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The Town would like to provide an update to residents regarding Phase 2 of the Official Plan Review. The Town would also like to thank residents for their patience as Town staff worked to confirm the workshop and public workshop schedule.

Details regarding the Phase 2 survey results, background papers and public workshops are listed below:

Phase 2 Survey Results

The Phase 2 Official Plan Review and Community Design Guidelines Survey closed on August 13, 2023 and received 603 responses. A report summarizing the survey response is available on the project webpage. The responses will be used to inform policy development throughout Phase 2. www.thebluemountains.ca

Background Papers

Ten Background Papers are complete and can be accessed on the project webpage. The final two Background Papers, the Building Heights Study and Housing Needs Assessment, will be available in October ahead of the scheduled public workshops. The Background Papers serve as a starting point for discussions and do not preclude further analysis or other policy update recommendations as the process continues.

Public Workshops

Public workshops seeking input on Phase 2 of the Official Plan Review project have been scheduled throughout November. These workshops will engage the public by taking a closer look at critical topics as they relate to future land-use decisions in the Town. There will be two types of workshops: large-format sessions and drop-in sessions.

THE LARGE-FORMAT SESSIONS will provide an overview and consider all the Background Paper topics. The sessions have been grouped by theme to encourage residents to attend the sessions that are of greatest interest. The first hour of the large-format sessions will include an overview of the Background Papers presented by project consultants from SGL Planning & Design Inc., followed by a Q&A period led by Mayor Andrea Matrosovs. During the second hour, breakout tables will be available for each topic with presentation boards and a facilitator.

The presentation and Q&A will be conducted both in-person and virtually via Microsoft Teams. The breakout table sessions will be in person only. Registration is required, and attendees are encouraged to submit questions on topics of interest in advance. To register, please visit the project webpage.

#1 - Environment, Climate Change, Agriculture & Parks Workshop Saturday, November 4, 9:30am - 12:00pm Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury & Virtual

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2023 Beaver Valley Fall Fair a Success

"Thanks to all our supporters, our annual Beaver Valley Fall Fair was a success this year" says Serena Wilgress, President of the Beaver Valley Agricultural Society. "Record attendance and participation in fair competitions shows us that our community thrives on family friendly events such as ours. Local business's sponsorships and donations allow us to keep our fair affordable and our many wonderful volunteers make things run smoothly".

"Our fair is good value for family entertainment. All our activities and entertainment are free to children on the fair weekend and they also have the fun of planning, and making their entries for the fair competitions throughout the year. Our Jr Ambassador for this year is Cassie Ward."

At Awards Night, held a week after the fair, the following memorial trophy's were announced.

- Mary Haines trophy high point female classes 2-15 Lois Lanktree
- Blair Ardiel trophy high point male for classes 2-15 Kim Hall
- Wallace Carscadden trophy high point for quality fruit John
- Hewgill trophy high point family is the Ruthven Family.
- Gordon Marritt trophy high point girl is Haidyn Ruthven
- Watkin trophy high point boy is Carter Mackey-Hollinshead

Serena goes on to say that planning for the 2024 fair has already begun and the Agricultural Society is looking for suggestions. Would you like to see the wrestlers back? Become an Ambassador? Or add new items to the various classes? Or volunteer? Send your ideas or volunteer information to fallfairbeavervalley@gmail.com or write to B.V.A.S. PO Box 334, Clarksburg.









The Landfill & Recycling Depot has created a pilot project "**Dump Emporium**" to support the reuse of some items headed for the landfill. This plan contributes to the circular economy and will generate revenue for the Town's grants and donation budget, which will in turn support community organizations. Items still go through the landfill pay system, but are available to be repurchased.



ATTENTION

Anyone who has served in the military including WW11, Korea, SDA, Militia/Reserve Forces, RCMP, Still Serving and dependents

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION SERVICE BUREAU OFFICER SHERRY CULLING

Will be visiting during the week of October 23rd

Anyone wishing information, advice or assistance regarding:

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Treatment for Entitled Veterans
Application for Poppy/Benevolent Funds

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Is requested to contact Branch Service Officer Bert Robinson at 519-599-6200 to set up an appointment

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TENNIS BRACELET LOST

Near Foodland or Pharmasave Call 519-599-3345

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This workshop will consider policy updates to Environment and Climate Change, Agriculture and Rural Lands, Parks and Open Space, Source Water Protection and Cannabis Facilities.

#2 - Infrastructure, Transportation, Commercial & Indigenous Engagement Workshop

Thursday, November 16, 2:00 - 4:30pm

Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury & Virtual

This workshop will consider policy updates to Infrastructure and Servicing, Transit and Transportation, Commercial Employment Lands, Indigenous Engagement and the Community Planning Permit System.

#3 - Growth, Density, Housing, Building Height, Character and Community Design

Thursday, November 30, 2:00 - 5:00pm

Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury & Virtual

This workshop will provide a refresher on the Phase 1 topics of Growth Management, Housing and Density and consider policy updates to Housing Needs Assessment, Building Height, Character and Community Design Guidelines.

THE DROP-IN SESSIONS will provide a more informal opportunity for residents to attend and discuss all Official Plan topics with Town staff and project consultants from SGL Planning & Design Inc. Breakout tables will be available for each topic with presentation boards and a facilitator. There are no formal presentations, and registration is not required.

Ravenna Hall Drop-in Session

Wednesday, November 8, 12:00 - 4:00pm Ravenna Hall, 628299 Grey County Road 119, Ravenna

Marsh Street Centre Drop-in Session

Saturday, November 18, 1:00 - 5:00pm Marsh Street Centre, 187 Marsh Street, Clarksburg

Craigleith Community Centre Drop-in Session

Saturday, December 2, 9:30 am – 12:30pm

Craigleith Community Centre, 132 Lakeshore Road, Craigleith Comments and feedback throughout the project can be shared directly with the Official Plan project staff anytime through the contact form on the project webpage.

For more information or to subscribe for project updates, please visit the project webpage or contact: Shawn Postma, MCIP RPP, Manager of Community Planning; (519) 599-3131 ext. 248



Words are not adequate to express my appreciation for the love and support of community and friends shown to me and my family through this time. James Hindle



Remembering Krye (Kerri Trafford) Saturday, November 18th

Applejack 'clubhouse' 150 Victoria Street, Thornbury 2-4pm and 7-9 pm Bring your thoughts and happy memories.

They will be treasured.

Marg Trafford

Enjoy walking year round at the Beaver Valley Community Centre.

Monday and Thursday from 9-11am; no pre-registration or fee. Come whatever time you wish between 9-11am. Walking with poles (with rubber feet) and walkers is allowed.

TAI CHI CLASSES

Beginners and returning students Wed. 6:30-7:30pm at the Beaver Valley Community School gym. **More experienced continuing classes** Wed. 7-9:00pm Beaver Valley Community School gym. **Continuing classes** Tuesday morning 9-10:30am at Beaver Valley Community Center. Call Rob 519 599 2780

The Blue Mountains Public Library is delighted to announce the appointment of Jennifer Murley as our new Chief Executive Officer, effective December 4. Jennifer is an information professional with over ten years of progressive experience in public libraries. She has a Bachelor of Arts in History from Carleton



and a Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Alberta as well as project management certification from the University of Toronto. She comes to us directly from Grey Highlands Public Library where she has been CEO for the last two years providing leadership to three branch libraries, a virtual branch and the Grey Highlands Cultural Channel. Her recent achievements at Grey Highlands include the development of the Library's strategic plan and overseeing the renovation of the Markdale branch which includes the pilot of the community's first maker space. Prior to her time at GHPL, she was coordinator for community engagement at Collingwood Public Library and subsequently the Innisfil IdeaLab and Library.

