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HURON SHORES AND BEYOND FOCUS OF CABARET CONCERT

"Huron Shores and Beyond" will feature the eclectic stylings and original Huron-bred music of guest musicians Reynolds, Robinson & Lodge. They may sound like a law firm, but in fact they are a Goderich musical trio consisting of Mike Reynolds, Warren Robinson and John Lodge. (Submitted photo)

Want a way to kick off your 150 celebrations? The Blyth Festival Singers are pleased to announce their second concert of the season with a Canadian twist, this time with the shores of Lake Huron as their starting point.

VILLAGE YARD SALES

Treasure seekers should mark June 3 on their calendars as the Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) is promoting their third Town Wide Yard Sale and Village Side Walk Sale on that date.

Residents in the community are encouraged to hold a yard sale at their home on that date and local merchants will be offering up some side walk sales that day as well.

Community groups are also joining in the fun for bargain hunters to help raise funds for important area causes. One such group is Bayfield Guiding and the Camp Klahanie Friends Association. They will be hosting a yard sale in support of Bayfield Guiding and Camp Klahanie that weekend both inside and out at Trinity Anglican Church.

Are you hosting a yard sale on June 3? Share the location details and times with the Bayfield Breeze! We will publish a list of locations in our May 31st issue. Please submit by Sunday, May 28 at 4 p.m. to be included.

GIRLS GETAWAY WEEKEND

The Singers' popular gala Cabaret Concert, Dinner and Auction is coming up on May 27 at the Varna Complex, on Mill Road just west of the village.

Doors open at 6 p.m. with dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. Browse our fantastic silent auction before dinner while imbibing on Huron-brewed libations from the bar. Then, enjoy our signature full course meal and desserts. Emcee Duncan McGregor guarantees an interesting evening as he regales you with Canadian trivia contests, prizes and exciting raffles.

All that and music too! "Huron Shores and Beyond" will feature the eclectic stylings and original Huron-bred music of our guest musicians Reynolds, Robinson & Lodge. They may sound like a law firm, but in fact they are a Goderich musical trio consisting of Mike Reynolds, Warren Robinson and John Lodge.

Reynolds, Robinson & Lodge offer an eclectic blend of original acoustic folk music, with influences from Bluegrass, Jazz, Celtic and Country. Critics claim their music is "clean, crisp and smooth – not unlike a fine beer" with a "fabulous blend of instrumentals and vocals".

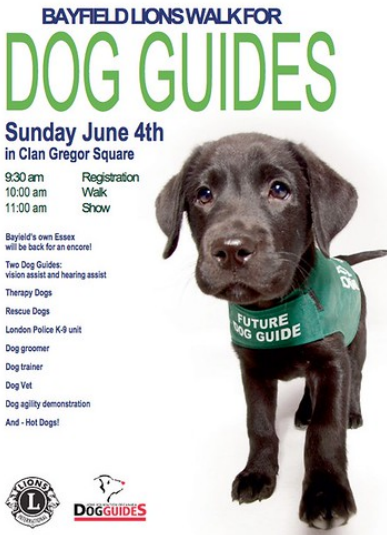
The long-time friends have played together in various formats and musical styles for a long time, but over the past few years, Reynolds was inspired to really appreciate the banjo as a lead instrument. He began letting many original tunes he'd been keeping in his head flow freely, and his original musical compositions became the trio's main focus. The group's new format began to make public appearances during 2014 while further honing Reynold's tunes and preparing to record their first CD "Into the Wind". Released in June 2015 it quickly sold out. Their second CD "Haze Around the Moon" was recorded at the Livery Theatre in Goderich this past December. It will not be officially released until June 10. But those attending the Cabaret Concert will get an early sneak peak at some of the offerings their new album will have in store and even get an opportunity to purchase their music.

The Blyth Festival Singers will also pay tribute to music from this area, music both near to Huron's shoreline and far beyond. Artistic director and conductor, Sharon Poelstra, has put together a musical program that features the full choir and smaller ensembles.

Seating for this event is limited so reserve your seat soon. For a full course meal and concert, tickets are a bargain at $30 for adults and $15 for children ages six to 12. Call 519 482-9265 or 519- 82-9306 for ticket availability.

The Blyth Festival Singers are a community based choral organization under the umbrella of the Blyth Centre for the Arts.

WALK FOR DOG GUIDES BEGINS ONE HOUR LATER



This year's Dog Guide walk will take place on June 4th starting at 10 a.m., an hour later than previous years, at Clan Gregor Square. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The Bayfield Lions' Club members are once again holding a post-walk dog event starting at 11 a.m. from the Lions brand new portable stage that will be set up in the middle of Clan Gregor Square.

"Even if you cannot make the walk, join us for this informative program for dog lovers. We are especially blessed this year to have no less than two service dogs and their clients/owners join us: one, a Canine Vision Dog Guide and the other a Hearing Ear Dog Guide. I know their life partners' stories will be inspiring. You will also be able to say hi again to last year's Bayfield Dog Guide Pup in Training, Essex, who will be back in town for a visit with his foster parents, Deb and Tom Grasby," said Lion Jack Pal, an organizer of the walk.

This weekend, May 26-28, is the 5th Annual Bayfield Girls Getaway Weekend – a fun-filled event for women of all ages who love to dine, sip, shop and just have fun!

