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VETTEFEST 2010

This miniature version of the 2009 Corvette was displayed on the console of the full-size version.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Local gardens are now in their summer glory and it is time for the member of the Bayfield and Area Horticultural Society (BAHS) to celebrate their efforts with their annual Summer Potluck on July 19.

The evening is open to BAHS members and their invited guests. It will be held at the home of John and Kathleen Siertsema, 34541 Mill Road, starting at 6:30 p.m. Those who attend this rain or shine event should bring a dish to share as well as plates, cutlery and a lawn chair.

READING SERIES

The Village Bookshop is teaming up with their neighbors across the street, Forager Foods, for their next Mid-Summer Nights Reading on Aug. 1.

Alison Wearing, author of Honeymoon in Purdah and the creator of a one woman performance piece entitled, Giving into Light will be the featured guest.

LITTLE RED CORVETTE...AND BLUE AND YELLOW AND...

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

This 1967 Corvette Stingray, owned by Jim Bentley, of Goderich, drew many appreciative on-lookers

Nearly everywhere you looked in Bayfield this weekend a brightly colored, shiny, sports car would probably fall into your line of sight and although it was a great weekend to go cruising in a sports car more than likely your gaze would have fallen onto the Corvette variety. For it was Vettefest Weekend in Bayfield, July 9-10.

This 2005 Corvette, owned by Frank Desjardins, of Ambersburg, ON, features Gullwing doors.

Shanna and Madison Cardno, along with mother, Mary, all of Seaforth, enjoyed looking at the many corvettes on display in Clan Gregor Square on July 10.

Organizers were proud to note that numbers were up over last year's event with over 230 cars registering for the show held in Clan Gregor Square on Saturday and about 70 cars taking part in the Summer Cruise Night to Grand Bend on July 9.

SEWING TALENTS OF MANY TO BE DISPLAYED AT QUILT SHOW

She will share a reading, followed by a book signing, starting at 7:30 p.m. Live music starting at 7 p.m. and provided by Karen Morand will set the mood for the reading.

This free event will be held at Forager Foods on the corner of Main and Catherine Streets and space is limited so people are asked to call The Village Bookshop to reserve a seat, 519 565-5600.

The evening has been generously sponsored by the Matheson family.

UNITED CHURCH

Some Guys Who Live to Sing will be making a return visit to St. Andrew's United Church on July 25th when they will perform at the 11 a.m. service.

Long-time summer resident, Ray Wachhaus, is a member of this "barbershop-style" singing group comprised of retirees from the Essex County area.

CONCERT SERIES

Summer's here and so is the Bayfield Summer Concert Series.

On July 22, Six Shooter recording artist, Justin Rutledge, will take to the town hall stage, along with Andy McGuire. Tickets are available for $25 per person per show.

Headliner, Ron Sexsmith has been added to the summer concert schedule for an Aug. 12 performance. Tickets sold out in less than a week for this well- known artist as a result a second show on Aug. 13 has been added. Tickets are available now for $30 per person.

Tickets are available at the Black Dog Pub, Ernie King (Goderich) and at www.ticketscene.ca.

For all of these concerts the doors open at 8 p.m. with the concert to follow at 8:30 p.m.

The Bayfield Summer Concert Series is pleased to support Childhood Cancer Awareness. "Cure Childhood Cancer" silicone bracelets will be available for purchase at all of the concerts. Donations are greatly appreciated.

The concerts are being presented by Meades Bros. Productions and The Little Inn of Bayfield. Overnight packages are now available at The Little Inn; to learn more please call 1-800-565-1832.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The members of the congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church in Bayfield are extending an

The sewing talents of many people will be on display on July 16-17 at St. Andrew's United Church when the Sunshine Coast Quilters' Guild hosts a Quilt Show.

The show will be held on Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This is just one of the quilts that will be on display on July 16 and 17 at the Quilt Show sponsored by the Sunshine Coast Quilters Guild. The event will be held at St. Andrew's United Church (Submitted photo)

Quilts, wall hangings and even a jacket made from recycled materials will be on display. There will also be a merchant mall with vendors from Country Accents Quilt Shoppe, Thedford; Quilting Creations, Sarnia; The Quilt Shoppe, Sarnia; and Hyggeligt, London. A tea room serving lunch, coffee and goodies supplied by the St. Andrew's UCW will also be featured.

