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## Georgina takes Canada Day to the streets on July 1



With construction activities in full swing at the Civic Centre, the Town of Georgina spread the fun around this year by staging Canada Day celebrations at several venues throughout town. (Photo top left) The Udora Leaskdale Lions Club members serve a piece of Canada Day cake to Montana Zimmerman (right) Nicole Pitsitikus (centre) and Kyara McLean (left) at the Pefferlaw Youth Centre. (Photo bottom Left) This little guy makes it through a tunnel set dogs within an hour.

up at the band shell park in Jackson's Point.

(Photo bottom centre) Political dignitaries watch as the flag is raised and the crowd joins in singing the Canadian anthem at the Manor House on High St. in

(Photo bottom right) Parents watch as the kids have fun in the bouncy castle set up in the Home Hardware parking lot in Keswick. Organizers there say they went through all 36 dozen hot-







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#### Still going and growing...

I can't believe that it has been five years since I started The Pefferlaw Post. Where did that time go? It seems there are only two days in the month for me—the 10th and the 24th—and the rest of the month just whips past in a blur.

This month marks the fifth anniversary of the paper and I'm extremely grateful for all of the support it has received. Everyone, from my advertisers to my readers, has made it possible for me to continue printing topical news stories and coverage of community events.

Every year since I began the paper, it has been my custom to acknowledge this support with a celebration. Traditionally, that celebration coincides with the Pefferlaw Family Picnic sponsored by the Pefferlaw Association of Ratepayers. The picnic will take place on Monday, August 2 (Simcoe Day) and the Pefferlaw Post will be there with free carnival games and prizes for the kiddies and an anniversary cake.

Last year, as part of my anniversary celebration, I sponsored a free "Movie Night in the Park" on the eve of the picnic and everyone had so much fun and enjoyed it so much, that I will be doing the same again this year.

So pack up the family with your lawn chairs and sense of fun and come and celebrate with me on Sunday, August 1 at the Pefferlaw Lions Park. The film I have chosen to feature this year is the great family classic from 1961 called "The Parent Trap" with Hayley Mills. There will be a fabulous free draw prize, plenty of popcorn and refreshments. While the paper continues to be called The Pefferlaw Post, it is a Georgina-wide newspaper and also covers events in neighbouring communities such as Wilfrid and Beaverton. Every issue gets distributed to over 300 retail and professional

outlets and it continues to get scooped up as soon as it gets delivered.

Your positive feedback and loyalty to the paper has been tremendously gratifying for me. It has afforded me the honour and the priviledge of getting to know my community better and I've enjoyed observing it through a lens that offers a unique perspective.

To simply write "thank you" on

this page for the past five years doesn't seem quite enough. I'm a "people person" and I enjoy the interaction and stimulation I get from meeting and talking with people who make up this community. To that end, I would welcome the opportunity to thank you in person when you come to enjoy the "Movie Night in the Park" or visit the Pefferlaw Post booth at the PAR Family Picnic.

See you then and here's to the next five years!

Karen Wolfe, Editor

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## **Community wants hall saved**

The residents of the small hamlet of Wilfrid want Brock council to move away from their scheme to close and sell their community hall which has served as a meeting place for

locals for more than 150 years. The third reading of a motion to make the Wilfrid Community Hall a surplus building was stalled last month when Wilfrid resident Keith Shier lambasted council for trying to sneak the by-law through without

the hall.

public consultation. As a result, the historical building was given a reprieve until at least Monday, July 19 when Brock council will host a special usage of the hall has been wanpublic meeting at 7:00 p.m. at

"We want to keep the hall open," said Mr. Shier, adding it is probably one of the oldest public buildings in existence in Brock Township."

The Wilfrid Community Hall was originally built as a church back in the 1840s and was located approximately one kilometre away from where it sits today. Its function as a community hall began around 1888 when it was relocated to its present location using horses and logs to skid the building across frozen fields.

