



## Hannah Wins Gold!

**Hannah Woodhouse**, a grade 12 student at GBSS, a resident of Heathcote and now the Canadian Junior Women's Cross Country Champion recently attended the Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary Club's meeting and started off by thanking the club for their support of her trip to Vancouver to compete in the Canadian Championship race. Her slide show showed her running here at home – in the snow. She said she runs six days a week in all kinds of weather.

They arrived in Vancouver a few days ahead of time to enable Hannah to adjust to the local time zone. In that time, she had an opportunity to take in some sights as well as to jog the race course and develop her strategy. When she and her coach Kevin Hooper jogged the course the day prior to the race, they ran on grass. But, on race day, snow covered everything, almost shutting Vancouver down. Despite this, Hannah ran in her racing shorts at zero to – 1 C.

The plan was to run with the leaders through two laps of the 2 kilometre course and then see



what she could do in the last lap. As it happened, she felt the leaders were slowing in the later stages of the second lap so she took the lead. Another older and taller runner went with her and challenged for the lead. Hannah stayed just behind her, well into the third lap, when she took the lead for good.

As she put it, "When I take the lead I don't look back so, I don't

know how close the challengers are. It spurs me on." The result was that when she hit the finish line she had an enormous 21 second lead over the second place finisher and no one else was in sight!

The top six finishers were granted a place on the Canadian team with funding from Athletics Canada to go to Colombia on February 22nd for the North American Cross Country Championships and on March 28th for the World Cross Country Championships in China.

Hannah actually won two gold medals: the first for her individual win and the second for being part of the winning Ontario team.

After the medals she was given an opportunity to try on the new Canadian Team uniform and racing gear and had another slide showing it off. But, she had first to wade in the ocean to wash the mud off her racing shoes – "Cold but it cleaned them off."

Hannah has considered full-ride scholarships to several US universities but has decided to stay in Canada and hopes to attend either Guelph or McMaster to study Biomedical Science.  
*by Richard Bowden, TC Rotary*

## Upcoming Events

### TAOIST TAI CHI ARTS™ CLASSES

*Wednesdays 10am-noon* Beaver Valley Community Centre. 519-538-0288

### SCENIC CAVES HOSTS ROMP TO STOMP

*Saturday, February 7, 9:00am - 1:00pm*  
Scenic Caves Nordic Centre is the host venue for the Tubbs Romp to Stomp Ontario Breast Cancer Snowshoe event. The Ontario romp features a 3k/5k snowshoe walk, 3k snowshoe race and 1k Lil Romper Dash. Register individually or with a team 705-446-0256 [www.sceniccaves.com](http://www.sceniccaves.com)

### GIRL GUIDES VALENTINE TEA and BAKE SALE

*Saturday, February 14, 2:00pm - 4:00pm*  
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Thornbury  
Enjoy a hot drink with home made goodies served by your local Girl Guides and then browse through our Bake Table for a treat to take home. Tickets \$2.50 at the door or call 519-599-3968

### FAMILY DAY WEEKEND

*February 14-16*, Blue Mountain Village!  
Gather the family for a weekend of active adventure and entertainment. Skate under the stars, scavenger tour hunt, groove dancing, birds of prey, fireworks and much more! [www.bluemountainvillage.ca](http://www.bluemountainvillage.ca)

### SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

*Tuesday, February 17, 5:00pm - 7:00pm*  
St. George's Anglican Church, Clarksburg  
Join us for pancakes and sausage. Free-will offerings are welcome. Invite your friends to come along too!

### SEWING CLASSES

*Start Feb 17th for 10 weeks, 3:45-5:15pm*  
First Baptist Church, for students Gr 7 plus  
Call Kay 519-599-3816 or Wenona 519-599-6125. Classes are "free"

## Blue Mountain Special Olympics Alpine attend Provincial Winter Games

Skiers from the Blue Mountain Special Olympics Alpine Team travelled with their coaches to North Bay, Ontario to compete in the 2015 Provincial Winter Games January 29th-31st. The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to congratulate these 8 racers who qualified at the Conference One Alpine meet at Blue Mountain Resort last winter to represent The Blue Mountains/Collingwood area at the games.

