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Blue Mountains: Thornbury, Clarksburg, Craigeleith, Heathcote, Ravenna

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June Porter



Terrance Pettit



Alex Maxwell

## TOWN COUNCIL: THE RACE IS ON

There are many in this Town who are passionate and care about the future of our community and the issues that Council has to deal with. These 16 candidates will be spending thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours working for your support to become part of the next Council.

**WHAT IS OUR JOB?** - Please read their information, attend meetings and VOTE. During the last election in 2014 only 37.85% of eligible voters in The Blue Mountains voted. This is lower than the Ontario average voter turnout of 43.12%. Let's all participate this time. Voting takes place October 10th until October 22nd either by telephone or internet. Visit the Town Office if you would like further information on this new process.

Meet the Candidates at the Citizens Forum held at Maiolos, 15 Harbour St. Michael Martin August 7; Peter Bordignon August 14; Andrea Matrosovs August 21; John White August 28

The Review has also started a web page with election information, meeting dates and bios on the candidates. [www.tbmelection.ca](http://www.tbmelection.ca)

## PROVINCE TERMINATES \$2.3 MILLION FUNDING AGREEMENT

The Town completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment in July 2017 for the management of leachate generated at the Town's Solid Waste Disposal Site. The preferred solution is to pipe the leachate to the Thornbury Wastewater Treatment Plant. Leachate is liquid collected within the landfill cell. Until the pipe is constructed, the leachate is trucked to a receiving station in Craigeleith. The Town was successful in receiving a \$2.3 million grant under the Municipal Greenhouse Gas Challenge Fund, a program aimed at reducing climate change related emissions. The Town received correspondence from the province July 10, 2018 that the program has been cancelled and that the grant monies are now withdrawn however, some wind-down funding may be available. The Town project is only part way through the design phase. Construction was planned to commence in early 2019. Town Council will consider a Staff Report regarding next steps at a Special Meeting of Council July 31, 2018.

## ROB POTTER SWORN IN

At the June 29, Special Meeting of Council, Mr. Rob Potter was officially sworn in to office for the balance of the 2014 to 2018 Term of Council. Councillor Potter will receive Council training the week of July 3rd and on July 9, 2018 will attend his first Council Meeting as a member of Council.



Left to right : **Mayor** (One to be elected), Alar Soever, Gail Ardiel , David Wilding Davies; **Deputy Mayor** (One to be elected) Odette Bartnicki, Michael Martin, Paul Mitchell; **Councillors** (Five to be elected) Paula Hope, Andrea Matrosovs, Jim Uram, Peter Bordignon, Rob Potter, Rob Sampson, John White (absent Alex Maxwell, Terrence Pettit, June Porter)

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**To be included in this listing add your event on [www.visitblue.ca](http://www.visitblue.ca)**  
DETAILS SUBJECT TO CHANGE- CONFIRM WITH ORGANIZERS

### SUMMER ART SHOW

L.E. Shore Gallery, 173 Bruce St., S. 3rd Annual Summer Invitational exhibit in the Gallery. Enjoy the many styles and techniques represented by Vince Bowen, Joan Irvine, Katharine Kennie, Jo Ann Sauks and Kathie Wright. The exhibit runs until August 29

### WILD WONDERS

**Saturday, Aug 11- Sunday Aug 12**  
Blue Mountain Village

A jam-packed weekend featuring free-flying birds of prey, indigenous animal and reptile shows, street performers, live music, a creepy crawly scavenger hunt, hiking, and lots more!

### MUSIC IN THE PARK.CA

**Sunday August 12, 6:00-8:00pm**

Bayview Park, Thornbury  
Fraser Melvin Band  
Concerts supported by donations  
Rain location call 519-599-3345  
[www.musicinthepark.ca](http://www.musicinthepark.ca)

### THE LAST WALTZ

**Wednesday, August 15**

Blue Mountain Village  
A special tribute to The Last Waltz by Meaford's finest musicians

### VILLAGE VIBE

**Saturday, Aug 18- Sunday Aug 19**

Blue Mountain Village  
Jane's Party Sat, 3-5pm

Rice and Mango Sat, 8-10pm  
Sawyer Bullock Magic Show Sat  
James Cameron Band Sun 12-3pm

