what con- complaints."

"Speakers," said Simpson. "Loudspeak-

Davie said rules that regulate noise in the according to the new bylaw is sound that disturbs people.

"And that's all you need," she said.

But the proposed new bylaw includes addendums that list specific activities. People "I really hope you reconsider this move reading that may think the activities them-

> Mono is a rural area in which residents pursue activities that aren't common to urban areas. So it wouldn't be fair to use the noise bylaw of an urban centre as a template for Mono's updated bylaw.

> Modified mufflers on vehicles are regulated alongside dirt bike use on private properties and rural road allowances.

> "I caution us to make an exhaustive list," Davie said.

"I think we run into trouble when we forof person in the latest draft includes orgaget that this is a bylaw that is controlling Mono resident Carol Terentiak said in an nizations as the OAS and the Credit Valley noise," Creelman said. "Not banning activities. And there is a big difference."

"Well, it is complaint driven," Nix said.

"If we want to have a bylaw that bans dirt bikes, we would have a bylaw that bans Simpson said some recommendations dirt bikes and it would be short and sweet," that comes from certain activities. Those activities can go on as long as there's no

Mulmur man wins \$100,000 after playing ENCORE on recent LOTTO MAX draw

Written By SAM ODROWSKI LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

A Mulmur man who has been playing the lottery on and off for over 35 years picked the right time to buy a ticket. Arthur Feiner won \$100,000 after matching the last six of to share the story of his first big win. his seven ENCORE numbers in their exact order for the July 1 LOTTO MAX draw.

OLG announced Feiner's win on Aug. 29, and said he plans to save for the future, collect his winnings. "I opened up the OLG invest, and enjoy a well-deserved vacation app to check my account and was shocked with his earnings.

"Winning feels like a dream," he said. "The chances of winning a big prize are ly shared the good news with his wife. small, but there's always hope. Being a winner feels great. It's a pretty cool experience."

Feiner has played a variety of OLG games cited." over the years, including LOTTO MAX, LOT-TO 6/49, DAILY GRAND, and LOTTARIO.

He uses OLG's Quick Pick feature for his LOTTO MAX tickets and chooses his

own numbers for the others. No matter the game, he always adds ENCORE to his plays. This time around, playing ENCORE real-

Feiner, a married father of one who works as a software designer, is delighted

"I received an email from OLG saying I'd won a major prize," Arthur shared while visiting the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto to see a prize of \$100,000."

Surprised by the prize total, Arthur quick-

"I said, 'I think I won something big.' She was freaking out," Feiner recalled with a laugh. "We were both very happy and ex-

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Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

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The York Soaring Club operates from May of every year, when the airstrip is dry enough, to as late in the season as the weather allows.

The club owns its own gliders, and members also have their own private gliders that they keep on-site.

There are two hangars, three tow planes, and 12 club gliders.

Soaring is considered a very safe sport when proper precautions are taken, and is you can book a flight online or just visit the enjoyed by thousands of people around the club at its Highway 9 location just east of Ar-

While there are several ways to launch a glider, York Soaring uses a tow plane that and enjoy the experience of quiet flight. tows a glider up to the required altitude before the glider is released. From there, you are Valade explained. "That one-day flight comes on your own with no power.

Gravity supplies the power for a glider. Experienced glider pilots will search for updrafts and use them to gain lift.

Pilots will take note of dark fields that radiac lose to being a bird as you will ever get. ate heat, create upward lift, and other atmospheric features that provide lift. One way to iting the club's website at www.yorksoaring. note areas that provide lift is to watch birds com.

like hawks or eagles that are circling in an updraft area.

York Soaring was founded in 1961. The club 3,500-foot main runway.

It is a busy club with continuous action on the weekends.

"We have three runways," explained club member Serge Valade. "Our main runway is 3,500 feet [long] and 300 feet wide. We have another runway that is 2,200 feet and third runway that is 1,700 feet. We had some recent work done to create drainage that allows us to start the season in May."

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SEARCHING FOR THE SKY: A glider takes flight behind a tow plane at the York Soaring Club near Arthur on Monday, Sept. 1. The Club features a full lineup of gliders, tow planes, hangars, and a clubhouse. Visitors can take an introductory glider flight to experience powerless flight.

Impaired driving related charges laid after suspicious person call to Dufferin OPP

A call to the police regarding a suspicious Aug. 28, shortly after 3:30 a.m. person has resulted in impaired driving related charges being laid against a George- pects' vehicle and spoke with the male town man in Mono.

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers responded to a call for service in signs of impairment and initiated an imthe area of Hawthorne Road in Mono on paired driving investigation.

Upon arrival, officers located the sus- been charged with:

During the interaction, officers observed

Samuel Wight, 30, from Georgetown has

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Thursday, Sep. 11	5:30 p.m.	Council chambers and virtual	Affordable Housing Task Force	

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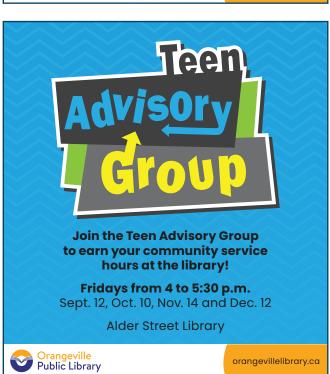
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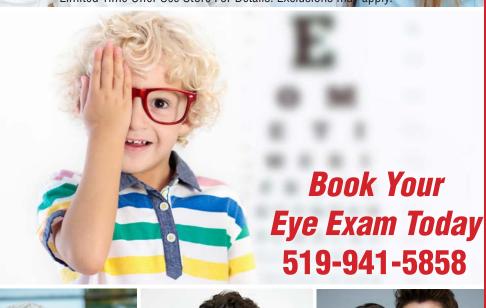


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FALL FAIR: The community turned out for a weekend of fun at the Orangeville Fall Fair, when it came to the local fairgrounds from Aug. 29 to 31. New this year was a Kids Power Wheels Demolition Derby, where kids ages 4-8 had the chance to compete ahead of the official Demolition Derby on Aug. 30. In addition to fair games, rides, and carnival-style food, the fair featured a petting zoo, truck and tractor pull, crafting area, Kids Zone, live music and a car show. There was something for the whole family enjoy.











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Let's talk about it: More discussion needed about fire board's fate

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Shelburne officials have indicated a desire

to disband its district fire services board. It's proposed that the board, which is comprised of representatives of some Dufferin County municipalities, be dissolved in early 2026. But Mono officials believe a little more work towards retention of the board with imtime is needed to fairly consider Shelburne's issues

The agreement that established the Shelburne and District Fire Department outlines a not be shared by other board members or process to be followed should a participating their municipal councils. municipality wish to leave the board.

Shelburne has indicated its intent to establish the Shelburne Fire Department, which includes a model where municipalities, including Mono, may purchase contracted fire

It's similar to what's done with fire services costs and how to cover them. from Orangeville.

Deputy Mayor Fred Nix, Councillor Melinda by Mono council during the Aug. 26 meeting. Davie, and Mike Dunmore, the town's CAO, met July 17 with Town of Shelburne representatives to discuss the future of the Shelburne ipalities, similar to what's done by the Rose-District Fire Department and its board.

Mulmur, Melancthon, and Amaranth were also represented at the meeting.

In a report to Mono council, Dunmore said the meeting's purpose was to get details of Shelburne's concerns about the board.

Those concerns were about unfunded board administration services provided by Shelburne, according to the report. That unfunded service includes cyber security, IT services, human resources, treasury, and water provision from the Shelburne Water Department.

"It's very clear to us that Shelburne would like to leave and dissolve the board." Dunmore said during Mono council's Aug. 26 meeting.

While he can't speak for other municipalities that have representation on the board, Dunmore said he sensed support for "continued collaboration at a board level."

He acknowledged that representatives of to Shelburne."

some towns were silent at the July meeting.

"I think the board deserves the opportunity to address the concerns of the Town of Shelburne," Dunmore said.

It wasn't clear if board members were aware of the financial impact and administrative concerns identified by Shelburne.

"I feel there was a general consensus to proved collaboration rather than dissolving it," Dunmore said in his report.

But that's only Dunmore's opinion and may

"I will agree that Shelburne does have some issues that are legitimate," Nix said.

He suggested that Shelburne needs to provide specific details to board members about the administrative costs. Then a fulsome discussion can be had about those operating

And that's the substance of a motion passed

Coun. Ralph Manktelow said administrative service could rotate among the board's municmont and District Fire Board. Mono is also a member of the Rosemont group.

"We haven't got the fee assessed of what the administrative help would be before we can even talk about rotating," Dunmore said. "I think you're onto a good matter, which would be a potential for rotating."

"This is a power move," Davie said. "There's no question about it that this is a power move."

