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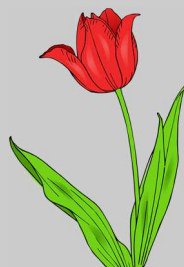


## TAKING PRIDE IN BADEN!

Despite the chilly cloudy day, Baden residents came together to clean the streets and collected 30 bags of garbage.

*Bring people together and beautifying our town!*

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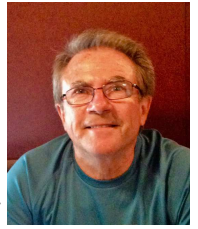
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### This paper is priceless - Please have one!

# Talking with Ed

~ Historically Speaking



One of the things that I have enjoyed over the years with the Outlook is learning the history of Wilmot Township. Most people are aware that the settlement of our township began in 1824, thanks to Christian Nafziger, but did you know that it was essentially settled in just twenty years? By 1830, the township had a population of 1272. This was due to the creation of roads throughout the township. The four roads – Huron, Bleams, Snyder's and Erb - made for easy access for settlers. The township was given the name Wilmot Township, presumably from Sir Robert John Wilmot Horton, who was involved with the Canada Land Company and was Secretary of State for War and the Colonies.

One of the first roads to be completed through Wilmot Township was the Huron Road, which ran from Hamilton to Goderich and was built in the early 1800s. This was an active stagecoach line and several towns grew from the creation of this road. Rosebank, Pinehill, Haysville, and Punkeydoodles Corners were all on the Huron Road. Rosebank received its name from the wild roses growing in the district. The first frame structure was built in 1830 by Jacob Bettschen on Lot 6, Concession 2, Block A; Jacob was also the first mayor of Wilmot Township. Similar to Rosebank, Pinehill was named due to the dense pine forest that grew between Rosebank and Pinehill. Haysville, which was originally called Jonesboro and then Wilmot, was a major stagecoach stop on the Huron Road. Its first postmaster was Robert Hayes, appointed in 1837. Haysville was a thriving community until the Grand Trunk Railroad came through Wilmot in 1857 and then the great flood of 1883 that severely damaged the town. Punkeydoodles Corners had a blacksmith shop and multiple taverns that served both locals and travelers. There are several theories on the creation of its name. One is that a German tavern keeper sang his version of Yankee Doodle which sounded like Punky Doodle. Another version is that Punkee Doodle was a real man who was not well liked. During an argument with a neighbour's wife, she yelled, "Why you Punkee Doodle You". Perhaps we will never know the answer.



Wilmot Centre Blacksmith Shop

The Creation of the three main roads, which were all named after mills, were a boom for Wilmot Township. Bleams Road had towns including Mannheim, Shingletown, Holland Mills, and New Hamburg. Mannheim was named after the German City on the Rhine River and was established in 1845 on Alder Creek. The first school in Mannheim was built in 1846 and the town had an early saw mill. Lutheran, Mennonite, and United Brethren churches were established, and several shops were opened to support local farmers. Shingletown was originally called Shindlesteddle and Victoriasburg. There was an industry of manufacturing shingles from 1852 to 1882 which gave it the town's current name. Wilmot Centre was the seat of the township government; the town hall was on the south side of Bleams Road. The town also had an inn, blacksmith shop, two churches and a school. Holland Mills, which was located between Haysville and New Hamburg, had a woolen mill and gristmill; like Haysville, it suffered major damage from the flood of 1883. Josiah Cushman was likely the first settler in New Hamburg in the early 1830s. Cushman dammed Smith's Creek and created a saw mill which attracted other settlers. The town, which was originally known as Cassel and then Hamburgh, changed its name to New Hamburg in 1840. The town was almost destroyed by an epidemic of cholera in the 1830s. William Scott arrived in 1838, after Cushman's death, and changed the name Smith's Creek to the Nith River. Scott, who played a major role in the town's history, built a new dam and sawmill which operated until 1902 when it burned down. B and W Feed and Seed is now at that location. The Grand

Trunk Railway came through in 1857 and by 1858, the population was 1,000; the settlement included many mills and factories, several general stores, and eight taverns. Population growth after the 1850s was slow until after World War II. In 1966 the population was large enough that New Hamburg received town status. In 1973 it was reorganized within the Regional Municipality of Waterloo and reverted to the status of a settlement within the Township of Wilmot.

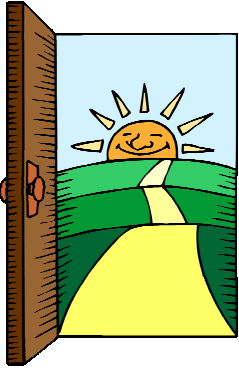
Stay tuned for part two next month—*Until then...Ed*

Photos and information courtesy of Heritage Wilmot and Waterloo Region Museum.



Shingletown manufactured shingles at one time, hence its name.

# Greetings from Headquarters ~



Yay... it's May! The month to open up the windows and let the fresh air in and hear the happy birds chirping in the morning—but really? I couldn't believe it when I looked at the clock and saw it was only 3:45 am and the chirping robins woke me up!! Just another sign of new energy going on, along with the blooming daffodils and tulips in the front flower bed! By next month the trees will be green and we will be in bare feet at the trailer! May is a great month to set up what's to come!



*I'll have to soon surrender and say goodbye to our mailbox photo and tuck it away into our archives... another piece of history.*

I hope you all had a lovely Easter. I enjoyed the warm and sunny Easter Monday as my family congregated at our new place. We hosted 18 people and sure broke the new house in—not to mention our house guests. Brother Ron and sister-in-law Gwen Cook came to visit from Calgary, giving our family another reason to celebrate. Mom says it sure is a lot for her to take in but she loves watching all of us jabbering away and enjoying each other...just like a mom!

The paper brought me many smiles again this month, but I have to say the travel photo with Grandpa Taylor reading to his grandson did it for me... the child truly looks interested, so kudos to grandpa for working the story (but now I wonder exactly what you were reading?!). I was also very proud of Baden, as so many worked hard celebrating Earth Day and cleaning up our town, as you will see in the upcoming photos.

Have a good look at the Canada Linc ad on page 5; they are looking for local families to host a student from France or Spain. Give them a call and learn more about it and see if it would work for you! Check out what else you will see in this issue...

- \* The hunt is on for the key! Who will win the \$5000 dollars from Wilmot Key Quest? This has been so much fun, so be sure to watch for the June issue to reveal the grand winner!
- \* There will be lots of action coming up as the Mennonite Relief Sale brings thousands of people to New Hamburg, not to mention the many local garage sales coming up. Speaking of action, check out the article on pages 36-37 for the recap of the filming of Anne that came to town last month.
- \* The Baseball Association had their annual awards night and shared the winners with us, as seen on page 39. Try to get out this summer for a walk to the local ball diamonds and cheer on a team, or just enjoy the game.
- \* You will see in Barry's article some very interesting history he came across from Heritage Wilmot and Waterloo Region Museum. He was very excited to share this information but he reached his article word count, so he will be sharing the rest of the article next month.