"The Board is enthusiastic about the appointment of Jennifer Murley as our new CEO", said Board Chair Laurey Gillies. "She impressed us with her grasp of current issues, the breadth of her understanding of the role of the public library in the 21st century and her engaging personality. She stood out in a field of some 30 applicants."

"I am excited to be joining Blue Mountains Public Library", said Jennifer. "It's a dream come true and an incredible opportunity for learning and growth. I have so much respect for BMPL and look forward to leading the GLAM team."

Jennifer's appointment follows the resignation of Dr. Sabrina Saunders who is relocating for health reasons. Dr. Saunders has been with BMPL since 2017 and has been instrumental in the transformation of BMPL into a GLAM (gallery, library, archives, and museum), as well as meeting the policy and practices required for accreditation with the Ontario Public Library Guidelines Accreditation & Monitoring Council.

The Library Board will be hosting a reception to welcome Jennifer Murley on Thursday, December 7th from 1:00-3:00pm.





It's Harvest Time.

Large Farm Machines especially Combines are using TOBM roads.

They are very large and require a lot a space to stop and turn.

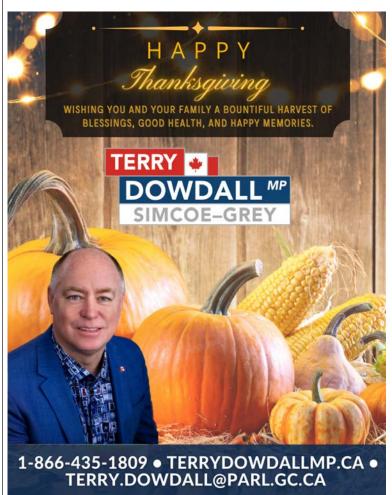
Please share the road and be extra careful approaching and passing.

These vehicles must display a Slow Moving Vehicle Sign.









In Memoriam

MURIEL ETTA ANDERSON (NÉE FULLERTON)

Muriel died in Toronto, September 13, 2023 at the grand old age of 97. Born in Long Reach, New Brunswick to Vesta and George Fullerton on June 17, 1926, Muriel was the first daughter of eight children: Kenneth (Jean), Raymond (Charlotte), Shirley (Isabel), Sam (Vi), Carol (Reg), Audrey (Thomas), and Frances (Ron).



Muriel contributed much to the farm chores and after three sons, her mother was glad to have a daughter's help in the domestic sphere. With her mother's encouragement, she left home at 17 on a Saint John River steamboat to train as a teacher at the Normal School in Fredericton. After teaching for a few years, Muriel began her BA at Mount Allison in 1946,

continuing at Sir George Williams (Concordia). Muriel finished her BA in 1972 at the University of Toronto.

She met her husband, Rev. John Findlay Anderson and many lifelong friends through the Student Christian Movement (SCM). Muriel and John were married in 1951. A woman of faith throughout her life Muriel thrived in the guestioning and radical SCM milieu and continued her faith exploration through involvement in Bathurst Street United Church, Trinity-St. Paul's United Church in Toronto, and Grace United Church in Thornbury.

Muriel was a committed elementary school teacher who specialised in English as a Second Language and Special Education in the later years of her career. A staunch trade unionist, she held leadership positions in the Toronto Teachers Federation (now ETFO).

Speaking truth to power was one of Muriel's strong suits. She was part of the peace movement over the course of seven decades, active in climate justice work in the Beaver Valley, and as an Amnesty International member.

Muriel and John brought up their children as part of an intergenerational SCM Co-op house on Howland Avenue in downtown Toronto. She influenced many with her love and justice-making approach to living; not the least of whom are her two children and their spouses, Betsy (Jim) and Robin (Barbara), and her seven grandchildren and their partners, Mary Ruth, Matthew (Ashley), Madeleine (Steve), Heather, Sarah (Michelle), Julia (Kelly), and Marion (Kurtis). She was anticipating the arrival of her 10th great-grandchild and is mourned, loved, and admired by great-grandchildren: Abby, Emily, Felicity, Jasper, Norrie, Peggy, Orrin, Hamish, and Arthur.

Muriel is predeceased by her husband John (2016) and six of her siblings. She is remembered with love and gratitude by her sister Audrey, her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, her Fullerton and Anderson families and many close friends.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the staff and community of Christie Gardens where Muriel lived for the last seven years. Thanks as well to Morley Bedford Funeral Services for their help.

We will celebrate Muriel's long and rich life on Friday, November 10, 10:30 a.m. at Trinity-St. Paul's United Church (427 Bloor St. West, Toronto). Donations to the Student Christian Movement, Project Ploughshares, Amnesty International, or Ontario Nature are welcome and will honour and extend Muriel's lifelong commitments.

PATRICIA ANN HINDLE

After a courageous battle with illness, Patricia passed away peacefully in her uncle's chair, covered with her favorite blanket, and with James, her eternal companion of over 55 years, by her side.

Patricia is survived by her beloved husband James Hindle of Clarksburg.

She will be sorely missed by her daughters Carol (Keith), Kay (Tara) and Ila (Joe), grandchildren, Athena, Anna, Nelson, Lucas, Stephanie, Cole, Kahl and greatgrandchildren Hunter, Ryker, Kayne, Emma, Serenity.

Patricia's favorite movie was the Sound of Music and visiting Austria's Sound of Music Tour with a visit to Switzerland created tremendous memories for Patricia and James. She loved music and after her stroke, her

experience with the Sweet Adelines brought her joy; as did trips to Hawaii, Texas, Costa Rica, Florida, Alberta, PEI, England and Ireland.

Patricia and James' life together all kicked off on St. Patrick's Day 1968 when she received her diamond ring and then they were off to Salt Lake City Temple to be married for time and all eternity on June 3, 1968.

Patricia was raised in foster homes and by her single mother. She always showed love and affection to her daughters, grandchildren, and her 5 great-grandchildren. Her family meant the world to Patricia. Everyone loved her and she was fondly called 'little mama bear'.

Special thanks to Dr. Kara Fauser, the Meaford hospital staff, and the home-visit nurses Carrie and David that looked over Patricia in the past years, and to the community for their loyal support.

A funeral service was held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Owen Sound on Tuesday, September 26th. A Celebration of Life was Friday, September 29th at the Marsh Street Centre, Clarksburg.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation or Family History Center (donations by cheque to be made to the "Family History Center c/o The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints") 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

GEORGE FREDERICK 'FRED' HUTCHINSON

Fred Hutchinson passed away peacefully at the Meaford Hospital with family by his side on Friday, September 1st, 2023 in his 87th year.

Born in Euphrasia Township on September 30, 1936, he was a son of the late Tressa Jane (nee Lee) and Wesley Clifford Hutchinson.

Fred will be missed by his beloved wife of more than 61 years, Lillian (nee Holroyd) Hutchinson.

He was the kind and patient father of David Hutchinson (Donna-Lynn) and Joan Rideout. Fred was the wonderful

grandpa of Anthony, Danieca, Graham, Dwayne, Scott, Sarah and Neil, and great grandpa of Dameon, Jager, Brock, Annabella, Haley and Lily.

He was the dear brother of Herb Hutchinson (Darlene), and was predeceased by his siblings John Hutchinson (late Rita), Mabel (late John Kaminsky), Mary Jane (late Tom Merrifield), Lorraine Metcalf, Luella (late Art Bastell), Jim Hutchinson (late Inez), Don Hutchinson, and Nelson Hutchinson. Fred will be remembered fondly by his sisters-in-law Marlene and Joan, and by his many nieces, nephews and their families.

Fred was a very hardworking and handy man of few words. He was a welder by trade and worked many years at the Collingwood Shipyards and Teledyne / B.T.I. in Thornbury. Fred was extremely proud of his family and his roots. He really enjoyed camping, and even when they would get away on a holiday, he was happiest if he could keep busy cutting up brush or helping out with a little job here and there. He will be missed but never forgotten.

