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## 2nd Annual Lobsterfest, Saturday July 3rd

After a 2020 sell out, Lobsterfest is back, facilitated by the TBM Grants and Donations Committee. Join us on Canada Day Weekend with a drive through pick-up dinner at the Beaver Valley Community Centre. Celebrate with a wonderful meal and help to exceed our goal of \$50,000. to help our community.

### New in 2021

- Order additional Lobsters with your dinner
- New Event Themed Sweet Tooth Treat
- \$100+ Value Beauty Pack for only \$25.00

If Covid permits, you can purchase space at a limited outdoor seating venue adjacent to the Legion in Clarksburg.

A few of the nearly two dozen groups benefiting from proceeds in 2020: Beaver Valley Outreach; Events for Life; Georgian Triangle Humane Society; My Friend's House; Hope Haven; Hospice Georgian Triangle; St George's Cares Food Program; Marsh Street Centre.

Order your dinner, extra lobster, and a beauty pack online at [www.lobsterfest.blue](http://www.lobsterfest.blue) or call 519-599-3345. A portion of your ticket price is eligible for a charitable tax receipt.

While we look forward to being together at the upcoming 3rd Lobsterfest in 2022, let's do what we can, how we can, in 2021!

## GTR Grey Transit Route Service Improvement Survey

The Grey Transit Route (GTR) has launched a survey. The GTR invites you to give input on possible new stops and schedule changes along existing routes. The survey is open until June 18, 2021, and can be completed at [grey.ca/gtr](http://grey.ca/gtr).

The survey offers a map of the current routes and allows riders to place a marker where they would like to see additional stops. It also asks what day of the week and time of day riders would prefer to travel. Any potential route changes will be made this fall.

GTR has six different routes throughout the area, including along Highway 10 between Owen Sound and Orangeville, Highway 26 between Owen Sound and Town of the Blue Mountains, Highway 6 between Owen Sound and Wiarton and Sauble Beach and Grey Road 4 between Flesherton and Walkerton.

Grey County works with Driverseat Owen Sound to provide vehicles for the GTR service. Staff have been operating safely throughout the pandemic with sanitizing procedures for the protection of staff and customers. As a COVID-19 precaution, riders are required to wear face coverings at all times.

All rides must be booked in advance to ensure capacity and safety. Call 226-910-1001 to reserve your seat, or book online at [www.grey.ca/gtr](http://www.grey.ca/gtr). Due to recent changes in public health restrictions, the capacity on GTR routes has been limited to five people in order to provide more space between passengers.

For information on the GTR: Stephanie Stewart, Community Transportation Manager [stephanie.stewart@grey.ca](mailto:stephanie.stewart@grey.ca) or 519-372-0219 ext. 1385



## Tree Trust TBM Begins Planting Future Legacy Trees

On a cool spring day in early May, Tree Trust TBM planted four sugar maple saplings on a small vacant parcel of land located where the Georgian Trail crosses the 10th Line. This is the site of a magnificent 200-year-old sugar maple that received professional arborist care to ensure longevity and health, thanks to Tree Trust TBM's growing network of donors and supporters.



Tree Trust TBM is a charitable organization that collects donations from citizens to hire professional, certified arborists to work on extending the life of large, significant trees in our community. Saplings are planted in each case, to eventually take over the critical roles that trees play in maintaining our ecosystems and sequestering carbon. Tree Trust TBM hopes to plant more saplings on this unique Georgian Trail site, as part of a vision to establish a small sugar maple grove, eventually creating a broad, beautiful canopy with an understory of compatible native shrubs and understory plants. Many thanks to Tobias Effinger of Arboreal Tree Care for volunteering his time and expertise to make sure these saplings get off to a good start. As soon as Covid restrictions allow, Tree Trust TBM will announce the date for an event to celebrate our third tree to receive professional tree care.

Meanwhile, work is also proceeding on the Tree Trust TBM native tree seedling nursery. The Town has agreed to allow the tree seedling nursery to be sited at Tomahawk Field in Thornbury. Soil amendments and other site preparation tasks are currently underway or planned. Volunteers will be able to collect seeds for this project during the summer and fall of 2021. *by Betty Muise Tree Trust TBM 519-599-7798*

## Kemp Award Winner!

We are proud to announce the 29th recipient of the **Robert G. Kemp Arts Award Is Events For Life!** Competition was fierce with several exceptional submissions. We encourage each applicant to continue working on all the worthy projects that were submitted. The \$5,000 Kemp Award was



created in 1989 from a trust fund administered by the BMFA with an intent to provide encouragement and or recognition to the artistic development of an individual or group residing in the Southern Georgian Bay area. Each applicant submits a project proposal that will benefit the community.

Events for Life is an outstanding project submitted by Maureen Munden, an artist and arts educator with many years experience providing arts programs to children, youth and individuals with special needs. Maureen will present a year long arts program for EFLS 25 adults with special needs in Thornbury, with opportunities for education, experimentation, and exploration.

In September, EFL will be showing their art in a show at The Blue Mountains Public Library Art Gallery in Thornbury. 'A Look Around' will explore the world around us through photography, painting and other artistic projects that compliment the recent Forest School Program and provide an opportunity for individual artistic expression. [www.bmfa.on.ca](http://www.bmfa.on.ca)

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## Help Us Continue Helping Others

Beaver Valley Outreach Seeks Community Support During the Great Canadian Giving Challenge June 1-30

For over 35 years, BVO has been helping to enhance the lives of people in The Blue Mountains with programs and services for families, children, seniors, youth and individuals. We are forever grateful for the support and generous donations from the community over the years, which has helped us continue doing our good work.

This June, BVO is taking advantage of an excellent opportunity to raise money and the chance to win a \$20,000 prize in The Great Canadian Giving Challenge. The promotion is simple – BVO will receive one entry towards the prize for each dollar donated to BVO through the Canada Helps donation page [www.canadahelps.org/en/gcgc/61444](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/gcgc/61444)

The more dollars and entries we receive, the better the chance that we will win the prize! Please donate what you can in June to help BVO continue “making good things happen in our community”. Remember, each dollar we receive will help BVO and give us an entry for the \$20,000 prize! Thank You!

For information, please contact: Catherine Sholtz 519-599-2577 [admin@bvo.ca](mailto:admin@bvo.ca)

# MISSING

“Jeri”



Jeri (female) last seen 10th line and Russell St. Clarksburg  
**\$5,000 Reward 705-441-0754**

## The REVIEW

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## THE BLUE MOUNTAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY JUNE PROGRAMS & EVENTS



### Father's Day Story Time

Fridays | 11:00am  
BMPL YouTube | Drop-in  
We are celebrating Fathers! Enjoy rhymes, read books, and listen to songs that all celebrate Dad.

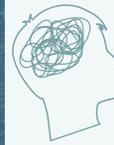
### Dorothy Crysler Bird Club

3rd Saturday | 9:30am  
BMPL Zoom | Registration  
Join fellow new and experienced birders as you share avian knowledge to help you identify the birds you see, learn about their habits and habitats.



### Longest Day of Play

Jun 21 | All Day  
L.E. Shore | Drop-in  
Celebrate the longest day of the year with the longest day of play. Download the Bicycle Bingo Card, grab your helmet and some water. Get out and play!



### Emotional Focus Therapy

Jun 22 | 7:00pm  
BMPL Zoom | Registration  
Polly Sykes, R.P., will be sharing her expertise on how emotions are guides for choice and decision making. Learn how your emotional awareness helps you to cope and handle negative effects.



### TD Summer Reading Club Launch Party

Jun 25 | 12:00pm  
L.E. Shore Library | Drop-in  
Take home your Summer Reading Club bag and help your child or teen return to the joy of reading. Get registered for this reading club for fun all summer long!



## REGULAR PROGRAMS

### Seniors Exercise

Mondays | 10:00am  
BMPL Facebook & YouTube



### Bedtime Story Time

Wednesdays | 7:00pm  
BMPL Facebook & YouTube



### Outdoor Story Time

Fridays | 11:00am  
Lawn at L.E. Shore



### Museum From Home

Mondays | 12:30pm  
CHD Facebook & Twitter

### Local Fact or Fiction

Thursdays | 12:00pm  
CHD Facebook & BMPL Insta

### Favourite Fossils

Fridays | 5:00pm  
CHD Facebook & Twitter

### Cluesday Tuesday

Tuesdays | 12:30pm  
CHD Facebook & Twitter

### Digital Book Club

Thursdays | 1:00pm  
BMPL Facebook

### Trivia Game Night

Fridays | 7:00pm  
BMPL Facebook

### Kids Clubhouse

Tuesdays | 4:30pm  
BMPL YouTube



### Teen Group

2nd Thursday | 5:00pm  
BMPL Zoom | Registration



### Photo Feature

Saturdays | 11:30am  
BMPL Instagram



### Wired Wednesday

Wednesdays | 1:00pm  
BMPL Facebook & YouTube

### Tween Advisory Group

4th Thursday | 7:00pm  
BMPL Zoom | Registration

### Monthly Scavenger Hunt

L.E. Shore Library & Craigleith Heritage Depot

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Shelley Young - sryoung543@gmail.com

**Mixed Doubles Wednesdays - tbd**

Coryll Harwood - coryll1905@gmail.com



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## To Cut, Or Not To Cut? - That Is The Question

YES, you should cut the flower head and stem of daffodils and narcissi after the bloom has faded. You 'deadhead' the blooms by sliding your thumb and forefinger down the stem and snap it off close to the base. The stems make very good compost. This deadheading process helps the remaining leaves build stronger bulbs for next year's blooms because the plant does not expend any energy on making seeds.



NO, you should not cut down or pull out the leaves of daffodils or other spring bulbs. The leaves need to be left for 4 to 6 weeks to mature, turn yellow and die, before being removed. I know it looks messy, but the leaves, through photosynthesis, will build up the strength of the bulb so it will bloom again next spring.

Don't be an impatient gardener and tie back, or braid, or make French knots from the leaves or bury them out of sight. Each of these actions will impede photosynthesis and decrease future blooming. Only cut off or pull out the foliage once it flops and turns yellow. This indicates that the foliage has completed its work, the bulbs are replenished and ready to bloom next spring. Cut the yellow foliage at the base or pull it up from the ground if it comes out easily.

If you can't stand the dying foliage, or want to leave it in place after it yellows, interplant daffodils with perennials that come on right after the fade, so they will screen the dying foliage. Try planting speedwells, peonies, amsonia, goats beard or astilbe in front of or between your bulbs to cover up the dying leaves.

