



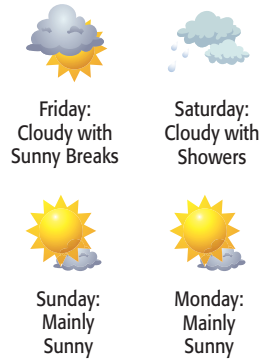
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The Coldest Night of the Year walk in support of S.H.I.F.T. took place in Alliston on Saturday, Feb. 28. Teams and individuals numbering around 245 met at Alliston Memorial Arena before heading out along a route through town. As of press time, \$87,815 had been raised toward a final goal of \$100,000. See full story and more photos on Page 7. BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

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Trillium grant expands volunteer programs at CONTACT Community Services

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

CONTACT Community Services received a Resilient Communities Fund grant of \$151,600 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, which has helped the organization to strengthen and expand its volunteer programs across South Simcoe.

MPP for York-Simcoe, Caroline Mulroney, met with representatives from CONTACT on Thursday, Feb. 26, to congratulate them on the work they have done over the past two years under this grant.

“This investment from the Ontario Trillium Foundation helps organizations like CONTACT build stronger, more resilient programs that meet community needs,” MSS Mulroney said. “Enhancing volunteer recruitment, training, and coordination ensures that CONTACT can continue delivering compassionate, high-impact services to the people who need them most.”

This investment has helped CONTACT build a more resilient, community-driven support network by improving volunteer recruitment, training, and engagement opportunities.

With support from the OTF grant, CONTACT has enhanced its training and resources that empower volunteers to deliver essential services.

Funds from the grant were used to help hire a Volunteer Coordinator, provide training oppor-

tunities, and help with administrative costs.

Volunteers play a vital role in CONTACT’s mission to support individuals and families through crisis, connection, and community programming. The grant CONTACT received has provided volunteers with the tools, guidance, and support needed to continue serving the community with compassion and confidence.

“This OTF grant has allowed us to build the foundation for a stronger volunteer culture at CONTACT,” said Tina de los Santos, executive director of CONTACT. “Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do, and this funding ensures we can continue to grow, support, and recognize the incredible individuals who give their time to help our community thrive.”

CONTACT Community Services is a registered charity with a 49-year history of proactively addressing changing social needs.

“Volunteering with CONTACT has always been meaningful, but the new training and support have made it even more rewarding,” said Joanne Malcolm, CONTACT volunteer. “I feel better equipped, more connected, and more confident in the work I do. It’s amazing to see the organization investing in volunteers the same way volunteers invest in the community.”

As a community-based agency with multiple locations in rural communities, CONTACT programs meet the needs of over 3,500 fami-



MILESTONE – CONTACT Community Services received a Resilient Communities Fund grant of \$151,600 to help expand its volunteer programs. Dignitaries came to CONTACT’s Bradford location to congratulate the organization on the work completed over the past two years. From left, back row: Brenda Pufek, CONTACT Manager of Community Engagement & Development; volunteer Awawu Waha; Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor James Leduc; Richard Farmer of the Ontario Trillium Foundation; Caroline Mulroney, MPP for York-Simcoe; Linda Spurr, CONTACT Volunteer Coordinator; volunteer Celine Rochon; volunteer Alia Zahiree; Tina de los Santos, CONTACT Executive Director; Councillor Jonathan Scott. From left, front row: volunteer Linda Laviola, volunteer Mona Sadri, and volunteer Atheer Alhulwah.

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lies, adults, seniors, and youth from all cultural, social, and economic backgrounds every year.

It provides support to some of South Sim-

coe’s most vulnerable residents by helping them access vital services, including housing supports, employment services, and community engagement.

New Tecumseth Mayor Richard Norcross launches weekly video series: Hometown Happenings

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of New Tecumseth is launching a new weekly video series designed to keep

residents informed, engaged, and connected to what’s happening in the community.

This series is titled Hometown Happenings.

Hosted by Mayor Richard Norcross,

Hometown Happenings features short, friendly conversations with local guests from across New Tecumseth. Each episode highlights current projects, upcoming events, and important initiatives that matter to residents, delivered in a conversational format.

“This new series is another way we’re working to keep residents informed and involved,” said Mayor Richard Norcross. “Hometown Happenings allows us to share updates directly with the community while also showcasing the people and voices behind the work happening in New Tecumseth.”

New episodes will be released weekly and will cover a wide range of topics, including municipal services, infrastructure projects, community programs and local events.

By bringing together staff, community partners, and local leaders, the series aims to provide residents with timely, reliable information straight from the source.

Hometown Happenings offers residents another convenient way to stay connected to local issues and initiatives.

You can watch weekly episodes at newtecumseth.ca/HometownHappenings.



PODCAST HOST – New Tecumseth Mayor Richard Norcross is hosting Hometown Happenings, a new weekly podcast launched by the Town of New Tecumseth,

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County of Simcoe raises flag and marks March as #ITSTARTS Month

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
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The County of Simcoe officially launched the 2026 #ITSTARTS campaign, as Simcoe County Warden Basil Clarke proclaimed the month of March as #ITSTARTS Month and raised the flag at the Administration Centre in Midhurst.

This marks 10 years of the #ITSTARTS campaign. #ITSTARTS is a public awareness campaign designed to take a proactive step towards addressing racism and discrimination in Simcoe County.

For a decade, this campaign has brought communities across Simcoe County together, championing inclusion, equity, and meaningful connection.

What began as a simple idea has evolved into one of the region's most recognized grassroots initiatives, now reaching over 4.5 million people.

This year's campaign builds on that legacy.

"Marking 10 years of #ITSTARTS is a testament to the incredible dedication of our Local Immigration Partnership and our many Community Champions," said Simcoe County Warden Basil Clarke. "Their leadership has helped shape a more welcoming and inclusive Simcoe County, supporting more than 82,000 immigrant residents who enrich our communities every day. Together, we've made significant progress over the past decade as our population and communities continue to become more diverse. We look forward to continu-



TACKLING RACISM – County of Simcoe officials gathered in front of the Administration Centre in Midhurst to raise the #ITSTARTS flag to kick off #ITSTARTS Month. **BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO**



ing the momentum with successful programs and awareness initiatives just like the #ITSTARTS campaign."

With the flag now raised for 2026, #ITSTARTS banners, flags, and symbols will be displayed at municipal offices and community locations across the county through

#ITSTARTS month in March.

Residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations can participate by requesting campaign cards from the Local Immigration Partnership.

Multilingual digital cards are also available on the County's website.

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Women’s Day

The ‘world’ will be celebrating International Women’s Day on March 8.

International Women’s Day is celebrated globally as a day to celebrate the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women.

There will be events across Canada, the US, Europe, and in other countries as well.

International Women’s Day has been around for over 100 years, beginning back in 1911, with a call to those who cared about gender equality.

It started in Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland, where people attended rallies to show their support for women’s rights to work, vote, hold public office, and live free from discrimination.

From a modern perspective, it’s hard to believe that at one time, women in North America didn’t have the right to cast a vote in an election. Women were also limited in other areas where men dominated decision-making, and they were expected to keep their place in society.

I guess women got fed up with being told that, even though they were citizens, they had no say in who was going to form the government.

Of course, there were also forward-

thinking men who supported this idea and realized that being a woman didn’t mean you wouldn’t understand politics. After all, every man has a mother, maybe a sister or daughter, and likely a wife.

Why wouldn’t you want the women in your life to be successful and enjoy the same rights that you have?

