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FOR THE LOVE OF ANIMALS - Friends of the late Marlyn Ruth Rennie presented an extremely generous donation to the Uxbridge-Scugog Animal Shelter on Saturday morning. Members of both Uxbridge and Scugog councils, along with employees of the animal shelter (and at least one furry friend) were on hand to accept the \$1 million donation. For details, see story below. *Photo by John Covers*

Resident accuses energy company of 'false advertising'

Roger Varley

Elizabeth Carswell, a resident of Sandford, appeared before council on Monday to urge councillors to withdraw their support for a proposed extension of natural gas delivery to the hamlet by Enbridge.

Carswell, who provided a lengthy and detailed submission to accompany her deputation, said Enbridge has been using false advertising and giving incomplete information to persuade residents to switch to natural gas. "I'm focusing on affordability," Carswell said, noting she has had a heat pump since 1993.

She pointed out that Enbridge has told residents they could realize significant savings by switching from oil or propane to natural gas for their energy needs. She said, however, that people could save more by using an electric heat pump, and those who already have a heat

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Animal shelter receives million-dollar donation

Roger Varley

A donation of over \$1 million was made to the Uxbridge-Scugog animal shelter on Saturday as the shelter held a pet adoption day.

The estate of Marlyn Ruth Rennie, who lived in Port Perry, donated a total of \$1,100,647.12 to go towards the building of a new shelter. A cheque for that amount was presented to members of Uxbridge and Scugog councils by Rennie's friends, Martha Ireland and Vida Juozaitis. Ireland said the three had been friends since their university days.

Uxbridge Chief Administrative Officer Kristi Honey said the donation will go towards "a feasibility study" for a simplified design for a new shelter.

"We really want to make this happen," she said.

Honey said the cost of constructing a new shelter could range as high as \$7 million.

Construction of a new animal shelter was put on hold in 2019 when estimates to build the new shelter came in much higher than expected. When the new shelter is built, it will be located on Uxbridge-owned property on Lake Ridge Road, just south of Reach Road. The current shelter sits in the middle of an industrial area on the outskirts of Port Perry.

A statement from Uxbridge township said the Rennie donation "can build on fundraising efforts from NASUS (New Animal Shelter of Uxbridge and Scugog) and private donors who rallied the communities of Scugog and Uxbridge between 2011 and 2018 to donate over \$750,000 for the construction of a new animal shelter."

With the Rennie donation, the new animal shelter reserve now has over \$2.8 million.

Mayor Dave Barton was not able to attend Saturday's cheque presentation, but issued a statement saying, "(Rennie's) legacy will live on and will impact generations of animals in need." Mayor Wilma Wotten of Scugog said, "This is a very special gift and will help in our efforts to bring the community closer to seeing a new shelter."

Meanwhile, the pet adoption day was less than overwhelming. Although the shelter has seen a large influx of cats recently and most of the cages were occupied, only three cats were adopted on Saturday - and no dogs were taken.

To view the animals the shelter has available for adoption, visit uxbridgescugog.petfinder.com

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Council & Committee Meetings

Meeting Schedule for October, 2023

Monday, October 23, 10:00 a.m.
 COUNCIL MEETING

TRAIL COMMITTEE MEETING
 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING
 341 HWY. 47, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 26, 7:00 p.m.
 BIA BOARD MEETING

Proclamations for the Month

- October is Women's History Month
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- October is LGBTQ+ History Month
 - October is PROBUS month
- October 1 International Day of the Older Person
- October 8-14 is Fire Prevention Week
- October 11 International Day of the Girl
 - October 21 Take Me Outside Day
- October 16-20 is Local Government Week
 - October 16-20 is Small Business Week
 - October 24 is World Polio Day

From The Tax Department

Now is the time to enroll in our Monthly or Installment Pre-Authorized Payment Plan for the 2024 Interim property taxes.

What are the Benefits?

Taxpayers will no longer have to worry about missed due dates or penalty/interest charges. Monthly payments allow for easier budgeting. Once you enroll, you do not have to reapply unless you have a new property within the Township.

Who is eligible? - To be eligible, your property must be fully assessed, and your tax account must be paid in full (no arrears).

How to apply - The Pre-Authorized Payment form (in pdf format) is available on the Township's website www.uxbridge.ca/en/living-here/property-taxes.aspx or at the Tax Department (51 Toronto St S). Return the completed and signed PAP form with banking information (Void Cheque or Bank form) to the Tax Department:

- In person at the Municipal Office (51 Toronto St S) during regular business hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday or use the after-hours drop-box in the front parking lot or
- By Mail to the Township of Uxbridge PO Box 190, 51 Toronto St S. Uxbridge ON L9P 1T1 or
- By Email to tax@uxbridge.ca

The deadline to submit your application is NOVEMBER 30, 2023.


Please direct phone inquiries to the Tax Department at 905-852-9181 Ext. 211 or 216.