Women can purchase a passport for $15. This passport acts as a ticket to enter in-store draws at participating Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) member stores and restaurants plus a chance to win one of three "Quintessential Bayfield Experience" Grand Prize Draws with a total value of more than $1,000! Each passport has a ballot at the back to enter the Draws.

Organizers are pleased to be collaborating with the Goderich Women's Shelter (GWS) during this weekend event. Attendees can support their 'sisters' while visiting the village by donating new razors, feminine products and deodorants to the shelter. The GWS will have a tent set up outside the Bayfield Public Library on Main Street all day on Saturday, where women can drop donations as well as purchase 50/50 tickets. The Draw Box will be located in the Women's Shelter tent. Draws will be held at 6 p.m. on May 28. The winners will be contacted by the Girl's Getaway Committee.

Shopbike Coffee on Main Street and at the GWS tent outside the Library from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Here's what's happening this weekend at participating BACC businesses:

- The Little Inn - Friday night "Gatsby-inspired" party 7 p.m. - Saturday afternoon fashion show from 2-4 p.m.;
- The Albion Hotel - Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sunday 1-3 p.m. "Make and Take" Your Own Signs with Tory MacDonald - Friday and Saturday night Country Music
- Drift Restaurant - Friday Night Disco Dance Party

In addition, there will be numerous activities and presentations all to do with dogs including: presentations on Therapy Dogs, Rescue Dogs, Police Dogs, dog health, dog training and dog grooming and a full-scale dog agility demonstration presented by Paws Effectiveness Training…along with hot dogs. This should be an entertaining, educational and fun event for the whole family.

The mission of the Lions Foundation of Canada, which thanks all local Lions Clubs for their annual participation, is to provide Dog Guides, at no cost, to Canadians with a medical and/or physical disabilities. The annual Walk for Dog Guides is its single largest annual fund raising event that raises funds to help breed, train and match Dog Guides with Canadians with disabilities, at no cost to them. It can cost upwards of $25,000 to raise and train a single dog. Thanks to sponsors like our generous donors in Bayfield, 100 per cent of all funds raised goes directly toward raising, training and providing Dog Guides. More than 200 Walks take place each year across Canada raising more than $1 million annually. Bayfield has been there from the inception of the Walk 31 years ago.

The Foundation trains six distinct types of Dog Guides:
• Canine Vision Dog Guides for people who are blind or visually impaired.
• Hearing Ear Dog Guides for people who are deaf or hard of hearing.
• Service Dog Guides for people with physical disabilities.
• Seizure Response Dog Guides for people with epilepsy.
• Autism Assistance Dog Guides for children three to 12 years of age with autism spectrum disorder.
• Diabetic Alert Dog Guides for individuals with Type 1 Diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness

Mark June 4 on your calendar, come to Clan Gregor Square and be sure to donate generously to this worthy cause and help maintain Bayfield's reputation as one of the most generous communities in Canada. Pledge forms are available from many merchants and restaurants in Bayfield and any Lion. Anyone can also make a local Bayfield donation online as an individual or as a team by going to: www.walkfordogguides.com/locations/walk.cfm?ID=1025 or you can call Pal at 519 565-5340 for more information. Tax receipts are issued for all donations of $20 or more.

"HELP YOUR SELF" TO SEAN MCCANN CONCERT TICKETS

Séan McCann, co-founder of the internationally renowned band, Great Big Sea, has spent the last 20 years entertaining audiences across the world. Today his mantra is 'Help Your Self', breaking the silence on his past addiction, abuse and using music to change his life for the better.

Sean McCann (Photo by David Howells)

"I stopped drinking five years ago and once I sobered up I realized what really needed to change," he said. "Great Big Sea was the biggest party band out there, living the every-night-is-Friday-night routine, the same songs every night. If you're an artist, that life can kill you. I loved the band but I knew I had to get out."

That decision, though, brought old demons out of the dark.

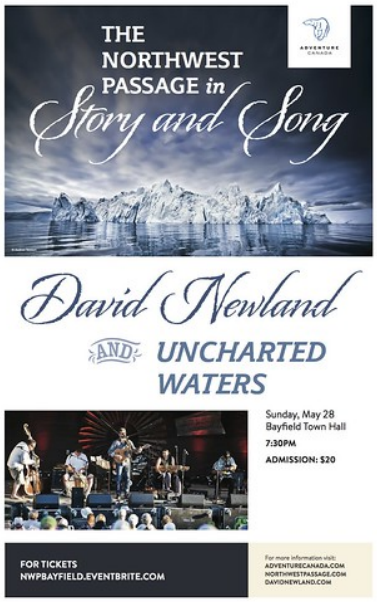
"I started to write songs to make sense of everything…and I felt very much alone. " McCann recalled about making his 2015 album 'Help Your Self'. "When I put the record out, the response was huge. Fans said, I know that song - that song is my brother or that song is my mother – or that song is me. That was a great leap forward for me, because I learned I wasn't alone. We're not alone."

- The Ashwood Bourbon Bar - Friday and Saturday noon to 3 p.m. 'Tiki-inspired' BBQ party - Sunday New Orleans-Style Brunch
- The Red Pump - Friday night 5-7 p.m. "Wear Your Red Pumps" wine-tasting party
- DaVinci's - Friday and Saturday night 'Salsa and Sangria' party
- Lake Huron Sewing Company - Saturday 11 a.m. to noon - Terrarium-building demonstration by the Little Shed Flower Company

Attendees are asked to call the restaurants and hotels directly to reserve.

