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BLUEWATER STRIVES FOR FIVE BLOOMS DURING JUDGES' VISIT

Communities in Bloom judges will evaluate the Municipality of Bluewater for the provincial program on July 29-30. They will determine a 'blooms' rating based on eight criteria and the local community profile book. The rating will rank Bluewater among similar sized municipalities. Last year, committee member Heather Redick,

BAYFIELD LIBRARY

The Bayfield Library is hosting the TD Summer Reading Club this summer but attendance so far has been subpar. It is hoped that more children aged four to 12 years will want to join in the fun of the "Eureka!" themed meetings held every Wednesday afternoon until Aug. 22.

There are two one-hour sessions to choose from starting at 1:30 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. Children can indulge in games and crafts and reading too!

The topics include:
• Eureka! I've made a new Friend, Grab your Passport, Hola, Bonjour, Aloha!
• Eureka, Eureka! What's This Old Thing?
• Eureka! Let's Make a Masterpiece!
• Eureka! Let's Make some Noise!
• Eureka, Let's Try This Again!
• Eureka! Let's Make Something Squishy

PHOTO CONTEST

Environmental Defence Canada – the coordinator of the Blue Flag program – is hosting a beach

left, hosted judges Martin Quinn and Ray Hurd, with member Harlie Johnston at the historic St. Joseph Park. (Photo by Mark Cassidy, Bluewater economic development officer)

The communities of Bluewater are set to welcome Communities in Blooms (CIB) judges on July 29-30.

Lynda Rotteau, of Goderich, and Bruce Warren, of Oakville, ON, will be taken on a personal and active tour from Hensall to Bayfield; from Brucefield to St. Joseph and many stops in between.

An Ontario Parks Association director during the period when CIB was launched in 1999/2000, Rotteau recently retired as coordinator of emergency management and other portfolios for the Town of Goderich. Warren is a former director and operations manager for Canada Blooms and Landscape Ontario who has been a CIB judge on three previous occasions.

The evaluation tour allows the judges to see and feel the community not just read about it. Rotteau and Warren will be tasked with evaluating the communities of Bluewater by assigning numerical points for each of eight established criteria for an overall percentage. One to five blooms respectively symbolize the rating from lowest to highest. Last year, the Municipality of Bluewater was awarded the ultimate prize of Five Blooms as well as the Heritage Conservation Criteria Award in the Ontario Edition of the Communities in Bloom program.

The Bluewater CIB planning committee will use the tour, written material and its successful special projects launched last year in its Strive for Five Program to try and increase the municipality's score. Comprised of representatives of municipal council, merchants and community volunteers, the Bluewater Blooms Committee has called on representatives of these sectors plus municipal staff to join the evaluation tour to personally present their interests to the judges. Points of interest are identified in each community that fit into the eight criteria: Tidiness, Environmental Action, Heritage Conservation, Urban Forestry, Landscape Turf and Groundcovers, Floral Displays and Community Involvement.

Bluewater Council established the Bluewater Communities in Bloom program in 2010. They took that commitment a step further this year by declaring the second week of June as Communities in Bloom Week. Council recognizes the economic and social benefits derived from participation in the program. They celebrate the efforts of countless volunteers and municipal staff. A Community Profile is produced annually which is shared with the judges and the public.

For further information, visit: www.town.bluewater.on.ca or www.bluewaterblooms.ca or contact, Kay Wise, chair, Bluewater Blooms Committee via email kjwise@bell.net or call 519 262-2050.

PUBLIC INPUT SOUGHT ON VISION FOR MAIN BEACH

The committee working to maintain Bayfield's Blue Flag eco-label is inviting people to a community meeting for the public to share their vision for the Bayfield Main Beach.

The community meeting will take place on July 31 from 7-9 p.m. at the Bayfield Town Hall. Meeting organizers say the committee is interested in hearing the public's views about the Bayfield Main Beach. The committee is asking for local residents' help to identify local issues and needs relating to water quality, environmental management, safety, and services.

It's an honor to achieve the Blue Flag designation, said Bruce Grant, acting chief administrative officer with the Municipality of Bluewater.