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS

### CHARITY BBQ

**Saturday, August 18, 11am-2pm**

Thornbury Home Hardware

### FREE CORN ROAST

**Saturday, August 18, 5-7pm**

St Georges Anglican Church



**COUNTRY MUSIC NIGHT**  
Marsh Street Centre, Aug 18, 8pm  
For Tickets call 519-599-7837

### MUSIC ON THE PATIO with

### FULL CIRCLE BAND

**Sunday, August 19 6:00pm**

Maiolos Restaurant, 15 Harbour St



Buffet Dinner \$45. 6pm; Music only 7pm \$10 Call 519-599-3345 for tickets

### BEAVER VALLEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

**Monday, August 20, 7:00- 9:00pm**

St. George's Anglican Church  
General Membership meeting

### INDIGENOUS LIFE FESTIVAL

**Friday August 24 - Sunday Aug 27**

Blue Mountain Village

Presented by M'Wikwedong

Native Cultural Resource Centre

### SHORELINE CHORUS PRESENTS ELEGY AND GLORIA

**Friday, August 24, 7:30pm**

St Georges Church, Clarksburg  
Special Guests Mike Grace and Stephen Wood. Tickets \$15 at the door or call 519-599-2710

### DAVID WOLFE @

### MARSH STREET CENTRE

**Friday, August 24, 6:00pm**

Fill up on all of the latest health & wellness knowledge as David shares his new book "The Beauty Diet". David will cover topics such as Superfoods, Superherbs, Living Water, Goal Setting, Abundance Consciousness and so much more!! Tickets \$40 Order online at marshstreetcentre.com or Kara Davison 705-444-3896

### JAZZ AT THE LIBRARY

**Friday, August 24, 7:30**

Russ Little, Tickets \$25 at Pharmasave 519-599-2893

### SUMMER SUNDOWN

**Saturday, Sept 1 - Monday Sept 3**

Blue Mountain Village

Bid the season farewell as the hottest summer entertainment returns for encore performances and live music!

### BLUE MOUNTAINS ANIMAL SHELTER CHARITY BBQ

**Saturday, Sept 1, 11am - 2pm**

Thornbury Foodland Highway 26  
Enjoy a burger, veggie burger, or hot dog in support of your local animal shelter. Call R Kennedy Phone: 416-526-7896

### BEAVER VALLEY FALL FAIR

**Friday, Sept 7, 6pm - 9pm**

**Saturday, Sept 8, 10am-4pm**

Roast Beef Dinner 5pm

Beaver Valley Community Centre  
www.beavervalleyfallfair.ca

### ITALIAN DINNER

**Saturday September 15, 5:30**

St. Paul's Presbyterian, Thornbury

Italian Dinner with all proceeds going to furnish a Leader In Training room at Camp Kintail. Tickets \$15 minimum with a charitable receipt for any extra donation over \$20. To reserve seats call 519-599-3339 or email stpauls4outreach@gmail.com. Space is limited.

### LIVE-IN CAREGIVER FOR SENIORS

Thornbury, \$15./hr for 35 hrs/ week from 7:00 to 15:00; College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma from a program of 1 year to 2 years. Bondable, criminal record check, Reference required, Vulnerable sector check. Credentials (certificates, licences, memberships, courses, etc.) Health Care Aide Certificate, CPR Certificate, Personal Support Worker Certificate, First Aid Certificate. Willing to travel regularly, for extended periods. Non-smoking, Care for pets, Perform light housekeeping and cleaning duties. Assist in regular exercise, e.g., walk, Assume full responsibility for household (in absence of householder), Accommodation available at no charge on a live-in basis. This is NOT a condition of employment. For further information e-mail: coraongvano@gmail.com or mail: Cora Ongvano, Box 164 Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

### The FRAYED EDGE by Brian Fray



"...BUG BITES, BARBECUE AND LAWN MOWER...AND YOU?"



Jakob Malka aged 7, at the finish line with his father Dan Malka and his aunt Kristyn Simmons finishing the Beaver Crawl on Canada Day

### JAZZ AT THE LIBRARY FALL SEASON

Few Canadian musicians can claim such an illustrious career as this virtuosic trombonist, composer, arranger and conductor. RUSS LITTLE will bring his ultimate trombone, exuberance and boundless instrumental artistry to the Thornbury Library on **Friday August 24**. His highspots so far.... include having been the lead trombonist with the Woody Herman and Count Basie Bands, founding member of the legendary rock orchestra Lighthouse, member of Rob McConnell's The Boss Brass, Music Director for the famous comedy TV show Second City and arranger/conductor for countless CBC, CTV, ABC and NBC network TV shows. For this concert he will be joined by Andy Harasymczuk on guitar, Jack McFadden on bass and Ted Warren on drums. Tickets are \$25 and available at Thornbury Pharmasave and Blue Mountain Music in Collingwood.