*Yay, it's May! Finally the worms are available and not beneath the snow or frozen mud. I'm a bit noisy right now as I have much to do before the babies arrive. If you hear my chirping after dark that means I am still looking for a mate...wish me luck!*



## EXTRA EXTRA!!

You'll find us around the 15th of each month, available at over 80 places within Wilmot Township, while quantities last.

*The best things in life are free - like blooming flowers and the chirping robins in the budding trees... and this paper ~ Please Have One!*

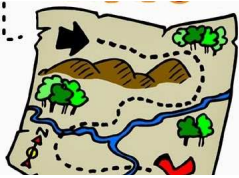


# Checking out the Baden Library



## Wilmot Wild at the Library

On Wednesday, May 29 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. players from the Wilmot Wild Lacrosse Team will join us in fun challenges at the library! Come out and learn more about lacrosse too. All ages welcome.



## Geocaching 101

Come out on Saturday, June 1 from 11 – noon and get an introduction to play this real-world, treasure hunting game! You will then have an

opportunity to try your new skills in locating nearby geocaches. Please bring your own device with you. Registration is required.

## Book Club at EJ's

In May the book club will discuss *Wake* by Canadian author, Robert J. Sawyer. *Wake* is the first book in a trilogy and details the emergence of an intelligence on the World Wide Web and its relationship with a blind teenage girl. *Wake* was published in 2009, followed by *Watch* in 2010 and *Wonder* in 2011.

New members are always welcome to this drop-in book club! June will be the last book club meeting until it resumes again in September.

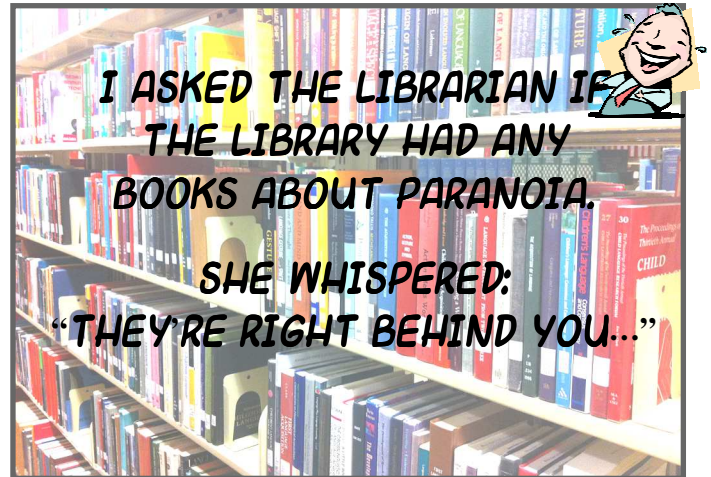
## 2019 TD Summer Reading Club

Coming in June, all the information you need to know about the fun (and free) programs and activities planned to keep your children reading and entertained at the library this summer!



Up-to-date program and event information is available at [rwlibrary.ca](http://rwlibrary.ca) or contact the branch at 519-634-8933 or [badenlib@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:badenlib@regionofwaterloo.ca).

Chris Baechler, Assistant Supervisor  
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*Submissions are due on the 1st of each month.*



# Baden ~ Our Town

As their motto says... *The Baden Community Association is bringing people together to beautify our community* — and despite the chilly day, there were 63 volunteers who showed up and worked together on Baden's Clean-Up Day, on Saturday April 22 to collect 30 bags of garbage. There was also an e-waste drop off area which was well used. Special thanks go out to Tim Hortons for providing the coffee and Tim Bits, Circle K for the gift cards, and to Home Hardware New Hamburg for donating seed packs which were handed out to families. Also thanks to Waterloo Region and the Township of Wilmot for the supplies and handouts. It is a caring community that we live in – thanks to all who came out!



*Ross Lynch is proud of his girls for braving the cold and digging in! Seen above are his wife Terri Lynch and daughters Erin (9) and Jordyn (6).*

The Annual Baden Fishing Derby will be held on June 1<sup>st</sup> this year as 400 trout will be stocked in the Baden pond. The BCA is asking the public to not fish in the pond the week leading up to the



## Fishing Derby Saturday, June 1

The Baden Community Association invites you to join in the popular fishing derby held at the Millpond on Foundry Street.

**There will be 10 tagged fish worth \$50, with prizes, barbecue, and more!**

*For the youngsters who may be new to fishing and are wanting to give it a try, they are welcome to borrow a fishing rod, courtesy of Shawn Amyotte and Zebco.*

*Registration begins at 6 am.  
There is no cost to attend.*

derby so there are plenty of fish for the event. Once again there will be worms available for purchase, and a barbeque held from 11 to 1 o'clock. The event starts at 6 am and goes until 1 pm; there are 10 tagged fish with a value of \$50 each if caught within that time frame. There is no charge for the event, but anglers must register to be eligible for the door prize table. See next month for a list of our generous sponsors.

The BCA is also busy planning the upcoming Cornfest and are happy to have your help. They meet on the last Wednesday of each month at the township hall at 7 p.m.



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Entry 6: The Homestretch

Have you been in on the action? Have you been out hunting for the key? It hasn't been easy; these clues are far from breezy. Do they even have any meaning at all? DOES THE KEY EVEN EXIST!?

Yes...we understand. Key hunting can turn a person a little crazy at times. We've been there.

Even if you haven't been out on the trail, at the very least, you've likely noticed by now that the Wilmot Key Quest is in full swing. There's even a chance that by the time this article gets into your hands, the key will have already been found!

With that in mind, we want to take this opportunity to let you know about what is shortly upcoming.

Come on out to the New Dundee Victoria Day Celebration on Monday, May 20th to see the presentation of the \$5,000 prize to the winner(s) of the first ever Wilmot Key Quest! For organizers, this is the most exciting moment of the whole shebang: the time when we get to publicly announce and celebrate the one

who was crafty enough, dedicated enough, and maybe even crazy enough to solve the clues, find the key, and win the \$5,000 prize!

The New Dundee Victoria Day Weekend organizational committee has been awesome and has kindly agreed to work us into their family fun and festivities on Monday, May 20th. Sometime around noon that day, the winner (s) of this year's Wilmot Key Quest will be called up on stage to receive their giant \$5000 cheque (in addition to their real, cashable cheque of course).

At that time, we plan to publicly congratulate the winner and conduct a brief interview.

So, if you want to see who found the key and learn exactly where they found it - you won't want to miss this! Certain clues that you are just dying to understand, but couldn't crack on your own? Come out on May 20th and we just might shine some light on them for you. Don't underestimate how much getting a little extra info now could help you in future years. Sad that you missed your chance to find the key? Don't worry too much. We are quite hopeful that the Wilmot Key Quest will become an annual event for our township - promising that this will be just the first of many years of excitement.

Stay tuned for June's final Baden Outlook entry in this year's Wilmot Key Quest saga, where we will publish some information about the culmination of the quest, as well as the winner. You won't want to miss that one!

As always - make sure you are following [facebook.com/wilmotKeyQuest](https://www.facebook.com/wilmotKeyQuest). That's where the news will break when the Key has been found.