The United Nations, the most useless organization on the planet, which has a reputation for accomplishing nothing, is proudly announcing that it supports International Women’s Day.

According to the UN’s website, the theme for Women’s Day is “Rights. Justice. Action. For ALL Women and Girls,” which calls for “action to dismantle all barriers to equal justice: discriminatory laws, weak legal protections, and harmful practices and social norms that erode the rights of women and girls.”

On the page, it also says, “In many countries, the law allows for early and child marriage, which erodes the full potential of about 12 million girls annually.”

Does it not occur to the UN that the ‘many countries’ they are talking about are the same countries that are members of the United Nations?

These member nations are the same

countries that treat women like third-class citizens, or worse.

Who at the UN wrote about ‘social norms that erode the rights of women and girls’, while sitting at a desk next to the representative of a country that has laws stating a female shall not leave home unless accompanied by a male relative?

Who wrote about ‘social norms’ after having lunch with a representative from a country that practices female genital mutilation as part of their normal way of living?

Who wrote about ‘social norms’ after having coffee with a representative from a country that bans education for girls, while forcing women to completely cover themselves from head to toe before leaving the house?

How do these women even manage to have friends if you can’t even recognize someone you pass on the street?

On the same UN webpage, it states, “Women have only 64 per cent of the legal rights that men hold worldwide.”

The UN makes this statement as if something has to be done about this gap in rights. Yet ambassadors to the UN are powerless to even suggest that a country needs to modernize.

I read an interesting essay by a woman

who was born and raised in the US but had parents who were immigrants from Northern Africa.

The woman had the opportunity to travel to Northern Africa to visit relatives. She was surprised to experience the culture her parents had come from.

Her relatives were shocked that, at age 20, she had not yet been married off. They could not believe this woman was attending university. They had no concept of higher education and told her a woman shouldn’t even be attending school.

They told her a woman was supposed to have children and stay home, and that was it.

At the end of her essay, she said she was shocked at how oppressed these women were, and they didn’t even know it. She said she was thankful to have been born in the West.

The key to advancing women’s rights globally is education.

People living in an oppressive society won’t develop the concept of freedom if the cultural norm is oppression, and this is taught to children from birth.

Enjoy International Women’s Day 2026.

BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW



Change you can set your watch to

I’ve never had the best of luck with clocks.

From the time I first set foot in a school setting at the age of three or four, the tick-tock of the timepiece on the wall was a focal point of learning as we deciphered what those twelve numbers, three hands, and the notches in between translated to. This clock actually had a further ring of twelve numbers inside the main event to teach us not only how to tell time, but do so with military precision.

Still, the tick-tock in a nearly silent classroom never failed to make my hair feel like it was standing on end.

The transition to public school, however, made me embrace the tick-tock a bit more because, it being a school of a certain age, relied on hardwired, plugged-in timepieces where the second hand moved with precision smoothness... and the tick-tock replaced by the dull whir of the motor which irritated my follicles even further!

Still, my luck with clocks hasn’t really improved over... well, time.

A beautifully made cuckoo clock my

grandmother brought me back from Austria – no small feat as she was on a shoulder-to-shoulder bus tour of the Alpen countries – met its demise after the bird chirped one too many times in the middle of the night for my father’s taste.

A clock I had long been searching for to add to my collection – it’s a fandom thing – finally and unexpectedly surfaced at a local thrift store, only to break down beyond repair two weeks after I put it on the wall.

At least that was somewhat replaceable. The next example not so much.

We grandchildren didn’t receive much from our grandfather after his death in 2006, but one particular keepsake that came my way was his wristwatch. It wasn’t the watch I remembered him wearing from the earliest memories of my childhood, that had broken some years before, but it was nevertheless an important way to feel I was still keeping him close.

It was a regular feature on my wrist for about three years before it would inexplicably no longer keep time. Three repairs

and three fails later were enough to drive home the fact the watch had served its purpose, but it remains a cherished, if now-still reminder of a person who was very important to me.

And, despite being broken, it is, as the old saying goes, still right twice a day.

Whether you rely on a wall-mounted timepiece, a traditional watch, a glance every once in a while, at your preferred screen, or on wrist-mounted devices that can apparently do everything but take out your trash, this is a time of year where we find ourselves being clock-watchers a little more often than usual.

We’re set to spring our clocks forward an hour in the wee hours of Sunday morning.

For some, losing an hour of sleep to gain an hour of daylight at the end of the day is a pretty good trade-off – and I’m not going to disagree. As a winter enthusiast, one inextricable element of the season that I absolutely loathe is leaving for work and coming home in the darkness.

For others, the change in time is nothing short of a drag as experts cite the

havoc the adjustment has on our bodies, minds and souls, not to mention the increase in traffic accidents and other safety concerns that seem to be part and parcel of our spring-forward-fall-back cycle.

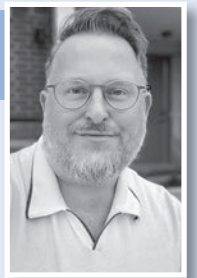
Whether you see it as gaining an hour of light or losing an hour of sleep is a matter of your perspective, although both are, of course, true – but as someone who tries to be optimistic wherever possible, falling back sometimes feels like it offers more possibilities.

You’re gaining an hour, in theory. How are you going to spend it in practice?

Some like to luxuriate in bed on the morning of, the extra hour of sleep well-earned on a lazy Sunday. Others see it as a bonus hour and are eager to get up early to make the most of it, sometimes crowing about all the wonderful things they were able to cram into those 60 minutes “while the world slept.”

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The fallout from Epstein

GWYNNE DYER
OUR WORLD TODAY



"It's amazing how the arrest of a 66-year-old man in Norfolk has raised the spirits of the entire country," remarked a reader on the letters page of the Guardian this week. "Perhaps a few more arrests are in order."

The 66-year-old man was Mr Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor, until recently known as Prince Andrew in polite circles and as 'Randy Andy' in the British gutter press. He was arrested on Feb. 19 for 'misconduct in public office', not for raping an under-age girl called Virginia Giuffre in Geoffrey Epstein's houses in London, New York and the Caribbean.

But at least he was arrested (and immediately released on bail).

Four days later, on Feb. 23, another British notable briefly honoured the inside of a British police station with his presence. It was Lord Peter Mandelson, a renowned 'fixer' in British politics and briefly UK Ambassador to the United States. The charge was the same vague 'misconduct in public office', and he, too, was immediately let out on bail.

But at least he was arrested. Nobody has been arrested in the United States as a result of the release of three million confidential documents belonging to

the late financier, convicted paedophile and possible spy Geoffrey Epstein. Nobody at all is doing jail time for it except his partner-in-crime Ghislaine Maxwell.

The only people who have been arrested are Europeans: Andrew and Mandelson in the United Kingdom and Norway's former prime minister Thorbjørn Jagland (who only accepted free family holidays from Epstein).

It was probably just bad luck that the names of the two British men were not redacted in the Epstein data dump. Their names simply didn't ring a bell with the 500+ Department of Justice employees who spent several months redacting the names of prominent American men who had availed themselves of Epstein's various services.

So they were named and shamed (they have already done their 'perp walks' for British television), but it is unlikely that they will ever spend time in a British jail. 'Misconduct in public office' is a notoriously hard charge to make stick, and the possible charge of rape against Andrew is even harder to prove since the alleged victim is dead.

As for Epstein's vast network of information exchanges (which would also have served Epstein's work as a spy if he really was one), the case may remain open forever. We are left only with speculation – so let's speculate.