Road and Sidewalk Closures

- Victoria St. between Brock St. W and King St. W., Sundays, May 7 - October 29, 7am to 3pm - Victoria St is pedestrian-only during Farmers' Market hours
- Uxbridge-East Gwillimbury Townline from north of Durham Reg. Rd. 39/Queensville Sideroad to south of Holborn Road, East Gwillimbury - closed for bridge repairs to 2024
- Uxbridge East Gwillimbury Townline from York St. 500m south of Ravenshoe Rd. to Zephyr Road - closed for bridge repairs to Jan. 2024

Coffee with a Cop Returns!

Tuesday, Oct. 31st
10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.
 Annina's Bake Shop
 300 Regional Hwy 47, Goodwood



Winter Parking Reminder

No overnight parking on Township streets or in Municipal Lots from 2am -7am



November 1st to April 1st

Home Heating Safety Tips

- Ensure yearly inspection of all gas, oil and wood burning systems
- Conduct examinations of eating systems for signs of damage
- Ensure vents are not blocked



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ONTARIO PARKS

OPEN HOUSE

Proposal to create the Uxbridge Urban Provincial Park



Ontario is exploring the creation of the province's first urban provincial park in the Township of Uxbridge.

Please join Ontario Parks and Partners at a Public Open House to learn more about the proposal, our partner organizations and how to provide your comments. This is a drop in event.

Date: Monday October 23, 2023
Time: 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Uxbridge Secondary School Cafeteria, 127 Planks Lane, Uxbridge, ON

For more information visit:
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/proposal-create-uxbridge-urban-provincial-park>



Pearls & Lace Craft Show

November 4, 2023
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 Goodwood Community Centre
 Free Admission



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email: accessibility@uxbridge.ca
 phone: 905-852-9181 ext.209

Uxbridge at a Glance continued

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING AN APPLICATION FOR A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

This Notice is to inform you that the Township of Uxbridge has received a Zoning By-law Amendment Application which has been deemed complete in accordance with the requirements of Section 34 of the Planning Act. The Planning Committee of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge will hold a statutory public meeting to make available adequate information to the public regarding, and to consider, a proposed Township Zoning By-law Amendment pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, submitted by Joshua and Esther Veens.

The statutory public meeting will be held in a hybrid format allowing for in-person attendance or virtual viewing of the public meeting. The Township of Uxbridge will be processing the Zoning By-law Amendment as required by the Planning Act and welcome any comments that you may have.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT:

- The purpose and effect of this application is to amend the Zoning By-law to permit a consent to a land severance that will facilitate the creation of a lot for an existing dwelling made surplus as a result of a farm consolidation.
- The subject property is zoned as Rural (RU) zone pursuant to the Township of Uxbridge By-law No. 81-19 and will be rezoned as separate Rural Exception Zones RU-XX and RU-YY zones.

LOCATION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY:

The subject property is located on the east side of Concession Road 4 in the south-westerly extremity of Lot 15 Concession Road 4, south of Meyers Road and north of Ashworth Road in the Town of Uxbridge. The property is legally described as Part of Lot 15, Concession 4, and is municipally known as 10899 Concession Road 4, Uxbridge. The location of the property is graphically illustrated on the key map below.

FILE NO.: Zoning By-Law Amendment 2023-09 (ZBA 2023-09)

APPLICANT/OWNER: Joshua and Ester Veens

AGENT: McDermott & Associates (John McDermott)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Additional information relating to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is available for inspection in the Development Services Department between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, at the Township Municipal Office, 51 Toronto Street South, Uxbridge, Ontario. It is preferred that if you require additional information that it be requested by email, mail, or telephone from the undersigned. However, if necessary, the Township Office can be accessed Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by contacting the undersigned.

Jennifer Beer

Permits & Approvals Analyst, Development Services
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PLANNING ACT REQUIREMENTS:

This Notice is being given in accordance with Planning Act requirements. A final recommendation on the application will not be presented until after the Township Public Meeting and all technical comments have been received.

The public meeting is being held in a hybrid format allowing for in-person attendance or virtual viewing of the public meeting. The livestream public viewing can be accessed by visiting <https://www.uxbridge.ca/en/your-local-government/council-meeting-calendar.aspx>

The meeting date and time is as follows:

MEETING DATE: Monday, November 6, 2023

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

REPRESENTATION

ANY PERSON may participate in the public meeting and/or make written or oral representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Township Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment.

1. Written Submissions

Written submissions should be addressed to the Township Clerk at the address shown below. Written comments should be submitted before **Friday, November 3rd, 2023**. If you wish to be notified of the adoption or the refusal of the proposed Township Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must also make a written request to the Township Clerk before the adoption of the by-law.

2. Oral Submission

Oral submissions may be provided to Council at the meeting on livestream, you must pre-register with the Clerk's office by email at dlroux@uxbridge.ca, or telephone at 905-852-9181 ext. 228 or mail at the address below **before 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on Friday, November 3rd, 2023**. Please include your full name, address, and a call-back phone number. You will be contacted by the Clerk's office to confirm your participation and receive the online call-in information before the meeting. Technical assistance may be provided to ensure you are able to participate.