"Bayfield Main Beach is a precious resource in Bayfield," he said. "We invite community members to join us to share their hopes and dreams for Bayfield Main Beach."

The Blue Flag Beach Management Committee includes the Municipality of Bluewater, the County of Huron, and Ausable Bayfield Conservation.

Light refreshments are to be provided. Space is limited. To register, please contact Arlene Parker, Municipality of Bluewater, at 519 236-4351, Ext. 235.

SCHOOL ON WHEELS MARKS 100TH

photography contest and folks have until Sept. 1 to enter.

In this fourth annual contest they want to see the best of people's favorite Canadian beaches have to offer – whether it's the sun, sand, water, or the wildlife that call it home, show the judges the nature that makes the beach unique and beautiful.

Three prizes will be awarded with the top one being $1,000 worth of camera gear.

For full contest details visit: http://environmentaldefence.ca/blog/lifes-beach-photo-contest-0

Bayfield currently holds two Blue Flag awards for both the Main Beach and Bayfield Marina.

CAPE DISCOVERY

The Canadian Coast Guard Cutter "Cape Discovery" will be back in port on July 28 as part of the next Bayfield Historical Society meeting.

The meeting will be held (weather permitting) at the Town Marina Dock, South Pier. The meeting will be a tour of "Cape Discovery". If the weather is pleasant they have agreed to bring the boat to Bayfield for the evening. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to be at the marina by 7:30pm. It is recommended those who attend bring a lawn chair as only four or five people will be able to tour at one time while others enjoy fellowship and refreshments on the dockside.

This meeting is child friendly and all are welcome. If the weather is unfavorable carpooling to the Goderich station will be arranged. Those with Facebook can check for updates at "Bayfield Historical Society"; BHS members will receive an email. For further details please call Phil Gemeinhardt at 519 482-9230.

RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

With municipal elections upcoming on Oct. 27, come and hear Mayor Bill Dowson and Councilors Tyler Hessel and Geordie Palmer briefly address members of the Bayfield Ratepayers' Association (BRA) at their Annual General Meeting on Aug. 2.

The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building. Non-BRA members are welcome to attend but are unable to vote on issues.

Paul Hill will update those in attendance on how tax dollars are being spent and there will be briefs on Main Street's Revitalization, the Bayfield Arena, beach water quality and other issues of importance. For more information visit www.bayfieldratepayers.ca or call 519 565-2469.

Members of Bayfield Guiding toured the School on Wheels in Sloman Park in Clinton at the end of May. They had an opportunity to experience what attending school in the car would be like with the help of Museum Curator Carolyn Brophy. The School Car will celebrate its 100th birthday on July 26 with free tours being offered. (Photo by Melody Falconer-Pounder)

When is a birthday party more than a birthday party? When it's highlighting a centenary event. 2014 marks the 100th year of one of the most interesting museum structures in Ontario. And a celebratory bash is planned for the School on Wheels in Clinton.

Constructed in 1914 and initially utilized for a brief period as a mobile hospital, and then as a colonist car transporting settlers to Western Canada, this vintage rail car eventually served as classroom and residence for its dedicated teacher, Clinton native Fred Sloman, who taught the children of the remote Northern Ontario bush for nearly 40 years. Fred and his family—wife Cela, a former teacher, and their five children—lived and traveled in the residence/classroom for ten months of each year. The Sloman children were, of course, "home schooled" by their gifted parents.

Join School on Wheels Museum staff, volunteers, and local dignitaries on July 26 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and enjoy all the free activities at the School on Wheels site located in Sloman Park, on Victoria Terrace (off Hwy 4) in Clinton.

Central Huron Mayor Jim Ginn will welcome those present at 11:30 a.m. The day will include: School on Wheels guided tours, a model railway display, games, bubble centre, scavenger hunt, face painting, Thomas the Tank toys, refreshments and of course, birthday cake!

Entertainment will include a short historic play based on a true event that occurred on the school car in the late 1930s. The play was written by Ian Rutherford of Bayfield. Greg Stewart and Leanne Kavanagh, also of Bayfield, will join Rutherford in the cast. Robyn Hunt of Clinton will play Margaret Sloman. The play will be performed right after the opening ceremonies at 11:30 a.m.

