



## After a Year of Construction The New Bridge Opens on Sideroad 6

Bridges 2 and 3, also known as the Mitchell's Creek Bridges, were concrete monolithic T-beam bridges connected by a short stretch of 6th Sideroad on the western edge of the Little Germany Management Area. The bridges were originally constructed in the 1930's.

A Schedule A+ Municipal Class Environmental Assessment was undertaken in April 2019 to assess multiple factors including existing and future traffic operations in the area, the ability to span the water flow at the location, the sensitivity of the environment in the area. The assessment identified the preferred solution to be replacement of both Bridges 2 and 3 with new single-lane bridges. Construction began in 2022.

Final grading and repairs have been completed on 6th Sideroad, and the road and new bridges have now been reopened for public use. The Town's contractor will be returning to the site later this spring to complete remaining works including surface deficiency repairs to concrete, and installation of topsoil, seed and mulch.

## Volunteer Tree Care Day Saturday, May 13th



### Why is tree care so important?

Last year, more than 100 community volunteers planted over 500 trees along the Georgian Trail. Volunteers also helped with watering these baby trees all summer-long. This year, volunteers are needed to help with tree care activities such as applying mulch and compost, clearing competing vegetation, and watering – the essential steps we need to help ensure continued high survival rates.

Tree care activities will start at 10 am at the Northwinds section of the Georgian Trail (Grey Road 19 and Hwy 26) and at 2pm at the 10th Line section of the Trail (just west of Thornbury – near Goldsmiths).

To register as a volunteer for this important tree care day, send an email to [csadmin@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:csadmin@thebluemountains.ca) or call 519-599-3131 ext 289 indicating the location/time and the number of people who will attend. Thank you for helping grow a successful and healthy tree canopy in TBM!

## Victoria Street Water Tower Rehabilitation

photos by Robert Burcher

The rehabilitation of the Victoria Street Water Tower is proceeding well. The Town has drained the water tower, which will allow contractors to begin the installation of interior scaffolding within the tower's tank. A crane is scheduled to be on site the week of May 7 to assist with the relocation of antennas and installation of new guardrail on top of the tower. Abrasive blasting of the interior of the tower is currently anticipated to begin in late May.

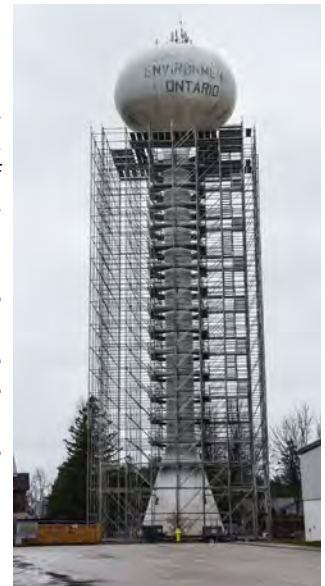
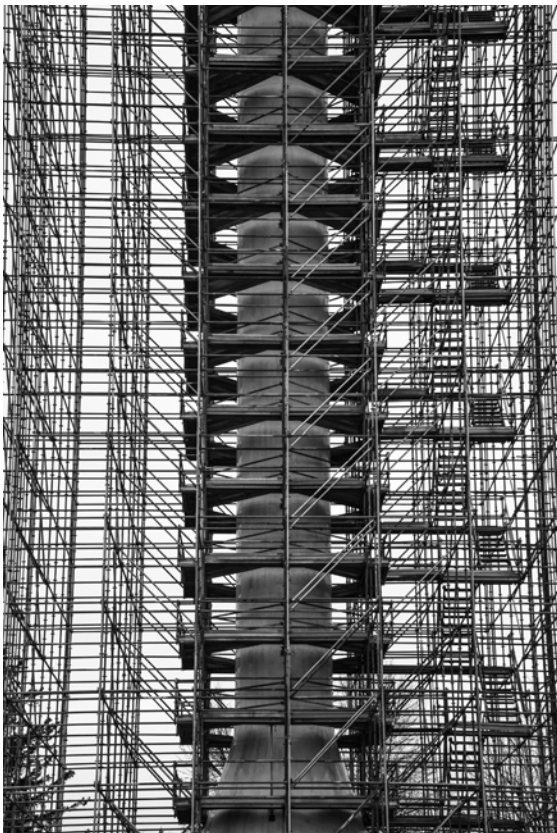
As identified through the West Side Water Storage Environmental Assessment, the Town decided to complete a full rehabilitation of the Victoria Street Water Tower and maintain operation of the facility into the foreseeable future. The work to be completed includes:

- Exterior coating upgrades
- Exterior and interior steel repairs
- Interior lining upgrades

The Tower was originally constructed in 1977 by Horton CBI Limited and has remained in operation since. The structure is approximately 47 meters in height with storage cell diameter of approximately 13 meters. The Tower provides an approximate storage volume of 910m<sup>3</sup> and helps maintain system pressure in the service area.

### Beaver Valley Community Centre

The parking lot at the Centre is also being rehabilitated and should be finished by the end of June.





Planting season is just around the corner.

People need to be aware of farm vehicles using TOBM roads. Farm vehicles are sometimes very long and very large and often require more distance to turn and stop. Operators may have poor visibility due to loads and equipment in tow. Please share the road and be extra careful approaching and passing.

Slow-moving vehicle signs are for slow moving vehicles only. It is illegal and dangerous to use them as driveway markers if they can be seen from the road.



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## 2022 Year-End Building Permit Statistics Summary

Prepared by: Tim Murawsky, Manager Building Services/Chief Building Official

The intent of this report is to provide Council with building statistics for 2022 and provide commentary on external trends.

12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2022

The Building Services Division experienced some changes in staff in 2022. Three building officials and one technologist chose to continue their career in municipal government with other municipalities. One administrative staff went on a Leave of absence, and another decided on a career change. The vacancy in the Lot Development Technologist Position provided an opportunity for the Department to create a Building Inspector II position, responsible for administering lot development and grading policies as well as applying extensive Building Code knowledge. The issuance of Pool Permits, formerly under the authority of the Lot Development Technologist, has been reassigned to junior building officials. All staff vacancies were filled by the end of 2022.

Building Officials within the Province of Ontario are in short supply, and it's become extremely difficult to recruit qualified individuals. The Building Division is committed to providing training and mentoring to all staff and ensure that our building officials continue to obtain the required building code qualifications for their area of expertise. The next addition of the Ontario Building Code is expected in 2024 and staff will be required to familiarize themselves with the new code by participating in training seminars, technical courses, and examinations.

Upcoming changes to the code will also require our staff to assist building practitioners in understanding and interpreting the new technical changes in the code. The rapid pace of development activity in the past few years has outpaced the construction and creation of serviced residential properties.

Several large subdivisions are presently under construction and several others are expected to commence early this year, which should help to alleviate the shortfall of serviced land. Residential growth in 2023 is expected to continue in Lora Bay, Peak's Ridge, Bayside, Neighbourhoods of Delphi, and Windfall.

Construction starts are expected to be similar in 2023 as many building contractors have stated that they're booked for 2023. Numerous developments that are projected to commence this year will create much sought after residential building lots and enable construction activity to remain strong for several years.

Building Division year-end statistics report 744 building permits issued in 2022, with an estimated construction value near \$229 million. These stats indicate a slight decrease compared to 807 permits in 2021 with an estimated value of \$332 million.

Due to the limited supply of serviced lots, construction of new dwellings was down to 250 units compared to 394 in the previous year. Building Permit Revenue (\$1,327,970.58) was above the budgeted projection (\$1,075,606). Building trends in the past year were similar to previous years with the majority of homes having a floor area greater than 2,500 sq ft.

The number of permits issued for townhouse units was slightly higher in 2022 with 42 units compared to 18 units the previous year. The Building Department has not issued any permits for apartment dwelling units since 2020. We anticipate that construction activity in 2023 will continue on remaining lots in existing subdivisions, on vacant infill lots, and in the demolition and reconstruction of dwellings along the Georgian Bay shoreline.

Year	Permits Issued	Construction Value	Inspections	Dwelling Units	Zoning Reports
2019	584	\$181,611,294	3917	320	148
2020	649	\$214,022,941	4035	429	171
2021	807	\$332,058,248	5062	394	195
2022	744	\$228,741,488	4873	250	99

The financial information provided in this report is based on unaudited numbers and is subject to change following the review of corporate financial statements by external auditors.



## What is a Municipal Accommodation Tax?

The ability for municipalities to implement what is commonly called a Municipal Accommodation Tax was granted as part of Bill 127, which was passed by the Legislature on May 17, 2017.

It created a new section to the Municipal Act, 2001: Part XII.1 entitled "Power to impose transient accommodation tax". While Part XII.1 grants the authority and sets out general rules and requirements, O.Reg. 435/17, which came into effect on December 1, 2017 stipulates the rules and requirements regarding revenue sharing and the need for agreements that ensures there is "reasonable financial accountability" regarding the collection and distribution of the proceeds from a "Municipal Accommodation Tax".

A MAT, can only be implemented by a separated or lower-tier municipality. This means that the Town would have full control over the program including determining what exemptions and rebates will be provided, and what penalties, etc. will be imposed for non-compliance. A MAT is a fee levied on short-term and overnight accommodations. It is paid by visitors when they book a room with a local accommodation provider.