She said Shelburne's board representatives feel strongly that their town has done the heavy lifting and has paid heavily for the

'What they (Shelburne) are proposing is not allowed by the agreement," Dunmore said. "The goal is to let Shelburne know we're happy with the services of the board right now and the board should have an opportunity to respond to the issues that really are troubling

Traffic complaint results in impaired driving charges

Dufferin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers have charged a North York resident with been charged with: impaired driving following a traffic complaint.

On August 29, shortly after 12 a.m., officers concentration (80 plus) responded to a traffic complaint in the area of Highway 10 in Mono. The vehicle in question drugs was located a short time later on Highway 10 in Melancthon.

Officers spoke with the male driver and, during the interaction, observed signs of impairment. As a result, an impaired driving investigation was initiated.

Oleksii Yushkov, 45, from North York, has

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

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

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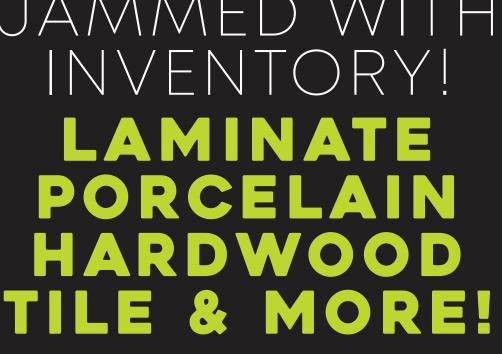
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A map was on display showcasing all the past locations of the plowing matches.

Hiller said the Peel Dufferin Plowmen's Association asked them to attend because "they understand the historical importance you're going to make sure that the farmers of not only the event, but of the legacy of the farming community here."

A long-standing tradition with the plow- all." ing matches across Ontario is the Queen of the Furrow competition.

Each local organization has the opportu- tent or while walking around, taking in the nity to send the winner of their competition various plows and techniques, both from to the Ontario Plowing Match, where ap- the past and the present. proximately 30 teams compete.

ferin Queen of the Furrow in 2024, and at port for the match," said Early.

the event, Nikki Intranuovo was introduced as the newly-crowned Queen.

Also available at the event was a chicken dinner, which Early said he heard a lot of positive feedback on. "If you don't do anything else that day,

in the area, they're going to be fed well, and if you check that box, that's a big win for us Attendees were able to enjoy their chicken dinners either under the large gathering

"A big thank you to the sponsors, we're Victoria Kolb was crowned the Peel-Duf- so lucky and appreciative to have that sup-



ON THE ROAD: Caledon Councillor Dave Sheen plows his winning furrow during the Peel-Dufferin Plowmen's Association's 100-year anniversary celebration on Aug. 28.

OAS Event Centre is not on trial in noise bylaw debate, says Mono mayor

Written By JAMES MATTHEWS LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Orangeville Agriculture Society is being targeted by some Mono residents as one from 12 residents. Seven stakeholder groups of the main culprits disturbing their peace.

That's the belief held by Peter Dickins, the group's president. He brought that assertion to town council during its Aug. 26 meeting and discussion about a proposed updated

and it's been an issue on council's agenda for goes." the last couple of years.

Public input into the proposed updated noise bylaw was gathered by way of a survey sent to all residents, written comments submitted by residents and stakeholders, and oral comments during public sessions.

As many as 377 people responded to the survey, and that is considered statistically representative of the community.

Twenty written comments were received also provided written comments.

The majority of those comments pertained to the increased number of events at the Orangeville Agriculture Society (OAS) Event Centre and the Island Lake Conservation Area.

Dickins said he resents "the implication of The bylaw hasn't been updated since 2004, the 'Big Scam' regarding where our money

> The group is a non-profit organization, and cility, he said.

"None of us, anybody, take any kind of money from there," Dickins said.

The society exists for the annual fall fair.

be there," he said. "There would be no point." The fall fair has taken place for more than 170 years.

He said he feels the group is being directly targeted by a small number of residents.

"We do have residents that border directly on us (Event Centre) that don't have any problems with the noise," Dickins said. "The noise bylaw is kind of, I believe, being targeted for us."

He said he's heard activities at the Mono Pavilion near where he lives. An updated bylaw made by more than one resident, Creelman all money that goes into the Event Centre is needs to have a definition of noise rather than said. used for maintenance and running of that fa- have it limited to simply sound that somebody finds offensive.

sive to who?" he said. "I could turn around bylaw that give you opportunities."

and say I can hear the party going on at the "If it wasn't for the fall fair we would not Mono Pavilion and I don't like that. Whereas in reality it's not that bad. It really isn't."

The noise bylaw's enforcement is driven by complaints.

"I think the noise that's being created is not being created to offend anybody," Dickins said. "We have to raise money to support the

"You're not on trial here," Mono Mayor John Creelman said.

It's been suggested that for noise to be worthy of investigation, the complaint has to be

"Under this bylaw, you have the option of applying for an exemption," Deputy Mayor "How are you going to gauge what's offen- Fred Nix said. "There are options under this

Orangeville Food Bank shares community update for July, nearly 60,000 pounds of food distributed

Written By SAM ODROWSKI LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Orangeville Food Bank has been busy

this summer.

59,000 pounds of food. The Orangeville Food Bank released its monthly community update for July on Sept.

food bank's donor engagement and outreach of essential actions the community can take

manager Carrie-Anne DeCaprio. She noted that in July, the food bank welcomed 81 new households, as families and assistance rates to ensure Ontario Works ty. As a community, we can support and in-Orangeville Food Bank's monthly communiindividuals reached the point where grocer-

ies no longer fit their budgets.

ed their lives to work, now on fixed incomes and facing tough financial decisions," De-Caprio noted.

"Even paychecks are falling short — 216 Over the course of July, it distributed over working individuals required food support last month [July]. This highlights a critical issue: employment used to ensure food security, yet it often doesn't anymore."

Several statistics were highlighted by the the Orangeville Food Bank shared a couple to address food insecurity and poverty.

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sistance. These are individuals who dedicat- these programs are administered through the provincial government. Currently, a single person on OW can receive a maximum of \$733 for basic needs plus a \$390 shelter allowance per month to cover their costs of living. Meanwhile, ODSP for a single person can be up to \$1,368 with the highest shelter allowance.

Right now, the median monthly cost to September is Hunger Action Month, and rent a one-bedroom apartment in Orangeville is \$2,000, according to Zumper's rental market trends.

"Affordable housing is a key barrier for Residents can advocate for increased many people who experience food insecuri-(OW) and the Ontario Disability Support centivize affordable housing developments Program (ODSP) meet the cost of living, through zoning changes, subsidies, or part-"In July, 205 seniors came out for our as- so people can afford food and shelter. Both nerships with local developers," reads the Commerce Rd., Orangeville.



FIGHTING FOOD INSECURITY: The Orangeville Food Bank recently released data of usage from the month of July.

ty update for July.

The Orangeville Food Bank is located at 3

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Celebrating 29 years: The history behind the Headwaters Arts Fall Festival

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

The Headwaters Arts Fall Festival Art Show and Sale will celebrate its 29th Fall Festival their share.

Opening night and reception are Thursday, Sept. 18, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Alton Mill Arts Centre in Alton.

The festival runs until Oct. 5, with a long list 1994. of activities and events, held in the Headwaters Arts Gallery at the Mill throughout that time.

The safe passage by which this festival has blossomed over the years has been part of an of Highway 89. He had worked on a map, actual renaissance here in Orangeville and Dufferin County, over the 1990s, through the locations. hands and efforts of many people to promote and support the arts.

Perhaps Orangeville's Independent Bookstore BookLore began the swell. Already well established from its first days, opening in December 1989 by Nancy Frater and Ellen Clare in the Credit Creek Mall, selling books mattered, but so did giving back to and being involved with the community. This was largely managed by Frater's inviting of well-known authors, including a youthful Margaret Atwood, to come give readings of their new books. The and launched the first Festival Art Show at the proceeds from ticket sales went to support local charities.

In 1994, Signe Ball launched her fabulous the Festival Art Show subcommittee. quarterly magazine In the Hills. Nancy Frater was among the first to readily support the mag- HAF merged with Headwaters Arts. In due azine by placing an ad in the initial issue.

Theatre Orangeville was founded in 1994 by Jim Betts, for which the home was the newly renovated Orangeville Opera House. Betts took on the role of artist director. In 1999, he when the Grant brothers bought the building passed the baton to David Nairn, who imme- from their father in the mid-1990s. Finances diately transitioned it from a summer theatre and advice encouraged them to sell the buildto a regional theatre with programming from ing and land, but they wanted to hang on. September to May.