Start with the recent remark of US Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick, billionaire pal of Donald Trump, that Jeffrey Epstein was "the greatest blackmailer ever." Blackmail is usually about money, but it can also be for information.

From the guest-lists at his various houses of ill repute, it's clear that many of Epstein's guests were chosen as sources of information or ways of reaching other potential informants rather than just because they were filthy rich. And if they were vulnerable to being blackmailed, it was often because

Epstein had taken the trouble to give them guilty secrets.

Why would he do all that? It seems too elaborate if Epstein's intention was just to create a modern version of the Hellfire Club (look it up), but it was the ideal tool if his intention was to gain access to a wide selection of powerful and well-informed Americans.

Some of them just wanted free holidays, some of them wanted to rub shoulders with other famous people, some of them wanted to have sex with under-age girls. Whatever their tastes, Epstein satisfied them.

So what intelligence agency would have the greatest interest in knowing America's secrets, including especially political and commercial secrets? Well, the leading candidate is obviously the one that is most dependent on American support in almost every aspect of its existence: Israel.

How would the Israelis have recruited Epstein, if they did? Through Ghislaine Maxwell, whose father Robert had worked closely with the Israeli spy agency Mossad. She moved to New York and linked up with Epstein shortly after her father died.

Does this prove that Epstein worked as an Israeli spy? Of course not, but it certainly makes him a candidate for the role. If he did, it's not such a big deal: Israel has always had spies in America. Jonathan Pollard was caught in the 1980s and spent 30 years in prison. Lawrence Franklin was caught in 2006 and sentenced to 13 years (but released very early).

There were doubtless other spies for Israel who did not get caught: these are almost routine transactions, although the unlucky ones who get caught pay a price. If Epstein was gathering sensitive but not officially secret information, he probably was not even breaking US law. But we'll never know unless Maxwell does a deal under some later administration.



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- Unit of dry measure
- One who defies authority
- Social media giant
- Render holy
- "Much ___ about nothing"
- Computer manufacturer
- Creed
- Immoral act
- Mountain pass
- Winged nut
- Don't know when yet
- Elected officials
- Corrupt tendencies
- Popular adult beverage
- Made a mistake
- Morally correct
- Type of whale
- Portable conical tent
- Native people of the Congo
- More (Spanish)
- Classroom implements
- Cognizant of
- One who tells
- Free from bondage
- Thick piece of something
- Containing two adjacent nitrogen atoms
- Removed from the record
- Legendary singer Turner
- Broke up the earth
- Hunting expedition
- Contributes
- Unit of work or energy
- Wreckage on the sea bed
- Affirmative! (slang)
- Witness
- Scrape (Archaic)

- "___ and flows"
- Humble request for help
- A position of leadership
- Continent
- Adherent of a particular religion
- Things that can be eaten
- Self-governing Netherlands territory
- Long-tailed crow
- Repeated
- Bluish greens
- Humanities
- Someone who serves in the armed forces
- Labor (Spanish)
- Zero
- Shared by involving three parties
- Queens ballplayer
- Consumed
- Rest here please
- Men's fashion accessory
- American time
- Sound unit
- They ___
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Places to play video games
- A sudden attack of illness
- When you hope to arrive
- Charges
- Actress Seyfried
- A tributary of the Ohio River
- Omit when speaking
- Armored fish
- Remain
- From a distance
- Adventure story
- Geological times
- Eat dinner

No one has more self-confidence than the person who does a crossword puzzle with a pen.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Monthly Message: Mother Earth's unconditional love may be over

Throughout most of its existence, Mother Earth (or nature), has unconditionally and abundantly provided the essential requirements for creation and sustainability for all life on the planet. Without the essential natural resources of air, water, food, nutrients, temperature and pressure, life would not be possible on earth. Humans have, however, violated the terms of the unwritten bond we hold with nature by indulging in unnecessary material things, conveniences, fun, and comfort. Additionally, we have caused unprecedented warming of the planet, resulting in a worsening climate. If we choose to recklessly continue this destructive pattern and not uphold our end of the bargain with nature, the game of life will be over, with no one else to blame but ourselves. We have strained Mother Earth's natural systems to the point



that her unconditional love may be ending.

The illusion that Mother Earth is a forgiving parent that always provides and shields us from the consequences of our mistakes is misleading. In fact, the earth operates according to the laws of physics, biology, and chemistry to maintain the balance necessary for all life on the planet. The Earth is extremely resilient, but it does not have infinite capacity. When we disrupt the scientific balance, the ecosystems also change with dev-

astating negative outcomes, as experienced today.

There are clear signs that our relationship with Mother Earth has changed dramatically, especially in the post-industrial revolution era. This is shown in more frequent record-breaking heat waves due to climate change, catastrophic floods, drought extremes, biodiversity collapse, soil and water depletion, melting ice, deforestation, forests burning and dying, pollution, etc.

Despite the damage already inflicted, it is still not too late for us to restore the original relationship we hold with Mother Earth/nature, before all the critical tipping points are irreversibly surpassed.

What can we do to correct the problem? The future depends on whether we can shift from exploitation to reciprocity – from tak-

ing without thought to giving back in equal measure.

The story of Mother Earth's unconditional love may be ending, not because she turned against us, but because we have mistaken her generosity and resilience for infinite capacity. The earth will endure, but whether she is still a hospitable home for life is an open question. It is now up to us to decide the outcome.

This week's Community Voice article was written by Kelly Pearce, a founding member of Greys for Green in New Tecumseth. He believes that we all have a role to play in reducing our carbon footprint to leave a better planet for future generations and all lifeforms on this earth. Contact Greys for Green at contactus@greysforgreen.org or on social media.

Alliston Food Bank launches Seniors' Fresh Meal Pilot Program with local high school

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Alliston Food Bank has launched a new program in partnership with a local high school.

The Seniors' Fresh Meal Pilot Program, in partnership with Banting Memorial High School, got underway on Thursday, Feb. 26. The program will provide fresh, nutritious meals prepared with care to single seniors age 55 and over in the community.

Meals will be picked up during the food bank's regular client shopping hours. This

will ensure a seamless, respectful and dignified experience for those who qualify.

The program was created with one goal in mind – to support seniors with dignity, help maintain independence, and ensure they have access to healthy, balanced meals.

With rising grocery prices and an increased cost of living, the Food Bank recognizes that many seniors are feeling the pressure of higher prices on a fixed income.

"We want them to know they are not alone," the Alliston Food Bank stated. "Each meal represents more than just food. It represents compassion, community, and care.

Together, we are supporting dignity, supporting independence, and supporting our community."

Local high school students will be involved in the program.

"We are so grateful to Banting Memorial High School and our incredible supporters who make programs like this possible," the Alliston Food Bank added.

You can help support this pilot program by making a donation.

Donations can be made online at canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-good-shepherd-food-bank-of-alliston/.



NEW PROGRAM – The Alliston Food Bank recently launched the Seniors' Fresh Meal Pilot Program to serve single seniors over 55.

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Coldest Night of the Year walk raises nearly \$88,000 for S.H.I.F.T

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Coldest Night of the Year walk, hosted by S.H.I.F.T., took place in Alliston on Friday, Feb. 28, beginning at Alliston Memorial Arena and winding through the streets of town.

Held at locations across the country, the Coldest Night of the Year is a fun, family-friendly fundraising walk in support of local charity partners who provide essential care and service for people experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger.

The walk is held in February to remind people what it's like for a person experiencing homelessness to be out in the cold during the winter months.

In Alliston, 245 people from 44 teams, supported by 58 volunteers, met at the Arena before bundling up and heading out for the walk, led by Rory McKinnon and his bagpipes.