4% of the purchase price of the accommodation only (the room rate). It would not apply to other associated services and amenities, like meeting room rentals, food and beverages, room services, Internet and phone charges. However, HST is charged on the 4% fee.

### Is the MAT optional if in place?

The MAT is a mandatory fee when a municipality chooses to enforce it, and must be paid to the accommodation provider when paying for the booking. The fees collected by accommodation providers are then remitted to the municipality.

### Where would the money go?

At least 50% of the net revenue from the MAT must be shared with an eligible not-for-profit tourism entity, and reinvested in tourism promotion. For greater certainty, the expressions "promotion of tourism" and "promoting tourism" include the development of tourism products. The remainder would be used for municipal purposes, at the discretion of Council.

### Duty to Collect

Every Provider shall collect the MAT from the Purchaser at the time the Accommodation is paid for.

### Duty to Report

Every Provider shall file annually, an Establishment Information Report with the Town or its Agent.

The Communications and Economic Development Team will be taking the lead on the Municipal Accommodation Tax and a further report with detailed information will be brought forward for Council's consideration sometime in June.

## Georgian Trail Realignment Grant

In March 2022, the Town submitted an application for the cost of realigning the Georgian Trail crossing over Highway 26 from the Lake Shore Road intersection to the Grey Road 2 intersection and have been successful in the grant application.

The Town will receive \$420,000 in grant funding for the realignment of the Georgian Trail crossing of Highway 26.

The grant is looking to re-route the Georgian Trail crossing of the highway to the Highway 26 and Grey Road 2 intersection that will become signalized in a capital project being completed by the MTO.

The \$420,000 represents 60% of the estimate cost of \$700,000. The Town's portion of \$280,000 (40%) will be funded from Parks and Recreation Development Charges.

Additional details will be supplied in the future staff report once the grant is formally announced.

Currently Staff asked for Council approval to sign the agreement to move forward with this successful grant application.

Trivia Questions on page 4  
Answer 1: an elephant, 5 inches long  
Answer 2: C the 8th continent  
Answer 3: D all of the above

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# Protect Yourself from Scams and Fraud

Scammers can target any Canadian or Canadian business. Here are some tips and tricks to protect yourself or your business from scams and fraud.

## Don't be afraid to say no

- Don't be intimidated by high-pressure sales tactics. If a telemarketer tries to get you to buy something or to send them money right away:
- Request the information in writing
- Hang up
- Ask for their number so you can call them back
- Watch out for urgent pleas that play on your emotions.

## Do your research

Always verify that the organization you're dealing with is legitimate before you take any other action:

- Verify Canadian charities with the Canada Revenue Agency
- Verify collection agencies with the appropriate provincial agency
- Look online for contact information for the company that supposedly called you, and call them to confirm
- Verify any calls with your credit card company by calling the phone number on the back of your credit card
- If you've received a call or other contact from a family member in trouble, talk to other family members to confirm the situation.
- Watch out for fake or deceptive ads, or spoofed emails. Always verify the company and its services are real before you contact them.

## Don't give out personal information

Beware of unsolicited calls where the caller asks you for personal information, such as:

- Your name, Your address, Your birthdate, Your Social Insurance Number (SIN), Your credit card or banking information
- If you didn't initiate the call, you don't know who you're talking to.



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## Beware of upfront fees

- Many scams request you to pay fees in advance of receiving goods, services, or a prize. It's illegal for a company to ask you to pay a fee upfront before they'll give you a loan.
- There are no prize fees or taxes in Canada. If you won it, it's free.

## Protect your computer

- Watch out for urgent-looking messages that pop up while you're browsing online. Don't click on them or call the number they provide.
- No legitimate company will call and claim your computer is infected with a virus.
- Some websites, such as music, game, movie, and adult sites, may try to install viruses or malware without your knowledge. Watch out for emails with spelling and formatting errors, and be wary of clicking on any attachments or links. They may contain viruses or spyware.
- Make sure you have anti-virus software installed and keep your operating system up to date.
- Never give anyone remote access to your computer. If you are having problems with your system, bring it to a local technician
- Be careful who you share images with
- Disable your webcam or any other camera connected to the internet when you aren't using it. Hackers can get remote access and record you.

## Protect your online accounts

By taking the following steps, you can better protect your online accounts from fraud and data breaches:

### Create a strong password by:

- Using a minimum of 8 characters including upper and lower case letters, and at least 1 number and a symbol
- Creating unique passwords for every online account including social networks, emails, financial and other accounts
- Using a combination of passphrases that are easy for you to remember but hard for others to guess

### Enable multi-factor authentication

- Only log into your accounts from trusted sources
- Don't reveal personal information over social media

## Recognize spoofing

Spoofing is used by fraudsters to mislead victims and convince them that they are communicating with legitimate people, companies, or organizations. Here are the main types of spoofing used by fraudsters:

### Caller ID spoofing

Fraudsters have the ability to manipulate the phone number appearing on call display either by call or text message. Fraudsters can display legitimate phone numbers for law enforcement agencies, financial institutions, government agencies or service providers.

### Email spoofing

Similar to Caller ID spoofing, fraudsters can manipulate the sender's email address in order to make you believe that the email you're receiving is from a legitimate source.

## Website spoofing

Fraudsters will create fraudulent websites that look legitimate. The fake websites can pretend to be a financial institution, company offering employment, investment company or government agency. In many cases, fraudsters will use a similar domain/website URL to the legitimate company or organization with a minor spelling difference.

### Protect yourself from spoofing by:

- Never assuming that phone numbers appearing on your call display are accurate
- Hang up and make the outgoing call when someone claims to be contacting you from your financial institution, service provider, law enforcement or government agency
- Call the company or agency in question directly, if you receive a text message or email. Make sure you research their contact information and don't use the information provided in the first message
- Never clicking on links received via text message or email
- When visiting a website, always verify the URL and domain to make sure you are on the official website

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In 2022, the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) received 90,377 fraud reports involving over \$530 million in reported losses.

Top 10 frauds based on number of reports in 2022:

Fraud Type	Reports	Victims	Dollar Loss
<a href="#">Identity Fraud<sup>1</sup></a>	19,499	19,499	N/A
<a href="#">Phishing<sup>2</sup></a>	10,603	2,567	N/A
<a href="#">Extortion</a>	8,240	2,323	\$19.0 M
<a href="#">Personal Info<sup>3</sup></a>	8,083	6,148	N/A
<a href="#">Service</a>	6,255	4,536	\$20.6 M
<a href="#">Investments</a>	4,631	4,251	\$308.6 M
<a href="#">Bank Investigator</a>	4,189	956	\$6.7 M
<a href="#">Counterfeit Merchandise</a>	3,960	3,911	\$0.9 M
<a href="#">Merchandise</a>	3,935	3,133	\$8.7 M
<a href="#">Vendor Fraud</a>	3,141	1,918	\$3.5 M

Top 10 frauds based on dollar loss in 2022:

Fraud Type	Reports	Victims	Dollar Loss
<a href="#">Investments</a>	4,631	4,251	\$308.6 M
<a href="#">Romance</a>	1,415	1,056	\$59.0 M
<a href="#">Spear Phishing</a>	1,536	739	\$58.1 M
<a href="#">Service</a>	6,255	4,536	\$20.6 M
<a href="#">Extortion</a>	8,240	2,323	\$19.0 M
<a href="#">Emergency</a>	2,488	1,102	\$9.4 M
<a href="#">Merchandise</a>	3,935	3,133	\$8.7 M
<a href="#">Job</a>	2,520	1,646	\$7.1 M
<a href="#">Bank Investigator</a>	4,189	956	\$6.7 M
<a href="#">Foreign Money Offer</a>	328	70	\$4.5 M

<sup>1-3</sup> Scams soliciting personal information, and phishing do not involve financial losses and the majority of people who are victims of identity fraud are not responsible for the fraud losses.  
<sup>4</sup> It is estimated that 5% - 10% of victims file a fraud report with the CAFC.

## TRIVIA (answers on page 3)

1. Which mammal is known for having the longest eyelashes?
2. Zealandia also known as Tasmantis is:
  - a) a mythical place
  - b) an island between Tasmania & Australia
  - c) the 8th continent
3. The trout lily or erythronium americanum is a woodland spring perennial also called:
  - a) Adders tongue
  - b) Dogtooth violet
  - c) Woodland glory
  - d) all of the above



## T-C Rotary Recognizes Longest Serving Members

Recently, Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotarians made a point of recognizing the club's 2 longest serving members – Rick Offord (46 years) and Mike Atkins (45 years). Serving Rotary and your community for more than half your lifespan is indeed something to celebrate. And these 2 Rotarians have been at the heart of the club's activities for their entire Rotary lives.

**Rick Offord's** (with daughter Rotarian Heather) involvement started as soon as he joined, serving as chair of the last Beaver River Rat Race! Soon after, he became club President and shortly thereafter



developed a serious passion for the Rotary Youth Exchange program, eventually looking after that program for over 20 years! Over the years, he and his family have hosted at least 16 different students from around the world!