PLANNING ACT REQUIREMENTS

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Uxbridge before the proposed application is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Township of Uxbridge to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or a public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Uxbridge before the application is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

DATED AT THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE THIS 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

Debbie Leroux, Clerk

Township of Uxbridge

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KEY MAP (not to scale)



Open house to feature info on new Uxbridge provincial park

Conrad Boyce, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

In April of this year, then Ontario Environment Minister David Piccini, along with Pickering-Uxbridge MPP Peter Bethlenfalvy and Uxbridge Mayor Dave Barton, made an announcement at a news conference on the former Tannenbaum lands just southwest of town, that caught everyone by surprise: a proposal to create the first provincial park in decades within the Township.

It proposes to be a park different from any other in the province, an “urban” park where sections of wilderness or undeveloped land (parts of the park) are mixed among parcels of agricultural, residential, commercial and industrial land (not in the park). It will not be one cohesive block of land, but many parcels spread over a wide area.

Since that announcement, much has occurred on the conservation front in the province. Most prominently, the government at Queen's Park has faced criticism from many quarters for the process by which it decided to remove hundreds of acres from the Greenbelt for housing development. The resulting controversy resulted in the resignation of several cabinet ministers, and in the shuffle that ensued, Minister Piccini was moved to a different portfolio.

Many of those involved in the planning of the new park believe that Piccini was key to the decision to finally move ahead with the concept; in fact, Mayor Barton thinks it may have been a mountain bike ride he and the minister shared in the fall of 2022, that ultimately led to the April announcement.

Despite Piccini's absence, Ontario Parks, the section of the environment ministry tasked with making the concept a reality, is moving ahead. Jason Travers, the province's director of parks, has met with representatives from the various agencies and organizations key to planning the park: the Township, Durham Region, the Toronto and Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authorities, and conservation groups including Green Durham, the Nature Conservancy of Canada and the Robert Schad Foundation. The planning group has wrestled with many fundamental questions surrounding the unique park, such as which parcels of land will be included, and how they'll be managed.

Uxbridge residents have been curious about the park: what it will look like, when it will open, how it will impact their lives. Next week, Ontario Parks will respond to that curiosity by hosting an open house at Uxbridge Secondary School, on Monday, Oct. 23, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. All of the above organizations will be represented, and the new minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin, will be in attendance as well.

“We've been working for a very long time on advancing a vision of lands protected for conservation purposes, and of linking these

lands to communities,” says Elizabeth Calvin, president of Green Durham. “The announcement in the spring was beyond anything we could have hoped. The open house will be a great way to learn about what is envisioned, what steps are involved in creating a park, and find out about ways each of us can contribute ideas as the park takes shape.”

At the Open House, there will be no formal agenda, no speeches or announcements by any of the various planning partners. Residents are welcome to drop in any time.



Our two cents

Taking polio off the world's plate

Polio is not something that is top of mind for most people these days, especially in Uxbridge. Polio was once one of the most feared diseases globally. A highly infectious disease with no cure, polio spread rapidly through communities all over the world and left devastation in its wake. Every year, thousands of children used to die from it, and hundreds of thousands paralyzed. Before 1988, polio paralyzed 350,000 children annually. Many of us may know someone who was afflicted with the disease at that time, but it's become a "fringe" disease that happens somewhere else, that belongs in another era.

Or does it?

Only two countries in the world continue to report wild polio cases - Afghanistan and Pakistan. But just last year, news reports stated that a new virus was discovered in Jerusalem, then London, then New York, and even Montreal. Many people wondered how, if polio was on its way to being eradicated (thanks to global efforts by groups that include the World Health Organization, Rotary, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to name but a few), why were polio numbers on the rise again? Turns out that the newest cases were man-made, caused by a live, attenuated vaccine that was being delivered to children in a part of Africa. Some children missed being given the vaccine, and those who had received it played in dirty water with those who had not received it. The virus in the vaccine landed in the water, mutated, and produced a polio-like disease. That's the nasty beast that is trying to fight its way back into the world right now.

So why is this important to Uxbridge? The polio flag was raised at our municipal offices on Monday morning. The Rotary Club of Uxbridge (of which, full disclosure, the editor of this newspaper is a member) asked for the flag to be raised to remind the residents of Uxbridge that October 24 is World Polio Day, and that Rotary is still doing its darndest to see polio wiped off the planet. Hundreds of millions of children are being vaccinated, and a little push might be all that's needed to get polio gone. It would be great if we could all help. It'd be one less thing to worry about.



Letters to the Editor

Annually, the Royal Canadian Legion conducts its Poppy Campaign from October 27 - November 11, 2023. We will be holding a parade, a Remembrance Day service and the laying of wreaths at the Uxbridge Cenotaph on Saturday, November 11, 2023.