Then at 1 p.m. pianist Steve Lane, from the Sarnia area, will perform music from Broadway, movies and television and with his encyclopedic knowledge of movie trivia will share many fascinating facts about cinematic music. His performance will evolve into a Musical Trivial Pursuit Contest with prizes being awarded to those audience members that can provide the correct answers to the questions he asks about the music he plays.

Plan to attend this celebration commemorating a unique piece of educational and provincial history. Further information is available by calling 519 565-2723 or at www.schoolcar.ca.

ERB FAMILY PLEDGES ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR WATERSHED PLAN

ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Bayfield Antique Show and Sale is now 29 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 2014, the show will be held at the Bayfield Arena, Aug. 8-10.

The dealers 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 such as Canadiana, furniture, books, porcelain, silver, estate and costume jewelry and antique toys.

The Gala Evening Opening Celebration is set for Friday from 7-9 p.m. This evening will include refreshments and live entertainment. Guests can meet the vendors, chat, browse, and buy a unique item for their collection. Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 at the door. Tickets are available now from church members and also Friday afternoons at the Bayfield Farmers' Market.

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.

For gala tickets or more information call Joan Cluff at 519 565-2974 or Trinity at 519 565-2790 or visit www.trinitychurch.bayfield.on.ca

ANGEL VOICE CHOIR

MP Ben Lobb and Mayor Bill Dowson will welcome the Angel Voice Choir from Beijing, China when they enjoy a picnic lunch held in their honor at Pioneer Park on July 25.

Following the picnic, the Chinese children's choir comprised of youth aged eight to 12 years will take a tour around the village taking in the sites at the Bayfield Harbour and a stroll through the Bayfield Farmers' Market to enjoy some farm fresh treats. Rumor has it they might even share a song with those who happen by the market at 3 p.m.

"The children will have adults with them plus people who will interpret, about 40 in all. We are showing them rural Ontario and will be explaining Lake Huron and the Great Lakes and the many crops that are grown here as we travel to and from Bayfield," said Bonnie Sitter, one of the organizers of the day trip.

The evening prior, July 24, people will have an opportunity to see the members of the Angel Voice

The Fred A. and Barbara M. Erb Family Foundation is to provide a second grant of $100,000 to help protect and improve water quality in the Bayfield area. The grant will support the community's continued work to put into action the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan. The Foundation is to provide this funding to Ausable Bayfield Conservation over a three-year period.

The Erb Family Foundation is a U.S. foundation dedicated to nurturing environmentally healthy and culturally vibrant communities in metropolitan Detroit and supporting initiatives to restore the Great Lakes Basin. The Foundation announced in 2011 its first grant of $100,000 to support the work to create, and begin to enact, a community plan for the Main Bayfield Watershed. That funding supported work between 2011 and 2013. The new grant of the same amount will continue to support positive actions by the community between 2014 and 2016.

Ainslie Willock is the president of the Bayfield Ratepayers Association and a member of the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan Steering Committee. She expressed thanks to the Erb Family Foundation.

"I'd like to thank the Erb family for their commitment to the Main Bayfield Watershed and the Great Lakes Basin," she said. "The Fred A. and Barbara M. Erb Family Foundation continues to demonstrate their commitment to improving the environmental health of the Great Lakes Basin by donating $100,000 over three years to help implement the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan. It is through their generous support that our communities can work together to get natural ecological systems functioning to restore the wetlands, tributaries and rivers that ultimately end up in the lake."

"This generous support from the Erb Family Foundation will help the community continue to turn recommendations into positive actions to improve water quality," said Healthy Watersheds Technician, Hope Brock, with Ausable Bayfield Conservation.

The Bayfield and area community has already implemented some of the plan's recommendations. They have held a rain garden workshop, helped hundreds of landowners protect water quality and quantity by using rain barrels purchased through a rain barrel blitz, and completed a watershed walk to identify potential best management practices.