WAYNE McGRATH - **September 21**, L E Shore Library

BILL McBIRNIE - **October 19**, L E Shore Library

MARIE-CATHERINE PAZZANO - **November 16**, Marsh Street Centre

Discover jazz and keep a song in your heart [www.thornburyjazz.com](http://www.thornburyjazz.com)

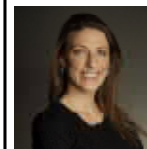
### FREE COMMUNITY CORN ROAST AT ST. GEORGES ANGLICAN, SAT. AUG. 18

Everyone is invited to the annual St. Georges Community Corn Roast on the newly paved parking lot at the church on Marsh Street in Clarksburg. It's a 30-year tradition! Come and enjoy free fresh new corn, a free hot dog and a free ice-cream treat. Bring your friends and neighbours. It's a great way to meet the St. Georges people and take a tour of our 150 year old Church, said by many to be "the nicest little church in the county".

The corn is boiled in a traditional iron cauldron, at least 50 years old (the cauldron). You can butter your corn ALL OVER by dipping it into our unique tall buttering cans. Enjoy the free food with your friends and neighbours. It's our way to continue being an active and involved participant in our community.

Hope to see you there.

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## WRONG SIDE OF THE BERM *by Robert Burcher*

We've all seen it and cursed it! That ugly berm being built on the Lora Bay property. There are all sorts of rumours about it, but because it is on private property there isn't anything that can be done about it. However, the Ministry of Transportation is investigating it for not being totally compliant.

But it has become symbolic of the major psychological divide in this community. Which side of the Berm are you on? The nice protected community of a somewhat gated community or those of us who live outside and have to endure the ugly process of change.

Now we see that there is in fact a gathering storm of inequality between those who have moved into this incredible town with their wealth and influence and those of us who have been here a long time and are still trying to get by despite the rising costs of living in paradise.

It is months away to the municipal election in October but already the rhetoric is getting hot. Vocal that fought the good fight in the "War of the Library" and took on the Town for its lack of transparency. The Citizen's Forum was formed and holds weekly public meetings every Tuesday at Maiolo's Restaurant. This has become one of the most remarkable positive changes that the struggle in our community has fostered. It is called Democracy!

Candidates have been invited to speak individually for fifteen minutes and then face the crowd to a barrage of questions for forty-five minutes. There is only ever one candidate on stage so there is no hostility, no grandstanding, and no arguing with the other candidates. In fact it is up to the audience to make their own decisions on the words, the character and the ambitions of who they are going to vote for. It will take time though to work through sixteen candidates. That's at least sixteen hours of being involved closely in our political process as you listen and ponder and maybe ask a question.

Each week the crowd grows and gets more involved in the process. The question of the "Berm" has become a constant irritant. Every candidate has had to address that question.

### Candidate Speaker Schedule:

Paula Hope, Rob Potter, Odette Bartnicki, Rob Sampson  
 Alar Soever spoke in July  
 Michael Martin August 7  
 Peter Bordignon August 14  
 Andrea Matrosovs August 21  
 John White August 28  
 Gail Ardiel September 4  
 Jim Uram September 11  
 David Wilding Davies September 18  
 Paul Mitchell September 25  
 Alex Maxwell, Terrence Pettit, June Porter - October

No matter who you vote for this coming election, there is going to be a Tidal Change in our community. Out of the sixteen candidates only three (excluding Rob Potter who still has his training wheels on currently) have been on Council before. So yes, we will have a whole new game come the bleak days of December.

As for the berm, one day it will be grassed and treed and no one will ever think twice about it. But that's how change disrupts and then we all settle in to the new normal. I can see a new normal coming after the election.

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 Downtown Clarksburg  
 www.bvgoldhoney.ca  
 Thursday, Friday, Saturday 9:30-4:00  
*Clarksburg Village Association*

"Work with **elementals** to manifest your **life purpose**."  
*Tanis*

## ELEMENTALS IN NATURE

### Workshop with Tanis Helliwell

Tanis will be joining us from British Columbia for a weekend of Working and Playing with Nature Spirits based on her books, *Summer with the Leprechauns* and *Pilgrimage with the Leprechauns*. This workshop will share with you the secrets of manifestation according to natural laws and the natural world so that you can be more effective in your work and world. [www.tanishelliwell.com](http://www.tanishelliwell.com)

**SEPTEMBER 29-30, THE BLUE MOUNTAINS**  
 Contact Tricia Sybersma for information  
 705-446-8679 / [tsybersma@hotmail.com](mailto:tsybersma@hotmail.com)  
[www.tanishelliwell.com](http://www.tanishelliwell.com)



**Dear Family, Friends, Customers, Singers and Musicians**

James and I would like to thank all for coming to Clarksburg and helping with our 50th Anniversary Party. Our family and friends helped with decorations, pictures, refreshments, setup and entertainment. It was a welcome surprise to have our friend Don from Texas for 2 weeks visiting and helping. Our daughters, son in law, grandchildren and great grandson and their companions joined in for a wonderful time.