S.H.I.F.T. executive director Jenifer Pergen-tile thanked the supporters and sponsors who made the walk possible.

She started her welcome by quoting anthropologist Margaret Mead.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens, can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has," Jenifer said.

She continued, "Every little bit counts, and everything you've done to be here today helps us, and helps the people we serve here in South Simcoe to make a change."

S.H.I.F.T. was founded in 2017, with the goal of addressing urgent, unmet needs for people who are homeless or at-risk, as well as people facing food insecurity.

"We operate a daytime drop-in centre and a homeless shelter here in Alliston," Pergen-tile explained. "It's an emergency shelter for those who have no alternatives. We have an outreach team who are out in all of South Simcoe supporting those who are living precariously and experiencing homelessness and the challenges that are related to poverty."

S.H.I.F.T. helped over 700 individuals in 2025 with over 20,000 interactions and provided 2,500 nights of safety in their shelter. In addition, they help individuals find housing.

As of press time, \$87,815 had been raised toward a final goal of \$100,000.



MARCHING OUT – The Coldest Night of the Year walk in support of S.H.I.F.T. took place in Alliston on Saturday, Feb. 28. Teams and individuals numbering around 245 met at Alliston Memorial Arena before heading out along a route through town. As of press time, \$87,815 had been raised toward a final goal of \$100,000. **BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO**



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Arts & Local Events

Hats, Heels, and High Tea fundraiser to benefit local women's shelter

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Dr. Michael Corradini, a veterinarian in NMy Sister's Place in Alliston will host its annual Hats, Heels, and High Tea fundraiser to not only raise funds but also recognize International Women's Day.

The event will be held at the Club at Bond Head on Saturday, March 7.

International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8 of each year.

My Sister's Place helps women in transition by providing shelter and other necessary support.

The High Tea event gives women a chance to enjoy a social afternoon and learn more about My Sister's Place's efforts.

This year, former Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne will be a guest speaker.

"This is our biggest fundraiser of the year," explained Cindy Curry, My Sister's Place fundraising coordinator. "We have to raise over \$300,000 each year with our fundraising efforts, so this is an important day for us. This is our signature event of the year. The funds raised at this event all go directly to the shelter, both in-shelter services and our outreach programs. We also create some awareness about International Women's

Day. We have Kathleen coming to speak this year."

My Sister's Place, as well as other women's shelters across the province, play an important role in helping women who are in transition for a variety of reasons.

"Our Sister's Place is there for women and children who are suffering the consequences of violence and abuse," Ms. Curry explained. "We help them find housing and we help them with legal advocacy. A lot of our in-shelter and outreach services are counselling based. We can hook them up with other organizations in the communities we serve. We serve all of South Simcoe, so

we hook them up with other agencies that can help them with education, employment, and whatever they need to sort of help them get back on their own feet and set them up for success."

The High Tea is a luncheon featuring sandwiches, sweets, tea, of course, a silent auction, a photo booth, and live music.

The event has become so popular that this year's event has already sold out.

In keeping with the International Women's Day theme, the event will also feature displays highlighting famous women in various roles who have helped shape our society.



FARMING FINDINGS – The AgKnowledge Forum, hosted by Nottawasaga Futures, brought together local farmers and those with an interest in agriculture-related businesses. The event was held at the Gibson Centre in Alliston on Friday, Feb. 27. The morning session featured a forum with guest speakers who shared their industry experience. During the afternoon, there was a vendor's market with a wide variety of agriculture-related products. **BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTOS**



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TASTY TREASURE – The Truffle Girl, Cassie Tavares, brought her delicious home-made truffles to the event. **BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO**

Seniors' care and housing options expanded at Simcoe Village Campus

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Progress continues at the County of Simcoe's redevelopment of Simcoe Village Campus in Beeton, with several new enhancements now incorporated into the project.

Enhancements were approved by county Council.

This will significantly elevate the resident experience, strengthen care options, and create new opportunities for connection.

As construction continues, the project is taking shape as a modern, purpose-built community designed to support seniors with dignity, independence, and high-quality services.

One key enhancement is the addition of a dedicated Memory Care Unit within the Co-Housing building. This unit was originally planned for Simcoe Residences, but it has been relocated to Simcoe Lodge.

Simcoe Lodge offers a co-housing model that helps older adults maintain independence in their own suites while enjoying shared living, cooking, and relaxation spaces.

Placing Memory Care in this setting increases capacity from six to nine residents and provides a safer, more comfortable environment.

The layout offers easier access to secure outdoor areas and creates a warm, home-like

atmosphere that supports residents' daily routines and well-being.

This change also allows the Simcoe Residences Retirement Home to add five additional suites, giving older adults more choice in where they wish to live, while strengthening the long-term financial sustainability of the Simcoe Village Campus.

Two guest suites will remain available in the Retirement Home building for visiting family members or students.

Council also approved a covered parking structure, offering 20 premium spaces for residents who prefer this added convenience and protection from the weather.

"Simcoe Village represents one of the most significant investments in seniors' living in our region's history," said Simcoe County Warden Basil Clarke. "These enhancements reflect our commitment to creating a campus of care that supports residents at every stage of aging, while offering families peace of mind and a community they can trust."

Construction continues across the entire campus, including the Simcoe Manor Long-Term Care Home, Bee's Landing Village Centre, Simcoe Meadows, Simcoe Terraces, Simcoe Residences, and the Simcoe Suites life-lease and market-rental apartments.

With the first phase targeting completion in early 2027, the next phase, featuring Garden



INVESTING IN SENIOR CARE – The Simcoe Village project is on schedule with several new enhancements incorporated into the development. County of Simcoe Council approved several new ideas that will be incorporated into the project. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Homes, Town Homes, and the Memory Care Co-Housing building, is scheduled to begin in spring 2026 and wrap up by mid-2027.

"With construction progressing and key design improvements now in place, the vision for Simcoe Village is becoming a reality," said Jane Sinclair, the county's general manager of health and emergency services. "The enhancements, combined with improved

accessibility features, will have a lasting impact on the quality of life for residents now and in the future. We are grateful for the continued leadership of county Council, along with the support from community members and partners who share in this vision."

To learn more about this project, visit online at simcoe.ca/SimcoeVillageRedevelopment.

Anti-bullying Awareness: Simcoe County schools 'sprinkled with kindness' on Pink Shirt Day

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Each year, students and staff throughout the Simcoe County District School Board observe Pink Shirt Day.

This is a day that promotes anti-bullying awareness and encourages kindness and inclusivity within schools.

This year, Pink Shirt Day was held on Feb. 25, with the theme 'Sprinkle Kindness.'

Students and staff were encouraged to wear pink and to participate in a variety of school-based activities focused on inclusiveness, respect, and belonging.

The SCDSB recognizes that all members of the school community have the right to be safe and to feel safe. In the SCDSB, Pink Shirt Day is part of a larger effort to cultivate kindness, address bullying in all forms, and empower students to support one another.

The SCDSB shared the results of a recent School Climate Survey conducted in fall 2025.

In that survey, 84 per cent of students in Grades 4 to 12 participated, indicating positive increases in school safety, belonging, and engagement at the elementary and sec-

ondary levels.

The SCDSB says it will continue to work to provide learning opportunities and activities that support the growth of positive school climates, creating a culture of belonging, engagement, and success for all.