The Museum of Dufferin (MoD) opened the doors of The Big Green Barn in 1994, too. The MoD is the curator and preserver of antiquities of the 1880s, but it also hosts events, rotating art exhibits in the Silo Gallery, and it invites interesting people to speak at staged events.

Sue Powell is the media person for Headwaters Arts and a fine artist herself. In the call for history notes about the growth of the Headwa-

viduals who were there in the 1990s and doing the fifteenth anniversary of the totally renovat-

Al Pace founded Farmhouse Pottery on of Headwaters Tourism, which he founded in

At the time, Pace was also supporting numerous studio tours around Dufferin, Caledon, south of Highway 89, and Mulmur north showing the roadways and identifying studio

In an email from Signe Ball, she recalled that she and Jim Lorriman (a wood turner) were on the Board of Headwaters Tourism, and they co-chaired the committee that produced the first arts fest in 1996.

As Ball points out in her email, the "original idea of the festival was to promote artists all together under an umbrella marketing scheme. The Festival became independent from the tourism association in 2000, registered as a non-profit, expanded considerably, museum (MoD), later at SGI."

Without confident dates, Ball remarks that course, an arts partnership with the Alton Mill Arts Centre was struck. The Headwaters Arts Fall Festival Art Show and Sale was secure.

There were parts of the Alton Mill in ruins Extensive renovations really began when, in 1999, a wood worker, Carl Borgström, offered to have his shop in the mill and show others that it can work.

Anne-Marie Warburton took a space for her Gallery Gemma, her "first lease in 2006 when the building was still under construction."

She said, "The current board is doing a fantastic job."

Jefferson Mappin also saw the possibilities

ters Arts Festival, she brought responses and that kept the Grants determined to bring the chances to interview from a number of indi-building to its full potential. The year 2024 was ed Alton Mill.

Actor, producer, Jefferson Mappin was Hockley Road in 1977, with a studio in a stundeeply involved in advancing the role of artists ning log house he had built. He was the chair and the arts in Canada. He was the National Vice President of the Alliance of Canadian Radio and Television Artists (ACTRA) from 1997-

> He was a director of the Headwaters Arts Festival for four years and President between KEY PROJECT: The new roof over the atri-2003 and 2007, in the Hills of Headwaters region north west of Toronto from 2001 to 2008 (from www.jeffersonmappin.com).

> In a telephone interview, Mappin commented, "I had been producing films, doing motion pictures, [Unforgiven with Clint Eastwood and that the Mill and the Festival have brought all much more] acting, won awards; I hope to get back to producing a bit."

> He continued talking about the "29-year journey of our local arts festival, recalling that introduced them to each other and the com-Nancy Frater took over the kid fest-inviting munity. kids authors and staging kids events."

formed a partnership between BookLore and in this area. All a product develops over the Theatre Orangeville to collaborate on bringing well-known authors to Orangeville for Then Diana Hillman took on the chair for their Authors on Stage, an ongoing series, the nership, a major part [of what] the Grant brothproceeds of which go entirely to support playwrights to develop new works.

store," he commented.

For his own part with the arts associations, Mappin said, "It was an important part of my life for the five to six years I was involved in it.

"Artists wanted to have their own arts show ple come just to be here." Gallery Gemma has been there since the beginning. She always been a good supporter."

going to see the many artists, so many and so diverse; they were going to various studios.

"Sue is one of the best water colourists I ever met," was Mappin's praise. "She's a great own art and learned to let the hangers do their promoter. When she was working in the government, and was helpful with their grants."

Indeed, Powell's understanding and coaching on how best to complete grant applications and is drawing tourists. and her success with them did bring in much needed funds as the renovations proceeded.



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um at the Alton Mill Arts Centre, which houses Headwaters Arts Gallery, was unveiled in June 2020 with dignitaries, board members and owner Jeremy Grant.

What matters most, in Mappin's opinion, is of the artists together. They were toiling away in their own studios and didn't have a way to get out into the community, but the festival

Speaking of the Grant brothers, Mappin not-He mentioned Frater and David Nairn ed that the Alton Mill has been the arts centre vears and the festivals.

"When we joined with them as an art parters deserve kudos for [is] keeping the arts alive in the area," Mappin made the point. "They do "Nancy sells tickets for everything at the it with limited funding. They could have done other things with the property for more profit-centred ideas, but they gave it over to the arts community.

"We are blessed and lucky in this area. Peo-

There have been revelations, and what Mappin observed, "This I admire the most: people There were people driving all over the place banded together and worked hard not only for themselves. There were great little stories how everyone worked hard together - accepted the fact they are not always the best judge of their jobs for an exhibition."

> The Headwaters Arts Fall Festival Art Show and Sale really did bring the artists together

> Said Jefferson Mappin, "It's been great for making a community.





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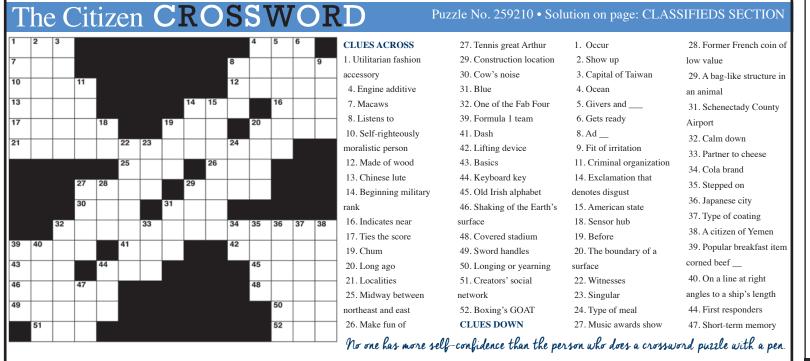
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Orangeville woman speaks about the importance of training Dog Guides

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

An email from Nancy Claridge called for help to raise \$20 million to complete the mony and "I'll cry my eyes out." construction of a facility for the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides (LFCDG), a dogs to adapt. Every dog is an individual. are manuals and online courses. A puppy National dog training centre provided free If they're stressed, the dog's trainer has a representative will come and meet with the to people with disabilities.

training and care, from breeding to fostering to training to graduation," said Claridge in a quickly arranged telephone interview

As one of many people across the country who hosts potential service dogs from year, she understands the importance of this project.

Construction has started; part of the plan is that people come to stay at the facility, which must be fully accessible for disabled people.

She went on to describe the urgency about the fundraising that has now paused construction for the new facility in Oakville, with a \$20 million shortfall, where committed funds did not happen due to COVID-19. of the Black Labs. The training is primarily They already had \$60 million.

"We're hoping to raise \$20m," she said. where allergies are a problem. "Hoping corporations will pick up the short-

Street in Oakville, and the new building is being built in Oakville. This might seem like a story about another town, but the local focus is that there are a number of people who foster guide dogs in this community.

The dog Claridge has been fostering, Jamie, is about to graduate next month, and foster, taking them into grocery stores. Claridge will be among those celebrating their foster dog's graduation.

"I'm picking Jamie up for his last stay with us," she said.

ture after a year. Trainers send them back to appropriate and should go on to school," the fosters and, after, she related, "He'll go admitting "It's a lot of time and heartache money is for."

to Oakville and meet the person with whom [saying good-bye]." he'll live for as long as his service life."

The year with the foster is to teach the home-school environment. The trainers "It costs about \$35,000 per dog for all the have to monitor each dog. Claridge's dog Jamie started as an autism dog, but didn't like being grabbed.

> "As foster, we don't treat them like a pet," she confirmed. "So they get to their handlers and they adapt quite quickly."

It all began for Claridge when her friend, when they are about eight weeks old for a who is visually impaired, had a dog from LF-

> There is a program for adopting a career change dog that has flunked and been adopted out, like her dog, Lake, which she adopted as her own.

> "I saw what ways there are to manage, and I was grateful. I asked, 'Can I participate in other ways?' And began with a puppy as a foster," Claridge explained.

> Lake is a Yellow Labrador, and Trek is one with labs and sometimes poodles in cases

By adopting Lake, he became an assistant puppy raiser who teaches the puppies how Currently, the LFCDG facility is on Wilson to act; a puppy snuggles with the dog. Puppies have had issues with other dogs, but they soon get in line.

As a child, there was always a dog in the Claridge home, and Nancy Claridge grew up with a passion for them.

To clarify, it's different when you have a

She outlined how the system works, "Volunteer fostering, dog guides provide food and vet care. You provide home and experiences. There are obligations to take them to

It should also be said that Pet Valu Can-Claridge admitted she will be at the cere- ada donates high-quality dog food to the foundation for all its needs.

You apply to become a foster, and there

She explained, "We're not the trainer. We teach basic manners so that it not too hard to train them when they go off to school."

Claridge started in 2022 with a sevenweek-old puppy, sitting with a Goldie; then, in June 2022, she got Trek.

