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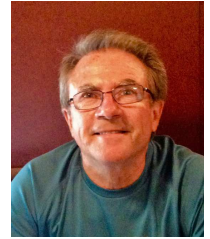
This paper is priceless - Please have one!



# Talking with Ed

~ Oh What a Month!

*We have made a conscious effort over the years to not be a forum or messenger of local politics in our publication in general. More so, during the election I did not want to appear to be using our paper to advocate myself in any way. However, considering the recent election I cannot help myself...*



I felt it was important to keep politics out of the Baden Outlook throughout the election as to not sway anyone in the voting process, but I would like to start this article off by saying thank you to all the registered candidates that put their names in for the 2018 municipal election. It is great to see so many quality people that truly care about their community take an interest in running for council. These candidates put tireless hours and expenses into their campaign and they should be applauded for their efforts.

I feel honoured to represent Baden in Ward 3 once again and will continue to work as hard as I can for the betterment of the community. I am proud of my accomplishments over the past two terms and excited for the upcoming term. Thank you Kris, Elliot, and Sharon for keeping the democratic process alive. I was happy to see the respect and goodwill displayed through the election in Ward 3 (Baden) – no mud-slinging here! The day before the election, Elliot Fung sent out an email to all candidates wishing good luck and well wishes. Even after the election he posted on his Twitter account congratulating me on my election win. To me, that is a class act – thank you, Elliot! I personally welcomed the new councillors and offered my support if they need it while they adapt to their role. **Welcome to council, Angie, Cheryl, and Jennifer!**

Overall the township is in fine shape, and although one may never find a perfect council (because there isn't one), between 2010 and 2018 a lot of great things happened and projects continued to move along. I want to send a big thank you to Al Junker, Mark Murray, and Peter Roe who have been part of that team that kept the township in great financial shape. Over the last few years, there have many achievements as seen in the chart on the right. I feel we are in good hands under Mayor Les Armstrong's leadership. He is at as many events as he possibly can be (I have seen his overloaded calendar many times) and is a good and well-respected representative of our township at Waterloo Region.

As it is best to be mindful and keep my editor's cap on, I am pleased to share some pertinent information on the misconception of the township finances from Patrick Kelly, Director of Finance, as seen on page 5.

*I am now resuming my position as editor...Until next month...Ed*

## EXTRA EXTRA!!



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

You'll find us in Baden at Mars Variety, CircleK, Baden Feed, Baden Dental, Wilmot Rec. Centre, Tim Hortons, Baden Library, EJ's, and several outdoor magazine boxes located conveniently throughout town for Baden readers.



You can pick it up in New Hamburg at No Frills, Sobey's, Short Stop, NH Legion, McDonalds, Morningside, Stonecroft, Office Pro, NH Thrift Centre, Personally Fit Gym, Pharmasave, NH Dry Cleaners, NH Wellness, all libraries and various offices and retail locations throughout Wilmot Township.

Also at Foxboro, in St. Agatha at Fishers Esso, Angie's Kitchen, and Pfenning's Organics Store.

### Plans

- Strategic Plan
- Asset Management Plan
- Rec Master Plan
- Fire Master Plan
- Arts/Culture Master Plan
- Trails Master Plan
- Official Plan

### Facilities/Buildings

- WRC – Phase II / Swim Plex
- New Dundee Library
- Baden Fire Station Renovations
- NH Arena Lobby Renovations

### Roads/Infrastructure

- Main Street
- Grant Street
- Williams Street
- King Street
- Milton Street
- Byron Street
- Inflow and Infiltration Repair Program
- Holland Mills Bridge

### Recreation/Culture Amenities

- Wilmot Splash Pad
- Playground Equipment
- Tennis Courts (Baden, New Dundee)
- Murals at Grandstand
- New Dundee Ball Diamonds/Park
- Ball Diamond Lighting Replacements
- Trail Development

### Health/Safety/Accessibility

- Diesel Exhaust Extraction Systems (3 Fire Stations)
- Backup Generators (Station 1 and 3; Works Yard, St Agatha CC, New Dundee CC)
- Barrier Free Entrances

### Green Initiatives

- LED Street Lights
- Electric Ice Resurfacers
- HVAC Upgrades

### Active Transportation and Transit

- Gingerich Road bike lanes
- Wilmot Bus Service



# Greetings from Headquarters ~

I've never been on a real zip-line before but I wonder if it feels like I do here at Outlook Headquarters. I'm on the great ride that takes me from month to month in a whirlwind blink! It's great fun getting psyched up, cleaning my workstation, settling into my office chair like buckling in for the exciting ride, staying focused and hanging on, and in a blink it's over - and now here I am again, back in and zipping on to the next month. It's been said that time flies when you're having fun; it has indeed been both busy and fun. I enjoy the cycle the paper gives me, with a 2 week period to work steady and then some room to live life and catch my breath. My age is often called the sandwich generation - a generation of people nurturing both their aging parents and their children and grandchildren. I appreciate that I can be there for the ones that really matter, so I must indulge myself this month and share a bit about my kids. Bear with me :)



Kaidan as Sherlock Holmes

When I'm not knee deep in the paper, I am a busy Grandma spending great times with my awesome grandkids. They all had fun planning their costumes for Halloween (as seen in the photos) and are now sorting their stash of treats. Our son Mike's girls, Lily and Gwen, have been gifted with a hand-me-down cell phone and tablet and have learned how to text. We connect now each day and I enjoy hearing about their thoughts and feelings and of course sharing lots of silly emojis, which is so much fun. So often the parents are too busy to just chat, so now I'm back in the loop with the family news. At this time I must brag that we now have a *doctor in the house!* Yes, we had the privilege of going to convocation to see our daughter-in-law (Mike's wife) receive her PhD. Bravo Laura, you worked very hard and we are so proud of you!



Gwen & Lily



In our daughter's house, three-year-old Simon is developing quite a vocabulary, creating some fun conversations—it's so cute to hear what's in the mind of a toddler. Barry and I babysit Simon every Thursday and can't believe he's gone from diapers to raking the leaves in yet another blink. Simon has even more stars in eyes these days with such big love, and not just for big brother Kaidan or me...he has a new kitty and he is absolutely smitten. Whatever he does must include "Emmy" and she is very patient with the mauling, tossing, squishing and relentless kisses.



Dr. Laura



Back to the Community — the recent municipal election took our attention in October and I trust everyone is settling down and accepting the results like ladies and gentlemen. Change is inevitable and if we stick together as a community, only good things will happen. No one gains by pouting and bad mouthing; it only makes division among us. Let's create some good karma!

We also had an enjoyable night out at EJ's with a great group of friends at the sold-out featured 'Comedy Night' where I could hardly contain myself laughing so hard. I forgot how good such laughter feels for the soul! I can't say I'm one to enjoy stand-up comedy, as quite often I don't get half the humour, nor do I appreciate constant vulgar language. The comic Jeff Leeson did a great job of sharing his vision of our lives here in Baden... and yes, it was brought to his attention that Barry was councillor and he was put in the 'hot seat'. As some of us withdraw for the winter it reminds me to stay active and get involved in the community, which offers much to do. I hope some of you took the opportunity with our recent coupon to see the Firebirds play hockey; they did great and won 3-2!

