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GETTING THEIR GROOVE ON

Over 200 youth attended the Much Music Video Dance held at the Stanley Complex in Varna on the night of Apr. 21. The Easter weekend entertainment was hosted by the Optimist Club of Bayfield and was open to students from area schools in Grades 6, 7 and 8. (Photo by Dianne Brandon)

BAYFIELD GUIDING

The 1st Bayfield Rangers, together with the 1st Clinton Pathfinders, will be hosting their 6th annual Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction on May 4.

The event will be held at the Bayfield Village Inn with meal service starting at 6 p.m.

Donations of silent auction items are always gratefully appreciated from those in the community; items will be accepted until May 3. At past auctions everything from handmade earrings to homemade cupcakes has been up for bidding.

The evening is almost always a sell-out so be sure to reserve your tickets now by calling Melody Falconer-Pounder at 519 565-2443. Tickets are also available from members of the Ranger and Pathfinder units.

The profits from the event will be put toward the girls' annual year end adventure.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SEARCH FOR SOLDIERS' IMAGES ENDS WITH DEDICATION

STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

On May 1st at noon, members of the congregation of St. Andrew's United Church and the Bayfield Historical Society (BHS) are going to dedicate the last two granite plaques with the images of young men who were killed during World War I.

In July of 2008, on the 75th anniversary of the original dedication of the village's cenotaph, nine granite plaques with the engraved images of the soldiers who perished in the two Great Wars were unveiled as part of the memorial. The images of two other soldiers proved difficult to find.

In fact, for the past four years, members of the BHS have been searching for pictures of Victor Evans and Arthur Clarke. Now their images will join the rest of the men from Bayfield who were killed during the two World Wars.

Clan Gregor Square is the heart of Bayfield. This is where residents have always gathered to celebrate and mourn together. It's fitting that images of all the local men who were killed while serving their country are remembered and honored at the Cenotaph.

Victor Evans was a member of St. Andrew's congregation when he was killed in April 1918, while at the Royal Air Force training facility near Trenton. He was only 21 years of age and had been a highly respected teacher at a school on Parr Line when he enlisted. His brother Dalton enlisted with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces and his sister Frances signed on with the American Nursing Corps. The Bayfield Archives has a copy of his obituary which took a full newspaper page. St. Andrew's was packed for the funeral and many residents were forced to wait outside as they paid their last respects.

Victor Evans

Arthur Clarke

Arthur Clarke had already served in the British Navy before immigrating to Canada with his wife Emily. He was 36 years of age when he and his brother Herbert enlisted. At that time they were working on area farms near Hensall. Before he was called up, Arthur had moved his four young children (ages four to eight years) and his wife Emily, to Bayfield. Both Arthur and Herbert Clarke were killed during the horrific fighting around Vimy Ridge. Emily remained in Bayfield and never remarried. She raised her young children here and she died in Bayfield in 1950.

The community is welcome to join in this service of recognition.

CELEBRATE THE ART OF SONG AT THE BAYFIELD TOWN HALL

The Bayfield Town Hall will once again be filled with the sound of world-renowned musical talents when the fifth annual Bayfield Festival of Song returns to the village for concerts on the first two weekends of June.

The Aldeburgh Connection Artistic Directors Stephen Ralls and Bruce Ubukata are offering up a variety of unique experiences for music lovers.

Theatre-goers will have the opportunity to possibly exonerate a Bayfield boy of a murder committed 114 years ago.

"Murder at the Albion Hotel: The Retrial of Fred Elliott" is an original production being staged by the Bayfield Historical Society.

In 1897, young Harvey Elliott was murdered outside the Albion Hotel after a drunken argument with his brother Fred.

Fred was convicted of murder after a hasty trial and sent to penitentiary. New witnesses have come forward with new evidence that may exonerate Fred. And since the audience is the jury, the verdict could very well differ every time.

Two shows will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Bayfield Town Hall on May 27 and 28. A matinee will also be staged in the hall at 2 p.m. on May 29.

Tickets cost $15 each and are available at the Bayfield Archives Room or by calling Dave Gillians at 519 565-5884.

BOOKS AND BRUNCH

Antanas Sileika, author of Underground, will be the next featured writer in the Books and Brunch series presented by The Village Bookshop.

The event will be held on May 15 at 12:30 p.m. at The Little Inn of Bayfield.

An article published in the Vancouver Sun said, "Underground might be described as a historical love story, but it is also a political military/spy thriller. Sileika writes with a spare style that suits the action sequences as well as the rare moments of tenderness or humor. Entertaining and sometimes shocking, the book describes a little-known period of European history that has been kept underground far too long."