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Practical ways to support women in everyday life

(WC) ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CHALLENGES DON'T AFFECT everyone equally, and women often feel the biggest impact. While these realities are rooted in long-standing systems, progress happens when people take action—big or small. Here are some ways you can help create change:

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Women's health isn't just about what we can see. It also includes everyday realities that often go unnoticed. For instance, did you know that, in Canada, about one in six people who menstruate struggle to afford period products? It's a phenomenon called period poverty, and it's a lived reality for many women, who have to choose between paying for period products or other necessities like rent or groceries.

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How can you play your part? For many people, the challenge isn't a lack of good intentions, it's uncertainty about where to start. Topics that are still surrounded by stigma, like periods, can feel unfamiliar simply because we haven't been encouraged to talk about them openly. Building comfort and confidence through education is a meaningful first step. Organizations like The Period Purse offer free workshops and practical resources that help reduce period stigma and support the creation of shame-free spaces.

The issues affecting women's health are complex and deeply connected to broader social and economic systems, and they won't be solved overnight. But small, intentional actions can add up to real change over time. Learn more about how to support women's health at theperiodpurse.com.

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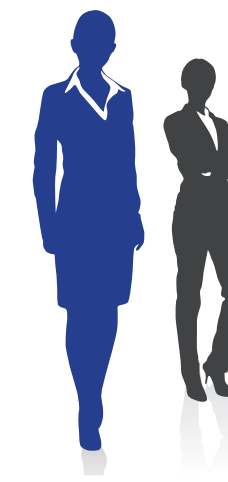


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Rhonda is deeply committed to creating opportunities for others, building a positive workplace culture and supporting the professional growth of her team. She believes that when people feel valued, supported and empowered, they deliver their best work and that commitment shows in every home her team cleans. This people-first mindset is at the heart of everything she does.

Born and raised in Simcoe County, Rhonda understands the importance of community and takes pride in supporting local families and businesses. Under her leadership, MOLLY MAID Barrie is known for its professionalism, personalized service and strong values. Rhonda's hands-on leadership style and belief in empowering her team continue to fuel her success and inspire those around her.

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BUSINESS



Megan Di Matteo, RN - Enalia Beauty Bar

RAISED HERE IN SIMCOE COUNTY, I grew up valuing community, connection, and care—principles that guided my path into nursing. After graduating from the Registered Nursing Program in 2004, I moved to Toronto in pursuit of opportunity, believing my future would always be at the bedside. Across Ontario and Alberta, I built a career rooted in compassion, trust, and clinical excellence.

In 2020, I stepped beyond the hospital walls and took a bold leap into entrepreneurship, building Enalia Beauty Bar. Aesthetic medicine has allowed me to blend clinical expertise with creativity and autonomy, reimagining patient-centered care by slowing down, listening with intention, and empowering clients to elevate not only their skin, but their confidence.

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Now celebrating 15 years in business, she has grown The Beach House into a trusted destination for skincare, self care, and wellness in the community. Known for her warm approach and commitment to helping guests feel both confident and cared for, Alisha leads a passionate team dedicated to creating meaningful experiences for every client.

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New Tecumseth WOMEN *in* BUSINESS



Canadian entrepreneurship growing among women Federal strategy helping to close the gap

By Sam Odrowski

Canadian women have taken the business world by storm over the last 50 years, more than doubling the number of female-owned businesses.

While women owned less than 10 per cent of Canadian businesses in the mid-1970s, they now own roughly 20 per cent of all private-sector businesses in Canada today.

However, greater advocacy is needed to achieve true gender parity in the business world. Male ownership accounts for the remaining, approximately 80 per cent, of businesses, and women face systemic challenges when pursuing entrepreneurship.

To help close the gap, the Government of Canada launched the Women Entrepreneurship Strategy (WES) in 2018, a nearly \$7 billion initiative that offers a variety of supportive programs.

“Studies show that advancing gender equality and women’s participation in the economy can add billions in GDP. Since creating Canada’s first-ever Women Entrepreneurship Strategy, our government has helped hundreds of thousands of women start new businesses, grow their existing businesses and expand into global markets. Investing in women entrepreneurs isn’t just the right thing to do; it’s an economic imperative and a smart strategy for a thriving future,” said Rechie Valdez, Minister of Small Business.

One challenge that women face when starting a business is access to financing. To address this, the WES Inclusive

Women Venture Capital Initiative is helping to create a more equitable venture capital environment. The initiative funds projects that “strengthen and build a more inclusive venture capital environment for Canadian women,” according to the Government of Canada.

Another key support to address funding challenges is the WES’s Women Entrepreneurship Loan Fund, which provides loans of up to \$50,000 to female entrepreneurs and business owners.

The WES Ecosystem Fund helps strengthen the entrepreneurship ecosystem’s capacity and provides the resources women entrepreneurs need to launch or grow a business.

The WES’s Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub provides a one-stop source of knowledge, data and best practices for female entrepreneurs. The hub is a collaboration between 10 regional hubs, more than 250 organizations and thousands of women entrepreneurs.

To date, over 400,000 women have been supported through the WES strategy.

“Women-owned businesses are not only driving economic growth through job creation but also bringing in higher revenues year over year, generating over \$90 billion in sales revenue across Canada, and accounting for more than 865,000 jobs,” said Wendy Cukier, Professor of Entrepreneurship and Strategy at Toronto Metropolitan University.

“There are also multiplier effects of SMEs, including those owned by women, across sectors and communities. And

women are more likely to contribute to sustainable development goals. There is a surge in women-founded companies across sectors from technology and finance to health care and consumer goods, attracting significant investment and market attention. As we move into challenging times, we need to ensure women entrepreneurs are central to strategies for resilience and self-sufficiency.”



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SPORTS

NEW TECUMSETH TIMES

Hornets win first round with four-game sweep over Huntsville

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Alliston Hornets are leading 2-0 in the North Carruthers Division after a four-game sweep over the Huntsville Otters in their quarter-final series.

Game 1 of the series got underway on Feb. 20 in Alliston and ended with a 6-1 win.

It was an 8-3 Alliston win in Game 2 on Feb. 22, in Huntsville.

The series returned to Alliston for Game 3 on Friday, Feb. 20.

In that game, the Hornets took a two-goal lead in the first period on two goals from Gunner Kirk.

The Hornets took command of the game in the second period and scored four times before the Otters could respond.

Alliston's goals came from Nick Lamont, Duncan Grube, David Harvey, and Ben Taylor.

There was no scoring in the third period, and the Hornets left the ice with a 6-1 win and a 3-0 lead in the series.

The series went to Huntsville for Game 4 on Sunday afternoon, March 1.

Huntsville opened the scoring in the first period and got the only goal in the first frame.

Alliston returned fire in the second, with Will Hopcraft tying it up at 1:59 into the period, followed by a goal from Duncan Grube.

The Otters fought back, scoring at 9:23 into the period to tie the game.

Alliston's Noah Larmon scored at the midway mark to give the Hornets a 3-2 lead with one period remaining.

Huntsville tied the game at three with a late goal at 16:24 into the third period.



QUARTER-FINAL ACTION – The Alliston Hornets take on the Huntsville Otters in Game 3 of their best-of-seven Carruthers Division quarter-final on the ice at the New Tecumseth Recreation Centre on Friday, Feb. 27. The Hornets won the game 6-1, then ended the series with a win in Game 4 on Sunday, Mar. 1. Alliston forward David Harvey takes a shot on net during the second period of Friday's game.

BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

Larmon got his second of the night with 2:05 left on the clock to put the Hornets back in the lead.

A final from Gunner Kirk with 39 seconds remaining in the game gave the Hornets a 5-3 win and the right to advance to the next round.