Until then, if the hunt is still on... what are you waiting for? GET OUT THERE! Good luck, and happy hunting.

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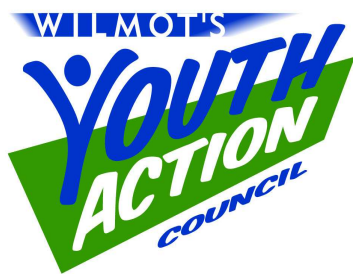
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With 7 successful events run in 7 days, we are already eager (although slightly tired) to start thinking about next year's events!

We want to let you know that we still have one more event happening, a **Mentorship Morning** on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Optimist Youth Centre. The event will provide information on transferable skills on interviews, resume & cover letter writing. All Youth ages 14+ are welcome to attend.

Now... adults, we have an important opportunity for you! We are hosting our very first **Adult Allies Network Meeting on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm at WRC**. All adults who are involved in offering youth programming or who would like to link up with us, contact us for more information.

Our last piece of news before you flip the page is that YAC will now be hosting three meetings during the summer specifically around volunteering with local events over the summer months! If you are part of an organization or committee, we urge you to contact us for help with youth volunteers.

**Speaking of volunteers, a special thank you this month goes to Pat & Barry for their continued support of YAC and our monthly write ups, right here - THANK YOU!**

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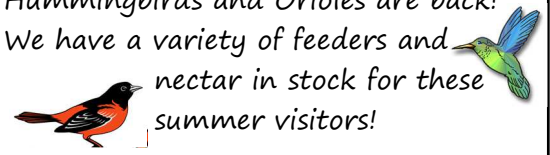
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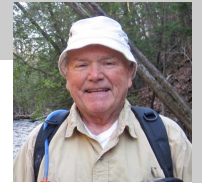
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**Baden Birding ~ The Times, They are a Changin'**

By Wayne Buck



Like the Bob Dylan Classic, "The Times, They Are a Changin'", we have noticed a lot of changes over the 38 years we have lived here on the western edge of Wilmot Township.

One of the most noticeable changes is the growth of houses into the surrounding areas that were previously agricultural areas or wooded areas. We see this in Wellesley, New Hamburg, and Baden, to mention only a few. Fields and woodlots that would have held many birds and animals have now been paved over and have paved roads and houses sitting on them. The birds, such as Meadowlarks, Field Sparrows, Bobolinks, and Bluebirds are forced now to seek other habitats.



There were several farms nearby that raised cattle; some dairy, others beef. Songbirds lived in and around these fields, feeding on the insects that lived in and on the manure or flew about the animals. Dairy cattle used to forage in the fields right around us but today are housed for their entire lives in barns; they never see a field. Many of the farms that once raised beef are now growing cash crops such as soya beans and corn. Any insects that might still be there are poisoned with neonicotinoids as soon as they take a bite of a plant. Even if birds do find an insect to eat, the poison builds up in the bird's tissues and eventually kills the bird.

Fields used to be divided by hedge rows but they too they have disappeared, bulldozed to allow the larger machinery a clear run from one end of the field to the other. Many animals, including birds, made their nests in these hedgerows and provided a service to the farmers by eating the insects that were living in and around the fields.

I remember finding a nest of the now endangered Red-headed Woodpecker in a Sugar Maple tree in a hedge on our neighbour's property during the 2000 Bird Census. Kingbirds and Brown Thrashers often nested in these hedgerows. Larger animals used these hedgerows as corridors to safely move between different areas, the trees and plants providing cover and safety. To be sure, a few hedgerows remain. The hedgerows of the century farm belonging to our neighbours across the road are still intact. I love to walk along them looking for birds or their nests.

Many of the old bank barns built in the 1800s have been torn down and, in some cases, replaced with modern buildings that even a small bird would have difficulty getting into. The stables of these old barns were the nesting places of Barn Swallows who used the mud from nearby manure piles, etc. to construct their mud nests in the beams of the stables. The Barn Swallows were aerial insectivores, catching flying insects that buzzed around outside. Barn Swallow numbers are in

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steep decline, no doubt connected to the disappearance of these old structures. The bank barn beside us used to house heifers in the winter months before they grazed in the surrounding fields in the spring and summer.

I have noticed the installation of several storm water ponds in the township, many of them in New Hamburg. This provides habitat for waterfowl and wading birds such as Herons and Bitterns. The region has planted some native plants on the edges of these ponds that contribute to the diversity of species.

According to Dr. Blair Feltmate in his lecture, Warmer Wetter, Wilder on November 6 in New Hamburg, 73% of Ontario's wetlands have been filled in or drained, causing a scarcity of nesting places and opportunities to forage for food. It would be like four families who each lived in their own house suddenly having to share one house with 3 other families.

As our climate changes, birds that lived farther south where it was warmer can now survive here. Two examples are the Red-bellied Woodpecker and the House Finch. Neither was a resident of Ontario 38 years ago but now we see them on an almost daily basis.

When my family first moved here, there were 1 or 2 Ruffed Grouse in the hardwood bush across the road. I haven't seen or heard the drumming of a Grouse in over 30 years. I presume they are all but extirpated from Wilmot. Gangs of hunters used to walk through the fields every winter in search of Jack Rabbits. I haven't seen a hunter or a Jack Rabbit in 10 years. In her book: *The Genius of Birds; Penguin Press, New York, 2016*; Jennifer Ackerman states on p. 14: "A recent report from Audubon tells us that half of bird species in North America .... are likely to go extinct in the next half century or so for one reason: because they can't adapt to the rapid pace of human-induced change on our planet."

*Yes, the times, they are a-changin'.*

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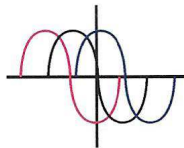
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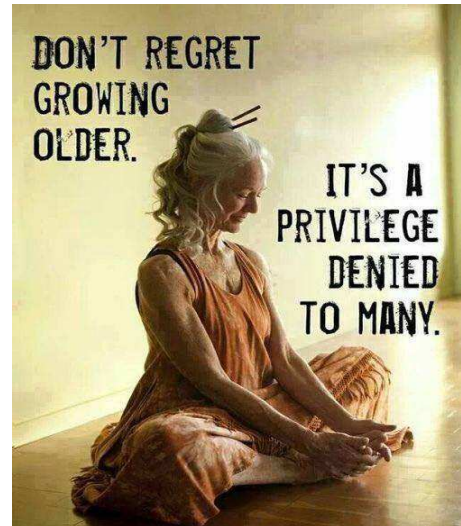
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*They are Small but Mighty—  
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Tis the season! I definitely don't mean the Christmas season – a magical time of year. What I am implying is parasite season. One parasite that we are starting to see at this time of year is fleas. Fleas are insects, 2-8 mm long, slightly smaller than a sesame seed. They are medium brown to mahogany in colour and have a flattened body. Fleas have no wings, but they do have three pairs of legs. The last pair is greatly enlarged, which allows them their fantastic jumping ability. The record high jump for a flea is 33 cm - over 1 foot!