Fred's family received friends at the Ferguson Funeral Home on Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

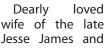
As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation or a charity of your choice would be appreciated and may be made through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, ON N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted. www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca





JULIA MARGARET 'MARG' JAMES

Julia 'Margaret'
James (nee
Richmond) of
Ravenna passed
away peacefully,
Friday, September
8, 2023, at Grey
Gables Nursing
Home in Markdale.





loving mother of the late Laura James.

Survived by her loving son Mark and his wife Karen, grandchildren Ruth and Rolan, sister Jean Gillespie, brother Bill Richmond and sister-in-law Muriel Smith (Eric). Predeceased by parents Clarence and Margaret Richmond (Acres) and stepmother Hazel Richmond.

Margaret lived her life in service to others: to her family, to her friends, to her community, and to her students. She was a loved and respected teacher who intimately understood that a loving, caring and understanding adult, has the power to shape a child's life and change the world. She ran her classroom with quiet confidence, with the expectation that all students would give their best, and with the understanding that each child had special gifts, and not necessarily academic ones. She gave selflessly to her church, teaching in the Sunday School, serving as deacon, and was organist for more than a generation. She showed how to live one's faith through loving actions, and strong, steadfast determination. She was a valued colleague and a loyal friend. She was a town girl who became a farm woman, and as such, successfully learned to cook, and bake, and can, and pickle. She became famous for her butter tarts, and gravy, and always had a pot of coffee brewing and cookies ready for anyone who came through her door. Above all, she was a devoted and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She taught her children and grandchildren that giving is better than taking, that guiet confidence is better than pride, and that love, kindness, hope, and faith support us through life's challenges, heartbreaks, and triumphs. She was a truly remarkable woman and her influence, support, hope, and love have made the world a better place.

A service celebrating her life was held on Saturday, September 30th, at First Baptist Church, 72 Bruce St., Thornbury.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the First Baptist Church, Thornbury (Cheques Only) or Events for Life 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.

RONALD THOMAS HARTLEN

Ronald Thomas
Hartlen passed
peacefully and
on his own terms,
surrounded by loved
ones, on Sunday
September 17, 2023
in Collingwood, ON
at the age of 83.
Ron was known for
his sharp mind, his
intellectual curiosity.



his sense of humour, and most of all his love and caring for those close to him. He will be deeply missed by his family, close friends and colleagues.

Born and raised in Bedford, Nova Scotia, Ron studied Mechanical Engineering at Dalhousie University and Technical University of Nova Scotia (TUNS) and obtained his PhD in Dynamics from the University of Toronto. It was while he was at U of T that Ron met Patricia Medd, who he married in 1965.

Following his studies, Ron joined the Research and Development team at Ontario Hydro, where he spent the majority of his career, while he and Pat raised their family in Toronto. After a successful career with Ontario Hydro, Ron took early retirement and launched a part time consulting business. using his world class technical knowledge to help clients around the globe, while also enjoying more time on the golf course, playing bridge with friends, walking his dogs and spending time by the lake. After spending their early retirement years in Enfield, Nova Scotia, Ron and Pat returned to Ontario in 2006 to be closer to their family, settling in Clarksburg. While in Clarksburg, Ron had a prominent presence in the local bridge community, was an active member of the PROBUS Club of Blue Mountain, enjoyed singing with OSSIA, took a keen and analytical interest in municipal affairs and enjoyed years of skiing, kayaking, cycling and walking.

Ron is survived by his wife of 58 years, Patricia Hartlen (Medd), his daughter Rebecca and son Graeme, and his five grandchildren, Emily, Alex, Brody, Ryder and Chase.

Ron was most grateful to the dedicated medical team that oversaw his recent care, including Dr. Derek Nay and Dr. Juku Kamra at the Simcoe Muskoka Regional Cancer Program at RVH in Barrie, Ontario, Dr. Ray Bouchard, and the wonderful staff and volunteers at the Campbell House Hospice in Collingwood, ON.

A celebration of Ron's life will take place in The Blue Mountains later this fall.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Hospice Georgian Triangle 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.

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MARY ELIZABETH 'SUZE' HALLAHAN

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Mary "Suze" Hallahan (nee Abbotts), on Friday, September 15, 2023 at Errinrung Long Term Care in Thornbury in her 99th year. Born in Thornbury on March 12, 1925, she was a daughter of the



late Joseph Abbotts and Isabelle Abbotts (nee Nixon). Mary was predeceased by her husband, Joseph "Joe" Hallahan.

She was also predeceased by her siblings Clara Lackie, Russell, Clifford "Jake", Alfred "Ted", Harold "Skin", Ken, Helyn McColman, Bessie Luker and Florence Tyndale. She will be missed by many nieces and nephews and their families.

Mary was raised in Thornbury, later leaving to spend many years in Barrie with husband Joe, where she was a well-known employee of the IGA. She and Joe enjoyed summer days on their houseboat. Mary was an avid walker and could be regularly seen around Thornbury on her return to her hometown many years ago. She was a WWII Veteran, for which she received the War Medal 1939-45. The family would like to thank Dr Naomi Klages and the staff at Errinrung for their care of Mary.

There will be no service at Mary's request. As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Beaver Valley Outreach 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

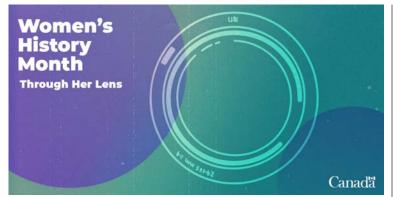
Thornbury Group 82 Amnesty International

Amnesty International Group 82 has existed since 1983 and it still needs to keep on striving to end human rights abuses world wide.

In the context of the last 40 years, Amnesty International (AI) has evolved. Forty years ago, groups met in person and wrote letters by hand about prisoners and countries. World conditions and technology have changed over the years. Abuse happens in new ways and AI has kept pace with the changes.

To bring the new realities of cases to the forefront and to recognize the 40th anniversary, Group 82 is presenting a public event - Concert and Cases - featuring Katrin Veski on the piano. Katrin studied in Toronto, gained a Masters Degree and an A.R.C.T. She moved to New York City with her husband where she was a piano teacher and accompanist. She studied in Saltzburg before they returned to Canada and moved to Collingwood 7 years ago. She will be playing a variety of musical selections related to countries where Al has made a difference in promoting and protecting human rights.

Reserve a seat for Wed., October 18 at the L.E. Shore Library in Thornbury. The concert is 7-9 p.m. Donations of cash or cheque only at the door. For info call 519-599-2442.



October is Women's History Month in Canada, a time to celebrate the women and girls from our past, and our present, who are contributing to a better, more inclusive Canada.

In 1992, the Government of Canada designated October as Women's History Month, marking the beginning of an annual celebration of the outstanding achievements of women and girls throughout Canada's history.

This year's theme, *Through Her Lens: Celebrating the Diversity of Women*, emphasizes the importance of recognizing the achievements and contributions of women from diverse backgrounds. Let's continue to honour women who don't accept the status quo and fight hard to improve the lives of all women in the country.

October 24 is World Polio Day!

As World Polio Day approaches, we need your help to eradicate polio to protect the world's children from a devastating disease.

We have made tremendous progress since the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was launched:

- A 99.9% reduction in cases of illness caused by wild poliovirus
- 3 billion children immunized
- 125 countries where polio was endemic reduced to two Afghanistan and Pakistan — with the virus contained in just a few districts and provinces

But even just one case still represents one child's life forever changed by polio. That's why Rotary members remain tenacious and keep our promise: We won't stop until we know that no child will ever again experience the paralyzing effects of polio.

Together, we end polio! tcrotary.ca



Even More Convenient Care Close to Home Coming to Communities Across Ontario

The Ontario government is making it more convenient for people to connect to care closer to home by allowing pharmacists to treat and prescribe medications for an additional six common medical ailments. This is in addition to the 13 common ailments that pharmacists have already been prescribing for since January 1, 2023.

