



Collingwood Hospital Foundation Hopes To Reach MRI Goal with Annual Tree of Life Campaign.

Collingwood Hospital Foundation has launched their annual Tree of Life with a fresh new campaign to raise funds for a new MRI Machine for the Collingwood G&M Hospital. Not having immediate access to this equipment prevents the CGMH team from making timely diagnoses and providing adequate care, especially in emergency cases. The Foundation hopes to inspire the community to help reach their goal of \$5million.

“Access to this critical piece of diagnostic equipment here in South Georgian Bay will transform our local health system by providing better outcomes and ultimately, saving lives.” says Dr Mark Bonta, Internal Medicine Physician at Collingwood G&M Hospital.

Each year, over 7,000 people in South Georgian Bay will require MRI services: inpatients and emergency patients, as well as those individuals with health issues such as cancer, orthopaedic issues, stroke, and brain disorders. They are often left with no other option than to travel upwards of 90 km roundtrip to access this important diagnostic service, often navigating long waitlists and losing precious time. Residents face wait times that are 2 to 3 times longer than residents in other areas of the province.

With 90% of equipment and technology for the Collingwood G&M Hospital funded through donations, the Foundation couldn't possibly raise the funds alone. They rely heavily on the support of those around them. “South Georgian Bay is an incredibly generous community,” says Alison Smith, Director of Communications, “we appreciate the various ways that people contribute. Big or small, these gifts make an impact on us all.”

To bring the best possible Diagnostic Imaging technology to South Georgian Bay, the Foundation must raise \$5 million to cover the capital costs for the MRI Machine, which they hope to accomplish, by the end of this year. Please donate today at collingwoodhospital.com

Watch this short video from CGMH physicians on the importance of equipping CGMH with an MRI Machine:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDTVacdHQ6w>

Public Skating

The Town offers a variety of public skating options for the public to enjoy at the Beaver Valley Arena. Helmets are strongly recommended for all skaters regardless of age or ability.

2023/24 Programs	Dates & Times	Cost
Public Skating	Saturdays - 12pm to 2pm	\$3 per adult
	Sundays - 12pm to 2pm	
Adult Skating	Mondays - 10am to 12pm	\$3 per person
	Wednesdays - 10am to 12pm	
	Thursdays - 1pm to 3pm	
	<i>Skaters must be at least 16 years of age</i>	
Parent & Tots	Tuesdays - 12pm to 1pm	Free
	Thursdays - 11am to 12pm	

Holiday Public Skate

Dec 27, 12 - 2pm;	Dec 28, 10am - 12pm;	Dec 29, 12 - 2pm
Jan 2, 12 - 2pm;	Jan 3, 12 - 2pm;	Jan 4, 10am - 12pm
Adults \$3.00		

Private Drinking Water Testing Drop-off Location Opened at Ravenna Hall Update

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents that the Grey Bruce Health Unit has partnered with the Town to open a well water sample drop-off location in Ravenna.

Samples will be picked up weekly from Ravenna Hall, #628299 Grey County Rd 119 at 10:00 a.m. each Friday. Samples must be dropped off within 24 hours of the pick-up time. Sample bottles are also available for pick-up at the Hall. The side door of the Ravenna hall is open and just to the right of the door is a mini fridge to place the water sample in it.

Water testing is free and part of a complimentary program offered by Public Health Ontario for residents on wells and other private systems. For more information regarding private drinking water testing, please visit the Grey Bruce Public Health website.

If you are connected to the Municipal Drinking Water supply and would like to have your drinking water tested, please contact the Water & Wastewater Division, (519) 599-3131 x 284 to arrange to have a sample collected.



Branch 281
Beaver Valley

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 281 wishes to thank the entire Beaver Valley community for your support of our 2023 Poppy Campaign and all Remembrance events. The generosity of our community goes from strength to strength at our donation boxes – a special thank you to all local businesses who hosted us, and our donation boxes, over the course of the campaign. Also thank you to those businesses that donated directly to the campaign and to those who displayed their support for all to see. Thank you for support of the Shoreline Chorus presentation of 'A Time to Remember' at St George's, Errinung remembrance service and to BVCC, for hosting our veterans' visit, and for a wonderful remembrance event on Friday – our members were definitely impressed

Thank you to all who came out on Remembrance Day to one of our ceremonies and to the plow driver who lifted his blade when passing the cenotaph – this did not go unnoticed. To the orchestra and pipe band and to the piper and trumpeter, specific thanks are due. A big thank you to all wreath donors and layers and to the daycare children who laid their painted stones. The contribution of service personnel from 4 Canadian Division Training Centre Meaford was very welcome and contributed to a memorable Remembrance Day.

Finally, thanks to all who supported the Pathfinders, Guides, Embers and Sparks candlelit ceremony, which, delayed by weather, concluded our Remembrance activities on Wed 15th.

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We have a newly crowned Queen of the Dump!

For years she has been called the Diva of the Dump, but an unknown admirer decided to give her a more fitting designation, with a genuine Tiara from Scotland! So be prepared to be treated "Royally" on your next dump visit!

photo by Robert Burcher

Holiday Trivia

- Why is Christmas celebrated in December?
 - Birthdays of Jesus
 - to replace a series of pagan celebrations
- Which festival is known as the Festival of Lights celebrated in late Oct. or early Nov. by Hindu and Sikhs.
 - Diwali
 - Veska
 - Rosh Hashanah
- What is the name of the festival of lights for the Jewish holidays?
 - Yon Kippur
 - Shavuot
 - Hanukkah
- What religion believes in God but doesn't celebrate holidays?
 - Amish
 - Mennonite
 - Jehovah Witnesses
- When do Orthodox Christians celebrate Christmas?
 - December 25th
 - January 6th or 7th
- Eid-Filr is celebrated by Muslims following the holy month of ?
 - Eid Al-Adha
 - Ramadan
 - Laila al-Qadr
- Vesak is a holiday celebrated on the first full moon in May (leap year in June). Which faith celebrates this holiday?
 - Hindu
 - Muslim
 - Buddhist

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Council Votes to Keep the Name Craigleith Depot

On October 31, 2023 a Public Meeting was held and Council heard from members of the public in attendance and also received written public comments in accordance with the Policy. Twelve (12) of the fifteen (15) public comments received by Council supported the renaming or reversion of the facility to the Craigleith Station.

During the Public Meeting, the CEO of The Blue Mountains Public Library along with staff provided Council with additional information and background regarding the history of the Craigleith Depot and the former use and purpose of the property and facility being a restaurant.

The CEO of The Blue Mountains Public Library outlined that: "Train depots and train stations are both locations where trains stop to pick up and drop off passengers, cargo, and equipment". Train depots are primarily used for maintenance, storage of trains, and repair services. They are also known as train yards or rail yards. Train depots can be used to store trains that are not in use, repair and maintain trains, and refuel trains before they embark on a journey. Train depots are typically located outside the city, and they are not open to the public.