Poppy Fund donations are strictly regulated and must only be used for the benefit of veterans and their

families. "Operation Leave the Streets Behind" is one program that benefits from Poppy Fund donations. The goal of this program is to ensure that every veteran who is homeless or near homeless finds the help they need. Should you ever encounter a homeless veteran, please contact us so that we may reach and to see if we can be of service.

The Ontario Command Charita-

ble Foundation assists community veterans' welfare, programs for aging veterans, medical research, medical equipment and bursaries. I am pleased to say that our own Uxbridge Hospital has been the recipient of several donations from this foundation.

Acknowledgment of wreaths and donations will be noted on social media, a banner and in the local newspaper.

If you would like to purchase a wreath (the Legion receives \$10 - \$15 of the purchase) or make a donation (the Legion receives the full donation), please complete the form found on page 8 of this newspaper and return to us.

If you are a business that would like a Poppy Counter Box and did not receive one last year, please let us know.

If you have questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me at Uxbridgelegionpoppy@gmail.com or call the Legion at 905-852-5293 and leave me a message.

*Gloria Eng
1st Vice*

*Poppy Chairperson
Poppy Campaign 2023
Uxbridge Legion Br. 170*

International Day of Reconciliation.

"I'm sorry I didn't know and wasn't taught about your pain."

"I'm sorry you were hidden from the world as we continued on without you."

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Bailey and Sedore is the successor to the law practice of Lt. Colonel Samuel Simpson Sharpe, DSO, M.P. and Willard F. Greig. The practice has served Uxbridge and surrounding area since 1895.

Bob Sedore celebrated his 40th year in law practice on April 10, 2021. He wishes to thank all of the wonderful people who have been clients of Bailey and Sedore over the years, and hopes to continue to assist them at the Hoban firm, which is located in the Testa Office Building, in front of the Uxbridge Hospital:

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Am I wrong?

column by Roger Varley

Kindergarten licence?

Whenever residents of Uxbridge see me driving around town, they can relax and rest assured that I am a fully qualified driver. The Ontario government says so. Why? Because I can draw a picture of a clock.

Last week I was ordered to a provincial government facility in Aurora to be tested to see if I am still fit to drive and therefore worthy of being issued a new driver's licence because, horror of horrors, I'm over 80 years old. I believe that is ageism and discrimination, but that's another story.

On my arrival, I was taken to a room with 11 other people, presumably all over 80. A rather officious woman took us in hand and called us all, one at a time, to a small viewing machine at the side of the room. We were all asked to look into the machine and read just one line of rather sizable letters from a chart. I'm no expert, but I think anyone who couldn't have read that line of letters would not have been able to find their way to the machine.

Following the letter chart, we were asked to say on which side of the screen we could see a green light flashing: left or right? That green laser or LED light, or whatever it was, was so bright I could have said which side it was on even if I had closed my eyelids.

Then we were all given a sheet of paper, face down, and told to write our names on the blank side staring up at us. Having done that, we were instructed in no uncertain terms that we absolutely must put our pencils on the table. When one man was a little slow in relinquishing his hold on his writing utensil, the woman in charge told him, as if he were some recalcitrant child, to "put the pencil down."

She then showed us a picture of a clock. The hands on the clock showed 11:10 (a.m. or p.m., whichever you prefer). We were told we must now turn our pages over and draw the same clock.

I can't tell you the incredible pressure we

were under because we were given only five minutes to complete the picture! And then, just like in Kindergarten: "You may begin."

When I handed her my paper 20 seconds later, the woman told me it was good, my results had been entered into the computer system and I could now go to Service Ontario and pick up my new licence.

That, ladies and gentlemen, is how our provincial government wastes not only resources but the time of everyone who has to undergo this nonsense in order to assure you that you are safe from incompetent old drivers.

I was fully prepared to take a road test, if required. I was fully prepared to sit down and answer dozens of questions based on the Highway Traffic Act. I was not prepared, however, for the task of drawing a clock. That's why it took me all of 20 seconds.

You might discern I'm a little peeved about the way some government agencies are run, but I want to be clear that, in this case, it's not the politicians I hold responsible. Sure, somewhere down the road the politicians passed a law requiring us old farts to be tested just because we passed some magical milestone, but it's the real villains who come up with all the twists and turns and unfathomable requirement details when such laws are put into place: the bureaucrats! I doubt very much that members of the legislative assembly decided that clock-drawing should be part of the process.

In many instances, the politicians take the flak for foul ups in this service or that service when really the flak should be aimed squarely at the bureaucrats who run things. It seems to me that, just as we can vote to oust politicians come election time, maybe we could include bureaucrats in the mix.

Tell me, am I wrong?



The Barris Beat

column by Ted Barris

Remembrance from witnesses & moviemakers

Commander George Ericson is crouched on the bridge of his corvette warship. He's peering through a sighting device, lining up his counterattack against an enemy he can't see, a submerged U-boat in the Atlantic waters directly ahead of him.

