



## Nipissing Ridge Park Reforestation Project

Late last fall, with funding support from Tree Canada, the Town of The Blue Mountains and Tree Trust collaborated to plant 26 large deciduous and conifer trees on the long, all-grass berm that surrounds Nipissing Ridge Park. Shortly after, on a chilly October day, volunteers applied compost and mulch at the base of each new tree and helped plant shrubs between the larger trees.

Thanks to the TBM-Tree Trust partnership, Tree Canada support, and the hard work of our growing volunteer network, approximately 1/3 of the long, 700+ meter berm has been planted.



This year, we hope to continue this new canopy project with two efforts:

### Volunteers wanted for watering:

Regular watering of these newly planted trees and shrubs will be critical to their vitality and health. TBM Staff have installed a water line, and Tree Trust is now looking for volunteers to be part of the watering crew. Please contact [tbm@treetrust.ca](mailto:tbm@treetrust.ca) if you would like to help out with some volunteer watering duties.

### Funding to plant more trees:

We are also looking for donors and funding sources for the next phase of berm reforestation at Nipissing Ridge Park. A successful application to TD FEF Fund will get us off to a great start, but more work is needed to green this important public park and contribute to our Town's tree canopy. If you're an individual, family, or local business that would like to donate funds, time, or resources to this important initiative, please contact [tbm@treetrust.ca](mailto:tbm@treetrust.ca)



The Town of The Blue Mountains hosted its first annual Sustainability Summit on April 25, 2024. The morning consisted of presentations from keynote speakers, including discussions on the Future Story, Single Use Fibre Products + Organic Farming, and the Circular Economy. The afternoon included with a presentation and workshop from Green Economy Canada. This model is a proven community-based model of engaging businesses in climate action and sustainability.

## [gofundme.com/f/orchid-restaurant-fire](https://gofundme.com/f/orchid-restaurant-fire)

*Jennifer White owner of The Orchid Restaurant.*

On April 7th we had a fire that started in the basement due to a faulty appliance, it spread quickly into the rafters and upwards. The insurance company estimates that we will be closed for 2 to 3 months for repairs and clean up.



I'm fundraising for my staff of 10 to help supplement their missed payroll and gratuities that they count on to live and support their families. My son and I lived above the restaurant and will have to relocate during this time. A special thank you to Heather at The Loft Gallery for offering us a place to stay.

Our alarm system went off just as we were sitting down to dinner. After determining the fire was in the basement my son called 911 while I grabbed an extinguisher, I was able to put out part of the fire but it spread so quickly, we all had to evacuate immediately. (myself, my son, his girlfriend and our two dogs)

The fire department arrived quickly and put out the fire but there is concern that structural damage was done. A few walls had to be torn apart and the whole building has smoke and water damage. The main water line burst (which helped put the fire out)

All water and hydro had to be shut off to the building so we were going to lose all our fridge and freezer inventory. I decided to give away all the food rather than have it go to waste. I invited the staff to come fill their fridges and freezers with all they could and then contacted our neighbouring restaurants to take the rest so that very little was wasted.

Thank you to the local Fire Department for their quick response and to our neighbours for bringing blankets and drinks.

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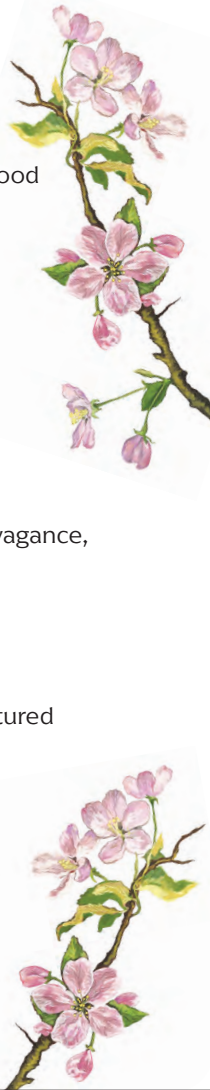
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# The Courage of Blossom

As Springly days yield darkness to the flicker  
of sunlight and shadow afresh,  
So wakens branch of apple and peach, dogwood  
and pear, forsythia and cherry,  
For they shed the look of wrinkle and brittle,  
cells imbibe the rising sap!  
And smile these icons of Nature must make,  
to dazzle, exclaim fragrant glory,  
Bud breaks through the crusting bark,  
captive no more, free to tell her story.  
With abandon the bud sheds her coverlet,  
displays blossom majestic, victorious.  
To the wiles of Nature, blossom offers her  
tender petal, no more protected.  
She abides in hope, of warmth of sun's extravagance,  
of wind with caress,  
Of bee humming in a concert of pollen,  
and bird flitting to branch and nest.  
Thus the noble portrait of Nature's portals  
that frames summer's fruit,  
All drawn to perfection as blossom once ventured  
to trust in season's cycle,  
Yet knowing the peril of wind without rein,  
and frost of contumely onslaught.  
What message shall humanity reap from this  
Courage of Blossom?  
She makes adventure in hope and trust,  
believing fruit be both duty and blessing,  
So may we in the soul of confidence match  
our lives to Blossom's vocation.



Jeremy Wentworth-Stanley  
jeremy@officeinthebarn.com

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## Council Updates

**171 King Street:** Council will be directing staff to initiate the formal process as required through the "Sale and Other Disposition of Land Policy POL.COR.07.02" to consider declaring Town owned lands as surplus with a Public Meeting on June 25, 2024 to receive comments from the public. Council has the opportunity to consider the potential uses of the 171 King Street property at a later date with the benefit of hearing from the public through this process. Staff will then initiate a Request for Proposal (RFP) regarding the potential disposition, sale or lease of 171 King Street East through a formal, transparent, and accountable selection process.

## Update to Resident Parking Pass:

Staff presented 4 Options regarding the resident parking pass. OPTION #1 was the preferred choice and will move forward at the next Council Meeting  
"Hybrid Parking Pass System" will include a hybrid option in relation to the parking pass system which would provide residents the option to purchase a maximum of two parking passes for their exclusive use for the balance of 2024. These passes would be available to purchase at a cost of \$5.00 which represents the costs associated with the administration only. Residents can also register their vehicle online at [www.bluemountains.ca](http://www.bluemountains.ca)

## NEED A PART-TIME JOB?

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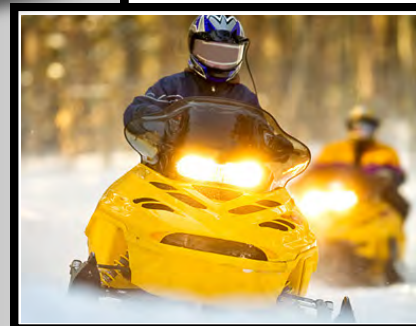


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# Ontario Cracking Down on Cellphone Use and Banning Vaping in Schools

Ontario is introducing the most comprehensive plan in Canada to reduce distractions in classrooms and improve the health of children by standardizing and strengthening provincewide measures and mandatory learning to directly counter the alarming rise of vaping and cellphone distractions within classrooms.

Students in kindergarten to Grade 6 will be required to keep phones on silent and out of sight for the entire school day, unless explicitly permitted by an educator. For students in Grades 7 to 12, cellphones will not be permitted during class time unless explicitly directed by the educator. Moreover, social media websites will be removed from all school networks and devices, and report cards will include comment on students' distraction levels in class. The government will provide mandatory training for teachers and new supports for students and parents.

The government is also strengthening the rules around students caught using or carrying vapes or cigarettes. Students will be required to surrender these products, along with parents being notified immediately of the situation. The government also officially announced \$30 million in the 2024 Budget to install vape detectors and other security upgrades in schools.

To support these initiatives, the government is investing \$17.5 million in new wrap-around supports for student mental health and parent engagement. This will include:

- \$15 million to provide supports for students at risk of addictive behaviours
- \$1 million to partner with School Mental Health Ontario to develop webinars and resources targeted to parents and students across the province to learn how to talk about the adverse effects of vaping and excessive cellphone usage
- \$1.5 million to Parent Involvement Committees and students to run local prevention campaigns to help deter vaping and cellphone distractions

These changes and investments are part of the government's plan to get students back to basics. By removing distractions in the classroom, students can focus on learning the skills they need to succeed after graduation.

## Quick Facts

- A 2023 UNESCO report found a negative link between excessive cellphone use and student academic performance and that students can take up to 20 minutes to refocus on what they were learning after focusing on a distraction.
- A CAMH study on youth, smartphones and social media use showed that over a third (35%) of Ontario's secondary school students spend five hours or more daily on electronic devices (smartphones, tablets, laptops, computers, gaming consoles) in their free time.
- A 2022 Statistics Canada report found that vaping is more prevalent among younger rather than older Canadians, with more than one-fifth of adolescents aged 15 to 17 years reporting vaping in the previous 30 days.