Train stations, also known as terminals, are the places where train passengers board and disembark from trains during a journey. Train stations serve as meeting points for trains and passengers, and they are typically located in the city centre or near tourist attractions. Train stations offer various facilities to passengers, including restrooms, waiting areas, ticket counters, and food outlets.

Train stations are open to the public, and they are an essential part of any city's transportation infrastructure". It was also noted that the "Craigleith Station" is the original and legal name of the facility and therefore this renaming could be in fact be a correction and a return to the proper facility name.

Proposed Development on Hwy 26 East of The Cidery

The proposal includes the construction of two three-storey mixed-use buildings at 150 King Street East, and one three-storey hotel at 160 King Street East in Thornbury.



The mixed-use buildings proposed for 150 King St. East include a total of 1,128sq.m. square metres of commercial space on the main-floor, and a total of forty-eight residential apartment units on the second and third storeys. Proposed unit types include a total of eighteen one-bedroom units and six two-bedroom units per building.



A total of sixty-nine hotel rooms are proposed for 160 King St. East.

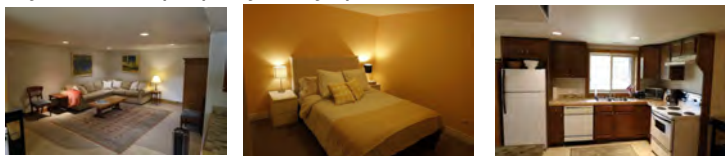
Blue Mountain Resorts Project Update

The Resort is planning a new enclosed Scenic Gondola Ride & Base Lodge as well as Employee Housing at the bottom of Scenic Caves hill.



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In Memoriam

MINERVA "JOAN" WELDRICK

January 6, 1940 - November 6, 2023

With heavy hearts Joan's family announces her passing on November 6th, 2023 at Errinrunc Long Term Care Home, with her daughter by her side. Born on January 6th 1940, Joan (the Ravenna girl) was the only child of Minerva



and Francis Wagg. In 1959 she married a neighbor boy, Mitchell. Mitchell and Joan raised their family on the Weldrick family farm. Their family consisted of Andy (Barb), Peter (Myrna), James "Jimmy" (Jamie), and Michelle (John).

Joan's family grew over the years to include grandchildren Adam (Tristen), Christopher (Hailey), Jonathon (Katelynn), and Khemish (Matthew). The family then welcomed great grandchildren Emma, Austin, Xavier, Carson and Kendall.

Sadly, Mitchell predeceased her in 2015. Joan left Ravenna soon after this, and her beloved birds and dogs, and moved into the Errinrunc Residence. She made many new friends in her new home and the staff treated her like family.

Joan requested cremation and once this has been completed she will return to the 8th line for one last winter with Michelle and John, until her spring interment with a private family graveside service.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Errinrunc Residents' and Family Council 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. www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca

KERRIE (KYRE) TRAFFORD

November 28, 1973 - November 8, 2022

*"In life we loved you greatly
In death we love you still
In our hearts you hold a place
That no one else will ever fill"*

Thank you to E & H Property Management at Applejack for the above quote and providing a wonderful facility for my guests that were able to attend Kyre's remembrance November 18, 2023.

Thank you Marg Trafford



*"Life is about moments.
Don't wait for them.
Create them."*

EDMUND KNOX SHAW

Edmund Shaw of Thornbury passed away peacefully to his heavenly home on November 22, 2023. Edmund was born September 2, 1927 to Norman and Pearl (Knox) Shaw and grew up on the farm on the 6th line of Collingwood Township. He married Donna Petch and was blessed to journey with her for 66 years. Edmund was a hard-working farmer, bus driver, longshoreman and an avid hunter. He was devoted to his family and welcomed each new addition with a smile. He was an active member of Kolapore Church of the Nazarene for many years.

Edmund will be missed by his children: Carolyn Austin (Brian) of Walkerton, Glenda Newson (Joe) of Fergus, Doug Shaw (Cathy) of Clarksburg, Beverly Shaw (Sheri) of Clarksburg, and Kevin Shaw (Lee) of Clarksburg. Edmund was the proud Grandpa of 20 grandchildren and 39 great grandchildren.

He is survived by his sisters-in-law Marie Petch and Lynda Wood and predeceased by his brother Ian Shaw, sister Vernice Chorkawy and great grandson Dylan Edgcumbe. Uncle Pip will be missed by many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was conducted at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Thornbury on Saturday November 25 at 1:00 p.m. A service of committal and interment took place at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (cheques only please) or the Meaford Hospital Foundation 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. www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca



MARILYN ANNE ANTLER

Marilyn passed away peacefully at Telfer Place Nursing Home in Paris, Ontario on Friday, November 24, 2023 at the age of 79.

Born in Renfrew, Ontario on July 4, 1944, she was a daughter of the late William and Clara (nee Forrest) Gore.

She was predeceased by her husband Edward 'Ted' Jones in 1970 and by her husband Ernest 'Ernie' Antler in 1992.

She was the much-loved mother of Charlene Jones-Southgate (Liam) of British Columbia and Melinda Muscat (Tony) of Brantford. Marilyn was the proud grandmother 'Nana' of Rebecca Heal, Randi Heal, Kyle Southgate, Karlee Southgate, Brenley Muscat, Tanna Muscat, Shayla Muscat; and great grandmother to Quinn Synnott, and Dylan and Jaxon McNamara. She was the dear sister of Mary Wyville of Meaford.

Marilyn will be remembered for her apple pie, sense of humor and the love and pride for her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends and outings for meals and shopping. She proudly served as one of Thornbury's Crossing Guards for over 30 years and always had many stories to share of her job and the families she assisted.

Marilyn's family express their gratitude to the wonderful staff at Telfer Place in Paris, Ontario for their wonderful care in their mom's final days.

A funeral service was at the Ferguson Funeral Home on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 1:30 p.m., with interment following at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Alzheimer Society 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. www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca



JOHN STEWART SUBLETT

It is with great sadness that we announce that John Stewart Sublett passed away on Tuesday, November 14th, 2023 at the age of 77. John passed at home with his devoted wife of 25 years, Jo-Ann, by his side.

Born on July 2, 1946 in Hamilton, John was a son of the late John and Yvonne (nee Stewart) Sublett. He was predeceased by his first wife Susan. John was loved dearly by his sons Daniel James 'Dan' Sublett (Melissa), grandchildren Taylor, Cameron, and Lauren, and by his son John Edward 'Ted' Sublett (Joel), and by Michael Glavin, grandchildren Hannah and Sam, and dear Debby Glavin. He is survived by his brother Stirling Sublett (Susanne), and his sister Julia Sublett (Edward).

John was a true gentleman, very creative and very thoughtful of others. He had many friends in the community. John had great style and a much-enjoyed sense of humor. He had an enormous appreciation of the outdoors, which led him to settle in the Beaver Valley for the last 35 years.