Fleas have eyes and antennae which detect heat, vibration, carbon dioxide, shadows, and changes in air currents, all of which indicate a possible meal is nearby.

The most common flea that we see is *Ctenocephalides felis*, the domestic cat flea. It can affect dogs and cats.

Fleas, both male and female, feed on the blood of animals and can go several months without a meal.

There are four stages in the development of an adult flea: eggs, larvae, pupae, and adult. The eggs are often laid on the animal, but because they are not sticky, fall off into the environment. An adult flea can lay 30-50 eggs in a day. Which means, in just thirty days, 25 adult female fleas can multiply to as many as a quarter of a million fleas!

The egg hatches into the larval stage. The larva feeds on the flea dirt left by its mother. The larva then matures and spins a cocoon to become a pupa. The pupa develops into an adult and emerges from the cocoon when it senses vibrations, carbon dioxide, or warmth, which tell it an animal host is near. The entire life cycle takes about 15 days, but the pupa can remain dormant if the conditions aren't perfect (e.g. cold) and extend the cycle to over a year. This is important to remember when planning flea control.

Attempting to control fleas on our pets is a multi-step process. Adult fleas spend most of their time on an animal,

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but the flea eggs, larvae, and pupae are found in abundance in the environment such as in carpeting, rugs, bedding, and grass. For every flea that you see on your pet, there are likely to be hundreds of eggs and larvae in your home and yard. Therefore, a truly effective flea control program always includes treating the environment as well as treating your pet. If you suspect your pet may have fleas, please contact your veterinarian first. They can help you devise a plan that includes the essential steps for a successful flea control program.

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2. Change your oil and engine filter: An **oil change** rejuvenates your engine by lubricating moving parts. Changing your filter prevents dust and dirt from contaminating your engine. Before your purchase, it's a good idea to ask the previous owner if the recommended service schedule was followed, as overlooking either of these can risk serious damage to the engine, expensive repairs, and lackluster performance.
3. Start fresh: Vehicle fluids are often overlooked but can make a dramatic difference in overall performance. Make sure your brake, **coolant**, power steering, and transmission fluids are at optimum levels. If levels are low, it could mean there's a leak and a part may need replacement. The golden rule is to always follow the owner's manual recommendations when it comes time to flushing or replacing any fluids.

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- ◆ Queen Victoria was born in 1819, ascended the throne in 1837, and married Prince Albert in 1840.
- ◆ Victoria and Albert had 9 children: Victoria, Albert, Alfred, Alice, Helena, Louise, Arthur, Leopold, and Beatrice.
- ◆ The Queen spoke many languages and was known as the grandmother of Europe. Her relationship with her prime ministers wasn't always easy.
- ◆ Queen Victoria survived at least 6 assassination attempts.
- ◆ Ruling for over 60 years, she became the longest reigning British Monarch and Queen of the biggest Empire in history (surpassed only by Queen Elizabeth II).
- ◆ After Albert died in 1861 when the Queen was only 42 years old, she dressed in black and grieved for the rest of her life. She died in 1901, at age 81.

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Artie said, "I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader, and a great family man."

Eugene commented, "I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people's lives."

Al said, "I'd like them to say, 'Look, he's moving!'"

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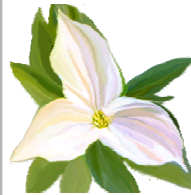
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**The 'Middle Wife' by an Anonymous 2nd grade teacher:**

I've been teaching now for about fifteen years. When I was a kid, I loved show-and-tell. So I always have a few sessions with my students. It helps them get over shyness and usually, show-and-tell is pretty tame. Kids bring in pet turtles, model airplanes, pictures of fish they catch, stuff like that. And I never, ever place any boundaries or limitations on them. If they want to lug it in to school and talk about it, they're welcome.

Well, one day this little girl, Erica, a very bright, very outgoing kid, takes her turn and waddles up to the front of the class with a pillow stuffed under her sweater. She holds up a snapshot of an infant. "This is Luke, my baby brother, and I'm going to tell you about his birthday."

"First, Mom and Dad made him as a symbol of their love, and then Dad put a seed in my Mom's stomach, and Luke grew in there. He ate for nine months through an umbrella cord."

She's standing there with her hands on the pillow, and I'm trying not to laugh and wishing I had my camcorder with me. The kids are watching her in amazement.

"Then, about two Saturdays ago, my Mom starts going, Oh, Oh, Oh, Oh!" Erica puts a hand behind her back and groans. "She walked around the house for, like an hour, 'Oh, oh, oh!' (Now she is doing a hysterical duck walk and groaning.)"

"My Dad called the middle wife. She delivers babies, but she doesn't have a sign on the car like the Domino's man. They got my Mom to lie down in bed like this." (Then Erica lies down with her back against the wall.)



"And then, pop! My Mom had this bag of water she kept in there in case he got thirsty, and it just blew up and spilled all over the bed, like psshhheew! Then the middle wife starts saying 'push, push,' and 'breathe, breathe'. They started counting,

but never even got past ten. Then, all of a sudden, out comes my brother. He was covered in yucky stuff that they all said it was from Mom's play-centre, so there must be a lot of toys inside there. When he got out, the middle wife spanked him for crawling up in there in the first place."

Then Erica took a big theatrical bow and returned to her seat. I'm sure I applauded the loudest. Ever since then, when it's Show-and-tell day, I bring my camcorder, just in case another 'Middle Wife' comes along.

Submitted by Ann Koebel



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



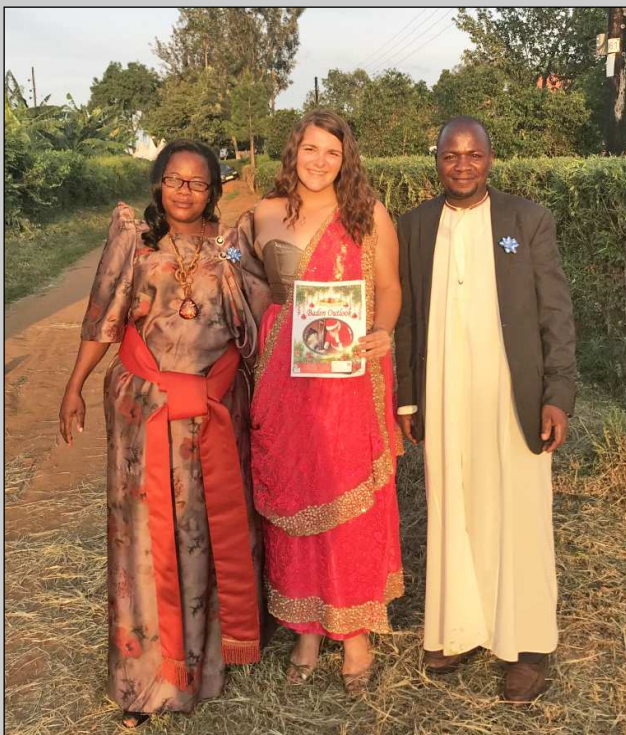
The Goftons travelled to Winnipeg taking along their Baden Outlook for a weekend in March to see a couple Winnipeg Jets games, cheering on Winnipeg Centre, Mark Scheifele, a family relative. Shown in front are nephew Jake, Amanda and Lori, with the Jets Mascot, and Randy in back.