"What's it look like now, Number One?" Ericson calls to his first officer, who is on a sonar device.

"It's the firmest contact we've ever had," the sonar operator shouts back from below deck.

There's sudden consternation on Cmdr Ericson's face. Merchant sailors whose ship has just been torpedoed are thrashing about in the water. They're shouting for help. "There's men in the water just about there," Ericson says.

"Well, there's a U-boat just underneath them."

It happened repeatedly. Commanders of wartime escort ships on the North Atlantic in the Second World War saw merchant ships exploding all around them. They called their crews aboard corvette warships to battle stations. They tracked down submerged German U-boats using primitive sonar detecting devices and dropped explosive depth charges to fight back. Then, far too often, the corvette commanders realized the U-boats chose to hide beneath the Allied sailors whose ships they'd just sunk.

With Remembrance Day approaching, the Roxy Theatres have agreed to bring the story of Cmdr Ericson – a fictional character based on Nicholas Monsarrat's novel *The Cruel Sea* – for a special screening of *The Cruel Sea* movie on Wednesday evening, Nov. 1. (Full disclosure: I have spent the past several years crisscrossing the country speaking about the Battle of the Atlantic to hundreds of audiences. Roxy owner Cathy Christoff and I felt this would be an appropriate way to pay tribute to this community's veterans.)

In the fall of 1942, the U-boat wolf packs had Allied shipping by the throat. Attempting to keep vital supplies of food, fuel and survival goods flowing to Britain's 41 million civilians, Canada's (and other Allied nations') merchant ships were sinking in horrendous numbers. U-boats sank 95 Allied merchant ships on the North Atlantic in September, 62 in October and 83 in November – over a million tons of fuel and freight to the bottom.

Even worse, Canadian Merchant Navy sailors were dying under the most adverse conditions imaginable – 12,000 of them during the battle – alone in freezing tempera-

tures, choking on oil-soaked waters or burned by torpedo explosives. Among them was 26-year-old Charles Goodspeed aboard the merchant steamship *Bic Island*. Told not to stop for anything, Goodspeed and his shipmates had slowed to pick up survivors of other torpedoed ships in Convoy HX 212. But U-boats closed in and fired on *Bic Island* too; 165 officers and crew, including Goodspeed, died in the battle. Some years ago, I met Charles Goodspeed's nephew, Norman Goodspeed – a longtime Uxbridge resident now in his 90s – who served aboard the Canadian destroyer HMCS *Saguenay*. He was so eager to serve during WWII that he joined the Royal Canadian Navy underage.

"I got my sister to erase 1927, and put in 1926, so I'd be eligible to join," he told me. Norman Goodspeed joined in Saint John, N.B., completed his basic training in Windsor, but eventually was posted to supply division aboard HMCS *Saguenay*. So eager was Norman to get into the action, after V-E Day (when the war ended in Europe), he volunteered for service in the Pacific, but meantime the Allies dropped atomic weapons on Japan.

I'd always wondered about the way motion picture producers attempt to depict wartime stories such as the Battle of the Atlantic. I learned how, when I met Royal Canadian Navy lieutenant (retired) Gordon Laco. Also an accomplished naval historian, Laco was invited by Tom Hanks and the producers of the more recent Battle of the Atlantic movie, *Greyhound*, to ensure the movie captured combat on the North Atlantic accurately. "Mr. Hanks wanted to get it right," Laco said. "We truly felt (the veterans were) looking over our shoulders as we choreographed the action sequences ... and described how people lived and died at sea during those terrible years."

Veteran Norman Goodspeed and naval adviser Gordon Laco will join us at the Roxy Theatres at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 1, when I interview them and we screen the movie *The Cruel Sea*.

Fictional Cmdr Ericson, played by Jack Hawkins in 1953 movie, sets the scene aptly: "This is the story of the Battle of the Atlantic. It's the story of an ocean, two ships and a handful of men. The men are the heroes. The heroines are the ships. The only villain is the sea, the cruel sea, that man has made more cruel."

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Letters, from page 4

These words were foremost on the minds and in the hearts of each per-

son who formed a circle of caring, holding on to an orange ribbon of remembrance for each Indigenous child who lost their life at residen-

tial schools.

Dr. Kaitlyn Watson, coordinator for the Maamawi Collective, asked that each of us present give a testimony as to why we were there and just what the Indigenous Day of Reconciliation meant to us personally.

What a privilege it was to have an Indigenous mother and son present to share their true story with us all.

It was certainly a fabulous way for each of us present to gain knowledge and understanding of just what our Indigenous people have been through and are still experiencing today!

Dr. Kaitlyn Watson, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for giving us the chance to share with others our personal story as to why this International Day of Remembrance is so important to us.