John's family extend their thanks to Dr. Sandhu and Dr. Remillard for the wonderful care and support he has received. Private family arrangements at this time.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Owen Sound Hospital, Oncology Unit 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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Thornbury Public School Room 1, 1943

Thank-you to the contribution of Jacquie Meneray Tarone in adding names to this photo and to Dorothy Nixon Frost for further additions

Left to right: 1st row: Carl Grummett; ? ; Denton Lougheed, Wayne Petrolia, Ron Lougheed, Clair Dobson, Don Davis
 2nd row: Shirley MacDonald, Phyliss Girling, Sheila Theakston, Isobel Nixon, Ruth Taylor, Shirley Anne Holmes, Jacquie Meneray, ?, Doris Taylor
 3rd row: Barbara Dunnill, A. Rice, Marian Cranston, Mary Mitchel, ?, Patsy Carefoot
 4th row: Miss Johnson, John Hethrington, Marvin Foster, G Chamberlin, James Hewson, Peter Stransky, Bruce Hogg, Ray Chamberlin

Holiday Trivia - questions on page 2

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| 2. Diwali | 5. January 6th or 7th |
| 4. Jehovah Witnesses | 7. Buddhist |
| 6. Ramadan | |

Minister Calandra Details Next Steps to Reach Ontario's Housing Targets

TORONTO — On Nov 27th, Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, released the following statement:

"When it comes to building at least 1.5 million new homes by 2031, we need all hands on deck.

To do so, today we convened more than 75 organizations, including municipal partners, as part of Ontario's first annual housing forum. Together, we're discussing how we can continue to get more shovels in the ground sooner and build more homes faster, especially as we navigate difficult headwinds like high interest rates, labour force gaps and inflationary pressures on the cost of building materials.

The insights gathered at the forum will help inform our next housing supply action plan. This year's forum focused on four main themes: building housing-enabling infrastructure, identifying barriers to missing middle housing, ensuring housing meets the needs of all Ontarians, and leveraging innovations like modular housing.

We continue to work closely with our municipal partners to implement in full or in principle the remaining recommendations from the Housing Affordability Task Force. We have already heard from mayors who agree that we need to be more ambitious in our shared commitment to build the homes the people of our province need, which includes prioritizing density near transit. The forum will build on our partnership, providing a platform for all partners to be a part of the solution.

Additionally, our government is developing a **modular housing framework** to help meet Ontario's housing demands and also position the province's construction industry to be a leader in innovative housing construction, including modular home manufacturing. We intend to use a ready-to-go Request for Qualification process which is a transparent approach to identify and pre-qualify companies interested in modular housing construction. Doing this will make choosing qualified builders easier and faster. I encourage interested companies who are able to help meet our rapid construction objectives to consider pre-qualifying.



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Christmas Naturally *by Alice Otrysko*

Pinecones, strands of grapevine, boughs of cedar, and everything else that is natural—all of this is fodder for decorating for the Christmas season with natural elements.

Christmas nowadays is focused on buying, giving, eating, lights on trees in and outside and decorative urns.

I love decorating for Christmas but I put aside everything that is commercially made and decided to use only what is Earth-made.

A wreath can be formed by a handful of evergreens and cones, dry leaves, small twigs and grapevine, all can make a lovely organic wreath that can hang on your outside door.

Garlands made of cedar can be formed into a rope and dress up a door frame. Empty antique containers look beautiful holding a variety of twigs, evergreens and berries.

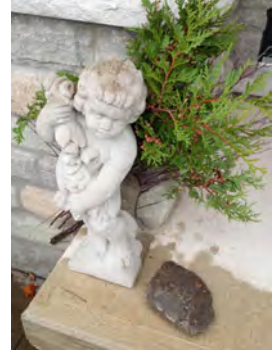
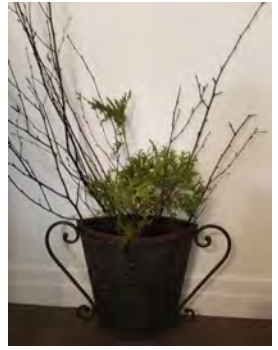
My garden gives me enough of what I need but I still enjoy foraging in a conservation area and picking up moss from the ground and dead leaves as well as dead twigs. These I use around my house and among them I may put candles (only white) or antique objects.

When these natural decorations have to be thrown out, they become part of nature rather than going to a landfill like plastics and paper.

Just before Christmas entertaining, bowls of mandarins, nuts and small oranges fill my bowls and then eaten once Christmas is over.

In my mother's house when we lived in England, no one went shopping for decorations for Christmas. Everything for the tree and home was natural. My mother would bake and cook for the family days in advance and the decorations were an integral part of how she presented the meal. After Christmas, a thorough cleaning was done and the following year it started all over again collecting as early as the summer. She even dried the mushrooms she gathered and strung them up as garlands.

The photos show simple suggestions and I hope that everyone will try to make this Christmas more earthy and less.



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"Georgian Bay Home Share helped me find a lovely place to live that I can afford. I have become good friends with the home owner and I help out with various tasks whenever I am needed. While I have helped the homeowner with many little projects and home-upkeeps, it has not been so much that it takes away from my personal time. A great thing about the arrangement is that it feels like a home, as opposed to a generic expensive apartment. If you are a friendly and courteous person who takes pride in "helping out around the house", then I recommend this program!" PS

Visit Georgian Bay Home share at georgianbayhomeshare.ca or email georgianbayhomeshare@gmail.com

Community Support Makes for a Banner Year for Tree Trust TBM



With the help of so many super dedicated volunteers and donors, 2023 has been a very busy and productive year for Tree Trust TBM as we try to preserve and build our tree canopy. Individual donations funded professional tree care for three older but very healthy legacy trees this year, helping to extend their life for many more decades. Exceptional volunteer support meant that we could also provide proper care and look after new tree plantings and demonstrate our tree-community muscle to funding agencies, allowing us to leverage additional funding for planting programs. TBM residents clearly care about trees and are willing to support tree care and tree planting in TBM through donations and their time. A huge thank you to all the donors, volunteers and Town staff for supporting our efforts! To support our work in 2024, donations can be made www.treetrust.ca or you can email Tree Trust TBM directly at tbm@treetrust.ca. Some highlights of our work this year include:

Expert tree care was provided for three beautiful legacy trees including two on Napier Street West and one on Elgin Street East. A tree care public event was hosted by the homeowners of the Elgin Street property – kindly providing lawn chairs, some munchies and all-round cheering support to the arborists. Tobias Effinger from Arboreal Tree Care gave a talk and answered tree questions.



A tree care day was held along the Georgian Trail at Northwinds and Tenth Line to apply mulch and compost to tree saplings that were planted last year. The Town supplied materials and logistical support. So nice to see all the volunteers come out on a sunny but chilly spring day to give these trees what they need in their 2nd year of fledging growth.

Forty trees (all between two and three meters) were planted along the Georgian Trail at Christie Beach Road. These larger trees were planted and watered weekly by Arboreal Tree Care Company. Species included: American Elm (Valley Forge) Swamp White Oak, Bitternut Hickory and Eastern White Cedar – all selected for the local conditions. Funding for these trees was provided by the Georgian Cycle and Ski Trail Association.