## 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 \$1 contribution to Master Gardeners, call 519-599-5846.

### JUNE GARDEN TIPS

- Summer is really here! Driest May in years! Get your annuals planted now. Add a little general-purpose fertilizer and water well.
- Fertilize perennials, roses, shrubs and vegetables using a balanced fertilizer, not the one for your lawn. Pull back the mulch (that should already be there). Dig the fertilizer in lightly around each plant and replace the mulch.
- Start cutting your lawn higher and leave cuttings on the lawn as "green" fertilizer.
- Prune spring blooming shrubs and trees (lilac, forsythia) after they have flowered.
- Prune evergreens and hedges now, not later in the summer.
- Finish removing all daffodil and tulip flower stems. Leave leaves to mature and feed the bulb for next year. Add a little bone meal around bulb clumps to promote bulb growth for next year.
- Stake or cage tomato plants, dahlias, gladiolas, peony plants, etc.
- Thin vegetable seedlings and plant successive crops. (Plant a second crop as the first is maturing e.g. lettuce, spinach, radishes.)
- Seed flowering cabbage/kale into garden rows for later transplanting.
- Plant seeds of fast-growing flowers such as cosmos, marigold, calendula, etc.
- If desired, move houseplants outside to protected areas.
- Deadhead (cut off) faded blooms on plants such as petunia, rose, verbena, etc. This will promote continuous blooms and bushy plants for the second half of the summer.
- Weed and water garden beds as needed.
- Add mulch to suppress weed growth and hold in moisture. At least 2".
- Cut back by a third, late bloomers such as mums and asters. This will make them bushier and give them a mounded shape for the fall.
- Turn compost regularly and check moisture level, not too wet, not too dry.
- Take cuttings of perennials, shrubs, roses, etc. for rooting.

Watch for local plant sales like the Giant Plant Sale at St. George's Anglican Church in Clarksburg on Saturday June 12 2021. Approved by the Grey-Bruce Health Unit, it starts at a NEW TIME, 8 am. Entry by car only along Russell Street. Choose from a wide variety of choice perennials for sun or shade, named Daylilies, raspberry canes and shrubs at really reasonable prices. Also 255 tomato plants in 4 varieties.

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# Welcome to Christine

Grace United Church in Thornbury has a long history of being a welcoming and nurturing congregation with deep ties to the community. Although the effects of Covid-19 have limited many of its in-person activities, Grace U.C. has remained active in offering ministry and pastoral services throughout the pandemic. Like many places of worship, Grace U.C. looks forward to opening its doors when safe to do so and is actively preparing to join other community partners in meeting the challenges that our post-pandemic world will bring.

Rev Therese Samuel has been the Minister for almost 9 years at Grace and has accepted a position with the United Church Regional structure as Minister, Right Relations and Social Justice and we wish her all the best.

We would like to welcome **The Rev. Christine Smaller** who previously served in a variety of urban and rural congregations in the Toronto area and has spent the last several years working with congregations looking to revitalize their vision and mission. Rev. Smaller and her husband Mike have enjoyed cottage life on Lake Eugenia for almost twenty years and are delighted to be moving to the area permanently: "Grace United Church is a wonderful congregation and they look forward to joining them in this exciting new phase of their journey. Faith communities can and should play an important role in supporting individuals and groups as we come together to rebuild and restore community life."

Grace services are live streamed on Sunday mornings at 10:30am and can be viewed anytime at [www.graceunitedthornbury.ca](http://www.graceunitedthornbury.ca)



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To Participate in a session:  
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Record your Name followed by #  
Wait to be admitted into the session.

## Seniors Centre Without Walls

## June 2021

Speaker Info	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Kate Bakken</b> , Enthusiastic Educator		1	2	3	4
		<b>2pm</b> BINGO!	<b>2pm</b> Chair Exercise & Stretching – Denise, SCWW volunteer	<b>11am</b> Beavers helping Climate Change, Norine, SCWW vol, Katie Bakken	<b>11am</b> Trivia– Ann G, SCWW volunteer
<b>* VON Grief Support Group</b> open to new members.	7	8	9	10	11
	<b>10:30am</b> Check-in & Chat	<b>2pm</b> BINGO!	<b>2pm</b> Chair Exercise & Stretching – Denise, SCWW volunteer	<b>11am</b> Name That Tune - Joan, SCWW volunteer <b>2pm</b> *VON Grief Support Group	
<b>John Hetherington</b> , Master Gardener MPP <b>Bill Walker</b> , Bruce Grey Owen Sound <b>Judy Porteous</b> , Reg. Lead, Osteo Strategy	14	15	16	17	18
	<b>10:30am</b> Check-in & Chat - Special Guest MPP Bill Walker @11am	<b>11am</b> World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Episode 3 – Ye Canna Throw Yer Grannie off the Bus. <b>2pm</b> BINGO!	<b>11am</b> Ready for Gardening- John Hetherington <b>2pm</b> Chair Exercise & Stretching– Denise, SCWW volunteer	<b>11 am</b> Speaking of Bones, Judy Porteous, Ontario Osteoporosis	<b>11am</b> Trivia– Ann G, SCWW volunteer
<b>Shannon Fry</b> , Pharmacist/Owner	21	22	23	24	25
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	28	29	30		
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# Update on the Gateway Attainable Housing Project – Planning Approval Process

The Blue Mountain Attainable Housing Corporation last fall and early winter has done extensive consultation with the Gateway Project Designs Task Force giving the opportunity for stake holders, local associations and volunteer residents to express their view on numerous issues.

A 126 page document can be found on the BMAHC website with the Task Force meeting minutes with the names of participants, their expertise, their input, and results of a community wide survey which sought comments from throughout the Town of The Blue Mountain's residents.

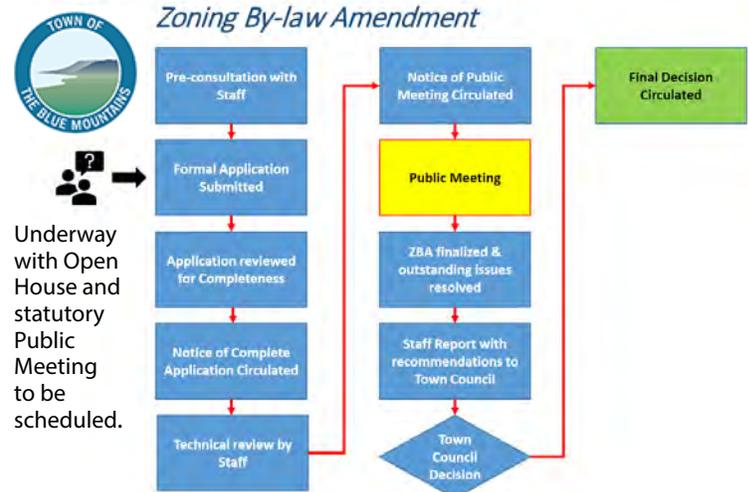
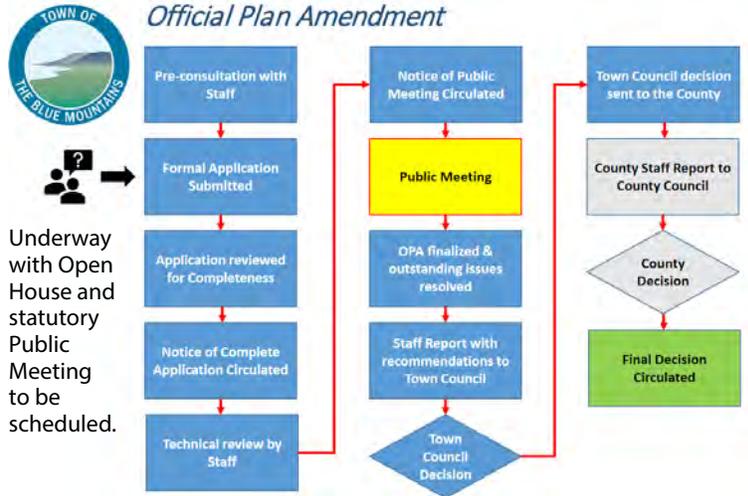
The Design Task Force provided feedback on seven themes. The first being general, the project needs to provide a sense of place through building landscaping which are integrated with community in terms of expression, quality and character, height and massing, consideration for non-residential aspects, private spaces, sustainability, accessible public space and cost effective.

Through the meeting process, the Design Task Force reviewed and provided comments on the previously noted design themes and forwarded this information on to the BMAHC Board. It was then the BMAHC Board made the decision to proceed with the four story solution. A formal submission by BMAHC has been sent to the Town requesting the amending of the Official Plan and Zoning By-laws to permit a building height in excess of current 11 meter height restriction required for a four story structure. Before the Town Council will decide on any amendments, several things must happen. An open house to answer any questions from the community in an informal setting. A statutory public meeting will be held where all comments from the community will be heard. Thereafter, staff will bring forward a recommendation based on their expertise and from the comments from residents. A very good detailed listing of the procedures can be found in April 20, 2021 Committee of the Whole Staff Report PDS.21.052.

The report also provides a lay persons summary of planning procedures and events before any decisions are made which is provide below.