Visit the Girls Getaway Weekend Facebook Page for more Details:
www.facebook.com/BayfieldGirlsGetaway/

UNCHARTED WATERS CONCERT



David Newland says he has "Canada's greatest dream job". The veteran folk singer spends summers driving Zodiacs, hosting and performing on expedition cruises to the fabled Northwest Passage, as well as Labrador, Greenland and other wild destinations with Adventure Canada.

In the off-season, Newland has been touring with a five-piece band, "Uncharted Waters", presenting a show he calls "The Northwest Passage in Story and Song". Weaving together stories, songs, photographs, and video, the show has sold out venues across the province including the Bruce County Museum in Southampton in August 2016.

In 2017, the Bayfield Town Hall is one of the venues set to host the production on May 28 at 7:30 p.m.

In 2015, Newland was named a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society, whose mandate is "to make Canada better known to Canadians and the

McCann has found himself using music as therapy, working with people who face physical, mental, and addiction challenges, and has become a sought after motivational speaker trying to help others to help themselves find light through the darkness.

His journey to find his own peace, love, and happiness continues through his new music and sharing that with others.

And now he's out on the road again, touring intimate venues with multi-instrumentalist Chris Murphy, playing some Great Big Sea favorites and new uplifting songs.

"I really don't have to be in front of 10,000 people again," he said. "I'll play for people in an intimate place like the Bayfield Town Hall and I'm happier. Being a Newfoundlander, I love the water and I'm looking forward to coming back to Lake Huron."

"An Intimate Evening with Séan McCann" is set for June 4 at the Bayfield Town Hall. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the concert commencing at 7 p.m. Tickets are $30 in advance ($35 at the door if available). JMR Collections on Main Street in the village has tickets or they can be purchased at www.ticketscene.ca/events/17301.

To learn more about McCann visit: www.seanmccannsings.com.

GRANTS AVAILABLE TO CREATE RAIN GARDENS IN VILLAGE

There has been a lot of interest in rain gardens in Bayfield with recent workshops and demonstration gardens at Pioneer Park. Homeowners in Bayfield are now encouraged to apply for funding to help install these gardens on their properties.

"Local people suggested rain gardens as a management solution for dealing with urban runoff in the community-based Main Bayfield Watershed Plan," said Hope Brock, Healthy Watersheds technician with Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA). "Now homeowners have this great opportunity to install a rain garden and help protect Lake Huron."

The Huron County Clean Water Project and the Municipality of Bluewater, through its Blue Flag initiative, have provided funding. The Blue Flag is an international designation awarded to beaches and marinas that meet certain criteria like water quality. The Bayfield Main Beach has flown the Blue Flag since 2010. Funding assistance will cover 50 per cent of the cash costs up to a maximum of $500 per rain garden. There is a limited amount of funding available for a limited number of projects.

Bayfield homeowners interested in receiving funding to create a rain garden on their property should contact a local landscape professional who has received a Landscape Ontario endorsed rain garden certificate (visit the ABCA rain gardens page at this link: abca.on.ca/page.php?page=rain-gardens). Once the contractor has provided a plan and a quote for the garden, the homeowner will need to contact ABCA staff for a site visit to complete the application, which is available online. Grants, subject to approval, are paid out upon the satisfactory completion of the rain garden. Homeowners can apply for funding without a contractor, but preference is given to the applications that use a certified contractor.

Rain gardens are shallow, sunken gardens. They protect local water quality when they collect, absorb and filter water running off of land during storms. When it rains or when snow melts, water runs off roofs, patios, and driveways. Rain gardens can prevent this water, along with contaminants the runoff picks up, from draining directly into a local storm sewer or nearby watercourses.

"Rain gardens provide benefits to water quality," said Brock. "Rain gardens reduce flooding and erosion, and they can also add beauty to your yard and create habitat."

THIRTY-SIX SPECIES OF BIRDS COUNTED ON RIVER FLATS HIKE

world." Newland says that mission is especially important in 2017.

"To me Canada 150 means it's high time to hear our own stories," he said.

Uncharted Waters, Newland's folk-roots ensemble features Steafan Hannigan, Saskia Tomkins and Oisin Hannigan, of Clan Hannigan; and Sam Allison, of Lotus Wight as well as Sheesham & Lotus & Son.

Tickets for the show are $20 and are available from www.nwpbayfield.eventbrite.com.
For more information visit www.davidnewland.com.

BROCHURE SWAP

The Huron County Museum in Goderich will be hosting an Open House and Brochure Exchange on May 30.

This informal event will be held from 6:30-7 p.m. and is an excellent opportunity to discover all that the museum offers while mingling with fellow tourism operators and local business owners and staff.

Participants are asked to please bring their brochures and marketing materials for the brochure exchange. No pre-registration required just drop off brochures anytime after 6 p.m. and collect remaining brochures by 8 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served and guided tours of the museum will also be conducted.

CYCLING OPEN HOUSES

Huron cycling advocates attended the 2017 Ontario Cycling Summit in Toronto on Apr. 12. L-r: Paul Vandermolen, Huron East; Susanna Reid, Huron County; Con Melady, Goderich; Julie Sawchuck, Blyth; Bob Payne, Goderich; Jay Dixon; Steve Lund, Huron County; Laura Dekroon, Huron County; Marlaine Kohler, Waterfront Trail. (Submitted photo)

In partnership with the Waterfront Regeneration Trust, Huron County is hosting public open houses to determine the best regional cycling routes. Public input is needed to update the Huron County Cycling Map and to make recommendations for improving these routes further.

