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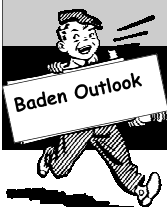


...And Mitchell and Meghan Mueller enjoyed every last minute of sledding on their favourite hill as the sunny week brought on the first thaw.



Chirp!! I'm so excited to come home, so please excuse me if I get a bit noisy as I get settled in. First, I'll check out the neighbourhood to find a new place to nest while keeping my eye out for the first sight of a worm, and of course meet up with the old pals from last year. And yes, with so much to do I will start my day early ... Haven't you heard?...the early bird gets the worm!

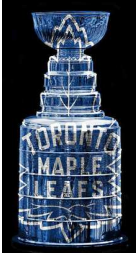
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Talking with Ed

~ RANDOM THOUGHTS



And the Winner Is... This spring the NHL will hold a lottery to determine which team picks first, second, and third on the player entry draft. From time to time there is a sure shot franchise player who is available in that year's draft, and this year it is Connor McDavid of the OHL's Erie Otters. When this article was written, he had only played 38 games this season due to a broken hand, but had amassed 37 goals and 63 assists for 100 points. The NHL has developed a weighted system which is implemented and utilized to determine the order of selection in the first round of the NHL Draft for the 14 Clubs not qualifying for the Stanley Cup Playoffs (or the Clubs that have acquired the first-round drafting positions of those non-playoff teams). The lowest point teams have the best odds of drafting McDavid. They are, as of February 28th, Buffalo 20%, Edmonton 13.5%, Arizona 11.5%, Carolina 9.5 %, and Toronto 8.5%. The other nine teams' odds drop from there. I am sure the Leafs are hoping for some luck on this draft to bring them back to championship form! I can just hear the Hab fans chuckling right now.

Now that's Inflation! - Sticking with sports...I heard on the radio the other day that during the first year of the Toronto Blue Jays in 1977, their payroll was \$878,000. Bill Singer was paid the most at \$100,000, and the team collectively averaged \$32,519 per year. It took until 1984 before they hit the one million dollar mark. The 2015 team salary for the Jays is a whopping \$122,915,900 (eighth in the league), with an average salary of \$5,344,130.

More Records Set - February will go into the record books as the coldest month on record in 135 years in what's now Waterloo Region; the average temperature was -14.5 C. That beats the previous coldest month in February 1904; the now-defunct Galt weather station registered a -13.3 C average that month. Also, seen below are the latest records for Wilmot populations stats—for your information.

How Cold Was It? - It was so cold I saw a turkey walking down the street with a capon (compliments of Stewart Cook 1977)! Also we had to chop up the piano for firewood, but we only got two chords. Although many believe that the Niagara Falls have frozen over, there is still a flow of water underneath that massive ice formation! Even the last time the falls 'froze'...they didn't really freeze. In 1848, a massive log jam of ice on Lake Erie simply blocked the water from reaching it. Nature basically turned the tap off for a while.

Hats off To... Dave Kleine and the Roads Department at Wilmot Township for keeping our roads safe for us to drive on! In our area it is not so much the quantity of snow we get, but the blowing winds which add to the challenge. More hats off to Sean Montgomery and his staff at the Utilities Department who have to deal with the many broken water mains that this cold weather has brought us. Well done and a thank you to all involved!



Big Music Fest Update The Big Music Fest organizers in Kitchener have released their line-up for this summer's concert and I would have to think that their sales for the two day passes will drop. On the first day it will be louder groups such as Soundgarden, Jane's Addiction, and Extreme, while Sunday's line-up includes Rod Stewart and Blondie (Debbie Harry) who will both be 70 years old—I can't imagine Rod Stewart belting out..."Do you think I'm sexy..." Na... we won't be attending this show. Till next month...Ed.

Approximate Township Population Information												
	PPH*	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Baden	2.79	2,753	3,314	3,576	3,808	4,003	4,223	4,402	4,553	4,653	4,742	4,935
Foxboro Green	2.00	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430
Haysville	3.00	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129
Lisbon	3.21	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61
Luxemburg	2.45	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
Mannheim	3.40	992	1,043	1,064	1,071	1,071	1,071	1,071	1,067	1,067	1,071	1,071
New Dundee	2.95	1,185	1,199	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,217	1,220	1,223	1,223
New Hamburg	2.61	6,489	6,578	6,779	7,006	7,176	7,387	7,664	7,930	8,084	8,241	8,332
Petersburg	3.05	391	394	400	403	406	406	406	406	406	406	409
Philipsburg	2.95	77	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
Shingletown	3.23	110	110	110	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	113
St. Agatha	3.09	621	621	624	624	624	624	624	624	624	624	624
Sunfish Lake	1.83	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Wilmot Centre	3.25	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55
Non-Settlement	3.00	3,270	3,279	3,288	3,288	3,312	3,318	3,333	3,330	3,324	3,327	3,327
Township		16,603	17,333	17,850	18,321	18,713	19,151	19,621	20,035	20,286	20,541	20,828

* Calculated from 1991 Assessment Estimates

*PERSON PER HOUSEHOLD

Greetings from ~ Outlook Headquarters

I feel chipper as I work on the March issue and sense my energy shifting upward... possibly the change of season upon us and the sunshine peeking in the window while I work. I do embrace the four seasons but I



sure look forward to spring! I am tired of feeling cold, and the bulky clothing making a mess in my closet and also at the front door. We have no children at home

with their abundance of boots, mitts, and other winter excesses, but still shudder at the amount of stuff in my front hall and look forward to the single pair of flip-flops on the mat and a ball cap or sweater on the hook. It is the time of year that Barry and I compete to see the first sight or hear the first chirp of a robin. I have noticed different birds around and hear new chirps, so they are on migration; I hope they don't feel disappointed when they arrive.

This month has the Outlook Baseball Pool Registration form, found on the back page, which is due on April 1st. We find that we go through our March issue quicker than usual and suspect that folks pick up several copies just to rip off the registration form for all the members in their family to enter into the pool. We love that you all play with us, but ask that you please consider making copies of the form and spare the recycling bin all those lost copies of the March Outlook. You can also go to our website at www.badenoutlook.com to download the current issue and simply print off the back page with the registration form.

I'm a big fan of the four-leaf clover and a master of spotting one in a mass of clover in the grass. I collect them, press them and stash them everywhere, and quite often with someone in mind. I couldn't resist a chance to focus on them with St. Patrick's day and the luck of the Irish upon us.

The Outlook has been very busy and so lucky to go away on vacation, as you'll see on pages 20-21 where folks have been this winter. It is a privilege for us to travel along with you, thanks so much!

Also in this issue you'll see that the Corn Festival is ramping up; the Erb space which supports non-profit community events is full of activity; Wilmot Healthy Communities Coalition (WHCC) are excited about their 8th Annual Living Well Festival, as well as the upcoming Interfaith Silent Auction; the Tri City Roller Derby is bringing their show to New Hamburg (check details on page 33); and meet Badenites, Stephen and Tricia Preston, with their fun story on page 22. That's just a

tease of what's inside—so I hope you enjoy this month's Outlook along with a touch of the Irish and our normal silliness of jokes and puzzles.

May you find your pot of gold at the end of the rainbow!



Four leaf clovers are LUCKY they say, so I'm sending wishes of GOOD LUCK coming your way!



EXTRA EXTRA!!

You'll find us around the 15th of each month, while quantities last. Available in Baden at Mars Variety, Mac's, Baden Feed, One Way Water, Baden Dental, Wilmot Rec. Complex, Tim Hortons, Baden Library, EJ's, and several outdoor magazine boxes located conveniently throughout town for Baden readers.



Also in St. Agatha at Fishers Esso, Angies Kitchen, Stop 2 Shop. In Petersburg at Blue Moon, Old Fashioned Variety and Foxboro.