**Phase One** – Thornbury Gateway conceptual site plan to be finalized and approved by the Board of BMAHC. With this information the Town can confirm what aspects of the Official Plan and/or Zoning Bylaw need to be addressed. Timeframe - 6 weeks after BMAHC Board approval

**Phase Two** – Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendment Applications will be worked by staff concurrently



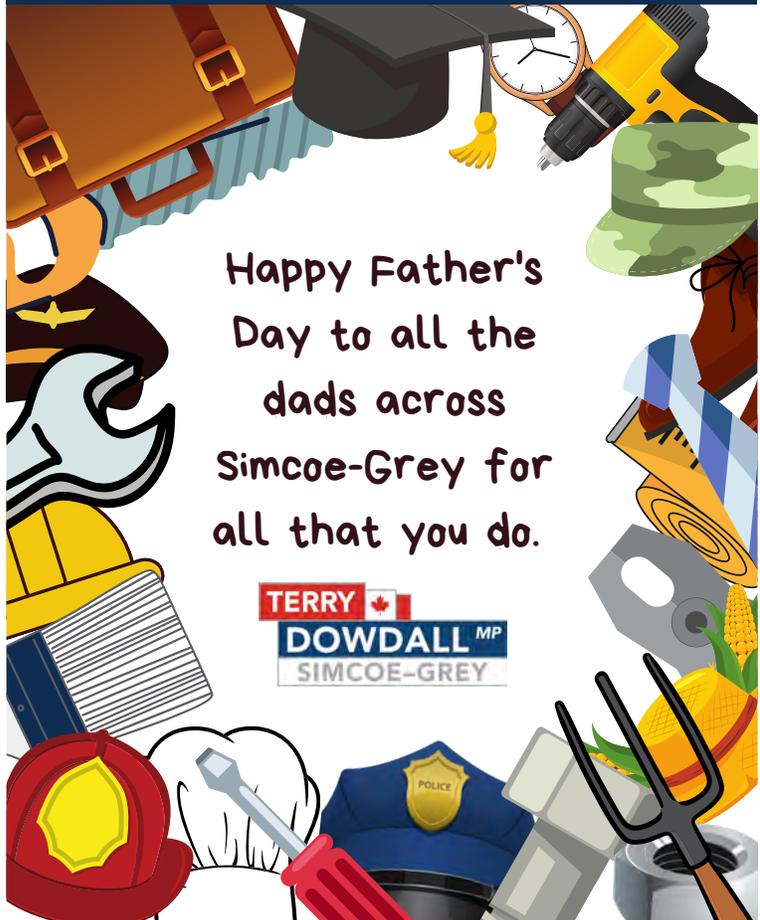
Time frame of both Official Plan/Zoning By-Law amendment – approx. 32 weeks.



Timeframe – at completion of Phase 2 another 20 weeks

The Blue Mountain Attainable Housing Corporation has a Facebook page with attainable housing articles and current updates on the Gateway Project. [www.bmahc.ca](http://www.bmahc.ca) submitted by Bruce Taylor

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## Booking Your Vaccine Appointment as of May 28

In response to the Provincial direction to allow all individuals 80+ to book their second dose early, and those 12 and older eligible to get their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, the Grey Bruce Health Unit will now primarily use the Provincial Booking System for most first vaccine appointments.

The Local Booking system will continue to be used for focused, specialized clinics as well as some second dose clinics.

### Second Doses

In addition, the province announced, May 28th, that people over the age of 80 will be eligible to book their second dose of vaccine as of Monday, May 31st, through the provincial booking system. This means that those over 80+ years of age can now get their second dose, prior to the 16-week interval originally in place.

If you booked your first appointment using the Provincial Booking systems, you can review your confirmation email from the Province and log in to the Provincial website <https://ontario.ca/bookvaccine>

Or call the Provincial number: **1-888-999-6488** using your health card and personal information on or after May 31, 2021 and attempt to book in to an earlier clinic.

If you are 80+ and booked your first appointment using the local booking system, you are to book your second dose appointment as of Monday through the provincial booking system.

For those over the age of 80 that received their vaccine through their Primary Care Provider, your second dose clinics are already booked in June and July. Your primary care provider will be in touch to confirm the date and time of your appointment. We do not recommend cancelling these appointments.

The province provided this proposed (not final or guaranteed) timeline for further age group's eligibility to book their second dose:

**Week of June 14:** individuals aged 70+

**Week of June 28:** individuals who received their first dose between the week of March 8 to April 18, on a "first-in, first-out" basis.

**Week of July 19:** individuals who received their first dose between the week of April 19 to May 9, on a "first-in, first-out" basis. Aged 50+.

**Week of August 2:** individuals who received their first dose between the week of May 10 to May 30, on a "first-in, first-out" basis.

**Week of August 9 to 16:** individuals aged 12 to 25

**Week of August 9:** individuals who received their first dose from the week of May 31 onwards on a "first-in, first out" basis.

### Youth and Second Doses

The provincial announcement on May 28th also identified that those ages 12-25 are eligible to book a shortened interval of 56 days, as of May 31, 2021. If you are in this age group, and have

already received your first dose of the vaccine, you can review your confirmation email from the Province and log in to the Provincial website using your health card and personal information on or after May 31, 2021. You are then able to change your 2nd dose appointment to match the 56 day timeframe. You must do this, or else your automatically booked second appointment will remain at the 16 week interval. The goal of this shortened interval for this age group is to ensure they will have both vaccines prior to the start of school, college and University.

For those that received their vaccine through the local booking system, and based on the timelines listed above, you will also be able to book your second dose through the provincial system starting Monday, May 31st. Do not try to book your second dose prior to the timelines above.

There may not be any available appointments immediately. As we receive more vaccine, more clinics will be added. More Pharmacies are providing the vaccine as well. They offer the vaccine with the same intervals. Details at: [www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca](http://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca)

## Ontario Maintains COVID-19 Restrictions as Stay-at-Home Order is Set to Expire June 2nd

When it expires, all other public health and workplace measures will remain in place provincially until Ontario enters Step One of the Roadmap to Reopen, planned for June 14th at which point some restrictions will ease with an initial focus on outdoor settings.

All other existing measures will remain in place provincially, including restrictions on gatherings, businesses, services and activities. This includes limiting indoor gatherings to households only and outdoor gatherings to up to five people, subject to limited exceptions, maintaining a cap of 25 per cent capacity for essential retail where only certain goods are permitted to be sold, restricting non-essential retail to curbside pickup and delivery only, as well as limiting short-term rentals to individuals in need of housing and allowing Ontario Parks and campgrounds on public lands to be used for day-use only, subject to limited exceptions.

Ontarians will be able to leave home to travel within the province to a secondary residence for any reason, however, they are not permitted to host members of another household indoors except for a person from another household who lives alone or a caregiver.

A simple, easy-to-understand summary of restrictions can be found on the province's "Reopening Ontario" webpage, which provides details on what public health measures are in place before the province enters Step One of the Roadmap to Reopen. As always, anyone who may have been exposed to COVID-19 or who may be exhibiting symptoms of the virus should use the province's self-assessment tool to determine what they should do next, including getting a test and isolating if necessary.



# Town News & Notices

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## ➤ Sign Up for Town Emails

Stay up-to-date by signing up for Town email newsletters.  
[www.thebluemountains.ca/subscribe-for-updates.cfm](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/subscribe-for-updates.cfm)

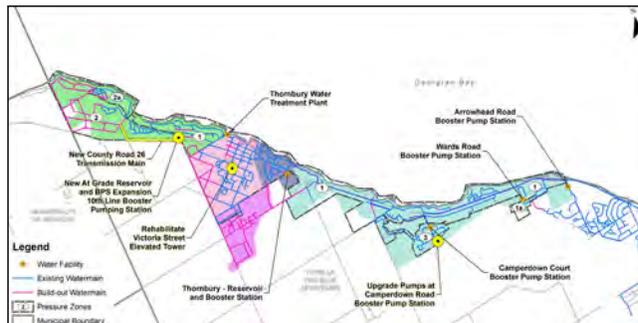
## Notice of Public Information Centre The Town of The Blue Mountains Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Drinking Water Storage and Pumping Capacity Deficiencies in West Pressure Zones 1, 2 and 3

The Town of The Blue Mountains is undertaking a Municipal Class EA to investigate opportunities to address the Town's Water Storage and Distribution System needs in the West Pressure Zones 1, 2 and 3.

**Background:** In November 2019, a Water Distribution System Master Plan was completed to evaluate the Town's long-term water distribution and storage needs. As part of the Master Plan, potential near and long-term storage and/or pumping deficiencies were identified in the Town's West Pressure Zones 1, 2, and 3. The purpose of this Schedule B Class EA is to evaluate and select the preferred water storage alternative(s) for these pressure zones.

**Current Status:** In Phase 2, the study evaluated a number of options to address the issues identified in Phase 1 based on environmental, social, technical, and financial criteria. Based on this evaluation, a preliminary preferred alternative has been identified, which consists of:

- Rehabilitation and recoating the Victoria St. Elevated Tower (Immediate Need)
- Expanding the 10th Line Booster Pumping Station and constructing a transmission main and adding an in-ground reservoir at the 10th Line BPS



Public and agency consultation is a key element of the process and input is being sought on storage alternatives which may have an impact on stakeholders and property owners. Public Consultation: A Virtual Public Open House (PIC 2) is being held to gather input from stakeholders on the preliminary preferred solution. All those interested in the project are invited to attend the Virtual Public Open House on:

**Date: Thursday, June 17th, 2021**

**Time: 5:00 – 7:00 pm**

Form to Register: [https://www.thebluemountains.ca/info\\_form.cfm](https://www.thebluemountains.ca/info_form.cfm)

If you wish to add your contact information to the study mailing list, or if you have any questions regarding the study, please contact one of the people listed below. Project information will also be available to the public on the Town's website <https://thebluemountains.ca/west-side-water-storage-ea.cfm?is=2>

Jane Wilson, P.Eng. Environmental Engineer J.L. Richards & Associates Limited 107-450 Speedvale Ave W Guelph, ON N1H 7Y6 Phone: 519-763-0713 ext. 6525	Kevin Verkindt, CET. Senior Infrastructure Capital Project Coordinator Town of The Blue Mountains 32 Mill Street, P.O. Box 310 Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0 Phone: 519-599-3131 Ext. 304
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This study is being conducted according to the requirements of Phases 1 to 4 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act.

## Notice of Disposition of Land Unopened Wellington Street North Road Allowance

Be advised that on **April 20th, 2021**, Council considered Staff Report PDS.21.019, entitled "Municipal Land Exchange for 150 and 160 King Street East". Council has resolved in part to undertake the following:

1. That Council deems a portion of the unopened Wellington Street North Right-of-Way as surplus to the needs of the Corporation; and
2. That Council direct staff to proceed with all necessary processes required to consider disposal of a portion of the unopened Wellington Street North Right-of-Way in accordance with the Town's Sale and Disposal of Land Policy (POL. COR.07.02).

The Town is providing the public this Notice of Disposition of Land regarding a portion of the unopened Wellington Street North Right-of-Way as set out on the illustration provided below. This portion of unopened Right-of-Way is located off Highway 26 (King Street East) and is situated between two (2) vacant lots municipally known as 150 King Street East and 160 King Street East.



### Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member!

Trevor Houghton,  
Manager of Community Planning  
519-599-3131 ext. 308  
[thoughton@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:thoughton@thebluemountains.ca)

This document can be made available in other accessible formats as soon as practicable and upon request.

# Notice of Study Commencement and Public Comment Invited

## The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains Transportation Master Plan

The Town of Blue Mountains (Town) is facing significant growth pressures and increased tourism activity alongside the broader South Georgian Bay region and will likely continue to see this growth into the foreseeable future. To strategically prepare for this continued growth and enhance our existing transportation network, the Town is undertaking the development of a comprehensive Transportation Master Plan (TMP).