In addition, the meetings will discuss the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail project, which is an initiative of the Waterfront Regeneration Trust. Using existing roadways, this project proposes to connect all of

About 30 people from Bayfield joined eight members of the Stratford Field Naturalists (SFN) for a hike through the Bayfield River Flats on May 9. (Photos by Jack Pal)

About 30 people from Bayfield joined eight members of the Stratford Field Naturalists (SFN) for a hike through the Bayfield River Flats on May 9. It was a beautiful sunny but cool morning.

The Bayfield River Flats has about 1,200 feet of river frontage right at the Bayfield Bridge in the village. It was acquired by the Huron Tract Land Trust Conservancy (HTLTC) through a fundraising effort by the community and led by the Bayfield River Valley Trail Association.

Hikers noted that many improvements have been made already; hazardous dead trees have been cut and small trees have been planted. Much junk has been removed but a large barge had been abandoned on the property. It has been cut up and will be removed. A program is in place to control Giant Hogweed and Japanese Knotweed. The trails are beginning to be improved.

Steve Thorpe recorded 36 species of birds. Notable were Orioles, Grosbeaks, and a Yellow Bellied Sapsucker.

“Some of us were lucky enough while watching a pair of Flickers to see a Merlin land while the Flickers dove for cover,” said Don Farwell, a member of the HLTC and of the Bayfield River Flats Management Team.

Following the hike, organizers provided coffee and cookies that was much appreciated by the members of the SFN.

To see a full review of the 36 bird species counted during the hike please visit: http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S36686811.

Canada’s Great Lakes with a dedicated cycling route as close to the water’s edge as feasible. Establishing the Lake Huron portion of the trail has been prioritized by the Trust for 2017-18.

“The Waterfront Trail has the potential to grow cycling tourism in Huron County, which links to our recently adopted cycling strategy,” said Huron County Planner, Susanna Reid. “The County is facilitating public input on the project to ensure that all perspectives are incorporated into the plan.”

Two public open houses to discuss Huron County cycling routes are planned. Members of the public are invited to drop in anytime between 5-8 p.m. to provide comments. There will be a scheduled presentation about the Waterfront Trail at the May 31st meeting at 5:15 p.m. This session will be held at the Blyth Arena, 377 Gypsy Lane, Blyth, ON. A second open house is set for June 15 at the Crediton Community Centre, 8 Victoria Avenue, Crediton, ON.

For more information, please contact planning@huroncounty.ca or 519 524-8394, Ext. 3.

HURON CENTENNIAL SCHOOL REUNION

Fifty years ago, 600 students entered the doors of Huron Centennial School at Brucefield for their first day. The new school was completed in late winter 1967 and made ready for the students to move in after the Easter holiday week.

Ten shiny new buses picked up the students in Stanley and Tuckersmith townships and the villages of Brucefield and Egmondville and delivered them to the school.

The first Grade 8 graduation was held in June 1967. Close to 3,000 students have graduated since the opening of the school.

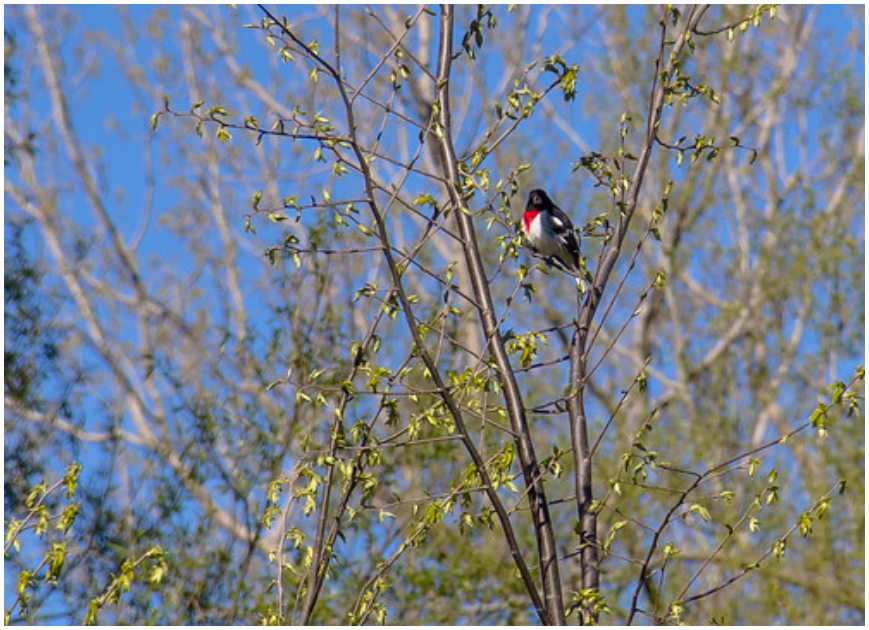
“It is remarkable that the first graduates are now over 60 years old and many of them have children and some have grandchildren graduating,” said Arnold Mathers, of Exeter, who was principal from 1967-1984.

On May 27, a 50th year reunion of graduates will be held at the school. They will be welcomed by the past principals and staff. All past students and staff of Huron Centennial School are welcome to attend and help make it a day to remember.

150 YEARS OF HURON

Judy Keightley, author and playwright, is celebrating Canada’s 150th with the creation of a new play highlighting 150 years of Huron County.

The production will be performed at the Bayfield Town Hall from May 25-27 and will feature a grand



Thirty-six species of birds were recorded.

