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VILLAGE YARD SALES

Attention treasure seekers! The fifth annual Town Wide Yard Sale and Village Side Walk Sale is this coming Saturday, June 1. The Bayfield and Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) are promoting the big day.

Most sales begin at 8 a.m. and will wrap up around 1 p.m.

Rumour has it there is a multi-family garage sale happening at 57 Cameron Street and another perennial favorite at 17 Fry Street, undoubtedly there will be many others so remain vigilant when driving the streets in search of bargains and have a great day!

Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard, Sean Casey, announced that the Government of Canada is investing $8.3 million in harbor infrastructure in Ontario, including $875,000 in Bayfield during a visit to the village on May 21 (Photos by Karen Rickers)

Communities across Canada are supported by small craft harbors that provide the commercial fishing industry with safe and accessible facilities. The communities of Bayfield, Lion's Head, Port Elgin, Dyer's Bay, Howdenvale, Meaford, Big Bay (North Keppel), White Cloud Island, Pembroke, and Silver Water in Ontario are welcoming important federal investments that will benefit their local harbor infrastructure.

With approximately 45,000 Canadians employed in this sector, the Government of Canada is making investments to renew its network of small craft harbours. They are doing so in partnership with municipalities and other key stakeholders where investments and divestitures will bolster rural economic growth for fishing and tourism hubs like these communities.

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Examining the Canadian Coast Guard Navigational Aid at the end of the pier were from l-r: Mark Sandeman and Julie Yusek of the Small Craft Harbours program, DFO Central and Arctic Region; Parliamentary Secretary Sean Casey; Mayor of Saugeen Shores Luke Charbonneau; Mayor of the Municipality of Bluewater Paul Klopp; and Mayor of Northern Bruce Peninsula Milt McIver. It is a wharf light, called LL776 Bayfield Wharf. This new navigational aid replaces the old one. It was fabricated by Canadian Coast Guard employees and installed by the contractor.

As part of the $250 million investment in its network of small craft harbors across the country under Budget 2018, Fisheries and Oceans Canada undertook work to replace the South Pier Deck at Bayfield Harbour. CSL Construction completed the work in March.

"We have listened to the people of Bayfield and the other communities across Ontario where we are investing in their harbors to help local commercial fishing, recreation and tourism industries to support rural economic growth. We are investing in people, promoting growth and

NEWSPAPER DIGITIZATION

The coordinators, of the Huron County Newspaper Digitization Project (HCNDP), are looking for information about Art Elliott, former editor of The Bayfield Bulletin (1964-68).

The Huron County Library needs help to locate the family of Art Elliott, a newspaperman who came to Bayfield in the 1960s to start the first weekly paper in nearly 70 years. Mr. Elliott had previously worked for the Goderich Signal-Star, the Listowel Banner, Waterloo Chronicle, Malton Times, and Rouyn-Noranda (Quebec).

Anyone with information is invited to contact Beth Knazook, Special Project Coordinator at eknazook@huroncounty.ca or 519 524-2686 Ext. 2220.

Copies of this newspaper were generously loaned from the Bayfield Historical Society and Archives for the HCND https://www.huroncounty.ca/library/special-collections/digitized-newspapers/. Project coordinators hope to make The Bayfield Bulletin available online shortly.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

An opportunity to join in Community Conversations will be held at the Bayfield Public Library on June 12 and 13.

All are welcome to join in one of these group conversations to be held on both nights from 6-8 p.m.

People are asked to share their hopes, concerns and ideas for the Bayfield community. Refreshments will be provided.

Remember your voice can make a difference! Please RSVP to the Bayfield Library at 519 565-2886 or bayfieldlibrary@huroncounty.ca.

GIRL GUIDE COOKIES

Members of Bayfield Guiding will be selling their classic chocolate and vanilla sandwich cookies for $5 a box on Friday, May 31 at the Bayfield Farmers' Market from 3-7 p.m.

Cookie sales afford the girls those little extras like workshops, field trips and camps, community support

building stronger and safer communities. The work carried out will not only renew and maintain the infrastructure that is essential to the region, but also stimulate job opportunities and development that will benefit fishers, residents and visitors alike, all in support our local communities," Casey said.

DFO also invested in the rehabilitation of the breakwater that was damaged due to a storm event in 2017 at its Small Craft Harbour facility in Meaford, ON. A contract valued at $519,000 was awarded to Bronte Construction and the work was completed at the end of March.

In Lion's Head, ON in the municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, a similar breakwater reconstruction project valued at $498,000 was completed by Bridge Excavating Ltd in April. In Big Bay, (North Keppel) ON, in the Township of Georgian Bluffs, a $270,000 wharf reconstruction project was completed by East Elgin Concrete Forming Limited in March, while a $90,000 rehabilitation of a wharf in Silver Water, Ontario on Manitoulin Island was completed by J.I. Enterprises, also in March.

Projects in Port Elgin in the Town of Saugeen Shores, Dyer's Bay in the Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula, White Cloud Island in the Township of Georgian Bluffs, Howdenvale in the Municipality of South Bruce Peninsula and Pembroke are all in the preliminary design phase, with contracts going to tender shortly. Construction at White Cloud Island is anticipated to begin this summer, with work beginning at the remaining four locations anticipated to begin in the fall of this year.

"Investments that support economic growth in rural communities are a priority for our Government. When we invest in infrastructure to support rural fishing and tourism communities, Canadians and our economy benefit. Small Craft Harbour investments demonstrate the federal government's commitment to local economies. We are proud of our investments to support the recreational and commercial fishing—a key economic sector that helps support communities across the country," said Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard,

The mandate of the Small Craft Harbours Program is to keep harbors critical to the commercial fishing industry open and in good repair.

LIONS' CLUB ANNUAL DOG GUIDES WALK THIS WEEKEND

June 2nd is the date set for this year's Bayfield Lions' Dog Guide Walk.

The walk will start in Clan Gregor Square at 10 a.m. with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. All pledged donations go towards the costs of raising dogs to be successful Dog Guide companions for their new owners at no charge. Following the 5 KM dog walk there will be a number of activities and presentations in the Square all having to do with dogs. Participants and visitors won't want to miss it!

"This year we will have a new Dog Guide puppy in training present for all to meet. She is an adorable black lab puppy named Suki and she is being fostered locally for her first year by Darren Stevenson. Elizabeth Jaremko will be back as well with her Hearing Ear Dog, Heart. She always has a "heartwarming" story to tell through her interpreter mom Sarah. Shannon is very much appreciated.

TERRY FOX RUN

Bayfield and the Terry Fox Foundation are looking for two coordinators and four volunteers for the up and coming Terry Fox Run this year on Sept. 15.

The local run has raised $30,000 to date and it is hoped that this wonderful legacy will continue in the village on behalf of a very special Canadian, Terry Fox.