The TMP will be an important resource for the Town as it continues to adapt to changing needs, growth and development, and new opportunities. The TMP will shape how we travel, help us further understand and define our regional connections, and support the movement of goods and services throughout the region. As part of the TMP study process, a vision will be established, actions and policies will be defined, and a financial strategy will be developed to address the short, medium, and long-term transportation needs of the community.

### The Process

This study is being undertaken in accordance with Approach #1 of the Master Planning Process, as outlined in Appendix 4 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA). As such, the TMP will generally address Phases 1 and 2 of the MCEA process and will form the basis for the recommended Schedule B and C transportation infrastructure projects identified within the TMP report.

### Consultation

A comprehensive engagement process is being undertaken as part of the TMP process, and your participation is encouraged to ensure a thoughtful approach is taken to transportation planning. You are invited to visit the study webpage <https://yourview.thebluemountains.ca/transportation-master-plan> to subscribe to receive updates on this study, to review relevant study information, and to participate in an upcoming online web map and survey to identify and comment on specific areas of interest or concern within the Town's transportation network. Further updates will be provided when the online web map and survey are made available in early June 2021.

Additional opportunities will be offered to review information and provide your feedback as this study progresses. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated physical distancing requirements, the format of these future public consultation events is not confirmed at this time.

For more information about this study, please contact:

#### Adam Fraser

TMP Project Coordinator,  
Town of The Blue Mountains  
Phone: 705-351-2630

[tmp@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:tmp@thebluemountains.ca)

#### John Heseltine, MCIP

Project Manager, Senior Planner  
Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
Phone: 902-481-1477

[john.heseltine@stantec.com](mailto:john.heseltine@stantec.com)

All information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Except for personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. This notice was issued May 14, 2021.

# The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains Notice of Public Meeting

## Proposed Telecommunication Tower

Property Location: 397387 11th Line, Thornbury (Town File P3005)

**Public Meeting: Monday June 28, 2021 at 5:00 pm**

(Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams)

### What is being proposed?

LandSquared, on behalf of Shared Tower Inc., is proposing to construct a new telecommunication tower on the subject lands. The proposed tower is planned to be a 40m monopole style tower. A fenced in compound 12m x 12m in size would also be constructed at the tower base. The geographic coordinates for the proposed site are as follows: Latitude: 44.574000, Longitude: -80.492639.

**THIS NOTICE** serves as an invitation to any interested members of the public to submit comments/ questions to the individuals listed below by **June 28, 2021**.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** the approval of this site and its design is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Government of Canada through Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED). For more information on the federal process pertaining to these installations please contact the local ISED office at: [ic.spectrumswodo-spectrebdsoo.ic@canada.ca](mailto:ic.spectrumswodo-spectrebdsoo.ic@canada.ca) or Tel: 1-855-465-6307.

### Applicant Contact

LandSquared on behalf of Shared Tower Inc.  
146 Thirtieth Street, Suite 100  
Etobicoke, ON, M8W 3C4  
Phone: (647) 241-2788  
Email: [municipal@landsquared.com](mailto:municipal@landsquared.com)  
File: STC0065

### Town of The Blue Mountains

Travis Sandberg, Planner 1  
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Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0  
Phone: 519-599-3131 ext. 283  
Email: [tsandberg@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:tsandberg@thebluemountains.ca)  
Municipal File: P3005

### Public Meeting Information

To help limit the spread of COVID-19, this Public Meeting will be held in a virtual (online) format. You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk in advance of the Public Meeting. Written comments will be circulated to Council. Comments received at least two (2) days in advance of the Public Meeting (by June 26, 2021 by 10am) will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting.

Anyone wishing to speak on this matter at the Virtual Public Meeting is required to register on-line. The on-line registration form can be found at: [www.thebluemountains.ca/info\\_form.cfm](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/info_form.cfm)  
Information about virtual public meetings can be found at: <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/public-notices.cfm>

For those without a computer who wish to register for the public meeting, please contact Planning Services by calling the Town at 519-599-3131 extension 263.

### Where do I find more information?

For more information about this matter, please visit the Town's Development Project page on the Municipal website <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/development-projects.cfm?is=2>

**The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains**

**Notice of Public Meeting**

**OFFICIAL PLAN 5 YEAR REVIEW**

Property Location: Municipal Wide  
(A key map is not provided)

**Public Meeting: Monday, July 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm**

(Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams)

**What is being proposed?**

The Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan describes Town Council's policies on how land in the community should be used and helps to ensure that future planning and development will meet the needs of the community. An Official Plan deals with issues such as where housing, employment, agricultural, industrial and commercial uses should be located; what services such as roads, sewers and parks will be needed to support growth; and the way in which parts of the community will grow or be protected.

Please visit [www.ontario.ca/document/citizens-guide-land-use-planning/official-plans](http://www.ontario.ca/document/citizens-guide-land-use-planning/official-plans) for further information about Official Plans.

The Ontario Planning Act requires our Municipality to review the Official Plan every 5 years and it is now time to begin the update. Prior to finalizing the items included in the review, the Planning Act requires that the Municipality hold a public meeting to obtain input on the revisions to the Official Plan that may be required.

This Public Meeting is the first of the statutory meetings to be held for this review and will include an overview presentation by Town Staff. In the future, there will be additional opportunities for the public to review draft documents and to provide comments to Council and Staff including a Public Open House and Second Public Meeting prior to Council considering the adoption of any new proposed changes to the Official Plan.

The Town of The Blue Mountains is looking for public input on the type and scope of revisions to the Plan to be considered as part of the upcoming review. It is our intention that this input will

be obtained through your written and verbal comments & via discussions to occur at a special public council meeting to be held at **5:00pm on July 12th, 2021.**

Town Staff have generated a preliminary list of items for consideration under Staff Report PDS.21.054 which is available at <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/official-plan.cfm?is=26>.

Also available at that link is the current Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan.

**Public Meeting Information**

To help limit the spread of COVID-19, this Public Meeting will be held in a virtual (online) format. You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk in advance of the Public Meeting. Written comments will be circulated to Council. Comments received at least one (1) business day in advance of the Public Meeting (by July 9th, 2021 by 10am) will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting.

Additional information on how to watch the Public Meeting, how to participate in the Public Meeting and how to submit written comments in advance of the public meeting can be found on the town site at: <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/public-notice.cfm>

Anyone wishing to speak on this matter at the Virtual Public Meeting is encouraged to pre-register at [https://www.thebluemountains.ca/info\\_form.cfm](https://www.thebluemountains.ca/info_form.cfm) For those without a computer, please call the Town Hall at 519-599-3131 extension 263 and a Staff Person can help get you connected to the meeting.

**Where do I find more information?**

For more information and regular updates about this matter, please visit the Official Plan on the Town Website at <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/official-plan.cfm?is=26>. Subject to Covid-19 protocols and related restrictions that may be in place, you may also visit us in Planning Services, at Town Hall during regular office hours Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm or contact Planning Services at the Town of The Blue Mountains at 519-599-3131 extension 248 or [planning@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:planning@thebluemountains.ca)

**Tomahawk Golf Course Opens**

Resident season passes are available for purchase but can only be purchased in person when arriving for a scheduled tee time. To book a tee time, please call 519-599-3131 ext. 350 or email [teetimes@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:teetimes@thebluemountains.ca).

New for 2021, the Town will be providing all pass holders with a membership card that will feature a photo of the cardholder. In order to purchase a season pass, proof of residency is required by showing a government-issued photo identification that includes an address located in the Town.

If a resident's photo identification does not include their Town address, a proof of residency will be required, which can include but is not limited to the following documents: a motor vehicle permit, tax bill, or a utility bill.

Accepted methods of payment include cash, debit or credit (Visa and Mastercard) and residents will be required to complete and sign a form upon the purchase of the season pass.

To learn more, visit:

<https://www.thebluemountains.ca/tomahawk-golf-course.cfm>

For more information, please contact:

Tomahawk Golf Course 519-599-3131 ext. 350

**Landfill Site** 788090 Grey County Rd 13, Clarksburg

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents starting, Saturday, May 8th, the hours of operation on Saturdays will be extended from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The new hours of operations will be as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday : Closed

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



**Community Sustainability Plan Visioning Survey**

The Town would like to thank the community for participating in the first survey to assist with the development of a Community Sustainability Plan. Now we need your help to set our community's vision and objectives for the future! Share your thoughts on what achieving sustainability in The Blue Mountains looks like to you.

Complete the Phase 2 survey June 9th - July 16th:  
[www.thebluemountains.ca/survey](http://www.thebluemountains.ca/survey)



# In Memoriam

## ROBERT WILLIAM 'BOB' MACKAY



It is with heavy hearts and gratitude for a life well lived that we announce the peaceful passing of Robert William 'Bob' Mackey on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at Grey Bruce Health Services in Meaford in his 84<sup>th</sup> year.

Born on the Mackey family farm on the St. Vincent-Collingwood Townline on July 24, 1937, Bob was a son of the late Bill and Gertie (nee Walters) Mackey.

Bob will be missed dearly by his best friend and wife of more than 61 years, Janet (nee Almond) Mackey of Meaford.

He was the proud father of Scott and his wife Jenny Mackey of Chatsworth and Lynn Mackey-Noll and her husband Michael Noll of Sarasota, Florida.

Bob was the fun loving Grandpa of Meaghan, Robert and Adam Mackey and Opa of Jarika and Julia Noll.

He was predeceased by his brother Art Mackey (late Arlene) and will be remembered fondly by his sisters-in-law Rosemary Eagles (late Jack), Laurie Adams (Ken) and was predeceased by his sister-in-law Dianne Elliott (Roy). Bob will be remembered fondly also by his many nieces, nephews and their families.

Bob enjoyed life, family and many friends. He graduated from the University of Toronto and started his career as an Ontario Land Surveyor and later became a Real Estate Broker. He served his community as a St. Vincent Township Councillor, Trustee for the Board of Education, served as a former Board of Director for the Grey Bruce Regional Health Services, was a long standing member of the Maple Leaf Shooting Club, and a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge in Thornbury. He was an avid baseball fan and umpired locally for 35 years. Bob enjoyed yearly trips to Florida to visit Lynn's family.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held at a later date when health restrictions allow and it is safe for family and friends to gather. A private service of interment will be conducted at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

As an expression of sympathy, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation 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)

## MICHAEL WILLIAM RUSSELL STONEHAM

Michael passed away peacefully in his home, overlooking Georgian Bay, in the arms of his family on Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Mike will be dearly missed by Anne Marie, his wife of 50 years and his "darling" of 60 years, his daughter Stacey (Stan Bleha), and his son Kenneth (Aarani). He was a proud Papa ("Big Bird") to his grandchildren, Stanley and Liam (Bleha), and Julianna, Michael and Lincoln (Stoneham), and will forever be adored by them. He was a loving and beloved brother-in-law and uncle, and was a devoted nephew to his aunt, Jean Orr.

