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OUT-OF-SIGHT, OUT-OF-MIND? STEAMBOAT LINDA HINDMAN

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FARMER'S MARKET

The Bayfield Farmers' Market will hold their eighth market of the season on Friday, July 17. Summer

Mike Roney, of Bayfileld, is shown paddling past the stern of the Linda Hindman in this image taken prior to November 2018.

A touchstone of Bayfield folklore vanished from the village coastline in mid-November 2018 but it was clearly a case of “out-of-sight, out-of-mind”. The stern of the steamboat, Linda Hindman, may have broken up and disappeared but the portion of the vessel submerged underwater still remains and now there is a question as to who is responsible for it.

Mary Margaret Dreidger and her husband, Mike Roney, of Bayfield, regularly kayak in the area and she recently sent images of the wreck off Pioneer Park to the Bayfield Breeze. She estimates that a portion of the vessel is only about one metre from the surface.

“If anyone were to drive their boat over this wreck they could possibly get seriously messed up, as could anyone that went tubing or water skiing behind a boat and fell off and hit it,” said Driedger.

Although the steamboat is no longer visible from the shoreline it is very much still present in the lake. A portion of the vessel is only about one metre from the surface.

According to Bayfield Ward Counselor, Bill Whetstone, "Bluewater is in discussion with the Coast Guard” to determine “who is responsible and what can be done" at the site of the wreck.

She noted that just last week she contacted both the Municipality of Bluewater and the

meals have never been easier with great options from our local vendors. From fresh vegetables to homemade pierogis, burgers to shepherd's pie, the market vendors have delicious, easy-to-prepare meal solutions.

This week, be sure to check out: arugula, cucumbers, peas, and beans, from Firmly Rooted; hand made pierogis and vegan dips, from J.Bogal Foods; shepherd's pie, chops and bacon, from Cedarvilla Angus Farms; fresh breads and pastries, from Red Cat Bakery; local merlot and sauvignon blanc, from Alton Farms Estate Winery; vegetable laksa, ginger carrot soup and satays, from Petojo Food; locally roasted coffee and granola, from Shopbike Coffee Roasters and more.

Orders can be placed on the market's new online marketplace openfoodnetwork.ca/bayfield-farmers-market/shop. All orders must be placed by 11 p.m. on Wednesday. Customers of Firmly Rooted Farm are asked to place orders directly on their online store, www.localline.ca/firmly-rooted, by Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

Market pick-up hours are 3-5 p.m. every Friday. The pick-up location is the parking area on the north side of Clan Gregor Square.

Customers with a last name beginning with initials A-M are asked to pick up in the first hour (3-4 p.m.) and N-Z in the second hour (4-5 p.m.).

Delivery within 15 KMs of Bayfield is available for a flat fee of $5.

Should anyone have a question about a specific product, please contact the vendor directly. Their contact information can be found on their profile page on the online market store.

LIONS' CLUB

After postponing the Bayfield Lions’ Club Home and Garden Show this spring because of the COVID-19 restrictions, the club members have decided that they have no reasonable chance of producing a successful event in the near future.

Therefore, they are announcing the cancellation of the show for 2020 and hopefully they will be back with a “roar” in 20121.

The club members wish to thank the vendors for their patience and look forward to seeing everyone next year.

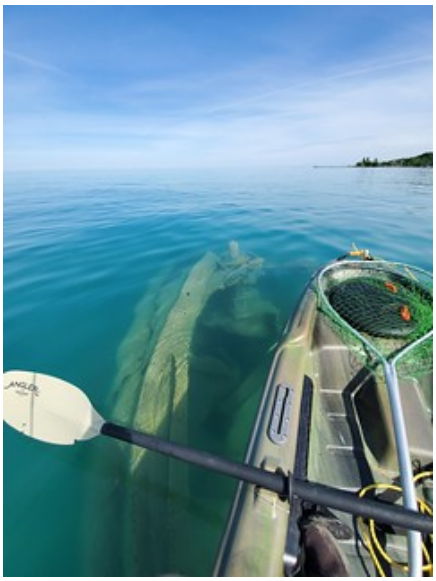
LIBRARY FRIENDS

Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

"The Fisheries Department responded basically saying that it is not in their territory," said Driedger. "They said, 'The wreck is charted, and out of the CG channel, so it's not in our mandate to have to place a buoy… It can be marked privately as long as Transport Canada "Private buoy regulations" are followed.'"

When contacted by the Bayfield Breeze regarding the vessel, Bayfield Ward Councillor Bill Whetstone stated, "Bluewater is in discussion with the Coast Guard" to determine "who is responsible and what can be done."

The tale of the Linda Hindman lives on…



Boats could be seriously damaged or people injured if they came afoul of the sunken vessel.

A SUNFLOWER FIELD WHERE SELFIES ARE ENCOURAGED

The Coombs family are hosting Max's Miracle Minions sunflower field in Bayfield this year. Enjoying the blooms recently were l-r: Marlese, Brian, Mary Ellen and Keenan. (Photo by Dianne Brandon)

Something bright and sunny is popping up all over in a field just south of the village – sunflowers are beginning to bloom at 75774 Bluewater Hwy just across the road from Bayfield Foodland.