The \$35,000 average cost to fully train a dog guide "includes the cost of staff – vets, trainers, puppy reps, puppy care, food, medicines, travel to go to clients or bring clients in for training, etc."

All dogs in a litter get the same letter at the beginning of their names.

Along with her time with her canines, Claridge also is president of the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival, and sits on boards for other organizations. She is a partner at the law firm, Carters Professional Corporation, at 211 Broadway.

"Most of my clients hear about the dogs and sometimes they are in meetings," she portant to her, Claridge was clear: "Over the

supports the puppy barn in Breslau near lax with an autism child and know the dogs Guelph, and all the programs would have to will watch over the child. We constantly shut down without the necessary funding, which would be a significant loss.

a fully accessible building. This is a fundamental piece of financing. There is no government support, so appeals are made to corporate sponsors, but there was a fall back from COVID-19, and costs rising.

there has been significant building done so lems. They are really well behaved." Basically, the puppies stay out of the pic- the dog guides vet and seeing that they are far, and as she confirms, "If I say the money is for the new building, - that's what the fordogguides.com, call 1-800-768-3030, or

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FURRY FRIEND: Local resident Nancy Claridge sits with her dog guide puppy Jamie, who is being trained as a fully-fledged service dog.

When asked why the guide dogs are imyears of fostering, I've been able to see the As to the new facility in Oakville, it impact these dogs have had. People can reget feedback, the feedback of people who have the dogs. Loving them and having the The costs are increased because this is chance to see what good they do is very re-

> "Career change dogs make good pets as well," she added.

Sweetly, Claridge remarked, "Last time I had Jamie home, I took all four dogs, actu-Claridge assures potential donors that ally 350 pounds of dogs and I had no prob-

> To register or to donate, visit: www.walkemail walk@dogguides.co.

Museum of Dufferin's Silo Gallery features Hockley Valley photographer in new exhibit

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Hockley Valley-based photographer Peter Dusek is opening the communities' eyes to the spaces between rural architecture and nature, with a new exhibit at the Museum of Dufferin (MoD).

The exhibit, titled "Field Work," features 13 pieces of photography from Dusek's collection that capture the connection of rural architecture, such as barns, silos, and coun- as an IT consultant. try buildings, with the surrounding nature, including the land and sky.

is mostly from Dufferin and from the surrounding regions," said Dusek. "This gives people a chance to see some of the country architecture and art from their own region."

Dusek's first solo exhibition was in 2015 in Toronto and saw Saks Fifth Avenue purchase the entire exhibit twice for a total of 38 pieces to be displayed in their Toronto and Etobicoke stores. Prior to becoming a and Daoism, with the goal of using "as little know it," said Dusek. professional photographer, Dusek worked

"I'm especially proud that all the work between 40 to 50 group exhibitions across what I'm trying to do is give equal weight to Canada.

> "I'm self-taught and started with photography as a hobby about 15 years ago. I didn't each other." plan on becoming an artist, but basically started a career change to become an artist," said Dusek.

Dusek's photography technique is inspired by eastern philosophy, such as Zen know what I'm looking for; when I see it, I as possible, as much as necessary.

Over the years, Dusek has held roughly tween things," explained Dusek. "Typically lery at the Museum of Dufferin from Sept. 15 solo exhibitions and has participated in you see the whole building in picture, but 13 to Jan. 31.

the land and the sky to show the relationship between them because they're part of

The subjects of his photography are often found while driving around the region on his

"I find things that excite me, but I never

Dusek's exhibit "Field Work" will be on "A lot of my work is about the space bedisplay on the fourth floor of the Silo Gal-



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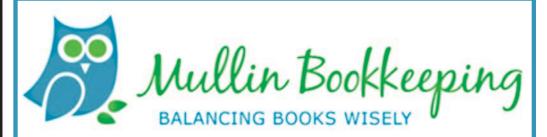
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Leisa Way to celebrate 100 Years of Grand Ole Opry with upcoming concert

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

and songwriters who have graced the stage of the Grand Ole Opry will soon be heard as Orangeville-based performer Leisa Way travels through 100 years of history in "Opry show that was the music she was brought Gold."

Under the musical direction of Mulmur-based pianist and composer Bruce Ley, Leisa Way and her Wayward Wind Band are set to bring "Opry Gold" to the Gibson Centre in Alliston on Sept. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

"We've taken [Opry Gold] across Canada, from East to West, and this is the first time we're bringing it to the Gibson Centre, which is unbelievable," said Way. "[Opry Gold] is about the music and these little radio broadcast in 1925, when Nashville gems of stories."

Written, produced, and performed by Leisa Way herself, 'Opry Gold' celebrates the history of the Grand Ole Opry through the stories and music of the legendary artists who have performed on the stage.

Way and her band originally debuted the 'Opry Gold' concert nearly a decade ago and set the stage for country music legends, have gone on to perform the show in roughly 50 theatres across Canada.

the audience through the decades of the day's stars like Shania Twain, Keith Urban, Grand Ole Opry by singing to songs of early country legends such as Dolly Parton, Hank and Zac Brown Band. Williams, and Patsy Cline to modern-day country stars, including Taylor Swift, Carrie years ago, the show has undergone numer-Underwood, Garth Brooks, and Lady A.

The inspiration behind "Opry Gold" was mance different from the next. Way's own mother, Eilleen.

had already written, produced, and pre- in two hours," said Way. "We also change it and bass, an up-and-coming young star who ductions.ca.

formed around eight own her own shows. Recognizing that her mother was getting older, she wanted a way to include her in The songs of legendary country singers a show, so she brought to life one of her mother's "greatest loves," The Grand Ole

> "I wanted her to be able to come see a up on," said Way. "I thought it was a really cool idea to share the stories of the artists who appeared on the Opry; the stories of their songs, of the artists themselves and how they got to be there."

> The return of "Opry Gold" comes as the country music world prepares to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the Grand Ole Opry this fall.

> The Grand Ole Opry began as a simple radio station WSM became one of the first all-country music stations. The Grand Ole Opry was held at the Ryman Auditorium from 1943 to 1974, before moving to the custom-built home, The Grand Ole Opry

Over the decades, the Grand Ole Opry including Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, Johnny Cash, Loretta Lynn, George During the show, Way and her band take Jones, and Tammy Wynette, as well as to-Taylor Swift, Darius Rucker, Kenny Chesney,

> While "Opry Gold" was created nearly 10 ous redrafts and changes, with each perfor-

"We switch the songs out often because,

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GOLDEN TOUR: Leisa Way and her Wayward Wind Band are on tour and will soon be performing at the Gibson Centre in Alliston.

depending on what songs are popular,"

Way's multi-talented band includes vocalist/guitarist Brant Garratt (Duke Street (Jim Galloway's Wee Big Band); Don Reid at on drums (Orchestra London & Pauly and the Goodfellas); and Alex George on fiddle 2828. (Natalie McMaster), who are all rising stars in the Canadian music scene. New to the her Wayward Wind Band, including future It was the mid-2010s and Way, at the time, how can you possibly cover all these artists show this fall is Matt Ballagh on lead vocals

has performed for Drayton Entertainment in "Fiddler on the Loose, Sorry I'm Canadian."

Tickets for 'Opry Gold' at the Gibson Cen-Turnaround); bassist-singer Mark Dunn tre in Alliston on Sept. 11 can be purchased https://gibsoncentre.com/our-events/ opry-gold-sep-11-2025 or by calling 705-435-

> More information about Leisa Way and shows, can be found at www.waytogopro-

New manager Julie Woods takes the reins at Ontario SPCA Orangeville & District Animal Centre

Written By SAM ODROWSKI LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

There's a fresh face at the Ontario SPCA

Orangeville & District Animal Centre. announced Julie Woods as the new manager homes.

of the local animal centre on Aug. 28. "Woods brings with her a life-long love of animals, and over 20 years of customer service and leadership experience. She has worked in the pet industry in the past and is looking forward to bringing her passion for

from the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society. Woods has had pets since she was a child, coming in many forms, with some adopted and others that found their way to her fam- a little bit shy and within a couple days of

animals to her new role," reads a statement

"It's just so wonderful to work with ani- and volunteers, they come around and win adoption, visit ontariospca.ca/orangeville

mals again. I think working at the Ontario everyone over. That's really special.' SPCA has just given me more of a purpose," said Woods.

The Ontario SPCA and Humane Society the centre and helping them to find loving furry family members.

Woods has strong ambitions as the new manager, with the goal of finding loving homes for more than 650 animals this year. But the animal centre is well on its way, with close to 400 animals already adopted so far

"I love seeing the different personalities of the cats and their playfulness, and spending time outside with our dogs is really fun," Woods said. "Sometimes they come in

When Woods isn't busy helping improve the lives of animals at the Orangeville cen-The role is rewarding in many ways, partere, she enjoys spending time at her farm in ticularly in getting to know each animal at Belwood with her husband, daughter, and

> Dawn Lyons was the former manager of the Orangeville & District Animal Centre for five years before moving into a new role as the provincial operations manager of clinical services with the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society.