This is a great opportunity to volunteer in the community while helping a wonderful cause. The past coordinators are seeking individuals who has organizational skills, likes a little bookkeeping and can master some easy math. They are hoping such persons will step forward to keep the research dollars coming.

The past coordinators will familiarize the new candidates with the coordinating process to make sure run day is successful again this year.

This event is supported by the Bayfield River Valley Trails Association (BRVTA). Anyone who needs further information, or if interested in volunteering, is asked to please contact the BRVTA by sending an email to info@bayfieldtrails.com.

MISSING KITEBOARD

Anyone who may go for a stroll along the shoreline in the coming days is asked to keep a look out for a missing Kiteboard.

On Sunday, May 19, John Shapton was out on the water when the storm rolled in. He got caught in the bad weather and as a result his Kiteboard was lost. He was in front of Norman Heights at the time and the wind was blowing South more than likely taking the board towards Bayfield. It is a NAISH DUB Kiteboard and green-yellow-red in color.

Please call Shapton at 519 608-4675 if found. He will offer a reward if returned.

ON WINGS OF SONG

Brennan of Barks of Bayfield and Dr. Nancy Ridder a veterinarian from Goderich will also speak," said Jack Pal, on behalf of the Bayfield Lions' Club.

The St John's Ambulance Therapy Dog program will be represented, perhaps providing opportunities for local pet owners to qualify their dogs for this likewise very important support program. There will also be some fun doggie competitions for everyone's enjoyment and no Bayfield Dog Guide Walk event would be complete without hotdogs.

Lion Karen Scott and Lion Jack Pal, along with Bailey the therapy dog, are counting down the days to the annual Bayfield Lions' Club's Walk for Dog Guides to be held this Sunday. (Submitted photo)

Once again, the Photography Club of Bayfield has agreed to take portraits of dogs and their owners, all for a simple generous donation to the Dog Guide program. After the sitting participants will be provided with several e-files of photos suitable for printing and framing as they wish.

"Mark June 2 on your calendar and be sure to donate generously to this worthy cause. Come for the walk and stay for the show," added Pal.

Pledge forms are available from numerous retail locations in Bayfield and from any Lion. People can also donate on line by going to: https://www.walkfordogguides.com/locations/walk.cfm?ID=1694 or they can call Jack Pal at 519 565-5340 for more information.

BAYFIELD OLD BIKE DAY AT THE ALBION HOTEL THIS SUNDAY

Bruce and Stephen Ralls (Submitted photo)

One of the benefits of living in Bayfield is that sometimes, world class entertainers will honor the community with an intimate concert. Usually they have a connection to the village and they are performing to help support a cause that is important to all.

On June 15, at St. Andrew's United Church, summer residents, Stephen Ralls and Bruce Ubukata will accompany soloist mezzo-soprano Anita Krause-Wiebe in a concert they are calling "On Wings of Song" in support of Huron Hospice.

This trio has performed in many of the greatest musical venues in the world and instead of having to travel to one of North America's or Europe's great concert halls, people will be blessed with the opportunity to hear their sublime music right here in Bayfield.

The concert starts at 4 p.m. Tickets cost $40 and are available from Margo Robeson at 519 565- 2827 or Arlene Timmins 519 565-2777 or can be purchased on line from Eventbrite.ca

JUNE HIKES

Members of the Bayfield River Valley Trail Association (BRVTA) have an ambitious month of hiking planned for June with walks at the beginning, middle and end.

Saturday June 1 is the date set for the first hike and the Woodland Trail is the location of choice. This walk will begin at 10 a.m. Once in the woods, hikers are sure to enjoy the scenic beauty of the ravines, old pastures and glacial hills as they walk along old gravel quarry roads, lumber paths and deer trails. Participants should be on the lookout for wildlife, such as birds, deer, squirrels, foxes and possibly coyotes. Pets need to be on a leash to protect the wildlife, as well as the pet.

This Sunday, vintage and classic bikes will set up in the parking areas in front of The Albion Hotel on Main Street as "Bayfield Old Bike Day" returns from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Submitted photo)

Vintage Motorcycles are returning to Bayfield for their 10th Annual Rally on June 2.

Motorcycles are fast becoming the way for many folks to get out on the weekend and tour the countryside. The number of bikes that can be seen parked around or driving through the village is becoming increasingly evident, as the official start of summer grows closer.

This Sunday, vintage and classic bikes will set up in the parking areas in front of The Albion Hotel on Main Street as "Bayfield Old Bike Day" returns from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All makes and models of older motorcycles will be on display, and many Southwestern Ontario cruising clubs will be riding in as well, to enjoy Bayfield's unique atmosphere.

Participants should note there is no registration fee, no official judging, no vendors and it is not a swap-meet. The day is loosely organized by members of the Sarnia Section of the Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Group with support from the Windsor-Essex and London clubs.

Bayfield residents are invited to drop by, chat up the owners and relive their days when they owned "one of those" bikes.

ONE CARE'S THE GRAND PARADE THIS SATURDAY IN STRATFORD

The distance covered will be 5 KMs and difficulty is a Level 3 with some hills and natural paths. Those who participate are reminded that the terrain will be uneven so they are asked to please wear sturdy walking or hiking shoes. Be aware that this is a Recreational Nature Trail which means hikers could encounter amazing wildflowers but also poison ivy; therefore, long pants are suggested. For protection against ticks, mosquitos and other insects wear protective clothing and use bug spray. Bring a refillable water container.

The meeting point will be the David Street entrance to the trail.

For more information and driving directions contact hike leaders: Roberta Stemp, 519 565-2777, Pam and Chris Bowers, 519 525-8850 or Adriaan Schreuder, 519 565-2382.

A Father's Day Village Tree Hike is being organized for June 16.

Starting at 2 p.m. a leisurely 1.5-hour hike through the Village of Bayfield is planned revealing the dedicated work of the Bayfield Tree Project over the past ten years. Over 500 trees of different species have been planted, watered and maintained by volunteers during that time. This walk will meander through the streets and "right-of-ways" around town, identifying the areas where trees have been planted, and celebrating the success of this local, grassroots community project. Participants are asked to met at the gazebo in Clan Gregor Square.

For further information regarding this Father's Day Hike please contact Elise Feltrin at 519 565-5852 or Sondra Buchner at 519 565-2518.

Then to close out the month people are invited to attend a Land Management Experience at the Linfield Wildlife Area starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 29.