*Matthew Fields, Kristin Draper, Sebi Gaussen, Andrew Richards,*

*Jeffrey Plouffe, Matthew Poste, Sebastian Guinyou-Savage and Robin Shuter.*

The athletes, coaches and volunteers have been working and training hard for this event and look forward to representing our team, the region and Blue Mountain says Terry Sears, Head Coach.

These games offer athletes the opportunity to compete on a provincial stage, and winners may represent Ontario at the 2016 Special Olympics National Winter Games next season in Corner Brook

Newfoundland.

Currently the Blue Mountain Special Olympics Alpine Team is the largest program in Canada. Since 1997 when the World Games were held in Collingwood, Blue Mountain Resorts has sponsored this team of more than 30 athletes, with the help of over 40 volunteers.

For further information and results contact Terry Sears, Head Coach at 705.444.9859 or visit the Special Olympics Games website.

[www.specialolympics2015games.com](http://www.specialolympics2015games.com)

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post your event on  
[www.visitbluemountains.ca](http://www.visitbluemountains.ca)

## AT THE L.E. SHORE LIBRARY

Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat: 10-5 | Tue/Thu: 10-8 | Sun: 12-4

### Let's Move Seniors' Exercise Group

Wednesdays 10:30am Sitting or standing, no matter your ability. Improve your fitness and balance. Cost \$2. No registration required. Contact: Donna 519-599-3681

### Introduction to Ancestry.com

Thursday February 5 from 6:30-7:30pm. Research your family tree at the library with free access to Ancestry.com Library Edition.

### February in The Gallery

Saturday, February 7, 2-4pm Opening Reception, Marsh Street Painters Spring Forward

### iPad Basics part 1

Tuesday, February 10 - 3-5pm (screens and gestures, working with apps, the App store, browsing the Internet)

### Android Basics

Tuesday February 17 - 1-3pm Navigating Android, settings, working with apps, the Play store, browsing the Internet)

## FundRaiser for Tim and Julia on Feb 7, at 7:30 pm Victims of Beaver River Flood at The Marsh Street Centre

The forces of nature do not care about possessions, time of day, month or year, but they can devastate our lives in the blink of an eye. The Beaver River overflowed after ice had built up to the point that the river had nowhere to go but into Tim Bristow and Julia Foley's rented home on Margaret Street. The flooding that followed quickly filled their home and submerged most of their possessions along with the tools that Tim relied on to make his livelihood as a handyman and carpenter. Once the water moved in, Mother Nature made sure it wasn't going anywhere by freezing it solid. Well, Mother Nature can be unsympathetic, but the people of Clarksburg and Thornbury are not. We will come together on February 7 and help these members of our community get back on their feet.

Without a home, no insurance to rely on and no tools to make a living, they are in dire straits indeed. Please come out to donate a few dollars and join us in a celebration of our community spirit. Come dance to music of the Thirsty Night Boys, enjoy some great food and buy some great items at the silent auction. Everything is donated including the Marsh Street Auditorium, the entertainment and the food. Our bar will be open. All net proceeds will go directly to Tim and Julia. All we need now is you to come and show your community spirit and we can make a difference in these lovely people's lives.

Donations accepted at Beaver Valley Outreach (upper office), TD Canada Trust, Thornbury or please go to our website ([www.marshstreetcentre.com](http://www.marshstreetcentre.com)) and donate online with a note saying Tim & Julia. You can also get your tickets online or call 519-599-7837.

## EUCHRE

Beaver Valley Legion, 1:30 pm, 202 Marsh Street, Clarksburg  
**Sunday, February 15, Sunday, March 15, Sunday, April 19**  
Light lunch available, \$5 entry, Proceeds to Legion Projects / 519-599-3555



**Hope Haven** is a non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to providing riding programs to individuals with disabilities. Volunteers and Riders needed for our upcoming Spring session. More information available by calling 226-909-0558 or online at [www.hopehavencentre.org](http://www.hopehavencentre.org)



## The Blue Mountains Review

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### Canada's Flag turns 50 on February 15

Canada was just two years away from centennial celebrations when the maple leaf flag was made official by Royal Proclamation. In 1996, February 15 was declared National Flag of Canada Day and has been observed every year since.