Love to all  
James & Patricia  
Hindle



## COOL NEWS FOR A HOT SUMMER!

The Board of Directors of The Blue Mountains Curling Centre are very excited to inform you that we have now received our approval from the Town of The Blue Mountains to move forward with the new curling centre using the Beaver Valley Arena in Thornbury. With your help, we look forward to building a great social and active venue for the entire family, both young and old to enjoy the sport of curling. What a perfect addition to our four season resort community! Alar Soever (right) acting President hands over the minute book to Lloyd Luckock, incoming President on Saturday, July 14th. The BMCC will be offering Friday and Saturday curling on a 4 sheet conversion in the Arena. The 2018/2019 season will consist of 15 weekends. A great deal of ice time is devoted to encouraging the newcomer / novice to get out and participate. ie: Daily Open Draw Jitney Curling, Curling 101-Clinics, Student programs and Group events. For more information join us at Maiolos Restaurant, 15 Harbour St. Thornbury for a BBQ, Sunday Sept 2 from noon-3pm. \$15 donation.



Email [info@bluemountainscurling.ca](mailto:info@bluemountainscurling.ca) or call 519-599-3345



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## RUMOUR HAS IT THAT COUNCIL HAS MOVED ON FROM THE MICHAEL SEGUIN AFFAIR – THIS IS A MYTH!

*Media Release from Michael Seguin  
Dear Supporters, Constituents, and  
Fellow Residents*

I have been told by members of the community that some on Council may be spreading a rumour that my legal affair with the Town has been resolved. Nothing could be further from the truth. We are headed to Court on August 2nd. The majority of Council, led by Mayor McKean and Deputy Mayor Ardiel, have rejected my acceptance of their March 28th, 2018 offer to settle and want to continue to pursue action against me at the taxpayer's expense.

As I have stated in public, all I have ever asked for was procedural fairness and justice, with regard to the improperly carried out investigation of the alleged complaints filed by the former CAO, in May, 2016, which was followed by sanctions which were clearly designed to smear my good name and reputation. I've tried on many occasions to settle this matter in good faith and offered to settle

at substantially less than my legal costs, as well as offering to resign from Council.

Councillor Michael Martin hoping to resolve this matter in-house presented a motion to have the matter dealt with by a mediator but that was also turned down.

Council's latest legal maneuver, which is designed to drag this matter out and to continue to drive up my legal bills. They are expressing no remorse about spending your money and continuing their campaign against me. This has caused considerable emotional stress and financial strain on my wife (Catherine) and I over the past two years.

As I no longer have any funds to keep paying my lawyer, I am forced to defend myself against the Town's motion to continue the court proceedings. I have no choice but to ask the judge to dismiss the case.

I hope that the outrage and unprecedented level of citizen activism that has been unleashed in the community, as a result of my ordeal, will continue through the 2018 election, and that we will all work together as a community to elect a new Council.

*Michael Seguin, Former Councillor of  
The Blue Mountains*

For More Information Contact:  
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## CORN ROAST

*St. George's Anglican Church*

*Sat. August 18<sup>th</sup>*

*5pm until 7pm*

*A Free community event,  
Church Open House - all welcome*



*Corn, hot dogs, ice cream.*





### **FRANZ 'FRANK' WIMMER**

Born in Austria on February 11, 1921, a son of the late Franz and Anna (nee Birkmair) Wimmer, Frank passed away peacefully at Errinrung Residence in Thornbury on Wednesday June 27, 2018 at the age of 97. Frank is survived by his devoted wife Katharina 'Kitty' Wimmer whom he married on August 6, 1946 and with whom he shared his life and love for 72 years. Frank is remembered as a much loved father by his son Steven Wimmer and wife Elizabeth of North York and Opa to their children Zoe of Calgary and Katie of Halifax, and by his daughter Suzy Hutchison of Barrie and her children Alyssa of Eugenia and Brandon and Cassandra of Chatsworth.

### **EDNA MAE TAYLOR**

Sadly on Saturday, June 23rd we lost our best friend, Mother, Grandmother, Great-grandmother and Great Great Grandmother. Edna Mae (Whalen) Taylor was born on August 31, 1924. Our dear Mom's life was not easy growing up through the difficult 20's and 30's, however she never complained about the struggles of her childhood, instead was grateful for all the opportunities presented. Mom became a family member to the Cornfield family, who she worked for in her teens, and it was in Meaford, that she met her handsome prince Fred. Fred and Edna wed in October 1944 and settled into apple growing and raising 4 children in the close knit community of Victoria Corners. It was 1995 before another cold winter in Ontario that Fred and Edna moved to Victoria BC, returning most summers to visit their many friends and family. Edna has now joined Fred and son Ron on her journey. Edna leaves behind son Robert (Lynda), daughters Dianne (Gary Reed), Janet (David Jones), brother Ken (Carol) sisters in law Elsie Watts and Audrey Eagles, dear friend Fern Park, 9 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, 1 great great grandchild and many very special nieces and nephews. Mom will also be missed by her United Church friends, Cordova Bay on the Go Again, and her new friends at Berwick Royal Oak.