When the Chili Cookoff began, Rick stepped up to serve as Chief Chili Judge and carried on that important role in the Cookoff for almost the whole 26 year run of the event. Likewise, when the club began renting out tables, tents and chairs, Rick was there taking part and chaired that fundraiser for many years.

Another Rotary passion Rick supports is the ShelterBox program, which sends relief materials to areas around the world where disasters have occurred. As a ShelterBox Ambassador, he has done a lot to fundraise and promote this program.

**Mike Atkins** (with President Elizabeth Kennedy) also hit the ground running when he joined Rotary. He organized the one-and-only Chariot Race fundraiser, a year or so after the Rat Race ended and before Chili Cookoff began.



Throughout the early to mid-80's he was a vital part of the Haiti Project, which T-C Rotary headed up, with the help of many other clubs in this Rotary District. Eventually, over \$2 million of materials and services were sent to Haiti, including used hospital equipment and agricultural materials. Mike's efforts were key to the project's success.

Mike's technical genius has served the club extremely well over the years. When something needs to be built, Mike Atkins is "the guy". From modifying a school bus for the rental program to building trailers and a machine to drill auger tent stakes into the ground.....T-C Rotary has come to rely on Mike's mechanical expertise.

Mike has served as club President twice in his Rotary career, but Mike's efforts have

not been limited to only serving the local Rotary club. He worked for many years in various capacities at the Rotary District level, culminating in a year as District Governor in 2010-2011. He is also a keen supporter of Rotary's Hand Up program, eventually chairing that group, involved largely in water projects in Cameroon.

It should be noted that both Mike Atkins and Rick Offord were key players in the design, fundraising and construction of both the Beaver Valley Community Centre in 1987 and with the Arena 5 years later. Then in the late 90's Mike took on the construction of the Rotary Pavilion at Bayview Park, taking advantage of his experience with the Community Centre and Arena.

When the International Plowing Match came to Meaford in 1987, it was Mike Atkins who led T-C Rotary's efforts in running the admission gates for the plowing match. During the presentations at the club, the daughters of both Rotarians – Rick's daughter, Heather Walton, and Mike's daughter, Karen James – spoke passionately about growing up in a "Rotary Family" and about the example their Dads had set for them as people. What a wonderful legacy to leave behind!

These 2 Rotarians, with a total of 91 years of Rotary experience, certainly embody Rotary's Motto – "Service Above Self". And local Rotarians and the community are correct in celebrating and thanking them for their service! Congratulations, Rick and Mike! [www.tcrotary.ca](http://www.tcrotary.ca)

by Gerry McGregor



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# In Memoriam



## TODD MICHAEL REYNOLDS

Todd was an outgoing friendly guy who joyfully engaged with just about everyone he met regardless of time or place! His thoughtfulness, kindness, lovely wry smile and fun wit endeared him to all.

Born October 14, 1943 in Toronto to Bernice and Sid Reynolds (deceased),

Todd immediately was a going concern in all the best of ways. His boundless energy continued throughout his life, also in the best of ways. Todd attended Deer Park Public School where his love of sports started and where he excelled in hockey and track. He then attended North Toronto Collegiate where he had continued success in sporting endeavors. Todd was a member of the 4x100 relay team that set the Canadian high school record in this event, one which notably stood for over 20 years. Football became his passion and he starred on several NTCl championship teams. Graduating in 1962, he went on to Mount Allison University in Sackville, NB where he continued his football exploits and attained his BSc degree in 1966. He then undertook a one year BPHE degree at McMaster University in preparation for a teaching and coaching career. McMaster was the culminating highlight of Todd's football career. His Mac team went all the way to the final of the first ever Canadian Vanier Cup in 1967. After a two year stint at Collingwood High School, Todd joined Monarch Park High School where he taught science and Physical Education and coached many sports, especially basketball, throughout his 26 year tenure there. He chose to take early retirement so he could live with nature at the home he had built, with the help of many friends, at the top of Blue Mountain. It was a great location as he could start every ski day at the top and be first run down! Midway through his teaching career, Todd had taken a one year sabbatical to further his skiing technique with lessons in Austria after which he backpacked through much of Europe and North Africa. Todd loved adventures!

Todd was also an accomplished bridge player. He began playing as a teen with his parents and sister but became a savant playing innumerable lunch hour games with his fellow teachers at Monarch Park. It too became a passion in his life and in his retirement he played at several bridge clubs in the Collingwood area, making many new friends who shared his love for the game. He played his last game, online, a few days before he died. Todd was 79 years of age. He will be forever in our hearts.

He will be deeply missed by his wife Wendy, daughter Alexis, sister Lynn, cousin/brother Tim Rogers, parents in law Mary and Joe Kwan, brother in law Ken Kwan (Anita), and sisters in law Cindy (Francis) and Susan (Kal) ) as well as all his cousins and nieces and nephews.

There will be a private family funeral as well as a Celebration of Todd's life in Toronto at Leaside Gardens (1073 Millwood Rd. at Laird Dr.) Sunday April 30 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. There will also be a Celebration of Life at the Collingwood Leisure Time Club (100 Minnesota St., Collingwood) Sunday June 4 from 1:00 to 4:00. The tribute to Todd will begin at 2:00 at both venues.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Todd's name to the Heart and Stroke 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](http://www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca)

## In Memory of Doreen Norris

Thornbury Jazzworks will be hosting a concert on **Friday, May 19th** at the Marsh Street Centre with "Noodle Factory Jazz Project" a 10 piece group playing original new arrangements and compositions in the jazz tradition in honour of Doreen as one of the founding members. Proceeds and donations from this concert will go toward the Doreen Norris Music Fund for student music education. Tickets \$35 available at Thornbury Pharmasave or [www.thornburyjazz.com](http://www.thornburyjazz.com)



A Celebration of Doreen's life will be held at the Marsh Street Centre, Clarksburg on **Saturday, May 27th** from 12:30pm until 3pm with a memorial service and tributes beginning at 1 pm and refreshments to follow.

## GARRY DOUGLAS LOUGHEED

Garry passed away surrounded by his family's love on Sunday, April 23, 2023 at the Markdale Hospital in his 80th year.

Garry was the beloved husband of Velma (nee Rear) for 52 years and adored father to Angie (Brent) of Paris and Tammy (Grant) of Durham. He will be an especially missed Papa by his grandchildren Sydney, Brooke, Spencer and Ashley. Garry will be sadly missed by his brother-in-law Gene Rear (Deb), extended family and friends and close-knit neighbours. Predeceased by his parents Douglas and Irene, step father Albert Harmer, step brother Ian "Joe" Harmer and mother and father-in-law, Burton and Helen Rear.



By trade, Garry was a skilled machinist at Teledyne (BTI) for over 40 years. He was a cowboy at heart who enjoyed working with his horses and raising Charolais cattle. Garry was happiest when surrounded by his family "up on the mountain". His 4 Grandchildren were his pride and joy, they all made him so proud due to their interest in agriculture. He also enjoyed in his later years, tending to his vegetable garden and especially his roses. Visitors would often go home with a special hand-picked bouquet of roses.

A special thank you to Dr. Recoskie and April and the Markdale Hospital Emergency Department, Nurses and to Dr. Powers for making Garry's last days comfortable. The care for our family was exceptional.

*'We love you Gar, Dad and Papa and will miss you forever!'*

A Celebration of Garry's Life will be held on Saturday May 13, 2023 from 1 until 4 p.m. Family and Friends will be received at the Osprey Community Centre with special tributes by family at 2 p.m. As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Chapman House Hospice in Owen Sound 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](http://www.fergusonfuneralhomes.ca)

## BARBARA BODDINGTON SELKIRK (Nov. 16, 1941 - April 19, 2023)

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Barbara on April 19, 2023 at Northumberland Hills Hospital. Beloved mother of William & Benjamin Fulghum, daughter of the late Dr. George Boddington and Elizabeth (Buffy) Beck, sister to George Boddington (Avis) and the late William Boddington, of Port Hope. Adored Aunt to Kate (Jeff), Martha (Mike), Stephanie, and Andrew Boddington (Amy) and Allison Ballantyne (Graham) and their families. Barb grew up in Toronto, attended BSS and loved her summers in Georgian Bay. She had a wonderful career in PR & Communications and found her love of animals and the country fulfilled when she moved to Beaver Valley and later Port Hope and Grafton. As a truly creative spirit Barb loved to paint, create pottery and write. She enjoyed life with her animals, her gardens, friends and most importantly to her – her family. She will be missed by all who knew her. Very special thanks to Dennie Warner without who's help Barb could not have stayed in her home in Grafton. Private family funeral with a Celebration of Life to be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to: Nature Conservancy Canada, The Alzheimer Society of Canada or any local Animal related charity.



## Georgian Bay Home Share Presentation

T-C Rotary were pleased recently to receive a very interesting presentation about a new program being run through Grace United Church. As presenters Diana Dolmer and Carol Clarke explained, Georgian Bay Home Share is aimed at matching up individuals in the community that are home “seekers” with others in the community who are prepared to be home “providers”. Driven especially by the local demographics and the affordability of accommodation, the basic model of Home Share sees seniors in particular who are living alone in their homes and could use both a little income and some help around the home. The company and fellowship of such an arrangement can't be ignored either.