Twenty-five larger (3 meter+) trees and 20 shrubs were planted at Nipissing Ridge Park including Autumn Blaze Maples, American Elm (Valley Forge), Burr Oak, White Spruce, White Cedar, Juniper and Dogwood and Viburnum shrubs. A community volunteer mulch and compost day was held in late October. Tree Trust TBM and the Town collaborated to successfully apply for and receive funding from Tree Canada for the trees and the planting labour.

Trees are getting bigger at the Native Tree Nursery. We have planted out six basswood trees into the community from our nursery. We have eight more trees that are ready to go and 47 trees that are further sizing up in the nursery. Thanks to our very dedicated volunteer nursery manager – weeding and watering these trees all summer long! Pending further funding from the Town and or corporate donations in kind, we hope to add more trees and make

improvements to the fencing and possibly expand and or move the location.

Efforts to minimize tree loss from the Thornbury West Reconstruction continue. Many Thornbury residents have been upset by the proposed tree removals in the TWR phase 1b area, in particular, along Louisa Street. Tree Trust TBM got engaged more than 2 years ago, conducting an independent assessment of tree health, making presentations and submitting advocacy letters to Council and Staff. As a result, we believe that ten mature trees along Elma Street South will be preserved, when compared to the original plan. Unfortunately, tree preservation challenges are greater along Louisa, due to the deep digging/trenching required for the water and sewer service installations. We continue to advocate for preserving trees at the corner of Louisa and Bruce and Louisa and Elma as these are not subject to water or sewer installations. We are also advocating for special measures to protect on especially large and healthy tree approximately at the mid-point of Louisa Street.

Efforts to update the TBM Tree Preservation By-law continue. Tree Trust TBM has made repeated deputations and submissions related to upgrading the existing (2010) TBM Tree Preservation By-law. Updating the By-law is a work in process and hopefully a new revised draft bylaw will work for all concerned.

So, it's been a busy year! In 2024, we will continue to provide professional preservation care for older, legacy trees, to expand our tree canopy and to advocate for tree protection. We already have our eye on two very interesting legacy trees, much in need of professional, life-extending care. Oh! And stay tuned – we will have an exciting announcement coming up in the New Year!
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2nd Annual Kindness Gala

The Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club is delighted to share the tremendous success of its 2nd annual Kindness Gala, which took place on Saturday, November 11th at The Georgian Peaks Club. We are thrilled to announce that the event raised over \$26,500! The evening was filled with joy and laughter, evident in the enthusiastic participation of all attendees. The positive atmosphere underscored a collective appreciation for celebrating one another and recognizing the significance of kindness within our community. The funds raised from this remarkable evening will be directed towards the redevelopment of Moreau Park as part of the "Kindness at Play" project.

A heartfelt thank you is extended to the numerous sponsors and supporters whose generosity played a pivotal role in making this event possible. Save the date for next year's Kindness Gala, scheduled for Saturday, November 9th, 2024. We look forward to another inspiring celebration of kindness within our community! photos by mycollingwood.ca



A special congratulations goes out to The Kindness Awards recipients Jean-Marc Page, Ann Joyner, Amis Pukitis, Shirley Woolner and Sonia Kulakowsky for their commendable contributions to our community.



Rotary Exchange Student Maria Paz Monzo, President John Bailey and Rotarian Diana Bailey



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Peril in Paradise: A New Sci-Fi Thriller by local author Zanne Raby

If you are looking for a gripping sci-fi adventure, you might want to check out Peril in Paradise, the latest novel by Zanne Raby, a military veteran and a local author from Thornbury.

Peril in Paradise is the fourth installment in the series "The Chronicles of Deneb", which follows the exploits of Dr. Daniel Radu and his crew, fugitives from a dying Earth who seek a new home among the stars. In this novel, they face an existential threat on the beautiful tropical planet Cepheus-9, where they have settled among an advanced Indigenous population. But their peaceful existence is shattered when the Collective, an organization of powerful planets, discovers their true origins and launches a deadly hunt. Daniel and his crew must use deception and courage to survive, while he also struggles with his own guilt and remorse.

Raby, who retired from the Royal Canadian Air Force after 38 years of service, started writing as a hobby. She draws inspiration from her own experiences across North America, Europe, the Middle East, and the USA and enjoys writing sci-fi because it is a great genre to address topics like climate change, bioengineering, colonization, identity, and morality.

Peril in Paradise can be ordered through Jessica's Book Nook and will be released on December 5, 2023. She is currently working on Spirits of Steel, which will continue the saga of Daniel and his crew.



Grey County Soil & Crop Improvement Assoc.

Winter Meeting, AGM and Trade Show

Friday December 15th, 2023, Rocklyn Community Centre,
156371 7th Line, Rocklyn N0C 1G0

The Winter Meeting and Trade Show will be held at the Rocklyn Hall, 156371 7th Line, Rocklyn on Friday December 15th, 2023. Doors will open at 9:30 am with the program beginning at 10:00 am.

An excellent slate of speakers will address several timely topics including:

OSCIA Program Update

Lois Sinclair, Client Services Team, OSCIA

OMAFRA Update

Andrew Barrie, Environmental Specialist, OMAFRA

Wheat Management Panel

YEN grower panelists, Moderated by Carrie Davenport,
Owner of Georgian View Ag Services

A Year in Review, the Good, the Bad & the!

Taylor Knott, Sales Agronomist, Sprucedale Agromart

Corn Diseases and Fungicides

Todd Woodhouse, Agronomic Solutions Advisor and
Kurtis Pilkington, Technical Solutions;
Agronomist (TSA), Bayer Crop Science

2023 - 2024 Commodity Market Situation and Outlook

Steve Duff, Chief Economist, OMAFRA

Cow-Calf & Cash Cropper Partnerships

Kevin Aitken, Beef Farmer, Maple-Dale Farms

The AGM business will be addressed mid-day. An industry trade show will round out the day and add considerable interest to the program this year.

Delicious Hot Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner at lunchtime

Registration is only \$25 for Members, \$30 for Non-Members

Pre-registration required by December 8, 2023 for dinner.

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Notice of Public Meeting

A Public Meeting to consider these matters has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 9:30 am.

Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0
OR Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Application for Zoning By-law Amendment

Property Location: Part Lot 25, Concession 4

What is being proposed?

The proposal is seeking an amendment to Zoning By-law 2018-65 to:

1. Rezone the subject lands from the Development 'D' zone to the Residential One Exception 'R1-1-X' for the purpose of constructing a single detached dwelling;
2. Redefine the existing Hazard 'H' and Wetland 'W' zones as Hazard 'H', Hazard Exception 'H-XX', and Wetland 'W' zones; and
3. Lift the Holding Provision 'h1' associated with the wetland feature from the subject lands.

The proposal recognizes two potential building lots in the southwest and northeast corners of the property. The subject lands are currently vacant.



www.thebluemountains.ca/bluebirch

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Where do I find more information?