> Woods looks forward to bringing her exlocal animal centre wishes Lyons all the best in her future endeavours.

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pertise to the new role as manager, and the TAKING CHARGE: Julie Woods is the new manager of the Ontario SPCA Orangeville & District Animal Centre. She replaces Dawn Lyons, who worked as manager for five years, and recently took on a new role as the provincial operations manager of clinical services at the Ontario SPCA and Humane

Headwaters Health Care Centre's Hike to Fight Cancer fundraiser returning to community next month

Written By PAULA BROWN LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

honour their loved ones affected by cancer dation. with the return of their Headwaters Hike to Fight Cancer.

Cancer will be held on Oct. 9 from 3:30 p.m. Lodge, located at 17431 Mississauga Rd., adults and \$25 for youth. Caledon.

so many lives," said K.C. Carruthers, CEO of Headwaters Health Care Foundation. "Whether you're hiking in memory of some-tunities for local businesses and organizaone, in support of a loved one, or simply to make a difference, your participation matters."

The inaugural Headwaters Hike to Fight Cancer was held last year and looks to raise critical funds for life-saving equipment and services. In the event's first year, HHCF was able to raise a total of \$68,000 in support of breast cancer care. This year, the hospital's foundation expanded the mission of the hike to support all forms of cancer care at

Headwaters Health Care Centre (HHCC).

"With government funding not covering foundation concluded. the cost of medical equipment, every dollar

Early bird registration for the Headwaters Hike to Fight Cancer is open and will The hospital foundation announced that be available until Sept. 12. The cost of regthe 2nd Annual Headwaters Hike to Fight istration during the early bird period is \$25 for adults and \$15 for youth. From Sept. 12 to 7:30 p.m. at the Caledon Ski Club West until Oct. 9, the cost of registration is \$35 for

"Participants are encouraged to register "We're thrilled to bring the community to- early to take advantage of discounted pricgether once again for a cause that touches ing and being building their personal fundraising pages."

> HHCF is still offering sponsorship opportions to support the fundraising event.

"It's a meaningful way to give back to the community while gaining visibility among



engaged participants and supports," the or by calling 519-941-2701 ext.2309.

Headwaters Health Care Foundation raised helps ensure patients receive the best can learn more by contacting Christine Pat- participate in the hike, visit: hhcfoundation. HHCF) is inviting community members to possible care close to home," said the founterson at coatterson@headwatershealth.ca akaraisin.com/ui/hike2025.

For more information about the Headwa-Those interested in a sponsorship spot ters Hike to Fight Cancer or to register to



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Orangeville author's new book 'Fredbits' offers guidance for a new generation

Written By JOSHUA DRAKES

Orangeville author Fred Dyke has spent a lifetime gathering wisdom from faith, famall into *Fredbits* – a book of 365 bite-sized,

For Dyke, the book is a way of passing of humor to the next generation, offering lessons learned from years of walking with God and through his many varied careers.

"I wanted to write a book to bring back a sense of sensibleness or common sense to the world," Dyke said. "I feel that there's a lack of an acceptance of truth, and people have gotten away from reality. I know I don't have all the answers, but I wanted to write a book that maybe might help some he wanted the book to remain accessible to people find their way.'

fact, he didn't even like reading.

"I hated reading," he said. "I could read a book and I just wouldn't, I didn't have an idea what it was saying, especially poetry and stuff like that. I could read history, but that was purely for fact checking."

ing in various careers.

more I dealt with management, the more I where really." saw the challenges of management. I discovered most managers never set out to and put down at any time. No page is debe managers. They started as mechanics or ily, and experience. Now he has distilled it nurses and got promoted, but without the training to go along with it. So, therefore, single-page insights that blend his relation- I felt a need to cover it in a small book, 10 ship with Christianity and his reflections on common things that managers should have or should do.'

This followed Dyke's aversion to novels on guidance, encouragement, and a touch and his prior interest in instructional or historical reading.

> Years later, Dyke began to notice how much the world had changed - attitudes were shifting, values evolving, and reality itself becoming subjective. He wanted to do something about it.

The challenge, Dyke explained, was how to present his ideas. His writing is deeply influenced by his relationship with God, yet people of other faiths - or none at all. The Dyke never set out to be a writer - in solution came in the form of short, self-contained chapters.

"I debated in my mind for years, but I didn't know how to present it," he said. "I knew if I did a book on Christianity that nobody would buy it, or at least non-Christians wouldn't buy it. The other thing is, ple of how subjective truth is and how peo- it's a legacy. By weaving humor, reflection, He said that started to change after work- most people don't read for long periods ple twist things," he said. "You hear this ex- and faith into short, daily lessons, he hopes anymore. They want to get in and get out. pression a lot of times: 'follow your heart.' to spark conversations across generations "I wrote my first book in 2003," Dyke So I decided on one-page chapters. You can It's quite common, but Jesus said, 'follow and encourage readers to pause, reflect,

The result is a book readers can pick up pendent on the last, so you can flip to any spot and find a reflection, a piece of advice, or even a joke.

Some pages deal with practical lessons, like setting daily priorities. Others are designed to spark reflection on relationships, conflict, or generational differences. A few even take on a playful rhythm, like the first page, which Dyke describes as sort of like

"Do you have all the answers? Well, what are the questions? Are you happy? Are you sad? Does the slightest thing make you mad? What about your moods? Do they vary with your foods? Are you up or are you down? What causes you to frown? What will it take to give you a lift? If I say the wrong thing, will you be miffed?"

Beyond humor, Dyke also confronts deeper themes. The most meaningful passages to him are those that touch on Christianity, truth, and the struggle he sees in today's culture between subjective feelings and objective reality.

"If you look at page 285, there's an examsaid. "It was on management, because the read one over coffee, in the bathroom, any- me.' Your heart is not always right, and and search for truth in a world that often

LOCAL LITERATURE: Orangeville author Fred Dyke recently released a book titled Fredbits, which shares 365 bite-sized insights that anyone could find useful.

whether you follow Jesus or not, I'm challenging people to question their feelings, to question their own hearts."

For Dyke, Fredbits is more than a book -

Birding made easy: Sustainable Orangeville launches free backpack lending program

Sustainable Orangeville has launched a new initiative making nature exploration ing Backpack program.

Orangeville Public Library card holders can sign out one of three birding backpacks er way to connect with nature, but the cost from either the Mill Street or Alder Street branch. Each pack contains:

binoculars

• a bird identification guide

more accessible to all residents — the Bird- and sharing sightings (such as through the eBird platform)

> Birding is a fun, engaging and low-barriof good binoculars can make it harder for move that obstacle, opening the door to a no waiting list.

new hobby for residents of all ages and abil- helpful resources for finding, tracking ities, including underserved and low-income from local conservation areas to backcommunity members.

> Language and information for the program standing of our local biodiversity. is also guided by birdability.org, a website dedicated to accessibility in bird outings.

some people to do. This program helps re- week. Renewals will be available if there's

yards-and helps foster a deeper under-

Sustainable Orangeville hopes the program will inspire more residents to explore The backpacks can be borrowed for a the natural world close to home, learn more about bird species in our area and take part in conservation efforts.

Birdwatching can be enjoyed anywhere—

Dufferin OPP encourages the public to remain vigilant of school buses with return to school

Written By SAM ODROWSKI LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Students in Dufferin County, and much of Ontario, returned to school on Wednesday, reads a statement from Dufferin OPP on Sept. 3. With school buses back on the road- Sept. 2. "Drivers should also adjust their ume of students traveling between home said Dufferin OPP. ways, transporting young children to and speed and be aware of extra vehicle traffic and school by numerous methods of transfrom school, the Dufferin Detachment of along with pedestrian traffic during school portation, so it's important to be aware of be served a Provincial Offences Notices for the Ontario Provincial Police is encouraging hours in school zones." motorists to remain alert.

requires all approaching drivers to stop,"

"[Dufferin OPP] along with area school Dufferin OPP is encouraging motorists to with its red lights activated is \$490 minimum points upon conviction."

bus drivers would like to remind all drivers focus all of their attention on the road and and six demerit points. that a stopped school bus with its red overput away unnecessary distractions. As well, head flashing lights and extended stop arm drivers need to slow down in school zones of vehicles not stopping for school buses in and respect the posted speed limit.

school buses with their red flashing lights 'Failing to stop for a School Bus' that comes To prevent collisions and promote safety, activated. The fine for passing a school bus with a price tag of \$490 and six demerit

"In response to an increase in complaints Dufferin County, officers will be conducting There will be a higher-than-normal vol- extra patrols before and after school hours,"

"Drivers that are found in violation will



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ROUNDING THE BASES: A player sprints to third base as the ball lands in the infield during a game between the Grime Team and RB 98 at the north diamond at Rotary Park in Orangeville on Thursday, Aug. 28. Orangeville Men's Slo-Pitch heads into playoffs this week with a round-robin style opener.