In addition to explicitly banning e-cigarettes in schools and school-related settings, Ontario is responding to the popularity of vaping among students by:

- Strengthening existing mandatory learning on cannabis and vaping and digital citizenship, with emphasis on the elementary curriculum
- Providing \$500,000 (2023-24) to the following community partners:
  1. Ontario Native Education Counselling Association for culturally relevant cannabis and vaping awareness and prevention initiatives for youth
  2. Canadian Lung Association for the "Lungs are for Life" program to raise awareness about tobacco, vaping and nicotine addiction
  3. Springboard for its "Weed Out the Risk" program to raise awareness among youth and young adults about the risks of driving or being in a vehicle with a driver who is under the influence of cannabis
  4. Lung Health Foundation to deliver the "Quash" program, which includes digital resources and a mobile app for students who are smoking and/or vaping

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# In Memoriam

## ANN (nee ROBSON) JOLLY

Ann Jolly passed away peacefully at the Owen Sound Hospital on Sunday, April 14, 2024 at the age of 73.

Born in Newcastle on Tyne England on February 19th, 1951, Ann was the youngest of nine children born to Henry and Edith (nee Renwick) Robson.

Ann was raised at Winlaton, Blaydon-on Tyne co. Durham England. She left school in 1966 and started an apprenticeship as a hairdresser and attended college. Ann met John Jolly in 1967 and they were married on June 26, 1971. In 1974 John and Ann became the proud parents of Alison; and on March 27th, 1976 they emigrated to Canada and moved directly to Thornbury where John had a job. In the spring of 1978 Ann opened up her hairdressing shop in the basement of their home on Orchard Drive. She carried on her business for 40 years and had many customers who became special friends. Ann was very active in the community through the Beaver Valley Athletic Association 'B.V.A.A.' and the Kinettes. She touched many lives in the Thornbury area and could always be counted on to lend a hand whenever needed. Ann was an extraordinary kind person with the ability to be strong minded and practical. She was a very good judge of character. She loved to play cards and through the years Ann enjoyed many holidays with friends and family. She will be missed but will never be forgotten.

Family meant the world to Ann, she adored her grandchildren; Meghann, Erin, Andrew and Matthew, her son-in-law Mark Elligson, her daughter Alison, and John, the love of her life.

A funeral service will be conducted at St. George's Anglican Church in Clarksburg on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 11 o'clock with a reception following. A private service of committal and interment will be conducted at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Arthritis Society, Canadian Cancer Society or a charity of your choice would be appreciated and may be made through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, ON N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted. [www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca](http://www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca)



## PAUL BERNARD MALONE

Surrounded by family and love, Paul Malone passed away peacefully at Meaford Long Term Care on Sunday, April 21st, 2024 in his 88th year.

Paul was born to the late Joseph and Helen (nee Pearce) Malone on May 2nd, 1936 in Toronto.

Cherished husband of Aija for 67 years. Adoring father of three daughters, Linda Davies (Hugh), Kathy Barone (Angelo), Christina Southgate, and son Scott (Erica). He was predeceased by son Kenneth in 1966.

Proud and loving Grandpa of Emma, Evan (Jaydaline), Maggie (Herb), Tania, Cara, Joshua, Erin (Raul), Kaity (Denis), Mathew, and Graham. Adoring Great Grandpa to Callie, Hunter, Ethan, Fletcher, Keenan, Annie, Maverick, Dahlia, Damien, Jasper and Jett. Paul will be missed by his sister and brother-in-law Dorothy and Bill Vernon and nephews Rick, Steve, Mark and Raymond and their families.

Paul was ambitious and self-taught. As a young man he started his own paving company after reading a book about road paving, and later managed an Ontario wide paving crew of 450 men for K.J. Beamish Construction. He taught himself auto mechanics, electronics repair, and computers. Later in life he became a licensed carpenter and worked as a contractor. If there was something new he had to learn about it. He had many interests and hobbies including motorcycles (racing too), downhill skiing and camping with family, and beer and wine making. Paul was known for his sense of humour and love of animals. He especially enjoyed family holidays and get-togethers.

This funny, kind, and generous man will be terribly missed by the family, especially by his wife, the love of her life.

Private family arrangements at this time.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation or the Meaford Nursing Home Auxiliary (cheques only please) would be appreciated and may be made through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted.

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## ZOE FOSTER

Zoe Foster (nee Reekie) passed away peacefully in her 96th year at Errinrung Long Term Care Home in Thornbury on Monday, April 8, 2024, the day of the solar eclipse.

Born to David and Elsie (nee Heslip) Reekie on June 17, 1927 and raised in Collingwood Township.

Zoe is predeceased by her first husband Douglas Kerr Foster in 1994 and her second husband Ronald Hodgkinson in 2020.

Survived by her loving children; Ron (Sharon) Foster, Mary Lou (Wayne) Filsinger, Patricia Oldfield, Dave Foster, Lisa (David) Astill. Predeceased by her son Robert in 1956 and son-in-law Dale Oldfield in 2013.

Loving grandmother of Jody Foster (late Joe Scott), Scott (April) Foster, David (Ying Wei) and Paul (Michelle) Filsinger, Lyndsay (Chris) Wonch, Jacelyn Oldfield, Zoe Astill and Noah Astill.

Adoring great-grandmother to Lauryn Scott; Christopher, Thomas, Alexander and Reegan Filsinger; Brayden, McKlain, Reed & Kylie Wonch and Rylee & Hunter Oldfield.

She will be remembered fondly by her sister Ann McKean (late Andrew), and was predeceased by her brothers Kenneth, Donald, and Robert and by her sisters Isobel and Elsie.

Zoe attended Sandhill Public School and upon graduation worked for Bell Telephone. She worked for many years at the Thornbury Pharmacy as an assistant and always had a big smile and warm greeting for friends and customers. Zoe was kindhearted and very young at heart. She loved spending time with her grandchildren, they were all very special to her. Zoe always took the time to chat with them and find out what was going on in their world. She never missed a special occasion, a birthday or Christmas. Zoe was a faithful member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, and she adored her church family.

A special thank you to the staff at Errinrung Long Term Care for their kindness, care and compassion shown to Zoe and her family. Thank you to Dr. Sauriol for her many years of care when needed. Thank you to Shirley Foster who gave her time and love so selflessly to make the end of Zoe's life more comfortable.

We will miss our mother and grandmother immensely but there is peace knowing it was her time to go.

"How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard". By Winnie-the-Pooh, A. A. Milne

A private service of committal and interment will take place at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation or St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Thornbury would be appreciated and may be made through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, ON N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted. [www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca](http://www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca)



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## ROGER JOHN SHORT

To die proudly, when it is no longer possible to live proudly. Death of one's own, free choice, death at the proper time, with a clear head and with joyfulness consummated in the midst of children and witnesses, so that an actual leave-taking is possible while he who is leaving is still there.

Roger Short died peacefully, at home in Clarksburg, with his family beside him on Friday, April 26th, 2024.

He will be missed by his wife Sue, his beloved children Tim (Ann) and Helen (Ken) and his four exceptional grandsons, Ben, Nicholas, Matthew and Alexander of whom he was so proud. Born in Birmingham but at only days old, he and his Mum were evacuated to a small village in Wales to escape the constant bombing threat. (His father stayed through the blitz). Mother and son lived there for the next 5 years and Wales remained in Roger's heart and soul for the rest of his life.

Roger and Sue grew up in the same village in Somerset, UK and married in 1962 whilst Roger was a postgraduate student at Oxford. His career began in industry where some aspects had a bearing in the Forestry and Pulp and Paper industries. Roger was recruited and brought the family to Vancouver, BC in January 1965. That move resulted in crossing Canada frequently, living in Prince Rupert, Vancouver Island, Montreal and New Brunswick and time spent in Brussels, Belgium and France before returning to Canada. Much of Roger's working life was spent overseas or in other provinces of Canada as his mission was to 'save' companies in a spectrum of industries which were in trouble. He was proud to be able to say that he did not 'bury' any of them.

In 1981 we took possession of a tree farm in the Beaver Valley which we owned and loved for over 37 years before moving to Clarksburg. Roger was one of the founders of the Bruce Grey Woodlands Association and, on his own property, pruned most of the trees over time. He learned from, and was associated with, Herman McConnell who owned the property next door. Roger was passionate about the environment, and along with a close friend, they turned their hands to wind farming and together they embraced solar energy and efficiency too.

He loved to bike, hike, XCountry ski – participated in the first Ottawa ski marathon in 1967 and continued doing so from time to time for years – and snowshoe and swim – braving the cold waters of Georgian Bay from March to early November. He was proud of his involvement with the Rotman School of Management (where he obtained his MBA in 1979) and also the Temerty Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto.

Roger made a difference in so many ways, and this is his legacy. A private celebration of Roger's life will be held at a later date.

As your expression of sympathy, and lieu of flowers, donations to scholarships for young surgeon scientist at the University of Toronto are much appreciated. Donate online via <http://uoft.me/roger-short> or at 416-978-0811, or through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted.

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## JUDE ROMAN TYSIAK

September 12, 2004 - April 15, 2024

Unexpectedly, on Monday, April 15th, at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, in peace and with his family by his side, at the age of 19. Beloved son of William Tysiak (Mandy Semple) and Currie Ross. Adored brother of Ross Tysiak, Aiden Barclay (Adam) and Quinn Farrell. Loving grandson, nephew, uncle & friend.

