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HERITAGE COMMITTEES BRING CULTURAL VALUE TO THE FOREFRONT

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Holy Week is here and Trinity Anglican Church will offer a variety of worship opportunities for those in the community.

A Good Friday service will be held on Apr. 6 starting at 10 a.m. and Easter Sunday will be celebrated at a 9:30 a.m. church service on Apr. 8.

And in keeping with tradition, a Maundy Thursday service will be held at St. James', Middleton at 7:30 p.m. on Apr. 5.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Heritage Outreach Consultant, Bert Duclos, with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport presented a workshop open to all Municipal Heritage Committees in Huron County on the afternoon of March 30 at the Bayfield Town Hall. The event was hosted by the Bluewater Heritage Committee. (Photo by Melody Falconer-Pounder)

BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

The Bluewater Heritage Committee hosted a workshop by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS) open to all Municipal Heritage Committees (MHC) in Huron County on the afternoon of March 30 at the Bayfield Town Hall.

Members of the Bluewater Heritage Committee, Mayor Bill Dowson, a councillor, municipal staff and interested parties from sister organizations attended as did representatives from heritage committees in Huron South and Huron East.

Heritage Outreach Consultant, Bert Duclos, of the MTCS presented the workshop that focused on three main topics: What is cultural heritage value? What roles and responsibilities do MHC have to be effective? And how to best follow the inventory, evaluation and designation process.

In his presentation, Duclos stated that the MTCS defines Cultural Heritage as everything from the past that a community values in the present and wishes to pass on to the future.

He noted that those people who volunteer on MHC are more than likely doing so to make the place where they live a better place.

“You want to conserve the things in your communities that will benefit the people in your communities,” Duclos said. “Cultural heritage includes iconic symbols that help to identify a place, as Canadians some examples would be maple syrup, the Toronto Maple Leafs or Tim Horton’s.”

He explained that cultural heritage is comprised of both the “intangible” and “tangible”. Examples of the intangible would be language, family histories and traditions; the tangible would be property, artifacts and photographs. Such items may have more than one heritage value; may be valued for different reasons by different communities of people and may change over time.

In the interest of MHC, however, the Ontario Heritage Act, which was established by the provincial government, deals only with real property and all the buildings and structures thereon that are subject to protection for their cultural heritage value.

Cultural heritage properties might include such things as monuments, statues, natural features, landscapes, spiritual sites, cemeteries, ruins, and archaeological sites, including marine archaeology.

“You don’t always know what is important by just looking with your eyes only,” said Duclos. “The values based approach shows what you can’t see.”

The congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church is opening their doors to all in the community who would like to celebrate Easter with them.

Good Friday will be observed at Knox with a service at 11 a.m. on Apr. 6. This somber service will be followed by the joy of Easter morning, to mark the occasion an 11 a.m. service will be held on Apr. 8.

UNITED CHURCH

St. Andrew’s United Church will hold an Easter Sunrise Service in the lovely back yard of Bill & Rose Dundass starting at 7:00 a.m. on Apr. 8. This uplifting outdoor service will be followed by a potluck breakfast at the church.

Communion will be served at the traditional Easter Service that will follow at the church at 11 a.m.

GARDEN CLUB

The 2012 season for the Bayfield Garden Club will begin on Apr. 16 with a presentation by Master Gardeners, Leigh Selk and Susan Beatty.

They will present on the topic, “Orchids, Exotic and Easy”. Those who attend will learn easy tips on growing these exotic beauties, including myths and truths about their care. Selk will also demonstrate floral displays with a “wow” factor!

People will be encouraged to ask questions and share their own experiences at this meeting to be held at the Bayfield Lions’ Community Building starting at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

BAYFIELD GUIDING

Bayfield and Clinton Guiding are teaming up to host a “Mostly Books Sale” on Apr. 21 in the Trinity Anglican Church Parish Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To make the sale a success the girls are now accepting gently used books of all genres with the exception of textbooks, encyclopedias and magazines. They are also collecting music CDs, VHS or DVD movies in good condition. Please no cassettes, records or older forms of media.

Books etc. can be given to members of Bayfield and Clinton Guiding or dropped of at the Bayfield Village Inn or Drs. Haney and Van Maanen’s Dental Office in Clinton from now until Apr. 19. For more information call 519 565-2443.