Starting October 1, people will be able to visit a local pharmacy to receive prescriptions for:

- acne;
- · canker sores;
- · diaper rash;
- yeast infections;
- parasitic worms (pinworms and threadworms); and
- nausea and vomiting in pregnancy.

This is in addition to the 13 common ailments pharmacists have been able to treat since January 1, 2023:

- hay fever (allergic rhinitis);
- oral thrush (candidal stomatitis);
- pink eye (conjunctivitis; bacterial, allergic and viral);
- dermatitis (atopic, eczema, allergic and contact);
- menstrual cramps (dysmenorrhea);
- acid reflux (gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD));
- · hemorrhoids;
- cold sores (herpes labialis);
- · impetigo;
- · insect bites and hives;
- tick bites (post-exposure prophylaxis to prevent Lyme disease);
- · sprains and strains (musculoskeletal); and
- urinary tract infections (UTIs).

Since the start of this year, 89 per cent of Ontario's pharmacies have been treating common ailments, providing over 400,000 assessments. Stopping by a local pharmacy saves people a trip to the doctor's office and gives family doctors more time to help people who need more specialized care.

As with visiting a family physician or walk-in clinic, Ontarians can receive a prescription from a pharmacist for common ailments with just their Ontario health card. The cost of the medication being prescribed will continue to be paid for by people directly or through their drug benefits plan.

Recent changes by the province also allow pharmacists to administer certain injection and inhalation treatments so that they can better care for people who need help taking certain medications, such as insulin, vitamin B12, or osteoporosis treatment. Ontarians can now access this service at their local pharmacy for a professional fee, similar to fees to receive travel vaccines.

This work is part of Ontario's Your Health Plan for Connected and Convenient Care, which focuses on providing people with a better health care experience by connecting them to more convenient options closer to home, while shortening wait times for key services across the province and growing the health care workforce for years to come.





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Town Launches Survey Regarding Moreau Park Revitalization

The Town of The Blue Mountains has launched a survey to gather initial feedback from the community regarding the revitalization of Moreau Park in Thornbury. The Town is looking to the community for input identifying priorities to be considered for the park. The information gathered through the survey will be used to help inform the initial design concepts which will be presented to the community for comment in the next stage of consultation, late 2023 or early 2024.

"We have a rare opportunity here to revitalize one of the Town's primary parks with the assistance of our community partners at the Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club," said Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services. "We're looking forward to working with the public and all of our user groups to re-imagine Moreau Park in a way that makes it accessible for every member of our community."

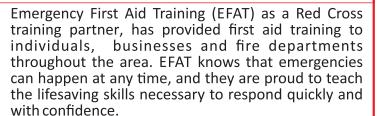
The questionnaire can be completed until October 15, and can be accessed directly at

www.surveymonkey.com/r/MoreauPark

Paper copies are available upon request by calling (519) 599-3131 ext. 302 or through pickup at Town Hall and The Blue Mountains Public Library. (519) 599-3131 ext. 302



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Training

Home Sweet Home: The Kitchen by Alice Otrysko

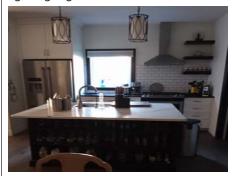
I really dislike my kitchen! I'm living for the first time in a new built and new builts are obsessed with "openness".

A kitchen can be open on one side but for the most part, it's the room in the house which gets dirty quickly and emits all kinds of lingering odors which settle into the cushy couches, drapes, rugs and other soft surfaced furniture not to mention the walls.

The kitchen I have is designed for people to cook very little and rely on take aways, ready made frozen meals and salads.

I cook. I cook "from scratch" 99% of the time so for me a kitchen should be designed for my purpose. I like large counters, a large sink, a gas stove, and storage. Luckily my kitchen has a walk- in pantry which I absolutely love.

I also don't enjoy above counter cupboards but prefer some open shelving for easy access and below counter cupboards which are easily accessed. The kitchen should also be bright and have a window that opens as well as a good vent. The lighting above the counter must be functional as well as being attractive. My above counter lighting is great.



If you ever watched a show on TV called "For the Love of Kitchens", you will learn about British design and craftsmanship which showcase the very best of kitchens. The show also provides many ideas how to make a kitchen lovely and functional.

You can't go wrong with using natural materials,

providing lots of light, as much storage as you can fit and a walk- in pantry if possible.

It's also better to keep away from trends as they go as quickly as they come. Stick to a functional kitchen, clean cupboards (avoid Shaker which I have—that bottom rim is a hell of a challenge to clean), make a pantry if at all possible, avoid masses of above counter cupboards but opt for open shelving (natural wood shelves are amazing), a large sink not a double one which no one really uses, blend together your favourite colours, tiles, faucets, lights and don't be afraid to make the kitchen yours.

In summary a functional kitchen should have great storage space. It should have lovely but functional counters and work surfaces. Appliances are most important as they have to work for you. I prefer to cook with gas. Lighting is essential and if you are lucky enough to have a good sized window in your kitchen, that is a big plus. Flooring should be durable and washable. I was in a kitchen once

with carpeting on the floor. Yuk. Finally, an attractive and washable backsplash is a must.

I didn't mention a vent but that and being able to open the window will allow cooking odors to disappear fast.

The photo is my kitchen. The pantry is on the right where you can see a bit of the opening. It has shelves, hooks and houses the microwave. I can close the door to it keeping the unsightly food items and dishes out of the way.

The kitchen is the most essential room in the house; make it function well.



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Legacy Ski Fence

It might have caught your eye as you passed through Craigleith on Hwy. #26. A fence made of skis! I caught up to the perpetrators recently and got the whole story. Buddies from high school times in Toronto - Curtis Sahadath and Carl Thompson came up with this idea to remember all of the skis that they had ever skied upon.



The project then got away

from them as lots of people donated skis for the fence. In fact, there were too many skis and the fence collapsed. So they have rebuilt the fence and have made it into a Legacy Project. Maybe it should be called a LegaSki Project. The closest thing we have in this area to a Ski Museum! Something that many ski towns have. I even found one pair of black Head skis dating to the early 1960s. A real Status symbol of the times! Thanks for the memories!

Spy Cider House and Distillery

What better place on a sunny Saturday afternoon in the fall than to sit outside and taste ciders made here in the Beaver Valley? The new owners, Ian Smith and Darcy Hagerman of the Spy Cider House and Distillery on the 24th Sideroad have pumped new life into the establishment. New patios and the presence of the Bruce Wine Bar (on weekends) to provide wood-fired pizzas. Judging by the crowd there this past weekend, it has become one of the "gotta be there" locations in the valley.



Lovebird

Call me curious Bob. I just had to check out what a "Snack Club" is.

It is the definition of the newest cafe/club/ hangout/tastee food place on Bruce St. In the defunct cannabis shop on Buttermilk Hill, old-timers would know what I am talking about with that name. Check it out yourself at 49 Bruce St. - Lovebird, Opened a month ago it will take some time before the word of mouth gets around and it becomes regular stop downtown Thornbury.



The location had started out as an outlet for a unique beer named Good Things pioneered by the owner Alex Chramow and marketed by his wife Emily Fonberg. Now evolving with excellent wines and some very intriguing snacks. Originally founded in Flesherton, the new location is a gain for Thornbury.



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BE READY FOR SPRING 2024 BOOK OUR SERVICES EARLY

Open Fields: The Blue Mountains Farm Tour

On September 30, 5 local farms participated and visitors learned about the work, knowledge & investment required to run a modern farm. by Robert Burcher



Farmers Pantry - pumpkins galore.



Karen Ferri of TK Ferri Orchards explains the intense apple growing that they excel at.



Icelandic sheep at Kimber Valley Farms gave little heed to the passing crowd.