He will be remembered for his huge heart, as a champion to the underdog, his gentle love of animals, his passion for skiing and his fierce loyalty to his large group of friends.

A celebration of his life will be held on Sunday, May 5th, from 3-6pm at Bayview Park in Thornbury, Ontario.

For those who wish, donations may be made to The Sunnybrook Family Navigation Project. [support.sunnybrook.ca/InLovingMemoryofJudeTysiak](http://support.sunnybrook.ca/InLovingMemoryofJudeTysiak)

The family would like to thank the ICU team at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre for the incredible care given to Jude, his family and his friends.



## JUNE KRUEGER

October 1, 1928 – April 20, 2024

At 21, June (Hambly) Krueger and husband, Ralph, were hired to teach at the new Hyde Park School in London because the Board thought it would be "romantic" to hire newlyweds. June taught K to 3 and Ralph 4 and up.

Though June's grades were as good (or better!) than Ralph's, like women of her day June worked to support them while he pursued his Ph.D. in Geography. A naturalist in her own right, June could identify more than 50 different species of Golden Rod.

June's pioneering work with autistic children was well in advance of the SCERTS (versus ABA) model used today and brought tears to the eyes of parents who had never heard their children speak before.

In retirement, the Kruegers moved to Victoria Corners to enjoy serious gardening and skiing. We met on the ski hill. When I was expecting our youngest in 1999 Ralph had been diagnosed with prostate cancer (metastasized) but June still brought me a handmade quilt for baby Risa. Ralph died, at home, 6 months later. I always assumed June would stay in her home because of her many community connections. She belonged to two book clubs and was an active member of Amnesty International Group 82 which meets twice per month. She loved the BVA Lifelong Learning lectures followed by lunch out with her friend, Rosemary Barnett. Wednesday was my evening—usually for a movie, always tea and chat—and every year we binge-watched BBC's 6-hour *Pride and Prejudice*.

The pandemic was not good for June. She went from the engaged and stimulating life described above to being in a bubble of one and we all know that loneliness "carries greater health risk than obesity or smoking and has been shown to increase mortality, mobility loss, functional decline, and clinical dementia." [Tramutofoundation.com]

Still, I was shocked when she was moved to the LTC facility near Ottawa as I could be at her house (by car) in 8 minutes. Our mutual friend, Nida McMurchy, lives on June's road as does her friend, Kerri Knott, who mowed her lawn and her nearest neighbours—the Dixons—could keep an eye on her from their front door. That said, Orchardview is a lovely facility with kind caregivers who were with June when she died. If desired, please consider a donation to Amnesty International Group 82, Thornbury: [mcoleman@bmts.com](mailto:mcoleman@bmts.com) Submitted by Gillian



## JANET HALL (NEE FRASER)

Janet passed away peacefully surrounded by her family and her dogs at home on April 9, 2024. Janet will be forever missed by her husband Andy and daughters Alicia (Andrew) and Jamie.

Janet was raised in Toronto and the cozy little hamlet of Horning's Mills, the daughter of Jim and Shirley Fraser. She grew up alongside her sisters; Kelly (deceased), Sandra, and Heather, as well her brother Justin.

Janet's warmth and hospitality were legendary, and she found joy in gathering her loved ones around the dinner table, where she shared countless stories and laughter. Her home was a haven of love and acceptance, where all were welcomed with open arms.

A celebration of Janet's life was held at Devil's Glen on Friday April 19, 2024. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Collingwood General Hospital or the Beaver Valley Outreach in Janet's honor. Friends may visit Janet's online Book of Memories at [www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com](http://www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com)

Save us a seat at the table. We'll see you on the other side.



## Celebrating Canadian Independent Bookstore Day

On April 27th, Dennis Jackel of **Jessica's Book Nook** invited two local writers to the store.

**Katie Zdybel** of Thornbury was promoting her book *Equipoise* and the local hero of Nottawa and "Wingfield Farms" fame - **Dan Needles** presented his newest book - *Finding Larkspur*. *photo by Robert Burcher*



## Kolapore Wilderness Trails



A robust crowd of hikers showed up despite the rain to celebrate 50 years of the Kolapore Wilderness Trails. The group began the trek at Kolapore on Sunday, April 28th to the plaque unveiling. Bruce King, one of the original members unveiled the plaque to celebrate the 50th Anniversary. *photos by Robert Burcher*

## The Greening of the SCP Centre in Meaford

Most people in this region recall shopping at the Meaford Factory Outlet or buying clay pots at the Scott Clay Products store, 278 Cook Street, Meaford. These businesses, mainstays of the local economy at the time, were located in a commercial building owned by the Scott family, long-time residents of the area.



While both of these businesses are now gone – the factory outlet moved to another location and the clay products business wound down – the family renamed the building The SCP Centre and has made major investments in a mission to go green.

The family began its sustainability journey in 2011 with the installation of 246 KW of solar panels on the main warehouse roof as part of Ontario's FIT 1 Solar Program. This installation was a risky and expensive investment at the time since it was among the first FIT solar arrays in Ontario.

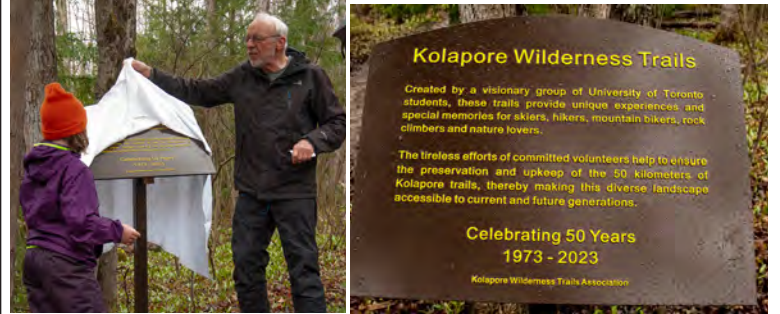
Starting in 2019, the family began an extensive energy efficiency program that included installing a new roof membrane over the majority of the building, LED lighting, door seals, blowers and many new windows and doors. These recent upgrades augment a new heating and cooling system in the SCP Centre that includes six heat pumps and high-efficiency boilers.

All of these green initiatives were sound, strategic investments, and The SCP Centre is now home to more than a dozen businesses who use the space for manufacturing, retail, or storage. As tenants, they can take pride in knowing they are using clean energy while significantly lowering carbon emissions.

Now, the Scott family is turning its attention to a 40-year-old, three-storey office building beside the warehouse that is ideal for retail or office space. Plans for the 15,000-square-foot building include replacing the HVAC system with large commercial heat pumps. Next up, this building will be retrofitted with new LED lighting and low-flow water fixtures.

The family's aim with these office building investments is to completely modernize the space and make it close to achieving Net Zero in carbon emissions. This means the building's sustainable features will mostly offset any greenhouse gases produced by human activity. With these enhancements in its office building and warehouse, the Scott family is committed to offering quality space and places of employment to businesses while lowering their environmental footprint.

For information call 416-587-7571



## Successful T-C Rotary Trivia Night



John Bailey, President of Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary Club and Shelter Box Ambassador would like to thank all those who came out to support Trivia Night. It was a fun night with enough profit to purchase 5 Shelter Boxes. Thanks to our sponsors, Thornbury Dental, The Orchid Restaurant, Thornbury Pharmasave, TD Bank Thornbury, The Diamond Studio, The Review, Thornbury Home Hardware, Mike Berry TD Financial and Ryan Repairs, Meaford.

An extra special thanks to all the Rotarians that helped as well as friends of Rotary, Charlie Binkley, Ashley Prince, Mark Thompson, and the scorekeepers Carole Edgar, Joan Gaudet, Lynn Morley and Judy Shield. The Beaver Valley Community Centre's staff were as always top notch.



# The Challenge of Getting the Right Diagnosis

- is it heart, is it cancer, is it the liver, is it long covid, what is long covid, etc.??

Between December 2019 and March 2023, I had cold like symptoms and fatigue on and off and once a definite Covid confirmation. But it was Spring 2023 I began to feel breathless, exhausted, cramps, no appetite, bloated stomach, constipated (which I never had before) and by the summer unable to absorb any nutrition from food. I lost 10 pounds by Labour Day of 2023.

Throughout this time, I had several blood tests, a mammogram, ECG's, wore a heart monitor, did a stress test, had an Ontario stool test, endoscopy and colonoscopy (first ones in my life at the age of 75) etc. Nothing could be found wrong with me. Told to go on a BRAT diet (broth, rice, apple sauce and white toast) and that it must be in my head, stress related. It turned out the white toast was the worst thing I could have done!

By luck, a friend in the area connected me with her weekend neighbour, who is a Doctor of Nutrition in private practice. So, this time I had a stool sample sent to a Lab in the US for an in-depth analysis which apparently is not offered here in Ontario by our health care system. Finally, I got a definite answer.

I had a leaky gut with three bad bacteria, no acidity, and a very compromised immune system which was why I could not digest any food. I was keeping the bad bacteria alive, feeding it with the white toast and not nourishing my body.