West Hills Fellowship went to the Jays game on Apr 14th and took 75 friends with them and a few are pictured here with their Baden Outlook. Toronto lost to Tampa but the group still had a great time being together.



Friends from New Hamburg took their Baden Outlook along when they vacationed at the Grand Bahia Principe El Portillo Resort in Samaná, Dominican Republic. Pictured are Jim & Dianne Snider, Michael & Pauline Prashad, Walter & Jean Grygaski and Bob & Sharon Dietrich.



Cecilia Weber has been on a four month mission trip to Uganda, Africa and took her Baden Outlook along as she attended a traditional Wedding Introduction in Ibanda, Uganda.

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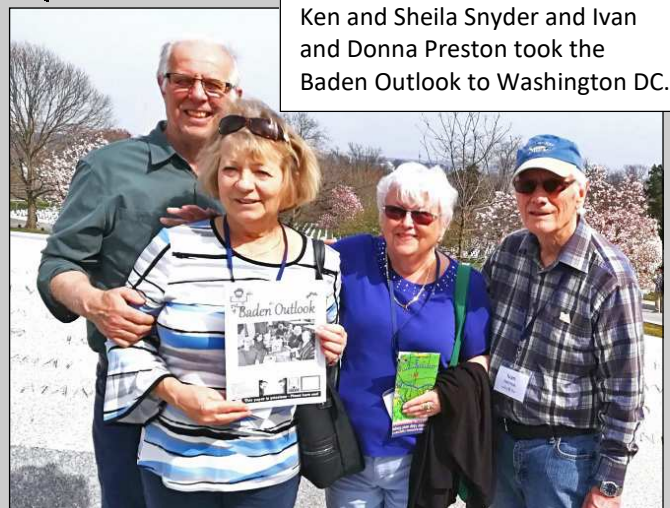
The Baden Outlook had a grand time with the New Hamburg Cub group at Camp Sylvan camping in train Caboosees.



Iain Fortune enjoyed the story from the Baden Outlook that grandpa Doug Taylor was reading to him.



Paul and Ruth-Anne Solomonian took in the recent women's world curling championships in Silkeborg Denmark. It was a tough week for the Canadian team.



Ken and Sheila Snyder and Ivan and Donna Preston took the Baden Outlook to Washington DC.

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## Is Cupping a 'Fad'?

By Sarah Scott, RMT



While cupping was brought into the mainstream through elite athletes and celebrity influencers boasting their marks for the world to see, it is not a new treatment by any means. Cupping originated centuries ago in China and was utilized by Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) practitioners for a variety of conditions and ailments. It has evolved with western medicine to become more evidence based, treating soft tissue (fascia, muscles, adhesions, and joints) by Massage Therapists and Healthcare Practitioners alike. So you see, cupping is neither new nor a fad.

### How Cupping works

Modern day cupping consists of cups (made of glass, bamboo or silicon) placed over the skin. Through creating a vacuum, it draws the skin up into the cup separating layers of skin, fascia and muscle. This allows these layers to rehydrate, creating better blood flow and glide between the layers which gives us better range of motion. This increase in blood flow delivers nutrient dense oxygen to the area being cupped, which is believed to speed up healing.

The cups can be used a number of ways. There's static cupping where the cup is placed and left in a single position for around 10 minutes to treat achy or stagnant areas. Passive cupping glides the cup over muscles in a massage like fashion. In the case of gliding the cups,

massage lotion is used to reduce friction and create more comfort.

### A Cupping mark is not a bruise...

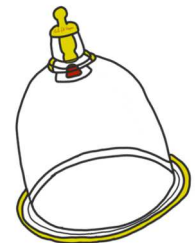
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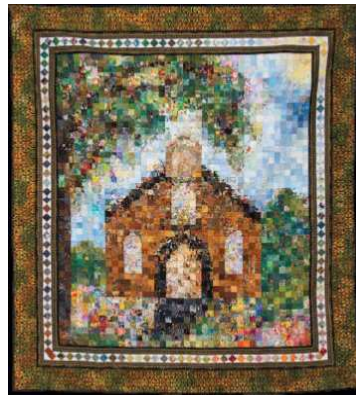
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# New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale ~ May 24-25th

Each year, hundreds of beautiful handmade quilts of all sizes, colours, and types are donated to the quilt auction at the New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale (NHMRS). This year is no exception.

This year's featured quilt, Little Brown Church, has been described as a giant puzzle with over 3,000 pieces. The quilt was designed by Julene Fast, pieced by a group of women from Hawkesville Mennonite Church, and quilted by Pix Martin.



Little Brown Church will join 209 other new handmade quilts to be auctioned at the NHMRS on May 24 and 25 at the New Hamburg Fairgrounds.

Several of the quilts may be previewed at the following locations.

- Waterloo City Hall, 100 Regina Street South, Waterloo, from April 30 to May 22
- Kitchener City Hall, 200 King Street West, Kitchener, from April 30 to May 22
- Schneider Haus, 466 Queen Street South, Kitchener from April 30 to May 23
- St. Jacobs Mennonite Church, 1308 King Street North, St. Jacobs, from May 21 to May 23

For the second year, a special group of pre-loved and vintage quilts will be auctioned at the NHMRS during the Friday evening auction beginning at 7 p.m.

Judy Peace, NHMRS Quilt Committee Chair, expressed her appreciation for the many individuals and groups who create quilts each year. "Each year, as the quilt committee sorts and catalogues the quilts, we are always thankful for

the hours of work that go into these quilts and the generosity of the quilt donors. The 2019 quilts are, once again, a testimony to the many talented artisans in our community."

Since its inception 53 years ago, over 10,000 quilts have been donated to the NHMRS quilt auction. In 2018, the quilt auction at the NHMRS raised over \$100,000 in support of the relief, development, and peace work of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC).

John Head, Executive Director of MCC Ontario, is both inspired and humbled: "For over 50 years, quilters across our community have worked tirelessly to produce beautiful works of art and to make the quilt auction at the NHMRS a successful event. We are so grateful to all those who have put so much time and energy into creating, cataloguing, auctioning, and purchasing these beautiful quilts."

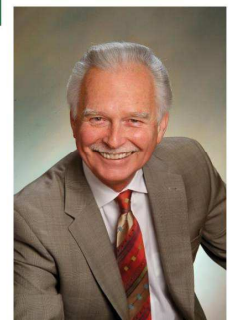
The New Hamburg Relief Sale is held at the Fairgrounds in New Hamburg, off Highways 7 & 8; this year it takes place on Friday, May 24 (5 – 9 p.m.) and Saturday, May 25 (6:45 a.m. - afternoon). Visit <https://nhmrs.com/> for more details.

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*Thank You from the New Hamburg Lioness*



On Sunday, April 7th, the New Hamburg Lioness hosted their Spring Fling Fashion Show at Meadow Acres Garden Centre. The venue was perfect with the abundance of spring flowers amid the various green bushes and the birds singing in the background.