North Dufferin Baseball League starts 2025 championship series

Written By **BRIAN LOCKHART**

the first week of May, the North Dufferin cord and 35 points. Baseball League is ready to start the 2025 senior final series to determine this year's one point behind with a 17-5 record. Strother Cup champion.

Knights with the defending champion Owen sion battling it out in the first round.

Sound Baysox. The Baysox claimed the title in 2024.

2022 and 2023.

The final series will be an epic battle be-

tween two strong teams.

After a long season that got underway in League standings this year with a 17-4-1 re- Aug. 28, with a 1-0 New Lowell win.

Owen Sound finished in second place, just iners in their first-round action.

The playoffs started on Aug. 5, with the an 11-1 Owen Sound win. The final series will match the New Lowell top eight teams in the league's senior divi-

Creemore Padres in the first round in a se-New Lowell were the Strother Cup cham-ries that went five games and ended with a pions the two previous years, winning in 3-0 New Lowell win in the final game on Aug. 14.

In the second round, the Knights dis-

patched the Bolton Brewers in a series that seven event that will get underway on Satur-New Lowell finished in first place in the went four games and ended in Bolton on day, Sept. 6.

That series wrapped up on Aug. 13, with

Rangers in the second round. That series er Cup. The New Lowell Knights eliminated the went five games after Game 3 ended in a 7-7

> Owen Sound wrapped it up with a 9-2 win on Sept. 1, on their home diamond in Owen and Don Bartley.

The championship series will be a best-of- had not been posted as of press time.

This final series will be a very competitive Owen Sound eliminated the Midland Mar- competition between two talented teams that are both hungry for the win.

The Baysox want to be repeat champions, and the Knights want to claim the title and The Baysox then went on to face the Ivy move to the win column for the 2025 Stroth-

> New Lowell is coached by Peter Kingham and Jesse McIntyre.

The Baysox are coached by Ryan Bartley

The final schedule for the championship





SOCCER SEASON: There are still a few games on the schedule for Women's Recreation Soccer in Orangeville. Two teams compete on the soccer pitch at Rotary Park in Orangeville on Thursday, Aug. 28.



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OPINION

You don't agree?

As a columnist, I don't expect everyone to agree with my opinion.

It would be a very boring world if we all thought the same way and we all had the very same opinion about everything.

If you throw a bunch of strangers in a room and ask their thoughts on a particular subject, it would be very rare to find a group of people who all thought the same way. I guess it could happen, but it's not likely.

For the most part, I get a lot of positive feedback from readers. Many approach me in public or at events and mention a column that I've written, and they liked.

That is especially true if I have tried to promote something that would help people.

For example, a few years ago, I wrote about the misuse of handicapped parking

That involved several weeks of observation, as well as an incident where a friend of mine, who has been physically disabled since birth, had to be carried into a hockey game because all of the handicapped parking spaces were full, and he could not walk the entire distance from where he had

I received a huge amount of feedback from people who were thankful this was pointed out, as they had handicapped family members who went through the same frustrating situation of not being able to find parking, only to see a family with several able-bodied children run from their car to the front door of an arena.

This type of feedback makes me feel that, in some small way, I have helped promote something that will help other people.

I also get negative feedback from time to time. Sometimes it is from someone who just doesn't like what I've written.

Other times, I have received some pretty nasty notes. Although the real nasty ones, complete with name calling, have come from organized groups from outside of the region.

I guess some groups monitor all news from across the country, so they attack those who don't agree with their agenda.

I don't mind negative feedback. You have to have a thick skin in such a situation and just let it roll off of your back.

However, when someone sends negative feedback, apparently based on reading a two-word headline, then makes incorrect or completely wrong comments after obviously not reading the entire column - well, that's not good.

I recently wrote a column on the work ethic. The point was, having a job is a good thing that impacts your life, the country, and the economy.

I referenced a guy who made a video

telling his countrymen to apply as refugees when coming to Canada because they would make more money.

A reader wrote in, saying I had been the 'victim' of misleading information.

Well, no, that's not quite right.

If the reader had actually read the column, they would have known I did not make that claim, and never said it was fact.

I was repeating misleading information stated by another person.

The reader states, "Do the ETHICAL WORK of checking the actual facts."

Well, yes, the reader should have done the ethical work of checking the facts and reading the column before accusing me of providing false information.

They obviously did not read the column and absorb the information.

In that column, I also made reference to the fact that Poland does not want refugees. The reader again tried to argue, say-

ing Poland has accepted almost 1 million Ukrainian refugees. I guess I should have specified they don't

other countries. However, the reader is apparently not up on current world news, as this fact is well

want refugees from the Middle East and

known and documented. "Poland will not accept anyone sending

illegal migrants to its ter-

BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW

ritory, says PM." - Reuters, May 7, 2025. "Poland suspends

migrants' right to apply for asylum." - BBC, May 27, 2025.

"EU will not force Poland to take in more migrants, says PM." - Polish News Agency, May 2024.

"Poland won't accept migrant relocation mechanism, PM says." - Reuters, April 10,

"Poland shuts asylum door at Belarus border with EU backing." - Politico, March 21,

"Migrants face expulsion at Polish border under new law." - BBC Oct. 15, 2021.

Funny enough, the day I received the note from the reader about Ukrainian refugees, the first headline I saw was "Polish president blocks law to extend social welfare to Ukrainian refugees." - AFP Aug. 28, 2025.

gees." - The Munich Eye. If you don't agree with me, that's fine. I'm like Ricky Gervais - "I don't care, I really

That was followed by "Poland's president blocks child benefit law for Ukrainian refu-

But if you do disagree and want to make it known, at least read the column and check your facts.

Greenland, Ukraine and all that

Last Wednesday the Danish foreign minister, Lars Lokke Rasmussen, summoned the top US diplomat in Copenhagen to his office to complain that the United States is running a covert operation in Greenland, a semi-autonomous part of the Danish kingdom.

According to DR, Denmark's public broadcaster, the goal of the operation is to infiltrate Greenland's society and promote the island's secession from Denmark to the US. It's straight out of the Russian playbook in 2014, when Vladimir Putin was subverting the Russian-speaking Donbas in the eastern part of the Ukraine and funding a separatist movement there.

There's nothing particularly original about getting some dissident or sold-out minority to call on a great power to intervene in order to provide political cover for what is really an invasion. The old Soviet Union did it to Czechoslovakia in 1968 and to Afghanistan in 1979.

At peak arrogance, when the US was the sole superpower, it didn't bother with such niceties. It just sent in the troops: Dominican Republic 1965, Grenada 1983, Libya 1986, Panama 1989, Afghanistan 2001, Iraq 2003. Now it needs a bit more cover, especially when invading the territory of a long-standing ally, so let's find or buy some

amenable Greenlanders.

To be fair, the attempt to recruit a few 'pro-American' Greenlanders to front the operation suggests that the Trump regime prefers a non-violent conquest if at all possible. On the other hand, it also indicates that at least some of the planners in Washington have been instructed to start preparing the ground for an American takeover. (Canadians take note.)

Would the Danes fight if such an invasion took place? Almost certainly not. Resistance would be futile, and anyway it's not really their island. 90 per cent of the population are Greenlanders (i.e. Inuit/Eskimo) who can vote for independence whenever they want. They're just waiting because they still need the massive subsidies that Denmark currently provides.

Would the Greenlanders themselves fight? A few of them might, just to put down a marker showing that they really want independence, not American citizenship. But it would probably not be a big fight or a

Would NATO survive? Not really: the basic rule of alliance-making is that members refrain from invading other members. However, most of NATO's other 31 members have depended on American military guarantees, particularly about nuclear

weapons, for eighty years. It will take them at least five years to fill the gaps if they create a similar alliance without the US..

That is not an impossible gap to span, because half the Russian army is currently tied down in Ukraine and it would take a while to rebuild it afterwards whatever the outcome in that beleaguered country. Europe's best bet is to keep Ukraine in the war as long as possible (the US won't help) while frantically modernizing and expanding its own military capacity.

It's extremely disagreeable to have to make these calculations when democracy is in retreat and the real emergency is global warming. Those should be our priorities, but we are where we are and Donald Trump is who he is.

Russia is already a fascist state and America may end up as its closest ally if Trump survives. So who is left to defend the rule of law, and above all to protect the fundamental international rule that nobody may change borders by force?