## THE SOLUTION:

- Starve the bad bacteria for the next 3 to 4 months
- No flour (not even gluten free bread at all), no sugar, no yeast, no raw salads,
- Three specific probiotics and oregano pills daily to build up my acidity and immune system
- A limited diet: cooked root vegetables, berries, protein from chicken and fish, peanut butter, a little goat cheese. No wine as wine has sugar.

## IT WORKED.

By Christmas I was back to normal. I had regained 5 of my 10 pounds back along with my energy. Now in April, I have it all back and my appetite is good again and I am digesting normally. I have

continued to cut back on flour and sugar as this is not good for us anyway.

I feel I may have had long Covid, (a general term as doctors try to figure out how this virus attacks our bodies). The medical system is trying to understand how this manifests itself in many of us in a variety of ways attacking heart, brain or digestion.

I was lucky that I was able to get help outside the system as I would not have known how to tackle this without a clear diagnosis. And, that I financially could afford to pay for the GI Microbial stool analysis, the consultation, the various probiotics (around \$2000 to get better).

I am sharing what happened to me as a hope for any of you that may be dealing with long Covid symptoms in some way. We are each different in our bodies, but it may mean going outside our health care system to get answers. And yes, it was a very frightening 8 months when I did not know what was wrong with me.

Nonetheless I was impressed by our health care system in Grey Bruce Counties. Receiving these tests in a timely and kind way that did eliminate what it was not. Referrals from my family doctor and quick testing at the Emergency Meaford Hospital were appreciated. The challenge is widening how we look at things and increasing our resources for an ever increasing and ever aging local population.

## THIS WAS MY ANSWER: It All Starts with the GI-MAP

Research overwhelmingly indicates that gut health impacts overall health. The gut microbiome, mediates the effects of diet and other factors on health, including digestive, immune, metabolic, and neuroendocrine functions. Assessing GI (gastro intestinal) health with the proper tools can help practitioners get to the root cause of chronic illness.

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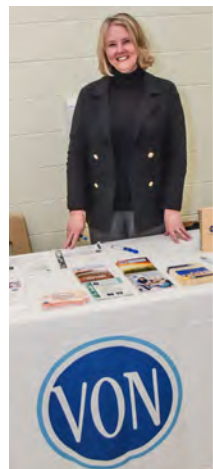
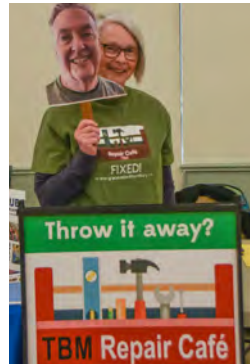
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The following organizations participated in the recent Volunteer Fair hosted by the Town and the Seniors Network. By meeting unmet needs, strengthening social connections, promoting empowerment, inspiring community engagement, enhancing health and well-being, and fostering a culture of service, volunteers play an integral role in building thriving and resilient communities.





# Discover the Magic of Naturalizing Your Yard!

Families in The Blue Mountains are already doing a lot to Go Green for Blue! And we can do more! This spring, why not start naturalizing your yard? Join your neighbours whose gardens are now attracting birds and butterflies. Together, we can create a community-wide corridor for migratory pollinators! Small changes like replacing some of your lawn with clovers, native grasses and pollinator plants will attract many more creatures than just sod munching grubs and moles.



## To get started:

- Rope out an area, and remove grass by sheet mulching or solarisation
- Plant native trees, shrubs and plants
- Add mulch around plants, water as needed and watch them grow!

**Native species** are home-bodies well adapted to The Blue Mountains. They need less maintenance and water, and support local wildlife. Some great native pollinator plants include:

- Coneflower (Echinacea) is a hardy perennial with daisy-like blooms. Thrives in full-sun.
- Black-Eyed Susan is a low to zero maintenance with golden-yellow petals
- Great Blue Lobelia is a long-blooming perennial.
- Scarlet Beebalm is best grown in clumps to attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds.
- Dense Blazing Star, Culver's Root, and Bulblet Bladder Fern are other lesser-known but great Ontario Natives.
- There are also many native ferns, ground covers, climbers and grasses depending on your soil and sun exposure.

## A few more tips:

- Compost and mulch is available from the Town's landfill site 788090, Grey County Rd 13, Clarksburg
- Collect rainwater with a rain barrel
- Go to a neighbourhood plant swap

## Enter Our Draw!

Naturalize your yard to be a winner! Send us a photo of your efforts at [canntbm@gmail.com](mailto:canntbm@gmail.com) by June 24th and you could win one of 5 great prizes:

1. 1 Hour garden consultation from Garden Holistics
2. Gift Certificate to Sheardown's Restaurant in Meaford
3. Garden Shovel and Hoe
4. The Gardener's Guide to Native Plants of the Southern Great Lakes Region
5. Beautiful picnic basket

Visit our website for details: [www.gogreenforblue.ca](http://www.gogreenforblue.ca)



## My Climate Story by K. Schaltz

5 years ago, I asked a group of 30+ year old adults what kept them up at night. I fully expected climate change to be their number one worry. It was not mentioned once... not once! I was surprised but understood all too well. Despite having spent much of my childhood in the wilderness of Lake of the Woods and having the love of nature embedded in my DNA, I lost my tether to the earth for many years. I spent 40 years living in the corporate and consumerism bubble, raising a family, raising our lifestyle and fully feeling a case of undiagnosed imposter syndrome without fully connecting the dots back to my dis-connection to Mother Earth.

I retired, moved to a smaller town and joined a hiking and garden group. But something still nagged. When I heard about a local climate action group of volunteers, that jump-started the learning curve and activism back to where my heart really lay.

At a recent Climate Café, I sat beside a number of young adults as they described their anxiety, fear with sobs of regret for their children's future. How things have changed in five years! Many of us are kept awake at night wondering at our changing world. The local apple growers, the recreational fisherman, the indigenous people, municipal representatives, and the majority of the citizens privileged to live in a natural area such as The Town of the Blue Mountains are all affected by climate change. People are increasingly expressing concern for the preservation of our natural assets in surveys, news articles and in the coffee shops.

What to do? For me it's always immediate ACTION that provides the HOPE for improving my state of mind. So, joining Climate Action Now Network (CANN) as a volunteer has been a balm to my mind.

CANN's goal is simple: reduce carbon pollution in our corner of the planet. This is a goal I can get behind. And it's actually fun! It's the Earth Day Clean ups, the 400 free tree giveaways at the Beaver Valley Fall Fair, the teaming up with Tree Trust to plant 500 trees in TBM, it's the engagement with town hall in updating the Official Plan which is the guiding policy for land use in the municipality. It's the participation in a new CANN program called "Families for Climate Action". (remember those stressed-out young parents?!) It's the everyday things I do to reduce my emissions.

I hope you and many others will join me in taking action and sparking hope by building connections and community around the preservation of this beautiful natural area.

Not very many sleepless nights for me anymore. CANN is a sleeping aid that works miracles. Give us a shout!



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## What Are Chakras?

Chakras are spinning wheels that disperse energy. Each of these Vortex centres in your body diffuse the life force through parts of the human organism. This smooth energy flow plays a crucial role in maintaining your overall well being. Your physical, mental and spiritual health depend on this balanced flow keeping all of your body's functions at their optimum. Think of the electrical system in your home. What happens when a wire is defective?



A meditation on each Chakra can energize your whole body giving it strength, vitality and harmony. There are several websites that describe focused meditations that you can practice at home to energize and balance your body, mind and spirit.

The first step is to exhale deeply from your nostrils down through your body right to your toes visualizing all the toxins, tightness and negative thoughts leaving your being.

*"The truth can be experienced only when one transcends the senses and when the mind and intellect cease to function"*  
Swami Vishnu-devananda

Ahimsa will be facilitating a workshop at Inner Yogies in Thornbury on Chakra Meditation. If you wish to be notified of the date please call, text or e-mail and you will receive a notification.



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## The FESTIVAL TRIO in Thornbury

Celebrating its 18th season as one of Canada's premiere chamber music festivals, Guelph Musicfest brings the FESTIVAL TRIO to Thornbury for a special Encore performance!

Cellist Paul Pulford (New Brunswick, violinist Sadie Fields (Brussels, Belgium) and festival director/pianist/friend Ken Gee are the founding members of the trio and look forward to their annual reunion, this time performing in Waterloo, Guelph and Thornbury.

The program pairs two of the greatest trios ever written—the invigorating Beethoven Trio No. 1 in E-flat and the sublime Schubert Trio No. 1 in B flat—with a mesmerizing contemporary trio by British composer Charlotte Bray (born 1982), one of the most esteemed and in-demand composers of her generation.

Sadie is a Canadian violinist who plays in top-calibre ensembles in Europe but comes to Canada twice a year to perform with Ken in recitals and the Festival Trio. Paul Pulford is internationally renowned as a soloist and for his many years as a member of the renowned Penderecki Quartet (which is often featured in the Leith Summer Festival).

The trio members have a rare musical chemistry and friendship that adds magic to the ensemble. They have performed at the Harmony Centre in Owen Sound, but they really hope you can come out and hear them play Grace United Church!