Carol Campbell models the jacket she made from plastic bags. The item will be on display as part of the Quilt Show to be held at St. Andrew's United Church on July 16 and 17. (Submitted photo)

At the end of the event a draw will be held on two quilts; people will have their last chance to purchase tickets on these works of art during the show. Admission to the Quilt Show is $2.

QUICK RESPONSE MINIMIZES DAMAGE TO HISTORIC MAIN STREET STRUCTURE

Main Street North in Bayfield was the scene of a fire call for the Bayfield Fire Department on the evening of July 7. (Photo by Dennis Pal) more on Flicker

The Bayfield Fire Department was called out shortly after 10:20 p.m. on July 7 to a fire at the rear of 8 Main Street North in Bayfield.

According to Bayfield Fire Chief, Ian Siertsema, "The quick response by the public in both calling 911 and the use of fire extinguishers helped to minimize the damage that may have further involved this historic structure."

The fire was quickly extinguished. Due to the unexplained nature of the call, OPP and in turn the Ontario Fire Marshal (OFM) were requested to attend the scene. Investigations by both the Bayfield Fire Department and the OFM have listed the cause as undetermined at this time.

invitation to the community to a magical musical evening.

Mary Smith, a well-known and talented vocalist from Goderich will be featured in a concert held at the church on July 25th starting at 7:30 p.m.

Smith's rich vocals and faultless phrasing will wrap listeners in a blanket of sound. She will be accompanied by pianist and songwriter Agnes-Marie Henderson.

Henderson's creative keyboard magic will make it difficult to believe that there is just one musician accompanying the vocalist.

Advanced tickets are available for $10 each. Call Ruth George at 519 565-2693 or leave a message at the church at 519 565-2913. Tickets will also be available at the door for $12 each.

FITNESS FUN

First there was pole walking and now the latest fitness craze to come to town is Pickleball.

The sport, which has been described as slower paced tennis, is played at the Middleton's Orchard tennis courts on Mondays and Tuesdays starting at 9 a.m. and on Wednesdays from 2-4 p.m.

And, of course, Pole Walking remains a popular part of many fitness regimes. If you are an early bird the Tuesday 8 a.m. sessions of Pole Walking may be perfect for you. There is also a Pole Walking session held on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. All groups depart from 6 Main Street. The session incorporates an hour of walking with an ending cool down stretch.

Anyone interested in Pickleball or new to Pole Walking can contact Pat Livingston at 519 565-2202 for more information.

Plus, exercise classes will continue through the summer months.

Dancefit and Toning classes are held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. The Sit and Get Fit Classes take place on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. Both classes are held in the Bayfield Community Centre.

ARCHIVES ROOM

The Bayfield Historic Walking Tour booklets are now available to guide both residents and visitors about our fair village.

The booklet, is based on notes of a Guided Walking Tour composed by Elaine Sturgeon, volunteer archivist from 2001-08. These notes were revised and expanded by Dianne Smith and produced by the

This photo of the firefighters was taken after the fire had been extinguished. The fire was at the rear of the building at 8 Main Street in Bayfield. (Photo by Dennis Pal)>more on Flicker

"The newly installed hydrants on Bayfield's Main Street were put to their first use and proved to be a great benefit," concluded Siertsema.

MERRIMAN DESIGNS AND CONSTRUCTS NEW LIONS' SIGN

Bayfield Lion Bob Merriman stands by the sign that he designed and created for the Bayfield Lions' Club to designate their building at 6 Municipal Road in the village. (Photo by Peter Westwood)

Due in large part to the dedicated efforts of a club member, the Bayfield Lions' Club has an exquisite new sign designating the Bayfield Lions Community Building at 6 Municipal Road in the village.

Club member, Bob Merriman, designed and constructed the new sign. The project was funded by the Bayfield Lions' Club.