You will see again in this issue how very active the community is, and with Christmas upon us there are lots of bazaars to attend—so check them out! Support these local groups and also get going with your Christmas shopping... you never know what treasures you'll find!



# Checking out the Baden Library



## Firebirds at the Library -

**Wednesday, Nov. 28, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Join players from the New Hamburg Firebirds Junior C hockey team in fun activities and challenges at the Baden Library. All ages welcome. Come out and meet the Firebirds! Enter your name to win a prize! Register online, by phone or in person.



## 1:1 Computer Coaching

Need help with your computer, tablet, or smartphone? We can help! Free, one-on-one computer training sessions are available at the Baden Branch on Tuesday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Register online, by phone or in person.

## Baden Book Club at EJ's

Adults are invited to join Jen Cyr, Coordinator of Library Collections, the third Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at EJ's Tavern and Restaurant in the Baden Hotel. The next meeting is Nov. 20 and we will be discussing **Bury Your Dead** by Louise Penny. Treat yourself to a beverage or food item and contribute to the conversation regarding the selected book. Registration is on-going throughout the year and copies of the book are available at the Baden branch.

## Holiday Storytime Programs

**Ready Set Go! Kindergarten: Holiday Edition** (3-4 year olds entering Kindergarten in fall 2019 with caregiver) Join us for a fun and interactive holiday program! Registration required.  
Tuesday, Dec. 11: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

**Jingle Babies** (Birth – 12 months with caregiver) Bring your baby for holiday songs, rhymes, and activities. Registration required.  
Thursday, Dec. 13: 10:15 – 10:45 a.m.

**Holly Jolly Storytime** (Birth to 5 years with caregiver) Join us for stories, songs, and activities to celebrate the holiday season. Drop-in. No registration required.  
Thursday, Dec. 13: 11 – 11:45 a.m.

## Winter Programs for Youth, Registration for winter programs begins on Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Programs include Baby Connections, Li'l STEAM, Family Storytime, Ready Set Go! Kindergarten, Maker Club, and Youth Book Clubs. Library programs are free and some require advanced registration unless otherwise indicated. Space is limited. Programs begin the week of January 15 and run for eight weeks. Register online, by phone or in person. Check [rwlibrary.ca](http://rwlibrary.ca) for more information on each program.

Contact us at 519-634-8933 or [badenlib@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:badenlib@regionofwaterloo.ca) for assistance or get more information at [www.rwlibrary.ca](http://www.rwlibrary.ca).

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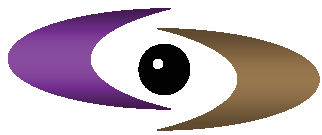
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HEY KIDS! Saturday, December 1st at 1:30 pm, bring your "Letters to Santa" to the parade where Canada Post employees will be collecting your wish list. SANTA will be at the Seniors' Woodworking Shop on Beck Street after the parade. Judges will be along the parade route to evaluate the floats and cash prizes will be awarded to the winning entries.

*The parade will start at Snyder's  
Road East (at Sandhills Road)  
and finish along Charlotta  
Street (at Mill Street)*


FOOD DONATIONS will be collected along the parade route for the Wilmot Family Resource Centre Food Bank. The Baden and District Chamber of Commerce and the Optimist Club of Baden invite you to participate during the Annual Christmas parade. To reserve your spot or for more information call Sue at 519-214-2202 or Penny 519-634-9292  
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## Understanding Township Financial Reserves

Subsequent to the municipal election, and in preparation for the new term of Council, we asked Wilmot's Director of Finance, Patrick Kelly, to provide an update on the status of municipal finances. Below is a summary of his commentary on the subject:

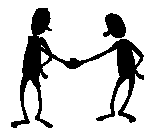
Alongside the Township's significant accomplishments from a capital perspective, Wilmot has continued to build financial resources for the future. The balance of funds held in cash or cash equivalents, as per 2017 Financial Report, showed approximately \$12.5M. Though this may appear to some as significant surplus of funds, only a very small proportion, approximately \$500K, is held in what are deemed working funds. Working funds are what some refer to as "rainy day funds" that would only ever be accessed for extremely critical short term cash obligations. The practice of fiscal responsibility at the Township ensures these funds remain in place, while generating small interest returns to support operations.

The remaining \$12M is split into three (3) distinct categories:

- \$5.2M is allocated for *current capital works*, including Wilmot Employment Lands, Holland Mills Bridge, Fire Services Radio Infrastructure, and the Replacement of Station 3 Tanker Truck;
- \$3.8M is held in *obligatory reserve funds*, as per legislative requirements for parkland, water and sanitary infrastructure, and growth related needs;
- \$3M has been set aside for future replacement of *critical infrastructure* (Roads, Bridges, Facilities, and Equipment).

Given the Township currently identifies ownership of over \$230M in tangible capital assets, it is fiscally prudent that capital planning allow for continued growth of infrastructures reserve investments to ensure the funds are in place to replace infrastructure, while continuing to limit the reliance on debt financing.

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# Baden ~ Our Town

Watch for The Baden Community Association once again in this year's Baden Santa Claus Parade, which will be held on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. The group, which provides Baden with the Baden Corn Festival, will be handing out bags of popcorn to those who line the streets during the parade.

Plans are also underway for the Annual New Year's Eve Kids' Party which will be held again at the Baden Brewery (EJ's). Last year was a great success with a complete sell-out of tickets, so watch Facebook for times that tickets go on sale. Erick Traplin will be back again this year to entertain the wee ones and adults alike. A meal will be included, plus a large door prize table which was a big hit last year.

The BCA is also planning for the Family Day event at the Wilmot Rec Complex in February. There will be free skating and a swim plus plenty of snacks and refreshments provided by the BCA upstairs in the community room.

The Baden Community Association meets on the last Wednesday of each month in the basement of the township hall at 7 p.m. Please join us and contribute to your community.



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## Now you can Celebrate Every Day with National Anything Everyday Day

It seems our readers do enjoy all things silly, so when we came across the website featuring the *National Day Calendar* we couldn't resist sharing the absurdity of it all! Did you know that November the 20th is "National Absurd Day"?! How absurd!



We've listed just few of the upcoming days and if any of these appeal to you, go ahead and celebrate! Yippee! November 15th celebrates *National Rural Health Day*, *National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day* and *National Raisin Bran Day*. November 16th celebrates *National Fast Food Day* along with *National Button Day* (other than our belly buttons —why?). The 17th is *National Take a Hike Day* followed by *National Princess and Mickey Mouse Birthday Days*. My favourite day to celebrate is on November 30th, which is *Stay Home Because You're Well Day*, which to me seems important to rest up and prepare for the craziness in December, with Christmas which tends to consume our time and energy.