In addition on June 2, Clinton Guiding will host their 2nd annual “Family to Family Sale” from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Clinton Legion. Anyone wishing to purchase a table can learn more by contacting Kathy Kelly-Ingram at kathykingram@gmail.com. Tables are $15. There is no admission fee for shoppers.

He used The Comfort Maple Tree in Pelham, ON as an example. To someone driving past it may just look like an unusually large tree but further exploration will uncover how important the history of this 500 year-old tree is to the people of the region. It is named after the Comfort family, Empire Loyalists who lived there since the mid 1800s and the tree is a community landmark. The Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority accepted the tree for preservation in 1961.

Duclos than asked everyone in the room to share one special place in their community that stands out to them. A place that would help explain the cultural heritage of their community to a first time visitor.

The workshop participants named such places as Bayfield's Pioneer Park and the views of Lake Huron at sunset, the Bayfield Town Hall, Van Egmond House in Seaforth, The Old Town Hall in Exeter, the Huron Historic Goal and Huron County Museum in Goderich; the county's abundance of Carnegie Libraries, and the Heritage Main Streets in rural communities.

"Many of you named places that were significant because of an event or from childhood memories, others chose examples of natural heritage," said Duclos.

He went on to note that once you understand the value of cultural heritage it is important to understand the role of MHC.

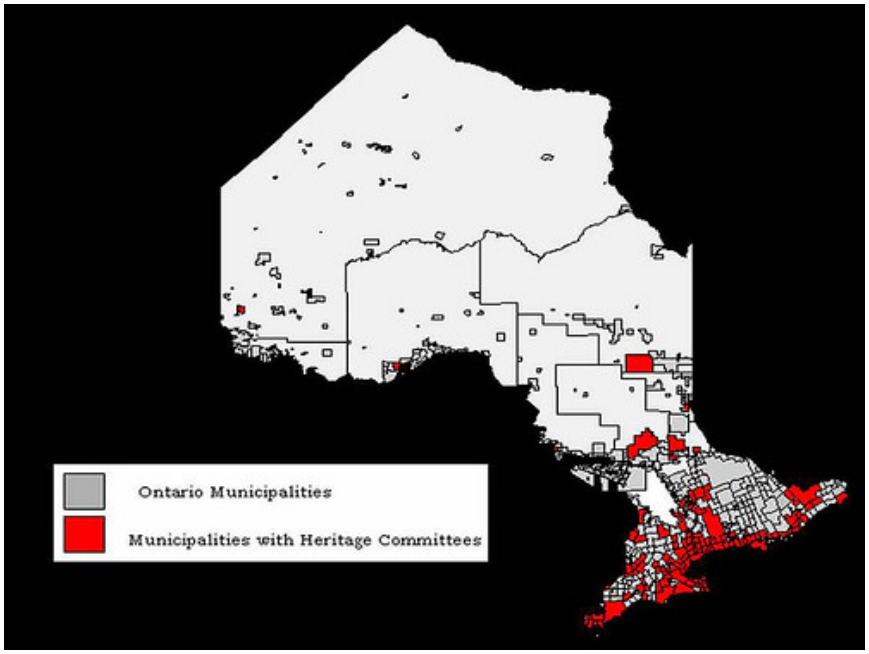
"The role of MHC is to advise and assist municipal councils," he said. "Councils have authority and can choose to take or not to take your advice. They make the final decision. The council's role is defined in the Ontario Heritage Act, the MHC' is not. Councils, however, must make use of the MHC if they have one. They must consult with them first before making decisions."

The concept of MHC is not a new one. They were once known as the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committees (LACAC). LACAC was very much about preserving the built environment. The name was changed in 2002 and the Ontario Heritage Act changed in 2005.

The first committee was established in the late 1960s in Kingston, ON under the City of Kingston Act. The Ontario Heritage Act was proclaimed in 1975. There are currently 151 MHC in 414 Ontario municipalities.

"This may seem like not very many MHC but they represent 90.2 per cent of the population of the province," said Duclos.

MHC can be found in the areas of the province that were first settled and are now the more populated areas. Duclos explained these areas are at greater risk of losing what they have and need to have MHC to help identify the need for conservation.