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ST. ANNE'S CONCERT BAND ACHIEVES GOLD STANDING

cast of characters including: Bayfield's own Dr. Woods and Maud Stirling as well as Jennie Smiley, Narcisse Canton, Samuel Platt, Peter McEwan, Fred and Cela Sloman and many more historical figures from Huron's past plus a very special appearance by Sir John A MacDonald!

Tickets are available now from Sandy, 519565-2830 or Sue, 519-565-2551 or from ticketscene.ca.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

The Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society will be hosting their Fifth Annual Community Lunch on May 29.

This popular annual event that will begin at 11:30 a.m. is a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together and hear about what has been accomplished at the Town Hall after a busy 2016 as well as find out about all the events planned for 2017.

Attendees will enjoy delicious lasagna and salad followed by coffee and dessert. Space is limited so people shouldn't wait to get their tickets.

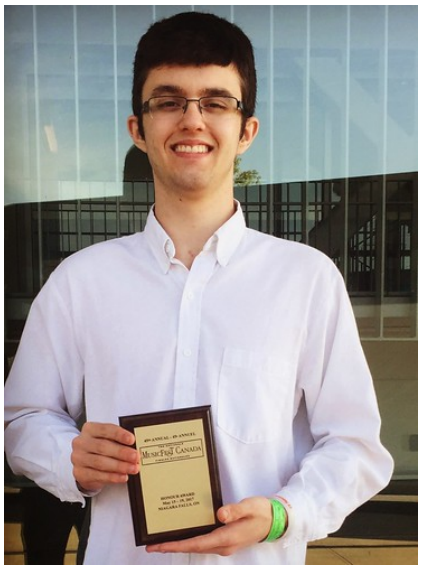
The cost is $10 and tickets are available by calling Sandy Scotchmer at 519 565- 2830 or Shelagh Sully at 519 565-2572.

VINTAGE DRIVERS

Leslie Bella, chair of Home4Good's transportation committee, is enthusiastic about their plans to help "vintage" drivers keep driving as safely as possible for a long as possible.

The St. Anne's Catholic Secondary School Concert Band traveled to compete at Music Fest Nationals in Niagara Falls this past week and achieved a Gold Standing.

The National Music Festival, which was held at the Scotia Bank Convention Centre sees the best bands in the country gather to perform over five days. In order to attend this competition, bands must qualify at a Regional Festival. St. Anne's band qualified to attend Nationals in a festival at Oakridge Secondary School in London earlier this spring.


Ben Luelo (Submitted photos)

The 55 member St Anne's Concert Band traveled to the National Festival on May 16 performing three challenging pieces on the festival stage for an audience and adjudication panel. Following the performance component of the festival, each band receives a workshop from an adjudicator. The St. Anne's band was awarded an "Excellence in Clinic Award" for their phenomenal job during this workshop session. Grade 12 saxophonist, Ben Luelo received the ensembles Honor Award for his performance and leadership in preparation for Nationals.

The band practices two mornings a week at 7:15 a.m. from September until the end of May.

Music Teacher and Band Director Josh Geddis said, "Over the last nine years at St. Anne's we have had some amazing Concert Bands. This particular band is very special. I have never had a group that I have pushed so hard. The band this year is also unique as over half of them are junior (Grade 9-10) students and our Concert Band usually consists of a higher ratio of senior students. Both the junior and senior students really stepped up and the entire school, along with myself and Mrs. St. Onge (Choral Director, Band Assistant and Educational Assistant at St. Anne's) are extraordinarily proud of these students."

The workshop will take place in the Bayfield Lions' Community Building on June 2nd from 1-4 p.m.

Home4Good has worked with the Bayfield Garage, the Bayfield Lions' Club and the Huron County Health Unit to plan the program, which will include information on the test for drivers over 80, advice on safer driving in all seasons, and some suggestions if you find you have outlived your driving license.

The workshop will include refreshments and practical opportunities to position your wing mirrors correctly, to experiment with marijuana simulation goggles and with the effect of distracted driving. The Bayfield Garage, the Bayfield Town Hall Heritage Society and the Bayfield Lions' Club have all contributed prizes and there will be prize draws throughout the afternoon.

YATES-PARENT CONCERT

Ken Yates appeared at the Bayfield Town Hall in July 2016 and performed his award-winning songs before a packed house. He is returning to introduce his latest album, Huntsville on Saturday, June 3.

Fellow Canadian singer/songwriter Jesse Parent will join him as the opening act starting at 7:30 p.m.

On the music scene since 2011, Yates' reputation as one of Canada's brightest young singer/songwriters continues to grow. Enjoy emotionally charged storytelling and unforgettable melodies. Visit kenyates.com for a preview of his music.

Parent is a self-described folk-rock Canadian artist who takes his cues from the likes of Neil Young, Paul Simon, and Blue Rodeo. He can be found spending a lot of time on the road in Southwestern Ontario, but spends time in other parts of Canada several times a year - traveling anywhere from 200 to 2,000 KMs a week, playing about 200 shows a year. For a preview, go to jesseparentmusic.com.

Tickets are $20 ($25 at the door) and can be purchased by calling Mike van Baardwyk at 519 565-5489 or Sandy Scotchmer at 519 565-2830, or through Ticketscene.

GRIEF INFORMATION

Interested community members are invited to a "Grief Information Session" at Blue Water Rest Home in Zurich on June 7.