### November 21st

National Red Mitten Day  
National Stuffing Day  
National Gingerbread Cookie Day

### November 23rd

National Cashew Day  
National Eat a Cranberry Day  
National Espresso Day

### November 27th

National Craft Jerky Day  
National Bavarian Cream Pie Day

### November 30th

National Mason Jar Day  
Computer Security Day  
Stay Home Because You're Well Day

### December 1st

National Pie Day  
National Eat a Red Apple Day

### December 4th

National Sock Day  
National Dice Day  
National Cookie Day



### December 9th

National Pastry Day



### December 10th

Dewey Decimal System Day  
Human Rights Day

### December 12th

National Ding-a-Ling Day  
Gingerbread House Day  
Poinsettia Day



### December 15th

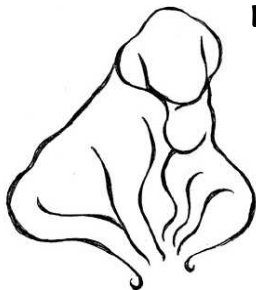
National Wear Your Pearls Day  
National Cupcake Day

Check it out and see what you'd like to celebrate at [www.nationaldaycalendar.com](http://www.nationaldaycalendar.com)

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- ♥ You can truly say any foolish thing to your dog and it will listen intently then give you that look that says "Wow, you are right", or... "you are amazing!"
- ♥ A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself.
- ♥ Money can buy you a fine dog, but only love can make him wag his tail.
- ♥ Such short little lives our pets have to spend with us, and they spend most of it waiting for us to come home each day.
- ♥ When you look into the eyes of a dog you see more than an animal. You see a living being. You see a friend. You feel a soul.
- ♥ A dog can snap you out of any kind of bad mood that you're in faster than you can think of.
- ♥ The first dog is the dog who gives you so much that the first dog is often the reason for the second dog.



THE VETERAN'S POEM

It is the **VETERAN**, not the preacher,  
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who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the poet,  
who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the campus organizer,  
who has given us freedom to assemble.

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who has given us the right to a fair trial.

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Who has given us the right to vote.

It is the **VETERAN**, who salutes the Flag,  
It is the **VETERAN**, who serves under the Flag,  
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Submitted by Robert Price



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## Outlook Word Match Game

Listed below are groups of four unrelated words. Find a word that either proceeds or follows the words in each group.

Example - depot stop ticket school

(Answer: 'bus' is the matching word.) Answers on page 27

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mouth board hog room \_\_\_\_\_

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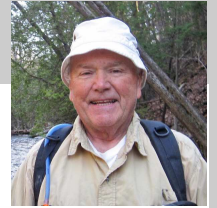
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## Baden Birding ~ The Yellow-shafted Flicker

By Wayne Buck



One afternoon in late September of this year, our neighbour across the road brought over some feathers he found under his bird feeder. We frequently share sightings with each other and he wondered if I knew what bird the feathers he found were from. I did - they were the golden-yellow primary flight feathers of a Yellow-shafted Flicker. We frequently see Yellow-shafted Flickers (a.k.a. Northern Flicker) on our property. It could be because they are attracted to the plethora of ants we have inhabiting our soil because it's so sandy. Or it could be that they are attracted to the snags (dead standing trees) that dot our property. Usually when we have to remove a large tree, if at all possible, we ask *Tom the Tree Feller* to just remove the uppermost branches, leaving the trunk and a scaffold of branches standing. We have had a number of Flickers nesting or excavating insects in these snags.



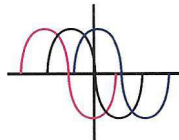
Flickers can hold on to the tree with their strong feet, using their stiff tails as a prop. They do this when excavating a hollow for a nest, although most often you see them on the more horizontal branches of a tree. After excavating a cavity, the bottom is lined with chips from the sides of the cavity, which may or may not be soft and spongy depending on the age of the tree. This requires a lot of energy, so Flickers may use a cavity for several years, either one they have made or one made by another species. They lay 5-8 white eggs and have only one clutch per year.

Flickers are woodpeckers but they differ from the rest of the family in a number of ways. Other woodpeckers that inhabit Wilnot include Downy, Hairy, Red-bellied, the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker and Pileated, to name only some. The aforementioned species are all permanent residents with the exception of the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker and the Flicker. They are frequent visitors to our feeders, looking for peanuts or suet, but sometimes sunflower seeds. Flickers are migratory, spending their winters in the Southern and Central U.S. The other species are almost always found on trees, searching for insects whereas Flickers are ground feeders. That's because their main food is ants or other small ground-dwelling insects that can't be found in winter when the ground is frozen and covered with snow. You are not likely to see them on your feeder.

Flickers are one of our larger woodpecker species although they are similar in size to the Red-bellied. They are larger than an American Robin and smaller than a Crow. Only the Pileated is larger. From a distance they appear brownish. Often you will see the white patch on their rump when they fly away from you in their characteristic undulating flight pattern. You might also catch a glimpse of the golden yellow colour on their underwings as they fly away from you. If you get an opportunity to see one up close, look to see if it has a black 'mustache'. If it does, it is a male. Females lack this characteristic. Males also have a red patch on the nape of their necks. You might also notice that the overall brown plumage is dotted with black spots. Their call is a loud, distinctive "flicker, flicker, flicker" rapidly repeated many times in a row.

In other news, the Ospreys at the bridge on Christner Rd. successfully fledged 3 offspring this year, in sharp contrast to last year when they abandoned their nest presumably after being harassed by photographers. Let's hope that all of them are successful in returning next year.

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Armand says: Interesting question, Bruce. Yes indeed, Mr. Theodore Valentine Decher started working with his blacksmith father, Henry Decher, in 1900 at the age of 14. Prior to working with his dad, Theodore walked to school to New Hamburg; after graduating, his father made him take a course on bookkeeping. Henry passed away in 1922, and Theodore and his brother John continued to operate the business, which was at the current location of Vesper Springs Manor on Snyder's Road East.

John passed away in 1956, and Theodore stopped shoeing horses in 1960 but continued to run the blacksmith shop for a short while. Theodore lived with his sister Catherine who passed away in 1961 at age 84.

John Hahn Carriage Shop was located at 115 Snyder's Road East. John worked in carriage shops in New Dundee and Floradale before opening his own business in Baden in 1896. John Hahn's Carriage Shop was also a blacksmith shop, which ran until 1950 when John passed away. It was the district's oldest carriage maker at the time. After that, it was used as the Public Utilities building (Baden Hydro) until there was an amalgamation with Kitchener Hydro in 1972. Half of the space was used as a garage for storing the ladder truck and the other half was used as an office. It is the current home of the Baden Public Library, which was built in 1985.

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They had exotic tastes. He loved snakes and she had a fascination with death. They remodelled their bedroom on Hallowe'en night, designing one closet to look like a reptilian serpent and the other to resemble a vehicle that moves the deceased. To make sure they didn't get mixed up, they labeled the closets: 'Hiss' and 'Hearse'

Ned was putting away his Octoberfest gear: "Hey Babe, next year we should pack some fresh socks for after the parade... we need nice fresh tootsies for our oom-pah-pah dancing!!!