Mayor Andrea Matrosovs presents a certificate to Robert The new look of "offshore labour". Sam McKinlay and his fiancee at Silver Springs Farm for their is a recent arrival from Kent, England involvement in the first annual Farm Tour.



Robert Ketchin of Georgian Hills Vineyards demonstrates grapes that will be used for Ice Wine.



Robert McKinlay of Silver Springs Farms gave an impressive talk about the cycle of crop rotation and zero-till agriculture.



here for the picking season.



New Minister for Grace United Church

We have a new Minister, Rev. John G. Smith at Grace United in Thornbury, who loves Jazz, The Blue Jays, grandkids, and paddle boarding. Sometimes he preaches about those as well.

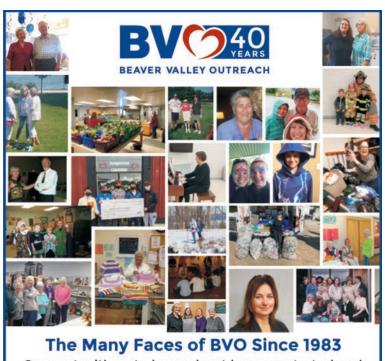
John had recently retired due to a health issue, but finds working parttime to be a perfect way to continue to minister to the needs of others, while still striving to bring new thoughts and new ideas to bear, given the problems and issues we face in the world today. He says there is still much to learn, so he can't quit yet.

John's career has spanned almost four decades, born and raised in St. Thomas Ontario, he has served in Church's in New Brunswick, Toronto, Sauble Beach and most recently Port Elgin. He has a doctorate in preaching from the University of Chicago, and gained his ARCT in music while going to Western University studying psychology. He brings wisdom and courage and laughter and love to all that he does.

John is married to Joan Silcox-Smith, who recently retired from her position at the Grey Bruce Health Centre as Manager of Spiritual Care. They have 2 grown children and three wonderful arandkids.

He is looking forward to spending time in Thornbury, sampling the local treasures, getting to know the Church and community here. Come and join us to hear his open minded and progressive message. His first service is on Sunday October 15th at 10;30 AM at Grace United Church 140 Bruce St S. Thornbury.

All are welcome.



Connect with us to learn about how we started and what we've achieved, help guide us in our next chapter, and find out how to get involved with BVO.

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Marsh Street Community Centre AGM

On September 8, 2023, the Marsh Street Community Centre in Clarksburg held its Annual Meeting of members, with over 40 members in attendance.

At the meeting, Robert Brown was recognized for his dedication to the Centre during his four-year term on the Board, including the two years he served as President. In recognition of his outstanding support and commitment, he was presented with a chair with his name on it so he will always have a seat at the events and concerts he loves.

Robert is well known for his passion



Photo credit: Julia Atkinson

and tireless work for the Centre and the local community. In addition to working to re-open the Centre and restart programs after the pandemic lockdowns, he will be remembered for championing the very popular Marsh Street Centre summer patio pub night series and the creation of a new Marsh Street Recording Studio.

With Robert becoming Past-President, the new Executive Committee for the upcoming year is Michele Myrah as President, Mike Weller as Vice President, Liz Kennedy as Treasurer, and Erna Scholz as Secretary.

One of the key priorities for the next year will be a major fundraising campaign to help cover costs of renovating parts of the almost 100year old building. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or have an accounting/finance background and would like to consider joining the Board of Directors, please contact us at info@ marshstreetcentre.com. Check out the many community programs and events at www.marshstreetcentre.com See YOU at the Marsh!



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Notice of Public Meeting

A Public Meeting to consider these matters has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 9:30 am.

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

Application for Zoning By-law Amendment and Plan of Subdivision

Property Location: Plan 16M8 Part of Block 1

What is being proposed?

The proposal involves the development of a Draft Plan of Subdivision to create 58 residential lots, 2 parks, and 2 servicing blocks. The proposed zoning by-law amendment would rezone the subject property from Development 'D' zone to Residential One 'R1-3-XX', Residential Two 'R2-XX', and Open Space 'OS' to permit 45 single detached dwellings and 13 rowhouses. The dwellings are proposed to connect to municipal water and wastewater services. The proposal includes the extension of West Ridge Drive, the construction of a new road, and multiple links to the Georgian Trail. The subject property is currently vacant.





www.thebluemountains.ca/lorabay4b www.grey.ca/government/land-useplanning/active-development

Application for Zoning By-law Amendment

Property Location: 107 Martin Grove (Plan 950 Lot 54)

What is being proposed?

The proposal is to create an exception in Zoning By-law 2018-65, as amended, to permit the use of the existing single detached dwelling as a Bed and Breakfast. The subject lands are currently zoned Residential One 'R1-1'. The existing dwelling contains 4 bedrooms, 3 of which will be used as guest rooms and the remaining one by the owner. This proposal is also subject to Site Plan Control. The effect of the application is to rezone the portion of the subject lands zoned Residential one 'R1-1' to Residential One 'R1-1-9' zone.



www.thebluemountains.ca/107martin

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

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Notice of Public Meeting Proposed Renaming of the Craigleith Depot Date of this Notice: August 30, 2023

October 31, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. Hybrid Format In-Person AND Virtual/Online Town Hall, Council Chambers 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON NOH 2P0

What is being proposed?

At the July 10, 2023 Council meeting, Council received a formal request from The Blue Mountains Public Library to rename the Craigleith Depot to the "Craigleith Station".

At the August 28, 2023 Council meeting, Council directed staff to schedule a Public Meeting on October 31, 2023 to receive comments regarding the potential renaming of the Craigleith Depot.

Staff will provide a follow up staff report to the November 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting that will summarize the public comments received and provide recommendations for Council to consider at the December 11, 2023 Council meeting.

The details of the request are outlined in Staff Report FAF.23.129 which is available from the Town's website at the following link:

https://pub-bluemountains.escribemeetings.com/Fi leStream.ashx?DocumentId=18078

When will a decision be made?

It is important to note that a decision on renaming the Craigleith Depot has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at this Public Meeting. After reviewing the comments from the public, Staff will bring its recommendations to a future Committee of the Whole Meeting.

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How can I make my views known about this proposal?

Any person or agency may provide comments on this matter in writing or verbally at the Public Meeting. Comments at the Public Meeting assist the Town and Council in their decision-making process, so be sure to have your say!

How do I submit my comments?

Written Comments – You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk. Written comments received by **October 27, 2023** will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting for the benefit of everyone in attendance and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Comments can be faxed to 519-599-7723, or emailed townclerk@thebluemountains.ca.

Any submitted comments become part of the **public record**, including names and addresses.

Verbal Comments – This Public Meeting is a hybrid meeting, allowing the public to attend the meeting in person or virtually. Those that wish to make verbal comments virtually are required to pre-register with the Town Clerk, no later than five business days in advance of the Public Meeting, by **October 25, 2023**.

Anyone wishing to provide their verbal comments in person at the Public Meeting, can attend the Town Hall, Council Chamber.

Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing to the Town Clerk if you would like to be notified of a decision on this proposal to: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON Fax: 519-599-7723 townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member! Shawn Everitt, Chief Administrative Officer 519-599-3131 ext.234 or cao@thebluemountains.ca

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario's Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), all information provided for, or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record, including resident deputations. This information may be posted on the Town's website. and/or made available to the public upon request.

What Was Council's Original Intent For Asking Staff To Update The Tree By-Law?

The Province passed various updates to the Municipal Act, 2001, in 2016 (Bill 68, entitled Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2016). One of these updates included a requirement for Municipalities to adopt and maintain policies regarding the protection and enhancement of tree canopy and natural vegetation in the Town.

Existing Tree Canopy policies under Section D8.2 of the Official Plan satisfy the requirements of Section 270(1)(7) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Through the discussion on Bill 68, public concerns were raised highlighted regarding the effectiveness and adequacy of the existing policies and Tree Preservation By-law 2010-68 to prevent pre-mature tree clearing on treed properties that could someday be developed. At that time, Council identified their desire to implement additional measures to reduce pre-mature tree cutting in such cases.