In the other North Carruthers Division quarter-final series, the Stayner Siskins dispatched the Innisfil Spartans in four games.

The Orillia Terriers have advanced after knocking out the Muskoka Bears in four games.

The Penetang Kings are leading the Midland Flyers 3-2 in their series. Game six of that series was played on Tuesday, Mar. 3, with results not available at press time.

The Hornets will now go on to play the Orillia Terriers in their best-of-seven semi-final

round. This will be an exciting series between two skilled, talented teams, as well as a bit of a grudge match.

The Terriers stole the division title from the Hornets last season after winning the final series in a huge upset.

The schedule for the semi-finals has not yet been announced.

Local athletes find success at 56th annual Free Throw District Championships in Alliston

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Knights of Columbus held their 56th annual Free Throw District Championships at Holy Family School in Alliston on Saturday, Feb. 14.

Competitors previously won free-throw competitions at the local level to qualify for the championship.

The qualifier in Alliston was held on Jan. 24, with local elementary and high school students competing to see who could make the most hoops.

The winners moved on to the District Championship to compete against kids from Orangeville and Bolton.

At the District Championships, 10 players won their age-group competitions.

Michael Murad, 17, from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School in Tottenham, scored the highest free-throw percentage in the competition. He sank 21 of 25 free throws from the line for an 84 per cent success rate.

Isaiah Manuel, of St. Thomas Aquinas, won his division, shooting 20 for 25.

Winners of the District Championship:

Girls

- Age group: 10 - Amanda Cruz, Tottenham, F.X. O'Reilly
- Age group: 14 - Eva Williamson, Alliston, Banting Memorial
- Age group: 16 - Miranda Morrison, Alliston, St. Thomas Aquinas

Boys

- Age group: 9 - Bentley Butler, Essa Baxter Central
- Age group: 12 Alessio Raimondo, Tottenham, Monsignor Ronan
- Age group: 13 Tomas Carrier, Alliston, St. Paul's
- Age group: 14 Isaiah Manuel, Alliston, St. Thomas Aquinas
- Age group: 15 Dashaun Marcelin, Alliston, St. Thomas Aquinas
- Age group: 16 Landon Cuddy, Alliston, Banting Memorial
- Age group: 17 Michael Murad, Tottenham, St. Thomas Aquinas

The District Championship winners will advance to the Regional Finals to be held at St. Basil the Great Catholic High School in Toronto on March 28.



SINKING SHOTS– The Knights of Columbus hosted the 56th annual Free Throw District Championships at Holy Family School in Alliston on Saturday, Feb. 14. Ten participants won their age group and will move on to the next level of competition. Isaiah Manuel gets ready to shoot while Michael Murad watches the competition. Both boys went on to win their age group.

BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

Canadian Show Jumping Team places third in FEI Nations' Cup

BY MARK PAVILONS

The Canadian Show Jumping Team finished third in the \$150,000 FEI Nations' Cup, presented by Florida Coast Equipment, Feb. 28, during the CSIO4* Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington, FL.

The four-member team saw Erynn Ballard, Chris Pratt, Kyle Timm, and Nicole Walker take on seven other countries in the annual battle of nations. At the end of the first round, Canada was sitting third on a score of four faults behind Ireland and the United States, who were tied on zero faults. The all-deciding second round saw no change to the top three, with the United States claiming a home side victory with a clear scoresheet, followed by Ireland in second with four faults and Canada in third with nine faults.

Tottenham's Ballard, who made her Olympic debut last year in Paris, was the lead-off rider for the Canadian team, riding Her Game Ball BG for owner Mary Francis Looke. She opened with a clear round and used her considerable talent in the saddle to follow up with a single rail in the second, plus one time fault for exceeding the time allowed set by co-course designers Nick Granat and Steve Stephens.

Aurora's Walker was next in the International Arena for Canada, riding Panter JVH,

her 11-year-old bay Belgian Warmblood stallion (Le Blue Diamond Van't Ruyters x Toulon). The pair incurred eight faults in both rounds, which would eventually be dropped when the best three scores were counted.

Pratt was next in the rotation for Canada riding Ideaal ES for owner Take The High Road, LLC. The pair produced the only double clear performance for Canada, helping to secure a podium finish.

"I'm really happy with Ideaal's performance tonight," said Pratt of the 13-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Ukato x Conway). "I thought he jumped even better in the second round than he did in the first round. He was a little looser and more relaxed in the second round. He felt confident and certainly made my job easier. I'm equally as happy for Karen Long-Dwight and Glen Fleischer, the owners of Ideaal. They are great supporters, really love the horses, and do it for the right reasons. They were ecstatic."

Timm, originally from Calgary, AB, rode in the anchor position with Glamour du Chanu, a 10-year-old bay Selle Français gelding (l'Arc de Triomphe x Papillon Rouge) owned by Haras des Fourches and Rein Family LLC. The pair had the 'b' element of the triple combination down in both rounds to incur four faults.



RIDING TO THIRD – Erynn Ballard and Her Game Ball BG, owned by Mary Francis Looke. STARTING GATE COMMUNICATIONS PHOTO

"It was a podium finish for our team tonight and I'm very, very proud of them," said 10-time Olympian Ian Millar, who stepped into the role of Canadian Show Jumping Team chef équipe in 2023. "I'm working backwards from the Olympic Games in 2028. That seems like a long-term goal but that's what I'm doing because we have the Pan American Games in 2027 and,

this year, we have the World Championships in Aachen, Germany. Everything we do with our teams through the next three years has a purpose and there is a plan. Tonight was about giving several horse-rider combinations a shot. They have to get in there and do it and we've got to see what they're made of. They stepped up to the plate very well tonight. I'm very proud of this team."



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Four arrested after Essa Township armed robbery investigation

The Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police has arrested four individuals as a result of an ongoing investigation into a robbery in Essa.

Police arrived at multiple residential addresses over multiple jurisdictions on Thursday, Feb. 19, 2026, to execute search warrants relating to a previous armed robbery at a retail

establishment in Alliston in May 2026.

As a result of the investigation, four individuals were arrested.

Joseph Lee, 19, of Mississauga, has been charged with Conspiracy to Commit an Indictable Offence.

Luke Grant, 19, of Etobicoke, has been charged with Conspiracy to Commit Indict-

able Offence.

A 17-year-old from Ajax has been charged with:

- Robbery with a Weapon
- Conspiracy to Commit Indictable Offence

A 17-year-old from Toronto has been charged with:

- Robbery with a Weapon

• Conspiracy to Commit Indictable Offence

Due to the ages of two of the accused parties, their names will not be released under the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

All four accused were held for a bail hearing on Feb. 19, 2026, and currently remain in custody. None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

Impaired driving charge laid against New Tecumseth man who drove vehicle into ditch

Nottawasaga Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers have charged one individual with impaired driving following a single vehicle collision.

On Sunday, March 1, shortly after 9 p.m., Nottawasaga OPP officers received a call for service regarding a single motor vehicle in the

ditch. The vehicle had come to a stop on the driver's side, trapping the driver inside. The driver had been helped out of the vehicle and had not sustained injuries. Officers arrived on scene and detected an odour of an alcoholic beverage and began an impaired investigation.

As a result of the investigation, officers

arrested the driver for impaired operation.

The driver, Brett Babony, 33, of New Tecumseth, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs
- Failure or refusal to comply with demand

The accused party was released on a Form

10 Undertaking with a future court date at the Ontario Court of Justice in Bradford to answer to the charges. The accused's drivers' licence was suspended for 90 days and had their vehicle impounded for seven days.