It took Merriman more than a year and several hundred hours to make. The sign is made of specialist materials, from the lumber, to paint, epoxy resins and real gold leaf; all the lettering is hand carved, and the total weight of the sign, including the support legs, is close to 500 lbs.

The sign was installed using equipment supplied by Bill Steenstra, also a member of the Bayfield Lions' Club.

This was the first sign of its type that Merriman has made. He would like to thank Pete Payne, of Willow Lake Signs and Designs, for the advice he gave during various stages of construction.

According to his fellow Lions', Merriman has a natural artistic ability to produce various things and enjoys doing so in retirement. During his working career, he was in the military police for six years, followed by two years with the Toronto police and finally more than 32 years with London Police Services in London, ON.

ANTIQUE SHOW TO CELEBRATE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Bayfield Antique Show and Sale is now 25 years young!

In 1985, the event was first organized as the Bayfield Antique Fair and Sale. It was, and remains, a fundraiser for Trinity Anglican Church in Bayfield.

In 2010, the show will be held at the Bayfield Arena, Aug. 6-8.

The dealers, two of whom have come for all 25 years, love the show and bring beautiful antiques and collectibles, big and small, to suit every taste and pocketbook. The arena will be filled with an impressive array of quality antiques and collectibles including: Canadiana furniture, books, porcelain, ironstone, silver, estate and costume jewelry and antique toys.

The Gala Evening Opening Celebration is set for Friday from 7-9 p.m. This silvery sparkling evening includes refreshments from the village's fine local restaurants and music by Cactus Jam. Guests can meet the vendors, chat, browse, and buy a unique item for their collection. Tickets are $8 in advance and $10 at the door.

Bayfield Historical Society, Ralph Laviolette current volunteer archivist and Dave Gillians, historical society president. Its production was funded by memberships, donations and a grant from the Huron Heritage Fund.

The Historic Walking Tour booklets are now available for $5 each at the Bayfield Archives Room on Main Street or by calling 519 565-2454. The booklet is in a 5.5 X 8 inch format and includes a map at its centre. The booklet was created to compliment the Bayfield Historical Society guided walking tours that depart from the Bayfield Archives Room every Saturday morning at 10 a.m. during July and August.

DAY CAMP

Camp Kintail is now visiting Bayfield on Wednesdays.

Knox Presbyterian Church is partnering with Camp Kintail, the area Presbyterian Church camp, to offer a Christian based Day Camp every Wednesday at the church during July and August.

This Day Camp will run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It will be led by the very capable and well trained young adult staff of Camp Kintail who will provide the program and activities. The camp will be for children who have completed JK up to Grade 6. The children are welcome to attend all eight day camps or just one or two.

The camp will run from now until Aug. 25. It will be completely sponsored by Knox, Bayfield and will include snacks and lunch.

Outside games and nature activities plus Bible stories, songs and crafts will be part of the sessions.

For more information please call the church at 519 565-2913 and leave a message or call Rev. Susan Moore at 519 238-8272.

CHAP

Village residents may be surprised to learn that they don't have to drive to a larger centre for heart healthy care.

Blood pressure measurement and monitoring sessions are being held right here in Bayfield as part of the Cardiovascular Health Awareness Program (CHAP).

The goal of CHAP is to promote cardiovascular health in the local community and to raise awareness about the importance of blood pressure monitoring.

Trained volunteers will help participants measure their blood pressure and complete a heart and stroke risk profile. A copy of these results will be given to the participant and, with their permission, sent to their family physician and regular pharmacist.

The show will then run Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. During these times the church runs a café offering sandwiches, tea, coffee and delicious homemade sweets – so visitors never have to worry about going hungry while shopping. Admission for Saturday and Sunday is $5 per person.

All are invited to come and add some sparkle to the show's silver anniversary. For more information contact Janet Snider at 519 565-5549.

BEST TO KEEP DOGS ON LEASH WHEN USING WOODLAND TRAIL

Bo and Brigitte are a pair of Baudet Du Poitou donkeys that guard the horses at the farm of Pepi Van Biesbruick on David Street near which the Woodland Trail passes. (Submitted photo)

Individuals who take their dogs for a walk on the Woodland Trail are reminded by the Bayfield River Valley Trail Association that their pets should be kept on a leash, especially when walking near Pepi Van Biesbruick's farm on David Street.