Thousands of yellow miracles are raising their heads to the sky in memory of a very special little guy. The field was planted to honor Miracle Max, a brave young boy who fought every day of his life against leukemia.

With community events and public gatherings put on hold during these uncertain times, the Friends of Bayfield Library (FOBL) has made the difficult decision to postpone this year's book sale at the Bayfield Public Library until 2021.

While FOBL recognizes this news is a disappointment for everyone who looks forward to this annual event, there just isn't any safe way to hold a used book sale at present. FOBL looks forward to planning and hosting the book sale again in 2021. Anyone who has been saving books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, and games to donate to the book sale, please hold onto them until next year when these donations will be more than welcome!

GARDEN CLUB

The Bayfield Garden Club (BGC) executive have decided to cancel the garden tour planned for July and the August summer potluck and tour due to COVID-19 and the need to limit group activities and continue physical distancing.

They had a great line-up of speakers and events planned for this year and they will keep people informed of future events later in the season.

The BGC executive will keep people informed as to when they can resume their regular meetings.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Bayfield Historical Society (BHS) is hosting an online Art Auction from today (July 1st) to Aug. 29. Up for bids is an orginal painting of the historic schooner, Helen McLeod II, by artist Doug Darnbrough.

The field is owned by Brian and Mary Ellen Coombs who are also friends of Max's parents Jamie and Kevin Rombouts. The sunflower crop was made possible through the generous support and work of Taylor Van Aaken, Greg Keys, Brian Van Aaken and Brian Schoonjan.

The Coombs and Rombouts invite people to visit the sunflower field.

"Although Max's fight on earth ended at the tender age of two, Max's spirit lives on in our hearts and in this field," said the Rombouts and Coombs in a joint press release.

With social distancing measures in place this field was opened to the public on July 8. A donation box (or etransfer) is on site and all proceeds will go to Miracle Max's Minions. E-transfers are also welcome. Please send them to miraclemaxsminions@gmail.com.

Parking lots are on the south and north ends of field. Those who choose to use the parking lot entrance adjacent to the Bayfield Convenience Store are asked to please drive right into the field parking lot where the straw bales are.

Donation boxes and "you pick" areas are set up adjacent to both parking lots. People are invited to walk the paths, go into the rows, take lots of photos, donate if they can, take a flower home and most of all enjoy! Donations will be made to a variety of agencies that helped Max and his family during their fight, with the hope that they can help other families in their time of need.

"BLOSSOMS, BUTTERFLIES AND BEES" THEME OF VIRTUAL FAIR

At the 2019 Bayfield Community Fair, Marg Fouts took first place for this Marine Compass design in the Hand Quilted Quilt Competition. Sadly, the Bayfield Community Fair won't be taking place in its traditional form in 2020 but with some imagination, volunteer support and tech savviness, the Fair Board is hoping to offer a few virtual agricultural experiences this August. (Photo by Melody Falconer-Pounder)

Several of the Bayfield Agricultural Society's (BAS) Directors met on the fairgrounds to finalize the planning for the 2020 fair. No one could have predicted that this group would be learning how to videotape, have timelines way before the fair dates, and rethink what is possible in a completely different environment. Some of the standard activities at the fair are just not possible or there were not enough volunteers to fully carry them out.

The good news is that the homecraft and agricultural elements will be well represented. There will be some great demonstrations, interviews with area experts and discussions with judges who will describe what they look for when evaluating exhibits. There will be entertainment –

This painting by artist Doug Darnbrough of the Helen MacLeod II is being auctioned off as a fundraiser for the Bayfield Heritage Centre & Archives. (Submitted photo)

According to the BHS website, "The Helen MacLeod II, a Lake Huron fishing schooner, was built in 1925 by Louie MacLeod (1888-1961) in Bayfield. It had an overall length of 36 feet, a beam of 10 feet, and a 3-foot-6-inch draft. For good luck, Louie used a piece of the Malta, which had been shipwrecked near the Bayfield shoreline in 1882. Cypress wood was ordered from Louisiana, and local Red Beech wood was used in the "boxed heart" keel. The Bayfield hardware store ordered a barrel of nails for the construction.

The first Helen MacLeod was built in 1890 by Louie's father, Hugh MacLeod (1834-1908), an immigrant from the Isle of Lewis, Scotland, who settled in Bayfield. Hugh named the vessel after his daughter Helen. Wooden boats at the time had a life span of about 25 years."

The Helen MacLeod II is currently stored in Bayfield, with plans to eventually display the schooner for public viewing but the lucky bidder can have their own artist's representation to hang in a place of honor in their home by summer's end.

"We are delighted to present this opportunity to local historians and residents who can own a piece of our history preserved in this beautiful painting," said President of the BHS, Ruth Gibson.

This framed work, done in acrylic medium on gesso over hardboard, measures 18 x 24 inches, framed 22 x 29 inches. A color poster of the original is on display in the window of the Bayfield Heritage Centre & Archives on Main Street in the village. Viewing of

currently the Directors are not sure if it will be live streamed or taped. Food is always part of a fair and a drive by food service will be available for presold ticket holders; there will also be a demonstration to make one of the foods that is a class in the prize book.