The 2021 Census provides some stunning numbers about our local demographics – according to the census, of the 4350 households in The Blue Mountains, 1255 (29%) are occupied by one person, while 2025 (47%) house two people. Similar numbers apply to neighbouring Meaford. Thus, less than 25% of households are occupied by multi-person families.

Through a very careful and thorough screening process, local volunteers of Home Share look to match a “seeker” with a “provider”. The actual decision to try the arrangement is left completely up to the “seeker” and “provider”, and the Home Share piece to is to try to find and facilitate a match most likely to succeed. Should things not work out, either party can terminate the arrangement.

Even though Georgian Bay Home Share has only been operating for 3 months now, they have already facilitated a match, which appears to be working well! The current issue is that the “seekers” who have applied far outnumber the “providers”, and Home Share is eager to spread the word about this new idea in hopes that more prospective “providers” will consider taking part in this win-win approach, meaning that more matches can be made. The presentation resulted in a lively and thoughtful question and answer time and members went away with an interesting new idea to entertain and share.

For more information, check out the Georgian Bay Home Share website -- [georgianbayhomeshare.ca](http://georgianbayhomeshare.ca).



## 100 Women Who Care South Georgian Triangle

[100womensouthgeorgiantriangle.com](http://100womensouthgeorgiantriangle.com)

We bring together women from across Collingwood, Creemore, Meaford, Stayner, Blue Mountains and Wasaga Beach to make real and lasting impacts in our local communities. Current membership is approximately 200 women and continuing to grow!

We meet four times a year, for just one hour, and each contribute \$100 to a local charity that is selected by our members. By combining our resources, we have a tremendous impact. Just think! In only 22 hours we have raised over \$350,000. It's a wonderful feeling to know the difference we are making together.

Many charities have benefited from our support including: BVO for Christmas Hampers, Meaford high school for Backpacks for Learning, Hope Haven to expand Therapeutic Riding programs, and Events for Life for individuals with special needs.

The most recent charity chosen was The Living Wish Foundation located in Clarksburg. Dr Karin Euler a family practitioner, helped develop this foundation to grant last wishes to terminally ill patients. In thanking us she said:

*"I have been a proud member of 100 Women Who Care since it first began. I love it so much because of its efficiency! Essentially 3 local registered charities seeking support do a 5-minute presentation at each meeting. There is time for the members to ask questions, we vote and VOILA the chosen group receives the funds, each receiving \$100 from each member. With 200 members currently, this means \$20,000 is raised instantly. I personally appreciate the opportunity to understand what is happening locally and support it, and to receive feedback on where and how the money has been used. Tax receipts are instant. An intelligent and efficient way to give locally with a HUGE impact."*



*A Living Wish: "This is the woman we took to church one last time. It makes me cry."  
Karin Euler, MD,  
Living Wish Foundation*

Our next in person meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 31** at the Legion in Collingwood at 7pm. Come join us as a guest!



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# Bill 23

On March 17th representatives from 3 local climate action

groups (Collingwood Climate Action Team, Wasaga Beach Climate Action Team, and Town of the Blue Mountains Climate Action Now Network) had the opportunity to meet with MPP Brian Saunderson to discuss concerns about Bill 23 and future related potential issues.

The Climate Action groups stated upfront their position remains that Bill 23 should be repealed as the harm is significantly higher than the benefits as anticipated by the provincial government. Knowing this was unlikely, we stated the objective of the meeting would be to have a productive discussion for MPP Saunderson to carry back to caucus as the regulations for the bill are being developed.

The delegation had a suite of prepared questions and as a backdrop it was requested MPP Saunderson consider the use of a climate lens<sup>1\*</sup> in his responses.

**Note:** The answers provided here are based on notes taken at the meeting and are not a verbatim or quotable response from MPP Saunderson.

**Q.** Please expand on what will be the role of Conservation Authorities under Bill 23. Their current mandate is being modified quite significantly and they play a strong and essential role from a climate lens perspective related to the environment and balancing that with development and other impacts on lands under their jurisdiction.

**A.** The Conservation Authorities' mandate was established for flood control back in the 1940's. <sup>2\*</sup> Over time the mandate has broadened to include community activities and programs. The government's priority is housing, driving efficiencies and getting things done. Therefore, the Conservation Authorities' mandate will be tighter. The configuration of the Conservation Authority of Simcoe will change; however Grey County's will remain as is. The new regulations will push some changes down to municipalities to manage Conservation Authorities' various roles. MPP B. Saunderson did acknowledge there are 5 watersheds flowing into the Collingwood Harbour and there have been concerted efforts to clean and develop the harbour region.

**Q.** What is the status of the development of the regulations for Bill 23 and expected timeline for completion prior to implementation? And as the regulations for Bill 23 are being prepared, what opportunities will there be to provide input especially on such issues as use of a climate lens on all major changes/decisions that will be made. These would include: sustainable green development standards including the elimination of fossil fuels for home energy, flood management, and agriculture impacts.

**A.** The regulations timeline is yet unknown. There are many interpretations of what affordable housing is. Many ministries are involved in providing their feedback on the Bill which is then coordinated at the Attorney General office (Minister Doug Downey). Developing the regulations is a priority and MPP Saunderson, as well as many others, continue to ask for updates. The regulations still need work. The mechanism for public and stakeholder input and comments is not known, at this time. MPP Saunderson undertook to follow up with us as developments occurred with the regulations.

**Q.** What impact will the Bill 23 regulations have on the ability for municipalities to establish green development standards and other means to protect the environment and ensure reduction of carbon emissions.

**A.** Changes would have to be through By-Law changes, such as building code by-laws to ensure green development standards are implemented. The municipalities can develop their own By-Laws and are nimbler in doing so. The federal government is also coming up with green development standards, but these are only expected to be released in 2035.

**Q.** Concerned citizens in Grey and Simcoe Counties see the Greenbelt promise broken by the PCs and wonder when the same will happen to the Niagara Escarpment?

**A.** Castle Glen is an issue as it has a grandfathered land use. The areas coming out of the Greenbelt are on the edges of existing settlement areas and must be serviced to qualify for exclusion. There are more acres being put back into the Greenbelt than being taken out. There are no sensitive wetlands being taken out, nor productive farmland.

**Q.** The Southern Georgian Bay area is designated as a growth area and there has been a great deal of development here and more to come. There may be pressure on the Niagara Escarpment leading to potential loss of biodiversity, increased greenhouse gases, water, carbon sequestration, etc. What will you do to support the silent majority to ensure the Niagara Escarpment is protected at its fullest, healthiest self?

**A.** MPP Saunderson would fight the threat of opening up the Niagara Escarpment to development. Collingwood does not have the pressure to expand its settlement area. Collingwood is now allowing for higher storey buildings on main and arterial streets.

There are 2 choices- Densify or Deforest and we all need to embrace increased density. MPP Saunderson reiterated his position on densification as the way forward. A hybrid between MZOs and municipal land use plans is being developed (a Community Infrastructure and Housing Accelerator order) to decrease the need for the MZO process. This hybrid process will push final decision making closer to the municipal level.

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In conclusion MPP Saunderson thanked the climate action participants for our community and sustainability work. New regulations such as polluter pay are coming and he looks forward to continuing a dialogue to push through what can be difficult cultural challenges.

Our climate action groups are committed to continue to advocate the need for strong environmental protection and action on much needed ways to reduce our carbon emissions that are the responsibility of our provincial government to manage and oversee. As the climate crisis and the visible impacts on our communities continue to increase, the need for strong proactive measures on all fronts is essential.

<sup>\*1</sup> Climate lens is designed to provide a preliminary, qualitative understanding of whether a municipal (or other) decision will affect climate (through the production of greenhouse gases) or be affected by climate (through increased exposure to temperature or precipitation).

<sup>\*2</sup> The Conservation Authorities Act, 1946 provided the means by which the province and the municipalities of Ontario could join together to form a Conservation Authority – based on watershed boundaries to undertake programs for natural resource management. It was further enhanced following the devastation Hurricane Hazel created and has had many changes to the mandate and oversight since then.



