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SIMPSON PRESENTED WITH MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Bayfield Lions' Club President, Larry Simpson, was presented with the Melvin Jones Fellowship award at the club's dinner meeting on Apr. 22. This award is the highest award an individual Lion can receive and according to club members, it couldn't go to a more deserving member. Pictured here presenting the award to Lion Simpson (right) is District Governor Elect Lion Tim BeBlock. (Photo Mark Saggers)

BOOKS AND BRUNCH

The next installment of Books and Brunch will be held on May 4th at The Little Inn of Bayfield. The Village Bookshop will be hosting author Steven Galloway at this event. He will speak about his new novel, "The Confabulist".

Galloway is the award winning, bestselling author of The Cellist of Sarajevo, a beautiful, suspense-filled novel that uses the life and sudden death of Harry Houdini to weave a magical tale of intrigue, love and illusion.

In The Confabulist a cast of memorable characters spins around Houdini's celebrity-driven life, as they did in his time: from the Romanov family soon to be assassinated, to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and the powerful heads of Scotland Yard, and the Spiritualists who would use whoever they could to establish their religion.

Books and Brunch will begin at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are $30 and can be reserved by contacting Mary at 519 565-5600.

CAMP KLAHANIE

BECOME A SEVERE WEATHER SPOTTER WITH FREE TRAINING

The County of Huron is pleased to announce that Environment Canada CANWARN free sessions will be hosted within Huron County in the Municipality of Bluewater.

The free training session will be held on May 1 at the Bayfield Community Centre from 7-9:30 p.m.

CANWARN is the eyes and ears of Environment Canada. It is a volunteer group of people of all ages that spot and report severe weather. They report "ground-truth" information, which when used with radar and other equipment, help Environment Canada to more accurately inform the media and public through Environment Canada issued and updated Weather Watches and Warnings.

Locals can become a CANWARN Weather Spotter for Environment Canada and are invited to learn about this important voluntary service that can assist the people of Huron County by attending this upcoming session.

Registration is requested but not required. Contact Warning Preparedness Meteorologist Geoff Coulson at Geoff.Coulson@ec.gc.ca or visit www.huroncounty.ca.

Environment Canada's severe weather meteorologists have a variety of tools at their disposal to detect and track thunderstorm activity. These tools include Doppler weather radar, satellite imagery and a lightning detection network. These tools can provide the meteorologists with a good sense of which storms may produce damaging weather like large hail, violent winds, flooding rains or tornadoes. However, these tools do not necessarily provide the meteorologist with a sense of what may be happening right at ground level. Therefore, real-time, on-the-ground information from trained spotters continues to be an integral part of Environment Canada's Severe Weather Watch and Warning Program.

CANWARN volunteers are trained to look for clues in the sky as to which storms may produce damaging weather. They can also report important information on hail size and any damage that has resulted from the passage of a storm. They can send in their reports directly to the Ontario Storm Prediction Centre through an unlisted, toll-free phone number or by a special email address. Both the phone number and email address are monitored 24/7 by meteorologists. Reports received by CANWARN volunteers are often key in the decision to issue or update a warning bulletin for a given area and specific mention is often made of the type of information received by a storm spotter within the text of the warning bulletin.

CANWARN volunteers come from all walks of life; amateur radio operators, the Canadian Red Cross, first responders, municipal/provincial/federal government employees, teachers and many others. Environment Canada holds a series of training sessions across the province each spring to refresh the knowledge of existing volunteers and to welcome new volunteers to the program. The training normally lasts about 2.5 hours and there is no cost to attend. The training covers the basics of thunderstorm formation, what differentiates a severe from a non-severe thunderstorm, the types of damage severe thunderstorms can produce, what to watch for in the sky, what to report to the Storm Prediction Centre and a series of safety tips.

IT WAS RAINING BARRELS ON SATURDAY AS BLITZ ENDED

Boston Pizza Goderich is hosting a Large Pizza Give Back event for the Goderich Lions Club's Camp Klahanie on the weekend of May 2-4.

People who purchase a regular priced large pizza over the weekend will see $8 given to Camp Klahanie from Boston Pizza Goderich.

"Let's help to return this local camp to local youths as a place where they can fully enjoy camping in the beauty of Ontario's west coast nature," said Laura Herman, assistant general manager of Boston Pizza Goderich.