According to Mr. Shier, it is the location of the hall that is presenting a problem.

"The property the hall sits on is part of the property where the church, the manse and the well are located," he said.

Both the church and the manse have been vacated and are being offered for sale.

He explained that the community would like the township to allow the church property to be severed so the hall could have

land and a parking lot of its own.

As the owners of the hall but not the land, Brock Township has been responsible for maintaining the building ever since it



The fate of the Wilfrid Hall will be discussed at a special Brock council meeting at the hall on Monday, July 19.

was transferred to them in the 1950s.

However, according to Brock Mayor Larry O'Connor, the ing and costs to maintain it are outstripping the revenues the hall generates.

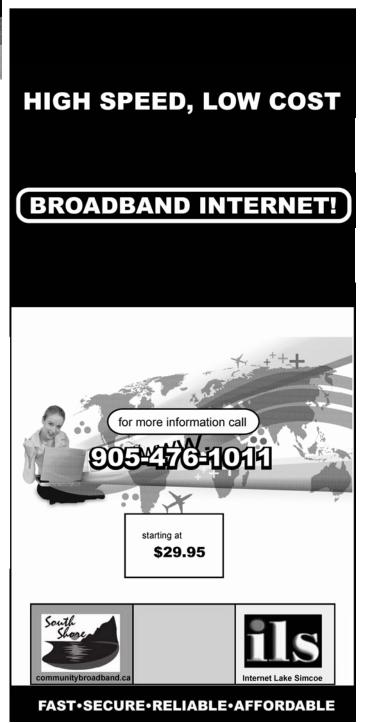
"The hall is extremely underutilized and we would be lucky if the revenue for the rentals covered the cost of heat," Mayor O'Connor said.

Mr. Shier said there are a number of reasons the hall is not being used as often as it was in the past. With the church being closed, services are no longer conducted at the hall in the winter as was the custom in the past. Also, ongoing issues with the water and the well have forced other community organizations to find other venues for their events.

"The hall has served this community for over 100 years and we want that to continue. It was well used before the township failed to maintain it and it has been mainly because of the water," he said.

Mayor O'Connor said the July 19 meeting will give both council and the community an opportunity to discuss the issues and the fate of the Wilfrid Hall.





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### **Tennyson Tidbits**

to **Wendy Schell** who turned 58 bank will be open on Thursday on June 30. You're creeping up evenings now from 6:00 pm to there kiddo!

We also want to wish Jack Beaudrow a very Happy Birthday on July 8. I'm thinking he is not too far away from that age either.



Well, sakes alive...she's 65! She's so nifty, we thought she was 50. Happy

Birthday to Diane Jegins who celebrates her special day on July 19.

We would also like to extend a very Happy Birthday to John A. Van Loan who turns one year old on July 17.

I spoke to Alf at the Georgina Food Pantry in Sutton the other day and he wanted me to

Happy Belated Birthday wishes let everyone know that the food 8:00 pm to better assist the community.

> The Sutton Legion celebrated Canada Day on Sunday, June 27



and MP Peter Van Loan (centre) is seen here helping cut the cake with members.

The community of Wilfrid turned out on Saturday, June 24 for the Wilfrid Village Festival. There were yard sales, a drumming circle and games for

the kiddies. Little Ashtyn Richards is seen here en-



joying a pancake breakfast.

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### Szollosy to face competition in Ward 3

A local real estate professional seeks to ask Ward 3 residents for their vote in the upcoming fall municipal elections. Becky Rundle, a Georgina resident since 2002, will square off against incumbent Dave Szollosy in Ward 3 for councillor and says

"public safety" will be the top election issue in the ward. "With the new ROC bringing increased volumes of traffic on Metro Rd. and Woodbine Ave./ Baseline Rd., the roads as they are now do not take into consideration the people or children riding their bicycles or walking to this new planned facility," she said.