Council directed Staff to investigate potential revisions to the Town's existing Tree By-law in order to extend regulations on tree cutting to privately owned properties, where the County of Grey Forest Management By-law does not apply. At that time, Council also provided direction to the Sustainability Advisory Committee to develop more robust, long-term, tree canopy policies/strategies.

Overall, the goal of the proposed Tree By-law Update Project is to prevent premature tree cutting/removal on larger privately owned properties in advance of a development application.



BACKGROUND INFO FROM AUGUST 2021

Public Survey: Results and Emerging Trends

A public survey was launched on March 30, 2021, for a period of six weeks ending May 14, 2021. There was a total of 140 responses to the survey.

As a result of the survey and additional public comments received through the public Open House, Staff noted the following emerging trends:

- General Support for a Tree By-law to apply to private properties.
- Slightly more support for the application of a tree by-law in the Settlement Area versus the Rural Area. General trend of concerns regarding development related clear-cutting but to permit removal of a small number (or individual) trees on private property without permission.
- Strong support for financial compensation for unauthorized tree clearing.
- General support to develop an Urban Forest Strategy, but limited support for additional full-time staff to oversee/implement.

There appears to be public appetite to develop a comprehensive plan for trees in the Municipality, including policies for new development and tree enhancement/replacement. There also appears to be a trend to prevent clear-cutting in the settlement area on future development lands, and concerns related to limiting the impact of any tree by-laws on agricultural operations. It is noted that a Natural Heritage Study is planned, which will include an assessment of the status of the tree canopy across the Town.

The information that will be obtained through the completion of this study will be critical in informing any major policy changes and/or the development of any comprehensive tree strategy. In the absence of this information, it is difficult to determine the current needs of the Town and what targets should be established for tree enhancement, and further, where the policy priorities ought to be (i.e., policy focusing on protection, policies focusing on enhancement, policies focusing on development, etc.).

At this time, it is suggested by Staff that the Natural Heritage Study be completed to inform appropriate goals and objectives respecting tree canopy enhancement/protection within the Municipality, prior to initiating the development of any comprehensive Plan. By taking this approach, future policy development would be data driven and would develop a Plan that outlines the needs of the Town, as well as a clear path to achieve those needs.

Staff prepared the following options for Council's consideration.

Specifically:

Option 1 (Recommended Option):

a) To direct Staff to complete housekeeping updates to Municipal Tree Preservation Bylaw 2021-68, as necessary, in order to ensure coordination with any updates completed by the County of Grey regarding County Forest Management By-law 4341-06, as amended; and b) To consider the development of a Comprehensive Tree Strategy/Urban Forest Management Plan based upon completion of the Natural Heritage Study (in 2022 subject to budgeting).

Option 2: Chosen

a) To direct Staff to complete housekeeping updates to Municipal Tree Preservation By-law 2021-68, as necessary, to ensure coordination with any updates completed by the County of Grey regarding County Forest Management By-law 4341-06, as amended.

b) To include new requirements in the update to the Municipal Tree Preservation Bylaw 2010-68, that would require that a Permit be obtained prior to the removal of five or more trees on privately owned lands located within the Development (D) zone category of Zoning by-law 2018-65, as amended, and to prepare a Staff Report outlining the details of any required changes to the By-law; and

c) To consider the development of a Comprehensive Tree Strategy/Urban Forest Management Plan upon completion of the Natural

Dear Editor

Since 2019 the Town of The Blue Mountains has been working on updating the 2010-68 tree bylaw.

The Council states that this is only to be applied in the settlement areas and yet there have been instances, in other municipalities, where this was firstly implemented for merely settlement areas and then over-night, during the pandemic no less, extended to the entire community. This included farmers and rural property owners and therefore there is no faith that this will be restricted to the TBM settlement areas. But then why should it - it isn't as if everyone, in the settlement areas, are out chopping down trees.

There is also the issue that the TBM, be it Council or staff, continue to say this is to stop developers from clear cutting. Developers are exempt under the Municipal Act (135 (12)), and the Planning Act doesn't affect the developers, until after they put in for permits and/or zoning amendments.

We also need to understand that there are more trees, in the Town of The Blue Mountains, than there has been since settlement started in this area over a hundred years ago, and yet this Council seems to think we, the residents, don't want trees and that we will arbitrarily cut them down. When it comes to this Bylaw, the only thing that is being cut down are the residents bank accounts. Town staff estimate the minimum cost of a permit to be \$4,500.00

When one sees how many staff hours have been spent on this and the fact that Council is divided on how to proceed and even supporters see problems with the draft, Council should not vote to implement it at their meeting on Oct 10th but wait until the Natural Heritage Study is finished - spring 2024.

Once a Bylaw is in place, it is not fair for the community to live with a "not perfect, it's a start, lessons will be learned, evolving solution". Please use a pinch of "Common Sense" Email: council@thebluemountains.ca to make sure they take the time to get it right. Regards, John Ardiel



Special Tree-Care Event Hosted By The Thornbury East Neighbourhood!

On September 1st, Tree Trust TBM hosted a tree care day at 19 Elgin Street East in Thornbury. Truthfully, however, the homeowners who share the same ground as this majestic tree were the real hosts.

Often several ingredients magically

come together to make a successful event and September 1st was one of those special occasions: a unique legacy tree <u>plus</u> dedicated homeowners as hosts <u>plus</u> neighbours who came out to support the effort <u>plus</u> highly skilled professional arborists to demonstrate the art of tree care.

First, our hosts. A few months ago, the homeowners at 19 Elgin Street alerted Tree Trust to a special tree in need of life-extending care on town property at the corner of their lot. Joanne and David are Tree Trust supporters and have volunteered in Tree Trust planting events. On the tree care day, they made all the accommodations necessary for safe access to the tree, welcomed Tree Trust and community members, and offered treats for participants to enjoy! Thank you, Joanne and David.

Second, the tree. At more than 19 metres tall, with a canopy spread of 18 metres and with a trunk diameter of 1050 mm, this beautiful sugar maple is estimated to be at least 100 years old, and potentially much, much older. It's a prime example of why tree care is so important. It's a sound and healthy mature tree with some structural issues that, if managed properly, will help extend its life by several decades.

Third, the community. Neighbours and Tree Trust supporters from all over TBM enjoyed the show and took advantage of the opportunity to ask questions and learn from the tree-care pros. Once again, community members demonstrated that residents have a deep commitment and interest in maintaining our legacy trees that provide us with so many aesthetic and ecological benefits.

Fourth, our arborists. The Tree Trust arborist team from Arboreal Tree Care showed off their climbing skills and expertise in tree pruning. Tobias Effinger demonstrated and explained some of the complex analysis and skillful care that goes into pruning older trees to ensure continued vitality.

Thank you to all our donors who help fund the expert care of special legacy trees across TBM. We couldn't carry out this specialized tree care without donor support. So far, we have cared for ten legacy trees since our inception in 2020. This includes three trees this year – two on Napier Street East earlier this summer, as well as the Elgin Street tree. For information or to donate go to www.treetrust.ca and go to the TBM chapter page or email tbm@treetrust.ca



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.



October 2023

After a warm, no, it was a HOT summer, plus some lovely summer days in September, FALL is definitely here with a possible risk of FROST.

There is much talk in the fall about "Putting Your Garden to Bed", I think they mean preparing your garden for the winter. There is an annual argument among gardeners as to whether you should cut back your perennials, ornamental grasses, etc., in the fall, or leave them tall for "winter interest", and to feed the birds. However, up here, most perennials are covered by 2 feet of snow, so you can't see them anyway and there are no seedheads for the birds.