There are over 30 places in New Hamburg to pick it up—including: No Frills, Sobey's, Short Stop, NH Legion, McDonalds, Kasemann's, Morningside, Stonecroft, Office Pro, NH Thrift Centre, Absolute Fitness, NH Dry Cleaners, NH Wellness, NH Library and various offices and retail locations throughout Wilmot Township.

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The Baden Community Association held its third annual Family Day event at the Wilmot Recreation Centre and it was an overwhelming success. Over 300 people came to the upstairs community hall to enjoy free fresh coffee and hot chocolate, juice and water (donated by Zehrs, Beechwood), 45 dozen Tim Bits, plenty of homemade goodies, a full case of popcorn, and pizza brought in by our friends at *Levetto* from the Baden Village Square.



Many of the children enjoyed face painting (*thank you Joanne*), a colouring station, and the Corny Bean bag toss game. Another big turn-out came to enjoy the free skate and swim supplied by the Township of Wilmot, with the BCA purchasing an extra hour of swim time to ensure that all were able to enjoy our great facility! There was a New Hamburg Firebirds game at two o'clock, which added to the traffic flow. All in all it was a great afternoon, with lots of families out enjoying the day in tribute.

Plans are progressing with the Foundry Street Parkette. The BCA plan to start tree planting and create their garden in early May. The bridge reconstruction should follow in June or July. Thank you to all the people and businesses who have contributed to the project (see list to the right).

Watch for the BCA annual community cleanup which will be held in April. Then you'll see the BCA in May handing out their signature kettle corn at the annual Backyard Barbeque at the Baden Public school. The BCA meets the last Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the township hall. New members are always welcome to join in the fun! Watch us on facebook and see what interests you.



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It's Coming Up Fast ... the Third Annual Baden Corn Festival!

Summer may seem a long time away, but believe it or not, the Baden Corn Festival committee is already hard at work. Planning is well underway for the third annual Corn Fest, and we're busily adding loads of new activities, as well as making your old favourites even better!

You asked for it, and the Corn Fest committee heard your call ... for more corn! Saturday, August 8th will see new contests, games, and team events—all highlighting the star of the day: sweet, delicious corn! We'll have a corn-cooking contest, with categories and prizes for adults and kids alike; and our Corny Colouring Contest will give kids another chance to win a prize.



Looking for awesome ways to celebrate a birthday, family reunion, or to break the ice amongst new friends? Check out our Ultimate Baden Scavenger Hunt, with categories for adults and teens that will have contestants scrambling all over town for awesome prizes. There's also a 12 and under category, just for fun—what a great way to have a blast as a team!

Speaking of having a blast, be sure to check out our Human Foosball Tournament ... that's right: foosball, everyone's favourite fast-paced table game ... but life-size! Information will be posted on our website in the coming months, or watch the Baden Outlook for registration details.

Those are just a few of the new additions to this year's Corn Fest, but don't worry, your old favourites are still a big part of the day. Baden musician Vanyah will entertain in the early evening on our main stage; Kid Zone will be back, and Erick Traplin will be there. Many more activities, live music, and displays will be announced over the next few weeks—you'll be delighted to see all we have planned!

Finally, it wouldn't be Corn Fest without fantastic food, and we've made sure you'll be well-fed. The Baden Firefighters will once again tempt you with a hearty breakfast, and of course the Corn Roast Supper will be the headline event of the day, with a generous meal of local meats, salads made with local produce, and of course, local corn-on-the-cob!

Castle Kilbride, food and craft vendors, farm equipment displays, and Cornelius T. Cobb—there's lots more happening, but we're out of time for now. See you next month, but for more information any time, just visit us at www.badencornfest.ca, and get ready to Get Your Cob On—again!

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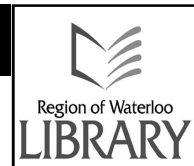
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Swim! Bike! Run!

The Wilmot Aquatic Aces are hosting the third annual Kids' Triathlon on Sunday, May 31st, 2015 at the Wilmot Recreation Complex in Baden. Children ages 3-14 can come out to try this non-competitive sporting event. Children start the race in the pool and can wear a life jacket if they wish. Once they are out of the pool, kids run over to the transition zone located in the fenced-off parking lot to put on a helmet and grab their bikes. Once the distance on the traffic-free bike route is completed, kids will place their bikes back in the transition zone and head out for the run. Depending on the age of the child, loops will be completed with parents and volunteers cheering them on. For the youngest age group of 3-5 year olds, one parent is allowed to participate to assist their transition, or in the pool. With the registration fee, participants will receive a triathlon t-shirt, food, medal, and more! No experience is necessary to come out and participate! Just give it a "tri!" If you would like to register, please visit www.aceswim.ca. Online registration opens March 1st with early bird discounts and multiple family member discounts! An event of this size requires a lot of volunteers and business sponsorship, so please consider giving by emailing Sherilyn Van De Wynckel at kidstri@aceswim.ca.



Checking Out the Baden Library



Thank You to our Volunteers

National Volunteer Week takes place April 12-18 and is a time to recognize and thank volunteers. We are very grateful for the volunteers who give their time and talents here at the Baden Branch Library.

Thank you to Angela Collins for leading the **Baden Book Worms Kids Book Club** (for ages 7 to 9) which meet monthly from October to May. There are 12 local children in this group who have been reading many different types of book genres and formats. They also enjoy participating in activities, crafts, and games relating to the book read each month.

Thank you to Kaitlyn Bilton who helps with the **Baden Book Worms**, as well as other special children's events at the library.

Thank you to Ally Schuller who helps with the **Baden Book Worms** as well as assists with other library duties once a month.

If you are interested in helping with a kids' book club, have a special talent to share, or wish to volunteer in any capacity, please speak with Chris Baechler.

Spring Storytime Programs

Programs (unless otherwise noted) begin the week of April 6 and run for eight weeks. Please note we now offer online registration for all programs. The library will no longer accept email registrations. Contact any library branch for help.

Children are welcome to register for programs at any library branch. Library programs are free and require advanced registration (unless otherwise indicated). Space is limited. More information is available on our website.

Registration Dates:

March 10: Registration for children new to a program begins. Register by phone or in-person at the library.
March 11: Registration for returning children begins. Register online, by phone, or in-person.

Baby & Me – for parents and babies 0 to 11 months

Thursdays: 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Stories, songs, rhymes, and sensory activities!

Wonderful Ones – for parents and 1 year olds

Thursdays: 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Stories, songs, rhymes, and activities!

Toddler Tales – for parents and 2 year olds

Tuesdays: 10:15-10:45 a.m. **OR** 11-11:45 a.m.

Stories, songs, rhymes, and activities!

Storytime - for children ages 3 to 5

Tuesday **OR** Thursday mornings: 9:15-10 a.m.

Stories, songs, games, and crafts!

Technology Tutoring on Tuesdays

Need help with your computer, tablet, or ereader? We can help! Book a free session with a computer coach for one-on-one assistance.

Choose from the following spring dates: Tues. April 7, April 28, May 12, May 26 or June 9. Times offered can be found on our website or at the library. Sign up for a session by registering online or by calling the library. More information can be found on the library website under: *Programs and Events, Technology Training, Technology Training Calendar.*

Would you be interested in coming out to an information meeting about a specific topic? For example, how to use Twitter or other social media? Let us know what you would like to learn more about!

Forest of Reading for Adults

The **2015 Evergreen Award** nominees have been announced. Read at least five of the 10 books to be eligible to vote for your favourite. See the complete list of Forest of Reading Books on our website.

Cards and Fobs

Just like any card in in your wallet with your name on it, your library card is an important and valuable item. Your library card **must** be presented each time you borrow library materials. Do you often forget to bring your card? Get the key fob! Replacement cards with key fobs are only \$2. (New memberships are free!)