Mary-Lou: "Brilliant..... Later-Hosen"

Reading the paper Ned shared: "Hey, a supplier is suing WallyMart... claiming they haven't paid for their Q-Tips in ages."

Mary-Lou smirked: "Imagine the irony! Q-tips in arrEARS!!!"

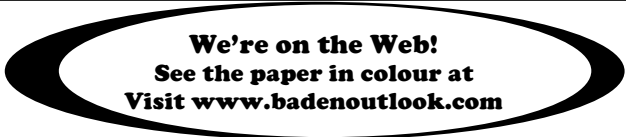
### Karma ~ The Concept of "Action" or "Deed"

Karma is a central concept in Eastern religions like Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism and Jainism. The word "karma" has its roots in the Sanskrit word "karman," which means "act" and understood as that which causes the entire cycle of cause and effect.

Good deeds create good karma and evil deeds create negative karma. Karma's effect can manifest immediately, later in life or after multiple lifetimes. Some religions view karma as the law that governs reincarnation. In general, it is believed that actions affect the quality of life and the quality of future lives and that each individual is responsible for his own destiny based on his or her actions.

In the West, the relatively modern idea of karma is not so much a spiritual reality as type of luck influenced by deeds. Most people would agree that it's reasonable enough to believe that good behavior merits a reward and bad behavior warrants punishment.

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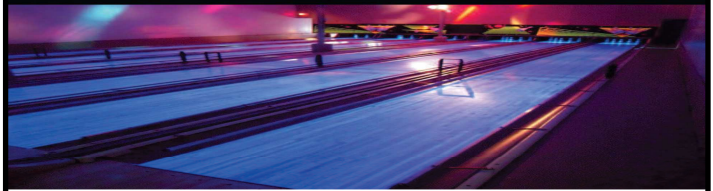
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A group of seniors was sitting around talking about all their ailments at the local coffee shop. "My arms have got so weak I can hardly lift this cup of coffee," said one. "Yes, I know," said another. "My cataracts are so bad, can't even see my coffee." "I couldn't even mark an "X" at election time because my hands are so crippled," said a third. "What? Speak up! What? I can't hear you," said one elderly gentleman! "I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck," said one, to which several nodded weakly in agreement. "My blood pressure pills make me so dizzy!" exclaimed another. "I forget where I am and where I'm going," said another. "I guess that's the price we pay for getting old," winced an old man as he slowly shook his head. The others all nodded in agreement. "Well, count your blessings," said cheerful Norm. "Thankfully we can all still drive!!!"

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Adults Pool			Kids Pool		
Place	Name	PTS	Place	Name	PTS
T1	Jesse Heibein	195	1	Aiden Kooy	189
T1	Charlie Baumbach	195	2	Cooper Hill	183
3	Gavin Koenig	194	3	Ryan Boronka	180
4	Papa Bob	191	4	Tessa Whitelaw	179
5	Rick Hazelwood	190	T5	Keaton Herlick	175
6	C J Eagleson	189	T5	Tyson Ruston	175
7	Brian Williams	188	7	Isaac Roth	174
8	Shane Rooney	187	T8	Joel Miller	173
9	Joyce Leis	186	T8	Waylon Herlick	173
T10	Tanner Money	185	10	Ronan Bastias	172
T10	Chan Labelle	185	11	Evan Bizony	171
T10	Sue Struth	185	12	Sofia Salese	170
T10	Steve Ryan	185	13	Allie Fortin	169
T10	Janet Knechtel	185	T14	Sabrina Hallman	168
T15	Mike Pajot	184	T14	Alexa Smith	168
T15	Mitchell Dietrich	184	T16	Zak Kasper	167
17	Frank Cleary	183	T16	Dana Kropf	167
T18	Pamela Hadley	182	T18	Ryan Cutting	166
T18	Derek Leis	182	T18	Aidan Miles	166
T18	Kirk Hagen	182	T18	Hailey Jokic	166
T18	Paul Koenig	182	T18	Lauryn Porchak	166
T18	Sheldon Marty	182	T22	Trent Deckert	165
T23	R.J.W.	181	T22	Benjamin Linthorne	165
T23	Scott Butchart	181	24	Brooklin Hill	163
T23	Bob Abboti	181	T25	Dez Kaspar	162
T23	Liam Boronka	181	T25	Lucas Fortin	162
T23	Tim Gowland	181	T25	Dallas Egli	162
T28	Amanda Travers	180	T25	Gabby Hallman	162
T28	Wm. Albrecht	180	T25	Malcolm Duggan	162
T28	Derek Heimpel	180	T25	Keira	162
T28	Matt Bowen	180			
T28	Adam Roth	180			

Ladies and gentleman...  
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"No, honey, not with that Kevin from the accounting office. It was with the boss."

"No sweetheart, you're the only one in my life."

"Yes, I'm sure, cross my heart!"



Fifteen minutes later, she was still talking loudly.

When the man sitting next to her had enough, he leaned over and said into the phone, "Sue darling, hang up the phone and come back to bed."

Sue doesn't use her cell phone in public any longer.

Submitted by Bruce Bousher

Go Firebirds Go! For those who missed the Outlook complimentary game on Friday, November 2 against Paris, they had another great game, winning 3-2.



Here are the latest stats as of November 3. Keep an eye on these guys, they're going for the trophy!

Team	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
New Hamburg	16	13	2	0	27	68	30
Tavistock	14	12	2	0	24	63	25
Norwich	15	10	5	0	20	73	49
Wellesley	14	8	2	1	20	85	37
Paris	14	8	5	1	17	56	37
Woodstock	15	8	6	0	17	54	52
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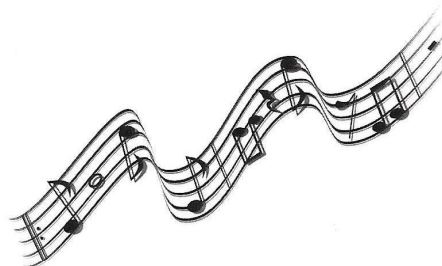
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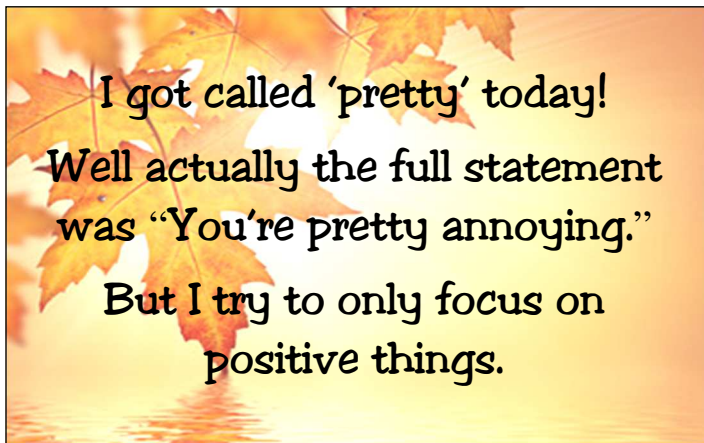
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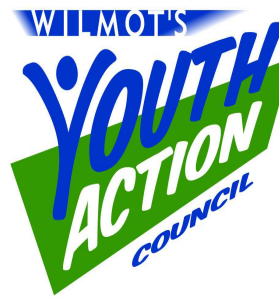
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Hello again from Wilmot's Youth Action Council.