For more information about these matters, including information about appeal rights, a detailed notice, key maps, draft amendments (if proposed), and other relevant information, visit the associated project page on the Town website www.thebluemountains.ca

Future 2023 and 2024 Council and Committee Meetings:

- Council, December 18, 2023
 - Council, Public Meeting, December 19, 2023
 - Committee of the Whole, January 15, 2024
 - Committee of the Whole, January 16, 2024
 - Council, January 29, 2024
 - Council, Public Meeting, January 30, 2024
- *Note: This meeting may be cancelled if not required.
- Committee of the Whole, February 5, 2024
 - Committee of the Whole, February 6, 2024

All meetings are at the Town Hall, 32 Mill Street and Virtual.

Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings are live-streamed on the Town's website, and the meeting recording is posted to the Town website following the meeting.

For meeting times, please call 519-599-3131 Extension 232 or check the Town website at www.thebluemountains.ca

Town Hall Holiday Office Closure


The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents that Town Hall will be closed for the holiday season from Monday, December 25, 2023 until Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

All essential services will continue to operate throughout the holidays. Town Hall will re-open with regular hours on Tuesday January 2, 2024.

For after-hours Town-related emergencies, please call (519)-599-3131.



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12 DAYS OF HOLIDAY SAFETY

DAY 1 - DECEMBER 12

Use the proper lights, and check for frayed or damaged cords.

DAY 2 - DECEMBER 13

Let's go flameless - use battery operated candles.

DAY 3 - DECEMBER 14

Have working smoke alarms.

DAY 4 - DECEMBER 15

Have working carbon monoxide alarms.

DAY 5 - DECEMBER 16

Water fresh cut trees daily.

DAY 6 - DECEMBER 17

Extension cords are for temporary use; overloaded outlets can overheat and start a fire.

DAY 7 - DECEMBER 18

When celebrating with candles, keep open flames away from anything that can burn.

DAY 8 - DECEMBER 19

Develop and practice a home fire escape plan with everyone in your home.

DAY 9 - DECEMBER 20

Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop.

DAY 10 - DECEMBER 21

Keep decorations 1 metre away from space heaters or other heating sources.

DAY 11 - DECEMBER 22

If you smoke, smoke outside.

DAY 12 - DECEMBER 23

Lithium batteries - always follow manufacturer's instructions for safe charging.

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2023 Property Tax Rebate Available

In May 2021, Grey County Council passed By-Law 5112-21 which provides for a rebate of the year- on-year property tax increase.

If you are a low-income senior or a low-income person with disabilities you may apply for a refund increase of your property taxes up to a maximum of \$500.

To be eligible a person must be a "low-income senior" (a person who is at least 65 years of age and who during the subject year is or was in receipt of payments under one or both of:

1. the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), as established under Part II of the Old Age Security Act (Canada), as amended, and,
2. financial assistance under the Ontario Works Act, 1997, as amended, and,
3. a "low-income person with disabilities: (a person who during the subject year is or was in receipt of assistance paid under the Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997, as amended)

For 2023 applications must be received by the municipality by December 31, 2023.

Application forms for The Blue Mountains are available online www.thebluemountains.ca/resident_services or at the Town Hall (519-599-3131 x221) or at the Blue Mountains Review office, 206 Marsh Street, Clarksburg

Amount Eligible for		Oct
Total Refund	\$0.00	
Schedule 2		
Final 2022 Levies	Total Year over Year Change	Final 2023 Levies
\$4,746.13	\$86.70	\$4,832.83
Final 2022 Levies		\$4,746.13

Where to find the rebate amount from your property tax bill

Neighbourhood Meeting for Bay Street East Reconstruction

Sunday Dec. 2nd, 10am
Bayview Park Pavilion

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise the public of an upcoming Neighbourhood Meeting that has been scheduled regarding the Bay Street East Reconstruction project.

This meeting is being held to review the scope of work and gather initial community input. The intention of this meeting is to provide more insight into what is going to be happening with the underground works, and how that will impact conditions above ground. No final decisions will be made at the meeting, but the project team will be able to provide more information about the potential pros and cons of any alternative design elements.

The Town needs to install a secondary sanitary sewer forcemain from the Mill Street Pumping Station to the Thornbury Wastewater Treatment Plant to service growth in the west portion of the municipality. The secondary forcemain will follow Bay Street East between Mill Street and Grey Street, and then proceed south on Grey Street to the treatment plant. The Town's Asset Management Plan indicates that the underground infrastructure on Bay Street is in poor to very poor condition and is approaching the end of its useful life.

Considering that Bay Street will be significantly disturbed from Mill Street to Grey Street for the installation of the secondary forcemain, this provides a good opportunity to reconstruct the entire road to ensure that the watermain, sewers and stormwater systems are updated and adequate for the next 50-75 years.



Winter Dining - Hours of Operation Starting Friday, December 1st, 2023

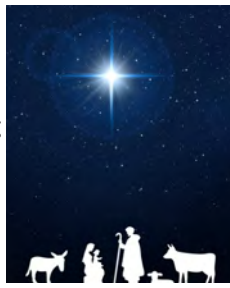
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Christmas Message



Long and lonely nights, but I get up to enjoy another day of greeting you and meeting new challenges. I was greatly blessed to care for Patricia in palliative care in hospital and 7 months at home. I will be eternally grateful for that time and the love and support of my wonderful family and community. You are the best and Meaford Hospital staff you are the finest. What a privilege to have all the family except Emma (not able to make the trip this time) together for the funeral and celebration of life.

How many old men would have the privilege of a fine son-in-law Keith, grandson Nelson and 3 great-grandsons Hunter, Ryker and Kayne join him in the Canada Day Parade?

Enjoyed a hike with 4 grandsons, Lucas, Cole, Nelson and Kahl at my old home farm. Privileged to accompany great-grandson Hunter on 2 school field trips. Kay, Luca, Stephanie and Serenity joined us for a week from the west. Ila is down from Owen Sound for a brief visit.

Carol is my stalwart support in the store and Keith is just an outstanding son-in-law.

In Matthew chapter 18 verse 18 is a bold statement. I encourage all to ponder it as that is why in 1968 we drove to the nearest Temple where authority to make sacred covenants was available.

Sealed for time and all eternity. I love bluegrass music and my favourite number is "You don't love God, if you don't love your neighbour."

May we all make Christ and the example he set be the focus of our efforts and celebration this Christmas. Family is meant to be forever.

Respectfully, James



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peaceful Holiday
Season with family
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Register for a Seniors Centre Without Walls session:
Call BVO at 519-599-2577 Ext 126

To Participate in a session: Dial: 226-6820701
Enter the Passcode: 852340 then # Record your Name followed by # Wait to be admitted into the session.