Join BRVTA members for a walk to learn how water and soil resources and wildlife habitat will be preserved at the Linfield Wildlife Area, one of the newest conservation lands in the Ausable Bayfield Conservation watersheds. This property was in the Linfield family for several generations and lovingly cared for and enhanced during this time by the family. Since the donation of the property, the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) has continued to manage the property in an environmentally responsible way. The property is about 95 acres in size, including 70 acres of active farm land and 25 acres of natural areas. It is the intention of ABCA to develop additional windbreaks,

"The Bayfield Amblers", comprised of Gary and Kate Lloyd-Rees, took part in The Grand Parade in Stratford in support of One Care in 2018, They will be joined by Roger and Pat Lewington this year and are currently collecting pledges. (Submitted photo)

June is Seniors' Month and One Care Home & Community Support Services is kicking off the month with a fundraising and awareness walk in Stratford on Saturday, June 1.

One Care is a local, charitable, non-profit organization delivering home and community support services to 6,000 seniors and disabled adults in Huron and Perth. Programs include Home Care, Meals on Wheels, Dining for Seniors, Transportation and Exercise & Wellness. These and other programs help people to live in their own homes and remain involved in their communities.

The Grand Parade, which is now in its second year, is a family-friendly 2 or 5 KM walk along the Avon River in Stratford. The Grand Parade is about local people walking to support local seniors and to celebrate older adults. For One Care it is an opportunity to raise awareness and funds to support people who use the services.
Board members, staff, volunteers, local businesses and many individuals are all working to support The Grand Parade fundraising event to celebrate seniors.

"Cost should not be a barrier to receiving that care that our seniors need. For programs like Meals on Wheels, Adult Day Programs, Transportation and Home Help, we offer subsidies for clients who have significant financial challenges. By raising money for One Care's Subsidy Program, you can support some of our most vulnerable neighbors when they need it most," said One Care's Executive Director, Kathy Scanlon.

"As well, we need to replace our aging accessible vans and buses. These vehicles accommodate wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility aids and are essential for the One Care transportation program, which provides rides to clients who are not able to travel in regular vehicles. One Care staff drive thousands of individuals to Adult Day programs, medical appointments, grocery store and to other social outings and errands," said Gary Lloyd-Rees, Bayfield resident and One Care board member.

Lloyd-Rees added "Last year, we had one local team participating in The Grand Parade: "The Bayfield Amblers", comprising my wife, Kate, and myself. We will be walking again this year joined by Pat and Roger Lewington. Anybody wishing to join or support us can do so through The Grand Parade website or by contacting me directly at 519 565-4404."

The One Care Grand Parade takes place on Saturday, June 1, beginning at 1 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church in Stratford. Walkers, donors and volunteers are welcome to get involved.

grassed waterways, and tree planting in the coming years.

The hike will be about 2 KMs on a primitive trail through mature woodlot and wind breaks. The trail can be quite wet, depending on weather conditions, and there may be poison ivy.

Those who take part are asked to wear sturdy walking or hiking shoes, long pants, hat, insect repellant and bring a refillable water container. Participants may also bring tree or birding identification books if they wish.

The Linfield Wildlife Area is located west of the Pavilion Road and Goshen Line intersection, southwest of Varna and north of Zurich. Hikers will meet at the parking area and Linfield Trailhead sign. The walk will take approximately two hours.

The hike leaders will be Roger Lewington, 519 565 2202; and Dave MacLaren, 519 565 5480.

BAYFIELD COMMUNITY FAIR

Believe it or not the Bayfield Community Fair, this year themed "From Field to Table" is just three months away!

The 163rd Bayfield Fair will take place from Aug. 16 to 18. The opening day, Friday 4:30-9 p.m., will feature a community supper, Fair opening, music and fireworks. The second day, Saturday, 9 a.m. to midnight, will be busy with a parade followed with the grand opening of the new animal display building, 4-H shows, light and Friesian horse shows, the Bubble Queen plus Bella Magic entertainment, a dunk tank, mini tractor pull, face painting and more. Saturday evening, an age of majority concert, "The Woodstock Experience", celebrating the 50th anniversary of this iconic music festival is sure to be a highlight of the weekend.

Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., begins with an interdenominational church service under the tent, and continues with miniature and heavy horse shows, watermelon competition, face painting, a Birds of Prey show and even more entertainment.

Throughout the weekend the new building with animal displays will be open, the arena will be packed with exhibits, the discovery tent will be available to the young people, and a modern tractor will be there for all to see.

A packed weekend at the Bayfield Fair with further information and updates available at

Registration is now open and further details can be found at either the Grand Parade website thegrandparade.org/home or the One Care website onecaresupport.ca.

BLUE BAYFIELD TO HOST STUDENTS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

Ninety students from two regional schools will descend on Bayfield on June 6 as guests of Blue Bayfield. These students from Mitchell District High School (MDHS) and South Huron District High School (SHDHS) will present their ideas on how we can address environmental issues such as climate change and single use plastics.

MDHS' theatre group known as the Eco Squad is coached by teacher Cam Oates, a Bayfield resident who devotes his time and energy to this project 12 months of the year. Their production, "Better for the Planet", will be presented in Clan Gregor Square on June 6th at 10 a.m. This is just one of many stops for this theatre group as they toured throughout the region during the school year. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend this performance. All too often adults are cynical about the youth and their concern for the environment. This production will prove us wrong. In the event of rain, the Eco Squad will perform at the Bayfield Town Hall thus restricting public attendance.

Mitchell's production will follow a presentation by South Huron's Eco Exeter team led by teacher Amanda Keller. This is a return visit to Bayfield for this group and they will showcase the work they have done since their earlier visit. Please note that this presentation is closed to the public due to limited seating.

BAYFIELD MARINA ESTABLISHED IN EARLY 1950S BY SCOTCHMER FAMILY

The 2019 Ontario Heritage Conference (OHC) will be held in beautiful Bluewater and Goderich starts tomorrow.

It is noted on the OHC website that, "The conference theme is heritage economics and features an exciting program focused on how the agricultural, marine, industrial and tourist economies in Bluewater and Goderich have shaped the built and natural heritage of these communities and, more recently, the interplay between heritage and tourism."

Bayfield is going to be an important presence at the annual Ontario Heritage Conference which will be coming to Ontario's West Coast May 30 to June 1. To generate some excitement and to allow area residents to reflect on their heritage several local history buffs came together to create a feature called, "Take a Look". This is the final instalment of the series. Cal Scotchmer has the last word with his memories of the Bayfield Marina.

www.bayfieldfair.ca.

CLEAN WATER PROJECT

The Huron County Clean Water Project is gearing up to tackle another source of water pollution: septic systems.

People living in the countryside and hamlets – including homes and cottages along Lake Huron – have septic systems to treat household waste from kitchens and bathrooms. When functioning properly, septic systems are a cost-effective, efficient method of treating waste. But they have a lifespan and faulty septic systems are a daily source of contamination.

"Failed septic systems are demonstrated point sources of nutrient loadings, infectious agents, residual medication and domestic products that can have a chronic negative effect on watercourses in Huron County," said Doug Hocking of Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) . "All septic tile beds eventually require replacement."