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For Year ending December 31, 2022

Poppy Trust Funds as at October 1, 2021	\$35,239.64
2021 and 2022 Poppy Campaign and Donations	\$67,540.55
TOTAL REVENUE	\$102,780.19
EXPENSES:	
Cost of Wreaths & Poppies	\$8,072.63
Promotional Materials	\$4,644.04
Campaign Expenses	\$2,595.19
Grants - Veterans	\$9,269.80
Donations and Youth Ed Program	\$15,122.40
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$39,704.06
POPPY TRUST FUNDS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2022	
.....	\$63,076.13



Remembrance Banquet

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According to Durham Regional Police Services, a northbound white commercial truck was approaching Wagg Rd. when a black sedan entered into the northbound lanes, from Wagg Rd. The truck struck the sedan, pushing it into the path of a southbound pickup, which in turn also struck the sedan.

Two males were transported to Toronto-area trauma hospitals. The driver of the white commercial truck sustained no injuries and remained at the scene.

Roads in the area were closed for several hours while evidence was collected.

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Big trade means big wins for the Bruins

Roger Varley

After making a four-for-one trade with the Little Britain Merchants last week, the Uxbridge Bruins went on to defeat the league-leading Clarington Eagles last Thursday and followed up with a win over the North Kawartha Knights on Friday.

The Bruins acquired two-time Orr Division defensive player of the year, Owen Shier, from the Merchants in exchange for Cohen Mackie, Sam Bellman, Brando Mancia and Ilyas Hirji, plus a player development fee. Bellman, Mancia and Hirji saw only limited action in their time with the Bruins.

Wearing Bruins colours for the first time, Shier contributed to the win over Clarington with a goal and an assist. His assist came on Quinn Meeke's goal early in the first. After the Eagles replied, Josh Czajka scored for the Bruins, assisted by Jack Davis

and Gavin Graham.

Both teams scored in the final minute of the second period, with Shier's goal coming on a power play, assisted by Graham.

The Bruins' Nolan Winter established a two-goal lead early in the third, assisted by Travis Winder, but the Eagles stormed back with two power-play goals 20 seconds apart midway through the period to tie the score. Ty Roberts, assisted by Anthony Lamanna, notched a power-play goal with 30 seconds left on the clock to hand Clarington their first defeat of the 2023-24 season.

Goalie Andrew Cloughton faced a total of 38 shots from the Eagles, while the Bruins managed only 23 shots on the Clarington net.

At the arena the following night, the Bruins faced a depleted squad from North Kawartha, who were five men short on the bench. The local lads scored two goals just 20 seconds

apart in the first and, after the Knight picked up a power-play goal early in the second, added two more before the period ended.

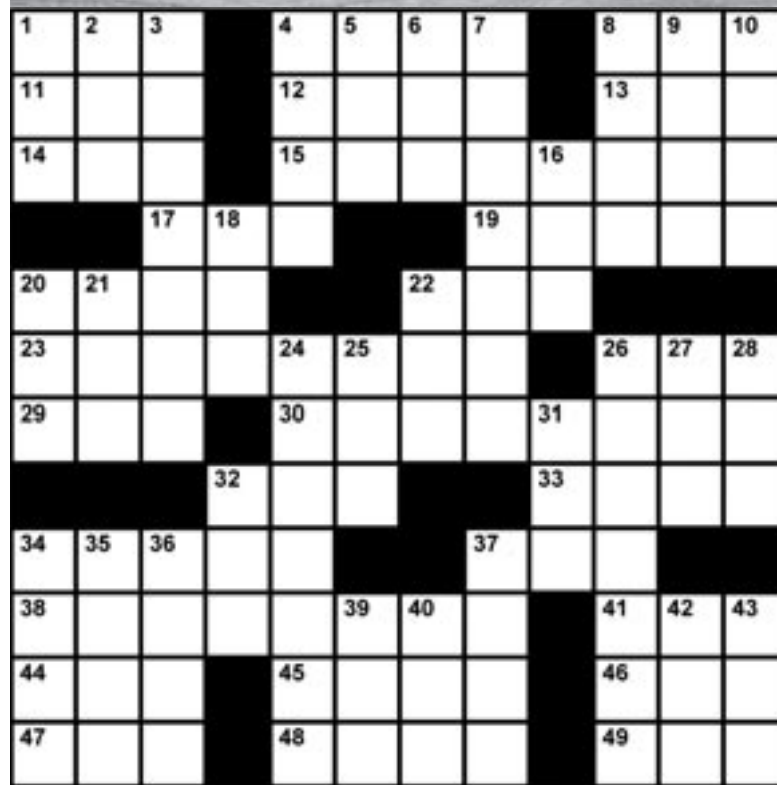
The Knights attempted a comeback with a goal just 20 seconds into the third period, but fatigue was showing and the Bruins scored two more before the game ended. Goal scorers for Uxbridge were Davis, with two, Roberts, Blake Peters, Josh Hall and Lamanna.

The *Cosmos* selected Davis as the Uxbridge player of the game and gave the nod to Joe Boice for North Kawartha.