Advance tickets are only \$40 adult, \$20 for student/child. Available at Thornbury Pharmasave, at the door or online [www.guelphmusicfest.ca/festivaltrio.html](http://www.guelphmusicfest.ca/festivaltrio.html)

## Seniors Matters Today

1. **Income Tax filing** was due on April 30.

- a. If you miss the deadline, you can still file. If you don't owe taxes, there won't be penalties.
- b. For several benefits such as the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) for Seniors and certain types of tax credits, filing on time is your automatic reapplication to continue to qualify for benefits.
  - i. You will receive a notice from Canada Revenue Agency telling you that your GIS payment will stop and that you will have to reapply to have this income restarted.
  - ii. Filing your tax return on time, is also necessary to qualify for the Canadian Dental Care Program (CDCP).

2. **CDCP** Most seniors have now received a letter inviting them to apply for this new dental program and giving them a phone number to call to apply.

- a. If you did not receive a letter and want more information, there is a phone number to call for help. 1-833-537-4342 and select 'Option 2'.
- b. A few weeks after you apply, you will receive a letter containing information about the Sun Life program and a personal membership card for the program
- c. The next step is to find an oral health care provider who is participating in the program.
  - i. Oral care providers (Family Dentists, Denturists, and the various specialist dentists) can decide whether or not to be part of the program.
  - ii. Patients can check on this with their oral health care provider, OR use the search 'tool' provided by Sun Life. [sunlife.ca/sl/cdcp/en/member/provider-search](http://sunlife.ca/sl/cdcp/en/member/provider-search) OR phone Sun Life at 1-888-888-8110

3. **Home Care** - There are 2 main organizations for getting care at home. They are not the same and don't provide the same services. Their names are very similar. On May 9th, BVO's Seniors Centre Without Walls New Territory4Seniors Information program is hosting a Lunch & Learn at L.E. Shore Library with speakers from each organization: Home and Community Care Support Services and Home & Community Support Services Grey Bruce. To register, and for info, call 519 599 2577, ext. 126 at BVO

## Rewarding Good Things

Beaver Valley Outreach presented four \$1000 "Making Good Things Happen Awards" at its Annual General Meeting on April 10, 2024 to deserving local organizations who made a positive impact in our community in 2023.

BVO is a recognized charitable, community-based organization of staff and volunteers that provides quality programs and services to further the social, economic and environmental well-being of The Blue Mountains community. In keeping with its mission, the awards were a major highlight of BVO's celebrations commemorating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2023. The four winners were selected by BVO from nominations received from the community.

### **Pollinate The Blue Mountains**

Taking action to improve native pollinator habitats

### **Scoop2**

Helping to create a community of responsible pet owners who care for their environment by helping to eliminate pet waste and litter on local paths, trails and streets

### **Climate Action Now Network TBM**

A volunteer group in The Blue Mountains working towards a more sustainable community by reducing our carbon footprint

### **Thornbury Jazzworks**

Presenting jazz concerts for the community and supporting local student music education

Congratulations to all the winners for their contributions to "making good things happen in our community"!



*(Left to right) Award Winners Patricia Grant from Climate Action Now Network TBM, Mike McCabe from Scoop 2, Carole Edgar from Thornbury Jazzworks*



*Elizabeth Brims from Pollinate TBM (left) receives their award from Diane Hamilton of BVO*

## Town Tennis Courts Opened for Season

The courts at Bayview Park, 60 Bay Street and Boyer Park, 101 Crossan Court, are open for free play seven days a week on a first-come, first-serve basis. A free play schedule for the Nipissing Ridge Courts, 205 Blueski George Crescent is available on the Tennis webpage.

## Municipal Golf Course Opened April 29

417230 10th Line, Thornbury

Single rounds for the upcoming season will be \$20 per round. Beginning April 22, tee times can be booked up to five days in advance. To book your tee time, please call (519) 599-3131 ext. 350, email the golf course, or visit the starter shack. Tee times are booked every 10 minutes, with the first being at 8:00 a.m. and the last at 6:00 p.m. Please note that tee times are reserved on a first-come/first-served basis. See below for membership options:

### **Membership Pricing Options**

- Residents (16-60 years of age) – \$360
- Residents (60+ years of age) – \$310
- Non-residents (16-60 years of age) – \$415
- Non-residents (60+ years of age) – \$360
- Children 16 and Under - Free

## Pickleball Courts Opened April 29

417230 10th Line, Thornbury

To book time on the Pickleball Courts, rental requests must be received five days prior to the rental date. To book your court, please contact Community Services - Facility Rentals.

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## The Master Gardener's Corner

Things to do in your garden each month taken from the Ontario Master Gardener Calendar by John Hethrington, Past President, Master Gardeners of Ontario. For more information, or your copy of the 11" x 17" calendar of the full year's tips for a \$2 contribution to Master Gardeners, call 519-599-5846.

### There's lots to do in your garden in May, now that Spring is finally here!

- If not done already, clean up winter debris in the garden as soon as the soil is dry enough to work. Cut off dead plant stocks. Dig in manure or compost around perennials and shrubs and weed well. An extra hour weeding now, will save 3 days later in the summer!!
- Use a line to cut sharp straight edges for your beds. For curved edges, run hot water through a hose to soften it up and lay out a smooth curve. Watch you don't chop the hose!
- Take coloured pictures of your spring bulbs in each of your gardens so you will know where there are any gaps and where the bulbs are when you order and plant more bulbs in the fall. Save the pictures in a safe place.
- Plan now to plant early blooming bulbs like snowdrops and crocus in the fall at places close to where you come in and out of the house. It's nice to be greeted by early signs of spring.
- Add 3" to 4" of mulch to flowerbeds and shrubs to conserve moisture and discourage weeds. Shredded cedar bark is best, but expensive. Try 13/Forty Landscape Supply who have 3 types of mulch: Cedar, Pine, Black and Utility, the cheaper kind that I use.
- Don't walk on or roll lawns that are still wet and full of water. If you can see your footprint, stay OFF the lawn. You will compact the soil.
- If your lawn is already compacted, rent an aerator which will dig out small plugs. Let the plugs dry and rake them back into the lawn as a top dressing. Add grass seed to bare patches.
- When dry, rake lawns vigorously to remove dead grass and thatch.
- Spread weed-free topsoil on thin patches in your lawn. Apply grass seed, roll and water with a mist setting. Keep seeded areas moist, but don't flood.
- If you find moss in your lawn, the soil is too acidic. Apply dolomite lime before a rain. You may need a second application.
- If you have pots or planters that are very big or deep, put some empty plastic water bottles with lids in the bottom of the pot to take up the space the roots will never get to. It makes the planter or pot lighter and easier to move.
- Prepare containers and pots for planting. Fill with a mixture of compost and potting soil. Add peat moss, or better still, coconut coir to retain moisture.
- Place pots with culinary herbs close to the kitchen door for easy access.
- Harden-off seedlings for at least a week before planting outside. Google the last frost date for your area (June 1 in the Blue Mountains) and allow at least 1 week more before planting tender transplants such as annuals and tomatoes.
- Walk around your garden and look for perennials that should be divided, are in the wrong place, or you don't like any more. Pot them up for spring plant sales at least 3 weeks before the sale. Add compost, not garden soil to the pots. To be really fancy, add a little bone meal to the pot before you put in the plant. Add plant labels with the name (Botanical and/or common), colour, sun exposure, height, bloom time, etc. Water well and keep in the shade.
- Dig, pot up and donate 15 or more perennials to the St. George's annual Plant Sale and get an Income Tax Receipt for the retail value your plants sell for. Bring them to the church Wed May 31 9am to 3pm. It's a win-win for everyone.
- The giant annual St. George's Plant Sale is Sat June 1st this year on the church grounds in Clarksburg. It starts at 8 am.
- Plant beans now directly into the garden as they germinate quickly and will grow as long as the soil is warm. Maybe mid-May this year.
- Install peony rings before the plants start to grow.



- Monitor for the presence of slugs, cutworms, earwigs and tent caterpillars. Pick them off.
- Control weeds in the lawn by hand pulling. Use nematodes to control grubs, which eat the grass roots, leading to brown patches in the lawn in summer.
- Prune roses according to type.
- Deadhead (cut the blooms off) tulips, daffodils and other spring bulbs but do not cut or pull out the leaves until they are brown and decayed. They are needed to nourish the bulbs for next year's bloom.
- If you have any fritillaria or Asian lilies, now is the time to watch for the red lily beetle (adult, larva and eggs). It seems that removal by hand is the best and only way to reduce this problem. Day lilies are beetle free.

## Grey County Council Committee of the Whole

Grey County Council has declared **conditional support for the TC Energy pump storage project** in the Municipality of Meaford, pending necessary environmental studies, approvals and the support of Saugeen Ojibway Nation. Council discussed the project, citing the importance of power storage in Ontario's energy future as well as the local economic benefits. The project aligns well with many of Grey County's strategies, such as the County's Climate Action Plan, Corporate Strategic Plan, and Economic Development, Tourism and Culture Plan. Councillor Boddy brought forward the motion. A letter will be sent to TC Energy, Saugeen Ojibway Nation and federal and provincial ministers advising them of the declaration.