The give back is applicable on all orders for dine in, take out or delivery. For more information call Boston Pizza Goderich at 519 524-7797.

Located on Black's Point Road West just south of Goderich off Hwy. 21 Camp Klahanie was purchased in the late summer of 2013 by the Goderich Lions Club from Girl Guides of Canada after a four year struggle to realize this goal by both club members and the Camp Klahanie Friends Association.

PICKLEBALL ETC.

Due to the efforts of Bayfield Mews residents, a Government of Canada grant through the New Horizons for Seniors Program has been issued to bring Pickleball and Shuffleboard to Bluewater.

Both sports are proving to be popular with seniors and the program and equipment will be supplied free as a result of the grant. For those who want an early chance to play Pickleball the sport will be offered at the Stanley Complex in Varna on May 1 before moving to the Bayfield Arena on May 6 along with Shuffleboard.

An Introduction to Pickleball will also be held on May 6 at the Bayfield Arena starting at 9 a.m. Then on subsequent Tuesdays and Thursdays the two sports will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon.

Participants may bring their own paddles or use ones supplied. Comfortable court clothes and running or court shoes are required. Eye protection is advised for all racquet sports.

GARDEN CLUB

It is almost time for the Bayfield Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale. The date has been set for May 10 and this fundraising event will be held on the south side of Clan Gregor Square.

It will run from 9-11 a.m. Organizers suggest an early arrival for the best selection of annuals, perennials, veggie plants, bulbs, herbs, shrubs, trees, house plants, garden tools and artifacts.

Plant and garden donations are required to make the sale a success. Items can be dropped off at the Kale

Roger Lewington picks up his rain barrel and homeowner's guide from volunteer Helen Varekamp during the pickup day for pre-ordered rain barrels on Apr. 26. The Bayfield River Valley Trail Association (BRVTA) held the rain barrel sale as a fundraiser but also to support the water quality and quantity benefits of rain barrels as recommended by the community advisory committee from Bayfield and area through the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan. More than 320 rain barrels were purchased locally from one of three community organizations, including BRVTA, or from one of three area schools that also took part in the rain barrel truckload sale. (Submitted photo)

It was an idea that came from the community and one that is becoming reality thanks to the community. People who were part of the community advisory committee for the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan recommended rain barrels as a simple and effective way local residents and landowners could reduce erosion and runoff and protect water quality by harvesting rainwater.

Three area schools and three other local community organizations got behind the idea through rain barrel sales. Local people then supported their efforts by purchasing and picking up more than 320 rain barrels.

The three schools that took part in the recent rain barrel blitz and truckload sale were: Goderich District Collegiate Institute (GDCI) Green Industries Class; South Huron District High School (SHDHS) Eco Team, Exeter; and Seaforth Public School. The three other community organizations to take part were: Brucefield Community United Church, Bayfield River Valley Trail Association (BRVTA) and Vanastra Recreation Centre.

The idea for improving water quality through increased use of rain barrels grew out of the work of the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan Community Advisory Committee.

"This community effort started with the local community advisory committee that developed the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan," said Healthy Watersheds Technician with Ausable Bayfield Conservation, Hope Brock. "The committee recommended ways to protect and improve water quality in the area. One of their ideas was to get more people to use rain barrels."

Once rain barrels are installed, they can hold up to 220 Litres of rainwater per storm event. This water can then be used to water gardens, plants, lawns, and trees. Capturing rainwater helps to conserve clean water, protect water quality, and can help save homeowners money. This is very important during the hot summer months when water consumption can increase by 50 per cent.

"A rain barrel is a simple and effective way for a landowner to harvest rainwater," Brock said. "A rain barrel can help people to meet increased water demands without adding extra pressure to municipal drinking water systems or private wells."

One of the many benefits of a rain barrel is that water captured inside is not running off of land. Less runoff during a storm means less erosion, less topsoil loss and less pollution reaching a storm sewer, creek, river, or lake.

The community's work to develop and implement the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan is made possible thanks to financial support from The Fred A. and Barbara M. Erb Family Foundation as well as ministries of the governments of Ontario and Canada.