Seniors Centre Without Walls

December 2023

Speaker Info	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	** Please REGISTER for IN-Person events. seniors@bvo.ca or 519 599 2755, ext. 126.**				1
Amber Jackson, GreyBruceElder Abuse Prevention Sandra Hong, Alzheimer Grey Bruce	4 2:00pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 BINGO!	5 ** IN Person Noon-2:30, lunch incl., L. E. Shore Library Elder Abuse Prevention, Focus Group+Presentation	6 10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching	7 1:30 - 3. Simply Celebrating, holiday plans including friends & family living with dementia.- Sandra Hong. Hanukkah begins	8
Alar Soever, former mayor TBM Judy Porteous, Osteoporosis Canada	11 2:00pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 BINGO!	12 1 p.m. Property Tax Increase Relief - Alar Soever	13 10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching 1 p.m. Falls Prevention -Judy Porteous	14 10 a.m. Holiday specials - share ideas & recipes & tips for holidays	15 Hanukkah ends
Shannon Fry - Pharmacist/owner Ahimsa Gordon-Mindful Med. Instr.	18 2:00pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 BINGO!	19	20 10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching	21 11 a.m. Mindful Meditation - Ahimsa Agnes Gordon	22 11:00 a.m. Meet the Pharmacist -- Shannon Fry
	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 BOXING DAY	27	28	29
NEW YEAR'S EVE	NEW YEAR'S DAY	JANUARY 2 BVO OPENS	BVO will CLOSED, Fri, Dec 22 nd - Tues. Jan. 2 nd . Seniors Centre Without Walls phone will be answered during that time 519 599 2577, ext. 126. and 211 is available 24 hrs.a day, 7 days a week		

GBPH Sharing Strategies, Resources to Mark Fall Prevention Month

Falls can happen to anyone, at any age, and can significantly affect both the physical and mental health of individuals, potentially leading to life-altering consequences.

In Grey-Bruce, the age-standardized rate of emergency department visits due to falls is the second-highest among Ontario's public health units at about 1.5 times greater than the provincial average.

The local rate of emergency department visits attributed to falls is well above the provincial average in every age category. The age-standardized rate of hospitalizations due to falls in Grey-Bruce is also higher than the Ontario average.

"Falls can have short-term impacts, such as pain, bruising, breaks, strains, and fractures, as well as devastating and long-lasting consequences, particularly for older adults. This can include chronic pain, reduced mobility, and a loss of confidence or fear of falling again – all of which can affect a person's quality and enjoyment of life," says Jason Weppler, at Grey Bruce Public Health.

"While falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries in Grey-Bruce, the good news is that most falls can be avoided," Weppler says.

The following are some key strategies for preventing falls among older adults:

- Exercising. Regular physical activity can boost balance, strength, and flexibility.
- Getting enough sleep.
- Taking your time. Don't rush when walking or getting up.
- Balancing your body through good nutrition and hydration.
- Getting your sight and hearing checked regularly.
- Reviewing medications regularly with your pharmacist or primary care provider and discussing any potential side effects that may cause dizziness or impact balance.
- Wearing well-fitting, sturdy shoes.
- Consider using a cane or other mobility device if needed.

Strategies for preventing falls in the home include: ensuring hallways, stairs, and walkways, as well as bedrooms and bathrooms have proper lighting; keeping stairs free of clutter and other potential hazards; installing handrails along interior and exterior stairs and safety grab bars in the bathroom; checking the home for slipping and tripping hazards; and using non-slip mats or rugs.

Parachute Canada also has multiple resources related to fall prevention among older adults and fall prevention among children.

Grandmothers Rising to New Possibilities

The Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign has played a very significant part of the 20 year history of the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

There are several chapters of Grandmothers (and others) in Canada and world wide. These chapters are supporting grandmothers in sub Saharan Africa who

are raising orphaned grandchildren and others because of the HIV/AIDS endemic. Funds and resources go directly to community-led organizations and empower women and young girls, grandmothers, orphaned and vulnerable children, LGBTIQ communities and people living with HIV.

The funds raised help to provide food, shelter, medicines, health care and education. This continued support has given African grandmothers the confidence to advocate for their needs with their own policy makers. This has inspired their phrase "Nothing for us without us".

The International Grandmothers Gathering (IGG) took place from October 24 to 27 in Winnipeg, MB and simultaneously in several African countries. The in-person gathering in Canada took place in the iconic Canadian Museum of Human Rights with online participation across Canada and Africa.

The IGG began with an outdoor solidarity march that garnered television coverage. There were presentations and activities over 4 days. These reflected on the global, local and personal impact of the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign. There were about 150 in-person participants which included African grandmothers as well as those who were able to connect virtually from other countries.

The 3 local Grey Gannies who travelled to Winnipeg had the opportunity to learn from others and be inspired anew by the work of their African counterparts who are activists and returned to the local group with fresh ideas and new connections. The time spent at the IGG provided a chance to reflect, rejuvenate and renew. "We will not rest until they (the Africa Grandmothers) can rest".

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HALTON HILLS – The Ontario government is investing \$5.9 million in nine new projects that will integrate hydrogen into the province's electricity grid. This funding is through the Hydrogen Innovation Fund which supports projects that pave the way for the production of reliable, affordable and clean electricity from hydrogen to help power the province's growth.

"Our government is building new electricity generation and storage to power the next major international investment, the new homes we are building and industries as they grow and electrify," said Todd Smith, Minister of Energy. "Natural gas currently performs a critical role keeping the lights on during periods of peak demand, and we are investing now in new technologies like hydrogen that could help meet this demand going forward."

As part of this funding, Atura Power is receiving \$4.1 million to blend hydrogen with natural gas to produce electricity at Halton Hills Generating Station (HHGS) making it the largest electricity-based, grid-connected, low-carbon hydrogen blending project in Canada's history. The Niagara Hydrogen Centre will utilize excess water that would otherwise have been spilled over Niagara Falls to create clean electricity that will be used to produce clean hydrogen for the project.

The eight other projects receiving funding include:

Capital Power is receiving \$206,300 to study the feasibility of blending hydrogen with natural gas (between 5 per cent to 15 per cent hydrogen) at their existing Brampton, Windsor and Newmarket generation facilities.

Capital Power is also receiving \$150,000 to study the feasibility of producing and storing low-carbon hydrogen, produced from wind generation, to fuel a hybrid hydrogen-methane turbine at their Goderich location.

HydroMega Services in Cochrane is receiving \$100,000 to study the feasibility of upgrading an existing 27-megawatt natural gas facility to include renewable generation, low-carbon hydrogen production and storage.

York University is receiving \$38,000 to study the feasibility of retrofitting existing gas turbine generators to blend hydrogen with natural gas to generate electricity. York University is also receiving \$90,000 to model and analyse the potential of installing low-carbon hydrogen facilities across Ontario, including costs and sizing.

Western University is receiving \$498,000 to develop a demonstration site, which will test solar-generated hydrogen and biogas-generated hydrogen to assess the environmental benefits of each.

Volta Energy in Toronto is receiving \$491,352 to assess how reversible solid oxide hydrogen cells technology can help provide a pathway for hydrogen integration into the electricity grid.