### **FLORA (NEE WAKEFIELD) WENDLING**

passed away peacefully at Campbell House on Sunday July 22, 2018 surrounded by the love of her family. Beloved wife of the late Peter Lush. She will be forever remembered by her daughters Kim Wendling Rocque (David Rocque) and Sarah (Darren) Dey, grandchildren Matthew, Emerson, Ella, Ryan and Jack. Flora is survived by 3 brothers and 1 sister. She will be missed by all who knew her.

### **DANIEL JOSEPH 'DANNY' IRVINE**

Danny passed away peacefully at the Meaford Long Term Care Centre on July 3rd, 2018, in his 73rd year. He was born in Ballymollock in Northern Ireland, son of the late Daniel and Katie (nee Coll) Irvine, and emigrated to Canada in 1967. Danny is survived by his devoted partner of 16 years, Fran Sutherland, who was by his side throughout his courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. He is cherished as the beloved "Pops" and devoted father of Carolyn and Bryan (Julie Mielhausen) and will be recalled fondly by their mother Susan Irvine, who was so supportive during these last months. He will be sorely missed by his two grandchildren, Lochlann and Lauren, who were the light of his life. He was a much-loved brother to Eileen, the late Denis (Annie), Teresa (Igna), Patsy, Bobby, Kate and Margaret Kenning (Leo), and beloved uncle to his fifteen nieces and nephews. He will be lovingly remembered by his sister-in-law Joan White and her husband Neil and by his brother-in-law Allan Stevens and his wife Heather, as well as by Fran's children and extended family. Through Irvine Construction, Danny will be forever remembered as an award-winning Master Builder. Danny took great pride in becoming the first Honorary Member of the Builders and Trades Association of Thornbury after his retirement. Well known for his charitable work through his membership in the Thornbury-Clarksburg Rotary Club, he was the proud (and deserving) recipient of two Paul Harris Fellowship Awards. Danny truly lived the Rotary Motto of Service Above Self. We will all miss Danny's wonderful personality -- his quick wit, beautiful singing voice, amazing sense of humour, compassion, generosity and his genuine interest in people. He was one of a kind.

### **JESSIE MARY McQUARRIE**

From Collingwood, and formerly of Thornbury and Meaford, passed away suddenly at Cedar Rail Campground in Chesley on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at the age of 76. Born on September 5, 1941, in Poplar Grove, Saskatchewan, Jessie was a daughter of the late Edwin and Joanna (nee Mac Fayden) Heal. Jessie was the cherished wife of Bob Howell of Collingwood. She was predeceased by her beloved husband Ben McQuarrie in 2006. Jessie was the much loved mother of Lorie Lynn Green (Rob) of Wasaga Beach, Jim McQuarrie (Sue) of Meaford, and Richard McQuarrie (Darlene) of Meaford. She was the wonderful grandma of Victoria, Joey, Aaron, Chris, Jeremy, Amanda, Shasta, Jodi, Jessica, Chadwick, and great grandma to twelve. Jessie was the dear sister of Joan Hutton (Terry), Ken Heal (MaryAnne), Doug Heal (Cathy), and Dale Heal. She was predeceased by her grandson Justin, her daughter-in-law Debbie and her brother-in-law John. Jessie will be remembered fondly by her many nieces, nephews and their families.

### **HAROLD ELMER DINSMORE**

of Thornbury passed away peacefully at Summit Place Nursing Home in Owen Sound on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 at the age of 91. Born in St. Vincent Township on March 25, 1927, Harold was a son of the late Wesley and Mabel (nee Hewgill) Dinsmore. Harold was the beloved husband of 61 years of Helen (nee Ramer) Dinsmore. He was the loving father of Sharon Frost (Bob) of Owen Sound, Dave Dinsmore of Sault Ste. Marie, Dianne Hamill (Barry) of Owen Sound, Gwen Boux (Marck) of Calgary, AB, Roger Dinsmore (Lora) of Thornbury, and Joanne Horn (Jason) of Duncan, BC. Harold was the cherished grandpa of Ben, Tina, Dianna, Dan, Dana, Darren, John, Brandon, Nick, Josh, Steven, Jordan, Michael, Cassidy, James, Tim, Devon, Brittany, Logan, and will be cherished as well by their spouses and his many great grandchildren. He was the dear brother of Beth Taylor (late Lloyd) of Fredericton, NB and was predeceased by his brother Stan Dinsmore (late Joy), and by his sister Maye Cooke (late Gerald). Harold will be remembered fondly by his many nieces, nephews and their families.