For information on the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan visit: http://www.abca.on.ca/page.php?page=bayfield-main
For information on rain barrels visit: http://www.abca.on.ca/page.php?page=rain-barrels

residence at 55 Victoria Street on May 9 between 6:30-8 p.m. All plant donations are welcome. It is requested that they be in pots and labeled please.

OPTIMIST CLUB

The Bayfield Optimist Club is getting all their ducks in a row for their annual Rubber Duck Race to be held on May 18.

The race can be best viewed at the South Pier of the Bayfield Harbor – the plastic waterfowl will be set free at 1 p.m.

Tickets are now available from club members or Brandons Hardware and are selling for $5 each or five chances for $20. Only 750 ducks will be "sold". This event is always a sell out so don't wait to the last minute to purchase.

The grand prize at the duck race will be a handcrafted stone lighthouse created by the talented Tony Laporte, an estimated $1,000 prize. Gunther Hass/Walton Company has donated Detroit Tigers tickets for four, a $500 value, for second place; and Main Street Optometric has given a $200 pair of sunglasses for third.

Money raised from the race will go toward the Optimist Club's many "friends of youth" projects.

TOWN HALL

The Second Annual Bayfield Town Hall Community Lunch on May 26 promises participants great food and good fun.

Community members are invited to attend, share a meal with their neighbors, and enjoy an informative presentation. A highlight of the afternoon will be recognition given to Stephen Ralls and Bruce Ubukata for all their contributions to the village and the town hall.

The luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the town hall. Tickets are $10 a person and are available by calling Pat McDougall at 519 565-2572.

GIRLS GETAWAY WEEKEND

The Second Annual Bayfield Girls Getaway Weekend is set for May 30-June 1. Sponsored by the Bayfield Area Chamber of Commerce, this weekend is an opportunity for ladies to kick off their summer by spending a glorious weekend in this historic village. Bayfield merchants are ready to welcome ladies from near and far and to help them enjoy all that our wonderful village has to offer.

Weekend events include a welcome cocktail party at The Little Inn on Friday and a Fashion Show

STREAMLINED ZONING REQUIRES RESIDENTS INPUT

The five existing Zoning By-laws in Bluewater are being replaced with a new, single Zoning By-law. Residents and property owners are invited to have their say at an open house on May 24.

Planners and Bluewater staff will be on hand at the open house to explain the draft Zoning By-law's provisions and answer questions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The open house will be held at the Stanley Complex in Varna.

The Zoning By-law will set out different land use zones and list the permitted uses and required standards in each zone, such as the location of structures, building types and setbacks and parking requirements among other provisions.

A copy of the draft Zoning By-law may be reviewed at the Municipal Office, (14 Mill Ave, Zurich) or on the Planning Department website at www.town.bluewater.on.ca. Residents may submit questions or written comments at any time to zoningcomment@town.bluewater.on.ca. Every resident comment that is received will be acknowledged, recorded and reviewed.

"TIGER AND THE BARON" COMING TO THE TOWN HALL STAGE

"Tiger and the Baron", is the latest play written by Judy Keightley to be performed at the Bayfield Town Hall on May 23-25.

Written as a fundraiser for the Bayfield Historical Society (BHS), the play spans a period of thirty years and opens with the purchasing of land, surveyed by Captain Bayfield and bought by Baron Van Tuyll. The relationship between the young Baron and "Tiger" Dunlop is highlighted along with the betrothal of marriage between Charlotte Mansfield and Baron Vincent Van Tuyll.

"The aim of all of the plays that I have written for the Bayfield Historical Society, is to bring our local history alive through drama," said Keightley. "If people come away knowing just a little more about the heritage of Bayfield, then I will feel that I have succeeded."

Tickets can be purchased for $15 from Margo Robeson, 519 565-2827 or Sandy Scotchmer, 519 565-2830.

MAYOR'S BREAKFAST RAISES FUNDS FOR THE BAYFIELD FOOD BANK

The Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) is pleased to announce the Mayor's Breakfast to be held on May 16 at the Bayfield Town Hall .

"The breakfast is an opportunity for Bluewater Council to meet with Chamber members and service club representatives," said Leanne Kavanagh, on behalf of the BACC. "The chamber typically gives an update of the year to date and coming activities. County, provincial and federal representatives are also in attendance."