That was the law, written in 1945 by the survivors of the greatest war in history, that has saved us from far worse wars for the past eighty years. Indeed, there have been no wars even one-tenth as bad as 1939-45 in all this time. Fear of nuclear war forced us to be reasonable, but 'no territorial

changes by force' was how we turned that into a policy.

GWYNNE DYER OUR WORLD TODAY

Now Russia has moved outside that law, and the United

States is heading the same way. So who's Well, actually, almost everybody else.

China's obsession with Taiwan is regrettable, but it is rooted in a civil war between rival Chinese governments. On every other matter, it is a devout defender of the territorial status quo. The European Union's members will strive to uphold the rule about no border

changes by force, as will almost all the democracies of Asia, Oceania and the Americas. Africa's devotion to the rule that borders must not be changed by force is unshakable.

Together, Russia and the United States have about half a billion people - one-sixteenth of the world's people. Yes, they have most of the nukes, but they are really unus able.

Almost everybody else lives in countries whose governments still uphold the key law about borders, regardless of their domestic political arrangements. We are not alone. We are the great majority of the world.

Blowing in the wind

There is a sort-of writing club that invites submissions as a competition to win some small sum or to have one's effort published in their online magazine. The way it works is: a prompt is given, and we are encouraged to write about it within a specified word count - in this case, up to a maximum of 500 words. This week the prompt is to talk about the "story that follows you."

There are no holds barred as to style or genre of writing – send them your thoughts in a poem, a collection of haikus, straight prose - whatever comes to you - stand on your head to write it if you like.

The points of the prompt are to promote the exercise of writing and to fill their space with interesting thoughts for others to read and presumably pay a subscription. Actually, there are plenty of these "clubs," plenty of opportunities to stretch one's mind and put pencil to paper.

I really like to see that idea promoted: putting pencil to paper. Not forgotten that old craft of using materials to create. Painting, yes, is about colours and shapes and how to put them in a frame. Entirely hands-on feet, in some cases, a brush held by teeth, but in any case, as a non-virtual exercise.

All the visual arts demand hands (etc.) on execution, the use of tools, backs turned to

our computers. In this, writers might forget to do as much, and it makes a difference to the process. The connection between pencil and paper can be cathartic, can bring out ideas and feelings that are spontaneous and surprising. Like doodling. Pencil on paper, mind adrift, even distracted, and something in us can lead us along a path we were not expecting.

For me, poetry is like sculpture; how it lays on the page seems to define the content, influences how one would read it out loud, and understand the music hidden within it. How flexible poetry is, how forgiving. It does not insist on rhyme, yet somehow the flow that arises from the writing of a poem grips our natural inclination for rhythm.

Writing poetry reminds us of our connection to ourselves; it can refresh our natural link to nature, to feeling what others feel, to experience a special moment coming out of the blue, and for no specific reason, very satisfied.

It is not about "talent;" it is about following your inner you.

During the many interviews I do with artists, with people who support them, and people who love the tremendous presence of art in this town, in the surrounding area, they talk about how fortunate we are to be

in the middle of all this art that stretches to include all of it.

Quietly but right on Broadway is Readers' Choice used books store, a land of discovery - so many books, yet meticulously recorded so that if you want a specific volume, if they have it, you will know it in a moment.

This is a long-standing and wonderful monument to books. The floors creak a little as one begins the journey of recognizing old friends and discovering books and authors long forgotten or not yet known. There are first editions with leather covers; there are serious dictionaries and travel stories, and the excitement of pages, of writing chances to learn.

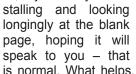
An excellent round of children's books, board games, and small toys are part of the stock – a rack of T-shirts and other treasures to find.

A person could be a long time in the Readers' Choice shop, and there are a couple of chairs, but be sure you purchase something to take with you. This shop is a real treasure, a profound tribute to the land of books and truly a compliment to the literacy of this town. Another reason to appreciate being and living in Orangeville.

If you have the notion to pick up that pen-

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is normal. What helps, though, is to read. Read books of any ilk, stretch your own horizons of what you think you like.

A young woman of my acquaintance in her 20s told me straight-faced that she never tried anything new to eat. I was appalled.

"What day in your life did you come to such a conclusion?" I asked her, but she did not have an answer, only an idea that she had covered all that interested her.

So with reading. We get it stuck in our minds that we only like a certain kind of art, of books, or a style of painting, sculpture,

Yet, every once in a while, we should break free; we should scribble with our favourite pencil; we should wake up to a new day and see things differently- what colours are those flowers? What choice do I have for my breakfast? With whom will I laugh today? How can I be of help?

Anyone who is 90, 100 years old will still attest that life is short, is fleeting. While there is still time, be sure to "taste" something new whenever you can.

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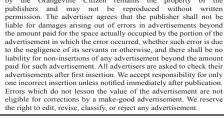
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Monthly Message: Why Hunger Action Month matters more than ever

September is Hunger Action Month — a time when food banks across Canada invite their communities to learn, share, and act together.

For me, as the donor engagement and outreach manager at the Orangeville Food Bank, this month is deeply personal. It's not just about raising awareness — it's about my neighbours. your neighbours, and the very fabric of our com-

What I see every day

Every week, I meet families, seniors, and individuals who never imagined they would need a food bank. In July, we served 575 households 1,467 people in total — including 520 kids.

That number still takes my breath away. And 81 of those households were brand new to us. Imagine that — 81 families and individuals who hit a point where groceries simply didn't fit into the budget anymore.

doesn't always look the same. In July, 49 peo- tributed 59,221 pounds to families and agencies see generosity in action. When I look at our vol- food—it's about dignity. It's about letting someple we served were unhoused — living without in just one month. But the shelves empty quick- unteers — retirees, teenagers, busy parents — one know they matter, that they are seen, and a roof over their heads. But there were also 54 people who owned their own homes, and still, the bills outweighed the paycheques. 205 seniors came through our doors, as did 216 work- the heart and hands of the food bank. They sort Hunger Action Month is our reminder that to- and remind every neighbour in Orangeville and ing adults — proof that "just getting a job" isn't food, welcome clients, and make sure everything a solution when wages don't match the cost of runs smoothly. If you've ever wondered if your

that they purchased instant coffee because a to work in the most magical place in the world. single jar can replace over a dozen meals. Or Some may think that the most magical place in the retired couple who thanked us at the front the world is Disney, but they have likely never



door for allowing them the opportunity to have access to fresh produce. These are the stories behind the numbers.

Why Hunger Action Month matters

This is why Hunger Action Month is so important. It's a chance for all of us to pause and ask: "What can I do to make sure no neighbour goes hungry?"

For me, there are four answers:

to you, we received 24,222 pounds of food — What stands out to me most is that hunger through donations and food recovery. We disly. Every can of soup, every dollar, makes a dif-

2. Volunteer your time. Our volunteers are time matters, I can tell you — it does. Because I think about the single father who admitted of our volunteers I whole heartedly believe I get

spent any time at the Orangeville Food Bank.

3. Advocate. Hunger isn't just about food - it's about systems. Social assistance rates for a food or fundraising drive. don't come close to covering the cost of living. Affordable housing is out of reach for too many. Food Bank on September 22nd from 10-12 Speaking up for better policies isn't political — where you can tour the building, learn about it's human. We need to make sure Ontario Works our various programs and talk with local municand ODSP meet real living costs, and that housing solutions are prioritized.

4. Engage your community. I've seen workplaces, churches, and schools rally together — how you would make out for a month if you hosting food drives, raising funds, and sending were in the shoes of one of our clients: feedonteams of volunteers. Those group efforts ripple tario.ca/fork-in-the-road/ outward, inspiring others.

What keeps me hopeful

hopeful is you. In July, community donations act. Hunger Action Month is about reminding 1. Donate food or funds. In July, thanks brought in over 11,000 pounds of food. Every ourselves that we can build a community where time I walk through our warehouse and see bins filling up with pasta, cereal, or produce, I I see hearts that refuse to let their neighbours that they belong. struggle alone.

gether, we can do even more.

How you can join in

This September, here's how you can take ac- er, TOGETHER WE CAN. tion with us:

- grocery store bins.
 - Set up a monthly donation online—it helps geville Food Bank.

us plan and stretch dollars further.

- Rally your workplace, school, or faith group
- Join us at our MMP Sort at the Orangeville ipal leaders about how they are advocating for change in our community.
- Try Feed Ontario's Fork in the Road to see

Looking ahead

Hunger Happens. It is solvable. But it takes Even with these challenges, what keeps me awareness, compassion, and a willingness to no one goes hungry.

> Every meal we provide is about more than As I look ahead to September, I'm asking you

This community never fails to show up. And to join me. Let's fill the shelves, raise our voices, Dufferin County that they are not alone.