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WODSS New Dundee Optimist Youth Appreciation Award winners were honoured at the annual Optimist Youth Appreciation Awards dinner, held on Tuesday, February 24 in New Dundee. These individuals are recognized for their positive attitude, strong work ethic, respect and compassion for others, and set a good example for their peers.



Left to Right Front Row: Liam Henderson, Charmian Wenger, Cassidy Wagler, Lillie Proksch, Ashley Sherk
 Back Row, Left to Right: David Otterbein, Jacob Flood, Mitchell Davidson, Kurt Beswick
 Absent from photo: Katherine Smith, Nick Smith, Lukas Habel and Nathaniel Hammer

WODSS Optimist Club of Wilmot Youth Appreciation Award winners were honoured at the annual awards dinner, held on Thursday, February 26 in Haysville. Students are nominated and recognized for their contributions to their school and community. They are the young people who go the extra mile in helping and making a difference in their school and beyond. The Optimist Club of Wilmot honours one male and one female from each of the schools in Wilmot Township.

Seen are the very deserving recipients for 2015 from Waterloo-Oxford District Secondary School — Blake Schwartzentruber and Natalie Weber.



The WCSSAA Alpine Ski competition held at Beaver Valley on Thursday, Feb. 5. The results are:
 Girls Level One - First Place
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 Boys Individual - Second Place, Adam Wurzbacher
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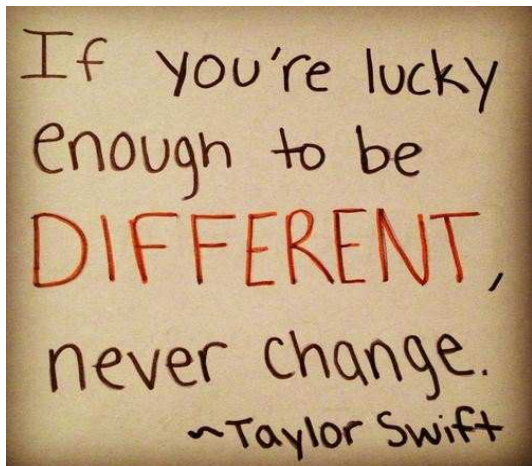
Every year, the Optimist Club of Wilmot approaches all 8 of the schools in Wilmot Township asking the teachers to select 2 students, one boy and one girl, to receive the Optimist Youth Appreciation Award.

“These students are not recognized for their academic success but for their contribution to their school community. As a service organization we feel that it is important to encourage young people to volunteer in their community from very early in their career. We are looking for the students who go that extra step, who are often the unsung heroes of the school, always quick to help, making it seem like it is effortless.” – *excerpt taken from letter sent to schools.*



The following is a list of the recipients:

- Holy Family Catholic School** – Justin Kipfer and Stephanie Pavey
- Baden Public School** – Ryan Vaudry and Rachel Habermehl
- Sir Adam Beck Public School** – Ben Herrle and Kate Thomas
- New Dundee Public School** – Maggie Cannon
- Waterloo Oxford DSS** – Blake Schwartzentruber and Natalie Weber



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While February is National Pet Dental Health Month, dental health should be a daily ritual for pet owners all year long.

We all enjoy sharing affection with our furry friends, but there's nothing worse than getting a slobbery wet kiss from a dog or a cat with bad breath! Bad breath, also known as halitosis, is generally caused by excessive build-up of odor-producing bacteria inside your pet's mouth, lungs, or even gut. Most cases of bad breath in dogs and cats are due to the build-up of bacteria in the mouth due to poor oral hygiene. In fact, bad breath is the most common warning sign of dental disease. Periodontal disease starts out as plaque. Plaque is a biofilm that contains bacteria which causes gingivitis. Over time, plaque hardens, forming a substance known as tartar. Plaque and tartar lead to swollen, inflamed gums, along with bad breath. The bacteria that builds up in the mouth can gain access to the blood stream through these inflamed gums. When this happens, the kidneys, heart muscle and liver can be damaged. Pets with severe periodontal disease have more severe microscopic damage in these organs than do pets with less severe periodontal disease.



The best cure for bad breath is to prevent it before it happens. In order to best keep your pet's breath under control, veterinarians recommend that pet owners brush their pet's teeth on a daily basis. Brushing teeth is the best way to cut back on tartar buildup and help control bad breath. Additionally, making sure your pet is on a healthy diet is also important. Your veterinarian can recommend diets that are formulated to help reduce tartar and encourage good oral health - the food actually brushes their teeth while they are chewing! During your pet's annual examination, your pet's teeth will be examined and recommendations can be made to help improve oral health and in turn your pet's overall well-being.

It's cold out there!
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We love our pets so don't
make them the bad guys!



Please be responsible when out walking your dog and pick up after him!! It's been reported that there is poop on the sidewalks and kids are stepping in it and bringing it to school. Yuck! Do you want that on YOUR shoes or in YOUR house? Ah...no?!

Please take your bag and scoop the poop, and dispose in an appropriate place and remember — it is the law!

LET US ENTERTAIN YOU!

... ANSWERS ARE ON PAGE 23

Below are 20 scrambled Baden street names—
They are in alphabetical order and we have given
you the first letter.
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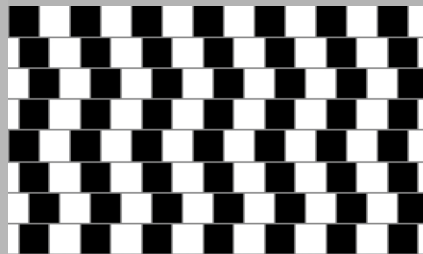
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9. GERCHINGI _____
10. HGINSSTA _____
11. HREDONCHI _____
12. LGITVINSON _____
13. LISOUA _____
14. OSHEC _____
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Family Ties

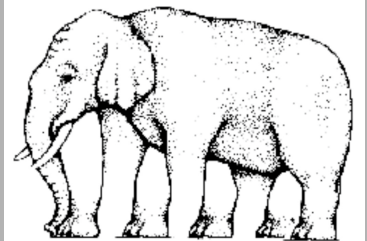
Each group contains four unrelated words. Without rearranging the letters, simply change one letter in each of the words to form related words. (Example: Rise, Lilt, Patsy and Ires – would be Rose, Lily, Pansy and Iris).

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|----------|------|-------|-------|
| 1. MARRY | GRAD | FOLLY | HARPY |
| 2. ITCH | LARD | MINE | FORT |
| 3. NOSH | EWE | SOUTH | CHIP |
| 4. CUB | HIKE | BUT | TRICK |
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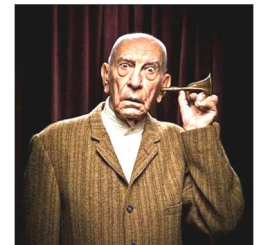
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You Must Be Joking!!



An elderly gentleman had serious hearing problems for a number of years. He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the gentleman to hear 100%.

The elderly gentleman went back in a month to the doctor and the doctor said, "Your hearing is perfect. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again." The gentleman replied, "Oh, I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!"



Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical. A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.

A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?" Morris replied, "Just doing what you said, Doc: Get a hot mamma and be cheerful."

The doctor said, "I didn't say that... I said, You've got a heart murmur; be careful."

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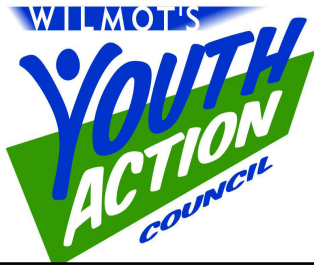
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On February 14th, Wilmot's Youth Action Council had a blast hosting the *Snow Ball*, a Valentine's Day dance for local students, grades 5-8. From dancing with friends to snapping pics in the photo booth, it was certainly a night to remember!