The Huron Clean Water Project (HCWP) is allocating a total of $40,000 to the septic system upgrade category in 2019 with a maximum grant of $2,000 per project. Systems that have the potential to contaminate drinking water and those near municipal drinking water wells are the main focus. Residences west of Hwy 21 are also high priority because of their potential impact on swimming beaches.

The grant approval process is similar to other HCWP projects. Staff will help landowners complete the application form which is evaluated by the grant review committee. Applicants will need a cost estimate from a licensed contractor in order to apply. When the project is approved, completed and paid for, staff do a final site visit and the grant is issued.

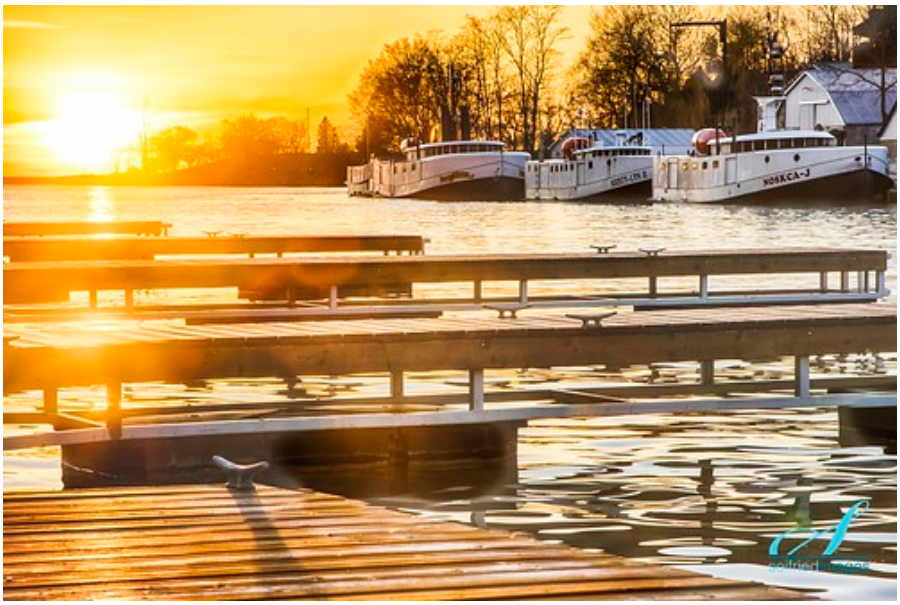
The first application deadline is May 31 and the second intake period ends Aug. 31.

The HCWP has 17 project categories to help people improve and protect water quality. The county program has provided grants to more than 2,800 projects since 2004.

People interested in applying are invited to call Doug Hocking at MVCA, 519 335-3557 Ext. 236 or Kate Monk at Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority, 519 235-2610 Ext. 227.

VENDORS WANTED

Anyone looking for a great venue to sell crafts,



The Bayfield Marina has a fresh new look for Spring 2019 and is all set for both motor and sailing vessels to dock alongside, an annual occurrence since 1951. (Photo by Jane Seifried)

The first marina in Bayfield was started in 1951 by Alf and Bessie Scotchmer where the Docks Restaurant and Bayfield Marina are now located. The original owners of the property were the Mustards who ran a small restaurant below the house where old Hwy 21 then ran. It also had a small garage and one of the first gas pumps in Bayfield. The Scotchmer's purchased the property in 1948 from then owners Mr. and Mrs. Finch and in 1951 decided to start the Bayfield Boat Club with Alf as president and Bill McCash from Varna as secretary treasurer. Alf cleared the land and leveled it with an old horse drawn grader. There were also four rustic cabins that overlooked the river for summer vacationers and boaters.

The docks were constructed by volunteers who were awarded free dockage the first year for their services. Those who had not contributed toward the construction were charged an annual fee of $25. The club held about 20 boats the first year and had a gravel pad for launching. The second year there was a flood which caused considerable erosion and most of the docks were lost. Alf and one of the local fishermen tried to retrieve the docks with a fishing boat but were unsuccessful due to the ice jams.

Because of the previous year's erosion, Alf constructed a pile driver with a 500- pound hammer and 45-gallon drums for floatation. This was used to shore up the banks and he also built a wooden ramp for launching, out of barn beams from the old Gardiner barn. At that time there were only motorboats in the marina as sailboats could not get under the old bridge because of the tall masts. In 1958 the old bridge was torn down and they were able to expand with dockage for around 40 including, sailboats.

In 1959, Alf and Bessie decided to build a restaurant with curb service and car speakers for ordering, it was one of the first of its kind at that time. With Alf's electronics background for the speaker system and Bessie's great cooking skills it was a perfect fit. They named the restaurant the CASME, which is the first letter from each family member name. C for Cal, A for Alf, S for Steve, M for Mike and E for Elizabeth. Patrons and boaters, fondly referred to Alf and Bessie as Aunt Bess and Uncle Alf.

Alf and Bessie continued to expand the Boat Club and operate the CASME until 1968 when they sold it to Messers Schram and Zeigler who continued to enlarge the club and use the old family residence as a Clubhouse.

Since 1951 the Club has changed hands a few times but still remains one of the best and largest marinas on Lake Huron.

promote a business or sell fundraising tickets?

The Bayfield Community Fair is looking for vendors for Aug. 16-18. An indoor or outdoor 8x10 space is only $40. Hydro will cost an extra $10 per day. More space is available for $1 per foot.

Interested parties are asked to please fill out the application at http://bayfieldfair.ca/?page_id=886 and send it to Anna Needles at amneedles@gmail.com

Please note that food vendors are also most welcome!

PIONEER PARK

The Pioneer Park Association (PPA) is gearing up for the 72nd annual Rummage Sale and Silent Auction to be held Friday, July 12.

"Every year PPA maintains and makes improvements to the Park but this year we also took on a significant capital project. You may have been reading about the Bank Revetment Project - where PPA, the Webb Family, and the Municipality of Bluewater joined forces and hired a contractor to stabilize the lakefront bank at the base of the cliff. Considered a great success, the work is part of a continued effort to protect the park from ongoing high lake levels," said Peter Brent, PPA Board member.

PPA's largest source of revenue is the Annual Rummage Sale, and what makes the Rummage Sale successful are the people who donate their items to the sale, the scores of volunteers who give their time, and the hundreds of shoppers who generously fill the PPA coffers. Thanks to the community's generosity PPA have accumulated enough money over the past few years to finance their share of the Revetment cost. The PPAs mission to maintain and preserve the park remains, and the Rummage Sale continues to be the annual fund generation vehicle.

PPA will soon be accepting Rummage Sale donations. Members of the organizing team noted they anticipate having access to the storage facility in early June and ask their generous donors to hold on to their items until they can be dropped off. Please watch the Bayfield Breeze to see when the drop-off center opens.