The Bruins remain in second place, three points behind Clarington, but with a game in hand.

The Bruins return to action tomorrow (Friday) night at the arena at 7:45 p.m., against the Lakefield Chiefs, followed by a trip to Port Perry on Sunday afternoon to face the LumberJacks.

COSMOS CROSSWORD



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Maud Squad launches major fundraiser on LMM Day

Conrad Boyce
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

There is one National Historic Site in Uxbridge Township, the Leaskdale Manse, a place that played a key role in the artistic and domestic life of one of the nation's most popular and well-respected authors. The site is not managed by Parks Canada, but by a non-profit society legendary for its accomplishments.

The Lucy Maud Montgomery Society of Ontario (LMMSO), or Maud Squad as it is affectionately known, has undertaken a succession of major fundraising efforts to gradually turn the Leaskdale site into a major tourist attraction and faithful tribute to Montgomery. On Saturday, Oct. 28, as part of its annual LMM Day, the group will launch yet another campaign, one of its largest to date.

This campaign, with a target of raising \$200,000, is intended to fund a diversity of projects:

- design of a new LMMSO logo
- design and construction of new signage

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- exterior displays to entice and interest casual visitors
- new wall panels and exhibits that interpret Montgomery's life in Leaskdale
- a refurbished tearoom (the site for many LMMSO events)
- a library and larger gift shop
- a space devoted to younger visitors, to pique their interest and involvement
- new display cabinets for the Society's ever growing collection of valuable artifacts, with lighting and security built to current museum standards
- renovations to enhance the security of the building and its contents
- grading and surfacing the new northern parking lot extension

In addition to the campaign launch, and tours of the Manse, LMM Day on Oct. 28, will feature: an interview with Maud (played by Jennifer Carroll) by Ted Barris; the unveiling of new exhibits on Maud's Leaskdale life; a talk on Maud's husband, Ewen

Macdonald; a gourmet lunch; a tour of Montgomery sites in Uxbridge, conducted by Jennifer Carroll on the Town Trolley; and more. Full details and registration for the day is available on the LMMSO website at lucymaudmontgomery.ca or call Corey at 905-862-0808.

In 2006, the LMMSO acquired St. Paul's, the church where Macdonald had preached and Maud did everything else. The mortgage was \$200,000, but within five years, the Society paid it off. The mortgage-burning ceremony took place as part of the LMMSO's first-ever international academic conference.

The LMMSO has also restored the Manse to the way it was as Montgomery and her neighbours endured the trials of the First World War, and commissioned a play about Montgomery's Leaskdale years - *Maud of Leaskdale*, starring Uxbridge native Jennifer Carroll. Carroll also served as the model for Wynn Walters' sculpture of Maud in the garden beside the church.



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OCTOBER SPAGHETTI DINNER hosted by the Uxbridge Leaskdale Lions Club. Friday, Oct. 27, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., at the Uxbridge Community Hall, 24 Victoria Rd, Uxbridge. Dinner includes spaghetti (Gluten-free available), salad, garlic bread and dessert. Adults \$15, children 5 to 12 years \$5. Children under 5 years free. We will also be collecting non-perishable items for the Georgina and Uxbridge food banks.

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pump would pay more by moving to natural gas.

Her submission also stated that Enbridge had acknowledged in a hearing before the Ontario Energy Board in 2020 "that customers would have higher heating costs with gas in comparison to high-efficiency electric heat pumps."

Carswell's submission also pointed out that the OEB had made a decision in November 2022 that approved incentives to switch from gas to electric heat pumps on the basis that it would be a "major benefit for customers."

Enbridge is seeking approval from the OEB to build a pipeline to Sandford to serve 183 customers. Carswell noted that would only include residents in the built-up part of the hamlet, but not area farmers.

Deputy mayor Willie Popp said his perspective was that the proposal would offer residents a choice. Councillor Gord Shreeve said he was concerned that the natural gas would not be available to farmers in the area.

The OEB was scheduled to hold hearings on Enbridge's application this month.

In another deputation, North House told council there is a need for warming and cooling centres in Uxbridge to help the homeless in periods of extreme temperatures.

Ron Houston said North House knows of five people on the "by name list" and 17 additional people who are experiencing homelessness in Uxbridge, and North Durham currently has no emergency shelters and no place to offer for those seeking refuge from the cold overnight.

"We are not here asking for money from Uxbridge," Houston said. "We would like you to voice your support for an overnight warming centre program in Uxbridge."

The North House deputation said 200 shelter beds need to be created in Durham, with 30 per cent or 60 of those spaces needed in North Durham. They said there are currently no spaces in North Durham.

Council voted to refer the deputation to development services for a report.



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In Loving Memory of

William 'Bill' Barton

July 19, 1939 ~ October 10, 2023



Passed away peacefully at Uxbridge Hospital on October 10, 2023, in his 85th year.