The Bayfield Fair is a community fair and so the Directors have several ways in which the community can be involved before fair weekend – Aug. 14-16. The first way is to make "Blossoms, Butterflies and Bees" since that is our theme this year. People of all ages are asked to make one or more of the theme items and we will be displaying them in the fairgrounds. Large craft items are certainly welcome and people have several weeks to create them on these hot humid days. They will be outside when displayed so that might be one consideration when planning them. They can be dropped off at the fairgrounds near the new BAS building on Saturday Aug. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"We hope to have a fence full of items so that those who drive by picking up their food can drive along the fence and see all the creativity in Bayfield. Those who made them can pick them up on Sunday, Aug. 16 from 3-4 p.m.," said Doug Yeo, representing the BAS.

The second way to get involved is to pick up a fair prize book at the Bayfield Convenience Store. Note the BAS is not using them this year; however, they would like people to submit a picture of themselves or their family members looking at the book at any local site.

"We will be sharing some of your submitted pictures during the fair weekend and displaying all the others on our social media sites. Each picture requires the names of who are in the picture and permission to use the pictures on our sites if there are any children in it. Let's see how creative you are ensuring the 2020 prize book is visible," said Yeo.
He also added that there will be one more competition using the book which will be announced shortly.

The third way to be involved is for youth to prepare a poster for the 2021 fair. The theme, "Harvesting Memories, Planting the Future"; the date, "August 20-22"; and the fair name, "Bayfield Community Fair" or "Bayfield Fair", must be on the poster. The winning posters will be used on the 2021 prize book with recognition of the top posters. Participants should add the age of the person submitting the poster so the BAS can pick a top poster from different age groups. The poster will be on 450 copies and likely in color as well.

Entertainment is always showcased at the fair and is the fourth way to be involved. Entertainers of all ages are invited to submit a two to four-minute tape of their individual or group talent.

"This is the chance to share your magical, musical, acrobatic or other talent," said Yeo. "Several will be randomly chosen to be seen during the fair weekend and the others will be shared through our social media sites."

Finally, volunteers are still needed for video editing, some video taking and if there is an event someone would like to ensure takes place, they are asked to let the Directors know.
All contacts and submissions should go currently to info@bayfieldfair.ca or call 519 482-9296.

"Keep watching for further ways to be involved and our competitions will be posted on our website," said Yeo. "You can truly make this one of the most memorable fairs even though we cannot see one another which is the norm at a conventional fair. The Bayfield Fair will still have a presence in Bayfield during August."

FOURTH ANNUAL BUTTERFLY RELEASE HOSPICE FUNDRAISER

the original painting can be arranged by appointment; email bhsmembers@gmail.com.

How to Bid: Anyone wishing to bid is asked to email their bid amount to the above addres with their bid amount, name, address and phone number. People must bid at least $25 above the latest high bid posted online. This high bid will be updated weekly on the BHS website and on their Facebook Page. Due to the value of this historical painting, a reserve bid has been placed. If final bids result in a tie, there will be a draw. The winner must pay by cash or e-transfer and will be announced on the BHS website and Facebook Page on Aug. 31.

To learn more or to check on the bids visit: www.bayfieldhistorical.ca.

Darnbrough attended the University of Windsor and the University of Guelph, graduating in 1973 with an Honors BA, majoring in Fine Art Studies. His works have been exhibited and sold across the province of Ontario and in New York state. His work is also part of the collection at the Canadian consulate in London, England, and in the following corporate collections: Canadian National Railway; Torwest Properties, Commerce Court, Toronto; and CIBC, Toronto. He considers artist and educator Eric Cameron and photorealist artist Ken Danby to be two of his biggest influences.

Proceeds from the auction will go towards the restoration of the Bayfield Heritage Centre & Archives on Main Street.

CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

In an effort to stay in touch with the community and offer creative experiences to its followers, Bayfield Centre for the Arts (BCA) is posting carefully curated links to a variety of artistic organizations on their Facebook page Bayfield Centre for the Arts (@ bayfieldarts). To date, painting tutorials, photography workshops and performances have been popular.

To support the continued growth of the BCA, the organization is now selling custom designed journals with three different custom covers. The creatives behind the covers are Debra Macarthur, Leslee Squirrell and Jack Pal. Each journal measures 6" x 9" and has 200 acid free, archival pages of 28 lb paper, lined or unlined. The journals are selling for $15 each.

These journals could be used as diaries, sketchbooks and travel logs. They are also perfect notebooks for gardening records, meetings or workshops. The journals are available on the BCA

Two hundred and twenty-five butterflies found their wings on the afternoon of Sept. 7, 2019 as part of the third annual Memorial Butterfly Release, a fundraiser for Huron Hospice. The 2020 event will be held in a way that supports COVID-19 protocols. (Photo by Nancy Denham)

The Fourth Annual Butterfly Release, a fundraiser for Huron Hospice, will be held on Saturday, Aug. 29th but the experience will be a little different in 2020.

The annual release is an event that is cherished by the community. Losing a loved one is a painful experience and this event is a meaningful and beautiful way to recognize the impact of the loss and honor that person.