The following items cannot be accepted: large appliances, TVs, children's furniture and strollers, shoes, clothing, printers and faxes.

Organizers will happily accept clean and gently used: linens/draperies, furniture/furnishings, antiques, boutique items, gardening tools and accessories,

ONTARIO HERITAGE CONFERENCE BEGINS TOMORROW

The 31st annual Ontario Heritage Conference (OHC) is coming to “Ontario’s West Coast” on the shores of Lake Huron. The theme of this year’s conference, being held in beautiful Bluewater and Goderich, from May 30 to June 1, is understanding the economic impacts of heritage.

The OHC features an exciting program focused on how the agricultural, marine, industrial and tourist economies in Bluewater and Goderich have shaped the built and natural heritage of these communities and, more recently, the interplay between heritage and tourism.

After registration on Thursday, May 30, participants are invited to take a self-guided tour of some of the Heritage Walks in the Port of Goderich: booklets will be available at the registration table at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Goderich.

The opening reception on Thursday evening will be at the wonderfully restored Hensall Heritage Hall, which has reclaimed its prominence on the community’s main street. Bus transport will be available from the Knights of Columbus Hall if needed.

Keynote speakers at the OHC will include Kelly Hill, founder and president of Hill Strategies Research, who will deliver Friday’s Welcome Session on Heritage Economics. This presentation will delve into the research and statistical information available to help identify potential key performance indicators to measure the economic contributions of heritage.

At the Gala Dinner, Anthony Smith-Wilson, president and CEO of Historica Canada (best known offerings include Heritage Minutes and the on-line Canadian Encyclopedia) will be the featured speaker.

Sessions over two days at the Knights of Columbus Hall will be led by an array of interesting speakers, including Christopher Andreae, with more than 40 years of professional experience in historical archaeology, built heritage assessments and cultural heritage landscape studies, who will present a session on the Characteristics and Cultural Value of Lime Burning in Ontario.

Professor Robert Shipley, director of the Heritage Resources Centre (University of Waterloo) from 2003-2016, and author, will moderate a panel discussing what’s happening in Heritage Conservation Districts.

And another distinguished panel will discuss what happens when disaster strikes, with lessons learned in the aftermath of the Goderich tornado in August 2011.

Program opportunities include a Guided Walkabout of Goderich Harbour as well as a Walking Tour of Bayfield which looks at how to manage change in a heritage village.

Delegates will also be treated to coach trips to visit heritage sites (and sample local culinary treats) through the delightful agricultural and lakeside villages of St. Joseph and Zurich in Bluewater, with a luncheon at the lovely Hessenland Country Inn on the shores of Lake Huron.

The full conference program, registration details and other information can be found at: www.ontarioheritageconference.ca.

housewares, china, Christmas decorations, books that are newish and in good condition and record albums. On the day of the sale baking will be gratefully accepted for the Baked Goods table.

Anyone who is looking for an impactful volunteer activity please consider working the event set-up July 11-12 where items are sorted and priced. People may also wish to help on Saturday mornings in June at the drop off centre where donations are accepted and sorted. Organizers are also always looking for those one-of-a-kind item donations for the Silent Auction.

Rummage Sale day, July 12 the Outdoor Sales Pad will open at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Arena Zamboni doors at 7 p.m.

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BLUEWATER RECYCLING FIRST COUNTY LIVING WAGE EMPLOYER

Human Resources Generalist with the Bluewater Recycling Association, Jillian Elliott displays their official Living Wage Employer certificate. (Submitted photo)

Bluewater Recycling Association (BRA) has a reason to rejoice. They are one of the first employers to be officially certify as a Living Wage Employer in Huron County.

“At Bluewater Recycling Association we believe in affording our employees with more than just putting a roof over their heads. We want to provide them the flexibility to pay for dance lessons for their children, a plane ticket to visit relatives and admission to the music festival they've always dreamed of attending,” said Human Resources Generalist of the BRA, Jillian Elliott. “It’s important to invest in people’s futures, not just their bills.”

Now calculated annually by the Social Research and Planning Council, the Living Wage is a calculation based on the living expenses of a family of four with both adults working full-time for 35 hours a week, once government transfers and deductions are accounted for. Everyday expenses included in the calculation are food, housing, utilities, childcare and transportation. Huron-Perth Counties’ Living Wage is $17.44 per hour.

“It’s a wonderful step for Bluewater Recycling Association to take,” said United Way Perth-Huron (UWPH) Executive Director Ryan Erb. “Paying a living wage supports employees and helps strengthen the local community. Workers have the chance to live a better life and employers get a more committed, skilled and happy workforce.”
The BRA was founded in 1989 by its member municipalities as a non-profit corporation when local rural communities had a desire to provide blue box recycling services to its residents. They provide the tools to maximize waste diversion, whether it is the free replacement recycling bins, award winning newsletters, an informative website with locally relevant information, a toll-free number with knowledgeable staff - not a call centre, composters, digesters, Christmas tree chipping, and so much more. The BRA lobby, on behalf of the municipalities, report to authorities’ waste initiatives, report to members their progress to meet their environmental commitments, and provide the most innovative, effective, and efficient programs available.

For more information on the BRA, contact Elliott at 519 228-6678 or jillian@bra.org.

United Way Perth-Huron is 100 per cent local and supports almost 50 organizations and

ALZHEIMERS PRESENTATION

Jeanette Sears, of the Alzheimers Society of Huron County will offer a free presentation at the Blue Water Nursing Home in Zurich on May 29.

The event will be held in the chapel at Blue Water from 7-9 p.m.

Sears’ presentation will include the impacts of dementia and offer coping skills for family and caregivers.

CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM

The Forum on Climate Change Initiatives in Huron County will be held on May 31st and is now is seeking presenters and participants.

Hosted by the Acting Medical Officer of Health for Huron County, Dr. Maarten Bokhout the forum will allow participants to review what is happening in Huron County to mitigate the effects of climate change.

“This is an opportunity for local groups and individuals to share what they are doing to stabilize or reduce the production of greenhouse gases,” said Dr. Bokhout. “We need to limit the adverse effects of global warming, and this forum will help us discuss the efforts underway in Huron County.”

Those who would like to present are asked to submit an outline of their initiative and deliver a presentation of no more than six minutes at the forum. Participants are also welcome to this free event to hear presenters and join the discussion.

The Forum on Climate Change Initiatives in Huron County will take place at the Huron County Health Unit’s Clinton location on May 31 from 9 a.m. to noon, followed by lunch.

To submit a presentation, attend as a participant, or to learn more, contact the Health Unit at hchu@huroncounty.ca or 519 482-3416.