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

OPP encourages residents to remain vigilant as CRA scams increase throughout tax season

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

As Canadians begin preparing their 2026 income tax returns, the Ontario Provincial Police are reminding the public to stay vigilant against Canada Revenue Agency impersonation scams.

This includes phishing emails and text messages designed to steal personal and financial information.

According to the Canada Revenue Agency,

scammers frequently impersonate CRA employees and may contact victims by phone, email, text message, or through fake websites that appear official.

The CRA confirms that it will never send refunds by e-transfer for text message, request personal or financial information by email or voicemail, or pressure you to click links to receive benefits or avoid penalties.

The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre continues to receive high volumes of reports involving tax-related fraud. It notes that fraudsters

increasingly use phishing messages, spoofed caller ID numbers, and official-looking CRA branding to trick victims into sharing sensitive information.

The CAFC stresses that it does not contact individuals to request money or personal information, and encourages all Canadians to report suspicious activity.

There are several common tactics used in CRA scams.

Residents should be cautious if they receive:

Emails or text messages with links urging you to 'claim your refund,' 'update your tax account,' or avoid account suspension.' Scammers often use threats or promises of refunds to pressure victims into clicking fraudulent links.

Phone calls demanding immediate payment or threatening arrest, deportation, or legal action are used to intimidate victims. The CRA states it will never threaten arrest

or use aggressive language.

Fake websites imitating CRA long pages, often using unusual domain endings or extra characters, are used to dupe victims. Official CRA sites always start with canada.ca or end in .gc.ca.

You may be dealing with a scam if someone sends you a link and asks you to click it, or requests personal details such as your SIN, banking information, or passport number.

Be aware if someone asks for payment by cryptocurrency, gift cards, or e-transfer. CAA does not accept these transactions.

If you are unsure if you are being scammed, hang up, delete the message, and contact CRA yourself.

If you believe you have been targeted by a CRA-related scam, whether or not you shared personal information, you are urged to report the matter.

Reporting helps law enforcement identify patterns and prevent further victimization.

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Driver arrested after fleeing from officers in Bradford

Officers from the South Simcoe Police Service were conducting proactive patrol in the area of Stevenson Crescent in Bradford West Gwillimbury when they observed a grey Volkswagen parked on the roadway with its engine running.

Officers observed this on March 2, at approximately 3:45 a.m., and as they approached the vehicle, the driver fled at a high rate of speed, driving erratically and failing to stop at two posted stop signs.

Shortly after, officers located the vehicle in the driveway of a residence on Colborne Street. Police discovered an open container of alcohol inside the vehicle, and subsequently the driver was arrested.

As a result of the investigation, a 28-year-

old male from Bradford, Ontario was charged with the following offences:

- Fail to Stop at a Stop Sign – HTA 136(1)(a)
- Careless Driving – HTA 130(4)
- Fail to Surrender Permit for Motor Vehicle – HTA 7(5)(a)
- Open Liquor in Motor Vehicle – LLCA 42(1)(a)
- Fail to surrender insurance card – CAIA 3(1)

The accused driver's licence has been suspended, and his vehicle impounded.

He is scheduled to appear in court on April 16, 2026.

None of the listed charges have been proven in court.

New Tecumseth veterinarian honoured with 2026 Award of Merit

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

Dr. Michael Corradini, a veterinarian in New Tecumseth, has received the 2026 Award of Merit from the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA).

The award recognizes a veterinarian who has demonstrated exemplary public service and has made extraordinary contributions to the veterinary profession.

The award was presented at the OVMA Conference and Trade Show in Toronto.

Dr. Corradini founded Simcoe Veterinary Associates, comprising of three clinics, in 1985.

Currently, he operates clinics in Tottenham and Bradford.

He was one of the first veterinarians in Ontario to offer soft tissue ultrasonography for both horses and small animals.

A respected clinician, Dr. Corradini holds multiple certifications in ultrasonography and

has made significant contributions to advancing equine veterinary care. He is sought after by both equine and canine athlete owners for diagnosis and treatment of sports-related injuries.

Dr. Corradini developed a love for animals at an early age and moved to a rural property at age 11 where he had a special interest in horses.

"We lived in the city, right downtown, and moved to this farm land, specifically to have a horse," Dr. Corradini explained. "I've always had an interest in and a love of horses."

This love of horses led him to become involved with local horse racing tracks as a teenager, where he started out as a 'hot walker' and later learned more about horses and the horse racing industry.

"This award means a lot to me because it's awarded by your peers," Dr. Corradini said. "These are people who know what you do and what you go through, so that is very rewarding to me. I really enjoy what I do.

An enthusiastic volunteer, Dr. Corradini has held numerous leadership roles in the profession.

He is a past president and distinguished life member of the Ontario Association of Equine Practitioners, and he has served on multiple university and association boards. He was the Canadian representative on the board of the American Association of Equine Practitioners.

Dr. Corradini also served as OVMA president and has chaired several committees and task forces.

He has been involved in equine research at the University of Guelph and has worked with the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association and the Ontario Agricultural Science Research Committee, securing funding for equine research.

Dr. Corradini has mentored and trained many co-op students, veterinary externship students and associated veterinarians, supporting the next generation in the profession.



RECOGNIZING CONTRIBUTIONS – Local veterinarian, Dr. Michael Corradini, has received the 2026 Award of Merit from the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association for extraordinary contributions to the veterinary profession. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Expression of Interest issued by New Tecumseth for proposed Trades & Technology Training Centre

BY BRIAN LOCKHART
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of New Tecumseth is taking an important step toward strengthening the local workforce by issuing an Expression of Interest (EOI) for a proposed Trades & Technology Training Centre in the community.

At its meeting on Feb. 23, town council approved the release of the EOI to invite accredited post-secondary institutions to propose partnership opportunities to develop or co-develop and deliver skilled trades and technology training in a local setting.

The EOI is intended to identify institutions with the capacity, interest, and vision to work collaboratively with the Town of

New Tecumseth, Simcoe County, and industry partners to help meet the region's growing workforce demands.

The proposed training centre would support the town's long-term economic development goals while addressing skilled trades shortages across manufacturing, automotive, construction, and emerging trades.

Through the EOI, institutions are asked to outline potential program models, partnership approaches, facility requirements, and implementation plans aligned with local and regional labour market needs.

"This is the first time the Town of New Tecumseth is formally exploring a post-secondary partnership for a Trades and Technology Training Centre," said New Tecumseth Mayor Richard Norcross.

"Across Canada, skilled trades shortages

are affecting employers at every level, and those pressures are being felt right here in our community."

He added, "By launching this Expression of Interest, we are taking a proactive step to build strong local talent pipelines and position New Tecumseth as a regional leader in skilled trades training."

In 2025, town staff met with six post-secondary institutions, alongside an industry partner, to better understand skilled trades programming and assess early interest in a training centre in New Tecumseth. These site visits helped inform the town's approach and provided insight into successful training models, while respecting the confidentiality of institutions and industry partners involved in early discussions.

The EOI will formally launch on March

2, 2026, and is open to any accredited post-secondary institution.

No site has yet been selected.

Subject to future funding approvals, the town plans to undertake a feasibility study following the EPO process to assess labour market demand, infrastructure requirements, community readiness, and potential locations.

"We want our young people to see a future for themselves right here. A local trades school would open doors to meaningful careers while keeping talent, skills, and opportunity in our community," said Mayor Norcross.

Findings from the study will help inform program design, capacity, and next steps toward implementation.