Kim Winbow, VON coordinator of Hospice and Bereavement Services will be speaking about various aspects of grief, such as: different types of grief, signs and symptoms and emotions, as well as providing various resources.

The session will be held from 7-9 p.m.

Joshua LeBlanc-Demers

In addition to the Concert Band's performance at Nationals, Joshua LeBlanc-Demers, of Goderich, a Grade 11 student at St. Anne's, was accepted (based on audition) to the National Wind Ensemble and National Percussion Ensemble.

Joshua performs as a member of the St. Anne's Concert Band and Jazz Band.
He studies percussion privately with Jeff Christmas and Dave Robilliard and teaches private percussion lessons as well in Goderich. These National
Honor ensembles are audition-based bands that hand pick the best musicians from various high schools from across the country. While at Nationals Joshua was involved in nine hours of rehearsal per day for a full week with world class conductors playing extremely hard repertoire. The National ensembles closed out the festival on Friday night with a performance for over 1,000 audience members.

"We are extremely proud of Josh's accomplishments both in and out of school. He is the first St. Anne's musician that has performed as a member of the National honor band at Music Fest. He is a great talent and is learning a lot through this experience," said Geddis.

These performances wrap up a big year in the St. Anne's music program. This year students had many amazing opportunities that included a workshop with Dr. Richardson at the University of Western Ontario Don Wright Faculty of Music as well as a drop-in performance by Joel Plaskett, Canadian Juno Award winner, and multiple East Coast Music Award winner.

FOUR SOUTHERN GARDENS HOST SPECIAL EVENTS IN JUNE

To celebrate Canada's 150th in great gardening style, Discover the Gardens of Huron Perth in conjunction with Garden Days and Garden Ontario Week are hosting special events during the week of June 9-18.

Gardens of Huron Perth are a group of 29 gardeners who have a passion for sharing their love of nature and gardening in various styles. Some are homeowners who are open to have visitors come to their private gardens and meander through at their own leisure. Other participants are businesses who invite you to browse through their displays of garden plants and décor. They open their gardens to the public at no charge over the entire gardening season. Maps and descriptions of the gardens can be found at http://gardensofhuronperth.com

In addition to their regular open gardens, this year they are hosting special events in each of their Five Gardening Pods. The Gardens of the South, with four gardens in the Grand Bend and St. Joseph area on the shores of Lake Huron will host their special event on June 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are not required and there is no admission fee.

Our Peace of Paradise, 69844 Shipka Line, Dashwood (South Huron) is the garden of Don and Anne Russell located in the hamlet of Shipka just east of Grand Bend. An acre of cultivated

Those who attend should find Winbow to be a very knowledgeable and sensitive presenter for such a difficult topic.

GOLF TOURNEY

The Bayfield Optimist Club, along with sponsor Nahuel Painting, will hold their 12th annual Golf Tournament on June 10 at the Bayview Golf Course in St. Joseph.

The cost is $90 per player and includes 18-holes of golf, cart and dinner and will feature prizes and contests as well as hot dogs at the turn!

The day will conclude with a BBQ Chicken Dinner with all the trimmings and dessert.

All proceeds from the event will go to supporting children and youth projects in the community.

To register call Wayne McKaig at 519 440-7120 or Jay Fisher at 519 482-5557.

RIDE TO END HUNGER

On Saturday, June 17, the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre (HCFBDC) is hosting the Second Annual "Better Together" Ride to End Hunger.

There will be four routes of 10 KM, 40 KM, 50 KM and 100 KM as well as a family friendly route leaving from and returning to the distribution centre located at 39978 Crediton Road. The ride will be followed by a BBQ lunch.

Registration/Pledge Forms and additional information are available by visiting www.huroncountyfoodbank.org/2017-bike-ride.html.

Participants are asked to register by June 1. The cost to register prior to that date is $25 ($35 after). People who collect additional pledges of $25 or more will receive a t-shirt.

On ride day participants can register at 8:30 a.m. with the event beginning at 9 a.m. Lunch will be served at approximately 11:30 a.m.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

A retired civil engineer with experience in highway safety is trying to get Bluewater Council to quickly resolve the potential traffic danger surrounding Bayfield's Clan Gregor Square.

Currently, "the situation can only be described as hazardous" for children playing at the square, Alexander MacDougall of the Bluewater South Ratepayers' Association wrote in a letter to council recently.

"It is my opinion the situation requires more urgent action," he added.

gardens bursting with perennials including peonies, hostas, sedums and a large variety of shrubs lead visitors to a wooded lot with meandering trails which will bring people back to the main garden where Master Gardeners will be available to answer any gardening questions. There will be presentations on vegetable gardening, arranging garden blooms and creating photo books. Refreshments, guided tours on the hour, artists in the garden and local vendors will all add to the enjoyment of a day spent touring country gardens.

A short drive down a quiet country road takes you to Smokey Hollow Farm at 36670 Dashwood Road, Dashwood, the scenic property of Joan Brady who operates a cut your own flower garden with acres of perennial and annual flowers as well as strawberries and vegetables.

Following a scenic drive North on Hwy. 21 participants will find themselves at Gardening Made Easy, 73691 Bluewater Highway, Zurich (Bluewater) the garden of Phil and Patty Laporte. There is over one acre of reforested and naturalized areas showcasing raised vegetable gardens and several rain barrel-gathering systems.