Spring Clean-Up can be daunting. There may be wet weather, or a late spring. For these reasons, I am opting for a BIG FALL CLEAN-UP again this year to get a jump on spring 2024

I say it's time to trim back perennials and divide them as needed for your garden, or to give to your neighbours, or to pot them up now and put them back in the ground for the St. George's plant sale in June 2024. Plant donors get an Income Tax Receipt for the value their plants sell for, if you donate 15 or more plants.

- When digging and potting up, always make sure it is a cool, cloudy day and add bone meal fertilizer to the pots, or to your new plantings.
- Remember, October is a great time to plant perennials.
 They get a big jump on plants planted next spring.
- Buy and plant spring flowering bulbs. Add a little bulb fertilizer, like bone meal, to the bottom of the hole and add water to the hole to get the bulb's roots started. Your efforts NOW will bring big dividends in April and May 2024
- For a longer bulb bloom season, plant a variety of bulbs, like winter aconite, snow drops and crocus to start the season. You can also plant early, middle and late blooming tulips and daffs for a much longer bulb season.
- Place chicken wire just under the surface of the soil over any tulip bulbs you plant. The squirrels will hate you. Daffs should not need this protection.
- If there is an early frost warning this fall, cover tender annuals overnight with an old bed sheet. They should make it through the night and keep on blooming.
- Bring in house plants when the evenings start to cool down, or if you get a frost warning. First, give them a thorough spray with insecticidal soap, so that there are no unwanted hitchhikers coming into your home.
- Fertilize lawns with a "high" first number, no "second" number and lower "third" number or with a "Fall Formula" fertilizer. Don't use that fertilizer left over from the spring.
- Start cutting your grass much lower than in summer to avoid winter matted long grass next spring that you will have to rake out.
- Water shrubs, evergreens and trees weekly and deeply at least until frost.
- Buy Triple-19 fertilizer NOW and store it, so you will have it to put on your garden beds right after the snow has gone next spring. It's available now at the Markdale CO-OP (519-986-2031) for \$29.40 for a 50-pound bag.

treetrust.ca Tree-of-the-Year, Meaford

One tree has stood out from among a half dozen trees that were nominated for the Meaford Tree Trust inaugural designation of Tree-of-the-Year, a lone super tall sycamore tree that towers over the monument to Beautiful Joe in Meaford's Beautiful Joe Park.

The tree's origin is a mystery. Its location this far north is surprising. The fact that it is thriving and that Tree Trust has chosen it as its Tree-of-the-Year

is "auspicious", according to Tree Trust arborist Tobias Efflinger. "Not only is it a grand tree but choosing this sycamore is timely," he said. "Sycamores are Carolinian. The Carolinian trees are moving north, south, east and west - the change is not linear. The fact that we have a Carolinian species here suggests that we have good genetic soils and they will survive here."

Tree Trust is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to preserve the biggest and best urban trees. The organization raises funds to hire arborists who keep the trees healthy and extend their lifespans through measures such as pruning, fertilizing and insect control.

Legacy trees are key players in the fight against climate change. They are the carbon sequestering giants in the battle against climate change. Grey County is blessed with an assortment of legacy trees, some less notable than others, some in more or less healthy condition, yet so many of which loom tall in the hearts of those who have a personal connection to them. Meaford Tree Trust set out in June to designate one such tree as the 2023 Tree-of-the-Year.

"The program was sponsored by Echo Foundation. We received six nominations, all of them certainly worthy, each with its own appeal. The nominations included a rare specimen of a sycamore tree, a spirited 'laydown' tree, a giant cottonwood tucked away on a side trail, a pine tree that conjured up a fantasy world, a statuesque willow, and a beech tree that glows in the late afternoon sun.

"Choosing one over the others was not an easy task."

Pine Tree: St Vincent Hwy 26 intersection: This pine tree stands in a cluster of pine trees that could date back a century or more. The tree's branches sweep upward seemingly to cradle woodland creatures, real or imaginary, and offer them sanctuary at this busy intersection.

owner Peggy McIntosh speaks of a spiritual connection to this 'laydown' ash tree on her property on the escarpment. The tree seems to have twisted and turned to face the bay. Rather than reaching upward, the tree

'Laydown' Ash: Peggy's House: Property

trunk grew parallel to the ground, twisting and turning, till it faced the Georgian Bay, then extended upward, like a beacon.

Gargantuan Cottonwood: 22 feet in circumference: Cottonwoods are known to grow to be big trees but this one is a puzzlement. Why did this cottonwood remain standing when other trees in the area were



other trees. **Beech Tree:** Lakeview Cemetery: Slick bark, sprawling branches, and translucent leaves - this beech tree is a treasure to photograph in all seasons. The beech tree is precariously located next to the cemetery office at the edge of the pond. So far, it has stood fast despite the weight of its sprawling branches. Willow: Grand, graceful: The Olivet Baptist Church is home to a grand and graceful-looking willow that claims a large portion of the property bordering on Ivan and Augusta Streets. Willow

felled? This cottonwood is worth

taking a short hike along one of the Bruce Trail side trails on the

Bayview Escarpment Provincial

the 11th Line, you will see, on

the right, a blue sign that aptly

reads Cottonwood Trail. Half to

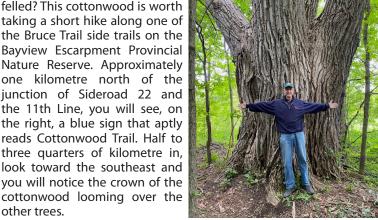
three quarters of kilometre in,

look toward the southeast and

you will notice the crown of the

cottonwood looming over the

manicured over the years. For information contact Pete Russell at meaford@treetrust.ca.













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Town Receives \$10,000 "Treemendous Communities" Grant for **Tree Planting at Nipissing Ridge Park**

The Town of The Mountains is pleased announce that the municipality has received \$10,000 through Tree Canada's "Treemendous Communities" grant. The funds have been awarded to support a tree planting project at Nipissing Ridge Park in Craigleith. Trees and shrubs will be planted along the berm facing Blueski George providing Crescent, much needed tree and shrub cover, shade, beautification and other benefits to the park.

"We're extremely excited to be able to put these funds to great use supporting one of our community parks," said Jeffery Fletcher, the Town's Manager of Sustainability & Solid Waste. "The tree and shrub plantings will be a great addition to Nipissing Ridge Park, while also enhancing our nature-based assets."

The Town will be hosting a community planting event with the help of Tree Trust TBM on Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tree Trust TBM has been instrumental in developing the tree planting project and in organizing logistics for the event. Volunteers are needed to help plant smaller shrubs, apply mulch and compost, and water the plantings. Arboreal Tree Care Professionals will be planting the larger trees on an earlier date.

interested Anvone volunteering is invited to RSVP through the link on the event page at www.thebluemountains. ca/treemendous. Registering in advance will help the Town and Tree Trust TBM plan for number of volunteers.

2:30 pm BINGO!

Volunteers are encouraged to bring garden gloves and wear gardening-type footwear. The public is also invited to drop in to see the enhancements and show support for the trees. The event will proceed rain or shine, so please dress appropriate for the weather.

The Town would like to acknowledge that the grant from Tree Canada was funded directly by TC Energy. Tree Canada relies on the generous support of many corporate sponsors and individual donors to fund their programs. Projects are funded based on Tree Canada's evaluation criteria and application process, and help build much-needed tree canopy for long lasting community benefits across Canada.