Van Biesbruick's rare and valuable Baudet Du Poitou donkeys are bred to guard her horses from wolves and coyotes. They are very protective and there is concern that they will attack uncontrolled dogs which they see as a threat to their herd.

These powerful donkeys which originated in France are special. There are less than 500 purebreds in the world.

PIXILATED IMAGE OF THE WEEK

The sessions are run from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the third Thursday of every month, at Pharmasave Michael's Pharmacy.

To learn more please call local CHAP Coordinator, Kelly Webster, at 519-236-4373 ex 632.

BRIDGE CLUB

The Wednesday Evening Bridge Club would like to invite anyone with a penchant for card playing to attend their next meeting, July 21.

The decks will be shuffled starting at 7 p.m. at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building.

PIXILATED

Email your photo in Jpeg format to bayfield.breeze@villageofbayfield.com with the subject line Subscriber Photo of the Week.
or...Upload you photo to Flickr at

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I am looking for the Bayfield that is a delight to the eye – please share photos with a touch of whimsy, beauty, humor or a sense of fun. If you are to include people in your photos be sure to have their permission to publish their picture on-line and also send in their names and where they are from. And don't forget to tell me who took the photo for proper credit to be issued.

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ISSUE 52

There are countless photographs of people in the Bayfield Historical Society's Archives collection, but sadly their names were never recorded. In this section we will showcase an image with the hopes that one of our subscribers might be able to identify the individual(s) in the photo. Please email your information to the Editor's attention at the address listed near the bottom of the page in "Submissions" or you can email the archivist directly at bayarchives@tcc.on.ca

This week, we are attempting to discover who these folks, who for years rented a house on the corner of Louisa Street and Bayfield Terrace with nanny, Miss Carter, are. Anyone remember them?

Make your comments...click on any image and it will take you to Flickr.

Did you know that some of these advertisements are actual links to the business' website? We encourage you to click on the advertisements and see what these entrepreneurs have to offer

In Issue 52, a photo taken around 1900 of a gentleman mending his nets was featured. Anyone remember him?

ISSUE 53

In Issue 53, we saluted the start of summer vacation with a class photo taken for the year 1965-66 at the Bayfield School (now the Bayfield Lions' Municipal Building). Thanks to Carolyn Snell for submitting the photo and to Debbie (Pugh) Taylor who did her best to identify her classmates for us. Can anyone help with the missing ID?

BR l-r: Andy Sturgeon, Doug Beach, Danny McLeod, Marvin Merner, Jim Mackie, Blair Brandon, Kelvin Merner, Rick Penhale, Wayne Eckert, Richard Peterson, Stewart Turner, David Renner, David Beach, Peter McVean, Paul Payne, ? Heard, Jeff Mayman, and Patrick Brandon. FR l-r: Dawn McLeod, Valerie Merner, Debbie Pugh, Diane Pugh, Karen Brandon, Cathy Logan, Peggy Beach, Karen Gemeinhardt, Shirley McFadden, Darlene Warner, and Nancy Castle. Their teacher was Vina Parker.

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PIONEER PARK

TREMENDOUS CROWD ATTENDS 63RD ANNUAL PIONEER PARK RUMMAGE SALE

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

The Bayfield Arena doors opened on the 63rd annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale on July 9 and the people flooded in to shop the many bargains to be had. Everything from tennis rackets to holiday baubles were available to be purchased at incredibly good prices. The silent auction table was

A tremendous crowd turned up for the 63rd annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale on the evening of July 9. The arena floor was filled with sale items as was the cement pad in the agricultural park.

It was Christmas in July for Helen Fleet (far right) and her mother, Margaret Buckley (second from right), both of London. The pair purchased some Christmas decorations with help from volunteer Joyce Armstrong, of Bayfield (far left).