“The act of releasing a commemorative butterfly keeps the memory of our loved one alive and provides us with a moment of appreciation, recognition, gratuity, and acceptance. Being part of this event strengthens the connection between the community and the end-of-life care that the Huron Hospice provides,” said Kayla Gauthier, Fund Development intern at Huron Hospice.

Due to COVID-19, the event this year will be virtual. Participants will do a curbside pick-up at a specified time to receive their pre-purchased butterfly the day of the event, and will then be able to release their butterfly on their own at a safe location that is special to them. There will be a livestream ceremony at the Huron Hospice Residence in the Memorial Forest shortly after the pick-up that will include the reading of the memorial names, speeches, and the release of butterflies.

Monarchs are available to purchase until July 27th, for $30 via eventbrite.ca. Purchasers will receive an email with a time for pickup and care instructions for the butterflies. Organizers ask that participants please refer to their given time during the pickup to maximize the safety of their butterflies.

Gauthier noted, “In addition, this event brings awareness to the importance of, and the role of, wildlife in our community. Butterflies are important pollinators. Their release helps our community by enhancing butterfly gardening.”

She went on to say that butterfly gardening reduces the need for insecticides which is a direct benefit to local farms and wineries. The release of butterflies also aids in replenishing native populations, and provides important learning opportunities for children about the importance of wildlife and butterflies.

“We welcome you to join us in participating in the 4th Annual Butterfly Release on Aug. 29th!” concluded Gauthier.

Facebook Page. Details can be found by clicking on the “Shop” button. At the moment those who purchase journals are asked to pick them up from the front porch of 15 Dow St in Bayfield.

Or they can also be found at The Village Bookshop on Main Street in Bayfield. In addition to the great selection of books they are known for, the bookshop is now carrying artist supplies, including the beautiful, creamy Chroma acrylic paints which some members of the BCA are fans of.

The purchase of these journals will help the BCA provide workshops, studios, mobile art programs and exhibitions in the visual arts for all ages and abilities.

For more information email Hello@bayfieldarts.ca.

PANDEMIC PROJECT

Youngsters are unleashing their creativity in a variety of ways while staying at home during the pandemic. And a local group would like to capture this creativity for posterity. Especially the stories and artwork that the children, ages 12 and under, are producing right now while they are truly living through history.

The Bayfield Historical Society (BHS) wants to help preserve these memories of what life during the pandemic was like for children.

According to Barb Durand, “The Bayfield Historical Society is asking children in Bayfield and surrounding area to submit written stories and or their artwork for a future collection. We will display this collection in our windows (at the Archives on Main Street) when we are allowed back on the street. Either a scanned copy or their original artwork will be kept at the archives for a future collection. We may also use the material to create a printed book.”

Durand, who looks after publications for the BHS, notes that, this is not a contest but a collection that will document the children’s stories. She asks that the children sign their artwork or story on their cover page and on the back cover list their age and school.

“We will ask for the submissions when the time comes for us to re-open. We are documenting history. Thank-you and wishing all families to stay safe and healthy,” Durand concluded.

For more information on this BHS project please email barbarad@hay.net.

SLED PROGRAM

OSPREY

In Issue 574, the Bayfield Breeze featured a story about an Osprey Nesting Platform that has been installed at the Bayfield River Flats. For anyone wondering what an Osprey looks like, here is an image supplied by Mike Dixon taken while he was on vacation in Florida a few years back. The Osprey is enjoying some lunch. Perhaps, with the addition of the platform at the flats, photo opportunities like these will become part of Bayfield's landscape too. (Photo by Mike Dixon)

The County of Huron's annual Supporting Local Economic Development program (SLED) launched recently, providing an opportunity for municipalities and other non-profits to receive funding for projects which target key regional economic development priorities in either workforce attraction, agriculture, tourism, or investment attraction.

Successful projects will be provided up to $10,000 through the SLED fund and must be completed within 12 months from the date of application.

Recipients of the SLED program funding are required to use funds in a way that has a clear and measurable economic impact, includes substantial private sector participation, and must provide financial resources and support to the project.

Eligible projects must achieve at least one of the following objectives in Huron County: grows the workforce; creates diversification of the existing agricultural industry; creates a visitor experience with clear best-in-class potential; develops investment attraction material or resolves investment attraction issues; or implements measures that support businesses communities in adapting to a changing business environment.

The program is delivered on a first come, first served basis, closing Aug. 31.

For more information about the SLED program and application process, please visit www.huroncounty.ca/economic-development/our-services/incentives-programs/sled/ or contact Rick Sickinger, Program advisor at rsickinger@huroncounty.ca.

FACE COVERINGS REQUIRED IN COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Medical Officer of Health for Huron and Perth counties, Dr. Miriam Klassen will issue formal instructions to employers to require the use of face coverings in all commercial establishments, effective Friday, July 17.

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Huron Perth Public Health website is updated regularly with confirmed case counts received.

"Our online case reporting is not a real-time tool but is meant to keep the community informed on trends we are seeing," explains Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Miriam Klassen.

These instructions will require business owners to implement a policy for the use of non-medical masks or face coverings; including the expectation that people entering will wear a face covering.