On October 6, we volunteered at Wilmot's Oktoberfest held at the New Hamburg Legion. We had a great turnout with many smiling faces. We had various games, face painting, and crafts. We look forward to helping at this event again next year!

We just came off our Grand Re-Opening of the Youth Centre on October 26 & 27 and had a good crowd to kick off the new term. We were joined by the Wilmot Family Resource Centre Youth Workers, Laura and Brandon, and it was so much fun! The Optimist Youth Centre is now open on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Please visit [www.wilmot.ca](http://www.wilmot.ca) for more information or drop in to the Youth Centre to get the registration form to use the Centre! Up next, we will be hosting a coffee house on Saturday, November 24 held at the Wilmot Recreation Complex from 12:00 noon until 4:00 pm. Registration for the event will be made available by DMing the YAC Instagram Account. We look forward to having many kids at this community event; we will have free food and refreshments.

Looking forward even further into the future, the Wilmot Youth Action Council is volunteering at the Baden Santa Claus Parade on Saturday, December 1. We will also be at the New Hamburg Santa Claus Parade on the following day, Sunday, December 2.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please email us at [wilmotsyouthactioncouncil@gmail.com](mailto:wilmotsyouthactioncouncil@gmail.com). Make sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates on our upcoming events. We hope you have a fabulous week and we will see you next month for more Youth Action Council Updates. ~ Love from the YAC pack.

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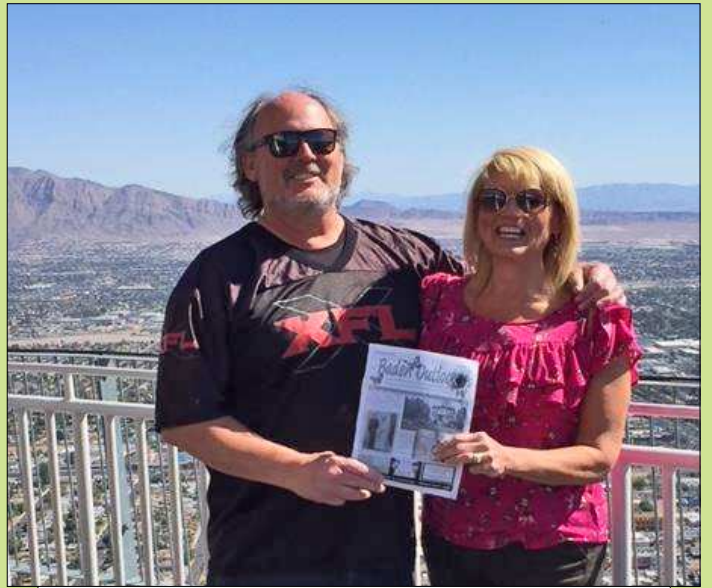
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Wow! More exciting destinations as *The Baden Outlook* continues to travel ...



Mark and Karen Pfaff and Doug and Donna Lindner took their Baden Outlook along with them to a Jimmy Buffett concert at La Cigale in Paris, France.



Patrick and Tracey Delay took their Outlook to the top of the Stratosphere Hotel Tower in Las Vegas, Nevada.



Brad and Kristina Ziegler went on vacation to Israel and Kristina can be seen reading her Baden Outlook in the Dead Sea.



Dorothy Pikor took the Baden Outlook to Moosonee, Ontario, near James Bay, where temps were 6 degrees while back home in Baden was hot and humid.

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Jeff and Kelly Freeman took the Outlook with them to Europe in October and are pictured here in Paris. The tour included WWI and WWII Canadian battlefields from Vimy Ridge to Juno Beach. In remembrance of our Canadian troops' sacrifice. Lest we forget.



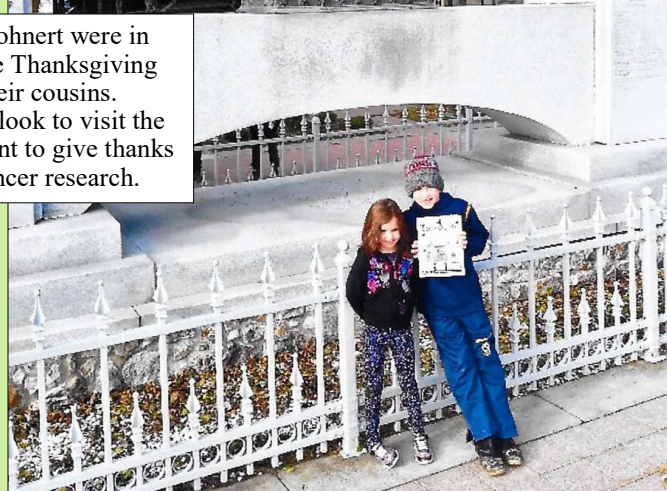
Seen is Sarah Scott wearing her youngest child Bennet. She is with her friend Simone Al and the Baden Outlook at the entrance to Johnston Canyon in Banff, Alberta.



Daxton and Blair Bohnert were in Thunder Bay for the Thanksgiving weekend visiting their cousins. They took their Outlook to visit the Terry Fox Monument to give thanks for all he did for cancer research.



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Charles Schulz



On their recent cruise, Mary and Bryan Pfaff visited a spectacular/surreal church located in Barcelona, Spain called *Sagrada Familia*. Construction began over 135 years ago in the mid 1800s and continues today as they are still adding to it each year and it now covers a whole city block. It seats over 7,000 people and the choir loft seats an additional 600 people. It has been called an 'engineering miracle'.



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Yin and Yang. Like most words, until you really know something about them they are just words. They are not from any of the usual English Language sources, primarily Latin and Greek. The words Yin and Yang are of Chinese origin and come out of Taoism.



Two universal forces exist according to a Chinese theory: yin is the passive, negative force, and yang the active, positive force. According to this theory, wise people will detect these forces in the seasons, in their food, and so on, and will regulate their lives accordingly. If you look at the Yin Yang Symbol, properly called the Taijitu, it calls to mind the fact that nothing is totally black or white. Yin and Yang are relative terms.

Things or aspects that are more Yin:  
 FEMALE, NEGATIVE, NIGHT, PASSIVE, MOON,  
 INTUITIVE, COLD, SOFT, WINTER

Things or aspects that are more Yang are:  
 MALE, POSITIVE, DAY, ACTIVE, SUN, LOGICAL, HOT,  
 HARD, SUMMER

What do they have to do with Yoga? Yoga made its appearance in China considerably later than in India, but over time in North America the Indian and Chinese roots have become very entangled. In the Yoga that came out of India, there is no reference to Yin and Yang. But the Yin/Yang concept has made its way into common parlance in North American Yoga studios. In fact, in the usual way of the Tao, a specific Yoga practice has come into popularity in North America, called Yin Yoga. This has come about to balance out what I commonly refer to as Gymnasium Yoga, which is very yang.