Our thanks to Ellen, Donna, and staff at Meadow Acres Garden Centre Fashion Room and Mark at the New Dundee Emporium Boutique for showcasing their fresh and exciting fashions which captured everyone's attention. This year

we welcomed male models to our runway featuring Stars Men's Shops who created many unique options to coordinate and create the perfect look.

Thanks to all our models who did a wonderful job walking the runway and making every outfit look crisp and exciting to Rob's great music.

Many thanks to our sponsors who generously supported us. Our afternoon finger food was well received for which we thank Pat & Mark at Oak Grove

Cheese, Flanagan's Food Service, and Cloverleaf Food Outlet & Deli. We appreciate and thank our sponsors and those who donated the door prizes and the great raffle prizes. Thanks to the Baden Outlook for being our voice.

Mostly we want to thank all our guests who supported our fashion show and the various events hosted by the New Hamburg Lioness club. We are proud that funds raised go back to our community. ~  
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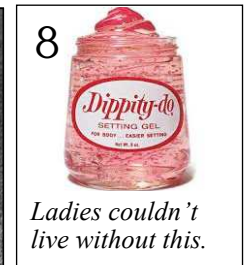
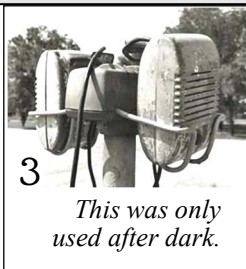
In trying to come up with ways to give back to the community, we were inspired by Pat and Barry and their passion for wanting to make Baden great!

In honour of selling Pat and Barry's home on Snyder's Road, we are making a donation to The Baden Community Association on behalf of their home sale.

Going forward, The Lambert Group will continue to make a donation for every home that we sell in Baden. The volunteers of the BCA work so hard to grow our community and play a big role in making it such a sought-after community.



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Good Food - Optimist of Petersburg - Oldies Music - Ice Cream Truck - Lots of Prizes - 50/50 Draw Proceeds - Children's Wish - Classic Cars / Trucks - Northeast Hope Tractor Club Show June 26

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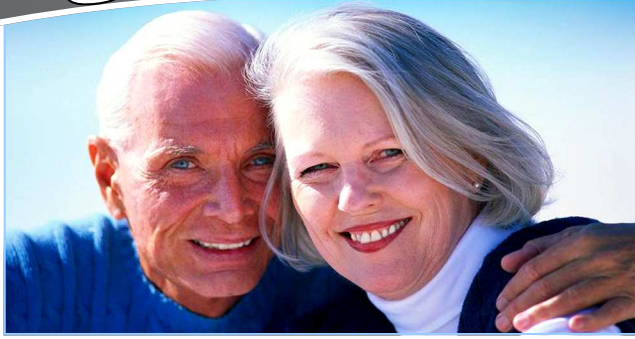
*You put a cup of water in your freezer. Freeze it solid, then put a quarter on top of it and leave it in your freezer. That way, when you come back after you've been away, you can tell if your food went completely bad and just refroze, or if it stayed frozen while you were gone.*

*If the quarter has fallen to the bottom of the cup, that means all the food defrosted and you should throw it out. But if the quarter is either on the top or in the middle of the cup, your food may still be ok. It would be a great idea to leave this in your freezer all the time. Then, if you lose power for any reason, you will have this tip to fall back on.*

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## Greetings from the Thrift Centre

Spring tends to be an energizing time when flowers are blooming, grass is growing, and we look forward to the sun shining more! This often gets people in the mood to clean out closets, garages, and corners that haven't been looked into for a while. If you find yourself feeling this 'cleaning energy', be sure to think about the items you will be clearing out. Can they be recycled? Can they be reused? Or should they be thrown out?

The New Hamburg Thrift Centre happily accepts clothing, household goods, books, furniture, and more in good condition any time during our business hours. Did you know Fridays we are open late? The store is open until 8 pm and the receiving area will take your donations until 7:45 pm. If you have questions about donating, check out our website at [www.newhamburgthrift.com](http://www.newhamburgthrift.com).

As we continue learning new ways to be a better environmental steward, we also hold an annual Perennial Sale fundraiser from May 1 – 31. If you have perennial plants that are outgrowing their current locations, we will happily take them! Share your perennials by donating plants in 6" - 8" pots. Identify the plant name and colour if possible. If you are unable to pot your donations, please bring them in in a box to our drop off area and our volunteers will assist you. Garden tools, planter pots, etc. are also welcome. We will continue to accept plants



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Last year's volume of donations was the highest in the New Hamburg Thrift Centre history. Your donation serves two main purposes. First, the funds generated in the store were able to support the work of MCC locally and globally. Second, reducing the amount of waste on the environment helps us to build stronger communities and reduce our carbon footprint!

Did you know that last year the MCC thrift shops diverted over 600,000 cubic feet of waste from local landfills? This was only possible because of your generous donations.

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# TREASURES FROM THE ATTIC

By Al Junker



## An Itinerant Flax Mill Worker's View of Life in Baden, July 1886

Recently, I came across some more treasures. I was at the K-W Stamp Show last month looking at postcards, letterhead, and other ephemera when I came across some envelopes from businesses in Wilmot Township. After reviewing what I had pulled, I had to determine what items I would purchase, not an easy decision. After looking at the dates of the items and how rare they may be, plus most importantly my budget, a decision was made, and I headed home with my treasures.

One item of interest was an envelope from a business in Baden postmarked 1886 with a Queen Victoria stamp attached. Upon getting home, I decided to take a closer look. I was aware there was a letter inside which is uncommon, as usually one only finds an envelope or a letter, not both. The letter dated July 17, 1886, Baden, Ontario offers a very interesting snapshot of Baden at that time. The letter was written by Jas. McMurray and addressed to William McCauley of Schenectady, New York. All quotes from the letter are printed as written by Mr. McMurray.

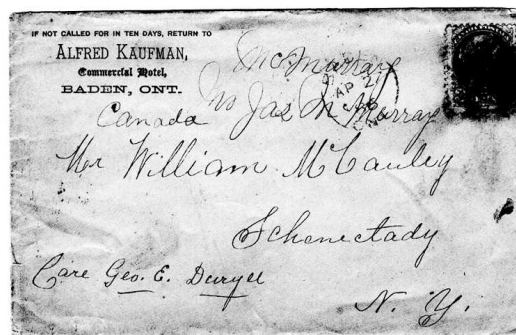
It appears Mr. McMurray was employed at the Livingston flax mill along with several other men. McMurray's letter reveals that work at the mill was seasonal and the labour force itinerant as he mentions that "Gibb has told a number of the men today that the flax will all be don in two weeks from today and unless something new turns up I believe we shall all be in Paterson soon." Later on McMurray notes that "fourteen men has left & gone to Paterson, since we came here." He also points out that the "Flax is good every one earns their wages since I cam except one small lot the flax is better than you ever seen it." In addition to locally grown, flax was also imported as McMurray writes, "We also got some French and Dutch about 90 bbs

(bushels). Livingston got this through in Bond, there is more duty here than in the States." McMurray also comments that "the boys have enjoyed themselves emmenssly since they came to Baden. Come when you like, go when you like, drink when you like & drink as much as you like."