The instructions are being issued by the Medical Officer of Health under the authority of the provincial Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

As a result of this instruction, face coverings will be required in commercial establishments, which includes, but is not limited to retail and convenience stores; malls; enclosed farmers' markets; and business offices with space open to the public.

A face covering means a medical or non-medical mask or other face coverings such as a bandana, a scarf or cloth that covers the mouth and nose. Certain exemptions apply, for example, based on medical circumstances.

"These additional instructions for commercial establishments that are open to the public build upon the diligent work many are already doing to ensure physical distancing and hand sanitizers," said Dr. Klassen. "Face coverings are extra protection to prevent COVID-19 spread; they also send a message that the wearer wants to protect others."

"As we work towards a successful Stage 3 re-opening, we also increase the risk of spreading the virus. Normalizing the use of masks helps reduce this risk and helps keep businesses and services up and running. We ask everyone to be kind and understanding when others can't wear masks, and to physically distance from them."

Operators of commercial establishments are expected to use their best efforts to implement their face covering policies. This means that signs and verbal reminders are used but there is not a requirement that a business must turn away the customer. This "good faith" enforcement framework is in line with Huron Perth Public Health (HPPH) enforcement, which builds on education and reminders.

The instructions will also remind employers of their ongoing responsibilities to maintain two-metres distance between employees and clients, to screen employees and members of the public for COVID-19 symptoms, and to promote excellent hygiene practices including handwashing.

Official instructions were shared with operators and posted to the HPPH website earlier this week. Supplementary resources for operators of commercial establishments will also be posted to the HPPH website.

"These instructions will help as many people as possible to routinely use face coverings to protect one another," said Dr. Klassen. "People in Huron Perth have done a great job of helping to reduce the spread of COVID-19; so as we prepare for Stage 3 with additional precautions, I ask everyone to be kind, patient, and respectful to one another. We must work together to stay healthy while resuming our businesses, services and activities in a new way."

HURON-BRUCE TO ENTER STAGE THREE OF REOPENING THIS FRIDAY

Huron-Bruce MPP Lisa Thompson has announced that nearly all businesses in the region can open as of Friday, July 17 as the region moves to Stage 3 of the province's reopening framework with public health and workplace safety measures and restrictions in place.

"Moving forward to Stage 3 is a direct result of how residents and businesses in Huron-Bruce have been so responsible and reliable, during this pandemic," Thompson said. "We do not take this step lightly and all safety precautions must still be practised and honored."

As part of the Stage 3 reopening, Ontario will be increasing gathering limits for those regions

For the latest statistics on COVID-19 cases in Huron and Perth Counties please visit: www.hpph.ca/en/health-matters/covid-19-in-huron-and-perth.aspx

HPPH is aligning with public health across the province and will return to their usual practice of not reporting on their website the number of people who test negative. They will be reporting the province's estimate of the total number of tests taken in Huron and Perth counties. This number will include repeat tests on the same individual.

They will continue to report positive cases, including demographics such as age, gender and municipality.

As well, they will no longer be updating the numbers on the web page "COVID-19 in Huron and Perth" on weekends. They will revisit this in the event of an increase in community transmission and cases.

MUSEUM SELFIE CONTEST

Huron County Museum's Curator of Engagement and Dialogue, Sinead Cox created a selfie using a virtual background from the Huron Historic Gaol. (Submitted photo)

The Huron County Museum and Historic Gaol invites you to join the Canada Historic Places Day Selfie Contest for your chance to win $1,000 for yourself as well as $1,000 for the Museum and Gaol. The contest runs from now until July 31.

entering the next stage to the following: indoor gathering limits will increase to a maximum of 50 people; outdoor gathering limits will increase to a maximum of 100 people; gathering limits are subject to physical distancing requirements.

Public gathering limits apply to indoor and outdoor events, such as community events or gatherings, concerts, live shows, festivals, conferences, sports and recreational fitness activities, fundraisers, fairs, festivals or open houses. A two-metre distance must still be maintained at such events.

“We have been able to proceed into Stage 3 because residents throughout Huron-Bruce have respected the guidance from both of our medical officers of health as well as the Ministry. But this by no means indicates we can let up,” added Thompson. “We need to continue following the guidelines as we see our region continue to reopen! We need to continue with best practices so we can safely and confidently support our local communities.”

The Chief Medical Officer of Health, public health experts and other officials have advised the following, high-risk places and activities are not yet safe to open, even if a region has entered Stage 3, due to the likelihood of large crowds congregating, difficulties with physical distancing, or challenges maintaining the proper cleaning and sanitation required to prevent the spread of COVID 19: amusement parks and water parks; buffet-style food services; dancing at restaurants and bars, other than by performers hired by the establishment following specific requirements; overnight stays at camps for children; private karaoke rooms; prolonged or deliberate contact while playing sports; saunas, steam rooms, bath houses and oxygen bars; table games at casinos and gaming establishments.

For more information on the restrictions that will remain in place during Stage 3, as well as the public health guidance necessary to keep the people of Ontario safe, visit Ontario.ca/reopen.

The province is committed to working closely and collaboratively with businesses and sectors not yet able to reopen or who are experiencing significant challenges for reopening due to Stage 3 restrictions. These businesses can visit Ontario.ca/reopen to work with the government on a reopening proposal that will enable them to safely resume or increase operations. Government and public health officials will review proposals and contact businesses for feedback or clarifications.