Tickets cost $30 each and are available by calling 519 565-5600 or email mbrown@thevillagebookshop.com

GOLF TOURNAMENT

On June 11, area golf enthusiasts can make a difference in the lives of those youngsters involved in Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Huron (BBBNH) by taking part in the organization's Charity Golf Tournament.

The event held at the Woodland's Golf Links, RR 3 Clinton, will raise funds for this non-profit, charitable organization. Bayfield falls within the agency's service area, offering the one-to-one traditional match program to youth in Bayfield and the

The celebrations begin with Schubert on June 3 at 8 p.m. The concert entitled, “Schubert: The Miller’s Lovely Daughter” features Tenor, Colin Ainsworth, accompanied by Ralls on piano. Ainsworth has been described as one of Canada’s finest tenors. This is an opportunity to hear a masterpiece by possibly the world’s greatest song-writer.

The ever-popular Coffee Concerts featuring piano duets by Ralls and Ubukata will kick-off with “AN ENGLISH MORNING” highlighting music from the homeland of the Aldeburgh Connection. Visiting artists will also perform at this concert to be held at 11 a.m. on June 4.

The Celebrity Recital scheduled for June 4 at 8 p.m. is sure to be a treat for all who attend. Soprano Lucia Cesaroni and Ainsworth will be featured with Ralls and Ubukata at the piano. These two dazzling singers, after conquering audiences on both sides of the Atlantic, will be performing their favorite songs, arias and duets in this concert, before preparing for their lead roles in Vancouver Opera’s new West Side Story.

“Embraceable you!” is the title of the concert set for June 5 at 2:30 p.m. Young performers: Rebecca Collett, soprano; Julia Barber, mezzo; Graham Thomson, tenor; and Geoffrey Sirett, baritone will be accompanied on piano by Ralls and Ubukata. They will sing songs of love. The audience is sure to enjoy a party with the performers following the show. Enthusiasts who are unable to attend the June 5 concert will have a second opportunity to do so as a repeat performance will be held on June 12 at 2:30 p.m.

The very real educational side of the festival includes the June 9 Masterclass, an event introduced at last year’s festival. This event brings the audience into close contact with the creative act. Four singing students preparing for their careers will perform, then benefit from the wisdom, expertise and encouragement of one of Canada’s leading singers, Catherine Robbin. The Masterclass will be held at 4 p.m. on June 9. Following the lesson, the audience is invited to join in a special three course menu prepared by the chef at The Little Inn of Bayfield. The Bistro Night will begin at 7 p.m. and is $35 per person (exclusive of beverages and gratuity). Space is limited, to make reservations please call the Inn at 519 565-2611, or contact Darren@littleinn.com.

Also, between the two festival weekends, Ralls and Ubukata will tour with the four young artists, Collett, Barber, Thomson and Sirett, to schools across Huron and Perth Counties, performing for some 2,000 students under the auspices of the Foundation for Education. For the performers, this is one of the most enjoyable aspects of the Festival and they are delighted to be able to visit so many smaller communities across the countryside.

Allyson McHardy, mezzo, is fresh from triumphs as Rossini’s Cinderella with Glyndebourne Opera. The audience will enjoy her “sumptuous mezzo tone” during the Celebrity Recital to be held on June 10 at 8 p.m. McHardy’s “radiant sensitivity” has been praised across North America and Europe. She is to be accompanied by Ralls on piano creating an evening to remember!

Visiting artists will join Ralls and Ubukata in celebration of “Schubert in the Morning”. One of their favorite composers, Schubert will be saluted during a second Coffee Concert on June 11 at 11 a.m.

Also on June 11, Glamorous Night will feature the music of Ivor Novello and Noel Coward. Lindsay Barrett, soprano, and Peter Barrett, baritone, a talented young couple, both rapidly rising stars, perform some of the best-loved and most effervescent songs of the last century. Accompaniment for this concert, set to begin at 8 p.m., will be by Ralls and Ubukata.

Tickets are available locally by calling Gail Grant at 519 565-2435. They cost $25, Saturday mornings; and $35, Saturday evenings, Friday evenings, Sunday afternoons. The Masterclass on June 9 will cost $15. There is also a subscription price: if buying tickets for more than one concert, please deduct $5 from each ticket.

The Bayfield Festival of Song is proud to have as its honorary patron the distinguished writer, Alice Munro. The Festival was inaugurated in June 2007 with a weekend consisting of four concerts at the town hall. It now spans ten days and is presented by the Aldeburgh Connection, a concert organization based in Toronto, which Ralls and Ubukata founded in 1982.

The Aldeburgh Connection gratefully acknowledges the support of The Ontario Arts Council, Foundation for Education, RBC Foundation, Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce and surrounding area.