The community steering committee for a Main Bayfield Watershed Plan set a goal to improve water quality within the Bayfield River, and its tributaries. The plan offers ways to do this. These ideas include more forest cover, wetlands and streamside cover. Landowners can use rain barrels, create rain gardens, use permeable pavement to hold back water and allow it to filter into the ground, plant cover crops, add berms and grassed waterways, and use conservation tillage. Many actions by many people can help to reduce phosphorus and Escherichia coli (E. coli) concentrations, according to the plan.

Anyone interested can find a copy of the Main Bayfield Watershed Plan by typing in 'Main Bayfield' into the search box at the top of the Ausable Bayfield home page at abca.on.ca and pressing 'Enter.'

For more information visit abca.on.ca or phone 519 235-2610 or toll-free 1-888-286-2610 or e-mail using the staff contact form on the Ausable Bayfield Conservation website.

THANK YOU DR. WALLACE

Choir perform at the Trivitt Memorial Church in Exeter at 7 p.m. Tickets are $10 per person and are available at the door as well as at several Exeter locations. The evening is part of the Bach Music Fest of Canada.

BLUEWATER NEWS

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 one final open house on Aug. 9.

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.

Council will hear representations at a Public Meeting scheduled for Aug. 11 at 7 p.m. also in the council chambers. The draft zoning by-law may be passed the same evening or on another date.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Bluewater before the By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Municipality of Bluewater to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Municipality of Bluewater before the By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board, unless in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

ST. JAMES', MIDDLETON

The congregation of St. James', Middleton will be serving up some food and fun at their "Brats and Beans Summer Barbeque" on July 26.

The event will be held on the church lawn from 4-7 p.m. at the corner of Bayfield Road and Tipperary

A large crowd attended the "Thank You Reception" held for Dr. C. J. Wallace on June 28 in Zurich to show their appreciation for his lifetime of compassion and care in Bluewater. Margaret Visscher, his Nurse Practitioner for 40 years, was also honored. Their families and his former staff were able to attend to honor him. The Organizing Committee would like to thank all who helped make this event a success either by volunteering, through financial or in kind donations or by simply attending to show Dr. Wallace, Moira and Maggie their appreciation of their service to the community over the years. His patients and their families will long remember the professional help they gave during his time of practice in Zurich, Hensall and Bayfield. The community wishes them good health in their retirement and hope that they get a chance to do those things that they could not do while they were working. For a full list of sponsors, donors and contributors please click on the "Dr. Wallace Thank You Reception" advertisement in this issue. (Photo submitted)

OUTDOOR COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE NEW ADDITION TO FAIR

This year's Bayfield Community Fair will include a new event on Sunday morning - an outdoor community church service.

Plans are currently underway for this special worship gathering that will take place in Agriculture Park on Aug. 17 at 10:30 a.m. This "Harvest" themed service will see local congregations coming together in a spirit of cooperation and unity. Organizers from Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew's United, Trinity Anglican , St. James', Middleton and the Church on the Way have been meeting to make plans and are excited for the opportunity to work together and get to know one another better.

Visitors, guests, families and volunteers at the Fair will be welcome at this wonderful occasion of coming together across denominational lines to pause and express our gratitude for the bounty that surrounds us. The service will include local guest speaker Jean Bennett who will share stories about her work with the Canada Foodgrains Bank and a special offering will be taken in support of this project. Volunteers from each church will participate in different roles to assist with the service. A choir formed for the occasion will provide special music.

Beginning this week, choir rehearsals will take place at 8 p.m. on Thursday evenings at St. Andrew's United Church from July 24 to Aug. 14. Anyone who likes to sing is invited to come join the choir on these nights to learn the anthem for the service.

The service will also include special activities for children. It will take place under the fairground tent and those attending are invited to bring their own lawn chairs.

For more information contact Elise Feltrin at St. Andrew's United Church 519 565-2854.

NEW VENDOR TO TANTALIZE TASTEBUDS AT RIB AND MUSIC FEST

Lane.

On the menu will be Bratwurst on a bun, hamburgers, or hotdogs served with baked beans, coleslaw, potatoes, drinks and desserts.

The meal will cost adults, $10; children under 10 years, $5; and preschoolers eat free.

PIONEER PARK

Pioneer Park is a great place to be in the summer months and it isn't always about the sunsets either.