SHRED-IT DAY

Identity theft has become an increasing concern for both the living and the estates of those that have died for this reason Haskett Funeral Homes is hosting a “Shred-it” Day on Saturday, June 1.

services across Perth and Huron Counties that address issues in communities like poverty, domestic violence, isolation and youth mental health. To help United Way support these local services, donations are gladly accepted. Call 519 271-7730 or 1-877-818-8867, mail to 32 Erie Street, Stratford, ON N5A 2M4 or visit perthhuron.unitedway.ca

HURON COUNTY INCLUDED IN STUDY OF FAITH BUILDING USAGE

How many not-for-profit and community groups currently operate programming out of faith buildings?

There are 27,000 faith buildings (defined as a church, temple, synagogue, mosque or gurdwara) in Canada, one third are set to close in the next ten years. Fully half of these are expected to be in rural Ontario.

In rural communities, these buildings operate as community gathering places, providing affordable spaces for the not-for-profit sector to deliver community programs. What will happen to these communities when these faith buildings are closed? How many not-for-profits and community groups will be left without a place to gather?

The Ontario Trillium Foundation Partnership Study of Faith Building Usage has launched in an effort to determine the extent of the risk to these communities and the non-profit sector. The four areas being studied are: Peterborough, Toronto, Sudbury, and Huron County.
Until June 19 there is a ten-minute survey available online at:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/communityspacesinfaithplaces

“I am asking for your help in notifying all the groups that use a church for anything (besides the actual worship service), and encouraging their participation in the survey. This would include your service groups, not-for-profit uses, community showers, families who have reunions and Christmas parties etc. The more data that shows faith buildings are our rural community hubs, the more opportunity there will be to influence future provincial policies that affect our communities,” said Jennifer Miltenburg.

“Please share as widely as possible, through print and word of mouth. It is imperative that as much information as possible is gathered from our Huron County faith buildings; we are the only rural representation in this study, the first of its kind in Ontario. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have,” Miltenburg added.

Miltenburg can be reach by email at jennmiltenburg@gmail.com.

MCMASTER OVERALL WINNER OF "WIN THIS SPACE" CENTRAL HURON

Haskett Funeral Homes would like to invite anyone and everyone to have their confidential documents shredded by the Shred-It professionals who will be on site from 8-11 a.m. at their Exeter location, 370 William Street. Anyone that resides in the Haskett service area, from London to Goderich, is welcome to bring up to three bankers boxes and have their documents securely shredded at no cost.

This event is solely sponsored by Haskett Funeral Homes in an effort to support those in our communities properly dispose of confidential material which will hopefully assist them in keeping their identity and confidential information protected from those that may bring harm.

BLUEWATER NEWS

The office of the Municipality of Bluewater Council has submitted the following to the Bayfield Breeze as highlights of their regular meeting of council held on May 21.

• Approved By-law No. 47-2019, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of the current year budget.
• Appointed Dave Kester as the Manager of Public Works effective May 27.
• Approved registration of the Municipality of Bluewater in the Friends Category of the 2019 Ontario Communities in Bloom program (non-evaluated).
• Approved By-law No. 49-2019, being a by-law to authorize the Corporation of the Municipality of Bluewater to enter into an agreement with Huron Pest Control Inc. for Animal Control Services.
• Directed staff to investigate the need for a new well at the Hensall Landfill, and if necessary, that the well be drilled and the work be funded from operating reserves.
• Approved the Varna Pumphouse repair to proceed as per quote received from Huron Construction, at approximately $41,000; this amount is $16,000 more than budgeted, and will be allocated as part of the total project costs.

RIDE TO END HUNGER

On Saturday, June 8, the Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre (HCFBDC) is hosting the 4th Annual “Better Together” Ride to End Hunger.

There will be three routes of 10 KMs, 50 KMs and 100 KMs leaving from and returning to the HCFBDC at 39978 Crediton Road in Centralia (corner of Crediton Road and Hwy 4) followed by a BBQ lunch.

Every finalist was a winner at the "Win this Space" Grand Finale - Central Huron edition held on May 23. From left to right are: Tania Gregotski, Joyce Ridder, Crystal McMaster, Tammy Hewitt and Melissa Livingstone. (Submitted photo)

You get a space! And you get a Space! And you…and you…and you. In a twist out of the Oprah playbook all five finalists of Clinton's "Win This Space" Contest earned free rent in a store on the town's Main Street for one year. The announcement was made on Thursday, May 23 at the Clinton Town Hall where the Grand Finale of the competition was held.

Crystal McMaster, owner of Mama & Me (jewellery), was named the overall winner of the contest but the other finalists' efforts are being rewarded as well. Tania Gregotski, Miniature Masterpieces (art classes); Joyce Ridder, Clinton Health & Wellness; Tammy Hewitt, Dress to Impress (Bridal Shop) and Melissa Livingstone, MyTy's (books, gifts and toys) will all be open for business on Clinton's Main Street thanks to the efforts of Central Huron's Community Improvement Officer Angela Smith whose efforts to raise extra funding from the community allowed all the finalists their own spaces.

Smith canvassed door to door, collecting private money from both residents and businesses in the community as well as throughout the municipality. The end result being that five empty storefronts will soon have occupants along Clinton's Main Street.

GATEWAY WELCOMES STUDENTS FOR SUMMER RESEARCH PROJECTS

This summer, Gateway Centre of Excellence in Rural Health (Gateway) is employing four research students. They are students 90 thru 93 to work on rural health research projects at Gateway.

Valerie Steckle and Emma Warren are pursuing a "Food Insecurity in Rural Seniors Living Independently" project under the auspices of Dr. Al Lauzon from the University of Guelph. Grace Bonnett is continuing work on the "Poultry Farmers Lung Health" project and Shanna Cardno is investigating the topic of "Farmer Mental Health and Resiliency".

Grace Bonnett is returning to Gateway Centre of Excellence in Rural Health as a summer student after having recently completed her third year at University of Toronto. She is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences, with a major in Human Biology and a double minor in Immunology and Sociology. Bonnett is looking forward to contributing to Gateway's new research projects and continuing to promote Gateway's community involvement. Her focus this

Registration info, pledge forms, the schedule and additional information can be found at: http://www.huroncountyfoodbank.org/2019-bike-ride.html

Individual registration by bicycle enthusiasts is $25 by May 24 after that date the fee increases to $35. People who collect additional pledges of $25 or more will receive a t-shirt.

On ride day registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., riders will depart between 8:30 am. to 10 a.m.; a BBQ lunch will be served between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

MAITLAND EL CAMINO

The Maitland Trail Association (MTA) is a charitable organization established in 1975 with the mission of maintaining and developing trails in the Maitland Valley for discovery and appreciation of the natural environment.

The MTA is pleased to announce the 2019 El Camino event. This year's two-day, 49 KM hike along the Maitland Trail will take place over the weekend of Sept. 28-29. There are also opportunities for participants to complete shorter hikes for those who do not wish to hike the full 49 KM. Each year this challenging, family-friendly event attracts hikers from all across the province.