But not just in Yoga. Yin and Yang are everywhere in North American life.

If you have ever dabbled in Feng Shui to bring Peace, Harmony and Abundance into your life, you have employed the energies of yin and yang.

Tai Chi and all the martial arts are accomplished by balancing the forces of yin and yang. Tai Chi brings yin and yang to complement each other as “the energy of understanding something”.

Another place where you may have encountered yin and yang is in Traditional Chinese Medicine and its derivatives here in North America. Many illnesses are there defined as being excess or deficient yin, or excess or deficient yang. In Acupressure/Acupuncture the superficial (yang) and deep (yin) pulses of all the Meridians (Energy Lines of the body) are observed to see where potential health issues lie.

I have been practicing Yoga for more than fifty years, and the longer I practise the more I see the influence of yin and yang. In the Yoga that I grew up in, we commonly referred to looking for a balance between effort (Sthira) and ease (Sukham), the yang and the yin. Every practice should be first easeful Effort leading into effortless Ease.

Yin and Yang appear to be simplistic concepts, until you focus in on the small part of Yin that is Yang and the small part of Yang that is Yin. One is the trough of the wave, one is the crest, but they are both the wave; where does one begin and the other end ... or do they? Yin and Yang are the dividing of the Tao (The Way), the beginning of Duality, perhaps the end of innocence as in Eve and Adam. Once we see things as Yin (the shady side) and Yang (the sunny side), we can never un-see them in that way.

*From the Tao Te Ching:*

*When people see things as beautiful, ugliness is created.*

*When people see things as good, evil is created.*

*Being and non-being produce each other.*

*Difficult and easy complement each other.*

*Long and short define each other.*

*High and low oppose each other.*

*Fore and aft follow each other.*

*Namaste' ~Kate*



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So, it's a good idea to check in with your insurance company and inform them that your home has appreciated. If you need help assessing what your home may be worth, I'd be happy to assist you with that.

If you happen to own an investment property, I learned you might need a special policy, as the "Guaranteed Replacement Cost" clause may not be applied to that kind of policy because of possible damage that tenants could do to the property. It's just as important to inform your insurance company of any increase in value and renovations that you might have done to your investment property as well as your own home so that you're properly covered.

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Most adults can expect to experience some neck pain in their lifetime. The *cause* of neck pain is often multi-factorial, meaning that there is usually no single cause. Once an episode of neck pain happens, some individuals will find it is a persistent or recurrent condition. However, there are management strategies that can be employed to minimize the negative impact of neck pain.



Below are some tips on prevention and management of neck pain.

- **Protect your neck while you sleep by choosing a pillow** that will help support the head, neck, and shoulders. This will keep them in alignment and minimize stress and strain.
- **Be smart when working at a workstation/desk.** The workstation/desk should be at elbow height. Use of an adjustable chair can help meet this need. Computer monitors should be at eye level for easy viewing. Do not cradle the phone between your head and shoulder. Use of a headset or the speakerphone feature will keep your hands free and allow you to multi-task in a safe manner. Be sure to take regular breaks every 20 to 40 minutes that allow you to stand, walk around, and stretch your neck and upper back.
- **Avoiding cigarette smoke can be helpful.** The reduced blood circulation found in smokers deprives spinal discs of vital nutrients which can lead to premature degeneration.

Smoking may also provoke disc herniation with coughing, and cause general damage to the musculoskeletal system through direct chemical irritation and chronic inflammation. Exposure to secondhand smoke during childhood may also increase the risk of developing neck problems later in life.

- **Drinking water** brings vital nutrients to neck muscles and decreases the risk of cramps and strains. Water also helps to protect neck joints by providing lubrication and cushioning.
- **Eliminate poor posture which can strain the muscles and joints in the neck.** While sitting, make sure that your weight is evenly distributed on your seat, your shoulders are not rounding forward, and you are not slouching. Your head should be resting on your torso and not poking forward.
- **Engaging in regular physical activity and exercise will help keep your neck strong.** This can include general cardiovascular conditioning, along with postural, stretching and strengthening exercises for the neck, shoulders and upper back.
- **Get professional help for your neck pain.** The following treatments have been identified as being helpful for most cases of neck pain: *education, exercise, mobilization, manipulation, laser therapy, acupuncture, and soft tissue therapy.* The scientific literature does not identify any “best” treatment that is effective for everyone. *Trying a variety of therapies or combination of therapies may be required* to find relief and help manage neck pain.

If you are having difficulty managing neck pain symptoms, contact a qualified health professional who can prescribe appropriate therapy, rehabilitation and self-management strategies specifically for your circumstance.

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Contact information: Chris Baechler [cybaechler@hotmail.com](mailto:cybaechler@hotmail.com)

## St. George's Anglican Christmas Bazaar

Sat. Nov 24, 11:00am - 2:00pm

St. George's Church on Waterloo St., New Hamburg  
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## NITH VALLEY ECOBOOSTERS

Are you interested in climate change and other global environmental issues? **Help us make a difference in our community by getting involved and taking action on one or more local environmental concerns.** Our next monthly meeting will be held at **7:00PM on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**. For meeting location or more information, contact [nvecoboosters@gmail.com](mailto:nvecoboosters@gmail.com) or call **519-662-9372**.

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[kelly@wilmotfamilyresourcecentre.ca](mailto:kelly@wilmotfamilyresourcecentre.ca) / 519 662-2731



### Blood Donor Clinic

Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm - 8 pm  
Steinmann Mennonite Church  
1316 Snyder's Road W., Baden

Come out to the St. Agatha Santa Claus Parade on Saturday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. (food drive collection during the parade)

Route is Notre Dame Drive to Erb St. and finishes with Santa arriving at the community centre offering a free bag of candy for the children, a visit with Santa and families are able to purchase pizza etc.



## T.O.P.S.

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Weigh-ins at 6:30 pm followed by a short meeting. For more information call 519-634-9690. *Everyone Welcome.*

## Tuesday, Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 7pm New Dundee Community Centre

Join us for this free event: **The Path to Understanding and Reconciliation** with 2 speakers from Six Nations - - Barry Hill (retired engineer, professor and Indigenous historian) and Roberta Hill (former nurse and Residential School Survivor). For seating and refreshment purposes, please contact Karen at 519-696-2366 or [kdoehn@live.ca](mailto:kdoehn@live.ca) to reserve a spot for this enlightening educational evening.

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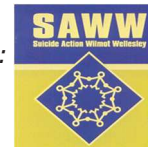
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### Wilmot Mennonite Church

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Pastor Susan Allison-Jones

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## Let Us Remember

Written by Brooke Willis, MSW RSW, Interfaith Counselling Centre

It's the holiday season; a time for family, food, gifts, gratitude, and celebration. But amidst the holidays we look forward to and stress over all year long, there lies a day of remembrance. A day where we mindfully take time and honour our fallen soldiers who have fought for a better world, and to reflect on how the traumas of war have impacted many lives.