Ms. Rundle says she brings accountability, accessibility, forward-thinking, credibility



Becky Rundle will run in Ward 3.

and much more visibility to the table.

"It is time to eliminate the past stigmas, welcome the newcomers and most importantly, start listening to the needs and wants of the taxpayers," she said.

She also believes councillors should have more vear-round visibility in the community-not just at election time.

Since moving to the area, Ms. Rundle has become involved in the community by volunteering at the Lakeside Public School Breakfast Club, the Georgina Arts Centre and the Georgina Pioneer Village. She sponsors a Men's Slo-Pitch team and four movie nights for clients of the Keswick Adult Day Program.





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Thirty-one students were given Riddell, Rachelle Irwin performance accolades during the 2010 Morning Glory Public School graduation celebration at the Pefferlaw Community Lions Hall on Thursday, June

Eighteen awards were presented to the following students:

**Excellence in Education:** 

Kristen Buchner

English Award: Michelle McNally, Jared Jylha, Kyra

Math Award: Michelle McNally, Madison MacGean,

Curtis Weaver

Science Award: Ayesha

Chubb

**Geography Award:** Michelle

McNally

Art Award: Dayna Pirso French Award: Danielle

Guertin

**Native Language Award:** 

Dakota Wyld

**History Award:** Kyra Sykes **Physical Education:** Desmond

Honour Roll: Ayesha Chubb, Rachelle Irwin, Alyssa Lee, Michelle McNally, Dayna Pirso, Kristen Buchner, Samantha Chisholm, Dyra Sykes, Danielle Guertin

**Top Academic:** Kyra Sykes Awards of Distinction: Triston Hill, Alex Kakanis, Ryan Kortko, Kara Mooney, Brooke White, Wyatt Elson, Brad Hunt, Hailey Vierra, Clint Reid Citzenship: Taylor Abel, Cole

Dowse

Ontario Principals' Council Leadership Award: Kristen

Buchner

**Outstanding Intermediate:** Ayesha Chubb, Mackenzie

Allen

**Dramatic Arts:** Mitchell

Konyn

Cooke's United Church **Community Service Award:** 

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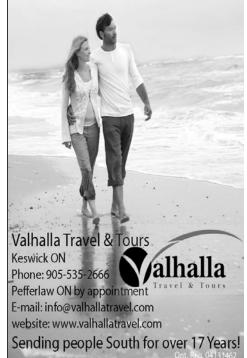




(Above left) Tarin Sankersingh won the Technology Award and was also presented with a Gold Medal from the York Region District School Board for submitting the winning entry in the "Best Documentary" video competition sponsored by the board. (Above right) As the 2010 Valedictorian, Dayna Pirso gave a stirring address to graduates as she recalled a child's progress through the school from kindergarten to graduation. She used iconic symbols such as chair colours, the plastic cars in the playground, long socks and the back of the bus to illustrate the rites of passage from one grade to the next. "We wished to be bigger kids," she said, "and that wish has come true."

Ms. Pirso was also presented with the Art Award which recognizes creativity and talent in visual arts.

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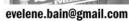
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### **Battle of the Choirs**

Move over Canadian Idolthere is a new game in town. A local entrepreneur is looking for choirs in Georgina to compete in a challenge that will help raise money to assist the family of neuroblastoma victim Kyle Wells with medical expenses.

Mr. Colin Jones of Threadz in Keswick, is expecting a minimum of six choirs to sing off in a competition to be held at the Stephen Leacock Centre on October 15, 16 and 24. "It will be the Battle of the Choirs and we need to get choirs involved. These can be town choirs, church choirs or school choirs," Mr. Jones said. During the preliminary judging, the choirs will be asked to sing a song of their own choosing, sing a pre-selected piece they have had time to practice and then sing part of a third selection they have not

rehearsed.