It also appears that the itinerant workers were well received by the residents of Baden. McMurray notes, "We had quite a fine time at the fourth, we made quite a respectable Flag on Sunday Evening & flung it to the breeze bright and early Monday morning from the Hotel Window. We worked all day but at 7 P.M. turned out and got the Baden band & the Fire men to turn out with us. Paraded the Village through, then to Mozart Hall where we invited every one. I was Chair man. I told the People we were here to celebrate the Independance of our Country, if they kept order they were perfectly welcome we would do our best not only to amuse but the entertain them, which we did in good stile, with Consort and Ball up to 3 A.M. We

used six large kegs of Lager some soft drink & one box of Segars. The Villagers say it was the best time they ever seen here. We got one dollars worth of Greek fire, burned it at given points as we were marching Home in the morning... this surprised the natives as some of them never seen Greek fire before." Apparently a good time must have been had by all, at least according to the writer.

McMurray comments about other things in his letter such as the weather in Baden, the state of affairs back home and the prospects about "Hackling in Paterson." This piece of correspondence provides insight into everyday life in Baden in July 1886, and illustrates the value of some of those treasures we may all have in our attic.



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### Hey History Buffs! ...

Al is asking if there are treasures that you'd like to share or topics you may want to learn about from Baden or Wilmot's past history. Send him an email with your thoughts at [AlsAtticTreasures@gmail.com](mailto:AlsAtticTreasures@gmail.com)

## LOCAL GREEN ENERGY COMPANY HELPS CLEAN UP COMMUNITY FOR EARTH WEEK

*Saturn Power Team gives back, cleaning debris from high traffic areas in Baden, Wilmot Township*

In concert with their efforts to help create a sustainable environment for future generations through the advancement of clean energy, employees and management at Saturn Power spent the afternoon of Thursday, April 25 doing their part to keep the community clean in honour of Earth Week.

Saturn Power, a developer of clean, renewable energy projects that is headquartered in Baden, Ontario, sent a team out to clean up debris and litter from the area surrounding the on/off ramps near HWY 7/8 and Foundry Rd in Baden/Wilmot Township. Another dedicated team participated in the cleanup around

Saturn's Baden headquarters at 140 Foundry Rd, including the area adjacent to the Baden Pond.

The team ended up filling over two dozen large garbage bags full of litter, removing harmful waste from the environment while beautifying the local community that they are proud to call home.

Saturn Power would like to also provide a special thank you to **Provincial Waste Systems** of Elmira, Ontario for generously agreeing to pick up the large load of garbage from our office, without charge.



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"No winter lasts forever, no spring skips its turn" ~ Hal Borland, author

Winter seemed to last forever, and spring may not skip its turn, but it could be short and sweet with a leap into summer this year. We will see what nature throws our way.



Spring did come early to Castle Kilbride. Pink and red tulips, and gold and purple crocus brighten up the front gardens thanks to the filming of *'Anne with an e'*. With the cool weather, the tulips have been glorious for over 3 weeks, except for the ones that someone helped themselves to! Who tends the gardens of Castle Kilbride? The answer is a team of volunteers from our Wilmot Horticultural Society, WO students, and township staff. The lovely canna lilies you will see lighting up the corner of the ramp entering the Township offices are planted by WO students in the spring and dug up in the fall and stored during the winter. They look after some other gardens too. Wilmot Township maintains many gardens and the grounds. Wilmot Horticultural Society has the pleasure of planting the front flower beds of the Castle. Stay tuned to see what the floral colour scheme will be to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Castle Kilbride museum.

We have almost 70 beds around the township! Our volunteers maintain the flower beds all around New Hamburg Fire hall, library, and the main intersection. Many are filled with shrubs, annuals, and perennials to brighten up the town. There is a healing/native flower bed at the backdoor of the library. In



the villages of Petersburg, St. Agatha, Haysville, and New Dundee, there are numerous beds framing the village signs and community centres. Thank you to all the volunteers who do a wonderful job. If anyone is interested in joining our team, please contact us at the email below.

The Wilmot Horticultural Society sponsors a **Junior Gardeners' Program** for youth in grades 1 to 12. On May 13th, 2019 the WHS Youth Competition, which is a combination of writing, floral arranging, and education was held. The entries go on to the OHA provincial competition. WHS juniors have won the overall award for seven consecutive years.

**Encourage your kids to garden!** For our second program, WHS provides flower and vegetable seeds to be planted from the end of May to early June. Late August to early September, the juniors' gardens are judged and prizes presented at the Society's September 9th Awards night. WHS encourages the juniors to bring entries into the Horticultural section at the **New Hamburg Fall Fair** in September. (Contact: Sandra Cressman, (519)580-0814, or Janice Wagler (519) 662-2436 for information or to sign up.)

WHS's upcoming meeting is at **7:00 pm, Mon. June 10 in Millbank, touring Ontario Banana/Canada Banana Farms with hosts Trevor & Kathryn Gerber at 2191 Chalmers Forrest Rd, Millbank. Carpool with friends to tour the greenhouses growing bananas, lemons, oranges, papaya, pineapple, guava inside a controlled, housed environment. Experience a bit of the tropics! (Always check our website for current status of events.)**

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## There's Power In Your Story

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Wherever you find people you will find stories. They are not only woven throughout our history, they are our history. Across all of time and every culture we are united in the commonality of storytelling, though the tales told are often so different they are also much the same. Creation stories, family stories, tragic stories of death and destruction, uplifting stories of resurrection and rebirth. Myths, legends and legacies of heroes, villains, and creatures. Fairytales, parables, scriptures, biographies. There are many reasons for a story to be told: to reclaim, to persuade, to teach, to preserve. We tell stories as a way of connecting with ourselves, with each other and with the world around us.

Everywhere we look there are stories being told, in many ways and for various reasons. They are shared in the form of song, movie, news, book, told around fires or as we're tucked into bed. Sometimes we are telling stories to others, but often we are telling stories to ourselves as we try to find our place and make sense of the world. We seek to know our own story by learning our heritage, our identities, looking for our humanity.

Some of us have learned the power of those who are telling the story, when our own story has been overwritten by other people. Stories have an amazing way of breathing life, and with that power comes a responsibility to honour those within the stories we tell. But sometimes stories are not told with honourable intentions. Information is power, to

control a story is to hold power over those who do not have a voice. But as much power as there is to destroy, there is tenfold power to heal. To know your story and be able to tell your story is to know true strength. It speaks to the power of your deepest humanity.

We all have our story. Whether you are just beginning, approaching the end, or lost somewhere in the middle, you are a story. Your story matters. The meaning you are able to make from your story is powerful, and the meaning you add to other people's stories can be lifechanging. Maybe you are in a dark chapter, every great story has many of these. But remember, it is not the darkness that we remember in every story we connect with but rather the meaning we make from the experiences of suffering. The lessons learned and values built are strongest following a darkness we didn't think we could bear. And the greatest heroes in our favourite stories have all overcome unbeatable odds.