As the province safely and gradually enters Stage 3, child care centres and home child care providers across Ontario will be able to continue to operate with strict safety and operational requirements in place. Beginning on July 27, child care centres will be permitted to operate with cohorts of 15 children, which is an increase from the current cohort cap of 10. This change will allow parents to return to work, and bring the child care sector to approximately 90 per cent of its operating capacity before the COVID-19 outbreak.

The government, in partnership with health and safety associations, has released over 170 guidance resources at Ontario.ca/COVIDsafety to help employers in multiple sectors — including fitness, restaurant and food services, and the performing arts — keep spaces safe for workers and customers. Guidance will be available for all spaces permitted to open in Stage 3. As they prepare to reopen, employers are strongly advised to review and implement appropriate measures to help protect their communities.

LOW WATER ADVISORY FOR AUSABLE RIVER WATERSHED

Dry weather and very low stream flow prompted the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) Water Response Team (WRT) to issue a Level 1 Low Water Advisory for the Ausable River watershed.

As reported at automated rain gauge locations, the Ausable River watershed received about 60

Canada Historic Places Day is a national celebration of our country’s historic places hosted each year by the National Trust of Canada. It was held on July 4.

While historic sites, including the Museum and Gaol, remain temporarily closed, you can still celebrate and support these sites by getting creative with your digital selfie. Simply visit historicplacesday.ca, find the Museum or Gaol under the places tab, and upload your selfie which will be placed on virtual backgrounds of the sites. You can also have fun recreating a historic photo or artifact from the Museum’s collection, or share a throwback!

Find inspiration for your selfies from the Museum’s virtual collection and historic photos at huroncountymuseum.ca or visit historicplacesday.ca/whats-new/twelve-ways-to-take-your-historicplacesday-selfie/. You can post one selfie per day.

To enter the contest:
• Share your Museum or Gaol selfie on Instagram, Twitter or Facebook!
• Use #historicplacesday
• Tag the Huron County Museum & Historic Gaol: @hcmuseum on Twitter, @huroncountymuseum on Instagram, and @HuronCountyMuseum on Facebook
• Tag and follow @nationaltrustca

For more information, please contact Curator of Engagement and Dialogue Sinead Cox at sicox@huroncounty.ca or 519 524-2686 Ext. 2213.

"SHORELINE TOGO"

Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, Grand Bend and Area Chamber of Commerce has undertaken various efforts to support local business, this latest effort, “Shoreline ToGo”, crosses all local municipal and county “borders” to support local food and beverage providers with a single online hub of delivery and takeout options open to residents.

Launched Apr. 20, Shorelinetogo.ca already has 32 food and beverage businesses listed, a number that grows daily. Published with address, phone number, takeout-delivery menu and hours of operation, restaurants, farm-gate operations and craft beer, wine and cider producers are ready and open to serve. Residents in Lambton Shores, South Huron, Bluewater and North Middlesex can check out the offerings online, order takeout or delivery, and help support the same businesses who have contributed so much to these communities over the years through donations and sponsorship.

per cent of the normal precipitation totals for the three-month period from April through June, according to ABCA staff. This is well within the Level 1 criteria of 80 per cent of the three-month precipitation normals, and just outside of the Level 2 criteria of 60 per cent. Due to the hot and dry conditions of June, and through the first week of July, real-time streamflows in the Ausable River watershed reflect low water conditions.

Much of the Bayfield River and Parkhill Creek watersheds have been dry as well, with the exception of a heavy rainfall event on June 23. This provided some temporary relief to stream flow in parts of those watersheds, most notably in the Grand Bend and Zurich areas.

The WRT relies on both precipitation and streamflow indicators to support any decision to move into a Low Water Advisory. Indicators include one-month streamflow, and one-month or three-month precipitation. Ground conditions are very dry, and continued hot and dry weather would have a negative impact on streamflow and water availability throughout the summer, and perhaps longer, according to Davin Heinbuck, Water Resources Coordinator at ABCA.

“Some areas are reliant on water availability in streams to sustain crops through very dry periods,” he said.

According to Heinbuck, the focus should be on sustaining water availability through responsible management and conservation of the water resource.

“If a dry weather pattern continues through the summer, a recovery of the already stressed watershed will become more difficult in the weeks or months ahead,” said Heinbuck.

WRT Chair Doug Cook said everyone has a role to play in water conservation. He encourages all water users to look for ways they can conserve water and prevent further reduction in water levels and availability through the summer.

“For areas that are in a Level 1 Low Water Advisory condition, we are encouraging water users to voluntarily reduce their water use by 10 per cent,” he said.

For ideas on ways to reduce water use, please visit the water quantity and water conservation page at abca.ca at this link: www.abca.ca/conservationstrategy/water/quantity/
If dry conditions persist, it may be necessary for the WRT to consider issuing Low Water Advisories for the entire Ausable Bayfield watershed.

A Level 1 Low Water Advisory includes a request for a 10 per cent voluntary reduction in water use. A Level 2 Low Water Advisory includes a call for an additional 10 per cent (total of 20 per cent) voluntary reduction in water use. A Level 3 Low Water Advisory may involve mandatory water use restrictions.