Grey County Council recommended awarding the **Rockwood Terrace** general construction contract to Melloul-Blamey Construction Ltd. with a bid of \$59,230,000 (excluding HST). The project will be co-funded by the provincial government and requires approval from the Ministry of Long-Term Care before the tender can be formally awarded.

Grey County will develop a memorandum of understanding with Grey Highlands, the Town of the Blue Mountains and Regional Tourism Organization 7 to outline commitments for achieving the goals of the **Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy**. This strategy and three-year action plan aim to balance the economic, social, cultural and environmental needs and opportunities in the Beaver Valley Corridor.

Grey County will create a **new ecological offsetting policy** following consultation with member municipalities, conservation authorities, the Indigenous community, the building community and the Niagara Escarpment Commission. This new policy will preserve natural heritage in the area by balancing ecological impact during the development process. If development has an environmental impact and preservation options are not available, the policy will allow for compensation in equal or greater environmental value elsewhere.



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### Notice of Public Meeting Proposed Water and Wastewater Allocation Policy

A Public Meeting to consider this application has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 9:30 am, Hybrid Format (In-person AND Virtual/Online).

Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0 or Virtual - Online format using Microsoft Teams

#### What is being proposed?

The Town of The Blue Mountains is seeking to develop a Water and Wastewater Allocation Policy. This policy aims to provide a clear and cohesive set of guidelines that will govern the equitable allocation of water and wastewater resources to meet the evolving needs of the growing community in the most beneficial manner possible.

Currently, allocation is granted on a “first come, first serve” basis and the Town does not have a mechanism in place to grant allocation with a lens to community priorities. To do so, the Town is developing a policy that is inclusive of scoring criteria and an evaluation framework that can be applied when a development is positioned to execute an agreement to commence construction.

#### Where do I find more information?

Additional information can be found in Staff Report PDS.23.131 ‘Request for Public Meeting for Water and Wastewater Allocation Policy’ available on the Town website.

Or come visit us in Planning Services, Town Hall during regular office hours Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or contact the staff lead for this file.

#### What happens at the Public Meeting?

The public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. You may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say!

Any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposed policy.

#### Where do I submit my comments?

Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk:

By Mail or in Person:

32 Mill St. Box 310, Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0

Fax: (519) 599-7723

Email: [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca)

#### When will a decision be made?

A decision on this proposal has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at the Public Meeting. After reviewing the application and any comments received, Town staff will bring recommendations on this project to a future council meeting.

#### Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing if you wish to receive a notice of any decision of Town Council on this proposal.

#### Questions?

Adam Smith, Director of Planning and Development Services

Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext. 246 or Toll Free (888) 258-6867

Email: [asmith@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:asmith@thebluemountains.ca)

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### Notice of Public Meeting Application for Zoning Bylaw Amendment

**Property Location:** Town-wide

A Public Meeting to consider this application has been scheduled for May 14, 2024 at 9:30 am, Hybrid Format (In-person AND Virtual/Online)

**Location:** Council Chambers, Town Hall 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0 OR Virtual - Online format using Microsoft Teams

#### What is being proposed?

The proposal is seeking an amendment to Zoning By-law 2018-65 to update the Development 'D' Zone provisions. Currently, the zoning provisions of the former Town of Thornbury Zoning By-law 10-77 and Township of Collingwood Zoning By-law 83-40 continue to apply to lands zoned D within the Town. This has resulted in confusion regarding the permitted uses and standards associated with these lands.

In order to provide greater clarity for owners of D-zoned land, the Town is proposing to remove Section 1.5(g) of the Zoning By-law, which requires reference to the former Town of Thornbury and Township of Collingwood Zoning By-laws. In lieu of this provision, a list of permitted uses and standards will be developed for all D-zoned lands and incorporated into Zoning By-law 2018-65.

A draft of proposed provisions is included with this notice. Please note that these are subject to change following public consultation and a decision of Council. It is also noted that existing uses would be permitted to continue in accordance with Section 4.24 of the Zoning By-law

The effects of the draft provisions on D-zoned properties would include:

1. Additional residential units are added as a permitted use;
2. Existing uses are permitted to continue;
3. Any modifications to main buildings must continue to meet the setbacks and height standards as established at the time of the By-law being passed;
4. Construction of new single detached dwellings on vacant properties are prohibited;
5. New accessory buildings and structures and additional residential units can be constructed in accordance with the relevant zoning provisions applicable to those uses.

To determine if your property is zoned Development 'D', please use the Town's Interactive Zoning Map, which can be found on the Zoning Information page of the Town website.

#### Where do I find more information?

Our website contains background studies, reports, plans and drawings. They are available for viewing or download at [www.thebluemountains.ca/dzonezba](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/dzonezba).

Or come visit us in Planning Services, Town Hall during regular office hours Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or contact the planner for this file.

#### What happens at the Public Meeting?

The public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. You may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say!

Any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposed amendments.

#### Where do I submit my comments?

Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk, Corrina Giles:

By Mail or in Person:

32 Mill St. Box 310, Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0

Fax: (519) 599-7723

Email: [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca)

#### When will a decision be made?

A decision on this proposal has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at the Public Meeting. After reviewing the application and any comments received, Town staff will bring recommendations on this project to a future council meetings.

#### Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing if you wish to receive a notice of any decision of Town Council on this proposal.

#### Questions? Want more information?

Carter Triana, Intermediate Planner


Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext. 262 or

Toll Free (888) 258-6867

Email: [planning@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:planning@thebluemountains.ca)



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### Notice of Public Meeting Application for Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Continued)

#### 1.5 REPEAL OF FORMER BY-LAWS

Subject to Section 1.5(a) through (g) By-law 83-40 of the former Township of Collingwood and By-law 10-77 of the former Town of Thornbury and all amendments hereto are hereby repealed.

g) DELETED

#### 8.1 ZONES

Table 8.1 – Agricultural, Rural, Recreational and Other Zone Use Permissions

Permitted Use	D
<i>Additional Residential Unit</i>	X

#### 8.2 ZONE STANDARDS

Table 8.2 – Agricultural, Rural, Recreational and Other Zone Standards

Zone Standard	D
Minimum <i>lot area</i> (ha)	(1)
Minimum <i>lot frontage</i> (m)	(1)
Minimum <i>front yard</i> (m)	(1) (4)
Minimum <i>exterior side yard</i> (m)	(1) (4)
Minimum <i>interior side yard</i> (m)	(1) (4)
Minimum <i>rear yard</i> (m)	(1) (4)
Maximum <i>height</i> (m)	(1) (4)

#### Special Provisions

(1) As existing on the date of passing of this By-law.

(4) Accessory buildings and structures and additional residential units are permitted to be located in accordance with Sections 4.1 and 4.3, respectively.

#### Your rights to appeal a decision:

1. Any persons may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.
2. If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decisions of the Town of The Blue Mountains to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the Zoning By-law Amendment is approved or refused, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decisions.
3. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of The Blue Mountains before the Zoning By-law Amendment is approved or refused, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.
4. If you wish to be notified of the decision by the Town of The Blue Mountains in respect to the approval or refusal of the Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town at the addresses noted on the previous page. Please note the file numbers noted above when directing correspondence to the Town.



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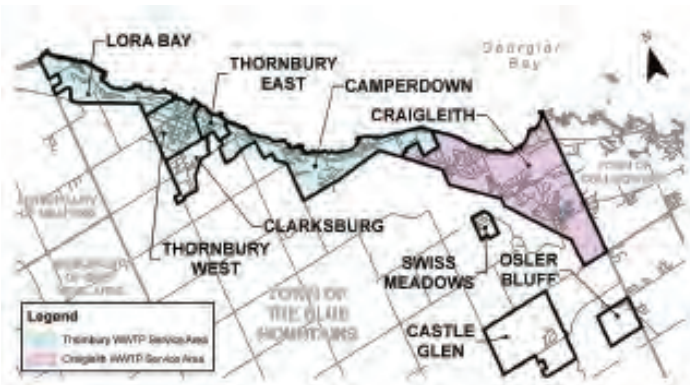


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### Notice of Study Commencement and Public Information Centre Wastewater Master Plan



The Town of The Blue Mountains has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) to complete a Wastewater Master Plan. This study is being conducted according to the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the MCEA process which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act. This Master Plan is being completed as an Approach 2 Master Plan with sufficient detail to fulfill the requirements for Schedule 'B' projects (e.g., new or upgraded sewage pumping stations, forcemains, etc.).

#### How will this affect me?

The purpose of the study is to evaluate the Town's long-term wastewater treatment and collection system needs and identify a preferred solution to be implemented to improve the system to accommodate the Town's growth. This process will help to identify system requirements and assist with long-term capital planning. Public and agency consultation is a key element of the process and input will be sought throughout the study to inform the evaluation and selection of the preferred wastewater servicing strategy.

#### Where do I find more information?

If you wish to add your contact information to the study mailing list, or if you have any questions regarding the study, please see the Contact Information section of this notice. A dedicated project page has been added to the Town's website at: [www.thebluemountains.ca/WWMasterPlan](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/WWMasterPlan)

In accordance with Ontario's Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), The Corporation of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports, and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted to the Town's website and/or made available to the public upon request.