It is important to remember the sacrifices made by those who have had the power to dream of better ways and the courage to pursue change. The soldiers of every kind whether they be on the frontlines of war, journalists risking their lives to report news that matters, whistleblowers exposing unethical practices in our governing bodies, or our neighbours, friends and families who are fighting to end oppression and injustice. These people who have dreamed of a day when there would be equality, dignity, justice and peace for all of us. We remember not only to honour their sacrifices but also to find hope in the things we have overcome; a hope which may be especially needed in today's political climate.

It seems each generation has had a battle to pick up and fight in order to bring to life a better world for tomorrow. The world wars brought to light the many devastating effects of combat on our soldiers, whether they died in battle leaving behind loved ones to mourn their loss, or returned home fighting a different kind of battle with trauma, mental illness, or an inability to adapt back to civilian life. There were also those who fought homegrown battles, bringing with them movements for change and rights for women, people of colour, First Nations, and the LGBTQ community. Through their efforts, we have gained so much ground in employment standards, awareness and value for mental health, and more inclusion for diversity. Let this be our inspiration as we face new conflicts and battles to be won.

It can be easy for Remembrance Day to be lost in the sea of giving thanks, trick or treating, and decorating Christmas trees. It is for this reason it can be especially meaningful to wear a poppy with pride, take a moment of silence to honour those we've lost to war, and be mindful to reflect on times of conflict and the amazing resiliency we've shown as a human race. We have many privileges and opportunities that would not exist without the sacrifices of those before us; let us remember them and everything they have given for us. And let us carry their spirits forward by continuing to fight for a better tomorrow.

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- ☺ No one learns to make right decisions without the freedom to make wrong ones too.
- ☺ It is often easier to say "yes" when you have the freedom to say "no".

*You Must Be Joking!!  
Some things are not meant  
to be understood.*



**Car Trouble:** A new car owner drives into a gas station moaning to the mechanic that the car died. After he works on it for a few minutes, it is idling smoothly.

"Well, what's the story?" she asked.  
The mechanic replies, "Just crap in the carburetor."  
She asks, "How often do I have to do that?"

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**Speeding Ticket:** A police officer stops a young lady for speeding and asks her very nicely if he could see her driver's license.

She replied in a huff, "I wish you guys would get your act together! Just yesterday they took my license away and now today you expect me to show it to you?"

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**Knitting:** A Highway patrolman pulled alongside a speeding car on the freeway. Glancing at the car, he was astounded to see that the elderly woman behind the wheel was knitting!

Realizing that she was oblivious to his flashing lights and siren, the trooper cranked down his window, turned on his bullhorn and yelled, "PULL OVER!"  
"NO!" she yelled back, "IT'S A SCARF!"

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**Just in Time:** A girl was visiting her brother, who had acquired two new dogs, and asked what their names were. The brother responded by saying that one was named "Rolex" and one was named "Timex". Her friend said, "Whoever heard of someone naming dogs like that?"  
"Helllooooo...!" he answered "They're watchdogs."

*Submitted by Bruce Bousher*

Sadly fraud and theft is among us—are you being mindful to this reality? Here are a few things to ponder:

**CELL PHONES:** This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her cell phone after her handbag was stolen which contained her cell phone, credit card, wallet, etc. Twenty minutes later when she called her hubby from a pay phone telling him what had happened, hubby says, "I received your text asking about our Pin number and I've replied a little while ago." When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text "hubby" in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Within 20 minutes he had withdrawn all the money from their bank account.



**TIPS:** Do not disclose the relationship between you and the people in your contact list. Avoid using names like Home, Honey, Hubby, Sweetheart, Dad, Mom, etc.. And very importantly, when sensitive info is being asked through texts, CONFIRM by calling back. Also, when you're being texted by friends or family to meet them somewhere, be sure to call back to confirm that the message came from them. If you don't reach them, be very careful about going places to meet "family and friends" who text you. Be aware!



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Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is offering an alternative with the **25 Ways To Give catalogue**. Choose a gift for family and friends that helps one more child receive nutritious meals and snacks at school, one more family receive warmth and comfort after a devastating disaster, or provides new skills such as carpentry, sewing and culinary classes. A gift card is available to give, which outlines the project you have chosen. Catalogues can be picked up at the New Hamburg Thrift Centre or viewed online at [www.mcccanada.ca/christmas](http://www.mcccanada.ca/christmas).

If that special person loves to find a good bargain, perhaps you might give a MCC Thrift Shop Gift Card (any amount available) which can be used at any MCC Thrift Shop across Ontario. Or come in and check out our in-store made quilts, comforters, mats, placemats, slippers, hats, and mitts made by our talented volunteers.

If a more personal touch is your style, we have a large variety of crafts supplies and yarn. Just get those creative juices flowing for that perfect gift.

With a little creativity and the desire to help others, there is something to please everyone on your list. May the true meaning of Christmas be present in your celebrations this holiday season!

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## You Must Be Joking ... At Church !!

Two boys were walking home from Sunday school after hearing a strong preaching on the devil.

One said to the other, "What do you think about all this Satan stuff?"

The other boy replied, "Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out. It's probably just your Dad."

Three boys are in Sunday school bragging about their fathers.

The first boy says, "My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem, they give him \$50."

The second boy says, "That's nothing. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a song, they give him \$100."

The Pastor's son says, "I got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect all the money!"

Submitted by Bruce Bousher



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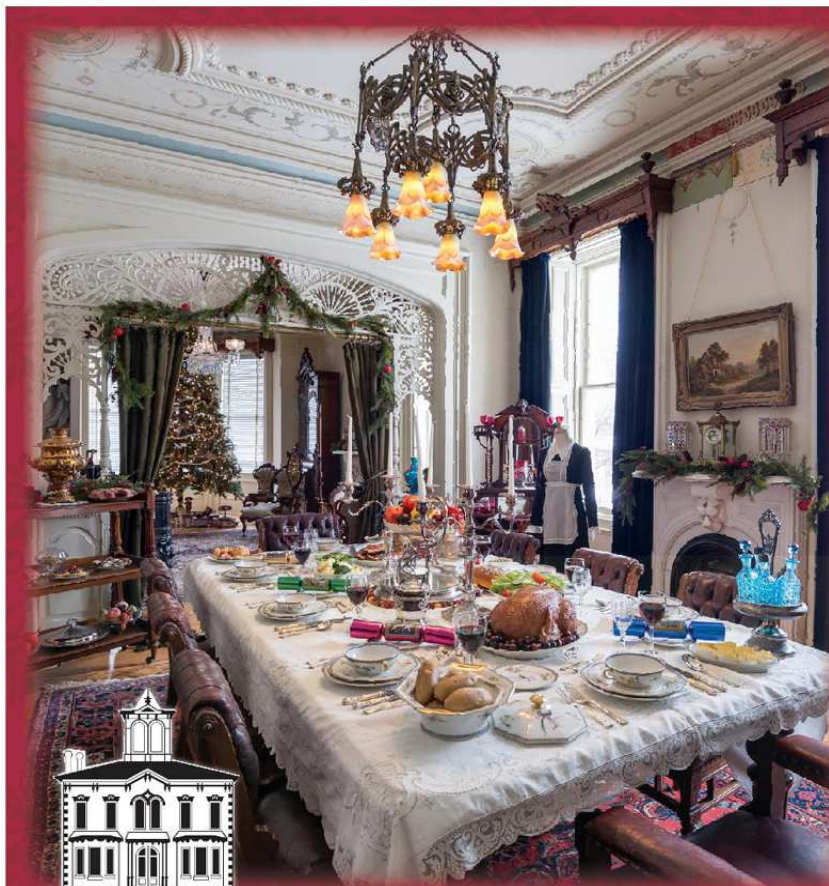
We love the Christmas season here at Castle Kilbride ... what better place to immerse yourself in a traditional Victorian Christmas! And since we also love history, we strive to make things as authentic as possible. That means delicious smells, magical sights, sparkle, colour -- all the wondrous things with which the Victorians would have welcomed their visitors with.