For $85, each golfer will receive Golf Gizmos, 18 holes of golf (nine hole option available), a BBQ lunch and the opportunity to win generous prizes, not to mention the personal satisfaction of knowing they have made a contribution to youth services.

Forty of the $85 registration fee will be designated solely to BBBSNH programs and services.

Anyone interested in participating in the Golf Tournament must register with Todd Delmage at the golf course, 519 482-7144 before June 6.

TOWN HALL

The Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society (TBTHHS) is pleased to welcome back on May 1, The Medway High School Choir of Arva, ON.

This youth choir continues to add to its list of honors. Most recently they won the Beat 2011 Dish Award for Best High School Musical for their production of “Les Miserables”. At the 2010 Kiwanis Music Festival they earned trophies for the Best Choir in the Festival, the Best Triple Trio in the Festival and for the Best Body of Work by a Secondary School Choir.

Under the able leadership of Kathy McNaughton and Jeff Bynum the choir presents a varied program from the Classics to the Modern. Past experiences dictate that combining the music of this talented group of singers with the perfect acoustics of the town hall will provide a wonderful musical experience.

The concert will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are selling for $20 each and are available by calling: Charlie Kalbfleisch at 519 565-2244 or Pat Langley at 519 565-2894. Tickets can also be purchased via www.ticketscene.ca.

All proceeds from the concert will go to TBTHHS.

FITNESS FUN

Spring is here and there is still time to resolve to get fit for Summer!

Bayfield residents can join the Zumba craze as classes are now being held in the village. Zumba is a dance fitness class that combines Latin rhythms and easy to follow moves, creating a calorie burning dance party suitable for all ages.

ZUMBA classes continue in the village with Instructors, Alison de Groot and Lorraine Dietz. One-hour classes are held Monday mornings starting at 9:30 a.m. at the Bayfield Town Hall and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Bayfield Community Centre. For more information contact de Groot at bayfieldzumba@gmail.com.

The following activities are scheduled to run from May 3 until August.

many individual donors.

ELVIRA KURT WILL PERFORM AT OPTIMIST LADIES' NIGHT

In 2010, Tricia Gooding, (left) travelled all the way from her home in Cambridge to attend the Bayfield Optimist Club's Ladies' Night so that she could see her favorite comedienne, Elvira Kurt. The comedienne will make a return appearance at this year's event. (Photo by Dianne Brandon)

The Bayfield Optimist Club is planning a Greek Toga theme for their upcoming Ladies' Night, May 7. Those who attend, "Almost Heaven in 2011" are encouraged to come draped in their best Grecian sheet.

Organizers have some special activities in the works for the evening including a Zumba Demonstration, Silent Auction and Cash Draw. The women are sure to be kept laughing all evening thanks to a stellar comedienne – who will it be this year?

It will be comedienne Elvira Kurt!

Kurt was voted Funniest Female Comedian at the Canadian Comedy Awards. She is the host of MTV's "My Fabulous Gay Wedding" and she had her own TV show on the Comedy Network known as "Popcultured". Organizers are extremely pleased to have this highly sought after performer return for a second consecutive year.

The doors to the Bayfield Community Centre will open at 7 p.m. Tickets are available now at Brandon's Hardware for $20 a person; a great gift for the mother figures in your life! All proceeds go towards Friends of Youth projects and activities.

LIONS' HOME AND GARDEN SHOW THIS WEEKEND AT ARENA

The Bayfield Lions' Club's Home and Garden Show, now in its 14th year, will see 75 exhibitors displaying everything a person needs to make their house a home.

The show will be held Apr. 29 to May 1 at the Bayfield Arena and Community Centre.

The show features interior decorators, renovation specialists, hot tub and pool dealers, as well as a cross section of household necessities from furnishings to lawn mowers. There will also be some exhibitors devoted to active living and still others who can help you get away from the household chores and take a vacation.

There is no admission fee and those who attend and fill out a ballot will have a chance at two great door prizes. Bayfield Foodland has generously donated a $500 food voucher and the Bayfield Garage a gas barbecue.

For those who work up an appetite touring the exhibits a lunch counter is provided upstairs featuring home style cooking and pies.

The members of the Bayfield Lions' Club state that this is their major fundraiser of the year with the proceeds from the event going back into the community through their many projects and causes.

The show hours are Friday, 5-9 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dancefit and Toning classes are held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. The cost is $40 for four months or $3 per class. The Sit and Get Fit classes are offered on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. The cost is $1 per class.
Both of these fitness opportunities are held at the Bayfield Community Centre.

For the more adventurous among us, there is Pole Walking. Walks for women will start at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, while the men can venture out on Mondays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m. All walks begin from 6 Main Street and poles are provided free for those who require them.

Beginning on May 10, a Yoga Class will be held at the Bayfield Town Hall starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays. The cost is $3 per class and participants are asked to bring a beach towel.