OBITUARIES

FOREVER IN OUR *Hearts*

Joan (Platt) Colwell

Family and friends are mourning the passing of Joan (Platt) Colwell on February 22, 2026.

Joan was born in Toronto in April 1939 and moved to Beeton at the age of 10.

Joan was a dedicated teacher for 40 years, starting in a one room school house at the age of 19, teaching all eight grades. She continued her career in Beeton, Lloydtown, Schomberg and the final few decades at Kettleby Public School teaching Grade 1.

Her greatest joy was teaching her students to read and she took the greatest pride in the success of her phonics program. She loved to run into her former students in her travels.

Joan was an avid ball player throughout her youth and adulthood, making many friends over the years. In the early 1960s her Beeton team, part of the York Simcoe Softball League were champions and finalists several years, a time she fondly remembered and reminisced about to her grandchildren. In recent years she was a dedicated Blue Jays fan.

Joan was a proud member of the Georgian Bay Steam Club for many years, serving as secretary for several. She remained a proud owner of an Ontario wind and pump gas engine.

Joan loved going to auction sales. She enjoyed many hobbies in her retirement (1998) including golfing, bowling, walking, reading, embroidery and scrapbooking. She made a scrapbook for each grandchild.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband Jack (2023) to whom she was married for over 60 years. She is lovingly remembered by son John (Sheryl), daughter Janis, and her grandchildren Dale (Victoria), Dylan, Andrew (Jaimey), Connor and Paige.

A private family gravesite service will be held at a later date.



BELL, Peter Harold

April 20, 1941 – February 13, 2026

Peter, born on April 20, 1941, in Brampton, grew up in Cataract. After just six weeks of high school, he decided that was enough and embarked on his career as an entrepreneur, exploring many options in his earlier years.

Peter sold and delivered baled shavings and hay from South River before he was even 16 years old. He hauled blocks for Peel Block, bought and sold cedar rail posts from Manitoulin Island, trucked potatoes from Alliston and hauled equipment for many from all over.

In 1968, Peter married Marjorie (née Gray), who passed away in 2009. Peter and Marjorie had two sons, Craig (D-2013) and Darryl and blended their family with sons Gary, Brent (D-2021), Paul, and Mark.

Peter purchased 100 acres in Mono Township, five miles north of Orangeville on Highway 10 in 1966 and from there he began buying and selling farm and industrial equipment, which he continued to this day.

Peter possessed a sharp mind for numbers and a keen eye for a good deal. He frequented equipment auctions and sales across the province, never missing a Saturday auction and amassing a unique collection of goods. He was known for his hard bargaining skills and unwavering commitment to his prices.

Peter also provided valuable financial solutions as a private lender to many when traditional banks were not an option, helping to make homeownership a reality.

Peter was old fashioned and still enjoyed reading newspapers from all over and listening to radio broadcasts for the latest news and weather updates. Peter didn't mind driving many miles to pick up the papers from small communities and stopping to check out potential deals and tend to his many properties along the way. He was fond of drinking strong beer and had a wicked sweet tooth for chocolate milk and Chapman's ice cream.

He will be deeply missed and remembered by his numerous associates across the province, friends, neighbours, and family.

Peter is survived by his son Darryl (Coralee), daughter-in-law Debbie (Craig, predeceased), and stepsons Gary (Bettina), Paul (Patty), and Mark as well as grandchildren Jeffrey, Amy, Adam (Jayda), Tyler, Tonya, Sean (Melissa), Dustin, Rio (Kaleigh) and Carter, and eight great-grandchildren.

Peter was the son of Harold Thomas (D-1981) and Doris (née Moore) (D-1961) Bell, brother of Diana (D-2018).

The family would like to thank the nurses of E Wing at Headwaters Health Care Centre, and Dr. Akula for their compassionate care in the last few weeks of Peter's life.

As expressions of sympathy donations to Bethell House Hospice or Matthews House Hospice would be appreciated.

A Celebration of Peter's Life will be held at In Memoriam Funeral Services Inc. (28 Main St N, Grand Valley), on Saturday, March 14, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Brock's Banter: Change you can set your watch to

This springing-forward is a bit of a mixed bag for me. While I'm one of those perhaps annoying people who sees the bonus hour as an opportunity, this season's time switch is getting me an hour closer to orthopaedic surgery for which I have been looking forward to for no less than 30 years!

That said, it's bringing me an hour closer to a not-until-you're-40 orthopedic surgery you've been looking forward to for no less than 30 years – and that's an hour that could be spent preparing, double-checking any checklists and, yes, even worrying!

The bright side? Come the fall, I'm certainly going to make the most of that lost hour when the powers-that-be return it to us!

But how much longer will we have to keep shuttling this single hour back and forth, regardless of its consequences to our physical, mental, and emotional health?

Our cousins in British Columbia have the right idea.

This week, everything aligned just right for our west-coasters to break the cycle of Daylight Savings Time and this Sunday's hour will be their last payment of 60 minutes without expecting a refund.

The switch in British Columbia is not without its critics, but what's of particular interest is they forged ahead with ditching the system on their own without waiting for the other jurisdictions, particularly Pacific Coast States, to get their acts together

and follow suit.

The desire to ditch the system is just as strong in Ontario, but we're constantly told we can't make the switch until Quebec and New York are also on board, largely for economic reasons. But while opposition to "the ditch" is minimal in all three areas, it seems the leadership of the same jurisdictions are still waiting to see who is going to blink first.

Who'd have thunk the first to blink was British Columbia?

"The provincial government under former premier John Horgan passed legislation in 2019 to switch to permanent daylight time, but did not set a date for the change as it waited to coordinate with its counterparts in Washington, Oregon, and

California," reported the Times Colonist on Monday. "Those states continue to do spring and autumn time changes. In the U.S., changing the system requires congressional approval.

"We waited, and we waited, and we waited," said [Premier David] Eby. 'I'm here to announce we're done waiting.' In a statement, the province said, 'recent actions from the U.S. have shifted how B.C. approaches decisions that merit alignment, including on time zones.'

The long-term impacts of British Columbia going it alone will be seen over time, but, from my perspective, it sure feels like a step in the right direction.

In fact, it just might be change you can set your watch to.

International Women's Day to be celebrated throughout the world on March 8

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women.

The day also calls for accelerating gender equality. It is time to celebrate the progress made in advancing women's rights and to highlight the ongoing efforts needed to ensure their full participation in all aspects of society.

International Women's Day has been around for over 100 years. It began in 1911 as a call to all those who care about gender equality.

The beginnings of International Women's Day can be traced back to the early 20th cen-

ture, when it emerged from labour movements in North America and Europe and reflected a growing call for women's equal participation in society.

The first International Women's Day rally took place on March 19, 1911, in Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland, when over one million people attended rallies to support women's rights to work, vote, hold public office, and live free of discrimination.

Other countries began observing and celebrating this day in the years that followed.

The United Nations recognized 1975 as International Women's Year and began cel-

ebrating March 8 as International Women's Day.

There are many ways you can be involved in International Women's Day and recognize the achievements of women across the globe.

You can take action to support gender equality in your everyday life. You can learn about inspiring Canadian women and the history of gender equality in Canada.

There will be events across the continent where you can get involved and show your support.

While women in Western countries have made great strides toward equality, the rest of

the world has not followed suit.

Right now, women have only 64 per cent of the legal rights that men hold worldwide.

In fundamental areas of life, including work, money, safety, family, property, mobility, business and retirement, the law systematically disadvantages women.

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International Women's Day celebrates the achievements of women; however, there is a long way to go in achieving equality for women globally.

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