Mike's greatest happiness in life was his family. He was devoted to and proud of his family and taught us to hold each other close. He will be deeply missed and lovingly held in our hearts.

As a young man, Mike ("Stoney") graduated from Winston Churchill Collegiate Institute and headed off to St. Francis Xavier University (BBA '69) and Queen's University (MBA '71). He played varsity football throughout his post-secondary education and was a proud member of the 1966 St. F.X. X-Men Vanier Cup championship team. Following his school years, with Anne Marie, Ken and Stacey by his side, Mike was an avid golfer (Mad River Golf Club) and skier (Alpine Ski Club). He made many dear and life-long friends on the gridiron, the golf course and the slopes.

Mike started his career in 1971 with Coopers & Lybrand 'C&L', he received his Chartered Accountant designation with the firm in 1974 and was admitted to the partnership in 1977. Mike was instrumental in the development of the Consulting Group for C&L (later Pricewaterhouse Coopers 'PwC') and was instrumental in the purchase of the PwC Consulting Group by IBM in 2002. He retired as Managing Partner, Consulting Canada in 2005. He was a pioneer in the development of technology and management consulting professional services. He was also a deeply respected leader who advanced the innovation and strategy agenda at C&L and PwC for many years. Mike was passionate about his career and left an indelible mark. He will be fondly remembered by many for his mentorship, friendship, coaching and guidance, for his willingness to lend a hand or engage in spirited debate, or take part in some friendly competition.

Mike fought a brave battle with cancer during this pandemic, but his battle was not a lonely one. Our family is profoundly grateful for those special people who ensured that Mike always had a friend to walk, cycle or debate with. Our family also wishes to extend our deep appreciation to Dr. Jesse Guscott, Scott Clock and Cindy Dillon (Victorian Order of Nurses), and his teams at Royal Victoria Hospital and Collingwood General and Marine Hospital, all of whom helped to ensure his battle was a dignified one.

Mike achieved great success in his life and did it with modesty, humility and care - giving many a hand up or a pat on the back for encouragement and support when they most needed it. He was no shrinking violet. He always had an adventurous and mischievous twinkle in his eye that conveyed his zest for life and a fire in his belly to fight for what he believed in and go to the wall for those he cared about.

A celebration of life will be held in the future.

The family invites those who wish to express sympathy to consider donating to Special Olympics Canada in Michael's name 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)



## BEVERLY JAMES 'BIG BEV' DAWN

Bev Dawn passed away peacefully at Grey Bruce Health Services in Meaford with family by his side on Monday, May 3, 2021 at the age of 71. He was able to visit with his family and friends one last time. He will one day be reunited with his loving wife Beverley Jeanne (nee Perks) 'Little Bev' in Heaven.

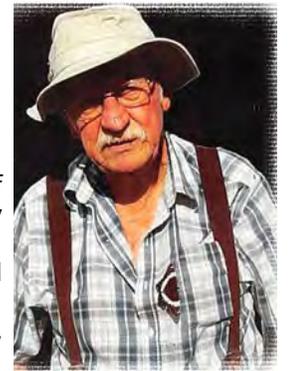
Born in Collingwood on September 8, 1949, Beverly was a son of the late Emerson and Elsie (nee McQuarrie) Dawn. He is survived by his brother Gord Dawn and his sister Patricia 'Patti' McKittrick.

Bev was the very proud Dad of Tracey Juby and her husband Michael and Cheryl Hillier and her husband Casey.

Poppa will be sorely missed by his grandchildren; Brooke, Bradley, Remington and Maxwell but lives on in their hearts and memories.

Cremation has taken place and a private family service of interment will take place at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Meaford Hospital Foundation on the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters 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)



## VERNON 'GLENN' LOWES

How does one honour in a few paragraphs the larger than life character of Glenn? Setting an example for all of a life well led, he was a champion. Glenn was born to Mona Pearl (nee Morrison) and Vernon Henry Lowes in Peterborough on April 26, 1932 and passed away peacefully at Chapman House Hospice in Owen Sound on May 4, 2021 with his daughter, Kelly by his side.

An adventurer, explorer, historian, skier, sailor, nature lover, gardener, dancer, canoeist, optimist, camper and mentor to many; Glenn was all these things and more. Growing up in Ottawa, he spent summers at Hogs Back perfecting his dives and more importantly his tan, sailing on the Ottawa River in the Valhalla and winters as a Night Rider at Camp Fortune. He was inspired and mentored by many Canadian historical figures including Spt. Henry Larsen, Milt Ward and Alexa Stirling Fraser. With 20 dollars in his pocket, Glenn made



his way West; he worked for Milt Ward, an Alberta pioneer at his ranch in Arrowood, Alberta. He also worked as a YMCA counselor at Camp Chief Hector in Kananaskis on the Stoney First Nation Reserve. Returning to Ottawa, he completed his education at Glebe Collegiate Institute and set forth with the Canadian Coast Guard on the icebreaker D'Iberville under the leadership of Superintendent Henry Larsen of the RCMP. Spt. Larsen was the first to navigate the Northwest Passage in both directions in the 1940's in the St. Roch which is now housed in the Vancouver Maritime Museum. Glenn kept a journal of these experiences and wrote eloquently of his admiration of these leaders who so impressed and inspired him. During this time period he also gained an insight and respect for the Inuit and First Nations who he met and worked with during his travels. These early experiences had a profound effect on his life and the memories did not fade.

Setting into a career of leasing and financing, Glenn worked as the head of the Canadian division of Transamerica Corporation before starting his own company Candev Financial Services. A proud Canadian, he decorated his offices in Toronto, Montreal, London and Vancouver with Inuit, First Nations and Canadian art. He continued working from his home office in the basement into his 70's booking "big deals" while in his pajamas. Work was also about relationships and Glenn fostered lifelong friendships and trained many in honest, ethical business practices.

It was apparent to all who knew Glenn that family came first and foremost in his life. He got engaged under the flagpole at the Britannia Yacht Club to his one and only love, Kim (nee Harriet Lowrey). Together they partnered to create a family and raised six children, who skied at Skyloft, Craighleith, Banff and throughout BC, camped in Cape Cod in the Rambler, sailed, canoed, and hiked. Inspiring his children and grandchildren to spend time outdoors, he loved strolling through the conservation area behind his home and sitting by an outdoor fire. He showed the benefits of getting involved in the community. He was instrumental in the development of Skyloft Ski Club and the Georgian Bay Sailing Regatta. Work hard play hard was his motto.

Glenn was ahead of his time in his approach to family life. The gift of his time was given to his children by encouraging each one uniquely, involved in their lives, knew their friends, played with them, listened to them, heard them and they never doubted that they were loved. Glenn and Kim set an example of honesty, love, respect and fun for all to follow. Lucky were we to have such a man in our lives. Predeceased five years ago by his wife, Kim; his sister, Patricia and his brother Bobby. He is survived by his children; Kim, Kelly, Scott (Shelley) and Sean (Andrea) and by his grandchildren; Isaac (Kelsey), Julian, Lex, Shea, Kahn, Braun, Scarlett, Halsey, Eliza and Hannah and by his great grandchildren; Weston, Willow, Hezekiah, Aniah and Zinnia. Also survived by his brother Donald and sister, Margaret. Thanks to Kelly for her loving care of Glenn during the past 5 years and to the staff at Chapman House. Glenn was a fun loving man to the end and everyday included laughter. Think of him with a smile and go get yourself a Chapman ice cream treat to toast him. To end, a quote from Glenn, cited from his notes honoring his wife Kim; "Love never dies."

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date and what a celebration it will be!

A your expression of sympathy, donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Canadian Cancer Society or Chapman House Hospice 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)

## LLOYD MURRAY WILCOX

Peacefully on April 30, 2021, Lloyd passed into the loving arms of Jesus at Errinrunc Long Term Care Home, just four days shy of his 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. Born on May 4, 1925 in Meaford, Lloyd was the youngest son of Truman and Laura (nee Bumstead) Wilcox. He was predeceased by his sister Elsie Abbott, and his brother Harold Wilcox. Lloyd was predeceased by his beloved wife Bernice (nee Doherty) in 1998 and his devoted son Brian in 2019.



He is survived by his loving wife Nora (Harris) and his twin children Brad (Lynn) Wilcox and Brenda Taylor and his daughter-in-law Anne Ramsay-Wilcox. Predeceased by daughter-in law Jackie and fondly remembered by step-daughter Jan McCauley and her family. Lloyd was a loving and devoted Grandfather to Michelle (Kevin) Macnamara, Michael (Anna) Taylor, Meghan (Mike) Boyd, Abbie (Kevin) Giroux, Alison (David) Wilcox Lanfear, Ayrton (Keith) Platt, Craig (Melissa) Wilcox, Neil (Erika) Wilcox, Lindsay (Zak) Pollari and Colleen (Jeff) Hammer and treasured Great Grandfather of fifteen.

We mourn the loss but also celebrate the life of a simple, humble man whose calm, patient and supportive approach to life profoundly influenced all of us in so many ways. Lloyd would proudly tell you that he was born and raised in Meaford, lived there all his life except for his army service in WWII and in recent years when his health declined. A dedicated employee at Meaford Post Office for 29 years. He knew each person's mailbox number by heart and as his memory started to fail, he would often say to people "I know your box number, but I just can't remember your name." Lloyd exemplified his supportive, caregiving nature as he lovingly cared for his wife Bernice through her extended illness. They celebrated 50 years together just before her passing.

Lloyd and Nora were married on May 5, 2001 and shared many happy years together. Nora's love and support through the years meant a great deal to Lloyd and his family. Lloyd was a devout Christian with strong Baptist roots and a life long member of Meaford United Church. His strong faith carried him through life's challenges and his love of singing favorite hymns brought joy to all. Lloyd was a proud member of the Meaford Legion Branch 32 for over 75 years and served for a time as the Bookkeeper. A true gentleman in so many ways. He will be dearly missed but fondly remembered for all he taught us and the wonderful memories he gave. A generous, fun-loving soul, Lloyd hoped to bring a smile to those he met.