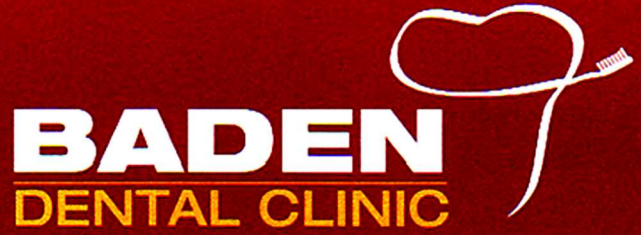
Stay tuned for the dates of our upcoming dances!

Sad you missed out? Don't worry, there are still plenty of opportunities to join in the fun! Be on the look-out for:

- ⇒ **PG PJ Movie Marathon** hosted by Wilmot's Junior Youth Action Council – Saturday, March 14th from 6-10pm in the Youth Centre, \$2 per person
- ⇒ **St. Patrick's Day Skate**, \$3 per person – Sunday, March 15th from 2:30-4:20
- ⇒ **Old Barn Classic Ball Hockey tournament** – Saturday, April 18th from 10am-6pm. Email us to register your team of 3-6 people and a goalie for \$20. Please bring your own equipment!

We look forward to seeing you, and don't forget, it's never too late to join us or the JR Council! Contact wilmotyouthactioncouncil@gmail.com for more information.

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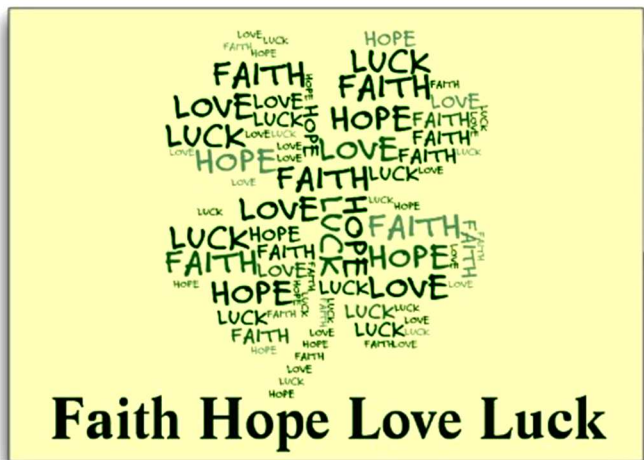
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Two Foxboro men were discussing their most recent computer problems and related technical issues. "It's a sad state of affairs, Bill. I can never seem to remember my website password, so in desperation I changed it to 'incorrect'. Now, whenever I log in to the my website and enter the wrong password, the computer always reminds me ...

'Your password is incorrect'.



Faith Hope Love Luck

Ask Armand ~



Julie from Baden asks - When did Baden have its first Post Office?

Armand says—Good question Julie! Jacob Beck was Baden's first postmaster in 1857. The first official post office was located at the corner of Snyder's Road and Brewery Street (Central House) and the postmaster was Mr. Boye. The post office moved several times, starting with a frame building at the east corner of Foundry and Snyder's with Fred Holwell as postmaster. After Mr. Holwell's death in 1920 it moved to the west side of Foundry to the drug store, where Mr. H.C. Schumm was postmaster. After his death the post office was relocated to Snyder's Road (the building to the west of the Baden Library). There were several postmasters at that site including Albert Everts, Ella Schmidt, and Betty Uttley. The postal outlet eventually moved to Castleview Variety (now Diggs Music store) and then to its current location at Mars Variety on Snyder's Road East.

You Must Be Joking!!



A man is driving along a highway and sees a rabbit jump out across the middle of the road. He swerves to avoid hitting it, but unfortunately the rabbit jumps right in front of the car. The driver, a sensitive man as well as an animal lover, pulls over and gets out to see what has become of the rabbit. Much to his dismay, the rabbit is the Easter Bunny, and he is DEAD. The driver feels so awful that he begins to cry.

A beautiful blonde woman driving down the highway sees the man crying on the side of the road and pulls over. She steps out of the car and asks the man what's wrong.

"I feel terrible," he explains, "I accidentally hit the Easter Bunny with my car and KILLED HIM."

The blonde says, "Don't worry." She runs to her car and pulls out a spray can. She walks over to the limp, dead Easter Bunny, bends down, and sprays the contents onto him. The Easter Bunny jumps up, waves its paw at the two of them and hops off down the road.



Ten feet away he stops, turns around and waves again, hops down the road another 10 feet, turns and waves, hops another 10 feet, turns and waves, and repeats this again and again and again and again, until he hops out of sight. The man is astonished. He runs over to the woman and demands, "What is in that can? What did you spray on the Easter Bunny?"

The woman turns the can around so that the man can read the label. It says.. "Hair Spray —Restores life to dead hair, and adds permanent wave."

Baden Outlook Hockey Pool Stats

ADULTS			KIDS		
Place	Name	PTS	Place	Name	PTS
1	Leanne Kropf	688	1	Aiden Kropf	673
2	Phylis Sisco	681	2	Elias Bizony	667
3	Earl Nickolas	675	3	Jared Vandervelde	661
4	Wayne Weicker	674	4	Jakob Gingerich	656
5	EYEMCDN	670	T5	Hayden Jack	654
T6	Prince of Hidaway	669	T5	Nathan Boronka	654
T6	Brad Chard	669	7	Josh Durrer	653
8	Justin Williams	665	8	Noah Lichti	651
9	Sadie Williams	662	T9	Evan Bizony	643
T10	Duane Gingerich	661	T9	Rowan Dibben	643
T10	Beth Martin	661	T11	Sarah Miller	639
T10	Alf Crabbe	661	T11	Jacob Durrer	639
T13	Shayne Kelly	659	13	Payton Egli	638
T13	Nick Pokorny	659	T14	Jordy Ertel	635
T15	Bailey Bechthold	658	T14	Garrett Lichti	635
T15	Rachel Gondosch	658	16	Ethan Lichti	633
17	Ricky Barchelli	656	17	Alyssa Gingerich	632
18	Isaiah Ruby	655	18	Nolan Snook	631
19	Tim Wenn	654	19	Daniel Kreller	630
20	Kari Anne Jokic	653	20	Blake Boshart	629
T21	Armand Weiler	652	21	Paige Naumann	628
T21	Sharon Williams	652	22	Taylor Naumann	627
23	Dayle Miller	651	23	Spencer Boshart	626
T24	Steve Gardman	649	24	Meghan Mueller	625
T24	Sue Struth	649	25	Tanner Schwartzentruber	624
T24	Pat Beaver	649	T26	Jack Papa	621
27	Bob Brydon	648	T26	Mitchell Wilhelm	621
28	Steve Roth	646	28	Kaden Eichler	618
T29	Mary Lou Gingerich	645	T29	Sheanne McGrath	617
T29	Paul Blinkhorn	645	T29	Cooper Hill	617

**Congratulations to
 Leanne Kropf for taking the
 Adult Leader Prize for this
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**The leader of the Kids Hockey Pool
 is Elias Bizony, winning a gift
 certificate from Riverside Lanes.**

*(Remember Aiden, you can only win the leader board
 once, but good luck winning the year end prize!)*

**The lucky random draw winner is
 Brayden Gingerich winning
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Murphy told Quinn that his wife was
 driving him to drink. Quinn thinks he's
 very lucky because his own wife makes him walk.



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 password of "guest". Have Fun and Good Luck!



You Must Be Joking!!



Snow Ploughing in Creemore

On a bitterly cold winter morning, an Irish husband and wife in Creemore, Ireland were listening to the radio during breakfast. They heard the announcer say, "We are going to have 8 to 10 inches of snow today. You must park your car on the even-numbered side of the street, so the snow ploughs can get through."