The WRT was formed in 2001 in response to the low water and drought conditions that year and the team has been active ever since. The WRT includes representatives of major water users (such as aggregate industries; agriculture and vegetable growers; and golf and recreation) and includes local municipal representatives and staff of provincial ministries (such as Natural Resources and Forestry; Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; and Environment, Conservation and Parks). ABCA staff will continue to monitor rainfall and streamflow data and keep the public informed of any changes in watershed conditions.

Visit www.ontario.ca/lowwater for further resources on the Ontario low water response program or the website at abca.ca for the dynamic low-water advisory tool which alerts people to low-water advisories in effect in the watershed.

Restaurants, farm-gate and beverage producers throughout the market area – Bluewater - Lambton Shores, South Huron, North Middlesex - are encouraged to visit ShorelineToGo.ca to register and showcase their delivery or takeout options. There is no cost to any business to participate and the process is the completion of a simple online form. Any business needing resources or assistance can contact Chamber Manager Susan Mills at food@shorelinetogo.ca.

Throughout this area, restaurants, farm-gate and craft beverage providers have contributed hugely to the local economy and the livability of towns and villages. Recovery from the Covid-19 crisis will be in large part energized restaurant owners, chefs, kitchen staff and servers, and the support of local customers.

FREE MASKS

Home4Good welcomes the decision by Huron Perth Health Unit to require non-medical masks in all commercial establishments effective July 17th. They applaud this policy to protect seniors and those with health conditions which increase risk from COVID-19. Home4Good continues to produce “fashion forward” masks, which are available through Michael’s pharmacy in Bayfield. (Submitted photo)

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Huron County Museum and Historic Gaol

REMEMBER THIS

The Huron County Museum is home to thousands of artifacts that illustrate the history of both the rural and urban populations of the area. Space dictates what wonderful curiosities the public regularly gets to see when they visit the museum located at 110 North Street in Goderich (currently closed due COVID-19 restrictions). But where there is wifi, there is an opportunity to time-travel with over 3,000 pieces of the museum's collection now available to view online at huroncountymuseum.pastperfectonline.com.

Last week, we introduced a new feature to the Bayfield Breeze: "Remember This".

This new segment will highlight items from the collection of the Huron County Museum and Historic Gaol. Items that have shaped the fabric of the county and the people who have lived here since before the county became the county in 1835 up until more recent times.

This week, a look at some exceptional hardware presented to people in the county over the years.

CHAMPION PUPIL

HURON JUNIOR TURNIP CLUB

Huron Junior Turnip Club

Huron Crop Improvement Association trophy awarded for high general proficiency score in the Huron Junior Turnip Club. The names are located on the side of the trophy on black brass plates. The winners were Bruce Roy, Londesborough, 1948; Harry Dougall, Exeter 1949; and Murray Roy, Londesborough 1950.

AUBURN RIFLE CLUB

This silver trophy with a lid features two decorated handles on each side. It was won by Jean Margaretta Sandy at the Ashfield Township Rural School Fair in 1932. Etched on it is the Ontario crest and the inscription, "Presented to the Champion Pupil by The T. Eaton C. Limited Canada". It appears that the lid is not original to the trophy.

Auburn Rifle Club

A silver-plated, urn-shaped, all-metal trophy with two decorative handles, standing on a broad base with four ball feet. The inscription reads,"Won by C.M. Beadle 1909" in cursive script. Decoration consists of two crossed bolt-action rifles with a wreath, all cast in three dimensions. Described as being from the Auburn Rifle Club.

This silver-plated trophy was won by Charles M. Beadle from the Auburn Rifle Club in 1909. Charles Beadle was the son of immigrant Henry Beadle and Martha Marriott and was a longtime butcher and resident of Auburn. In the early census he is listed as a cooper.

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DECADE RETROSPECTIVE

PIONEER PARK RUMMAGE SALE A CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY EVENT

STORY AND PHOTOS BY MELODY

2019 - Deb Grasby volunteered in the lighting section this year - from classic styles to an eclectic feather lamp there was something to suit all decor tastes.

2018 - As 6:30 p.m. approached the line to access the outdoor portion of the sale grew steadily longer. The games were stacked and ready to go.

FALCONER-POUNDER

When it was announced that the Pioneer Park Rummage Sale would not be happening on the second Friday in July 2020 due to COVID-19 their might well have been a collective sigh of disappointment from an entire community.

The Rummage Sale means a lot of different things to a lot of different people. Bargain hunters and purgers both benefit from it but it is first and foremost a longstanding community driven event. Both summer and year-round residents have been coming together to volunteer to raise funds in support of Pioneer Park for almost three quarters of a century. It is an event like no other!

In tribute to the many volunteers, donors and shoppers that have descended on the Bayfield Arena and Community Centre during the last ten years on the second Friday in July the Bayfield Breeze offers this special Decade Retrospective.

2019 - This shopper's strategy was shop until you drop comfortably into your newly purchased rocking chair.

2018- Richard Peirce volunteered at the Silent Auction that was on display in the centre of the arena.