Through ticket sales for the three evening performances at the Leacock Centre, Mr. Jones hopes to raise enough money to split 50/50 between the James Fund for Neuroblastoma Research and the Kyle Wells family. Young Kyle Wells, 8, was stricken with the rare childhood cancer when he was three years old. He has also been asked to participate as a judge for the competition. "This has never been done before in Canada," Mr. Jones said. "It is a big thing for Keswick and they have the opportunity to be a leader." Mr. Jones said he has visions of the competition becoming a York Region event and perhaps becoming national in scope.

The choir capturing first place in the competition will win a cash prize of \$1,000.00.

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#### **Edna Shepherd dies at 75**

One of Pefferlaw's leading citizens and foremost volunteers passed away on Sunday, June 27 after fighting a lengthy battle with cancer.

Edna Shepherd, 75, the daughter of Harry and Helen Godfrey, was born and raised in Pefferlaw where she met and married her husband, Moe Shepherd, previously deceased. Ms. Shepherd was the councillor for Ward 7 (now Ward 5) for nine

years during the 1980s and championed many of the landmarks that exist here today-Rixon Manor, the liquor store, the Pefferlaw Library and the walking bridge spanning the Pefferlaw River on Old Homestead Rd.

As a charter member of the Pefferlaw Lioness, Ms. Shepherd worked tirelessly with her fellow members at bake sales

and charity events to raise money for the betterment of her community. Her public service also extended to the Pefferlaw Ratepayers' Association and

> she was instrumental in organizing the Pefferlaw Pioneer Picnic in its early years. In 1996 she was voted Georgina's Citizen of the Year, an acknowledgement of her many years as a volunteer and advocate for her town.

She is survived by six children: Bryan Shepherd (Marilyn), Sandra Jubb (Steve), Marlene Khoury, Marvin Shepherd (Nancy), Robert Shepherd (Lorraine) and Ella Marchildon (Joe), 18 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She will be sadly missed by all her friends and family and the community that was so dear to



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### **Eaglewood is summer retreat for Camp Hope**

Considered the only summer day camp program in York Region for developmentally disabled youngsters, Camp Hope, a Georgina Community Living initiative, wants to ensure no one is left out. Right now, 29 campers between the ages of 12 and 21 are enrolled in eight, one-week Camp Hope sessions at the Eaglewood Family Resort in Pefferlaw. But, there is a waiting list and Community Living staff are desperate to make sure everyone has a chance to fish, swim, go horseback riding, establish friendships and enjoy the social independence and personal growth an outdoor camping experience can offer. "We've had to turn away four or five people because their needs are so high and we couldn't staff them," said Nicole Dunphy, the director in charge of Camp Hope. "We only have so many one-on-one spaces

available."

Five full-time Community Living employees and two volunteers support the special needs of 12 campers each week and when one or two of those campers require one-on-one support, the staffing situation limits the number of campers the organization can accommodate on a weekly basis, said Community Relations officer, Patty Ferguson.

"It is horrible when you have to turn a family away," she said. The families pay \$100 a week for the day camp and Community Living depends on donations and funding from the United Way and other sources to help with transportation, staffing and facility costs. "We have to look for creative solutions around our wait list." Ms. Ferguson said. "We know we need to be creative but we don't know what it looks like right now."

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# Vintage vehicles returned to showroom condition in Pefferlaw

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Michael Longfield is the owner of one of Pefferlaw's newest commercial businesses,

Longfield Antique & Classic Automobiles and says his restoration business is rooted in three generations of passion for these stunningly beautiful classic cars. Mr. Longfield says his grandfather and father began restoring vintage vehicles back in the 1950s as a hobby and the business evolved from there.

"They were definitely the inspiration to get so passionately involved with these cars," he says.

The company is located on the southwest corner of Durham Rd. 23 and Highway 48. (the former Fish Crisp plant) and eight employees use every inch of their 6,000 sq. ft. of workspace to recondition and rebuild timeless vehicles such as Duesenbergs. Bugattis, Locomobiles and Rolls Royces to are worth more than \$300,000. name a few.