## 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.



- If not done already, clean up winter debris in the garden as soon as the soil is dry enough to work. Cut off dead plant stocks. Dig in manure or compost around perennials and shrubs and weed well. An extra hour weeding now, will save 3 days later in the summer!!
- Use a line to cut sharp straight edges for your beds. For curved edges, run hot water through a hose to soften it up and lay out a smooth curve. Watch you don't chop the hose!
- Take coloured pictures of your spring bulbs in each of your gardens so you will know where there are any gaps and where the bulbs are when you plant more bulbs in the fall. Save the pictures in a safe place.
- Plan now to plant early blooming bulbs like snowdrops and crocus in the fall at places close to where you come in and out of the house. It's nice to be greeted by early signs of spring.
- Add 3" to 4" of mulch to flowerbeds and shrubs to conserve moisture and discourage weeds. Shredded cedar bark is best, but expensive. Try 13/Forty Landscape Supply who have 3 types of mulch: Cedar, Pine, Black and Utility, the cheaper kind that I use.
- Don't walk on or roll lawns that are still wet and full of water. If you can see your footprint, stay OFF the lawn. It will compact the soil.
- If your lawn is already compacted, rent an aerator which will dig out small plugs. Let the plugs dry and rake them back into the lawn as a top dressing. Add grass seed to bare patches.
- When dry, rake lawns vigorously to remove dead grass and thatch.
- Spread weed-free topsoil on thin patches in your lawn. Apply grass seed, roll and water. Keep seeded areas moist, but don't flood.
- If you find moss in your lawn, the soil is too acidic. Apply dolomite lime before a rain. You may need a second application.
- If you have pots or planters that are very big or deep, put some empty plastic water bottles with lids in the bottom of the pot to take up the space the roots will never get to. It makes the planter or pot lighter and easier to move.
- Prepare containers and pots for planting. Fill with a mixture of compost and potting soil. Add peat moss or better still, coconut coir to retain moisture.
- Harden-off seedlings for at least a week before planting outside. Google the last frost date for your area (June 1 in the Blue Mountains) and allow at least 1 week more before planting tender transplants such as annuals and tomatoes.
- Walk around your garden and look for perennials that should be divided, are in the wrong place, or you don't like any more. Pot them up for spring plant sales at least 3 weeks before the sale. Add compost, not garden soil to the pots. To be really fancy, add a little bone meal to the pot before you put in the plant. Add plant labels with the name (Botanical and/or common), colour, sun exposure, height, bloom time, etc. Water well and keep in the shade.
- Plant beans now directly into the garden as they germinate quickly and will grow as long as the soil is warm. Maybe mid-May this year.
- Install peony rings before the plants start to grow.
- Monitor for the presence of slugs, cutworms, earwigs and tent caterpillars. Pick them off.
- Control weeds in the lawn by hand pulling. Use nematodes to control grubs, which eat the grass roots, leading to brown patches in the lawn in summer.
- Prune roses according to type.
- Deadhead (cut the blooms off) tulips, daffodils and other spring bulbs but do not cut or pull out the leaves until they are brown and decayed. They are needed to nourish the bulbs for next year.
- If you have any fritillaria or Asian lilies (day lilies are beetle free), now is the time to watch for the red lily beetle (adult, larva and eggs). It seems that removal by hand is the best and only way to reduce this problem.



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## Marsh Street Centre Lunch and Learn

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Araby was honoured recently at a Marsh Street Centres "Lunch and Learn Program" held on Mondays from 11am to 1:30pm. In the video Araby reminisces about touring Canada with the Davis', her experience with the Crest company and the Dominion Drama Festival. Interviewed by R.H. Thomson on August 17th, 2011 in Toronto. Filming courtesy of Hart House Theatre.

[https://youtu.be/CUp1\\_-93I3I](https://youtu.be/CUp1_-93I3I)

### Lunch and Learn - what to expect:

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## Has This Ever Happened To You? by Alice Otrysko

I find that talking about something that bothers me is a good way to alleviate the burden! Therefore, I tell whoever I am with at the time what it is that's weighing me down and then I do this maybe 5 or 6 times. If you have had a bad experience or something unpleasant happen to you, it's best to get it out there and not allow it to fester.

Here is the latest story that by now isn't as troubling and bothersome as it was a couple of weeks ago because I vented and vented it out.

We have travelled to Florida many many times over the years. The first week of December and sometimes also the first week of April were "Florida Vacation Times". In the last few years we were lucky to have rented a house in Ft. Myers beach from a lady who lives in Scotland. Over time we became friends through email.

The house was lovely overlooking the water and we took good care of it at the same time enjoying a very peaceful and much needed rest. We had booked a week last December but to our shock, a hurricane destroyed it and much of Ft. Myers beach and town. We decided to book for the same week at another place which we were familiar with in Clearwater Beach. We stayed in a hotel by the airport as the flight was leaving early.

In the morning, packed and ready to take the shuttle, the news came that the flight was cancelled due to weather conditions. There was no choice but to go back home and cancel our plans but the credit with Air Canada remained so that meant we better use it up and we decided to book the first week of April in Clearwater which remained undamaged.

It took a while to find what kind of accommodations we wanted and I found "Love Resort" which looked appealing and suited our needs. It sounded and seemed like a legitimate resort when I booked it but now I am having serious doubts. Buyer beware!

April 1st, we took off to Tampa in Business Class, maneuvered through the very modern but very large Tampa airport and rented our car. That's where the fun began!

Using our GPS, we programmed "Love Resort". Couldn't find it! We kept driving and finally stopped at something that looked like it may be IT! As we got to the door and punched in the code of entry that we were given, NOTHING HAPPENED! We kept trying and the door would not open! There we were, suitcases and all, locked out and no one in sight. One of the residents came walking by and tried to help by phoning "the company" only to be told there is nothing they can do as they are not in town.

We went looking for a place to spend the night but every possible motel was full. Finally, as we were driving south toward St. Petersburg in the dark, we found a hotel which we quickly pulled into and took a room. (a very expensive room it turned out to be).

By now we were so tired and fed up that the decision was made to book a flight for next day and return home. We got the last 2 seats on an 8:30 p.m. flight. That flight was delayed because they decided to let us on the plane one by one, scrutinizing our passport and having us pose for individual pictures. It took over an hour to board.

My husband went ahead of me and when I got onto the plane I saw him crunched up in the middle seat way at the back. The other two seats were empty. We hoped (having lost our Business Class) that we would have the 3 seats to ourselves. As luck would have it no one sat with us and we also got a free dinner.

I was impressed with the pilot who was a young man and didn't bother us with lengthy announcements. "Prepare for take off!" and immediately we were in the air. Nothing was said until he said, "30 minutes till landing".

As we disembarked he was standing outside the cockpit with a big smile on his face and I was happy to thank him for a great flight.

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## The Fallow of our Times

Fields in these our sunny days make a fashion-show of browns and greens, Winter has wrought its surgery, furrows are in crumble, waters receding. The farmer draws cultivator and seed drill into formation, Echoes of clunk and whir breach Nature's rebirth of birds, frogs and deer! This spectacle frames the annual rite of cultivation, seeding, and cropping, And humanity might rightly give humble nod to Nature's fragile yields. Across the confection of fields that blend corn and wheat, beans and oats, There stands out in lonely contrast ground untouched by plough or spade. Such pasture is at rest, organic, free from chemical soak and compaction. Wildlife abounds, and beneath the soil, the agents of microbes roam at ease.

The Grace of Nature restores, rejuvenates the land, regains fertility, Etches a nameplate of ancient traditions and cultures, the season of "Fallow".

To which we of human proposition make a fresh awareness, That Nature calls us in our mortal chaos to make a fallow time for our own selves. Then will our bodily beings become the soil with yields afresh, and blooms to match, We see our difference between soul and soil is "U" and "I".

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## Beaver Valley Community School places among Nations Top Ten at CBC Music Class Challenge 2022

Easily overlooked, a notice published in December 2022 putting a feather in the cap of the BVCS Music Department.

CBC invites music instructors across Canada annually to submit a cover version of a Canadian written song they have taught their students from an approved list. Hundred of submissions are received from coast to coast with only the best of the best selected by the judges as finalists.

The BVCS Music teacher Mrs. Melanie Kearns submitted the Video of the infectious version of the song "The Girl" in the category Junior Vocal with instruments grades 7-10.

The Video featured two students performing the song with the whole class joining in at the end. The instruments used to accompany the song were some of the 30 ukuleles Thornbury Jazzworks donated to the BVCS Music program. At the time schools changed from recorders to ukeleles as introductory instruments for the early grades. The ukeleles have been well accepted by the students and now helped in some way to earn the BVCS a Top Ten in Canada. Kudos for the music students at BVCS. Well done.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CBCMusicClass>

## Dairy Challenge

Congratulations to University of Guelph's Dairy Challenge team that competed in the 2023 North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge in Saratoga Springs, New York with winning first place.

This year's team included (l-r) front row - Corine Bateman, Madeline McLennan, back row - Allison Visser, (from Gibraltar) and Jonathan Koot.

The Dairy Challenge is a competition in which students assess a dairy operation, collaborate on recommendations, and then present their findings to a team of judges and dairy managers.

Nearly 300 students from 31 universities participated in this year's challenge, with trips to tour area farms.

When performing an assessment, "They do a deep dive into everything," said Mark McCullough, past board chair of the National Dairy Challenge, "truly the dynamics of the dairy operation as a whole."

This annual event is focused on developing tomorrow's dairy leaders and enhancing the progress of the dairy industry through education, communication and networking among its stakeholders. The competition has taken place for nearly two decades, and since its inception, the program has impacted more than 9,000 students nationwide. "These are college kids from across the country - some of the brightest young minds in agriculture - and they will be the leaders of tomorrow," Peck said, happy to show them a sampling of Northeast agriculture. "It's a great opportunity for them to learn and for us to learn from them."