There is no charge for tickets for BACC members and guests or interested business people in the Bayfield area, however, all tickets must be reserved in advance of the event. Donations will be collected for the Bayfield Food Bank (Feed My Sheep). The BACC appreciates and recognizes OLG for sponsoring this event.

To reserve tickets please email info@villageofbayfield.com.

GIRLS AND BOYS PRESENT "GUYS AND DOLLS"

featuring Bayfield fashion retailers on Saturday afternoon at he Bayfield Town Hall. Many accommodation providers in the area are offering special rates for the weekend as well.

Registration for the weekend is $40. A special discount is available for local ladies. Tickets can be purchased at The Village Bookshop, or online through the event website: http://www.bayfieldgetaway.ca/

Organizers note that tickets are selling briskly so anyone who wishes to attend should act quickly.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The members of the congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church are busy with numerous projects for the spring and summer.

Their annual yard sale will be held on June 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the lawn of the church, weather permitting. The barbecue grill will be fired up that day for their first BBQ of the season. This is always a popular spot for lunch for bargain shoppers. New this year will be a bake table with home made goodies available for purchase.

And looking way ahead, the fourth Annual Knox Church Fish Fry will be held this year on July 26 at the Bayfield Community Centre. Tickets will go on sale Victoria Day weekend and should be purchased early as this event always sells out.

For tickets, information on these two events as well as other happenings at Knox Church, please contact Brenda Kerslake Thompson at 519 565-5404.

SHOPPING FOR TREES

Andrew and Lynn Barlow chose trees that upon maturity will

With show time fast approaching, the St. Boniface School Drama Club is very excited to present this year's musical entitled, "Guys and Dolls". The cast and crew have been preparing for months and invite people in the community to attend. The show will be performed on Apr. 30, May 1-2. The curtain will go up at 7 p.m. each night. Admission is $6, for adults; $3, for high school and post-secondary students; and $2 for elementary school students. (Submitted photo)

compliment their property at the second annual tree sale hosted by Bluewater Communities in Bloom (CIB). The committee is fortunate to include individuals qualified as Master Gardeners and they shared their expertise with patrons who arrived with 'grocery' lists of preferred varieties. The sale held on the morning of Apr. 26 provided an opportunity for citizens to improve the environment and raise funds for the community showcase program that is preparing for evaluation in late July. The Bluewater CIB Committee extends thanks to the Bluewater Roads Department for its assistance and the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority for the trees. There are some pines and spruces still available. If interested, please call the Bluewater Municipal Office. (Photo courtesy Bluewater CIB Committee)

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.

Editor's Note: We are now adding the archive's code to the information supplied with the photographs so that if anyone would like to learn more from the Bayfield Archives about certain pictures they can use the code to make the process easier.

This week, in honor of the recent Rainbarrel Blitz organized by the Bayfield River Valley Trail Association, we publish an image of three ladies standing in a garden beside a rainbarrel! What is old is new again. Does anyone remember them? (Archives Code: PB13 12a)

ISSUE 250

In Issue 250, we highlight an image of some folks posing with an automobile. The notes with the picture are "G. Woods" and "Anna Woods". Can anyone provide more detail? (Archives Code: PB13 O4a)

ISSUE 251

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

In Issue 251, a springtime image of two ladies ready to do some spade work. Notes with the photo identify them as Mrs. G. Gairdner and Mrs. Woods. Does anyone have any more information to share? (Archives Code: PB13 09a)

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BAYFIELD LIONS CLUB

HOME AND GARDEN SHOW EXHIBITORS ENCOURAGE THE START OF SPRING AND SUMMER PROJECTS

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

The lack of spring we continue to experience has everyone still itching to begin on their outside projects so the Bayfield Lions' Club's Home and Garden Show was an opportunity for anxious gardeners and home owners to get some satisfaction as well as some fresh ideas.

Henry Winters manned the Huron Tractor display while fellow exhibitor, Diane Wilds, dropped by for a visit.

Barb Eedy (left) and Joan Caldwell studied the map of the Bayfield Mews community with help from Mews resident Ian Scott-Douglas.

Huron Ridge Acres had a very bright and cheerful display in contrast to the weather. These colourful pansies were sure to give people the gardening itch.