The family would like to express gratitude to staff at Errinrunc Long Term Care who helped with Lloyd's care. A private family service will be conducted followed by an interment at Lakeview Cemetery in Meaford. As an expression of sympathy donations may be made to the Meaford Hospital Foundation or to the Alzheimer's Society through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted.

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## FREDERICK (Fred) W. YOUNG, July 6, 1932 – April 22, 2021

Passed away unexpectedly in his 89th year. Earth lover, conservationist, Kitchi camper, gardener, and educator. Our Dad and Papa was an incredibly wise and peaceful man. He was a friend to many. If you were lucky enough to know him, you would know how he created a safe space for everyone, welcoming you with open arms, and how he protected and cared for the land that he loved. His soul will live on here as he has instilled many life lessons in those who surrounded him.



Fred was born in Windsor, Ontario and spent his formative years in Essex County. After graduating from Kingsville High School, he attended the University of Toronto, where he obtained an Industrial Engineering degree in 1954 and an MBA in 1958. Fred was also a proud member of the Beta Theta Pi chapter at UofT, where he made lifelong friends and remained a mentor for many new members who joined the fraternity in later years. Fred began his career with Kodak Canada in 1954, first managing the packaging department and later developing and managing Kodak Logistics/Distribution centres across Canada. In 1984, Fred retired from Kodak and became active in various professional associations in Logistics Management, which led to launching the first logistics management program at York University and his second career as a professor and consultant.

On the May long-weekend in 1955, Fred met his future soulmate, Shirley Dawson, at the Kingsville Dance Pavilion where they both fell in love, were married a year later, and started their amazing journey together. They settled in Maple, Ontario, raised three children – Laura, Libby and John – and shared 59 wonderful years of marriage. Together they shared their passion for travel, camping, canoe trips, hiking, skiing, birding, gardening, photography, music, and theatre with their family.

When Fred and Shirley retired to their Beaver Valley farm in 1989, they became valued members of the community and contributors to local causes. They were active members of the Beaver Valley Ski Club, Beaver Valley Bruce Trail Club, St. George's Anglican Church, Probus, Garden Clubs and Life-Long Learning. Fred's passion and commitment to conservation initiatives led to the donation of the Young Wetlands property (aka the Beaver Pond) as well as securing of other land to ensure access for the Bruce Trail Association and the John Muir Trail.

During his lifetime, Fred's extensive travels with his family took him throughout the UK, Canada, and the US numerous times, and later in retirement with Shirley to Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, Costa Rica, and the Caribbean.

Fred's kindness, compassion, mentorship, and ability to make time for everyone was legendary. He made friends wherever he went because of his genuine interest in others and his down to earth way of connecting with everyone he met. He cherished his family and was a generous and supportive father and grandfather who will be remembered for his kindness and wisdom, his sense of humour, and his boundless encouragement. He loved nothing more than a large family gathering and he was always ready with a toast or anecdote. He was an exemplary role model of integrity, loyalty, and hard work but also had a sense of fun and at his core he was happy.

Fred is survived by his children Laura (Andy), Libby (David) and John (Nancy); his grandchildren J.P., Nick, Iain (Tanis), Jocelyn, Kate, and Victoria. Brothers-in-law Doug and Kevin Dawson and their families, and many nieces and nephews.

Dad-Papa, our relationships were one of a kind and you were one in a billion. You touched the lives of so many people, bringing light, knowledge and understanding with you. We are so proud yet humbled you are our Father and Papa. We are so thankful to have loved such a beautiful soul – we will love you forever.



Friends wishing to remember Fred can plant a tree or donate to the Beaver Valley Bruce Trail Conservancy.

A celebration of Fred's life with family and friends may follow when Covid restrictions allow.

## JAMES HAROLD COUSE

On Tuesday, April 27, 2021, our beloved father, grandfather and great grandpa Jimbo knocked the snow off his ski boots and clicked into his bindings to meet Ann Lis for an eternity of smooth turns and bluebird days together.



James Harold Couse, aka Jim or Jimbo, was born September 3, 1926 and spent his childhood in Streetsville amongst buzzing honey bees and pineapple upside down cakes, until he joined the Navy at the age of 17. Jimbo served as a Signaller in WWII, and often referred to his years of training and service as the most formative time in his life. As a recent graduate of the University of Guelph OAC program, Jimbo met a shy, sparkly-eyed Danish woman, Ann Lis Jepson, and a story of the truest love began to unfold. Ann Lis and Jim married and had two children, Linda and Bob, and spent their early years in Stouffville, later moving to an idyllic horse farm, Windhill, in Kettleby.

Jimbo loved all sports, especially football, golf, waterskiing, and yes, alpine skiing. He and Ann Lis were original members of the Georgian Peaks Ski Club, a legacy that has been passed on to their great grandchildren who continue to ski the steep, icy slopes today. Jimbo and Ann Lis not only helped cut some of the original trails, they were active in the ski racing community for decades, from the days when grandma would hand sew panels for red, yellow and blue bamboo gates, to the days when Jimbo was the enthusiastic voice at the start saying "Racer Ready, 3, 2, 1, Go!". They travelled the world with friends and family, and Jimbo often spoke about their favourite adventures skiing in Austria and Jackson Hole, hiking in New Zealand, visiting family in Jindabyne, and many glorious trips to Barbados, possibly to just catch a glimpse of Ann Lis in a swimsuit.

Upon retirement, Jimbo and Ann Lis moved to Thornbury, becoming volunteers and supporters of the Bruce Trail Conservancy and they guided many hikes with the PROBUS club throughout the Niagara Escarpment. Jimbo's smile and warmth led many people to fall in love with the healing power of nature, and together, he and Ann Lis maintained and built trails until the age of 84.

Throughout his life, Jimbo encouraged those around him to be honest, loyal and tolerant. His stories often began and ended with "I owe it all to the love of my life, Ann Lis", who predeceased Jimbo in 2015. His zest for life, family and community kept Jimbo active and independent, driving to his favourite viewpoints along the Bruce Peninsula and Beaver Valley, picking up a few special butter tarts, or watching his family ski from the bottom of Georgian Peaks until this past autumn. He was able to continue living at home because of the loving care of his daughter, Linda, and he greeted his great grandson Charlie daily with a firm handshake and smile.

Jimbo is survived by his daughter, Linda Lee of Clarksburg, ON, and her children, Peter Lee of Whistler, BC and his son David, Martha Lee of Thornbury, and her children Harry, Gifford and Charlie, his son, Bob Couse (Britt), of Byron, Casuarina, Australia, and his daughters Janike Couse (Johnny), and Stephanie Wrobel (Matty), and their children Kai and Zahli.

In lieu of a memorial service, friends and family are encouraged to take a hike with a loved one, and if you are in the area, consider visiting the plaque honouring Jimbo and Ann Lis on the Slaigo Side Trail near Rocklyn. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Bruce Trail Conservancy would be greatly appreciated: PO Box 857, Hamilton, L8N 3N9. Condolences to family near and far can be sent to: skimmartha@gmail.com

Jimbo would want everyone to be kind to each other, support the dreams of your children, and love your partner with all of your heart, always. He would also insist we "Never look a gift horse towards the mouth", finish everything on your plate, comb your hair, polish your shoes and always keep a tube of Lypsil and a few peppermints in your pocket.

*We love you and will honour you always, Jimbo. "Jeg elsker dag"*

## JUNE ELAINE McDONALD

Born in Sunnidale Township on June 24, 1933, a daughter of the late David and Christine (nee Carruthers) Culham, June passed away peacefully in Thornbury on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at the age of 87. She loved caring for others at home, in the community and at church. She became a Registered Nurse in 1955, working at numerous hospitals and Errinrunc Nursing Home. She became a farmer's wife in 1956 and worked alongside Alex on their farm in Heathcote until 1989. She enjoyed playing the piano and accordion, which resulted in many jam sessions. June was kind, quiet, patient and loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She enjoyed baking, and her favourite part of a meal was definitely dessert!

June was predeceased by her beloved husband and companion of more than 64 years on October 23, 2020, Alex McDonald of Thornbury.

She was the much loved and kind hearted mother to Brad McDonald and his wife Lee-Ann Luciani of Collingwood, Bryan McDonald and his wife Pauline of Grey Highlands, Gwen McDonald and her partner David Campbell of Meaford, and Warren McDonald also of Meaford.

She will be missed by her grandchildren and great grandchildren; David and his wife Courtney McDonald of Midland and their children Henley, Olivia and Avery; Matthew McDonald and his partner Sara Sammons of Collingwood and their children Hannah, Jack, Harper and Aisley; Jennifer and her husband Keith Murray of Meaford; Andrew McDonald and his wife Rebecca also of Meaford and their children Kaitlyn, Emily and Jacob; Grace and Morgan Campbell both of Meaford; Lori and her husband Michael Rose of Toronto and Dana Caswell and her husband Matt Johnson also of Toronto.

June is survived by her brother Sheldon and his wife Florance Culham of Huntsville, her sister-in-law Helen Dales (late Alan) of Thornbury, and brother-in-law David 'Mac' McDonald and his wife Joan of Owen Sound. She was predeceased by sisters-in-law Yvonne Wilson (late James) of Wasaga Beach and Irene (late Lloyd) Knox of Duncan and by a brother-in-law Murray (late Armol) McDonald of Owen Sound. June will be remembered fondly by her many nieces and nephews and their families.

Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions and regulations concerning gatherings at this time, a private family visitation will take place at the Ferguson Funeral Home followed by a private graveside funeral service, officiated by Reverend Peggy Kipfer, at Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery.

If so desired and as your expression of sympathy, donations to St. Paul's Presbyterian Church (cheques only please) or the Alzheimer Society of Grey Bruce 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)



## ANATOLIJS (TONY) MATROSOVS



Tony Matrosovs passed away peacefully in his 82nd year on May 30, 2021 in the Town of the Blue Mountains. He was born in Riga, Latvia in 1939 to Lidija (Danilova) and Ioanikijs Matrosovs. He fled in 1944 with his mother and brother to a displaced persons camp in Austria and finally came to Canada in 1949. He met Ursula in their first year at the Ontario College of Art and was her loving husband for 58 years. He was the beloved dad of

Andrea (Chris) and Jenny (Craig), and a devoted grandpa of James (Shannon) and Anna (Adam). He will also be missed by his brother Peter (Kathryn) and nephews Kevin and Kyle.