A story told enough times has the power to become the truth. Be mindful of this when considering the stories you tell yourself, especially those you tell about yourself. You always have the power to reclaim your story and write your own ending. Be sure to remember your power, because in the end all we have is our stories. Make yours a good one.

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- ⇒ Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
- ⇒ Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.

## You Must Be Joking!!



Jacob, age 81, and Rebecca, age 80, are so excited about their decision to get married. They go for a stroll to discuss the wedding, and on the way they pass a drugstore. Jacob suggests they go in. Jacob addresses the man behind the counter: "Are you the owner?"

The pharmacist answers, "Yes."

Jacob: "We're about to get married. Do you sell heart medication?"

Pharmacist: "Of course, we do."

Jacob: "How about medicine for circulation?"

Pharmacist: "All kinds."

Jacob: "Medicine for rheumatism?"

Pharmacist: "Definitely."

Jacob: "How about suppositories?"

Pharmacist: "You bet!"

Jacob: "Medicine for memory problems, arthritis, and Alzheimers?"

Pharmacist: "Yes, a large variety. The Works."

Jacob: "What about vitamins, sleeping pills, Geritol, antidotes for Parkinson's disease?"

Pharmacist: "Absolutely."

Jacob: "Everything for heartburn and indigestion?"

Pharmacist: "We sure do."

Jacob: "You sell wheelchairs and walkers and canes?"

Pharmacist: "All speeds and sizes."

Jacob: "Adult diapers?"

Pharmacist: "Sure."

Jacob: "We'd like to use this store as our Bridal Registry."



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## Lights, Camera, Action for Wilmot Township!

Northwood Entertainment's third season of the award-winning *Anne with an E* series was filmed in parts of Wilmot Township last month.

The famed Lucy Maud Montgomery story *Anne of Green Gables* continues to be reimagined by Emmy®-winning showrunner Moira Walley-Beckett and produced by Miranda de Pencier's Northwood Entertainment. Season three continues the coming-of-age story of Anne Shirley-Cuthbert (played by Irish-Canadian actress Amybeth McNulty), an outsider who against all odds, fights for acceptance, for her place in the world, and for love. Just one week ago, McNulty took home a Canadian Screen Award for Best Actress in a Continuing Leading Dramatic Role.



The much anticipated third season of CBC and Netflix's *Anne with an E* returned to Castle Kilbride in Baden for a third time to film. Wilmot's National Historic Site was the home of Josephine Barry for both finale episodes. In addition to filming in Baden on Monday, Northwood Entertainment also filmed in downtown New Hamburg. The downtown core is part of the New Hamburg Heritage Conservation District which was designated by Wilmot Township in 1992 under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act and architecturally was *the* perfect backdrop for the episode. Location Manager Dorigen Fode smiled when asked how she discovered New Hamburg. "Tracy Loch, Curator of Castle Kilbride and I talk regularly about the richness of Wilmot Township history. She sent me a link to heritage properties on their website, and I was hooked!"



There was much curiosity by residents in Wilmot Township when signage for a road closure and detours around Peel Street in New Hamburg were put in place over a week before filming. Although some residents speculated filming coming to town, Sunday morning showed the community what was indeed happening. The film crew worked with the businesses on Peel Street and enhanced the existing architecture to recreate the 1890s. Board of Trade President Gina Ruttan appreciated the efforts that Fode made to ensure that New Hamburg businesses had as little interruption as possible during filming.

"The community has been a buzz of energy since the crew arrived," shared Meredith Hagen, who is owner of MeMe's Cafe. "It's been the talk of the town!" Peel Street had wooden planks

laid over the sidewalks, red gravel was spread on a fabric liner on Peel Street for true authenticity and the storefronts were altered to reflect c.1890. Even the inside of the clothing store featured items in their display window that were from the era. On Monday morning when filming began, a crowd of residents and business owners saw horses and carriages on Peel Street, rather than the usual car, bus and truck traffic which drew many curious bystanders.

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Baden’s landmark museum Castle Kilbride had the same red soil arrive and over 800 spring flowers and shrubs hand planted outside the historic property on Friday which took an entire day for the crew to plant. Curators Tracy Loch and Sherri Gropp were a bit worried about the huge undertaking as the freezing rain had just stopped an hour before the landscaping crew arrived. Museum staff are tightlipped about all the actors who were working inside the grand museum that week, but have confirmed that Castle Kilbride was used as “Aunt Josephine’s” home, and that “Anne” herself was here!

Residents of *all* ages were so excited to have filming in Wilmot Township. Mayor Les Armstrong said “We are thrilled to have Northwood Entertainment back again to our community for a third

time, and hopefully this is just the beginning of long partnership.” Location Manager Dorigen Fode shared that, “Wilmot Township has welcomed us with open arms every year. With such a positive response from the community, it is only natural for me to seek new opportunities to film within Wilmot.”

With much anticipation from so many viewers that adore the series, the third season of *Anne with an E* is anticipated to air in Canada mid-September.



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# Wilmot Softball Association Awards Presentation



Volunteer of the Year-Rose Palla Award Winner – Heidi DeMelo, presented by Jeff Palla

The Wilmot Softball Association presented its annual awards to the inaugural winners on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Wilmot Softball spent a significant amount of time determining what awards they would present and how they could preserve the rich history of both the New Hamburg Heat and Baden Pirates Softball clubs. After much consideration, the executive decided to continue the long-standing traditions each association had by continuing to recognize those that helped form those clubs by presenting all the awards we had in the past. We were very excited to have members of each of the families that either donated trophies or had trophies presented in memory of great members of both associations on hand for the presentation.



Umpire of the Year Award, Donated by the Clifford Family: Brett Clifford and Jesse Gerber



Special Volunteer Recognition Award, Donated by the Rudy Penner Family: Winner Dwight Brenneman, presented by Ed Penner

Award winners and presenters for the 2018 season are as seen in the photos.

If you would like to learn more about our awards, they are all on display upstairs at the Wilmot Rec Complex. We have included with each award a brief history of each award, the person or family, and how their dedication to our game led to their recognition by either New Hamburg or Baden associations.



Most Improved Player, Murray Wagler Award: Winners Cassidy Dollard and Jack Walmsley, Presented by Sharon (Wagler) Horst



Fan of the Year, Joyce Hillar Award : Winner Christi Racho, presented by Bob Hillar)

Wilmot Softball would like to thank all the families for being a part of this presentation. It means a lot to the association that we continue to recognize those members that have contributed so much during their time and more so that each of you would take the time approve of the designs and to come out and present these awards.

*We would also like to congratulate all of the Inaugural winners on their achievement and hope you will all continue to be a part of Wilmot Thunder Softball for many years to come.*



Fan of the Year, Norm Ryckman Award: Winners Ralph and Pierrette Schmidt, presented by Mackenzie Ryckman



Coach of the Year, Tom Musselman Award: Winners – Kyle Hillar and Ian Collins, presented by Darcy, Deacon and Rachel (Musselman) Martin



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