So the good wife went out and moved her car.

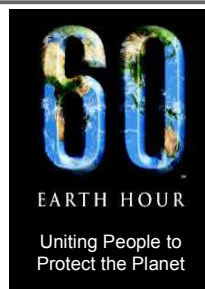
A week later while they are eating breakfast again, the radio announcer said, "We are expecting 25 to 30 centimetres of snow today. You must park your car on the odd-numbered side of the street, so the snow ploughs can get through." The good wife went out and moved her car again.

The next week they are again having breakfast, when the radio announcer says, "We are expecting 30 to 35 centimetres of snow today. You must park..." Then the electric power went out. The good wife was very upset, and with a worried look on her face she said, "I don't know what to do. Which side of the street do I need to park on so the snow ploughs can get through?" Then with the love and understanding in his voice that all men who are married exhibit, the husband replied,

"Why don't you just leave the car in the garage this time."

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If you are a sensitive die-hard Toronto Maple Leaf fan then I suggest you turn the page now. If you have a funny-bone then dive in... and remember these jokes get sent to us!

- ⇒ What do a recent high-school dropout and the Maple Leafs have in common?
—They're both young, have no goals, and no prospects.
- ⇒ What do the Leafs and a fine wine have in common?
—They both spend a lot of time in the cellar, cost too much, and are only enjoyed on select occasions.
- ⇒ What do the Maple Leafs and the Titanic have in common?
—They both look good until they hit the ice.
- ⇒ Why is the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto?
—It's the only way Leafs fans can see the Stanley Cup.
- ⇒ What do the Toronto Maple Leafs and possums have in common?
—Both play dead at home and get killed on the road.



One of the quirkiest birds in Waterloo Region during breeding season is the American Woodcock (AMWO). Classified as a shorebird, it is closely related to sandpipers, but it chooses to live in young shrubby deciduous forests and moist, old fields far from a shoreline. Like grouse and pheasant, it is considered a game bird, even though it weighs 25% less than a Rock Pigeon! Besides these human-imposed oddities, it is also unique physically. Seeing this short-legged, plump-bodied, beady-eyed, long-beaked bird is always a surprise. Some observers jokingly suggest it was assembled from leftover parts.



Oddities aside, it is an incredibly well-adapted bird. The woodcock stalks its prey by walking slowly and listening for movement below the soil surface. Its 6 to 7.5 cm long beak is probed into soft soil, searching for its favourite prey: earthworms. When one is found, the bird ably opens just the very tip of its long beak, grasping the prey and pulling it from the ground without opening the full length of its beak! Its nostrils are placed very near the skull, allowing the bird to make use of the full length of this specially adapted probing beak. The AMWO, aka Bogsucker or Timberdoodle, can eat up to its own body weight in worms a day. It also consumes snails, beetles, crickets, and grasshoppers.

Its large bulging eyes are placed well back and high on its head, giving it the unique ability to see a full 360 degrees. These well-placed eyes allow it to probe for food, yet still have a clear view of its entire surroundings. This unusual eye placement means its ears are found in front of its eyes. Additionally, its

brain is upside down, unique among birds, and is positioned below its eyes.

The Timberdoodle is possibly best known for its spectacular flight display, a song and flight routine designed to attract female attention. In late March, the male AMWO chooses a "singing ground" territory, an open area of young seedlings or an old field with a scattering of small trees. The

male begins his serenade at last light by issuing a series of loud buzzy "peents." He then takes to the air, wing feathers emitting a twittering sound as he ascends in a widening spiral before disappearing in the darkening sky. Once reaching a height of about 300 feet, he begins a zigzag descent while uttering a chirping sound, becoming silent just before landing near his takeoff point. If impressed, a female flies in. After mating she leaves the immediate area and has sole responsibility for rearing young. The male returns to his attention seeking ritual and will do so for the following month.

Meanwhile, the female clears a small depression in leaf litter as her nest. She lays one egg a day and, once completing the normal clutch of four eggs, begins a 21 day incubation period. Adult Timberdoodles are amazingly well camouflaged and only flush from a nest when almost stepped upon. The equally well camouflaged chicks are precocious and leave the nest within hours of hatching. The hen broods her chicks frequently at first but they grow and learn to find their own food quickly. Within one month the young are almost as large as their parents and fly skillfully, and after two months, they are ready to continue in the wingbeats of their uniquely adapted parents.



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LEMON SQUEEZER

At a local bar in downtown Courtenay....
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Many people had tried over the years: weightlifters, longshoremen, etc., but nobody had ever been able to do it.

One day, this scrawny little fellow came into the bar, wearing thick glasses and a polyester suit. He sat down, ordered a glass of draft, & started looking around the bar.

After reading the sign on the wall about the lemon challenge, he said in a small voice:

"I was just reading your sign, and I'd like to try the bet."

After the laughter had died down, the bartender said: "Ok." He grabbed a lemon and squeezed the heck out of it, then handed the wrinkled remains of the rind to the little fellow.

But the crowd's laughter turned to total silence—as the man clenched his little fist around the lemon and six drops fell into the glass.



As the crowd cheered, the bartender paid the guy his \$1000, and then asked the little man:

"Do you mind if I ask what do you do for a living? Are you a lumberjack, a weight-lifter, or what?"

The little fellow quietly replied:

"I work for Revenue Canada."

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"Spaghetti"

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To keep it discreet, he told her to simply mail him a postcard and write "Spaghetti" on the back when the child was born. He would then arrange for the Child Support Payments to begin.

One day, about 8 months later, he came home to his confused wife. "Honey, you received a very strange postcard today."

"Oh, just give it to me and I'll explain it later," he said.

The wife agreed and watched as her husband read the card, turned white, and fainted.



On the card was written:

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Improving the Health of our Community ~ Depression Among Teens, Part 1

By Melodie O'Connell MSW RSW



The statistics are alarming. Depression among teens is on the rise. Twenty-four percent of all deaths among 15-24 years olds are the result of suicide. Suicide is 4x higher for men than women. Five percent of male youth and 12% of female youth will experience a major depressive episode during this period in their lives.

Recognizing depression in teens can be very difficult. We may dismiss some of the symptoms as hormonal, or the "rebellious teenage years." We often hope or expect that our youth will mature out of this phase. However, if we dismiss all of these signs, we may miss some of the early warning signs of depression.

Some of the early warning signs may include (but are not limited to):

- ◆ Changes in feelings – We may notice that our teens are unhappy, lonely, angry, or worried. They may also be feeling rejected over a relationship loss, struggling academically, or by not getting into a college or university program that they had hoped for.
- ◆ Changes in physical health – Some of the changes in physical health include feeling tired all of the time or having difficulties eating or sleeping. They could be gaining or losing weight unexpectedly. They could also

be complaining of general aches and pains, including headaches.

- ◆ Changes in thinking patterns – We may notice that they have difficulty concentrating or completing tasks at school. They may struggle with low self-esteem or self-dislike and talk about themselves using negative terms. They may also show signs of thinking about suicide.
- ◆ Changes in behaviour – You may notice that they withdraw from others, or cry easily. They may show less interest in sports, games, or other activities that they previously enjoyed.

We often ask the question, "What causes depression in teens?" or "Where did it come from?" There are a number of contributing factors for depression in teens, and it is not an exact science. It is often like trying to solve a puzzle. We look at the pieces that we have, and try to figure it out. If there is a family history of depression or some other mental illness, this may increase the likelihood of depression for some youth. There may also be some life events that contribute to a depressive episode. Major life events may include a change in the family make-up (separation or divorce), loss of a close family member or friend, history of abuse, bullying or other trauma, certain medications, or illness. Another contributing factor may be experimentation or use of any drug including marijuana.