Some great things happen after sunrise too, like yoga for example. Every Tuesday and Thursday morning starting at 8:30 a.m. a free yoga session will be held during July and August.

And there is even more fun after dark. July 26th is the date set for the popular "Star Gazing" put on by the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, London Centre. According to the experts the moon will not be making an appearance that night so the stars will take centre stage.

But of course those sunsets won't be ignored and some musical acts are currently being lined up to serenade them on weekends. Stay tuned…

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Barbara Brown and Joyce Lambert, both of Bayfield, are embarking on a new project on behalf of the Bayfield Historical Society (BHS). The pair is in the process of creating a small coffee table book that reflects the village's "unique spirit" through artistic and written images across the decades.

And both Brown and Lambert feel that there are probably many Bayfield themed poems and pieces of art out there, perhaps tucked away in a trunk in the family cottage or even hanging on a wall in someone's living room.

"We would like to challenge people in the community to look around their homes and cottages to find these hidden treasures of art and written pieces that capture the spirit of Bayfield to share them with us," said Lambert.

People are invited to bring a good quality photo or a good copy of their treasures to the Bayfield Archives from 1-4 p.m. on the next long weekend Saturday of the summer – Aug. 2. They should also include related information as well as the name of the author or artist and the year the work was created. This will be the final opportunity for people to submit their items.

"The work has to be about Bayfield but the artist or author does not have be from Bayfield," said Brown.

Brian Garnet, of Let the Flames Begin, will be joining Devin Tabor, of Bon Vivant Catering, to tantalize the taste buds of those attending the Bayfield Rib and Music Festival on Aug. 15.

Judges are all in place to crown one restaurant with the honors of preparing the best ribs in Bayfield. The judging will be in the arena this year just inside the doors. All are invited to come watch the four judges sample a portion of each entry as they award points on taste, presentation and tenderness.

The opening this year will take place in the arena with the smell of ribs wafting through the open doors and to the sounds of music from the Music Fest. In keeping with the theme, “The Cows are at the Gate in Our 1-5-8” organizers are currently rounding up bovine statues to decorate the area around the main gates for the opening ceremony. Anyone who has a cow made from any variety of material such as cement or cloth that they would be willing to lend for the night should contact 519 482-9296 to make arrangements.

And in the equestrian department - Liz Elliott is bringing a pony on the Sunday of the fair for the younger folks to paint. The pony loves the attention and does not mind bright bold colors. One can only imagine what it will look like by the end of the afternoon.

The three-day fair should have lots of entertainment for everyone. Friday will feature the Ribs and Music Fest. Saturday is a full day of competition of all sorts. Sunday is Family Day where everyone can relax a little. Set aside Aug. 15-17 and make the Bayfield Community Fair a family tradition.

HEADLINERS FROM CELTIC FESTIVAL TO PERFORM AT TOWN HALL

RUNA consists of vocalist and step-dancer, Shannon Lambert-Ryan, of Philadelphia, Dublin-born guitarist, Fionán de Barra, Cheryl Prashker, of Canada, on percussion, Dave Curley on mandolin, vocals, bodhrán, and step-dancing, and Maggie Estes, of Kentucky, on the fiddle. They will be performing on the Bayfield Town Hall Stage on Aug. 4. (Submitted photo)

"RUNA", a headlining group direct from the Goderich Celtic Festival will appear at the Bayfield Town Hall on Aug. 4.

RUNA draws on the diverse musical backgrounds of its band members and offers a contemporary and refreshing approach to traditional and more recently composed Celtic material. Through their repertoire of both highly energetic and graceful, acoustic melodies, along with their fusion of music from Ireland, Scotland, Canada, and the United States, this vocal and instrumental ensemble gives its arrangements of traditional songs and tunes a fresh sound.

The group was recently recognized on an international level at the Irish Music Awards for 2013, winning Top Group (US, IRE, EU, UK).

Goderich fiddler, Kieran Melady, a popular Goderich fiddler, will be the opening act.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available now for $20 by calling 519 565-2572 or from Ernie King in Goderich or www.ticketscene.ca. Doors open at 7 p.m. and there will be a

All art mediums are welcome including, paintings, postcard drawings, photographs, folk-art, sculpture, poems and quotes.