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The application was deemed **Complete** as of February 20, 2023

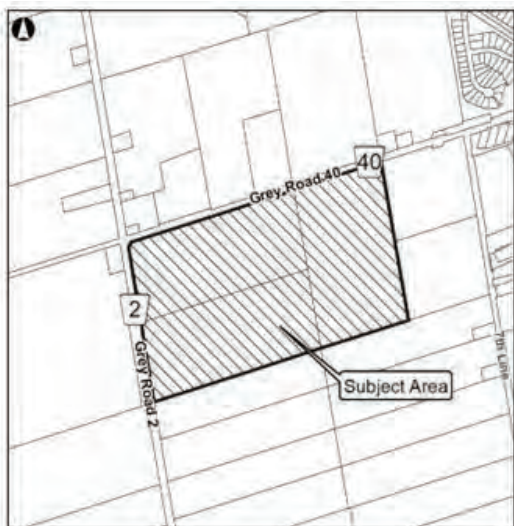
A **Public Meeting** held by the Town of The Blue Mountains to consider these applications has been scheduled for May 16, 2023 at 9:30 am, Hybrid Format (In-person AND Virtual/Online)

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OR Virtual - Online format using Microsoft Teams

#### What is being proposed?

The proposal includes an application to amend the Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan and Zoning By-law in order to develop the lands for a thirty-seven (37) unit residential farm cooperative on 61.5 hectares of agricultural and rural lands. An application for condominium approval for the farm cooperative is also being considered by the County of Grey. A concept plan is provided on the back of this page.

#### Key Map:



**Property Location:** Concession 8, Part Lot 27, 16R-11537, Parts 2 and 3; Concession 8, East Part Lot 27

#### Where do I find more information?

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

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

#### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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

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

#### Where do I submit my comments?

Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk.

##### By Mail or in Person:

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

Fax: (519) 599-7723

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

Your written comments may be sent to the County:

595 9th Avenue East, Owen Sound, ON, N4K 3E3

Fax: (519) 376-7970

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

#### When will a decision be made?

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

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

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

#### Questions? Want more information? Ask the Planner!

Michael Benner, MCIP RPP, Senior Planner

Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext. 283 or Toll Free (888) 258-6867

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





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## Your rights to appeal a decision:

1. Any persons may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Plan of Condominium, Official Plan Amendment, or Zoning By-law Amendment.
2. If a \*person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decisions of the Town of The Blue Mountains or the County of Grey to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the Zoning By-law Amendment or Town Official Plan Amendment is approved or refused, or to the County of Grey before the Plan of Condominium is approved or refused, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decisions.
3. If a \*person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of The Blue Mountains before the Zoning By-law Amendment or Town Official Plan Amendment is approved or refused, or to the County of Grey before the Plan of Condominium is approved or refused, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.
4. If you wish to be notified of the decision by the Town of The Blue Mountains in respect to the approval or refusal of the Zoning By-law Amendment (File # 3266), Municipal Official Plan Amendment (File # 3266) or the County of Grey in respect to the approval or refusal of the Plan of Condominium (File # 42CDM-2022-11), you must make a written request to the Town or the County, at the addresses noted on the previous page. Please note the file numbers noted above when directing correspondence to the Town or the County

\*Notwithstanding the above, only a 'person' listed in subsection 51(48.3) of the Planning Act may appeal the decision of the County of Grey to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) as it relates to the proposed Plan of Condominium. Below is the prescribed list of 'persons' eligible to appeal a decision of the County of Grey related to the proposed Plan of Condominium as per subsection 51(48.3) of the Planning Act.

These are recent changes that have been made to the Planning Act by the province. A link to the revised Planning Act can be found here -

<https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/90p13>. For more information about these recent changes, please visit the OLT website or contact OLT - <https://olt.gov.on.ca/about-olt/>

The prescribed list of 'persons' eligible to appeal a decision of the County on the proposed Plan of Condominium as per subsection 51(48.3) of the Planning Act is as follows:

1. A corporation operating an electric utility in the local municipality or planning area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.
2. Ontario Power Generation Inc.
3. Hydro One Inc.
4. A company operating a natural gas utility in the local municipality or planning area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.
5. A company operating an oil or natural gas pipeline in the local municipality or planning area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.
6. A person required to prepare a risk and safety management plan in respect of an operation under Ontario Regulation 211/01 (Propane Storage and Handling) made under the Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000, if any part of the distance established as the hazard distance applicable to the operation and referenced in the risk and safety management plan is within the area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.
7. A company operating a railway line any part of which is located within 300 metres of any part of the area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.
8. A company operating as a telecommunication infrastructure provider in the area to which the Plan of Condominium would apply.





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## Notice of Public Meeting - Proposed Telecommunications Tower

**P3285 Margaret Drive Sewage Pumping Station**

**Date of this Notice: May 4, 2023**

**Property Location:** : Margaret Drive Sewage Pumping Station (Margaret Drive/Arrowhead Road)

**Public Meeting:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 9:30am Hybrid Format (In-Person AND Virtual via Microsoft Teams)

Town Hall, Council Chambers  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

### What is being proposed?

The Town of The Blue Mountains is proposing an approximately 18.3 metre (60 ft) lattice structure telecommunications tower on the subject lands. The purpose of this tower is to enhance the Area Metering Infrastructure (AMI) network for water meter monitoring and for Town communications from the existing pumping station for the municipal wastewater system.

The geographic coordinates for the proposed site are as follows: 80°20'40.7829"W 44°31'46.6329"N

The establishment of new telecommunication facilities is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Government. Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada is the approval authority for telecommunication towers and requires all proponents of new facilities to consult local planning authorities to ensure local protocols and surroundings are considered during the mandated site selection process. The Town of The Blue Mountains Protocol for Establishing Telecommunication Facilities requires public consultation for all new telecommunication facilities.

### Where do I find more information about the proposal?

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

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

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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

### Where do I submit my comments?

Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk.

### By Mail or in Person:

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

**Fax:** (519) 599-7723

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

### When will a decision be made?

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### Town Contact

Carter Triana, Planner

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

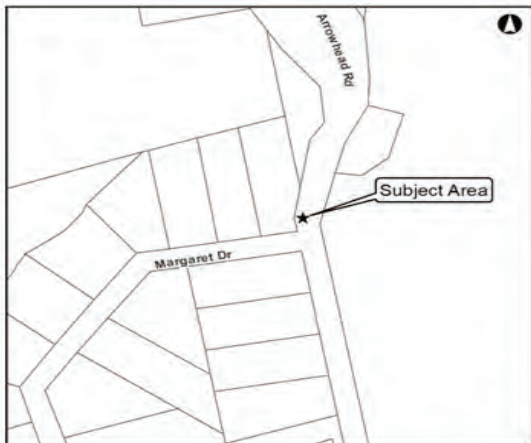
Phone: 519.599.3131 ext. 262

Allison Kershaw, Manager of Water and Wastewater Services

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## Notice of Public Meeting - Proposed Telecommunications Tower

**P3283 136 Happy Valley Road**

**Date of this Notice: May 4, 2023**

**Property Location:** 136 Happy Valley Road

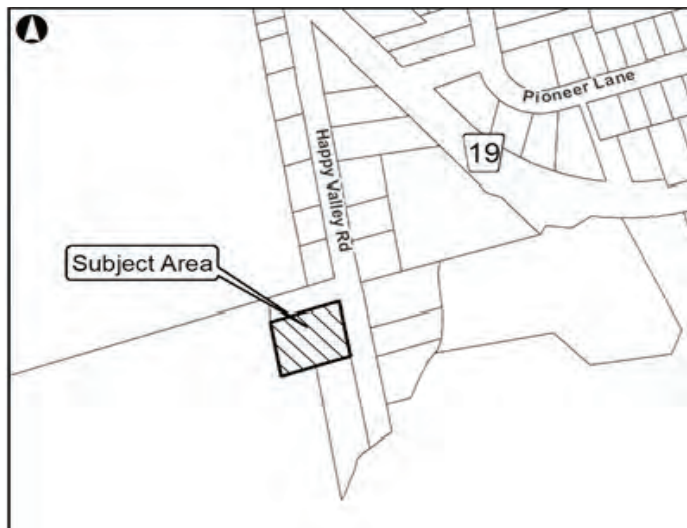
**Public Meeting:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 9:30am  
Hybrid Format (In-Person AND Virtual via Microsoft Teams)  
Town Hall, Council Chambers 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

### What is being proposed?

The Town of The Blue Mountains is proposing an approximately 15.2 metre (50 ft) lattice structure telecommunications tower on the subject lands. The purpose of this tower is to enhance the Area Metering Infrastructure (AMI) network for water meter monitoring.

The geographic coordinates for the proposed site are as follows: 80°19'20.5419"W 44°30'23.9605"N

The establishment of new telecommunication facilities is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Government. Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada is the approval authority for telecommunication towers and requires all proponents of new facilities to consult local planning authorities to ensure local protocols and surroundings are considered during the mandated site selection process. The Town of The Blue Mountains Protocol for Establishing Telecommunication Facilities requires public consultation for all new telecommunication facilities.