We may often feel overwhelmed trying to help support our children or others we know who struggle with depression. Next month, we will look at some of the ways to help support teens with depression.

*** This article is not intended to diagnose depression. If you are feeling some of these symptoms, please speak to your health care provider. If you are struggling with suicidal ideation, call the mobile crisis # or go to your local ER.

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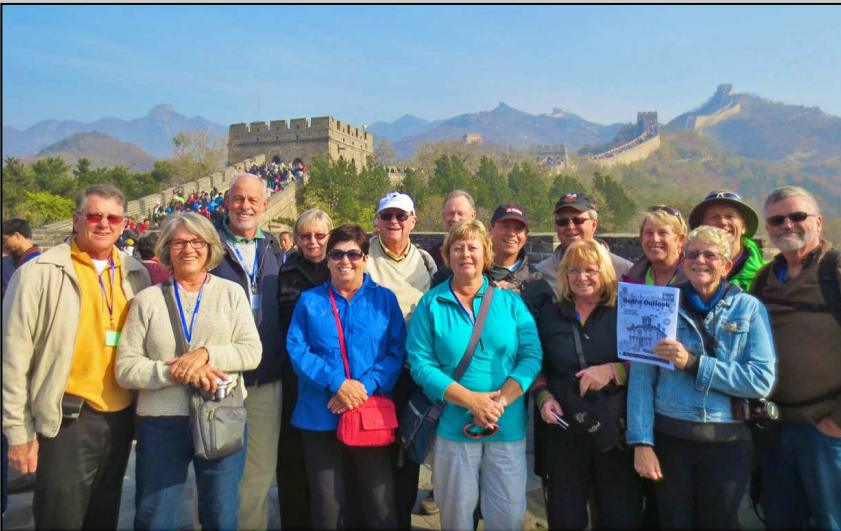
Wow! More exciting destinations as *The Baden Outlook* continues to travel ...



Elaine, Sierra, and Brooke Bechthold took the Outlook on their recent mission trip to Potosi, Nicaragua. A team of people from Faith Lutheran Church, as well as other Lutheran churches in Ontario and British Columbia, held a Vacation Bible School in Potosi and gave gifts of toys and school supplies to the children. The attached picture shows some of the VBS students holding crafts that they made.



A group from Morningside took the Baden Outlook along on their vacation to Varadero, Cuba.



The *Stonecroft Dirty Dozen* travelled to China with their Baden Outlook and visited the Great Wall. Seen in photo are: John and Carole Russell, Joan and Al McLennan, Sharon and John Ross, Ted Clark, Mary-Anne Holmes, Sharon Brennan, Karen Morris, Dave Connolly, Peter Morris



Deb Vinski took her Outlook to dinner at Kiki's Club in Varadero, Cuba.

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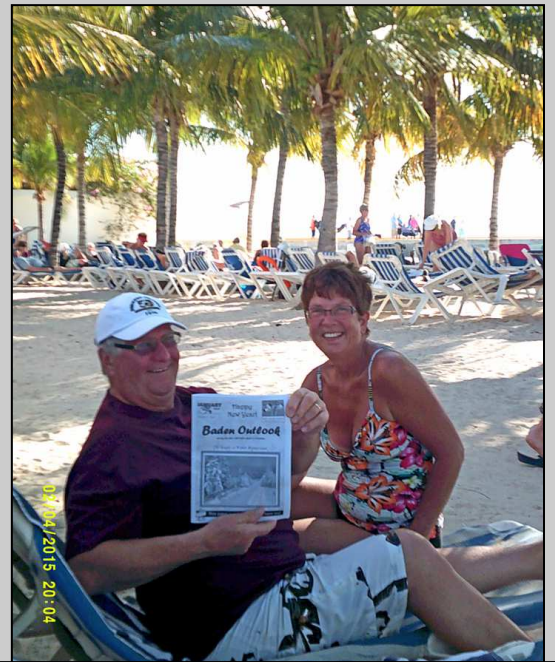
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The Baden Outlook went along on a Caribbean cruise with Arden and Garth Linton aboard the Royal Princess, living the dream on the beach in Grand Turk.



Don Worthington and Ron Grant took their Baden Outlook along to the sunny south at Varadero, Cuba.



Bob and Doreen Brydon took their Outlook to Varadero, Cuba and on a day trip to Havana, with son Larry and daughter-in-law Kirsteen.

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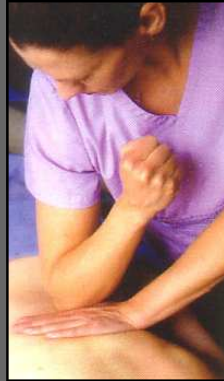
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Keeping Children Organized

This is a topic that is always on my mind. I have three girls ranging in age from 9-14. How do I keep them on track? I'm going to share some ideas for keeping their toys organized when they were younger.



Most importantly – set them up for success:

- * Make it easy to clean up.
- * Open bins – so it is easy to put away. In addition they can take the bin wherever they want to play.
- * Label with words (but when they were younger, I used pictures of the toy).
- * TEACH them how to clean up.
- * TEACH them they can have two toys out at a time—clean up when finished before getting a new toy.
- * **Simplify** – have them go through toys and pick out ones to give away or pass onto friends.
- * Rotate toys – when there are too many out, they are overstimulated and can't decide which one to play with.
- * Use a timer/stopwatch on phone for clean-up—make it fun by singing songs.

What do you do with all those stuffed animals?

- * Hang netting or hammock to hold stuffed animals.
- * Use a plastic sled for under-bed storage.
- * Donate some to the Thrift Store.

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Answer from puzzles on page 10

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| 2. BREWERY | 12. LIVINGSTON |
| 3. BRUBACHER | 13. LOUISA |
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| 2. ITCH | LARD | MINE | FORT |
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HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT MATTRESS

By Dr. John A. Papa, DC, FCCP(C)

Choosing the right mattress can go a long way to determine the quality of your sleep. Using a mattress that does not provide adequate support and comfort can also be a significant source of muscle and joint pain, especially in the shoulder, back, and hip regions.

The right mattress is usually defined as any mattress that helps a person sleep well, so that they wake up feeling rested and without pain and stiffness. However, there is no single best mattress for everyone as there are a variety of factors that go into choosing the right mattress.



Below are some useful tips that can help you find the mattress that's right for you:

- ◆ **Consider how your mattress is made.** Mattress support is determined by the internal architecture of the mattress. This can include innerspring coil mattresses (most common), memory foam, latex, and air mattresses. Each offer different degrees of support and comfort. Some manufacturers also include additional padding on top of the mattress for extra comfort, but this may not be necessary for all individuals.
- ◆ **Sleep experts recommend replacing your mattress on average every 8-10 years or sooner.** Look for visible sagging and/or material breakdown as a sign to replace your mattress. Over time, mattresses collect dust mites and other germs that can exacerbate allergies and impact sleep. In addition, our bodies change over time and an old mattress that had originally been comfortable may no longer be providing the comfort and support it once did.
- ◆ **Your physical health and your mattress.** Sleeping with painful conditions such as osteoarthritis, hip bursitis, and

degenerative disc disease can be minimized by choosing the right mattress. You can also incorporate additional sleep positioning tips to get the most comfort out of your mattress.

- ◆ **Try before you buy.** Lay on a variety of mattresses (i.e. *firm, medium, pillow top*) for at least 10-15 minutes in several simulated sleep positions to get a sense of how the mattress feels.
- ◆ **Shop at stores that specialize in mattresses.** These stores will offer a diverse range of choices and other important factors such as manufacturer and comfort warranties.
- ◆ **The right mattress achieves a balance between comfort and support.** A mattress that is too firm may cause pain in pressure points such as the hips. A mattress that is too soft may not offer enough support and cause pain and stiffness. Most people do well with a medium-firm mattress. However, at the end of the day, a person's overall comfort level will determine which mattress is right for them.