A short drive inland will take visitors to Huron Ridge Acres, 74101 Bronson Line, Zurich (Bluewater) owned by Dave and Carol Steckle. They operate a green house and garden centre located on a farm that has been in their family for over a century. Tucked away from view is a private backyard retreat that includes perennial, annual and vegetable gardens.

Further to the north and northeast lie 25 more Undiscovered Gardens of Huron Perth. To find locations and descriptions of these gardens pick up a Garden Map at any Tourist Information location or visit us at http://gardensofhuronperth.com.

DISTRIBUTION CENTRE CUTS RIBBON ON WALK-IN FREEZER

MPP Lisa Thompson (second from left) and Judy Keightley (centre left), a volunteer from the OTF, offered their congratulations and joined in the ribbon-cutting with municipal dignitaries and Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre members.(Submitted photo)

Recently, MPP for Huron-Bruce Lisa Thompson met with the staff and volunteers with the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre (HCFBDC) to cut the ribbon on its new walk-in freezer. Thanks to a $50,400 capital grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF), made in late 2015, the Distribution Centre was able to buy and install the new equipment. MPP Thompson and Judy Keightley, a volunteer from the OTF, offered their congratulations and joined in with the ribbon-cutting with municipal dignitaries and HCFBDC members.

“No one should ever have to live wondering where their next meal is coming from, and the efforts of the Huron County Food Bank ensure that everyone has access to nutritious, healthy food when needed. I’m glad to see the improvements being done to the freezer at their distribution centre in Centralia. It will ensure that those who benefit from the service will continue to have access to food at all times,” said MPP Thompson.

The HCFBDC’s purpose is to support the existing food banks. It channels large food donations in a free-flowing fashion to the local community food banks. Huron County is large and diverse,

“Signage should be put in place immediately with reduced speed limits,” MacDougall wrote in his letter dated Apr. 21. “Introduction of removable speed bumps would also be appropriate but the introduction of a ’roundabout’ or traffic circle would be inappropriate.”

He concluded his letter by asking “council to act quickly to reduce the existing hazard and your own liability.”

For more on this subject please consult the May 3rd, 2017 issue of the Bayfield Breeze (Issue 409) for another story by Ken Larone entitled, “Council tours square to address traffic concerns”.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Lynn Nichol posed with a cake inscribed in her honor with “Lynn, Your presence has been a blessing.” (Submitted photo)

On Sunday, May 7, the congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church marked the conclusion of Rev. Lynn Nichol's ministry with a luncheon and best wishes for her future and that of her children. Nichol noted that she is saddened to be leaving Bayfield, but looks forward to frequent visits to the church and the community.

Rev. Theresa McDonald-Lee, Executive director of Camp Kintail, has been appointed by the Presbytery of Huron-Perth to assist the congregation with the leadership transition. The congregation looks forward to welcoming back their summer members and many visitors, as well as guest ministers.

In other church news, the recent annual Plant Sale Project was a great success. Organizers extend thanks to all who supported this worthy cause and hope those who purchased hanging baskets and patio pots from Huron Ridge Greenhouses will enjoy them this summer. Proceeds from the sales will support "Kintail on the Road", a day camp for

relying on the local food bank to know the immediate needs of their own area. When the HCFBDC receives donations of food from farmers and food producers, it acts as a clearing-house, dividing the large donations into usable portions, then distributing to the food banks that have need of the products. It helps with the extras such as fresh produce, dairy and meat as well as dry goods. The local food banks continue to count on individual donations for their basic needs.

For more information on the organization, please visit the website at: www.huroncountyfoodbank.org.

As an agency of the Government of Ontario, the OTF is one of Canada's largest granting foundations. With a budget of over $136 million, OTF awards grants to some 1,000 projects every year to build healthy and vibrant Ontario communities. Visit www.otf.ca to learn more.

VIDEO ON SHORELINE PROTECTION AVAILABLE ONLINE

Coastal Engineer Fiona Duckett, M.Sc., P. Eng., of W. F. Baird and Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd., presented to the Board of Directors of Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) at the board's regularly scheduled meeting on May 18.

The presentation was videotaped professionally and ABCA plans to post the video of the presentation online, before the end of the month, when it is available. A link to the video is to be posted at abca.on.ca on the Shoreline Management Page at this link: abca.on.ca/.

Baird and Associates produced a "Considerations for Shore Protection Structures" document in 1994. The firm is updating that report this year.

Duckett spoke to the board on shore protection structures, including current policies and procedures, and next steps to update policies and procedures. She spoke on the current mix of erosion control structures along the shoreline of the ABCA, natural hazards, shore protection types, and the existing permitting process.

In addition to the new video that will be posted this month, there is a video now online of a previous presentation the board, by Dr. Robin Davidson-Arnott, Professor Emeritus, University of Guelph. It is now available on the same shoreline management web page. He presented at the Apr. 20 board meeting on the topics of shoreline processes, climate change impacts on the Great Lakes, and shoreline protection.

The two presenters, Duckett and Davidson-Arnott, are also scheduled to present at two public open houses on two Saturdays in June. The first Open House will be June 3rd in Zurich. The second open house is set for June 17 in Thedford, ON. The open houses will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Presentations will begin at 10:30 a.m. The open house in Thedford will be held at the Legacy Recreation Centre Hall, 16 Allen Street. The open house in Zurich will take place at the Zurich Arena, 15 East Street.

ABCA's current Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) has been in place since 2000. It identifies shoreline hazards for flooding, erosion, and dynamic beaches and their impact on shoreline development. ABCA started a process in 2015 to update technical information to support updates to the 2000 SMP document.