#### Contact Information

If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact one of the people listed below.

##### Town of The Blue Mountains

Allison Kershaw  
Manager of Water and Wastewater Services  
519-599-3131 ext. 226  
akershaw@thebluemountains.ca  
32 Mill Street, P.O. Box 310  
Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

##### J.L. Richards & Associates Limited

Jane Wilson, P.Eng.  
Senior Environmental Engineer  
226-780-7487  
jwilson@jlrichards.ca  
107-450 Speedvale Avenue West  
Guelph, ON N1H 7Y6

#### Project Timeline

- Study Commencement - Q2 2022
- Study Completion - Q4 2024 (est.)

#### Public Consultation

A Virtual Public Information Centre (PIC) is being held to gather input from stakeholders and residents. All those interested in the project are invited to attend. The meeting will include a public comment and question period.

Date: Thursday, May 23, 2024

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

Platform: Microsoft Teams


Registration for the meeting is mandatory to receive a link to attend the virtual meeting. Please visit the project web page to register for the meeting and to sign up for notifications as project updates become available.

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### Notice of Passing of a Development Charges By-law by The Town of The Blue Mountains

At the April 15, 2024 Council Meeting, and in accordance with Section 2 of the Development Charges Act, Council passed By-law 2024-29 being a By-law to establish Development Charges for the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains.

The development charges in the By-law will apply to all new residential and non-residential development, subject to certain terms, conditions and limited exemptions as identified therein. Town-wide development charges are levied against new development to pay for the increased capital costs related to the provision of municipal services such as Public Library, Fire Services, Police Department, Parks and Recreation, By-law Enforcement, and Services Related to a Highway: Public Works and Roads and Related services. The development charges imposed under the By-law come into effect on April 15th, 2024. Notice of the Passing of a Development Charges By-law by the Town of The Blue Mountains is being provided for residents and organizations to review.

Persons or organizations who wish to appeal the By-law with the Ontario Land Tribunal must file their Notice of Appeal with the Town Clerk by Monday May 27, 2024. A processing fee will be payable to the Town of The Blue Mountains Clerk's Office with the appeal application. The appellant is advised to contact the Ontario Land Tribunal to access required forms and applicable Provincial fees.

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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains passed Development Charge By-law No. 2024-29 on the 15th day of April 2024, under Section 2 of the Development Charges Act, 1997.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or organization may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal under Section 14 of the Act, in respect of the Development Charges By-law, by filing with the Clerk of the Town of The Blue Mountains no later than Monday, May 27th, 2024, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons supporting the objection. A processing fee will be payable to the Town of The Blue Mountains Clerk's Office with the appeal application. The appellant is advised to contact the Ontario Land Tribunal to access required forms and applicable Provincial fees.

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Rates imposed for the Service Areas of Craigeleith, Castle Glen, Osler, Thornbury East, Thornbury West, Clarksburg, Lora Bay (SA1, SA2 and SA3), Camperdown and Swiss Meadows are related to the provision of Water and Sanitary Sewer services. Schedules 1 to 4 below set out the residential and non-residential development charge rates applicable throughout the Town by service area. Map 1 delineates all applicable Service Areas within the Town in which the area specific charges are applied.

The development charges imposed under the By-law come into effect on April 15th, 2024. Copies of the complete Development Charge By-law are available for examination during regular business hours (weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) in the offices of the municipality located at 32 Mill Street Thornbury, ON and on the website at [www.thebluemountains.ca](http://www.thebluemountains.ca). For further information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 519-599-3131 x232.


Dated at the Town of The Blue Mountains this 18th of April, 2024.

**Corrina Giles**

Town of The Blue Mountains  
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Thornbury, ON, NOH 2P0



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## Notice of Passing of a Development Charges By-law by The Town of The Blue Mountains (Continued)

### Schedule 1 - Development Charges for "Single and Semi-Detached" Dwelling Units

Service Area	Municipal Service												Total Charge
	Library	Fire	Police	Parks & Recreation	By-law Enforcement	Solid Waste Management	Public Works*	Roads & Related*	Water	Sanitary Sewer	Sub-Total Charge	Development Rel. Studies**	
Craigleith	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$12,865	\$10,654	\$58,194	\$366	\$58,560
Castle Glen	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$18,680	\$15,165	\$68,520	\$366	\$68,886
Osler	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$47,608	\$51,105	\$133,388	\$366	\$133,754
Thornbury East	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$6,575	\$26,495	\$67,745	\$366	\$68,111
Thornbury West	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$39,747	\$48,938	\$123,360	\$366	\$123,726
Clarksburg	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$24,858	\$47,388	\$106,921	\$366	\$107,287
Lora Bay - SA1	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$23,537	\$33,892	\$92,105	\$366	\$92,471
Lora Bay - SA2	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$17,865	\$26,415	\$78,956	\$366	\$79,322
Lora Bay - SA3	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$17,865	\$26,513	\$79,054	\$366	\$79,420
Camperdown	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$19,291	\$39,116	\$93,082	\$366	\$93,448
Swiss Meadows	\$1,082	\$1,687	\$129	\$9,544	\$30	\$165	\$1,273	\$20,765	\$0	\$0	\$34,675	\$366	\$35,041

Services Related to a Highway

Class of services of Development Related Studies to be in effect immediately upon amendment to the Act.

### Schedule 2 - Development Charges for "Other Multiples/Hotel" Dwelling Units

Service Area	Municipal Service												Total Charge
	Library	Fire	Police	Parks & Recreation	By-law Enforcement	Solid Waste Management	Public Works*	Roads & Related*	Water	Sanitary Sewer	Sub-Total Charge	Development Rel. Studies**	
Craigleith	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$11,546	\$9,562	\$52,230	\$328	\$52,558
Castle Glen	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$16,765	\$13,610	\$61,497	\$328	\$61,825
Osler	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$42,728	\$45,867	\$119,717	\$328	\$120,045
Thornbury East	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$5,901	\$23,779	\$60,802	\$328	\$61,130
Thornbury West	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$35,673	\$43,922	\$110,717	\$328	\$111,045
Clarksburg	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$22,310	\$42,531	\$95,963	\$328	\$96,291
Lora Bay - SA1	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$21,125	\$30,418	\$82,665	\$328	\$82,993
Lora Bay - SA2	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$16,034	\$23,708	\$70,864	\$328	\$71,192
Lora Bay - SA3	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$16,034	\$23,796	\$70,952	\$328	\$71,280
Camperdown	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$18,963	\$36,651	\$86,734	\$328	\$87,062
Swiss Meadows	\$971	\$1,514	\$115	\$8,566	\$27	\$148	\$1,142	\$18,637	\$0	\$0	\$31,120	\$328	\$31,448

Services Related to a Highway

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### Schedule 3 - Development Charges for "Apartment" Dwelling Units

Service Area	Municipal Service												Total Charge
	Library	Fire	Police	Parks & Recreation	By-law Enforcement	Solid Waste Management	Public Works*	Roads & Related*	Water	Sanitary Sewer	Sub-Total Charge	Development Rel. Studies**	
Craigleith	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$8,660	\$7,172	\$39,173	\$246	\$39,419
Castle Glen	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$12,574	\$10,208	\$46,123	\$246	\$46,369
Osler	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$32,046	\$34,400	\$89,788	\$246	\$90,034
Thornbury East	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$4,426	\$17,834	\$45,602	\$246	\$45,848
Thornbury West	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$26,755	\$32,942	\$83,038	\$246	\$83,284
Clarksburg	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$16,733	\$31,898	\$71,972	\$246	\$72,218
Lora Bay - SA1	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$15,844	\$22,814	\$61,999	\$246	\$62,245
Lora Bay - SA2	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$12,026	\$17,781	\$53,148	\$246	\$53,394
Lora Bay - SA3	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$12,026	\$17,847	\$53,214	\$246	\$53,460
Camperdown	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$18,244	\$31,254	\$72,839	\$246	\$73,085
Swiss Meadows	\$728	\$1,135	\$87	\$6,425	\$20	\$111	\$857	\$13,978	\$0	\$0	\$23,341	\$246	\$23,587

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## Notice of Passing of a Development Charges By-law by The Town of The Blue Mountains (Continued)

### Schedule 4 - Development Charges for Non-Residential Development per Square Metre

Service Area	Municipal Service												
	Library	Fire	Police	Parks & Recreation	By-law Enforcement	Solid Waste Management	Public Works*	Roads & Related*	Water	Sanitary Sewer	Sub-Total Charge	Development Rel. Studies**	Total Charge
1. Craileith	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$65.21	\$62.70	\$262.98	\$2.05	\$265.03
2. Castle Glen	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$148.83	\$86.65	\$370.55	\$2.05	\$372.60
3. Osler	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$358.97	\$377.57	\$871.61	\$2.05	\$873.66
4. Thornbury East	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$37.74	\$194.36	\$367.17	\$2.05	\$369.22
5. Thornbury West	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$263.31	\$360.83	\$759.21	\$2.05	\$761.26
6. Clarksburg	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$295.43	\$522.52	\$953.02	\$2.05	\$955.07
7. Lora Bay - SA1	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$143.44	\$235.34	\$513.85	\$2.05	\$515.90
8. Lora Bay - SA2	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$99.26	\$247.72	\$482.05	\$2.05	\$484.10
9. Lora Bay - SA3	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$99.26	\$214.61	\$448.94	\$2.05	\$450.99
10. Camperdown	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$128.18	\$273.82	\$537.07	\$2.05	\$539.12
11. Swiss Meadows	\$0.00	\$9.47	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.17	\$0.93	\$7.15	\$116.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$135.07	\$2.05	\$137.12

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### Map 1 – Service Area Map



## Living Better with Parkinson's Receives a \$88,400 Grant from the Ontario Government's Ontario Trillium Foundation

MPP Brian Saunderson formally congratulated the team at Living Better with Parkinson's on the one-year, \$88,400 Resilient Communities Fund grant it received from the Ontario government's Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF). Joining MPP Saunderson at the event was Carol Bateman, an OTF volunteer.