“We are delighted to receive images and copies of treasures for consideration but we can not guarantee all of them will be used in the book due to space constraints,” said Brown.

Anyone who is unable to attend on the final collection Saturday is welcome to email Brown at bdbrown@tcc.on.ca or Lambert at lambertjoyce@gmail.com to make alternate arrangements to share their potential contribution.

BACK PACK PROGRAM

Since 2011, the Huron Backpacks for Kids Program has been supporting families that cannot afford the cost of school supplies and backpacks for their children. Last year they were able to provide over 300 school-aged children with a backpack of supplies for their first day of school.

Planning has begun for the 2014-15 school year. Participating Huron County Food Banks, including the Bayfield Food Bank (Feed My Sheep), are currently taking registrations from families who wish to receive backpacks.

Individuals are also welcome to contribute to the cause. Income-tax receipts will be issued for donations of $20 or more. Financial donations are ideal, as this allows organizers to purchase grade-appropriate items for children that have registered. Donations will be accepted until Aug. 8th.

In addition to the participating food banks and the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Center, area hospitals and the Huron County Health Unit are participating in the Huron Backpacks for Kids Program.

For more information about the Bayfield Food Bank’s involvement with the program or to make a donation contact: Rev.Wayne Malott, 519 565 4009;
Olga Palmer, 519 565-2903; or Terry Boa-Youmatoff, 519 524-1774.

BRVTA

The Bayfield River Valley Trail Association (BRVTA) offers guided hikes and welcomes everyone to take part whether new to hiking, unfamiliar with the trails or hiking veterans who just like to socialize.

On July 24 the trail of choice will be the Woodland Trail. It is the first natural environment trail created by the BRVTA. Regular hikers declare it “a superb hike”. The steep sections have stairs to allow safety for humans and the surrounding environment. Participants should enjoy the scenic beauty and serenity of the ravines, old pastures and glacial hills

cash bar.

REYLEA FAMILY HOSTS SUNSET CONCERT AT LAKESIDE HOME

"The Second Annual Lakeside Evening of Song" concert was held at Northwood Beach Resort Park (NWB) north of Bayfield on July 13. Deanna Relyea, Anna Relyea, Elton Lammie and Gary Relyea performed the country tune "Elvira".

PHOTOS BY JACK PAL

On July 13th, neighbors and friends of hosts and singers Anna and Gary Relyea were treated to "The Second Annual Lakeside Evening of Song" concert at Northwood Beach Resort Park (NWB) north of Bayfield. It was a super entertaining, one-hour plus, performance of songs from opera, musical theatre, cabaret, jazz, pop and country and western – a varied cross-over of vocal genres.

Returning singers from the first concert held in July of 2013 were Gary's sister, Deanna Relyea, mezzo soprano; Don McManus, bass; Kim McNeil, soprano and Ilya Serebrianik, tenor. This year Deanna's husband, Piotr Michalowski, added instrumentals and Jim Wright, bass, joined Don McManus and Gary Relyea for "The Three Basses".

Two more visiting artists thrilled the audience. Sonja Gustafson, a marvelous classical soprano and accomplished jazz vocalist and Elton Lammie, who has had a major entertainment career. He is an exotic hybrid of Roy Orbison and Luciano Pavarotti and a great country and western guitarist thrown in.

The Relyeas want to thank their music-loving neighbors at NWB Park for lending their many hands and hearts, backyards and even acting talents to make the event possible. They even helped in "chasing the rain away" for the entire day until 40 minutes into dessert and coffee!

as they hike along old gravel quarry roads, lumber paths and deer trails. Those who wish to take part should meet on the North side of Clan Gregor Square. Anyone with children may want to car-pool from there to the beginning of the trail.

This is a level 2 hike and should take about an hour and a half.

The hike leaders will be Dave Gillians, 519 565-5884; Elise Feltrin, 519 565- 5852; and Roberta Stemp 519 565-2777.