The Transition Accelerator in Hamilton is receiving \$101,205 to research the economic readiness of the Hamilton region to become a hub for hydrogen investment.

"Decarbonizing Ontario's electricity system and economy will require contributions from new and emerging resources," said Lesley Gallinger, President and CEO of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). "The IESO is looking forward to tracking the results of the Hydrogen Innovation Fund projects to determine hydrogen's viability as a grid resource to support reliability, affordability and sustainability."

As part of the province's Low-Carbon Hydrogen Strategy, Ontario established the Hydrogen Innovation Fund in February 2023 which will invest \$15 million over the next three years to kickstart and develop opportunities for hydrogen to be integrated into Ontario's clean electricity system, including hydrogen electricity storage.

Grey Sauble

Conservation Authority

is excited to share news of their Environmental Book Club with support from the Blue Mountains Public Library. Collectively we will



explore nature-based titles, providing a great opportunity to learn more about the environment, spark meaningful conversations, and share ideas with others who are interested in these topics.

Together we can learn, grow, and support one another in shared efforts to raise environmental awareness.

Through our monthly meetings, it is the hope that we can bring new perspectives into our personal circles and communities in efforts to help others appreciate their natural environment and embed environmental stewardship into their lives. Date/time to be determined based on the availability of the participating group. Register by emailing c.vieira@greysauble.on.ca.

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6-9PM THE MARSH STREET CENTRE
Christmas Pub Night with Mik Purlus

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Elder Abuse Focus Group And Presentation Tuesday, December 5 at 12pm, L.E. Shore Library

Discover vital information about elder abuse topics such as home takeovers, ageism, abuse, fraud, and scams.

Join the Grey Bruce Elder Abuse Prevention initiative as they conduct a special Focus Group session. This is an opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions about the specific needs and available resources in our area concerning elder abuse.


Don't miss out on this important event that aims to raise awareness and create a safer community for our seniors. Mark your calendars and be part of the conversation on elder abuse prevention.

To register, contact Beaver Valley Outreach at 519-599-2577, ext 126 or email seniors@bvo.ca.



December 9th, 2-4pm

The Gallery at L.E. Shore is pleased to present **"Celebrating the Magic of Children in the Arts"** - an art exhibit featuring Beaver Valley Community School (BVCS) students! During this fall, instructors for Magic of Children in the Arts have brought art classes to BVCS. Students have honed their artistic skills through the creation of hundreds of art pieces, which will soon be brought together for a bright and vibrant show! We are so excited to be showcasing these young artists! The Show runs from December 2-27, with an open, drop in reception taking place on December 9 from 2-4pm. Come on in to warm up with hot apple cider and treats and enjoy



Thornbury's 47th
Olde Fashioned Christmas
 December 9, 2023

2-4pm: Magic of Children in the Arts
 (Holiday Exhibit & Crafts at L.E Shore Library)

1-3pm, 5-8pm: Carriage Rides at Sterlings
 (15 Harbour Street)

5:30pm: Tree Lighting at Town Hall

2-4pm, 5-7:30pm: Live Music & Carollers

5:30-7:30: Visit with Santa

5:30-8:30pm: Axed Throwing
 Collingwood Circus Company
 Fire Pits

7-7:45pm: Dance Party with Tyler Boyle

Bruce Street, Thornbury
 @experiencethornbury
 Thornbury.ca



Moreston by Candlelight Set to Light up the Night at Grey Roots

This year, the event will be held **Saturday, December 2 & 9 from 4 to 8 p.m.**

This family friendly event features a variety of activities, all taking place in Moreston Heritage Village, 102599 Grey Road 18, Owen Sound. A horse-drawn wagon offers scenic rides through the village, while local choir groups set the holiday tone with hourly caroling sessions.

Costumed volunteers bring the buildings in Moreston to life, offering a variety of holiday treats including cookies and hot apple cider.

The 1920s Schoolhouse serves as a concert hall, with Max Clarke and Jimmy's Old Time Radio Show. Moreston by Candlelight favourites Big Squeeze will close out the schoolhouse concerts each night. All exhibits in the museum are open throughout the event, including the popular Game Changers featuring many playable video games, the Zooz's Place Children's Gallery, and Sacred Splendour, a brand-new exhibition of lovingly restored stained glass windows.

The REACH Centre Grey/Bruce will also be on site both nights, offering soup, hot chocolate, and treats to enjoy, as well as goodies to take home.

Tickets to Moreston by Candlelight are available at greyroots.com. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended, as this event tends to draw a large crowd. Grey Roots members and children under 5 enjoy free admission but are still encouraged to register in advance. 519-376-3690 / 1-877-473-9766



Events for Life Centre Inc.
 Enhancing the Lives of Individuals with Special Needs

DEC 9

9 AM TO NOON

**067547 33rd
 SIDEROAD**

HOLIDAY CRAFT SALE

Human Rights Day 2023

December 10, 2023 marks the 75th Anniversary of one of the world's most groundbreaking global pledges: the universal declaration of human rights. This landmark document enshrines the rights that everyone is entitled to as a human being - regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.



The declaration was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on December 10, 1948. In 1946, assistant secretary-general to the United Nations, Henri Laugier, had appointed John Peters Humphrey of New Brunswick as the first director of the UN Division of Human Rights. Professor Humphrey prepared the first draft of what was to become the universal declaration of human rights. The draft was presented to a commission chaired by Eleanor Roosevelt.

Amnesty International (AI) uses the important document as the foundation of its work around the world. Every December, there is a campaign called Write for Rights and cases are highlighted for action. These cases include people from many countries.

The local AI group will be holding letter writing sessions for the public in the L.E. Shore Library Dec. 9 during the afternoon and at Grace United Church after the morning service Dec. 10. Individual school classes in Meaford, Thornbury and Collingwood

For information - norine.baron@gmail.com

Community Carolfest

Grace United Church

140 Bruce St. S., Thornbury, ON

Sunday, December 10, 3pm

Join the choirs of Grace United Church and St. George's and invited guest performers as we celebrate the season and support the good works of the

BEAVER VALLEY OUTREACH (BVO)

No admission fee,

but please donate generously to the Beaver Valley Outreach. Please make cheques payable to Beaver Valley Outreach



Thornbury, Ontario
Grace United Church
 Bold. Nurturing. Liberal. Christian.

VISION TALISMAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSION

Sunday December
10th, 2023

1 - 4 PM

Flesherton
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Join your community to envision what these critical
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Join your community in crafting a sustainable vision for these special lands, using science, holistic planning, and community input. Let's preserve the environment, honor indigenous history, and strive for excellence. Be part of building a sustainable, community-focused future and a healthy economy.