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The money raised from these events will go toward their combined year end adventure to the Ontario Science Centre in Toronto to take part in a Guiding sleepover.

Members of Bayfield Guiding also have cookies for sale. These classic chocolate and vanilla crème filled cookies sell for $5 a box. They are available from local Guiding members or at the Bayfield Village Inn.

FILM SOCIETY

Another exciting series of Toronto Film Circuit films brought to you by the Bayfield Film Society at the Bayfield Town Hall have begun. The films will be shown on the second Thursdays of the month at 7:30 pm.

Those without a subscription can still attend as a limited number of tickets can be purchased at the door for $10 per film.

The spring schedule of films includes: Margin Call, Apr. 12; Sarah's Key, May 10; and The Guard, June 14. The final film will begin with a wine and cheese celebration at 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact: Lynn Gillians, 519 565-5884 or by e-mail lynnegillians@hotmail.com; or Margo Robeson, 519 565-2827 or e-mail Margo10510@comcast.net.

HEARING CLINIC

Have you heard the news? A new monthly hearing clinic is being established in the village at Pharmasave Michael's Pharmacy. The next date for the clinic is Apr. 16.

The Kincardine Hearing Clinic will be offering their services on the third Tuesday of every month from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The clinic will offer: hearing aid adjustments and repairs to all makes and models, no cost hearing tests, new prescription of hearing aids, wax removal, hearing aid battery sales as well as hard of hearing assistive devices.

To book an appointment please call The Kincardine Hearing Clinic at 1-855-396-6026.

RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

The Bayfield Ratepayers Association (BRA) Executive would like to encourage village residents to come and observe their monthly BRA meetings.

The BRA meets on the first Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building. Their next meeting will be held on Apr. 7.

Duclos noted the MHC grow at a rate of four to five a year on average. West Nipissing, Leamington, Quinte West, Prescott, Wasaga Beach and Muskoka Lakes are all communities where MHC have been formed of late.

“The biggest visible statement that a council can make about heritage in their municipality is to have a MHC,” said Duclos.

The statutory role of MHC is to advise and assist council on:

- Designation of individual properties and heritage conservation districts
- Alterations to designated property
- Demolition or removal of designated property
- Repeal of a designation bylaw
- Municipal register of cultural heritage properties
- Easement or covenants

“In larger municipalities, like Toronto, the MHC only do this type of work (listed above). In smaller communities the need may not be as great. The role of the MHC is what you as volunteers have the capacity and resources to do but it is important to never lose sight of your statutory role,” said Duclos.

At a municipal council’s discretion MHC may also take on such responsibilities as:

- Survey, inventory and research
- Community involvement and liaison
- Information and education
- Heritage-related municipal planning
- Keeping council informed

Duclos sited establishing good communication between council and the MHC as a very important tool in their combined success at heritage conservation.

“You are an advocate for what is important. You need to provide council with objective, well-educated, timely advice and then take a step back,” Duclos said. “MHC contribute to the sustainability of a community. You make it a better place for today and tomorrow. Your role is not secondary to ‘police, pipes and pavement’ your role is a necessary component of a viable community.”

EGG HUNT A COMMUNITY TRADITION THANKS TO OPTIMISTS

Sixty-eight pounds of chocolate, molded into the shape of Easter eggs, will be worth its weight in gold to countless youngsters when it is tossed on the lawn in Clan Gregor Square for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Hosted by the Bayfield Optimist Club the hunt will begin precisely at 1 p.m. on Apr. 8. Those youngsters who participate in the event are reminded to bring a container to collect their chocolate treasures in and remember the hunt happens very quickly so be sure to be on time.

Tickets will also be sold for the raffle of a basket filled with Easter treats and toys. Tickets will be $2 each or 3 for $5. The sale of these tickets helps cover the hunt expenses and the ongoing work the Bayfield Optimist Club does for youth in the community. This fabulous basket is now on display in the window of Main Street Optometric for all to see.

After the chocolate eggs have been collected, hunt participants are invited by The Village of Bayfield to head down to Main Street to take part in a Scavenger Hunt hosted by the shops of Bayfield.