Tony is remembered fondly by family in Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia, Latvia and Russia and by his long-time friends.

Tony had a passion for trains, rocks and road trips and a lifetime curiosity about geology, space and physics. He was always there for his family and encouraged us all to pursue adventure in our lives. We thank Errinrunc Long Term Care staff for their dedication and kindness to Tony in his last year. A private family celebration of life will be held when the family can gather together again.

## TBM 2022 Budget and Beyond

As TBM Council approaches the 2022 Town Budget development process, the BMRA wanted to provide our view of the principles and priorities that should be applied to the exercise.



### 1) Responsible Budget Management

**Capture Economies of Scale** - Our growth in expenses should be lower than our growth in households and tax revenues. This would decrease the ratio of expenses to revenues, and free up funds to support our many pressing needs. Council and Staff should pursue opportunities for improving efficiencies through leveraging Zero Based Budgeting, among other approaches to streamline operations.

**Provide an "All In" View of the 2022 Budget** - Projecting a specific % change in department budgets and total Town spending without including the "additions" to the budget requested is meaningless. The additions and reallocation of resources should be presented in the context of each requesting department's base budgets, and the change in their mandate or deliverables that warrants the increase. This focus on key metrics would also enable the development of Key Performance Indicators that would provide a simple snapshot of the effectiveness of the Town's budget management.

### 2) Planning for our Future

**Long Term HR Planning** - Determine the required capabilities, depth of resources and experience to fulfill future mandates, and create an HR plan to ensure they can be delivered. This should include investment in staff skills development. A long term view of HR requirements should also incorporate succession plans for key roles.

**Prudent Asset Management** - Council and Staff should identify the gaps in our infrastructure, anticipate serious future shortfalls, and confirm the plans to address those issues. To most cost effectively meet our growing infrastructure needs, Council and Staff should pursue opportunities to form partnerships and shared working agreements with both Grey County and other towns / municipalities, where appropriate.

**Grey County Strategy** - It is a given that the future flow of tax levy dollars from TBM to Grey County will only get larger, and that will essentially be beyond our control (the coming new MPAC assessments being a further complicating factor). How will we address the need to maximize support from the County, and receive fair reinvestment of TBM-sourced funding back into our Town? Is there a way that we could possibly create "Win-Win" scenarios, recognizing that in many instances, Grey County attempting to do what is viewed as being best for the County may be contrary to what would be in the best interests of TBM?

**Securing a Legacy** - It may be helpful to ask what legacy initiatives would our current Council want to drive on behalf of their constituents, that could be looked back on in a decade and be seen to have materially enhanced TBM quality of life. This would represent the synthesis of responsible financial stewardship with the definition of a shared vision for our desired future. One example could be the development of a new community recreation centre.

BMRA Budget Review Committee

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# Consideration to Up Load Municipal Waste Services to Grey County

In October of 2020 the Municipality of Meaford passed a resolution requesting Grey County to “consider the merits of delivering waste collection and disposal systems at the County level” with the Grey County Collaborative Decision-making Framework used as the process mechanism.

The Grey County Collaborative Decision-making Framework is just that, a framework for a municipality or municipalities to request new service requirements from the County. In the case of the Municipality of Meaford, they find themselves to be a small municipality without the economies of scale to provide waste management services to their residents without a significant increase cost per household per year.

Meaford has taken the first step in the County of Grey Collaborative Decision-making Framework with their written request received by County, with a Committee Report dated February 25, 2021 called County Wide Waste Management Study prepared by Kim Wingrove, COA of Grey County. The Report requests Grey Council to receive report and direct staff on next steps in which the report recommends hiring a consultant to develop a feasibility study about the pros and cons of a County-wide waste services approach. With this information in hand further discussions with Grey County municipalities can be undertaken.

It is at this point in the Collaborative Decision-making Framework as requested by the Municipality of Meaford, the County would endorse in principle the program and seek commitment from the municipalities for participation. If a municipality declines to participate then Grey Council would consider proceeding with remaining municipalities. Should Grey County continue on, a Project Charter would be drafted and presented to the various municipal Councils. At this point there is a further opportunity for a municipality to opt out. However the Collaborative Decision-making Framework as noted above in fact is not going to be used as a County policy as it has not been passed as a by-law. (On March 6, 2013 Grey County Council adopted the following collaborative framework as county policy and expected practice. Grey County’s Collaborative Decision-making Framework User Guide, March 6, 2013)

Rather the Committee Report of February 25, 2021 cites Section 189(1) of the Municipal Act which requires a “triple majority” in order for County to assume waste management services and not the Collaborative Decision-making Framework. A triple majority is a majority of lower tier councils, together representing a majority of County electors, along with a majority of County Council. No longer will a decision be based of collaborative efforts amongst the municipalities.

Town of The Blue Mountains Council upon learning of Meaford request voted on a motion expressing no interest in participating in a County wide waste services program. In the letter sent to Grey County advising County of our Town Council’s decision, Mayor Soever cited that our Town has invested heavily in waste disposal assets with a modern landfill site which has a capacity to beyond 2050, and the weekly waste removal pickup program provides a high level of service to The Blue Mountains residents. The higher level of service is with a cost. The Blue Mountains has the second highest household cost for waste removal in Grey County. In Mayor Soever’s letter he presents a case to Grey County that based on Simcoe and Dufferin Counties county-wide waste collection costs, each municipality in Grey County can expect an increase in waste collection costs except one, and a sizable increase in per house waste collection costs for The Blue Mountains.

As Grey County moves forward to develop a study by professional consultants in the waste services industry, the completion of the study will provide more information and the effect on the Town of The Blue Mountain residents.

According to the Ontario Waste Management Association Ontario landfills are filling up and capacity will soon end. Based on the current landfill capacity depletion rate, Ontario’s available landfill capacity is expected to be exhausted in 12 years, by the year 2032. If the United States were to prohibit Ontario waste from crossing the border, Ontario’s landfill capacity will be exhausted by 2028.

Ontario’s 805 active public and private sector landfill sites have remaining capacity of 122 million tonnes. Most of this remaining capacity is in just a small number of large landfill sites, with 82% of remaining capacity held by just 15 landfill sites (both private and public). In 2017, Ontario landfills received a total of 8.1 million tonnes of waste, up 5% from OWMA’s 2016 Landfill Report. In addition, 3.5 million tonnes of waste was exported during the year to landfills in the United States, primarily to Michigan and New York.

During a County of Simcoe council meeting in April, councillors were informed that the last three landfills in Simcoe County – in Collingwood, Nottawasaga and Oro-Medonte – would be full and closed by 2024, 2025 and 2030 respectively. The County of Simcoe is responsible for 3 active landfill sites and 5 transfer stations.

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On a different issue with waste management, during our last municipal election the issue of leachate at our waste disposal site become a topic of discussion. The discussions at the time revolved around the removal of leachate with either a force main / piping to a waste station or removal using transport trucks to a waste station. At this time Mr. Fletcher, Director of Sustainability and Solid Waste advised they are continuing with truck transport of leachate at this time. “We will be back to the issue of on-site treatment or force main transportation again as we and the site re-design will consider both as we begin a Site Redesign Planning process. This will be less about the disposal side of things but more about site layout and the interface with patrons. The layout will need to consider long term leachate management options to look at the Site holistically.”

Mr. Fletcher also said “We have also implemented some really phenomenal odour treatment technology that is the first of its kind. It pre-treats the leachate before hauling and reduces the odour to zero.”



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## Let's start with a big thank you!

We all thought things would be back to normal by now. But it's been over a year, and we are all still struggling with the effects of this pandemic.

As you can all imagine, the past year has been very challenging for raising funds due to the Covid-19 restrictions. But you, our community members, have been amazing and have risen above and beyond in donating funds to T-C Rotary so we can help those in need despite our inability to hold our usual fundraising events.

We want to express our deep appreciation for all your support and we wish you all health and happiness. *Stay safe!*

## Say 'hello' to our incoming T-C Rotary Board of Directors!

Every July 1st, the new Rotary Year begins with a new President presiding over our board. Replacing 20-21 President Colin Clarke will be Elizabeth (Lib) Kennedy who is well known to many in the community. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Colin for his service as President over this past very challenging year. Many of our existing directors are remaining but our Membership Director John Meadows has asked to step down. We have benefited immensely from John's leadership in this role over the past three years as he has been instrumental in doubling club membership. *Thank you, John!*

Our Board will be expanded as we add a new position to lead our new Indigenous Relations and Awareness Committee. In addition, we are repositioning the International Service role into a higher profile to align with our new more strategic approach to international service. These two roles, along with the Community Service role round out the service pillars of our club's work.

### *The members of the board for the upcoming 2021-22 are:*

- President: Lib Kennedy
- Treasurer: George Matamoros
- Secretary: Richard Bowden & Ed Rogers
- Membership: Bruce Paterson
- Community Service: Diane Anderson
- Indigenous Relations & Awareness: Clay Melnike
- International Service: Chris Sue
- Youth: Heather Offord
- Club Administration: Alison Kennedy
- Public Image: Palma Barbieri
- Past-President: Colin Clarke
- Directors-at-Large: Steven Schofield & Jeremy Wentworth-Stanley



Welcome new Rotary President, Lib Kennedy!

As Lib and the new board take over the reigns on July 1st, we look forward to a new and exciting year with much hope that Covid-19 will soon be in the rear-view mirror.

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## Elgon Ngoma Troupe *Food for Life!*

Through your kindness and generosity during the past year, we have been able to directly help the Elgon Ngoma Troupe, a community-based home for former street kids and orphans in Uganda. With amazing on-the-ground support from their local Mbale Metropolitan Rotary (MMR) club, a donated abandoned farmhouse with two acres of land in the nearby village of Mawululu has been partially rehabilitated.

The farmhouse can now provide additional, much-needed shelter for up to half of the 25 troupe members, aged 11-18. Importantly, the farm has started yielding the staple crops needed to address the serious food shortages often experienced by the Troupe.

Since October, over 300 kg of beans have been harvested to help feed the Troupe and six local village families who assisted with the farm. Seed has been put aside for the next planting season. The Troupe is currently growing tomatoes and cabbages between bean seasons. Our support has also funded the purchase of 110 new banana and plantain trees. We estimate the farm can provide up to 50% of the Troupe's food needs as it gets into full swing, and potentially reach 75% of needs as more crops (such as rice and corn) are planted, especially if access to water is made easier. And a wonderful, unexpected bonus of this project is the positive effect on village families in an area with the highest poverty rate in Uganda.