The hike begins in Auburn and follows the scenic, winding route of the Maitland River, finishing in beautiful Goderich, on the shores of Lake Huron.

Erinn Lawrie from the MTA's Board of Directors said, "The lower Maitland River is an area of ecological significance, with many unique species that are rare provincially and even globally."

Hikers on the Maitland Trail traverse wide rambling trails and challenging hills, hiking through towering forests, past farmland, river vistas and autumn meadows. Shuttles are provided to the starting point each day, and along the route there are checkpoints where water and snacks are provided to hikers by enthusiastic volunteers.
A post-hike dinner will be held on the Saturday evening, featuring fresh local food by Sweet Love Eats, Firmly Rooted and Red Cat Bakery.

"The supper is a chance to kick back and refuel after a successful hike, share stories, and meet other hiking enthusiasts from across the province," said Lawrie.

Registration is now open at www.maitlandtrail.ca and spaces will fill up quickly. The cost for the two-day

Grace Bonnett

summer will be on the Poultry Farmers' Lung Health at various lung clinics throughout Huron County. While she is passionate about a number of health-related fields, she has a keen interest in the unique healthcare needs of rural Ontario having grown up in Huron County and planning to return when she is finished university. Bonnett is looking forward to enhancing her knowledge in rural healthcare to expand the availability of resources and opportunities to rural areas, like Huron County.

Shanna Cardno

Shanna Cardno joined Gateway as a summer student having completed her second year at Western University in Health Science with a specialization in Health Promotion. Raised in Seaforth, Cardno is excited to join Gateway as a research coordinator and transfer her knowledge of health to unique issues in this rural community. Her research will primarily focus on developing a mental health and resiliency program aimed at assisting Huron, Perth, Grey and Bruce County farmers and the unique psychological struggles that they face on the farm. She hopes that her experience with Gateway will advance her knowledge of current and upcoming health issues relevant to rural populations as well as open up new opportunities for future research endeavors.

Valerie Steckle

Valerie Steckle is a recent graduate of Trinity College at the University of Toronto, where she completed her Honours Bachelor of Science in Physiology and Human Biology (Health & Disease stream). Throughout her undergraduate studies, Steckle developed research skills in wet lab, clinical, and community-based settings through seven thesis and summer research projects. She is excited to join Gateway for the upcoming summer, where she will be investigating food insecurity amongst rural seniors who live independently, under the supervision of Dr. Al Lauzon (Professor, University of Guelph School of Environmental Design & Rural Development). In September, Steckle will be pursuing a Master of Science in Global Health at McMaster University, with plans to enter medical school the following year. She grew up in Zurich and is

hike is $30 for adults and $10 for children, which includes shuttles, trail maps, water and snacks, and a souvenir badge upon completion. The Locavore Supper is $30. Registration closes Sept. 14, or when the registration cap is reached.

Visit the MTA's website or contact mta.goderich@gmail.com for more information about this exciting event.

BAYFIELD FARMERS' MARKET

Now in its sixth season, the Bayfield Farmers' Market has become a valued part of village life, and a welcome harbinger of summer.

Market organizers are offering a shopping bag "Give & Take" service this year. Community members are invited to donate their extra reusable shopping bags to the market. The bags will be offered free of charge to customers in an effort to reduce the use of single-use plastic bags.

A listing of the vendors attending each week's market will be posted Thursdays on the BFM Facebook page.

The Bayfield Farmers' Market's mandate is to provide a marketplace for local products of the highest quality. All vendors are located within 75 KMs of Bayfield, most within Huron County. All of the vendors grow, produce or create what they sell.

The Bayfield Farmers' Market is held each Friday, 3-7 p.m., in Clan Gregor Square, from Victoria Day weekend to Thanksgiving weekend.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE

Wednesday afternoons at the Bayfield Lions' Community Building people gather to enjoy some friendly games of bridge.

The group welcomes new players to join. The cards will be dealt starting at 1 p.m.

BAYFIELD ACTIVITIES

Wondering where the Pole Walkers are meeting or when The Glee Sisters have their next practice? A newly launched website, www.bayfieldactivities.info, is the place to visit to view current calendars of events for all of the village activities.

Bayfield resident, Guy Spence, is the volunteer

familiar with the issues surrounding healthcare delivery and organization in this rural area. She is very excited to make connections with local healthcare providers and agencies through her work at Gateway, as she eventually plans to return to rural Southwestern Ontario to build a medical career that bridges her love for research with patient care.

Emma Warren

Emma Warren is entering her second year of medical school at Trinity College Dublin. Prior to this she completed a Master's in Global Health at McMaster University, and a Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences at Queen's University. Growing up in Perth County she has always had a passion for rural health and hopes to return to Canada to practice pediatrics in remote and isolated communities. She has previously worked with the Anabaptist community in Southwestern Ontario developing a pediatric trauma registry, and during her master's thesis investigated morbidity and mortality due to congenital anomalies in low and middle-income countries. This summer she is excited to pursue a new avenue of research at Gateway and is working under Dr. Lauzon to investigate Food Insecurity in Rural Seniors Living Independently. This is an exploratory study in Huron, Perth, Bruce and Grey Counties.

creator behind the website. He has invited village fitness groups and not-for-profit organizations to have a calendar on the site. Each group has assigned a responsible person to keep their own group calendars up-to-date on a regular basis.

REMEMBER ME?

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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, we feature an image of the Bayfield Lioness Club taken in November of 1975 submitted by Carolyn Snell. She even sent in the names! We will pubish them next issue - for now have some fun and see how many women you can recognize.

ISSUE 514

In Issue 514, an image from the Centennial Parade in July 1967. Does anyone recognize the people on this float representing Pioneer Park?

ISSUE 515

In Issue 515, vintage fire trucks have been a part of parades in Bayfield for over 50 years as evidenced by this image taken at the village Centennial Parade in July 1967. Does anyone remember the parade?

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

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PHOTO STORY

TRINITY ST. JAMES - 170TH ANNIVERSARY

WITH LOVE AND GRATEFUL THANKS TO WAYNE AND LORI

PHOTOS AND STORY BY MELODY FALCONER-POUNDER

In 1849 The Reverend Robert Francis Campbell, after 15 years of galloping around on horseback establishing schools and divine Anglican worship in the Huron Tract, settled in Bayfield and established the first Anglican congregation in the village.

By 1855 construction had begun on the historic

Olga Palmer, Lori and Wayne Malott and Joan Spittal listened as Paul Spittal (standing) got the evening started as Master of Ceremonies.

The marking of the 170th Anniversary of Trinity St. James was combined with a Farewell Dinner for Vicar Wayne Malott and his wife, Lori. The evening was a sell out with members of the congregation, Bayfield Food Bank volunteers, Bayfield Lions' Club representatives and community friends in attendance.