Ed C.Z., of Oakville, was a volunteer in the lighting section of the Rummage Sale. He took his work very seriously.

also active with many people trying their luck at items and services donated by area individuals and businesses. All the profits from the evening go toward the upkeep of Bayfield's beautiful Pioneer Park.

Avery Wise and her mom, Kelly Gerger, of Bayfield, checked out their reflections in the many mirrors on display outside on the cement pad, as the donations for the Rummage Sale spilled out-of-doors.

Paul McKnight, of Bayfield, purchased a huge stack of games and puzzles from the toy section.

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PHOTO STORY

BAYFIELD OPTIMIST CLUB

KIDS CAME OUT TO PLAY IN SATURDAY'S SUNSHINE

Jennifer Black, of Goderich, painted countless faces over the course of the event. Emily Bidelman, 6, of Brantford, enjoyed the painting process while her sister, Morgan, 4, patiently waited her turn.

Quinn Haskell, 11, of Cambridge, proved to be very skilled at keeping mulitple hula hoops in play.

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

Around mid-day on July 10 members of the Bayfield Optimist Club held their annual Play Day extravaganza. Held on the lawn beside the Bayfield Fire Hall, it was a day filled with good old-fashioned fun for children.

Magician Daniel Steep, of Clinton, delighted the audience with his magic show and then wowed the crowd with his balloon creations. Jennifer Black, of Goderich, had the youngsters lined up for an opportunity to have their faces painted. Plus there were games and races also on the docket.

All this frivolity definitely worked up some appetites – more than 10 dozen hotdogs were served up hot from the barbecue.

Weston Rathwell, 3, and his grandmother Deb, both of Varna watched in wonder as Daniel Steep twisted and turned a balloon into something extra special.

Daniel Steep made a tree with bananas and a monkey climbing, all out of balloons for Weston Rathwell, 3, of Varna, who came to Play Day with his grandmother, Deb Rathwell.

Kathy Bidelman and her daughter, Morgan, 4, both of Brantford, were amused by the stilts used in one of the races.

Kate Bosman, 18 months-old, of London, found herself surrounded by bubbles produced by a bubble machine. The bubbles reflected the sunshine and danced on the breeze setting the scene for Play Day.

Three year-old Quinn Bedard, of Bayfield and London, took a break from the Play Day activities by sitting in the centre of one of the parachutes used for games.

The lawn beside the Bayfield Fire Hall was the site of the Bayfield Optimist Club's annual Play Day on July 10. Youngsters and parents gathered on the lawn to watch Daniel Steep, of Clinton, perform his magic show.

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SUBMISSIONS

Here in Bayfield we like to pack all our summer into one weekend – or at least it felt that way to me as I tried to take in all of the events being offered on Friday and Saturday.

I went to the Pioneer Park 63rd Annual Rummage Sale shortly after the doors opened on July 9 so I wouldn't have to stand in line. My mind was on capturing the iconic event in pictures not on the bargains to be had for there were plenty of folks present to grab up the deals. I climbed the steps in the corner of the arena to get a good look at the crowd – the definition of a sea of humanity became clear, I was looking at one; the crowd moved in waves across the arena floor. It was truly a sight to behold.

And then very early the next morning there was the Firemen's Breakfast, a long line of people could be seen at the fire hall, they made their way down the drive and out onto the street – but the wait for the hearty meal was sure to be worth it. Too bad I didn't have time to eat; I was expected at the Bayfield Volunteer Fair where I set up a booth for Bayfield Guiding. I had a brief opportunity to talk to some of the representatives of the other volunteer organizations that represent our tiny village so well, before I was off again. I had to check out the Bayfield Optimist Club's Play Day for children and the Vettefest in Clan Gregor Square too. And, of course, as people with tourist related businesses can attest there was plenty of work waiting when I got home.

It's a darn good thing the days are longer in the summer or we'd never be able to fit it all in. - Melody

Ideas and contributions to the Bayfield Breeze are always welcome.
Deadlines for submissions are Sundays at 4 p.m.

Please email me at bayfield.breeze@villageofbayfield.com or call 519-565-2443.
Hope to see you online soon at www.villageofbayfield.com

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