2016 - Jenny Allan, Rummage Sale Convener, took a moment for a well deserved rest during the sale. Allan is expecting her second child any day now!

2015 - The outdoor portion of the sale began at 6:30 p.m. where early birds could scoop up outdoor furniture and decor, luggage, sporting goods, art, toys, games, artificial plants and gardening pots and vases.

2017 - Volunteer Maddy Steadman worked at the Bake table. She made and donated about 80 candy bags to the cause selling the treats for 75 cents a package.

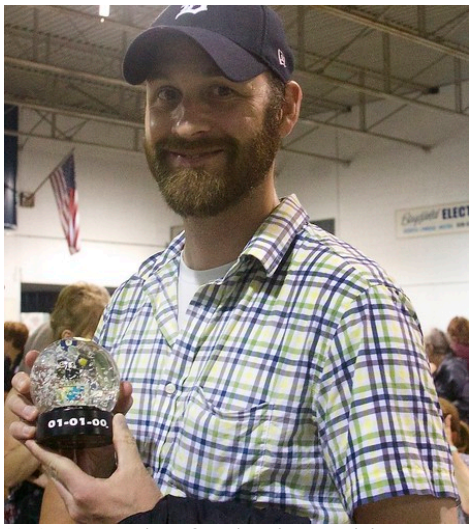
2017 - Gayle King, of Goderich, has never missed a Bayfield Pioneer Park Rummage Sale, attending as an infant with her mother. In fact her husband, Brian has been attending for about 50 years as Gail brought him to the event on one of their first dates!

2014 - First in line for the doors to open on to the arena floor for the 67th annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale were Jenn Wallace, of Bayfield (right) and friend Jessica Coyne, of Ottawa. The pair lined up at 5:30 p.m.

2013 - A view of the arena entrance about five minutes after the door was opened shows a steady stream of shoppers still filing in.

2012 - As the Silent Auction grows bigger indoors more outdoor space is utilized for the rummage sale items. Toys, games, tools, art and outdoor furniture could be found on the cement pad in Agriculture Park. Outdoor shoppers enjoyed a 30 minute shopping advantage as the sale started there at 6:30 p.m.

2012 - People gathered in the shade for the stroke of seven when the doors were opened on the 65th annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale.



2016 - Trevor Bieber, of London, discovered the most perfect treasure, a millennium snow globe featuring an "exploding" computer.

2015 - Volunteer Dave Gillians encouraged customers to purchase some video game accessories during the 68th annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale.

2012 - Sisters, Emily and Larkin Knight, of London, performed a jazzy duet for outdoor shoppers at the Rummage Sale on their newly purchased instruments.

2011 - David Loerchner, of Bayfield, made a purchase in the kitchen section of the sale.

2014 - The 67th annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale offered something for everyone including the kitchen sink as volunteer Kip Cantrick could attest.

2013 - The people were biting for bargains during the 66th annual Pioneer Park Rummage Sale.

2010 - It was Christmas in July for Helen Fleet (far right) and her mother, Margaret Buckley (second from right), both of London. The pair purchased some Christmas decorations with help from volunteer Joyce Armstrong, of Bayfield (far left).

2009 - For the first time in its 62 year history the donations for the rummage sale overpowered the arena and some items had to be displayed outside. Bill Aberhart, of Bayfield, and Julie Lane, of Guelph, discuss this exciting development. Lane was the event's co-convener along with Cal Scotchmer.

2011 - Aidhan and his Dad, Marty Kleuskens, of Goderich, examine one of the many small appliances available for purchase.

2010 - Avery Wise and her mom, Kelly Gerger, of Bayfield, checked out their reflections in the many mirrors on display outside on the cement pad, as the donations for the Rummage Sale spilled out-of-doors.

2009 - Seven-year-old Matthew McLellan of Toronto proved that you can still have some fun when volunteering. He was kept busy inspecting all of the toys that came in for the sale.

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PIXILATED — IMAGE OF THE WEEK

Bayfield Sunset July 12...*By Gregory Csullog*

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SUBMISSIONS

Camp Gramel has been in session for the past 14 days. What have we gotten up too? We've created works of art, both with paint and with Skittles, we even chalked our old cement water tower. We've made regular slime, putty slime and fluffy slime plus bubbling blobs and Alka-

Seltzer rockets. We've had water balloon and water pistol fights, went swimming in a pool and went wild on a Slip 'n Slide. We've hiked in conservation areas, enjoyed picnic lunches, tested out a skateboard park and a splash pad, flown some kites and even got a couple holes in one on a mini-golf course. We've explored the farm and watched the garden grow. We've eaten several cones of chocolate ice cream after buying a 11.4 Litre tub to enjoy as a treat on long, hot summer days. Plus, we enjoyed some S'mores and hot dogs around a campfire (following the rules of the fire ban). And we've read a whole lot of Dr. Suess and watched a couple movies too.

Through it all we've worn our masks and social distanced when needed plus we've gotten up and out extra early to enjoy places before the crowds. Hopefully our campers will give us two thumbs up at the conclusion of this session and return next month for more…their lead counselor and head quartermaster will be eagerly waiting! – Gramel

Ideas and contributions to the Bayfield Breeze are always welcome.
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