Anyone with questions concerning specific hikes or who would like to make suggestions, call one of the hike leaders or contact the program coordinator, by email thyra.knudsen@gmail.com or phone 519 606-0016.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

For the fifth consecutive year, Knox Church, Bayfield will be hosting Kintail-on-the-Road Day Camp at the church during July and August.

This Outreach Program will be run from now to Aug. 20 from 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Lunch and snacks are provided. Ages for camp are graduated JK to Grade 6.

The cost per individual child is $5 per week or for families of two or more, $7. For more information contact the church office at 519 565-2913.

The fourth Annual Knox Church "Pickerel" Fish Fry will be held on July 26 at the Bayfield Community Centre from 4:30-7 p.m.

Along with the pickerel the menu will include baked potato, coleslaw, bean salad, freshly sliced tomatoes, rolls, beverages and homemade desserts. Tickets are available now for $18 for adults and $10 for children six to 11 years, both take out or eat in are available.

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

FIRST FRIDAY'S ART WALK

Another First Friday's Art Walk weekend has come and gone but it couldn't have been a nicer evening to take a stroll down Main Street and see some original works from stained glass to tissue paper and every medium in between.

Deanna Relyea's costume was inspired by the song "When They Make a Movie of My Life".

Kim MacNeil and Jim Wright performed "You Raise Me Up" while Gary Relyea accompanied on keyboard and Anna Relyea turned pages.

The idea behind this Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce initiative is that people can enjoy an evening of art by walking the Main Street as artists showcase their work in a number of locations. Each artist will have their own exhibition and will be available to talk to and explain their art. Snacks and refreshments will be served as well.

Organizers note that attendees should be on the lookout for white balloon markers to denote the First Friday exhibits and plan to attend the next installment – Aug. 1.

ONE CARE

One Care offers many fun exercise and socializing opportunities in Bayfield. There is something happening almost every day! There is a schedule on the bulletin board by the library and more information available inside the library. Or call 519 565-2202 or 519 565-5638 for more information or to receive monthly information via the Wave to Wellness email.

HEARING CLINIC

Have you heard the news? A monthly hearing clinic has been established in the village at Pharmasave Michael's Pharmacy. The next date for the clinic is Aug. 19.

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. Please call Shannon Gould at The Kincardine Hearing Clinic at 1-855-396-6026 to book an appointment.

FLEA MARKET

Bayfield has been home to a Country Flea Market for several decades. In more recent years, it has found a new home in Agriculture Park; a home that offers plenty of parking as well as some green space for children to run carefree.

The Bayfield Agricultural Society provides this home for the market that is open on Sundays from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. (maybe a little longer depending on the crowds). There are all kinds of unique items for sale such as antiques, furniture, books, tools, and sports collectibles. The market is also a good spot to pick up fresh produce and plants.

Piotr Michalowski and Sonja Gustafson jazzed "Summertime".

Jim Wright, Don McManus and Gary Relyea, "The Three Basses" dressed as serious Egyptian priests who sang "O Isis and Osiris" which soon turned into a raucous drinking song after a barmaid served them steins full of beer!

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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, some young ladies enjoy a cool summer treat. Does anyone remember them? (Archive Code: PB13 16a)

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In Issue 260, does anyone remember this distinguished gentleman who enjoyed some summer reading at the beach? Records indicate that it is none other than Canon Paul. (Archives Code: PB13 32b)

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In Issue 261, more fun at the beach – the only note with the photo states David Dewar may be the man in the image. Anyone remember the others? (Archives Code: PB13 15b)

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BICYCLE OPERA PROJECT MEMBERS CYCLE AND SING THEIR WAY THROUGH TOWN

Dirt roads are no problem for these avid cyclists! Members of the Bicycle Opera Project, Larissa Koniuk, Stephanie Tritchew and Chelsea Shanoff were photographed cycling along Sugarbush Road.

The community bike ride is a favorite aspect of a visit from the Bicycle Opera Project. On Sunday morning, Tyler Hessel (left) led about 30 people on two-wheels along Bayfield Terrace. He was joined in the lead position by Tristan Durie, flautist with the Bicycle Opera (left).