### Where do I find more information about the proposal?

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

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

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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**Fax:** (519) 599-7723

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

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### Town Contact

Carter Triana, Planner

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Allison Kershaw, Manager of Water and Wastewater Services

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## Notice of Public Meeting - Proposed Telecommunications Tower

**P3284 373 Sunset Boulevard**

**Date of this Notice: May 4, 2023**

**Property Location:** 373 Sunset Boulevard

**Public Meeting:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 9:30am Hybrid Format (In-Person AND Virtual via Microsoft Teams)

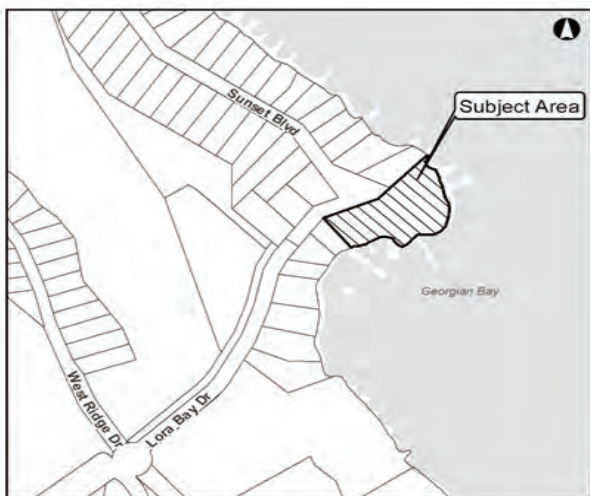
Town Hall, Council Chambers  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

### What is being proposed?

The Town of The Blue Mountains is proposing an approximately 14.2 metre (50 ft) lattice structure telecommunications tower on the subject lands. The purpose of this tower is to enhance the Area Metering Infrastructure (AMI) network for water meter monitoring.

The geographic coordinates for the proposed site are as follows: 80°29'17.1846"W 44°35'0.2288"N

The establishment of new telecommunication facilities is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Government. Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada is the approval authority for telecommunication towers and requires all proponents of new facilities to consult local planning authorities to ensure local protocols and surroundings are considered during the mandated site selection process. The Town of The Blue Mountains Protocol for Establishing Telecommunication Facilities requires public consultation for all new telecommunication facilities.



### Where do I find more information about the proposal?

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

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

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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### Where do I submit my comments?

Your written comments may be sent to the Town Clerk.

### By Mail or in Person:

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

**Fax:** (519) 599-7723

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

### When will a decision be made?

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### Town Contact

Carter Triana, Planner

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## Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting - Application for Zoning Bylaw Amendment and Site Plan Control

Jacqueline and Tyler Viaene

Date of this Notice: May 4, 2023

Roll: 424200000518600 File No: P3271

Property Location: 596250 4th Line, Clarksburg (Concession 5, Part Lot 20 RP 16R6349, Part 2)

The application was deemed **Complete** as of April 19, 2023.

A **Public Meeting** to consider this application has been scheduled for May 30, 2023 at 9:30 am, Hybrid Format (In-person AND Virtual/Online)

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

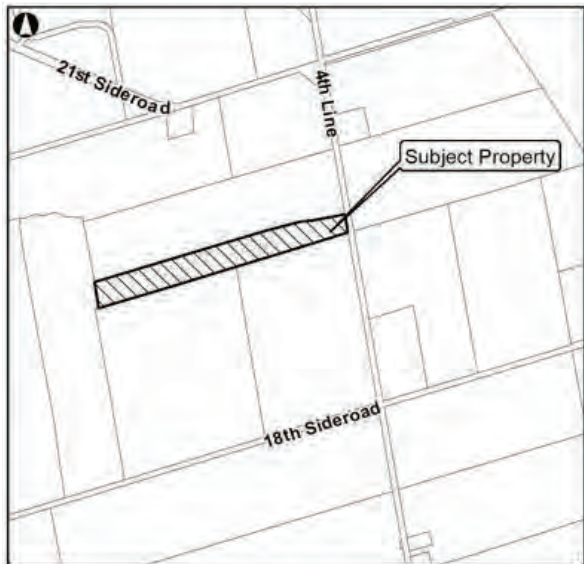
### What is being proposed?

The proposal is 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 Rural 'RU' and Hazard 'H'.

The effect of the application is to rezone the portion of the subject lands zoned Rural 'RU' to Rural 'RU-9' zone.

The legal description of the property is Concession 5, Part Lot 20 RP 16R6349, Part 2.

### Key Map:



### Where do I find more information?

Our website contains background studies, reports, plans and drawings. They are available for viewing or download at [www.thebluemountains.ca/4thlinezba](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/4thlinezba).

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

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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

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

### Where do I submit my comments?

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

### By Mail or in Person:

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Fax: (519) 599-7723

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

### When will a decision be made?

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

### Want to be notified of a decision?

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### Questions? Want more information? Ask the Planner!

Carter Triana, Planner

Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext. 262 or Toll Free (888) 258-6867

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

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## Notice of Public Meeting - Options for the Review of Municipal Tree Preservation By-law 2010-68

May 30, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid Format In-Person AND Virtual/Online

Town Hall, Council Chambers 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

### What is being proposed?

The Council of The Town of The Blue Mountains is considering options to updating the current Municipal Tree Preservation By-law 2010-68. Planning Staff began the process of reviewing By-law 2010-68 in 2019 with the overall goal to prevent premature tree cutting/removal on larger privately owned properties in advance of a development application. Since that time, staff have conducted an extensive review process that included different methods of engagement.

The draft by-law presented to Council in September 2022 applied to properties that are 0.5ha or larger which are located within the Settlement Area boundary of the Town. In October 2022, the previous term of Council deferred a decision on the by-law due to the municipal election occurring in November 2022.

For more information, please see the "Municipal Tree By-law Update" project page on the Town of The Blue Mountains website: [www.thebluemountains.ca/treebylaw](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/treebylaw).

### 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 May 26th, 2023, will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Comments can be faxed to 519-599-7723, or emailed [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto: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 May 24th, 2023.

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

Contact the Town Clerk to pre-register or submit comments to [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca) or by calling the Town at 519-599-3131 extension 232 or Fax: (519) 599-7723

Comments by mail: Town Clerk, Town Hall, 32 Mill St. Box 310, Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0

### What happens at the Public Meeting?

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### Where do I find more information?

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

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

### When will a decision be made?

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

### Questions? Want more information?

Adam Smith, Director of Planning and Development Services  
Phone: (519) 599-3131 ext 246 or Toll Free (888) 258-6867  
Email: [planning@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:planning@thebluemountains.ca)

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## Town Pickleball Courts and Municipal Golf Course Opening May 1

The pickleball courts will be available for use free of charge with no booking required until May 13, 2023. Beginning May 14, the Town will be accepting bookings for the season.

To book time on the Pickleball Courts, rental requests must be received five days prior to the rental date. To book your court, please contact Community Services. 519-599-3131 ext. 350

Single rounds of golf for the upcoming season will be \$20 per round. Tee times can be booked five days in advance. To book a tee time, please call 519-599-3131 ext. 350 or email the golf course.

Tee times are booked every 10 minutes, with the first being at 8:00 a.m. and the last at 6:00 p.m. Please note that tee times are reserved on a first-come/first-served basis.

Membership passes for the 2023 season will be available for purchase at the Starter Shack beginning April 26, 2023. Passes can be purchased at the Shack between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please see below for membership pricing options:

### Membership Pricing Options

Residents (16-60 years of age) – \$360

Residents (60+ years of age) – \$310

Non-residents (16-60 years of age) – \$415

Non-residents (60+ years of age) – \$360

Children 16 and Under - Free

In addition, the Town would like to advise interested businesses that hole sponsorships are available at \$310.00 (+ HST) per hole for the season.

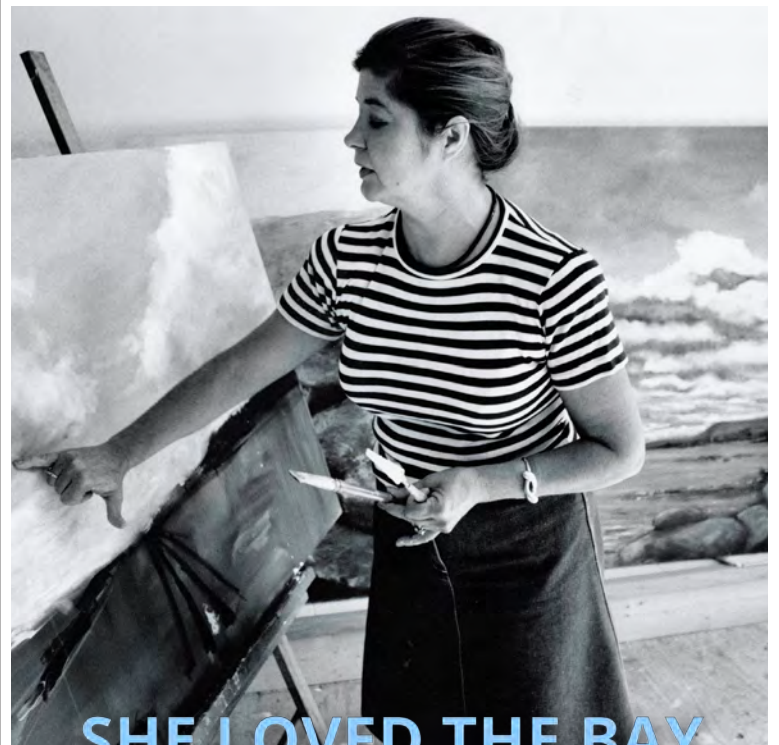
For information, visit the Golf Course on [www.bluemountains.ca](http://www.bluemountains.ca) or contact: Community Services Department 519-599-3131 ext. 350

## Roger Klein, Willi's son and Bev Smith (gallery director) toast the life of Willi Wildman, April 29th

The Gallery at L.E. Shore is pleased to present a retrospective exhibition of the late local artist, Willi Wildman, during the month of May. Willi was a prolific landscape painter and a popular art instructor who lived in the Southern Georgian Bay region from the early 1980s until her death March, 2022. When the L.E. Shore Memorial Library



opened in Thornbury, Willi fell in love with its gallery and remained its devoted servant for twenty years. The exhibition includes dozens of Wildman's paintings from various private collections. Willi's works are informed by and brilliantly capture the quintessential character and moods of the natural terrain, expansive skies and mercurial waters of Georgian Bay. The opening reception took place April 29th. The exhibition will continue until May 31st.