### **MARGARET ANNE MAVROU (née YIRKA)**

Born in Kitchener, January 12, 1940, Margaret Anne Mavrou, beloved wife, mother and grandmother, passed away peacefully on July 20, 2018 at Meaford General Hospital after a brave battle with cancer. Maggie was a true warrior. Predeceased by her parents Alf and Mabel Yirka, she departs this world having made it a better place. Beloved wife of George Mavrou, treasured sister to Barbara (John) and brother John. Maggie was loved by her daughters Sarah and Jen, their husbands Michael and Matt and grandchildren Cash, Ruby, Olive, Max and Jack. A straight talking lover of life, Margaret embraced her job as a consultant and teacher, dedicating 35 years working for the T.C.D.S.B. She was committed to volunteering at the B.V.O. and considered the following amongst her greatest loves in life: her husband and daughters, her Cougar Convertible and the slot machines.

### **STUART WILLIAM TAYLOR**

Stuart (Stu) formerly of Belleville, passed away peacefully in the presence of his wife and daughter at Errinrung Long Term Care Residence in Thornbury, on Thursday, July 5th, 2018, at the age of 88. He is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Kathleen (nee Donnelly) Taylor, his devoted daughter, Sherry Taylor-Fox, his son-in-law, Doug Fox, his grandsons, Taylor and Liam Fox, and his Cocker Spaniel, Chelsea. Stuart was predeceased by his parents, John and May (nee Hamilton) Taylor, and by his brother Donald Taylor. He will be greatly missed by his extended family of nieces and nephews.

### **PAULA MARIE SHANNON**

passed away peacefully on Friday July 20, 2018 at her home in Collingwood at the age of 64. Paula, beloved wife of Brad Shannon. Dear daughter of Eileen and the late Douglas Burton. Cherished sister of Brian (Diane), Kathleen, Douglas (Dagmar) and Mark (Brenda) Burton. Sister in law of Steve (Kathy) Shannon and daughter in law of John (the late Kathleen) Shannon. Will be sadly missed also by her nieces and nephews. Paula worked at the Town of The Blue Mountains finance department since 1999.





by Robert Burcher

You must, you must, you must visit the Sheffield's Black History Museum in Clarksburg. A hidden gem of a museum hiding in our town that deserves all the recognition that it can possibly get. Originally on a Collingwood site it relocated to the old summer camp on the Clarksburg Sideroad just up from the OPP station nine years ago. But be warned this is a tough visit to our past. This museum is about the worst part of our North American history – Slavery! Yes you will see actual neck restraints, a ball and chain and a cat o' nine tails. All of them mute reminders from the days of the slave horror. A huge six foot wide poster shows the interior layout of a slave ship that just can't be believed for the atrocity of the crowding and that the slaves were chained to the floor for months in their crossing from Africa.

The displays evolve into images of the cotton and sugar plantations in the Deep South of USA and the mind numbing body destroying work. But as you work your way through the displays you start to respect the huge courage needed for the slaves who escaped the tyranny and worked their way

north on the Underground Railway. Walking by night and following the North Star they worked their way to Canada. Then some of them like Harriet Tubman went back to the USA nineteen times to lead more people on the path to freedom. A true admiration of the human spirit to live and to be free.

In the early 1800's a constant stream of escaped slaves worked their way as far north as Grey and Bruce Counties. Our forested wilderness of the time became a safe haven, far away from the Bounty Hunters who would search areas near the border for runaways. At the museum in Clarksburg on the Heritage Walk in the woods you will see the tiny cabins recreated of how these folks lived at the time in their clearings deep in the forest.

Eventually when white settlers with legal title to the land arrived the blacks who were squatters were pushed off the land and into Collingwood and Owen Sound to find work. They became the working underclass of shipbuilders, cooks, seamstresses and railway porters. The museum goes into detail of that evolving history with artifacts from the Collingwood Shipyards and the working tools

from barber shops, dress making facilities and laundries. Eventually with steady work and a dedication to education the black community became a valuable element in our area. The kids became sports heroes, soldiers in the World Wars and major contributors to church and community.

One of the most stunning artifacts in the museum is a needlework quilt showing the multiple routes that slaves would take on their perilous journeys from the Deep South to Ontario. This quilt was a four year project by Shirley Hartley.

It is worth the \$5.00 admission charge just to see and study this quilt.

But at the end of the trip through this history saga you are left with a great peace that prevails on this leafy green and relaxing site. It is as if all those who died enroute have found their home in "Glory Land" and it exists on 241 Clark St Clarksburg.

(Daily Tuesday to Saturday 10 to 4) sheffieldparkblackhistory.com. August 3,4 & 5 in Owen Sound is the Emancipation Festival www.emancipation.ca



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Join the community consultation on Saturday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM at the Beaver Valley Community Centre. Have your say on TBM relationship with Grey County and how your tax dollars are spent.