Though the Troupe is already benefitting from the farm, the farmhouse is far from complete. T-C Rotary has committed to funding the finishing of concrete walls and floors, installing interior doors, window glass and a porch railing with a total estimated budget of \$5,000.

In addition, we have agreed to a new project to address other urgent needs: a new canopy for their outdoor kitchen, new latrines and showers with a septic system (they are currently using an old pit latrine a little distance from the house), and a rainwater catchment system. Water for irrigation is currently obtained from a muddy creek that runs through the property while potable water is fetched from a village well. These items have an estimated cost of \$8,000.

With the help of the MMR club, T-C Rotary is committed to completing these projects to support the Elgon Ngoma Troupe's efforts to become self-sustaining. The bonus is it also provides the villagers with a hand up in achieving a brighter future.



This is a project that can connect members of our community with people in Mbale and Mawululu. If you would like to help, please direct your donation to our Uganda project by noting 'Uganda' on the message line.



## Dr. Karin Euler *Medical care for moms-to-be on remote island*



The remote island of Ukerewe in Tanzania's section of Lake Victoria has many medical needs. One such need was to be able to proactively address pregnancy related health issues. Dr. Karin Euler, one of our Clarksburg doctors, regularly travels to Ukerewe to provide medical aid. She approached us along with other local Rotary clubs for assistance in funding the purchase of an ultrasound machine for the clinic on the island. We stepped up and are pleased to report that Dr. Euler quickly completed the project and the ultrasound has been in use for several months to the elation of both medical staff and patients on the island.

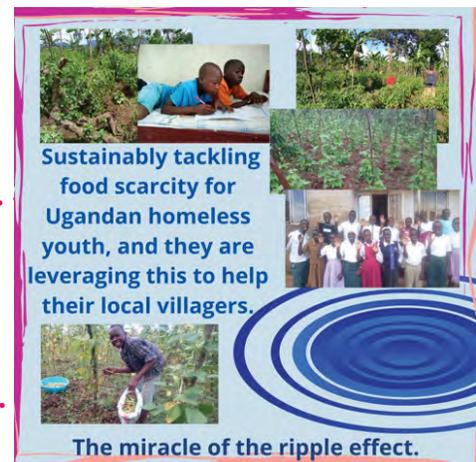
## Elgon Ngoma Troupe *Education turns dreams into reality.*

The members of the Elgon Ngoma Troupe in Uganda have dreams for a better life and are determined to obtain their secondary school degrees. Some want to go on to become professionals. This past year has been extremely challenging because the pandemic closed schools, and remote learning is all but impossible for this group. When the government opened schools in October, it was only for those students in their final year of elementary or secondary education. The aim was to allow those students to complete the graduating year they had barely begun when the Covid-19 lockdown started.

Unfortunately, students have to pay fees to attend school in Uganda. Because of lockdown restrictions, the Troupe was unable to raise any money from performances so could not pay for school fees. With the help of some generous local donors, T-C Rotary was able to step up and fund the fees for four Troupe finalists. They are now awaiting the results of their final exams, with the hope of pursuing their dreams.

**Remember there's  
no such thing as a  
small act of kindness.  
Every act creates  
a ripple with no  
logical end.**

**- Scott Adams  
Creator of Dilbert**





## Our Community Runs on Kindness!

What is Kindness? What does it look and feel like to you? Kindness is at the heart of our community. It is also the new year-long theme for our Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club. In recognition of this, we are launching our Community Kindness Challenge! We want you to help us put kindness at the forefront of our minds, and spread more of it! Let's be kinder to ourselves and recognize those who make a difference in our lives with their kindness. Kindness fills us up and warms our hearts, especially during these times of separation and physical distancing. The world and our community can always use a little more kindness, and it all starts with you! Take time for you and do what you need to do to take care of yourself. Being kind to ourselves allows us to feel at peace, be happier and more motivated, and be more compassionate towards others. We are all coping with a lot right now, and we



need to remember to take care of ourselves, and others.

Being kind to yourself could be taking the time to curl up with a good book, or going for a quiet walk or run every day. Showing kindness to others could be smiling and looking someone in the eye when asking them how they are doing, and actually listening to their response. It also could be checking in on your neighbour during this long and difficult time. Additionally, kindness could be making sure an injured animal is cared for, or planting a pollination garden for bees. Kindness is all this, and so much more! **Let's challenge ourselves to fully understand and embrace all that kindness is.** Have some fun with it, and take part in our Community Kindness Challenge activities!

Check out our website and social media beginning in July for updates and more information on upcoming Community Kindness Challenge activities!

If you want to track your kindness or the kindness of others, download the 'Kindness Tracker' from our website.

Follow us on Facebook @thornburyclarksburgrotary or Instagram @tc\_rotary or our website [tcrotary.ca](http://tcrotary.ca) to join in the kindness fun.



## Trotting Turkeys and Potted Poinsettias!

What do trotting turkeys and potted poinsettias have in common? Well, they will both be T-C Rotary fundraising events planned for later this year! We are hopeful that we will be able to hold our annual run this year, after a year hiatus due to Covid-19. This year, it is scheduled for the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend and has been renamed the

Thornbury Turkey Trot. Family oriented, the Turkey Trot will have something for everyone. Mark your calendars. We will provide an update in August.

Also, this year, we will be introducing a new fundraiser: the sale of Christmas poinsettias for delivery directly to your home. Stay tuned for more information in early autumn about this fundraiser and how to order your poinsettias.

*We will update our website, our Facebook page and our Instagram account with new information as it is available for both the Thornbury Turkey Trot and the poinsettia sale.*



T-C ROTARY CLUB CONTINUES TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS & STUDENTS

ART  
MATH  
FRENCH  
SCIENCE  
ATHLETICS  
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE  
SERVICE ABOVE SELF

BVCS GBCS

SCHOOL AWARDS FOR 2021

TOTAL \$1275

## Take a Break on Us... Update!



T-C Rotary feels it is important to show our gratitude to those in our community who have worked on the frontlines to help us through this pandemic. So, we printed 250 coupons valued at \$30 each that gave the holder a \$30 discount off a meal at any of our local restaurants. The idea was to give those who were under pressure from Covid-19 a bit of a break from the grind of meal making while supporting local chefs. When we last reported on this initiative, we had donated coupons to the staff at Errinrung and Foodland who had seen the community through the very stressful initial stages of the pandemic. Since then, we have donated the rest of the coupons to our local nurses, postal workers, and Pharmasave staff. Our thanks go to all who have served our community through this pandemic.

**Diversity is beautiful**

T-C ROTARY RESPONDED TO OUR LOCAL SCHOOL'S REQUEST FOR HELP TO BUY BOOKS & OTHER MATERIAL ABOUT INCLUSIVITY AND DIVERSITY



BVCS Teacher Melissa Hutton and T-C Rotarian & BVCS Teacher Heather Offord

*A lot of different flowers make a bouquet.*  
- Islamic Proverb



# BVO Community Garden Expansion

T-C Rotary has made a \$5,000 donation to BVO to fund the expansion of their Community Gardens.

While the gardens are multi-generational, this expansion is targeting isolated senior citizens. Many of our seniors have downsized or are unable to maintain in-ground garden beds and they are looking to still be able to garden. Many of them have had limited social interactions due to the pandemic.

Over 30 community members/families are currently involved in volunteer service and garden plot rentals. The expansion will add an additional 10 households minimum. Workshops will serve the entire community and school workshops (if possible) serve over 200 students each year.

### The project has 3 measurable outcomes:

- 10 more raised beds installed and growing.
- Weight of produce donated – goal is to donate more than 200lbs.
- Increase community engagement – goal is to enlist more volunteers.

As this is being written, two accessible raised beds have arrived and eight additional raised beds have been ordered. When the ground is dry, they will be installed and accessories such as water tanks and fencing added. The gardens have been hugely rewarding to those involved. T-C Rotary is delighted to see the program grow (no pun intended).



Rotary Member Diane Anderson (right) presenting BVO's Kimberly Edwards with \$5,000 for Community Garden expansion.



## Rotary Membership: The Myths & the Reality

Throughout all the challenges of the past 15 months, T-C Rotary continued its commitment to meet needs in the community. The community's support, through donations and volunteering of time to assist with projects, has helped make that possible. There will be more work to do as we come out of Covid and as our community goes through more unexpected, rapid change. And we need all the heads, hands and hearts we can get to meet this challenge.

T-C Rotary has seen an increase of 13 new members over the past three years and now totals 31. During this time, we've come to realize that there are two big myths out there about Rotary that keep people from even enquiring about membership. So, let's blast those myths with big doses of reality.

**MYTH #1:** Rotary membership takes too much time and is inconvenient.

**REALITY:** We meet twice a month and attendance is optional. Currently, our meetings are on Zoom and are recorded for the convenience of those who cannot attend. We do hope to go back to in-person meetings after Covid, where we will be able to share a meal and fellowship. How much time do you need to dedicate to Rotary?

We expect that you will put family and work ahead of Rotary, but there is plenty of 'feel good' waiting in store for your Rotary time.

**MYTH #2:** Rotary is very male, pale, and stale.

**REALITY:** OK, so we'll concede that this may have been true in the past. But, did you know that almost half of the new members in the last three years have been women? And that more than a third are in their 30s and 40s? Not so male or stale, eh?

And we are not completely pale either. Despite the gains in club diversity recently, we still have a ways to go.

**WE WANT OUR MEMBERSHIP TO REFLECT OUR COMMUNITY!** Why? So that we can be more effective in our work... and, besides, it would be more fun! Have we piqued your interest just a little? Have you been looking for a way to get involved in your community? Come join us, even if you only want to attend a couple of meetings to get

a flavour of who and what we are. Just go to [tcrotary.ca](http://tcrotary.ca), to find out more about us and click 'Contact' at the top right of any page to send us an email.

We look forward to hearing from all of you!

**No longer only male or stale!**

**T-C Rotary can always use more help!**

**Mail cheque and form to:**

Box 94, Clarksburg, ON N0H 1J0

or e-transfer to: executive@tcrotary.ca

Website: [tcrotary.ca](http://tcrotary.ca)

*I would love to help my community with a donation of:*

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Club of Thornbury-Clarksburg

The T-C Rotary website is a great place to look for our latest news and upcoming events.

It also has a green DONATE NOW button on every page if you prefer to make a donation online using your credit card.

Check us out at: [tcrotary.ca](http://tcrotary.ca)

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