### Kin Canada (Kinsmen and Kinettes) 95 years on February 20 Rotary International 110 years on February 23

## Are You Aged 18 to 29 and Thinking of Starting Your Own Business?

Find out how Starter Company Grants can help you!

Do you know a young adult 18 - 29 who has started their business but could really benefit from some additional training and support to move along and grow, maybe someone you know has an idea but needs a business plan and funds to get rolling?

For more information and to begin the application process today please contact The Business Enterprise Centre at 705-446-3355 or email [sbec@collingwood.ca](mailto:sbec@collingwood.ca). [www.enterprisecentre.ca](http://www.enterprisecentre.ca)

## The Business Enterprise Center is now a community partner with Futurpreneur Canada

Futurpreneur Canada supports young entrepreneurs aged 18-34 with up to \$45,000 in financing, an expert business mentor for up to two years, and resources to help you plan, manage, and grow your business.

As a community partner, The Business Enterprise Centre plays an important role in helping individuals through the application and approval process. We work with you to develop a business plan, apply for financing, and match you to a local mentor.

For more information or to apply visit [www.futurpreneur.ca](http://www.futurpreneur.ca), call 519-371-3232 or email [businesshelp@owensound.ca](mailto:businesshelp@owensound.ca)

## Let's Move - Seniors' Exercise Group

Join us at the L.E. Shore Memorial Library every Wednesday morning from 10:30am-12pm and get active with the Let's Move Seniors' Exercise Group. A physiotherapist and dance instructor alternate leading the group in gentle exercises and movement to improve fitness and balance; for seniors of all abilities. Sit or stand - whichever suits you. Cost is \$2 per session and includes juice and cookies! Registration not required.

## Blue Mountains Seniors Information and Active Living Fair - Friday, March 27th, 10-3 Register as a Vendor

The Seniors' Network - Blue Mountains\* invites organizations serving seniors and caregivers to participate in our first Information and Active Living Fair.

It is a free admission event to be held at the Beaver Valley Community Centre. In addition to information booths, there will be several presentations on topics of special interest to seniors and caregivers; e.g. Tax Benefits and Credits, Living with Alzheimer's, Co-housing for Seniors.

REGISTRATION: Open until February 13, 2015 OR until all spaces are filled. To request a registration form, email [seniors@bvo.ca](mailto:seniors@bvo.ca) or phone Answers4Seniors at Beaver Valley Outreach, 519-599-2577, ext. 29.

This event is hosted by the Seniors Network-Blue Mountains in partnership with the Older Adult Centres' Association of Ontario (OACAO)

## Call to Artists - The Blue Mountains Studio Tour

If you are an artist living in The Blue Mountains and are interested in opening your studio for the 20th Annual Studio Tours this year, please contact [tour1058@tourofthearts.ca](mailto:tour1058@tourofthearts.ca) or phone 519 599 2989 for details.

Application deadline is Feb. 15. Studio Tours take place on May 16-18 and October 10-12, 2015. We welcome your involvement and are happy to answer any of your questions. [www.tourofthearts.ca](http://www.tourofthearts.ca)

# October Municipal Election - Council for The Blue Mountains 2014-2018

# School Board Trustee



Linda Hamill,  
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Bluewater  
District School  
Board  
representing  
Meaford and  
Blue Mountains  
[www.lindahamill.ca](http://www.lindahamill.ca)



l-r: Councillor John McGee, Councillor Robert Gamble, Councillor Michael Martin, Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel, Mayor John McKean, Councillor Joe Halos, Councillor Michael Seguin



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Water Emergency 705-446-5853  
Wastewater Emergency 705-446-5041  
OPP Non-Emergency 1-888-310-1122  
Garbage Pick-up 519-599-3131 ext 276

## February 11 is 211 Day across North America

211 is a 3-digit phone and online service helping Ontarians connect to the complete range of government and community-based health and social services. Calls are answered 24/7 by professional information and referral specialists who are trained to assess caller needs, and to refer callers to the most appropriate resources.