Call 519 565-2202 for more information on the above exercise opportunities.

For those people looking to exercise their minds, a Bridge group for women is offered on alternate Wednesday afternoons at 1 p.m. No partner needed to play the cost is $1.50 per game. For more information call 519 565-2881.

Mah Jongg games and lessons are also offered on the first and third Mondays of the month starting at p.m. Call 519 565-2468 for more information.

Both Bridge and Mah Jongg are played at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building.

FILM SOCIETY

There are two shows remaining in the Bayfield Film Society's spring series. Next on the docket is "The Trotsky", May 12.

"Incendies" will close out the series on June 16.
The films are shown at the Bayfield Town Hall starting at 7:30 p.m.

To learn more about tickets for these productions please contact Jane Rowat 519 565-5838 or Lynne Gillians 519 565-5884.

BRIDGE CLUB

The Wednesday Evening Bridge Club will meet next on Apr. 27 at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building. The cards will be dealt starting at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

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REMEMBER ME?

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 or click on the image and make a comment on Flickr. You can view the entire Collection of Remember Me Photos: Volume 2 on Flickr as well.

This week, in this undated image a group of people were photographed outside of the Albion Hotel on Main Street. Does anyone remember them?

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

ISSUE 93

In Issue 93, we did have a guess or two for the lady whose image was captured while she was running errands on Main Street in Oct. of 1965. She has been identified as Mrs. Rachel Bristol of Washington. Still others commented on the background of the picture that shows Hovey's General Store and the Post Office. Main Street Optometric and The Bayfield General Store are located there now.

ISSUE 94

In Issue 94, in honor of Easter, we featured a picture of the St. Andrew's Church Choir as they looked in 1962. Some of these faces may still be found in the choir today. Does anyone recognize the choir members?

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BAYFIELD OPTIMIST CLUB

CHAOS OF THE CHOCOLATE KIND IN CLAN GREGOR

Sunny skies and mild temperatures were the order of the day when the annual Easter Egg Hunt was held in Clan Gregor Square on the afternoon of Apr. 24. Crowds were similar in size to last year's with an estimate of 130 folks in attendance.

When the hunt begins participants needed to be quick off the mark to share in the 4,000 eggs that were scattered across the lawn.

The Easter Egg Hunt is hosted by the Optimist Club of Bayfield each year. Participants can purchase a ticket on a basket of goodies. The proceeds help cover hunt expenses.

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

Four thousand chocolate Easter eggs were strewn about the lawn in Clan Gregor Square at 1 p.m. on Apr. 24. By 1:15 p.m. the members of the Bayfield Optimist Club who hosted the event were all packed up and heading for home.

About 130 people descended on the park and those individuals under four feet tall conquered the field of candy in mere minutes.

Tickets were also sold for the raffle of a basket filled with Easter treats and toys. Russell Heath, and his son, Teddy, of Clinton were the lucky winners. The proceeds from the raffle help cover the hunt expenses.

McLean Noble, 3, of Bayfield, collected eggs in a very stylish basket.

Optimist member, Shannon Gould, frantically spread chocolate eggs with the help of her three sons. Her youngest, Sam, found the entire process quite funny.

Russel Heath, of Clinton, and his nearly three-year-old son, Teddy, were the lucky winners of the Easter basket filled to the brim with treats and toys. The money raised from the raffle helps cover the hunt expenses.

Caroline Hetherton, 2.5, of Cambridge came well-equipped for the hunt.

The little people in the crowd were so eager for the hunt to begin that they didn't even wait for the starting signal.

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Signs of Spring *by Dainne Brandon*

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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

SUBMISSIONS

Melody Falconer-Pounder

Most people know that I am a life-long monarchist. Everywhere I go people are asking me if I'm excited about the upcoming Royal nuptials between Prince William of Wales and Catherine Middleton. Then they quickly follow-up with, "So you'll be getting up early to watch it live, right?" My answers seem to shock them.

With regret I state that I'm not excited and I plan to set the DVR and watch it all when it is convenient.

In fact my feelings about the event are tinged with sadness. Too much has happened since I was a 14 year-old girl glued to the television in the wee morning hours of July 29, 1981. Diana was my fairy tale princess and I was swept up in the "happily ever after" spin. Thirty years later I know better.

My wish for William and Kate is to learn from the mistakes of the past and despite the many adversities they are sure to face, remain a solid, united team. For the world that shares in their wedded bliss this week will be ready and waiting to knock them off their pedestals in the years to come.

Despite my trepidations, I am a romantic at heart, and I'm sure once I start watching the day's events unfold I will be happy to toast to the health of our future King and Queen with a breakfast Mimosa or two. Hip, hip, hooray! - 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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