Georgian Style building that is still serving the area Anglican parishioners today. Not only is it the oldest church in Bayfield but the oldest Anglican Church in Huron County. It was built of bricks created in the brick yards located along the Bayfield River.

“One can see the different shades of bricks, indicating that the walls were probably built in stages,” explained Ralph Smith, in his book “Historical Sketch of Trinity Anglican Church in Bayfield, Ontario, published in 1999 in honor of the 150th anniversary of the church.

Just like the laying of these bricks the history of the church continues to be built in stages. Earlier this year Trinity was amalgamated with their sister church, St. James’, Middleton a congregation also rich with its own history. These two parishes have come together under the Trinity St. James Anglican Church banner. As restructuring continues in the Diocese of Huron it was announced that Vicar Wayne Malott would be moved on to the next phase of his career, Trinity and St. James having been his first independent position as a rector. He presided over his first service on Dec. 1, 2011 and the thought was he would work in the community for two years. However, a divine match between congregations and vicar became evident and he was officially inducted as Vicar on Sept. 7, 2014. On May 26, he delivered his last services, and performed his first dual Baptism, to a full house during which much laughter, spontaneous applause and quite a few tears were shared.

Amid the tumult the congregation and friends in the community gathered together on the evening of May 27 to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the church in Bayfield as well as to bid a fond farewell to Vicar Wayne, and his wife, Lori.

In attendance were volunteers and Bayfield Lions’ Club representatives who are great supporters of the Bayfield Food Bank (Feed My Sheep). This essential service provided for a number of families and individuals in the community is based at Trinity St. James. Leaders from Bayfield Guiding were also present as members of the Guiding movement have been using Trinity St. James as their meeting place for more than 40 years.

Organized by the church wardens, Geordie Palmer and Paul Spittal, many, many hands worked together to make the evening a success. The chicken dinner was prepared and served by John Pounder. Larry Dalton made the gift presentation to the departing couple on behalf of the congregation, a lovely canvas print, depicting both church buildings and a quintessential Bayfield scene, created by local

Pat Graham, whose father served as minister at Trinity Anglican from 1939 to 1944 enjoyed the evening's presentations.

The evening was filled with lots of laughter and plenty of sentiment which was noted on the faces of Audrey Albiston (left) and Hattie Alcock among others.

photographer, Dianne Brandon.

Throughout the weekend events one recurring theme shone through, Trinity St. James is more than just a few layers of bricks from which to worship. It is an integral part of the community it serves and time only strengthens its mortar.

Vicar Wayne Malott was invited to cut the cake.

Dessert at the dinner was a delightful chocolate and vanilla slab cake adorned with an image of the stained glass window that is the pride of Trinity St. James Church.

Larry Dalton was asked to present a gift to Vicar Malott, and his wife, Lori, following the dinner.

Lori and Wayne Malott opened their farewell gift with encouragement from the congregation.

Olga Palmer looks on as Vicar Wayne Malott shows those in attendance the gift. A canvas print bearing images of a village harbor scene and both Trinity Anglican Church and the former St. James', Middleton Church as captured by local photographer, Dianne Brandon.

Bruce Brady joined in a celebratory toast during the evening's proceedings.

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BAYFIELD BREEZE NEW WEBSITE APPEAL LAUNCHED

Members of the Bayfield Lions' Club were the first to contribute to the Bayfield Breeze New Website Appeal with a cheque for $1,500. This donation is to be followed by a matching of dollar for dollar on the next $1,500 we can raise from individuals and groups who want to see this publication continue. Presenting the cheque to Bayfield Breeze Editor Melody Falconer-Pounder (centre) were Lions (l-r) Ian Matthew, Don Vance, Karen Scott, John Zrini, Kathy Gray, Bill Rowat, Rolly Scott and Doug Vanderhaar. (Photo by John Pounder)

A letter from the editor:

The first issue of the Bayfield Breeze was published in early July 2009 and since then we have published over 500 weekly issues. It was recently brought to my attention that the Bayfield Breeze website is on life support. We need to have a new site built on a new platform.

There are just three days remaining in our Website Appeal. Thank you to all those who have contributed to date.

It is evident from comments received both through the mail, online and in person that the community feels strongly that they want the Bayfield Breeze to continue.

A recent note: “Like many others, we live outside of Bayfield (Detroit area) and the Bayfield Breeze is such a wonderful way to stay connected all year long. Thank you for all you do to make this publication so special!” – G & L.G.

We have also received some generous donations from local organizations. We are very blessed to have such support from these groups that work so hard to fundraise for their own causes.

One such group was the Bayfield Artist Guild whose members contributed and wrote, “The Breeze is a significant part of the Bayfield Artist Guild’s success due largely to Melody’s willingness to post all of our announcements and events! We all look forward to receiving the weekly newsletter to know what is going on in Bayfield.”

Our resolve is strengthened by each kind word and financial donation. Anyone wishing to make a financial contribution is welcome to send a cheque made payable to the Bayfield Breeze to my attention at 79218 Orchard Line, Goderich, ON N7A

Bayfield Breeze New Website Appeal
by Melody Falconer-Pounder
Your support means a lot to us. Please consider donating or spreading the word about our cause.
$6k raised
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3X8. Donations may also be made through our crowd funding campaign via Powered by FundRazr
Fundrazr for anyone who would prefer to use a credit card to donate. Please note the appeal will conclude at midnight on Saturday, June 1st.

I thank you again for your consideration in continuing and growing the Bayfield Breeze – the village's online news source since 2009. – Melody

SUBMISSIONS

Spring is my favorite season. I think it may be becoming my grandkids' favorite season as well. Victoria Day Weekend is the first visit of the year where we can really get out and explore what they refer to as our big backyard – all 80 acres of it.

Graham was determined to make it all the way to the furthest fence line on the property so as a result his younger sister was equally as determined. Where he trotted off directly, Noelle and I took a more methodical approach. She took an interest in the flowering crab apple trees and sprouting wild strawberry plants. She thought perhaps Grandpa John should put out a bench or two along the way so she might have a place to rest her short legs. When we did finally catch up to her big brother there was much celebration and we all touched the fence at the rear of the property to solidify our big achievement.

There was, however, still much adventuring to be done. We examined a Wild Turkey track, and rescued a wayward helium balloon from a thorny bush (it was properly disposed of) and made our way back along the northern fence line between the expired corn stalks from last year's harvest – getting a "little" muddy in the process.

When we arrived back at the farm house it was time to scrape the mud off our sneakers and Noelle regaled family members with her tale of finding a Wild Ostrich track. Seeing the two of them explore and delight in nature as it awakens all around them only further bolsters Spring as the best season of all, in my opinion of course! – 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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