The Resilient Communities Fund grant program was created in 2020 to help non-profit groups and small communities rebuild from the impacts created by the pandemic.

"The much-needed funds will allow the hard-working team at Living Better with Parkinson's to better serve the community," says Simcoe-Grey MPP Brian Saunderson. "Most of us have a family member or friend who has lived or is living with Parkinson's and know firsthand about the support that's required."

Funds from the grant will be used over the coming year to hire additional staff with expertise in the areas of fund development, volunteer recruitment, coaching, training, mentoring, communications and public relations as well. The grant will also help with key administrative costs, purchasing some tech equipment, as well as helping with some workshop costs.

Securing charitable status in January 2021, Living Better with Parkinson's is committed to increasing the quality of life of people living with Parkinson's Disease and their caregivers in South Georgian Bay. Promoting daily physical activity, advocacy and education are the primary pillars ensuring that LBWP mission is achieved.



Over the next decade, 1.5 per cent to 2 per cent of the population over 60 years will live with Parkinson's Disease in North America. That is more than Multiple Sclerosis, Muscular Dystrophy, and ALS combined. The South Georgian Bay (SGB) population is growing rapidly, and the demographics are aging as it attracts more residents to the area. In this decade, People with Parkinson's (PWP) in SGB are expected to double.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Ontario government with a mission to build healthy and vibrant communities across the province. Last year, OTF invested more than \$110M into 1,044 community projects and multi-sector partnerships. Projects aim to enhance economic well-being, foster more active lifestyles, support child and youth development, provide spaces for people to come together and connect, and create a more sustainable environment. Visit [otf.ca](http://otf.ca) to learn more.

Catherine Smart, Executive Director, (705) 606-0985  
[info@livingbetterwithparkinsons.ca](mailto:info@livingbetterwithparkinsons.ca)

## Art Show at the L.E. Shore Gallery for May

For this show, four artists (P. Annie Churchill, George Rutherford, Heather Bennett and Maureen White) have joined together to explore the elements, subjects and scenes that inspire them. The exhibit beautifully demonstrates how inspiration can emerge from anywhere – a body of water, a piece of cloth or a shade of color. Following the opening, May 4th, 2-4pm the show will be in The Gallery until May 29.

# Ham Dinner With Scalloped Potato Friday May 10

Sittings at 5:00 & 6:30pm  
Take-out available  
\$20 / \$6 for kids

Tickets available for pick-up Tues. & Wed. at the Admin office

[Grace United Church](http://Grace United Church)

or reserve for day-of pick-up 519-599-2438/  
[graceucworship@gmail.com](mailto:graceucworship@gmail.com)

## EFL WOMEN'S CLOTHING SALE

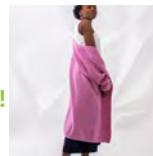
May 11, 2024 8:30 am - 12:30pm

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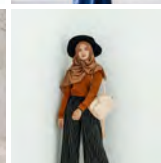
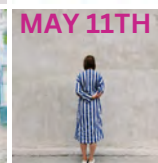
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## Volunteers needed for a Tree Care Day at Delphi Point Park May 13th



Tree Trust TBM is looking for volunteers on Monday, May 13, 5-7 pm, rain or shine to help with critically important tree-care, helping to distribute compost and mulch to recently planted trees in Delphi Point Park. Volunteers are asked to bring garden gloves, footwear suitable for gardening, and a rake or shovel if you have one. Delphi Point Park is located off of Delphi Lane and 209233 Hwy 26. We look forward to seeing you there, and working together to give these trees some TLC.



The Thornbury BIA  
welcomes you to join us at our  
Annual General Meeting!

**Wednesday, May 15, 2024  
8:00am**

**Council Chambers, Town Hall  
32 Mill St. S, Thornbury**

[www.thornbury.ca](http://www.thornbury.ca)

# BOOT (TRUNK) SALE!

**SATURDAY, MAY 18TH  
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# BLUE CLAY

**BLUE MOUNTAIN POTTERY DOCUMENTARY**

**SIMCOE STREET THEATRE, MAY 18TH | 7PM**

**Q&A with  
Producer & Director  
Tracey Strnad**



**Come to the Final Night of the REEL History Film Fest!**

The Blue Mountains Public Library and Craighleith Heritage Depot have been celebrating the Blue Mountains by screening their award-winning documentaries with engaging talks from guest speakers.

On May 18 watch the Blue Mountain Pottery film "Blue Clay" at the Simcoe Street Theatre in Collingwood. This documentary tells a true Canadian immigration story that shares the lives of courageous innovators who believed in Canada and the creative arts. The festival wraps up with a special Q&A with Film Director, of Mountain Goat Film Company, Tracey Strnad. A fun night of captivating entertainment.

Learn about local history and help your community Museum make more films! Saturday May 18, show starts at 7 pm. Admission is by donation, with all proceeds going towards making more documentaries and preserving local history.

<https://www.thebluemountainslibrary.ca/events>

Space is limited, register online today. 519-599-3681 ext. 6 or email [museum@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:museum@thebluemountains.ca)



**Sat. May 18 11-3 [www.visitclarksburg.ca](http://www.visitclarksburg.ca)**

# THORNBURY JAZZWORKS

GRACE UNITED CHURCH, 140 BRUCE STREET S., THORNBURY

**FRIDAY MAY 24, 2024 - 7:30PM**

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or at these locations

Thornbury Pharmasave, 45 Arthur St. W., Thornbury

Gabriele Photography, 133 Hurontario St., Collingwood



## TBM Repair Café

140 Bruce St. S. Thornbury

**Saturday, May 25th  
9am-Noon**

Bring broken items for free repair  
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[www.repaircafethebluemountains.ca](http://www.repaircafethebluemountains.ca)

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# LOBSTER FEST

SATURDAY MAY 25TH 2024

## DELICIOUS EAST COAST LOBSTER DINNER

includes Lobster, BBQ Chicken, Baked Potato, Fresh Baked Roll, Salad & Dessert

Beaver Valley Community Centre, Thornbury

### TAKE OUT

Pickup Times 5:00; 5:30; 6:00; 6:30pm - \$80 per person

For Tickets & Information:

[www.lobsterfestblue.ca](http://www.lobsterfestblue.ca)

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For home delivery call 519-599-3345

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## The FESTIVAL TRIO in Thornbury



Sunday May 26, 2024 at 3 pm  
Grace United Church

140 Bruce St S, Thornbury 519.599.2438

Sadie Fields violin Paul Pulford cello Ken Gee piano

Beethoven Piano Trio No.1 in E flat major, op.1, no.1

Charlotte Bray That Crazy Smile (for piano trio, 2014)

Schubert Trio No.1 in B flat major, op.99

\$40 adult, \$25 student, \$20 child [guelphmusicfest.ca](http://guelphmusicfest.ca)

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## LUNCH BUNCH

4th Tuesday

Tuesday, May 28th at 12:00

Come for lunch and bring a friend

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 165 Russell St. E., Thornbury

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## BAKE SALE

Saturday, June 1st, 8:00am

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9:00am Registration - 10:00am Opening Ceremonies

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**Ceremonies commence 2.00pm**



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See the new enhanced cenotaph  
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**All Welcome**

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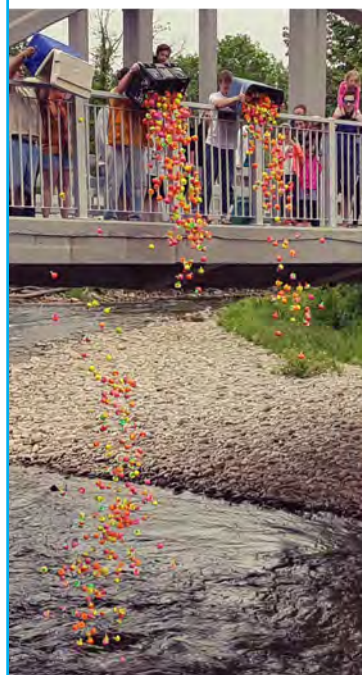
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