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Paying it Forward
With a FREE

Holiday Dinner

SUNDAY DECEMBER 10th

5:30 to 8pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

Presented by the Board of Directors
at *Your* Marsh Street Centre

Shoreline Chorus Presents

Joy to the World

Directed by
Ann-Marie MacDairmid
with St. George's Choir

Selected Music

Gabriel's Message, African Noel, Mele Kalikimaka
The Annunciation, I Saw Three Ships, O Holy Night

Wednesday, December 13, 2023
7:30 pm

St. George's Anglican Church
166 Russell Street, Clarksburg

Admission by Donation

"Proceeds to the BVO Christmas Hampers"
Tax Receipts available for donations over \$20.00
For information call 519-599-3047

Notice of Annual General Meeting of Members The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation December 14, 2023

NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of THE BLUE MOUNTAINS ATTAINABLE HOUSING CORPORATION (the "Corporation") is called for and will be held at the following time and location:

**Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 4:30 PM
L. E. Shore Library, 173 Bruce St. S., Thornbury**

The following business is to be conducted:

1. Approval of Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
2. Audited Financial Statements for Year ended December 31, 2022
3. Reappointment of Auditor
4. Board Member Term Expiry
5. Election of Municipal Directors
6. Election of Directors At Large
7. Resignation of Members at Large
8. Acknowledgement of Outgoing Members
9. Municipal Member, Acknowledgement of Council Resolution

All members of the Public are welcome to attend and view the Annual General Meeting.

DATED the 27th day of November 2023.

BY CALL OF THE BOARD
Gavin Leitch
Chair, Board of Directors

THORNBURY JAZZ WORKS

CHRISTMAS JAZZ

GRACE UNITED CHURCH, 140 BRUCE STREET S. THORNBURY



ANDY HARASYMCZUK, Guitar

FRIDAY DECEMBER 15, 2023 - 7:30 P.M.

*A Potpourri of the Best Songs
of the Holiday Season featuring
ANDY HARASYMCZUK JAZZ BAND*



BRIGHAM PHILLIPS, Piano



ALEXANDER BROWN, Trumpet



PAUL TARUSSOV, Trombone



TED WARREN, Drums



MIKE DOWNES, Bass



VERN DOERGE, Saxophone

ADMISSION \$30

PROCEEDS SUPPORT STUDENT MUSIC EDUCATION

Purchase tickets at www.thornburyjazz.com

or at these locations

Thornbury Pharmasave, 45 Arthur Street W., Thornbury

Gabriele Photography, 133 Hurontario St, Collingwood



GEORGIAN HILLS
VINEYARDS

*Sip n' Shop Winter
Warm Up*

Saturday, December 16th, 2023

11 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Georgian Hills Vineyards

496350 Grey County Road 2,

Clarksburg, Ontario

ENTRY: \$15.00/PERSON



"Grow Your Heart Three Sizes"

Advent & Christmas at Grace United Church

- * Advent Service each week at 10:30am
- * Carolfest Dec. 10 at 3pm
- * Christmas Eve for all ages Dec. 24 at 4pm

140 Bruce St. S., Thornbury; 519-599-2438
www.graceunitedthornbury.ca



*You are
invited!*

TO THE MUTABLE ARTS
Holiday 2023 Dance Concert

THE NUTCRACKER

Saturday, December 16, 2023

Shows at 1:00p and 3:00p

MEAFORD UNITED CHURCH

Advance Tickets:
MUTABLEARTS.CA



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TICKETS

Advance: Credit Card / Visa Debit
Children: \$13.50, Adults: \$19.99

At the door: Cash only
Children: \$15; Adults: \$23



Christmas
AT SAINT GEORGE'S

..... ❁

DECEMBER 24TH - MORNING
The Fourth Sunday of Advent
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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DECEMBER 24TH - CHRISTMAS EVE
5:00 p.m. Children's Pajama Mass
(Be sure to wear your pajamas!)
7:00 p.m. Request-your-Carols Holy Communion Service
9:00 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Choral Eucharist

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DECEMBER 25TH - CHRISTMAS DAY
9:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist

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Join us for a Christmas Toast of
Eggnog, Christmas Punch and Cookies
at all services!

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS
166 RUSSELL ST E, CLARKSBURG
519-599-3047

Rotary



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Thornbury-Clarksburg and Meaford Clubs

24 Chances to Win!

First Prize: **\$250** gift certificate
Second Prize: **\$100** gift certificate
(at local restaurants)

DINNER of the MONTH draw

Beginning March through August 2024
four tickets per month will be drawn. Winning
tickets go back into the drum! Increase your odds
even more with a discounted five-pack.

Participating Restaurants

Meaford:

The Dam Pub
Franny's Mercato
The Leaky Canoe
Sheardown's Wine
Bar & Cuisine
Ted's Range Road Diner
Towa Restaurant

Thornbury:

Bruce Wine Bar
The Corner Cafe & Grill
Fabbrica
The Bistro at Lora Bay
The Mill Cafe
Winifred's English Pub

Tickets are **\$25 each or 5 for \$100**

Available from:

Members of Thornbury-Clarksburg
and Meaford Rotary Clubs

Email: dinner@tcrotary.ca
Scan QR code to buy tickets:



Proceeds to fund Rotary community projects
in Thornbury-Clarksburg and Meaford

Lottery license #M861711

Tickets also available from The Blue Mountains Review Office
206 Marsh Street, Clarksburg ; Mon-Fri 10am-5pm

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2024 Dinner of The Month

The Rotary Clubs of Thornbury-Clarksburg and Meaford have teamed up to offer the 2024 Dinner of the Month Draw! Tickets are only \$25 or 5 for \$100, and offer the buyer 24 chances to win a \$250 or \$100 gift card to many of the area's fabulous restaurants. "We are very excited to work together to bring this event to the communities of Thornbury-Clarksburg and Meaford, who have been so supportive of Rotary and our projects over the years," said Dean Ruddy, Committee Chair for the Draw. "I think almost everyone enjoys an evening out with friends or family, especially with such high quality dining options in this community."

Ticket sales will begin December 1, in time to make great gifts or stocking stuffers for Christmas. They can be purchased by emailing dinner@tcrotary.ca, or scanning the QR code in the ad or at The Review office, 206 Marsh Street, Clarksburg. "Only 900 tickets are available, so best to act quickly as we expect to sell out," said Dean. There will be two draws per month, one at each Rotary club, beginning in March 2024 and running through August. Draw dates and times posted on tcrotary.ca or meafordrotary.ca.

Proceeds from the draw will help the Rotary clubs to continue to provide support for many community projects in Thornbury-Clarksburg and Meaford, such as Hope Haven and Events for Life, Beaver Valley Community School, Meaford Rotary Thrift Shop and Meaford Rotary House to name just a few.

ROAD CONDITIONS



The seasons are shifting, and Grey County Road Conditions are now live on roads.grey.ca. Check out road conditions, roadside cameras, and the interactive map to inform your drive before you head out this winter season.



LION'S ANNUAL
**Christmas
TREE SALE**
begins November 19th
while supplies last
Chamber of Commerce
3 Grey St N., Thornbury
(next to Home Hdw on Hwy 26)
Fraser Fir & Balsam Fir
Tree sizes from 6.5' to 9'
Pricing from \$90 - \$110
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