If you experience muscle and joint pain that is causing difficulty with your sleep, you should contact a licensed health professional who deals in the diagnosis and treatment of these conditions. For more information, visit www.nhwc.ca.

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Interesting People: Meet Stephen and Tricia Preston

Stephen and Tricia Preston are local Badenites who have never done things the normal way. From how they first connected in Burkina Faso, Africa, to their cinematic wedding, to having their children born at home, they have tended to do things differently. As creative people, they tend to not like being boxed into a typical way of life.

They love to create, explore, and live life with fun and adventure. They are entrepreneurs at heart, and they both love and make a living from the arts. Stephen teaches music lessons, and Tricia teaches kids' art lessons, and they have recently begun a creative business called Funtastical Studios. (www.funtasticalstudios.com)

A little over a year ago, Tricia decided that she wanted to develop her skill more, and began taking some art coaching sessions online. It was through those sessions that she stumbled into her unique style and approach to her art. Doodling was the key for her, and as she started to doodle, she began to see worlds and creatures forming in her sketch book. Her art coach noticed this as well and the idea of creating a children's book began to take shape.

As Tricia developed her doodles, a story began to take shape in her mind. She shared it with Steve, and he began to



catch the vision as well. Steve took Tricia's story idea and put fun rhymes to it. Once the concepts for the story and illustrations had been drafted, they began to work on layout, design, fundraising, and self-publishing. After a very successful crowd-funding campaign, they released their book in late November of last year and promptly sold out their first printing of

the books.

"On Top Of the World" is a whimsical story following the adventures of Jack the Explorer, an explorer and inventor who creates a funtastical trip to the top of the world. The book encourages kids to be dreamers and to live the adventure of life. "We want people to dream, and to not be afraid to go after those dreams," says Stephen. "We're trying to do just that. It's a life full of challenges, but also with great rewards and we wouldn't want it any other way!"

If you are interested in finding out more about Stephen and Tricia, or if you are interested in music or art lessons, contact them at funtasticalstudios@gmail.com. If you would like to purchase a copy of their book, visit their webstore at www.funtasticalstudios.com. You can also follow them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/funtasticalstudios.

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Baden Real Estate Corner

I receive many questions about real estate in the Baden area, so I thought I would share a monthly column with answers to some frequently asked questions that may also be on your mind.

Here is a question that I hear often: *Should I wait until spring to sell my home?* That's a great question.

There are definitely more buyers out looking to purchase a home in the spring as opposed to the winter. Who wants to go out in the cold and hike through snow and slush in search of a dream home? Well I will tell you who... serious buyers! During the winter months, you will get a lot less "tire kickers" and there will also be much less sales competition with other homes in your area. Some families are on a tight timeline to find a home and will be looking no matter what time of year it is.

However, it is also important for you to consider when your home will show at its best. None of us here in Baden has beach front property or a lakeside view. But there may be some outdoor features of your home that you want to display. For instance, if you have extensive landscaping, a great water feature, or a beautiful in-ground pool, maybe the spring/summer season would show your house in the best possible light.

If you do decide to list your home in the winter, here are a few tips that may help you be more successful in a winter sale:

- Turn up the heat! Make your house warm and comfortable even if it is for the short time the house is being viewed.
- Make sure your gas or propane fireplace is on – this helps create a cozy and inviting atmosphere.
- Have pictures of your property in the summer and fall months (both front and back) available for prospective buyers to view.
- If you have a pool, ensure that you have copies of the paperwork showing proof that the pool was closed professionally.
- Keep your driveway and walkways clear of snow and ice to create a welcoming and safe environment for potential buyers.



~ Jon Lambert ~ Check back next month for more *Baden Real Estate News*.

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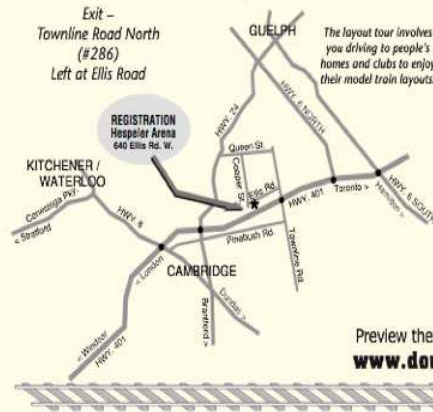



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Our fashion show features spring and summer fashions for all sizes. Showcasing their fashions will be the fashion boutique of Meadow Acres Garden Centre in Petersburg, which will indulge your every desire in upscale casual fashions to make you feel confident, whatever the occasion. Also showcasing their fashions will be The New Dundee Emporium Boutique, featuring Joseph Ribkoff, and Lisette*Zoe, both Canadian designers. Come to shop and stay for lunch. Book a free fashion consultation with Mark; let him show you fashions you would never have dared to try on. Enjoy our 'Savory & Sweet' buffet featuring hot and cold items with tea and coffee. We will also be featuring a vendor market.

Due to the support received at last year's fashion show, we have been able to purchase a 'hearing' dog from Dog Guides to

assist anyone who is deaf or hard of hearing. Dog Guides is a national project of the Lions Clubs across Canada, offering service to all Canadians with a wide range of medical or physical disabilities including: people who are blind or visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing, epilepsy, diabetic alert or children with autism. Our dog is presently at training school and we will attend its graduation at the end of April.

Tickets are \$30 and are available through Heart 'n Home Creations, 115 Peel Street, New Hamburg, or Meadow Acres Garden Centre, 2315 Queen Street, Petersburg, or The Emporium 169 Front Street, New Dundee, or by calling Lionesses Gail at 519-662-9790.

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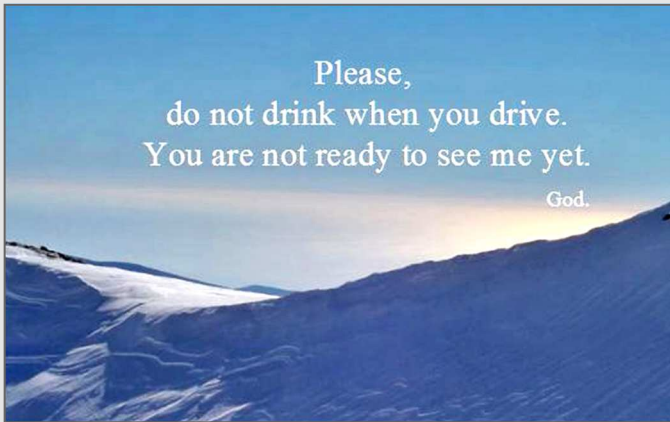
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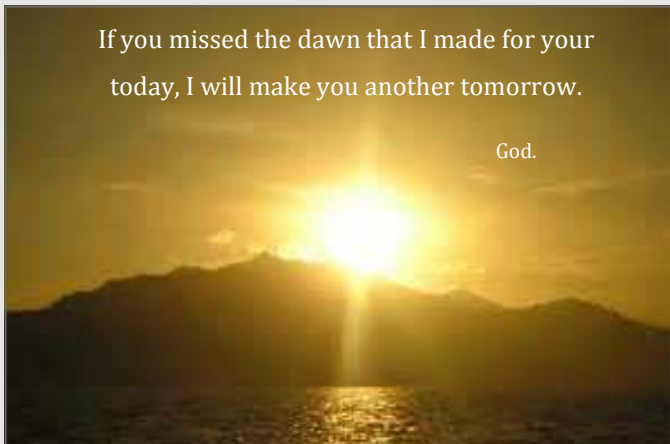
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The New Hamburg Thrift Centre appreciates the efforts that our supportive community makes to bring us donations in this cold weather, especially February and March, which are slower donation times.