The club members held their 17th annual show this past weekend at the Bayfield Community Centre and Arena with 60 exhibitors registered from across Huron County.

The show featured interior decorators, renovation specialists, hot tub and pool dealers, and a cross section of household necessities from furnishings to lawn mowers. Plus the growing trend to enhance a homes value through curb appeal was highlighted by the landscape designers and garden specialists in attendance. There were also a plethora of volunteer organizations on hand showcasing their causes.

The members of the Bayfield Lions' Club stated 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.

There is no admission fee and those who attended were invited to fill out a ballot at a chance at several great door prizes. The winners of these prizes can be viewed by visiting the Bayfield Lions' Club's Facebook page.

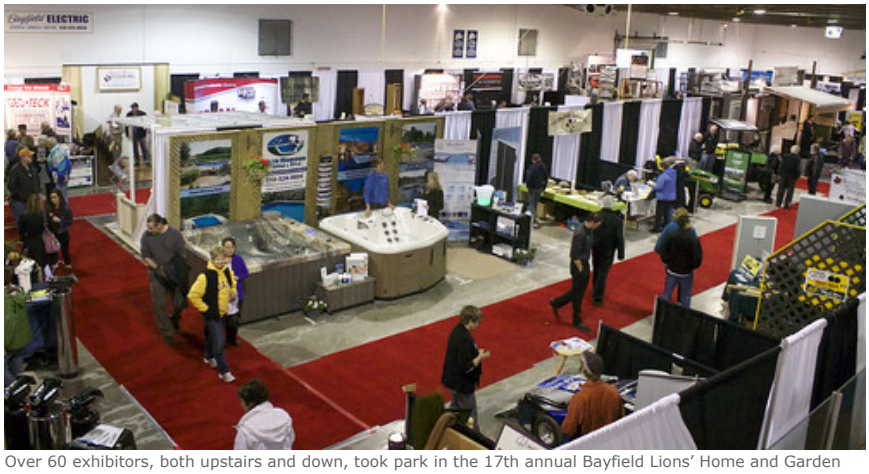
Porter's Hill Wild Bird Seed Co. had a delightful display showing a wide variety of feeders and houses perfect for feathered friends.

David Loerchner, of D.L. Creations, displayed his talent for wood working - from benches to unique wine racks. His work can also be found regularly at JMR Gallery on Main Street in the village.

Snippety the Clown was kept busy painting faces on Saturday afternoon.

Wilds Everywear Graphics, of Centralia, had a fun addition to their display in the form of young Cody Wilds' race car.

Homescapes by Lynn from Goderich mixed modern with traditional looks in their booth.



Over 60 exhibitors, both upstairs and down, took park in the 17th annual Bayfield Lions' Home and Garden Show at the Bayfield Arena and Community Centre on Apr. 25-27.

The volunteers in the "cafeteria" organized by the Bayfield Lions' Club ensured that no visitor to the show went hungry. Busy in their aprons were: Dawn Cumming, Nellie Van Bakel, Deb Grasby, Linda Cox and Willy Simpson. (Photo by Tony Van Bakel)

PIXILATED — IMAGE OF THE WEEK

Sheep Triplets...*By Bonnie Sitter*

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

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

Melody Falconer-Pounder

SUBMISSIONS

Today you are reading the 252nd weekly issue of the Bayfield Breeze. I thank you for scrolling all the way down to the bottom to see what I have to say. We are brought to your email inbox each week because a number of people advertise their service or business throughout the issue. I encourage you to click on their advertisements and tour their websites to see what they are all about. We wouldn't have been able to create this 252nd issue if it weren't for them.

Our advertisers offer us amazing support…we often have people wanting to join our team of sponsors but very rarely do we have spots open, but right now, today, we do. So if you would like to be a part of the Bayfield Breeze by becoming an advertiser just send me an email. Thanks for reading. – Melody

P.S. Thanks to all those who stopped by the Camp Klahanie booth at the Bayfield Lions' Club's Home and Garden Show on the weekend. We had 176 people enter our draw and Sue Vriesinga of Kettlepoint, ON was the lucky winner of the door prize – an Acer Tablet generously donated by Microage Basics in Goderich and Wingham.

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.

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