# Municipal Election October 22, 2018

[www.tbmelection.ca](http://www.tbmelection.ca)

## ALL CANDIDATES FORUM

**Saturday, September 22**  
9am-noon; Beaver Valley Community Centre;  
Round Table Discussion Format hosted by The Blue Mountain Ratepayers

## FAIRNESS

**Saturday, September 29**  
1:00pm Beaver Valley Community Centre hosted by Candidates

## MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR DEBATE

**Wednesday, October 10**  
7pm Marsh Street Centre hosted by The Citizens' Forum

## Citizens' Forum Speaker's Schedule

**15 Harbour St. Restaurant**  
**Tuesdays 5:00pm**

- Mayor** (One to be elected)  
Gail Ardiel - Sept 4  
Alar Soever - July  
David Wilding-Davies - Sept 18
- Deputy Mayor** (One to be elected)  
Odette Bartnicki - July  
Michael Martin - August 7  
Paul Mitchell - September 25
- Councillors** (Five to be elected)  
Peter Bordignon - August 14  
Paula Hope - July  
Andrea Matrosovs - August 21  
Alexander Maxwell - October 2  
Terrence Pettit - October 2  
June Porter - October 9  
Rob Potter - July  
Rob Sampson - July  
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## SLABEXIT *by Robert Burcher*

Not happy with your tax bite? Neither are we in Slabtown. We contribute so much to the Town and get so little in return. If you think you have it bad consider this; we have to provide our own water; we have to deal with our own sewage; we only have one child that goes to school out of 15 houses (and we all pay education tax); we buy and water the flowers on our bridge; we clean up after the weekend swimmers who come to a private property called the Slabtown Dam; and so it goes. Why should we be part of the Town?

Well wouldn't it be nice if we all got our own way? Seems like though we have something called a Society that has evolved over thousands of years. A process where we have learned that by sticking together we can get more accomplished than if we go off on our own. So it is always disconcerting when I hear that forces in our Town of the Blue Mountains who want to consider exiting from the County.

What do they want to be an isolated Republic? Which makes me think about what the Town has done for us here in our little republic of Slabtown. Well some would remember that our bridge was condemned a few years back and we were isolated even further from the benefits of a Town (no garbage pickup at our driveways

and minimal snow ploughing). Then through some determined lobbying we got a new bridge. But we didn't have to pay for it! Yes the \$880,000 tab was picked up by the "town". If we had to have paid for that it would have taken us 40 years with the equivalent of our accumulated taxes of our 15 houses! So do we complain about what we have to do for ourselves? Nope! We see the benefit of sharing!

Now I know that throughout history there have been revolutions and rebellions to equalize the injustices that come to exist. In fact just south of us in Simcoe County in the Schomberg area is where the Rebellion of 1837 got started. The farmers there were feeling that they getting overtaxed by the belligerent British Colonial Government and with an economic downturn were not being helped out in their desperate economic situation. So with muskets and pitchforks they organized and marched south down Yonge St. to confront the Family Compact (i.e. the entrenched power gang in government). Things didn't go well for the rebels and William Lyon MacKenzie had to run for his life. But out of that confrontation 40 years later in 1867 we got a responsible government that was far more equitable and listened to the people. By the way we also got our own country called Canada!

So does Slabexit and its' big brother Bluexit get the concept? Yes I think so. We do have to speak up at times to be heard and redress the balance of payments versus

results. But at the same time realize that we all are stronger as a bigger community. Let's all head over to Owen Sound to County Council to start the dialogue!



# Building Bridges to our Future

## Support John White for Councillor Town of The Blue Mountains

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I discovered Thornbury in 1980 as a weekender and have become a full time resident. Council needs leadership to address current pressures and preserve our Town's unique character. For nearly 40 years, I have lived through the changes, experienced the challenges and observed the issues resulting as Councils lost initiative. I will work to regain control over our future.

### My Objectives:

- No Nonsense Leadership – engaged, effective, visible and accountable
- Infrastructure Renewal and Development – not glamorous, often hidden but 100% necessary
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- Housing and Economic Development as prescribed in our Official Plan
- Insist on best practices and keep a Rolling Strategic Plan current and publicly reported
- Clear Direction, Objectives and Supports for Staff
- Community Involvement and Consultation

Help me to strengthen our Town and build the bridge to our future. Call, meet with me, e-mail me your questions, host an event and join me at upcoming public meetings. I look forward to hearing from you.

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# HISTORY / EVOLUTION OF THE FAIR

The Beaver Valley Agricultural Society is the oldest organization in our community. It formed in 1870, as the Collingwood Township Agricultural Society, with those original members breaking off from the Euphrasia Township Agricultural Society which had formed almost a decade earlier.