Scavenger Hunt cards will be available at Main Street Optometric, Sweets N’ Treats and The Little Inn. With cards and baskets in tow families can begin their search for eggs hidden around town. Completed cards can be dropped off at Sweets N’ Treats to be entered into a draw for a “sweet” prize.

Can’t take part in the Scavenger Hunt on Sunday afternoon? Not to worry, the hunt runs all weekend long during shop hours.

Reminders of the monthly meetings can be found on the Post Office Notice Board and on the BRA website: http://bra.camp8.org/.

FITNESS FUN

One Care is sponsoring several programs for both men and women to keep up with their desire to stay fit.

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 classes are held at the Bayfield Community Centre.

The Sit and Get Fit classes are offered on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. On Fridays a Stretching Class is offered at 10:15 a.m. for approx. 45 minutes. This class is suitable for everyone. Both of these fitness opportunities are held at the Bayfield Community Centre and cost a $1 per class.

Please note that on Friday, Apr. 27, the Dancefit and Toning Classes will be temporarily moved to the Stanley Complex in Varna. The Stretching Class will be cancelled. Also there will be no classes on Apr. 6 or Apr. 30.

For the more adventurous among us, there is Pole Walking. Walks for women are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays while walks for men are held on Monday and Friday mornings All walks begin from 6 Main Street and begin at 8:30 a.m. Poles are provided free for those who require them.

A Yoga Class will be held at the Bayfield Town Hall starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays. The cost for is $3 per class and participants are asked to bring a yoga mat. A time of quiet reflection and meditation follows the yoga class starting at 11:15 a.m. All in the community are invited to take part.

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

For those people looking to exercise their minds, Women’s Bridge is played every Wednesday at 1 p.m. No partner needed to play the cost is $1.50 per game. For more information call Brenda Blair 519 565-2881.Mah Jongg games are also offered on the first and third Thursdays of the month starting at 1 p.m. Call 519 565-2468 for more information.

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

All are invited to join Zumba Bayfield! The group meets every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Bayfield Community Center. The cost is $10 per class. Zumba is a Latin inspired, easy to follow and calorie burning dance fitness party. For more information contact Jamie Thomas via email at zumba.bayfield@gmail.com or join the Facebook Group

PUTTING GARDENS ON THE MAP

A small group of dedicated gardeners is developing a map featuring gardens in Huron and Perth Counties open to the public for tours.

Garden businesses with display gardens as well as businesses selling garden based merchandise will also be highlighted.

An information meeting about this project is being held Apr. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Huron County Health Unit, London Road, in Clinton. Brenda Sutherland, who is president of Discover Rural Gardens of Grey and Bruce, will be the guest speaker. Sutherland is a founding member of the Grey Bruce garden tours and co-owner of Earthbound Gardens in Red Bay. She will share her experiences of having a garden open to the public and her expertise in organizing garden tours.

Initially for 2012, the plan is to have a one-day garden tour on July 14 as a trial run with the full season garden tours to begin in 2013.

To pre-register or for more information contact: Linda Henhoeffer, 519 335-6235, lhenhoeffer@wightman.ca; Rosemary Rognvaldson, 519 335-3850, kennari@hotmail.com; Shirley Koch, 519 335-6175 or Carol Reinink, 519 527-0761.

DINERS' CLUB

Anyone who is 55+ years of age is invited to join the Bayfield Diners' Club members for their weekly Thursday lunches at the Bayfield Community Centre.

Participants should call Betty Young at 519 565-2502 no later than 10 a.m. on the Monday prior to the Thursday lunch to inform organizers of their intention to attend or not to attend the luncheon. Or if Young is not available please contact Jane Davidson McKee at 519 565-2653

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, we learn that the band featured in Issue 143 is actually the Goderich Girls Band. Here they are seen marching into Agriculture Park during the Fall Fair Parade. Records indicate the old arena is also in the photograph.

ISSUE 142

In Issue 142, the float entered into the 1962 Bayfield Fall Fair parade by the Bayfield Lions' Club is featured. Does anyone remember any of the people on the float?

ISSUE 143

In Issue 143, Band Leader Carl Houston is shown leading his band through the new gates at the Bayfield Agricultural Park during the Fall Fair Parade in 1956. Could this be the Seaforth All Girls Marching Band?