PHOTOS BY GARY LLOYD-REES

About 30 people turned out on the morning of July 20 to join the seven members of the Bicycle Opera on the second "annual" community bike ride, led once again by Tyler Hessel. Although the morning started off a bit wet and drizzly, it cleared up just in time for the ride.

Hessel pointed out various points of historical interest around the town, as well as showing how new buildings in the village, like the Virtual High School, that have been designed with the historical integrity of the village in mind. He also commented that next year the bike ride should be expanded to include some of the surrounding countryside and take in places like Bayfield Berry Farm and the new Windmill Lake.

The bike ride ended in Clan Gregor Square with an impromptu musical "taster" of the evening's concert. This generated even more interest for the event.

The concert was sold-out. With a new program of works from young Canadian composers and a stellar cast of singers and musicians, the group thrilled the audience with both comedic and sorrowful vignettes.

One piece was specifically written for the Bicycle Opera ("Bianchi: A Five Minute Bicycle Opera" - Libretto and music by Tobin Stokes). This hilarious performance included many cycling puns.

Stage Director, Liza Balkan, attended the concert. It was the first time she had seen the production since rehearsals. Not only was she the stage director, she was also wrote the libretto for one of the pieces, "What Rhymes with Azimuth", music by Ivan Barbotin.

Organizers note that Bayfield has become a favorite venue for the Bicycle Opera players and it is hoped that even as their fame grows they will keep returning to the village for many years to come.

Kate Lloyd-Rees (left) and Sandy Scotchmer enjoyed the ride. The ladies are the past and current presidents of the Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society.

The Bicycle Opera Project cast met up with community members on the morning of July 20 in front of Outside Projects on Main Street to begin the ride about town.

The Bicycle Opera Project concert was a sell-out for the Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society. The full cast were on stage for a scene from "Airline Icarus" (Libretto by Anton Piatigorsky and music by Brian Current). The cast from l-r are: Wesley Shen, piano; Chelsea Shanoff, saxophone; Geoffrey Sirett, baritone; Larissa Koniuk, soprano; Stephanie Tritchew, mezzo soprano; Tristan Durie, flautist; and Christopher Enns, tenor.

The weather was a bit drizzly for the start of the community bike ride but the ladies from the Bicycle Opera arrived suitably dressed - Larissa Koniuk, soprano; Stephanie Tritchem, mezzo soprano; and Chelsea Shanoff, saxophone.

Larissa Koniuk and Geoffrey Sirett in a scene from the French opera - L'homme et Le Ciel (Libretto by Ian Koiter and music by Adam Scime).

A standing ovation from a delighted full house at the Town Hall. Joining the cast onstage was Liza Balkan, production stage director, who also wrote the libretto for "What Rhymes with Azimuth?" (Music by Ivan Barbotin).

Stephanie Tritchew played a "flighty" attendant in "Airline Icarus", with "Captain" Wesley Shen, "First Officer" Chelsea Shanoff and passengers Geoffrey Sirett, Larissa Koniuk and the "aviophobic" Christopher Enns.

Flautist Tristan Durie, Pianist Wesley Shen and Saxophonist Chelsea Shanoff accompany Tenor Christopher Enns and Soprano Larissa Koniuk in the very moving piece "Rosa". (Libretto by Camyar Chai and music by James Rolfe)

PIXILATED — IMAGE OF THE WEEK

Along the river...*By Marley Adams*

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Melody Falconer-Pounder

Our nephew was married on the evening of July 18. Weddings are a time to indulge in sweet memories. As we waited for the service to start I went back in time for a moment and I could visualize our six year-old ring bearer standing smartly in his tux at the top of the aisle as the groom took up his position and waited for his beautiful bride to join him.

The ceremony and reception was held in the heart of Toronto's historic distillery district. Surrounded by Victorian industrial architecture and under the well-preserved stacks from its era as a whiskey-making factory, the young couple pledged their troth. If the sun could beam down rays of happiness it did on this day. As they exchanged their vows the bride wiped away a tear from her groom's cheek. While above their heads on a narrow window ledge two little sparrows sat to watch. A modern day fairy tale sprung to life…the birds were tweeting and so were the guests!

Congratulations Matthew and welcome to the clan Lindsay. - Melody

Matthew & Lindsay

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