The agricultural societies in Ontario formed with an eye to improving farm stock and crops, with this particular area's climate being well suited to the production of pasture to feed the various cattle, horses, sheep and swine of those pioneering farmers, plus having excellent grain-producing qualities.

"I have long been of the opinion that much benefit would result to farmers by often meeting at this season of the year and comparing their experiences," wrote William J. Marsh, the society's first president, in his annual address in 1878.

From 1850, when Thornbury was little more than a sawmill, to 1870, when the agricultural society formed, Collingwood Township grew to have 3,576 people on 557 farms with 17,055 acres under crop, according to the census records. This fast became a thriving agricultural community.

The Agricultural Society renamed itself in 1967, becoming the

Clarksburg Agricultural Society, in honour of Canada's centennial year and because the fall fair was held in Clarksburg. When the fall fair moved in 1972 to the Beaver Valley Community Centre in Thornbury, another name change was in order and it became the Beaver Valley Agricultural Society.

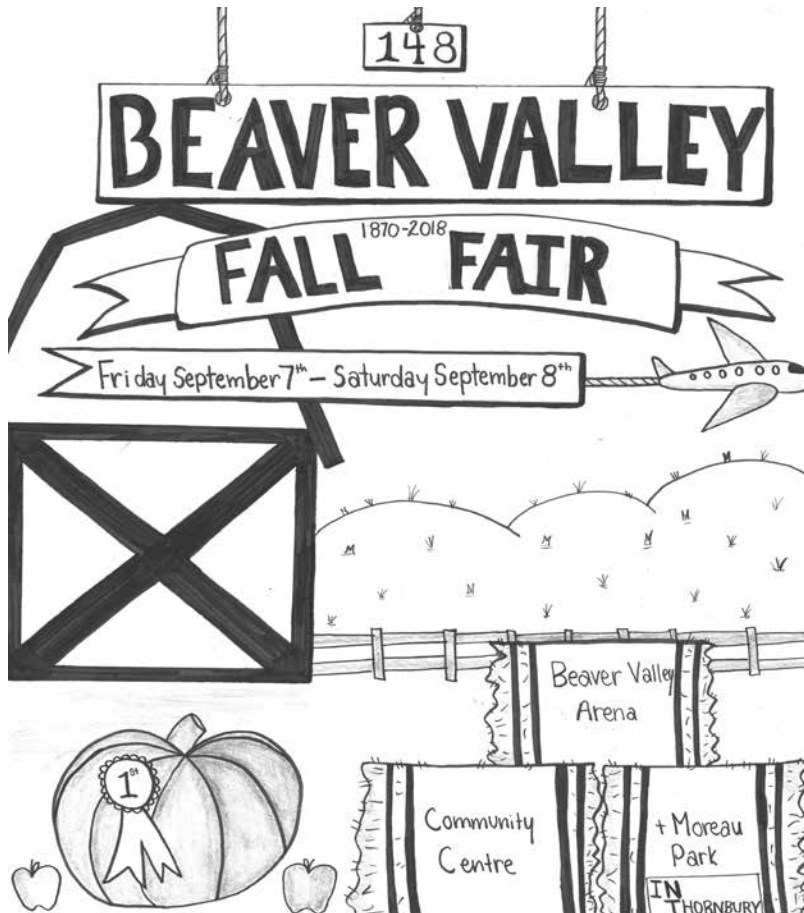
The purpose of the annual fall fair hasn't changed much over the last century and a half. People still show their various homecrafts, baking and preserves, bring their fruits and vegetables, flowers, and hay and grain crops. Animals are still a mainstay, though the huge numbers of cattle, horses, chickens, sheep and pigs that crowded the fairgrounds before the First World War has obviously seen changes.

The fall fair is more than just farmers comparing their annual notes on livestock and crop success and failure. In the days before the telephone, never mind the Internet, people had to meet to communicate. Now we choose to meet to celebrate the annual harvest, to educate tourists and residents alike on our farming history and culture, to promote the local agricultural industry and lifestyle, and to celebrate our community's life and pride by providing the longest-running community event in The Blue Mountains. Sept 7 and 8, 2018  
www.beavervalleyfallfair.ca

# EVENTS FOR LIFE CENTRE JULY 12TH!

The Events for Life Centre of Thornbury, enjoyed a beautiful morning of local classic and antique cars, trucks and motorcycles on Thursday July 12th. The Classic Auto Club, "Men Without A Clue" roared in with over 20 marvellous vehicles. Participants had the opportunity to revel in the beauty of the autos, have their picture taken, ask interesting questions, and even enjoy a ride as they paraded around the property!

We want to sincerely thank John Greer for organizing this special event, and all of the vehicle owners who so graciously provided such a wonderful opportunity for us!



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