Because when this community comes togeth-

This Community Voice submission was • Drop off food at the food bank or at local written by Carrie-Anne DeCaprio, donor engagement and outreach manager at the Oran-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: Open letter on EV mandate

Dear Mr. Seeback,

I received your survey about EV mandate and was ready to just answer and mail it, just ute. to realize that that won't make justice to the issue in discussion. I think a debate in a public forum would make more sense.

I appreciate the fact that you are doing the survey, however, this is where my appreciation stops. Here is why: the reason for electrification of transportation is not just a fancy of any one politician, but rather a belated reac- of and propose a viable alternative that allevition to climate change.

If we keep doing the same, we should exame, as the rest of the globe does, and go electric. pect the same to happen to us. Our location was spared (so far) by disasters; otherwise, go through other extremes: droughts, floods, with them and keep fighting like hell to prohurricanes... Speaking strictly about costs, as tect the Canadians. I see your argument is hanging a lot on dollar figures, rebuilding won't come cheap.

Moreover, some parts of the life of the victims of these fires are gone for good. By the way, it won't be long before insurance premiums will go up, while certain locations will become un-insurable. And guess who gets stuck with that bill? We do.

But enough with the here and now, what about the future? What kind of a messy world are we going to leave to our children, in the name of convenience – like planning around a charging cable? Who's going to pay for that cleanup?

This, Mr. Seeback, I'm afraid is not a party issue. This is about our very civilization survival. Is the EV for everyone now? Well, I'd say it is more for Bolton and Orangeville residents, less for Mono and Mulmur ones. Like with so many technologies before, in the next 10 years it is to be expected that EVs will evolve in terms of capabilities and, yes, range as one such capability.

For now, for most of us, commuting should not be beyond the range in winter: how many of us are commuting daily 150 kilometres one

way? As for charging... those "millions" EVs will be distributed geographically and tens or hundreds of hydro suppliers will all contrib-

Moreover, personal power generation is now within reach. We do not all need high speed chargers; plugging to a regular outlet (which so many of us already have installed in our garage) should charge enough over night for the next day's errands.

Common Sense Conservatives should think ates global warming. Until then, we should do

While I am not a Liberal (nor a Conservative, for that matter), when they're right, Canadians from coast to coast – and yes, to they're right. As opposition, I would expect coast, the North was not excepted, had to you to keep them in check against wrongendure wild fires that destroyed communi- doings; on an issue like our very survival, I ties and livelihoods. Other locations had to would feel more represented if you will work

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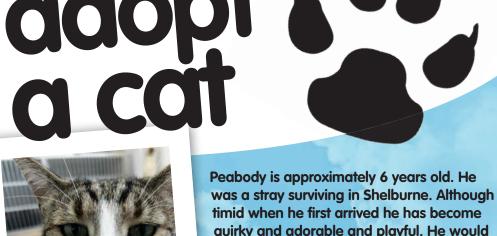


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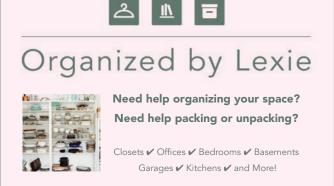
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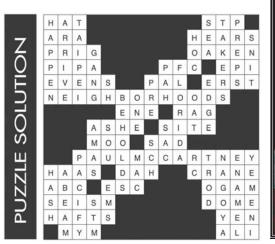
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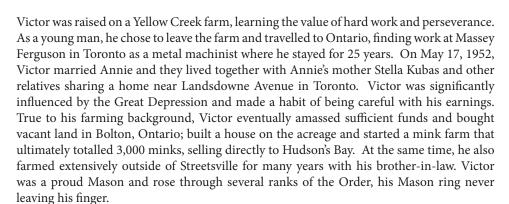
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2025 GMC TERRAIN ELEVATION PREMIUM



C.O.B \$8,590

2023 CHEVROLET BOLT EV 1LT



ED CLOTH BUCKETS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, CLIMATE CONTROL, REMOTE START, HD REAR CAMERA, CHEVROLET SAFETY ASSIST, INTELLIBEAM, FORWARD COLLISION, LANE CHANGE ALERT, REAR CROSS TRAFFIC, PARK ASSIST, LANE KEEP ASSIST, FRONT PEDESTRIAN BRAKING!

2021 BUICK ENCLAVE PREMIUM AWD



POWER LIFTGATE, REMOTE START, 7-PASSENGER, REAR CAMERA, PARK ASSIST, 20 INCH POLISHED ALLOYS, CHROME GRILLE, TOW PACKAGE!

C.O.B \$7,729

2021 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LT AWD



C.O.B \$5,905

2023 BUICK ENCORE GX SELECT AWD



SUNROOF, HEATED VINYL/CLOTH BUCKETS, REMOTE START, POWER SEAT, REAR CAMERA, PARK ASSIST, FORWARD COLLISION ALERT, LANE DEPARTURE, DRIVER CONFIDENCE, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE CONTROL. BUICK INTELLILINK. 18 INCH ALLOYS. POWER LIFTGATE!

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- 150+ point inspection
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2023 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE CREW 4X4



STK# B12573 • 87,529 KM • KODIAK, 5.3L V8, 10-SPEED AUTOMATIC, 3.23 AXLE 5.8FT BOX, AUTOTRAC 4WD, GOOGLE RADIO, HEATED CLOTH BENCH, HEATED STEER-ING WHEEL, REMOTE START, POWER GROUP, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE, INTELLILINK, TOW PACKAGE REAR CAMERA 18 INCH ALLOYSI

C.O.B \$10,230

2020 GMC SIERRA 1500 DENALI CREW 4X4



NAVIGATION, SUNROOF, HEATED/COOLED LEATHER BUCKETS, 22 INCH CHROME ALLOY WHEELS, STEP BARS, FRONT/REAR PARK ASSIST, REAR CAMERA, DENALI CHROME TRIM BOSE, TOW PACKAGE, HEADS UP DISPLAY, POWER TAILGATE, MULTI-PRO TAILGATE!

C.O.B \$11,254

2024 GMC TERRAIN DENALI AWD



STK# B12605 • 22,575 KM • BLACK DIAMOND EDITION, 1.5L TURBO 4-CYLINDER, 9-SPEED AUTOMATIC, AWD, NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC SUNROOF, HEATED/COOLED LEATHER BUCKETS, HEATED WHEEL, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE, 19 INCH DARK ALLOYS, REMOTE START, POWER LIFTGATE INTELLILINK. REAR CAMERA. REAR PARK ASSIST. GMC PRO SAFETY PLUS. ADAPTIVE CRUISE!

2023 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER RS AWD



STK# 25825A • 129,901 KM • 1.3L TURBO 3-CYLINDER, 9-SPEED AUTOMATIC, HEATED LEATHER BUCKETS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, REMOTE START, POWER SEAT, POWER WINDOWS/LOCKS/ MIRRORS, REAR CAMERA, PARK ASSIST, FORWARD COLLISION ALERT, LANE DEPARTURE, CLIMATE CONTROL. CHEVROLET INFOTAINMENT 3. 18 INCH ALLOYS, ADAPTIVE CRUISE!

C.O.B \$4,901

2022 CHEVROLET MALIBU LT REDLINE



DUAL-ZONE CLIMATE CONTROL, HEATED LEATHER BUCKETS, PANORAMIC SUNROOF, 19 INCH BLACK ALLOYS, REAR CAMERA, REMOTE START, DRIVER CONFIDENCE PKG I & II, REAR PARK ASSIST, REAR CROSS TRAFFIC, BLIND SPOT!

2025 CHEVROLET EQUINOX ACTIV AWD



STK# B12506 • 22.652 KM • 1.5L TURBO 4-CYLINDER, 9-SPEED AUTOMATIC, AWD, HEATED/COOLED LEATHER/SUEDE BUCKETS, HEATED WHEEL, HEATED 2ND ROW, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE, 17 INCH DARK ALLOYS, REMOTE START, POWER LIFTGATE, CHEVROLET INFOTAINMENT 3, SURROUND CAMERA, REAR PARK ASSIST, SAFETY AND TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE, CONVENIENCE PACKAGE 3, ADAPTIVE CRUISE!

C.O.B \$8,795

2022 CHEVROLET EQUINOX RS AWD



INFOTAINMENT 3, NAVIGATION, HEATED LEATHER BUCKETS, HEATED WHEEL, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE, PANORAMIC SUNROOF, 19 INCH ALLOYS, REMOTE START, REAR CAMERA, BOSE, HID HEADLIGHTS, ADAPTIVE CRUISE, ADVANCED SAFETY PACKAGE, POWER LIFTGATE!

C.O.B \$6,541

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