211's resource database contains more than 60,000 records, making it the most comprehensive human services database in the province. Combined with the demographic and caller needs information collected through our calls, 211 provides individuals, agencies and planners with rich data on the supply and demand for human services in Ontario. [www.211ontario.ca](http://www.211ontario.ca)

### N11 NUMBERS

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| 211 - Community Information and Referral Services          | 611 - Telephone Repair Service   |
| 311 - Non-Emergency Police and Other Governmental Services | 711 - Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS)   |
| 411 - Local Directory Assistance                           | 811 - Access to One Call Services to Protect Pipeline and Utilities from Excavation Damage |
| 511 - Weather and Traveller Information Services           | 911 - Emergency  |

## Sergeant Charlie Watts retires

Charlie has been a valued member of the policing team in The Blue Mountains for the past 31 years. Best wishes for the future.



## Welcome Sergeant Len Devine

Sergeant Len Devine a 27 year veteran of the OPP, has served for the last twenty years in this area. Len has served in Wasaga Beach/Huron West prior to transferring to the Collingwood Detachment shortly after 2000.

Len has been a Patrol Sergeant in Collingwood and The Blue Mountains since his promotion over five years ago and has experience in our area with both front line service delivery and supervision.

Len has been a member of the Detachment Management Team, for over five years. As such, he is very familiar with the Service Delivery issues, Community Police Committee activities and interaction between the Police and Community in The Blue Mountains.

He will be starting his transition to the Administrative Sergeant role in The Blue Mountains office (overseen by Charlie) on the 19th of February of this year.

Len makes his home in Collingwood and his wife, Susan, was the liaison officer for the Craighleith zone prior to her re-assignment to an Alcohol and Gaming Commission position a couple of years ago. Sue was assigned as a patrol officer in The Blue Mountains during her service time at our Detachment.

## Town approves supporting an 'age-friendly' community strategy

At its January 26th meeting, Council directed Town Planning staff to pursue funding of \$25,000 from the Province of Ontario's Age-Friendly Community Planning Grant Program that will help plan services and programs that will enable seniors to live in a secure environment, enjoy good health and participate more fully in their communities.

The community, through senior focus groups and/or organizations that represents seniors, will conduct a needs assessment study. Some of the needs can eventually lead to local improvements such as installing automatic doors, adding benches and picnic tables in parks and beaches, increasing accessibility to retail businesses and installing count-down timers at busy intersections/crosswalks. [www.thebluemountains.ca](http://www.thebluemountains.ca)



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## Rotary supports runners with proceeds from The Run

Run Blue Mountains is held annually, the Sunday after Thanksgiving in Thornbury-Clarksburg and features a Kids 1km Fun Run, 5km, 10km and 21km runs. Proceeds from this race enabled President George Matamoros of the Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary Club to present Kevin Hooper with a \$1,000 cheque to support the Meaford Coyotes Track Club in recognition of the great work the club does coaching and encouraging young and old alike to engage in running programs. [www.runbluemountains.ca](http://www.runbluemountains.ca)

The Meaford Coyotes Track Club is a non-profit organization, which started in August 2010. They are registered through Athletics Ontario and Ontario Minor Track and Field, whose mission is to provide quality coaching and training for middle and long distance runners of all ages.

Their vision is to help each athlete achieve their personal best in a positive and uplifting environment! [www.meafordcoyotes.com](http://www.meafordcoyotes.com)



## Hike 'N' Tube

If you're looking for a fun, family-friendly activity, Blue Mountain Resorts newest winter attraction has you covered!

Now open, Hike N' Tube gives guests a taste of downhill without the speed and equipment associated with skiing and snowboarding. Suitable for riders as young as three, Hike N' Tube ensures there's a cold weather activity for Winter Warriors of every age and level of ability. Open 10am-5pm daily, weather and conditions permitting. [www.bluemountains.ca](http://www.bluemountains.ca) for pricing.



## Nominations Open for Business Awards: Due Feb 20 Presented at the Chamber of Commerce AGM March 25

The Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce is holding their Annual General Meeting and Business Recognition Award Dinner on March 25 at The Westin Trillium House. As a part of that meeting, they present the Business Recognition Awards to celebrate businesses that have been models for the Town in 2014. Please review Guideline for Nomination available on their website [www.bluemountainschamber.ca](http://www.bluemountainschamber.ca) and nominate businesses that you think deserve special recognition by Feb 20. Call 519-599-1200 for further information.

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