If you are thinking of starting your spring cleaning early, March is the best time to donate clothing for all seasons. The cold snow has us still shopping for heavy coats and sweaters but also trusting that spring is just around the corner. What better antidote to winter blahs then sprucing up our spring wardrobes. Also, customers who go south shop for more summery items. Furniture donations are also down considerably. We provide a free pick-up service for anyone in the area who wants to donate large furniture items. We welcome all your donations of clothing, housewares, toys, linens, books, small appliances, etc.

The lack of donations over the cold months likely means the New Hamburg Thrift Centre will be inundated once spring arrives. If people can bring their donations in January, February and March, when people want them, we'll get a better value for them and you will have your spring cleaning done early so you can enjoy the nicer weather.

We thank you for taking the time to go over your items and bringing them to the store. Your donations make a difference to people in our community and support many programs around the world.



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You Must Be Joking!!



On the sixth day...

On the sixth day, God turned to Archangel Gabriel and said, "Today I am going to create a land called Canada. It will be a land of outstanding natural beauty. It shall have tall majestic mountains full of mountain goats and eagles, beautiful sparkling lakes bountiful with bass and trout, forests full of elk and moose, high cliffs over-looking sandy beaches with an abundance of sea life, and rivers stocked with salmon."

God continued, "I shall make the land rich in resources so as to make the inhabitants prosper, I shall call these inhabitants Canadians, and they shall be known as the friendliest people on the Earth."

"But Lord," asked Gabriel, "don't you think you are being too generous to these Canadians?"

"Not really," replied God...
"Just wait and see the winters I'm going to give them!"



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Roller Skating - Friday, 6:30-9 p.m. - Skate rentals are free so everyone will be able to join in the fun. Roller blades are welcome. 16 years and under must wear a helmet.

Coffee House - hosted by John Wiebe - Friday, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
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Wilmot Community Corner & Market – Saturday, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
“New this year”: sell your product if you are a business that works out of a commercially zoned area in Wilmot.

Read Well Day – Saturday, 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Literacy Activities and Storytimes
Join the Region of Waterloo Library, Wilmot Creative Beginnings Childcare Centre, New Hamburg Co-op Nursery School, YMCA Ontario Early Years Centre, and Wilmot Family Resource Centre. Visit the KWC Babywearing Group which will help find a carrier that works for you.

Community BBQ – Saturday, 12-1:30 p.m. Sponsored and served by the Township Council.

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Tri City Roller Derby (TCRD) is excited to be launching its 2015 season!

The first exciting event taking place will be on March 28th at the New Hamburg Arena at 251 Jacob St. TCRD was successful in its bid to host the tryouts for the provincial team, Team Ontario. As a result, the league will have highly talented skaters present, many who also play on the national team, Team Canada. To take advantage of the collective skill and experience, Team Ontario has agreed to play against Tri City Thunder, TCRD's Travel Team, that evening, to help them get ready for the season opener taking place a few weeks later on April 11th, also at the New Hamburg arena.

All 3 events are open to the public, and TCRD would love to introduce something new and exciting to the residents of Wilmot Township! The tryouts run from 9am-5pm on March 28th and cost \$5 for spectators. The game afterwards starts at 7 pm, with doors opening at 6pm, and costs \$12. Tickets are available online at Brown Paper tickets or can be bought at the door (cash only, please!)

2014 was an incredible year, especially for the travel team, Thunder, who broke into the top 40 teams of the world. There are currently over 300 leagues spanning the globe, with leagues in Australia, Sweden, Japan, and Brazil. TCRD hopes to push even further this year and make it to the Championships being held in St. Paul, Minnesota in November 2015.

If this all sounds interesting, it's not too late to strap on some skates and give it a shot! Our 2015 registration is still open, with training starting on March 22nd. We're looking for skaters, refs, and volunteers, so if you want to try something new, come talk to us!

Check us out at www.tricityrd.com

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I just took a leaflet out of my mailbox, informing me that I can have sex at 73.

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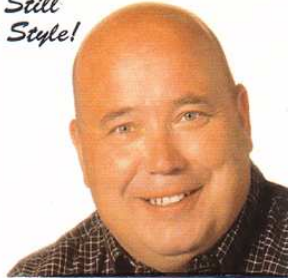


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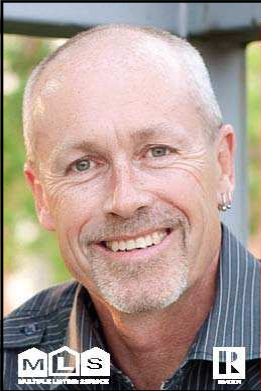
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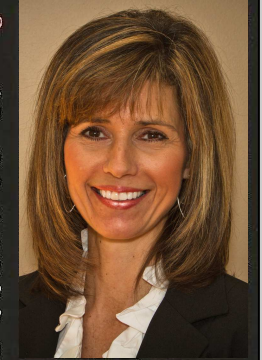
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- I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped onto their belt or purse. I can't afford one. So I'm wearing my garage door opener.
- I also made a cover for my hearing aid and now I have what they call blue teeth, I think.
- You know, I spent a fortune on deodorant before I realized that people didn't like me anyway.
- I was thinking that women should put pictures of missing husbands on beer cans!
- I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball but you are just too tired to bounce it.
- When people see a cat's litter box they always say, 'Oh, have you got a cat?' Just once I want to say, 'No, it's for company!'
- Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, 'An ambulance'.

Submitted by Robert Price

You Must Be Joking!!



Answering machine message —

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The Baden Outlook Baseball Pool

The Baden Outlook is eager for spring and excited to play baseball—*with you*, that is. Get your strategy caps on, grab a pencil, and check out the list of players below. This year we have added two boxes for pitchers with each win by a pitcher giving them two points. We have listed players with their home team and the home-run stats, pitchers with two points per win stats from last season. It's easy to play. Simply check one player from each box and we'll enter the data on the internet to create the stats. Each month (starting in May) we will show you the top leaders and announce the winners and their prizes. Last season there were over 200 entries and we're waiting for your entry forms to roll in.

Drop off your entry form at The Baden Outlook yard mailbox at 178 Snyder's Road E., Baden N3A 2V6 or put it in the mail by April 1st.

Rules:

- ⇒ Only one ballot per person.
- ⇒ Updates will be calculated on the 7th of each month (starting in May).
- ⇒ Prizes are given for most accumulated points, and we pull a random draw from the entry ballots each month. You are able to win the monthly leader prize only once, then it defaults to the 2nd, or 3rd place. You may still qualify for the year end prize.
- ⇒ No entry fee is required!
- ⇒ No trades or substitutions through the season.
- ⇒ Ties will be broken by the player whose points increased the most that month.

PRIZES TO BE WON EVERY MONTH!

To follow along during the season, log on to the pool website at www.badenoutlook.com - the pool I.D. is [outlookhomerun](http://www.badenoutlook.com) and the password is [quest](http://www.badenoutlook.com).

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- C. Carter / HOU = 37
- J. Abreu / CHW = 36
- J. Bautista / TOR = 35
- D. Ortiz / BOS = 35

- L. Duda / NYM = 30
- A. LaRoche / CHW = 26
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- C. Rasmus / HOU = 18
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- N. Cruz / SEA = 40
- M. Trout / LAA = 36
- E. Encarnacion / TOR = 34
- A. Rizzo / CHC = 32
- M. Cabrera / DET = 25

- R. Howard / PHI = 23
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- M. Brantley / CLE = 20

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- J. Werth / WAS = 16
- D. Wright / NYM = 8
- J. Votto / CIN = 6

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- J. Donaldson / TOR = 29
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- B. McCann / NYY = 23
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