Mr. Longfield says his employees are master craftsmen with more than 100 collective-years of experience in machining, metal forming, welding, body work, mechanical and assembly disciplines.

"Our competitive edge is our people," he says. "It might sound like a cliché but it really is. We have some of the best talent out there."

While the amount of time it takes to recondition one of these vehicles depends upon

its condition when it comes into the shop and the customer's needs, Mr. Longfield says it isn't unusual to spend up to two years tearing them down to the chassis and building them back up again.

"We specialize in an area of automobiles that about 99 per cent of the shops don't,"



Michael Longfield stands beside a 1911 Rolls Royce on the showroom floor of his restoration business.

he says. "Here there is a heavy emphasis on pre-World War I and pre-World War II vehicles. This is what we know best and we are really passionate about pre-World War vehicles that are American and European." Most of the vehicles they work on

Every member of the restoration team is equipped with a camera and when a job comes in, they meet collectively to make an assessment and document the restoration process.

There is transparency in the process, Mr. Longfield says and his company is built on honest and integrity. "You have to do what is right for the customer," he says.

The Pefferlaw location has only been in business since January this year, but Mr. Longfield says they are busy and are looking to hire local craftsmen.

"It is very rewarding and also a test of patience. You need to be organized and each step needs to be planned," he said.

The company has agreed to exhibit one of their vehicles in the Lions Car Show at the Pefferlaw Family Picnic in August and it is an opportunity to express everything they represent, Mr. Longfield says.

"In the past, the automobile was very important to the world and society. And, it is today but back then it was men in the shop building these cars by hand and not with robots. They are really a symbol of true craftsmanship."



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Stop by the **Georgina Arts Centre** on July 11 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm for the opening of "Cattle" with artist Karen Canello and the GAC's private collection called "Cows, Cows, Cows". Participate in the Cow Patty Bingo on the front lawn for \$2 and see if Bessie is lucky for you.

It's back again this year. The Great Camel Race in Egypt will be one of the star attractions during Egypt's Homecoming Weekend beginning Sat. July 17. The race starts at 1:00 pm and there is a free BBQ and children's games and a soccer match. Worship in Egypt's Historic Country Church at 11:00 am on Sunday followed by a Heritage Vehicle display in the parking lot.

The Wannamaker Band is hosting the "Georgina Salutes" concert at the Sutton Fair grounds on Saturday, July 17 from 3:00 to 11:00 pm. Tons of local talent will gather to support our troops.

Vendors galore will be at the **Green Acres Annual Flea Market** on Sat. July 17 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm located at 30553 Highway 48 between Pefferlaw and Port Bolster. If you wish to rent a table please contact Linda Filippelli at (905) 660-0004 or email: mygreen\_acres@hotmail.com. Cost to rent a table is \$15.

Mark your calendars so you don't forget the

**Purple Turtle Art Festival** at the Briars Resort on July 17 (11am-6pm) & July 18 (11am-4pm). Free admission.

The **Udora & Leaskdale Lions** are gearing up for the Udora Family Fun Day on July 18. Vendors wanted. Call Jacquie Brown (705) 437-2773.

Beaverton Thorah Eldon Historical Society **House Tour** of five homes on Sun. July 25 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Call (705) 426-9970.

A group of SDHS graduates from 1978/1979 are searching for former classmates to attend the SDHS Class of '78 Reunion on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010. Visit the reunion website at www.zgn.net/sdhsclassof78 or email: sdhsclassof78@hotmail.com

Don't forget to pick up a copy of the 155th Sutton Fair and Horse Show Agricultural & Homecraft Prizebook so you can decide which of the events you want to enter for the fair. Contact the Sutton Agricultural Society at (905) 722-3165 or email: info@suttonfair.com — There is something there for everyone!

York Regional Police are looking for volunteers to assist with graffiti clean-up. Meet on Wed. July 21 at 10:00 am at 475 The Oueensway S. in Keswick to help out.

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