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FITNESS FUN

LETTING THE BIRDIES FLY AT STANLEY COMPLEX

Roger Lewington moves toward the net to retrieve the birdie while Gayle Detenbeck looks on.

PHOTOS BY DENNIS PAL AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

The history and evolution of Badminton goes back hundreds of years. Children in Greece, India and England first played versions of the sport. It would seem that interest in the game began in earnest for adults in the late 1800s. The Duke of Beaufort officially named the game after the Badminton House in Gloucestershire, England in 1873. It was at that time that use of the net was introduced. Shortly thereafter, an exclusive group known as the Bath Badminton Club standardized a set of rules for badminton.

The sport was born into organized competition when the International Badminton Federation (IBF) was established in 1934. The nine original member countries of the IBF were Canada, Denmark, England, France, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Scotland and Wales.

After serving as a demonstration sport in previous Olympic Games, Badminton finally made its official Olympic debut at the 1992 Summer Games in Barcelona, Spain.

Shelagh Sully (left) and Pat Lewington keep their eyes on the birdie.

Brent Hulley (foreground) and Bob Merrimen take part in a game of Badminton. Adults have been enjoying this sport since the late 1800s.

Most games played at the Stanley Complex are mixed doubles games with eight to 12 people attending when they are able.

Here in the Municipality of Bluewater, players don't have to belong to IBF or be Olympic caliber competitors to enjoy a few games of Badminton. In fact players of all skill levels are invited to meet at the Stanley Complex in Varna on Monday nights at 7 p.m. during the fall, winter and spring months.

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According to Pat Lewington, of Bayfield, "Badminton is a great game to get in shape in a fun way. The skills are easy to pick up and soon you are in the game."

One Care has provided the equipment for the games and racquets are available or players can bring their own. There are two courts available.

"All are welcome, with a wide range of playing abilities. If you have not played, or not played in a while, come out to give it a try and enjoy some fun and great exercise," she said.

The cost per evening is $3 per person. For more information please call Lewington at 519 565-2202.

Bill Steenstra keeps the birdie in play while Barry Detenbeck waits for the return.

Dennis Pal (left) and Shelagh Sully are just two of the people who attend the Monday night Badminton Games offered during the fall, winter and spring at the Stanley Complex in Varna.

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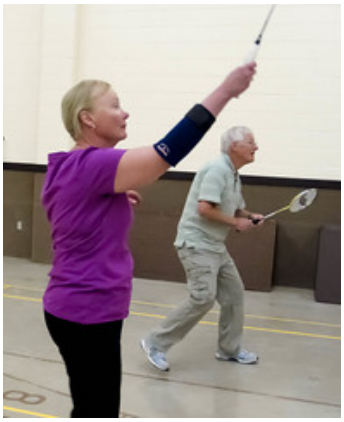

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Shelagh Sully makes contact with the birdie as Pat Lewington stands by.

Those folks who came out to play Badminton on the evening of Apr. 2 took a moment to pose for a picture. BR l-r: Roger Lewington, Brent Hulley, Dennis Pal, Bill Steenstra, Bob Merrrimen and Barry Detenbeck. FR l-r: Pat Lewington, Gayle Detenbeck and Shelah Sully.

PIXILATED — IMAGE OF THE WEEK

Spring flowers... *By Dave Rooker*

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SUBMISSIONS

The egg is often referred to as the universal symbol of Easter celebrations throughout the world. Over the centuries it has been dyed, painted, adorned and embellished in the celebration of its special symbolism.

Melody Falconer-Pounder

Last night at Bayfield Guiding's Easter Party the egg took centre stage. We sang about it. We hunted for the modern plastic version in the churchyard. And then we colored our fingers blue, green and yellow as we tried various art techniques while dying an abundance of the hard-boiled variety.

Each colored creation was as unique as the artist that dipped it. I am always amazed that like snowflakes, no two eggs designs are ever alike. And I delight in how pretty and vibrant they wear their colors. The girls were kind enough to leave a few behind for me to decorate my family's Easter table this weekend and I look forward to arranging them at its centre.

They may be far from Faberge eggs but they certainly are golden to me. Happy Easter one and all! - Melody

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

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Hope to see you online soon at www.villageofbayfield.com

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