## SHE LOVED THE BAY

### THE LIFE & ART OF WILLI WILDMAN

RECEPTION  
APRIL 29 | 2-4PM

EXHIBITION  
APRIL 29 - MAY 31

The Gallery  
at L.E. Shore

TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca  
TheBlueMountainsLibrary.ca | 519-599-3681



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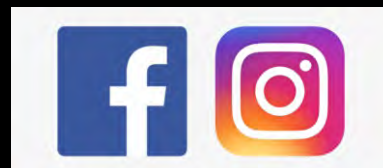


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## Sat. May 13 Volunteer Tree Care Day

Why is tree care so important?

Everyone loves to plant trees! Last year, more than 100 community volunteers planted over 500 trees along the Georgian Trail. Volunteers also helped with watering these baby trees all summer-long. This year, volunteers are needed to help with tree care activities such as applying mulch and compost, clearing competing vegetation, and watering – the essential steps we need to help ensure continued high survival rates. Tree care activities will start at 10 am at the Northwinds section of the Georgian Trail (Grey Road 19 and Hwy 26) and at 2pm at the 10th Line section of the Trail (just west of Thornbury – near Goldsmiths). To register as a volunteer for this important tree care day, send an email to [csadmin@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:csadmin@thebluemountains.ca) or call 519-599-3131 ext 289 indicating the location/time and the number of people who will attend. Thank you for helping grow a successful and healthy tree canopy in TBM!

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## SATURDAY MAY 20TH 2023

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# WOMEN'S NIGHT

## THURSDAY, MAY 25

6:30 pm at  
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church  
165 Russell St E., Thornbury

Guest Speaker:  
**Karen McWilliams**

speaking on her life story  
and



All women are invited  
Come and bring your  
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## Grey Roots Museum and Archives

is proud to present Our Roots Are Showing, a unique new concert series exploring local culture, geography, and history which features talented local artists. Young and gifted singer-songwriter **Camryn Ruthven** presents **The Scottish Gaelic Diasporas: Healing Through Reclamation on May 25**. Uniting her passions for music and history, Camryn explores the Gaelic lineage through song.

The series closes on **June 22 with Warton-based rocker Josh Ritchie** and his band. Each presentation in the Our Roots Are Showing Concert Series is held in the Grey Roots theatre on a Thursday evening. Each show will be up to 90 minutes long including intermission. Admission to Grey Roots Museum & Archives is included. Tickets on sale now at [greyroots.com](http://greyroots.com)

## ACC Presents: Orchid Quest Thursday, May 25, 7pm - 8pm

The Gallery at L.E. Shore

On May 25 at 7pm, it's all about the orchids! Visit our website to sign up! Did you know that Orchids Bruce & Grey is a Canadian bestseller? Out of print, the Owen Sound Field Naturalists (OSFN) planned to revise and reprint the guide (5th edition), and Willy Waterton and Audrey Armstrong volunteered to update the original analogue photos of the orchids with digital imagery. The new, fully illustrated edition has two full pages for each of the 49 species of Orchids found in Bruce and Grey counties. Join Audrey and Willy for an engaging evening about their two-year orchid quest adventure and enjoy a fascinating overview of the many orchid species in Bruce and Grey! Copies of the revised Orchids Bruce & Grey will be available for purchase, with all proceeds going to OSFN. [owensoundfieldnaturalists.ca](http://owensoundfieldnaturalists.ca)  
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# A Fundraiser for Georgian Bay Home Share

**Saturday, May 27th, 7pm**

Marsh Street Centre, Clarksburg

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

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165 Russell St E, Thornbury

## BAKE SALE

Saturday, June 3rd, 8:00am



## PLANT SALE

Saturday, June 10, 2023

8:30am - 11:30am

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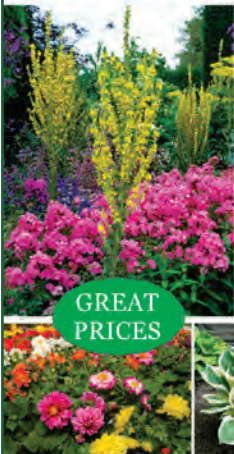
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This course is designed to support adults who interact with youth, ages 14-25 years-old, although its learning outcomes are applicable to all ages. It covers the most common mental health disorders and youth-specific concerns: Substance-related disorders, mood-related disorders, anxiety and trauma-related disorders, psychotic disorders, feeding and eating disorders, and deliberate self-injury.

Key Outcomes:

- Awareness of signs and symptoms of the most common mental health problems.
- Confidence interacting with individuals experiencing a mental health problem or crisis.
- Knowledge of local mental health supports.
- Reduced stigma about mental health.

This 14-hour course is designed and accredited through the Mental Health Commission of Canada. Colleen McLean. 705-773-9049  
Email: [colleen@soundyouthcounselling.ca](mailto:colleen@soundyouthcounselling.ca)



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St. George's Tues-Thurs 9-12 or call 519-599-3047  
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## Blue Mountain Film Festival Bolsters Its Programming and Sponsorship to Create Opportunities for Students, Environmental Enthusiasts and Local Creatives

The Blue Mountain Film Festival (BMFF) unveiled programming and industry opportunities aimed at the Blue Mountains community, specifically for high school students, environmental thought leaders and enthusiasts, and local creatives in the screen-based industry. The festival runs from June 1-4 at the Blue Mountain Village Conference Centre. The full programming lineup will be announced on May 1, with the Creative Forum programming announced on May 4.

**SCHOOL PROGRAMME :** Blue Mountain Film Festival in partnership with Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts will host a special screening of CASABLANCA BEATS by celebrated Moroccan filmmaker Nabil Ayouch at the Village Conference Centre for local high school students. Three hundred youth will attend the screening and participate in a special Q&A with the film's lead actor/rapper Anas Basbousi on May 31. Inspired by filmmaker Nabil Ayouch's experience of opening a creative arts centre for youth in a Casablanca ghetto notorious for breeding terrorists, this contender for the Palme d'or at Cannes 2021 fuses dramatic fiction with documentary elements to punchy effect. The film traces the impact of a rap class led by real life rapper Anas on a diverse group of young Moroccan youth. Anas pushes the students to explore personal and political themes, testing the limits of free expression in this modern Islamic society.

**NUCLEAR NOW :** In partnership with Watershed Trust, BMFF presents a special screening of Oliver Stone's NUCLEAR NOW. The screening will be followed by a debate between champions of Nuclear Power and Alternative Energy sources. With unprecedented access to the nuclear industry in France, Russia and the United States, iconic-director Oliver Stone's documentary, Nuclear Now! explores the possibility for the global community to overcome challenges like climate change and reach a brighter future through the power of nuclear energy — an option that may become the only viable way to ensure our continued survival sooner than we think.

**CALLING LOCAL CREATIVES!** BMFF is dedicated to creating opportunities for local creatives in the screen based industry and ensuring they have access to the Creative Forum which will once again welcome some of the industry's top minds. Through public donations and support from Blue Mountain Village Foundation, 10 local creatives will receive an all access pass to Creative Forum and 4 full days of regular screenings. Applications are open for producers, directors and/or writers and applicants will need one the following to be eligible: minimum of 1 film festival credit (short or feature) or an award for a web or tv series. Recipients will be selected by Helen du Toit by May 15, 2023.

## CDKL5 Canada Walk for a Cure

Saturday, June 17, 11am - 2pm, Bayview Park Pavilion, Thornbury

Join us on June 17th to celebrate CDKL5 Awareness Day and raise money to support CDKL5 research. Local resident Brynn Ladly has CDKL5 Deficiency Disorder. It is a devastating rare disease that is hallmarked by uncontrolled seizures. Other symptoms include neuro developmental delays, most individuals are non verbal and unable to sit, stand or walk. Wear green and celebrate by attending. Enjoy live entertainment by Bored if Education, AXED mobile trailer will be set up, participate in the 2km walk, have lunch provided by the Thornbury Bakery, and a presentation by a CDKL5 scientist.

Adults \$25; under 14 \$5. Register and learn more about this event at [cdkl5canada.ca](http://cdkl5canada.ca)! Natalie Ladly 705-888-3213

Email: [NLadly@cdkl5canada.ca](mailto:NLadly@cdkl5canada.ca) [www.cdkl5canada.ca](http://www.cdkl5canada.ca)



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