The 2017 open houses will provide information on the existing plan and current policies as well as an update on the progress of technical work for future updates. (The review of local development policies contained in the SMP 2000 is not expected until 2018, according to ABCA.) Updates to the Shoreline Management Plan will provide a consistent and up-to-date guide for development and municipal land use planning along the shoreline. Updates will provide newer information on shoreline recession rates, ensure that local policies and application of the Regulation conform to Province of Ontario policy, and keep policies current in light of emerging land use trends.

To learn more about shoreline management in the watershed visit the Shoreline Management Plan Update page online at abca.on.ca at: abca.on.ca/page.php?page=shoreline-management. Members of the public are invited to subscribe to a free electronic newsletter that provides updates about shoreline management in the watershed. To sign up to receive these

children held on Wednesdays throughout the summer at Knox, Bayfield.

BEHIND THE BARS

The Behind the Bars evening tours at the Huron Historic Gaol are returning again this summer! The event takes place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from July 4th until Aug. 31st.

The Huron Historic Gaol is looking for volunteer actors and actresses (ages 12+ and adults) to portray real inmates and staff from the Gaol's past. Volunteers will take part in interactive evening tours and share their stories with local visitors and tourists at this National Historic Site.

Step into costume and relive the period of the Gaol's operation from 1841-1911. Volunteers could play the role of a lunatic, thief, or vagrant who occupied a cell at 181 Victoria St. North, and tell visitors about their time Behind the Bars.

If interested, you can turn yourself in by calling the Huron Historic Gaol at 519 524-6971 or by e-mailing ascully@huroncounty.ca. Volunteers will meet individually with event coordinators and attend training sessions in June and July.

The Huron Historic Gaol operated as a county jail from 1841 until 1972 and is now a designated National Historic Site. Look for the large road sign on Hwy. 21.
The Gaol's regular hours are Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Sundays 1-4:30 p.m.

For more information about Behind the Bars, and other summer activities at the Huron Historic Gaol call 519 524-6971 or visit the website at www.huroncountymuseum.ca.

updates you may visit this link: http://eepurl.com/bxn8_5. To date more than 320 people have subscribed to this online newsletter.

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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.

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, an image dated Aug. 29, 1928. Records give names for five of the seven people in the picture to be Douglas Fraser, Jack Thomson, Olive Masen, Kate Janicoch, and Jean Burchill. Does anyone remember them? (Archives Code: PB10089 PC)

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In Issue 410, we feature another image from the 1930s of Rita McLeod. Does anyone remember her? (Archives Code: PB10053 PC)

ISSUE 411

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

In Issue 411, an image taken exactly 81 years ago today on May 17, 1936 of Dorothy Hall and Earl Schneider. Does anyone remember them? (Archives Code: PB 10060 PC)

SHARE PHOTO STORY

BAYFIELD ARENA COMMUNITY PARTNERS ASSOCIATION

ONE THOUSAND TICKETS SOLD FOR SECOND FESTIVAL

PHOTOS BY JACK PAL

The Bayfield Arena Community Partners Association (BACPA) held their second Annual Bayfield Beer & Food Festival on Saturday, May 13th at the Bayfield Arena.

The festival has become very popular and with approximately 1,000 tickets sold it was deemed sold out and there were no tickets available at the door. This disappointed some. While many locals attended the festival also had visitors from neighboring communities as well as from places like Calgary, AB and Australia.

People have said this event kick-starts the summer traffic in the village one week earlier,

because the event takes place the weekend before the Victoria Day holiday.

Patrons were given the opportunity to sample food and drink while enjoying live music.

Beverages were provided by local Craft Breweries: Bad Apple Brewing, Bayfield Brewing Co., Stonehouse Brewing and an information booth for River Road Brewing was set up. In total 11 craft breweries were on site and in addition to the local breweries the other vendors came from Hanover to the north and St. Thomas to the south and two Breweries came from the Ottawa Valley from the east. Three local wineries were on hand as a well as Moonshine and Spirits. ShopBike also had a booth to provide non-alcohol drinks.

Food was provided by local restaurants and food providers: The Albion Hotel, The Ashwood Bourbon Bar, Bayfield Foodland, Black Dog Pub and Bistro, Highway Robbery, The Docks Restaurant & Bar. In addition, Hessenland Country Inn, Pat & Kevin's on the Square, Part II Bistro and Smackwater Jacks took part.

The crowd was entertained by the music from Madison Galloway, The Empty Threats and The O'Deadleys.

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Trilliums Aplenty...*By Bonnie Sitter*

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

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SUBMISSIONS

Well, we are back from vacation and it would appear that the community didn't take a holiday while we were gone. A lot can happen in just 14 days and it would appear to have all come into my email inbox. As I prepared this week's issue, and incidentily a good part of next week's issue too, I couldn't help but experience a bit of a sinking feeling. It appeared that my inbox counter was broken as no matter how many emails I addressed the number seemed stuck at 55 to go.

Eventually the number started decreasing, I sorted through the melee, and a good selection of submissions made it into this week's issue. If the article or photos you sent in do not appear this week do not fret and do not frown because they will be featured in an upcoming issue. I sorted through so that time sensitive stories took precedent this week.

Once we get caught up I will regale you with a tale or two from our adventures in iceland and Sweden. It was a terrific way to ring in my fifth decade and I wouldn't trade the trip for anything not even a few less emails to read.- 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 519-525-3830.

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