Predeceased by the love of his life, wife Lorraine. Loving father of Michael (Jennifer), Tony (Tracey), Cindy (Bruce), Brad (Jen) and Franzis (Allan). Cherished Poppa of John (Britney), Suzie (Nick), Taylor (Jake), Lindsay (Dave), Trevor (Brittany), Cassandra (Dan), Jackie (Jason), Sarah (Kalin), Brayden and Brenna (Todd). Great-Poppa to Karter, Lauren, Jillian, Finlay, Rylan, Hunter, Jaelynn, Jerzee, Isabella, Sophia, Matteo, Graesyn, Bronx and Liam. Loving brother to Yvonne (Bob), Grant, predeceased by Carol (Earl), and Keith (Marion). Predeceased by his parents Wallace and Mary Barton. Bill will be greatly missed by many nieces, nephews and friends.

Bill loved the Uxbridge community. Born in Scott Township, he believed in giving back to his community. He volunteered for many years with Uxbridge minor hockey, Uxbridge Bruins, Black Hawks, as well as drove the bus for the Uxbridge Legion Pipe Band.

A celebration of Bill's life will be held at the Uxbridge Legion, 109 Franklin Street, Uxbridge on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 1 p.m. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Low & Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street South, Uxbridge, 905-852-3073.

As expressions of sympathy, memorial donations may be made to Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre, Uxbridge Hospital Foundation or a charity of your choice. Friends may send condolences or make donations by visiting www.lowandlow.ca



BARTON, Donna Evelyn (née McTavish)

July 9, 1945 - October 16, 2023

Donna Evelyn Barton passed away peacefully at her home in Brechin on Monday, October 16, 2023, in her 79th year. Beloved wife of Larry for 58 years, mother of Wayne (Hilda), Amy Klose (Paul), David (Sonia). Loved and admired grandma to Malcolm, Kaija, Hannah, Emily, Megan and Indira. Loving sister to Janet (Floyd), David (Elizabeth), Laurie (Ron), Rob (Debbie) and Sue. Predeceased by siblings Heather (Fred), Donald (Sue) and Sandy (Sally). Daughter of Duncan and Evelyn McTavish. She was loved by many nieces, nephews and friends.

Donna's adventure began in Uxbridge, where she attended Uxbridge Public School and Uxbridge Secondary School. It is at USS where Donna and Larry became high school sweethearts.

She obtained her Registered Nursing Degree from Whitby Psychiatric Hospital. Following graduation, she worked for several years as a psychiatric nurse, before moving back to Uxbridge, where she worked on the maternity ward of Uxbridge Cottage Hospital. Donna then focused her caregiving skills on her three children and six grandchildren, along with scores of nieces, nephews and friends.

As the children grew, the adventure moved a little north, where Donna, Larry and family bought the Udora General Store and post office. Here she led the whole family in operating and renovating the 150+ year old town landmark. It is here that her children were schooled in her art of connecting with people and serving her community. She further immersed herself in community service, including leading a major Lions Club project to build and decorate a new Udora Hall.

With the store established, Donna graduated to first mate, where she and her captain, Larry, traveled extensively by boat through the Trent-Severn waterways, visiting places such as Georgian Bay, Montreal and New York City.

After retirement and a brief stint in Victoria Corners, Donna and Larry moved to their cottage property in Brechin and built their final home on Lake Simcoe. The adventures continued by boat in summer, by snowmobile from Winnipeg to the Gaspé in winter, by RV to Florida, California, Alaska and Newfoundland, and finally by cruise ship through the Northwest Passage.

Donna was exceptionally creative and artistic. Her home and gardens are a testament to her style. She celebrated the arrival of a new baby, a wedding or new home with a quilt. Throughout Canada, there are fortunate individuals who have received one of her patchworks of love and warmth.

She loved the quiet of staring out onto Lake Simcoe with Larry (and a glass of wine) at what she regularly insisted was the best sunset in the world. She also loved opening her home to others, particularly for large family gatherings both on the McTavish and Barton side.

To be in her sphere was to be welcomed, accepted and appreciated. She will be missed by many.

Late in 2020, Donna would face her final adventure, when a persistent hoarse throat eventually led to an ALS diagnosis. Even then, Donna lived life to the fullest with dignity, grace, and courage.

The Barton Family would like to thank all of the dedicated medical professionals with Bayshore Health, ParaMed, ProResp, Dr. Zinman and staff at Sunnybrook ALS clinic, and Dr. Jennifer Wilson and team at Uxbridge Health Centre. Their professional and compassionate care for Donna allowed for her to remain at home, surrounded by her family throughout her ALS battle.

A memorial service will be held at Low & Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street S., Uxbridge on Friday, October 20, 2023, at 2 p.m., with visitation to commence at 12:30 p.m. A celebration of Donna's life will follow at the Uxbridge Music Hall (across from the funeral home). If you are a Donna Quilt recipient please join us in adding your quilt to the display at the Celebration of Life.





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