Nicholas Cloet Sustainability Coordinator (519) 599-3131 ext. 235

Seniors Centre Without Walls TO REGISTER For A Free Session: Call BVO: (619) 599-2577 Ext. 126. To Participate in a Session: DIAL: 226-682-0701 October 2023

ENTER Passcode: 852340 then # RECORD Your Name followed by #

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Speaker Info	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
John Hetherington, Master Gardener Heather Goldsworthy Photographer	2:00 pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 pm BINGO!	**11:00 am Gardening Tips for Winter, John Hetherington	10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching	2:30 pm Thanksgiving Traditions & Recipes Heather Goldsworthy, Photographer	11:00 a.m Celebrating BVO 40 Years! - Conversations with Norine Baron & Special Guests
Norine Baron, BVO Volunteer Anne Boody Horwood, Writer/Poet	9 BVO CLOSED HAPPY THANKSGIVING	2:00 pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 pm BINGO! (moved from Monday)	10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching 2:00 pm Writing Your "Memorable Moments" With Anne Boody	**11:15 am MINDFULNESSMEDITATION, With Nina Andic	13
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Amanda Tetzlaff Bereavement Counsellor VON Grey Bruce	23 2:00 pm Check-in & Chat 2:30 pm BINGO!	24 11:00 am Bereavement/Grief VON Grey Bruce, Amanda Tetzlaff	25 10:00 am Chair Exercise and Stretching 2:00 pm Writing Your "Memorable Moments" With Anne Boody	26 **11:15 am MINDFULNESSMEDITATION, With Nina Andic	27
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Exhibit: Divergence & Intersection, October

The Gallery at L.E. Shore is pleased to present "Divergence & Intersection", featuring the talents of Ben Mark Holzberg and Kyle Haight! This duo is an exciting pairing as they will challenge you to intersect with their divergent collections. Curated to play off each other, you will experience divergence between



organic and urban, fantasy and life, science and nature.

ACC Presents: Tobermory Fishermen to Mongolian Eagle Hunters, Thursday, October 12, 7-8:15pm

Join the award-winning artist and writer Allen Smutylo for a one-hour show and tell of some of the many places, cultures and themes that have acted as his creative muse. His talk will also explain the evolution, over the last half-century, of his approach with regard to the various mediums he has used. The presentation will be followed by a Q & A. Reserve your seats! 519-599-3681 x142

Author Talk with A.M. (Andy) Potter Saturday, October 21, 11-12:30pm

Join us for an exclusive author talk and with local author A. M. (Andy) Potter, as he presents his latest novel, The Color Red. The Color Red is the first book in a captivating new series that introduces readers to the brilliant Detective Ivy Bourque. Publishers Weekly has hailed The Color Red as an "impressive series launch," making it a must-read for fans of intelligent procedural mysteries. Don't miss this opportunity to meet the talented author. 519-599-3681 ext 5

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Grand Opening of The Scented Market in The Blue Mountains Saturday, October 14, 10am - 7pm, 170 Jozo Weider Boulevard

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Join us on Sunday October 15th!

Build a team and work together to climb Blue Mountain 40 times – 29,092 ft. – the height of Mount Everest. www.everestchallengeblue.ca

Thornbury Group 82 Amnesty International 40th Anniversary Concert

Wednesday, October 18, 7-9 p.m. L.E Shore Library

Local concert pianist, Katrin Veski, will perform pieces in various styles, from countries where Amnesty International has made a difference. Come help us commemorate 40 years of activism and action supporting human rights and freedoms. Tickets are free, but please make a donation at the door to support the ongoing work of Group 82.



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Call for Nominations for 3rd Annual Kindness Awards sponsored by T-C Rotary

It is important to celebrate people and their stories of kindness in our community as a reminder to us all of the value of kindness. Nomination forms are available at www.tcrotary.ca and include details regarding eligibility rules and how to submit nominations. Hard copy nomination forms are also available at The Library, Thornbury and Riverside Press, Clarksburg during regular business hours. The deadline for this year's nominations is Saturday, October 21st, at 5pm. Each of the three winners chosen will be informed by October 28th. Let's celebrate how Our Community Runs on Kindness!



LUNCH BUNCH 4th Tuesday

Oct. 24 & Nov. 28 at 12:00

Come for lunch and bring a friend St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 165 Russell St. E., Thornbury

LADIES NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, OCT 25

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St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Thornbury

Guest Speaker: Catherine Laing **Speaking on Hope Filled Living**

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For further information please call 519-599-6645





Saturday, October 28th 9am-Noon

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Shoreline Chorus Presents



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"Down By The Riverside, Over The Rainbow, Blowin' In The Wind, And The Poppies Grow, Maya's Prayer for Peace, Battle Hymn Of The Republic, Home I'll Be"

Saturday, November 4th, 2pm St. George's Anglican Church

166 Russell Street, Clarksburg

Admission \$20.00

For information please call: 519-599-2710











Senior Hockey

The Georgian Bay Applekings is going to be playing out of the new Ontario Elite Hockey League (OEHL), which is a compilation of the 10 teams from the WOAA Senior AA Hockey League. Home games are on Saturdays at 5:30pm at the

Beaver Valley Arena. Season Tickets are currently on sale for \$100 / \$50 (Adults/Children). Single Game entries will be \$10/\$5 for children. applekingshockey.square.site

Applekings Home Games

Nov 4 @5:30 vs Milverton Nov 25 @5:30 vs Minto Dec 9 @5:30 vs Seaforth

Nov 18 @5:30 vs Ripley Dec 2 @5:30 vs Lucknow thornburysrhockey@gmail.com





Rotary Club of Thornbury-Clarksburg invites you to join us November 11th at the Georgian Peaks Club for dining, dancing, and more!

Kindness **CHANGES EVERYTHING**



It's time to dust off your fancy dancing shoes because The Kindness Gala is back! This year, we are selling "keys" to unlock an exciting prize cage! Proceeds from this special evening will once again benefit the Rotary's community initiative, Moreau Park... Kindness at Play! Tickets are \$195. For more information and tickets please go to:







EINSTEIN'S ECONOMY

Albert Einstein formulated $E=MC^2$ to express the explosive nature of atomic power. Of course there are numerous tangents and underpinnings to this famous paradigm, as indeed there are to understanding today's economy. That same formula might be applied to illustrate the risks to current monetary policies (Don't yawn yet.....read on to our vital conclusion!) in which the formula might be reinterpreted, E=Excesses, M=Monetary, and $C^2=Carelessness-on-the-Double$.

If we think of the economy as a garden, then inflation is the equivalent to a weed. Conventional response to inflationary weeds has been to raise interest rates, the theory being this will exterminate them. But actually this approach is hardly selective, and rips across all kinds of natural and beautiful vegetation. What's essential is to see how the weeds got started and what we should do to uproot them - so that the true yields of the economy are stable and sustainable. Gardeners tell us there isn't one straightforward solution. The same holds for economic issues.

We have been in a time of two inflationary weeds. And have they enjoyed one another's company!? The money supply spigot has been in full spate to keep interest rates down, enabling an addictive high on debt. Concurrently, governments have been in a dangerous dalliance with their central banks, operating on full-bore deficits. When people exclaim, "There's lots of money around", they're right, and intuitively they know the supply of money has been growing for many years at rates well in excess of the natural economic order. One consequence has been a new gold standard......real estate.

So what does this mean? Is there a nice answer? No, because the remedy will be to rein in governments' deficits. We will need to buy into something of a national agenda, before recessions and social upheaval buy us. There will be the usual call for increased productivity and investment. To return to the weeds allegory, there won't be much benefit of stimulating yields if weeds are still in full throttle.

Really, inflation is the devaluation of our currency. Philosophically, as well as socially, we are witness to another devaluation: our respect for one another; our respect for business and political leadership, and our respect for the airways of life in terms of education and health. Here's the question for the ages. Which came first: monetary devaluation or the degradation of values? They appear symbiotic.

So Einstein might rewrite the equation once more. E = Energy (as in renewed), M = Miracle, and $C^2 = Canada-On-The-Double$. If we rejoin ourselves into respect for one another; embrace the boundless opportunities of our nation, Canada; and restate the relationship between what we bring to and what we take out of the economy; then our historical role of harmony and worldwide respect can become Canada's finest flag.

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