Decorating the museum is a tradition at the Castle: many of us who have worked in the museum, and in various Township departments, have come together for years to create a truly special experience for our visitors. As we prepare to decorate the museum this November, we thought it would be interesting to ask our coworkers what part of Christmas at Castle Kilbride is their favourite ... take a look at their answers:

- \* Tracy (Curator/Director) – For me, it is our guests. I love to see the expressions on their faces when they enter the museum. I find age doesn't matter, as many visitors have a similar reaction: a huge smile, wide eyes and a look that I can tell brings them back to a special childhood memory or excitement for the upcoming season.
- \* Sherri (Assistant Curator) – I love the warmth and feel of the Castle at Christmas. I picture all the three generations

and imagine the joy they shared with each other during the holidays. I look forward every year to recreating that magic for visitors.

- \* Erin (Senior Bylaw Officer) – I really enjoy learning about the meaning behind all the Christmas ornaments, especially the *glass* pickle.
- \* Anna (Weekend Supervisor) - I love to wear a Victorian costume to interpret the Castle. I look forward to welcoming all of you to our annual Merry Victorian Christmas evening tour.
- \* Barb (Revenue Clerk) – I love looking at all the decorated trees!
- \* Donna (Administration Assistant, Fire Dept) – I love everything! Especially anything that sparkles and has glitter!
- \* Mayor Armstrong (Mayor) – The idea of an old-fashioned Christmas in a historic home brings back fond memories of Christmas for me.
- \* Alastair (Engineering Technician) – I'm always impressed with the Christmas feast and dessert trays on display. They are so real that I want to try that gingerbread house!



### Christmas at Castle Kilbride Museum

*The table is set, the trees are trimmed,  
and the warmth and charm will kindle your  
holiday spirit. A tour through historic  
Castle Kilbride is truly a magical time.  
When we celebrate Christmas with family and  
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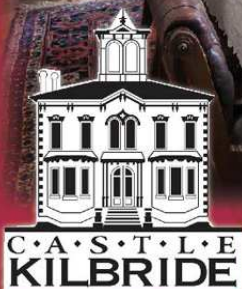
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- \* Terry (Chief Building Official) – It definitely is seeing the exterior porches decorated with garland. Twenty-five years ago, I helped machine and sand the trim on them, as well as some of the original trim inside Castle Kilbride when I worked for Herner’s Wood Products. I also love the Belvedere where the Dickens Village is set up which is very special to me. My favourite piece without question is the barn. Seeing this display is a must-do this season!
- \* Sheri (Plans Examiner) – Walking inside the museum and hearing the vintage music and smells of Christmas in the dining room reminds me of when I was little.
- \* Amanda (Weekend Supervisor)— I have been part of the decorating crew for six years now, which started when I was a student at WO. My favourite part? I just love setting the dining room table!
- \* Dawn (Director of Clerks Services) – I love how real the artificial food looks on the dining room table, especially the little chocolates and all the desserts. When the house is fully decorated you can’t help but feel in the holiday spirit.
- \* Elisia (Museum Assistant) — The 14 ft parlour tree that is full of Victorian marvel with glass ornaments, strings of ribbon and popcorn and the toy display below. I can just picture the Livingstons enjoying each other’s company gathered around the tree.
- \* Lorena (Manager of Human Resources) – The Livingstons’ dinner table. When I look at it, I want to pull up a chair and join in. To me, it feels like home inside.
- \* Brandon (Senior Facilities Tech) – Mid-November when I receive an email from the Castle Curators that it is time to pull out the HUGE Christmas tree from storage, I carry it down the stairs and set it up in the parlour for them to decorate. When I stop in later on in the season to see it completely decorated from top to bottom, I have to say it is quite something.
- \* Taylor (Weekend Supervisor) — I have to say, Dickens Village. It is an absolute must see! With over 200 village buildings and figurines, it captures the hustle and bustle of Christmas time in the Victorian era; something the Livingstons were surely a part of. Dickens Villages have always been a part of my Christmas traditions, so it is a real treat to see it at the Castle!

We invite you to tour Wilmot’s National Historic Site this holiday season to see what you like best. The museum will be fully decorated from November 21 to January 6<sup>th</sup> and open 11:30am to 4:00pm. We also invite you to our annual Merry Victorian Christmas event on Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00PM to 8:30PM. Visit [www.castlekilbride](http://www.castlekilbride) for more information.

*Submitted by Tracy Loch and Sherri Gropp*


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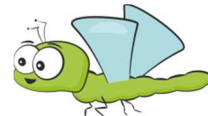


Autumn is the hush before winter ~ French Proverb

"What a fall! A number of days, we were considering air conditioning and then within 24 hours, thoughts turned to heat. Some garden plants were confused with the cold snaps followed by the heat. Some spring flowers were blooming including some blooms on forsythia." I wrote that last year, and much the same happened this year. Is this the new normal? Sitting in Schmidt forest by the Wilmot Rec Complex, I spotted a jack-in-the-pulpit blooming this fall!



Still have spring bulbs sitting around to be planted? It is not too late. You can plant until the ground freezes. Trees/shrubs can be planted too.



When planning for next year's garden, consider planting as many native or native cultivars as possible. In North America, our songbird population is dropping and one of the reasons beside habitat loss is that our gardens are full of non-natives which do not provide fruit and habitat for insects that the birds feed on. Read the following article for more info: <https://nationalzoo.si.edu/news/new-smithsonian-study-links-declines-suburban-backyard-birds-presence-nonnative-plants>

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Christmas time is fast approaching with the challenges of gift giving. Your garden may provide materials for arrangements. I often gift friends with outdoor arrangements using my dogwood's red branches, evergreens, hydrangea and other cuttings. I fill the pot with compost. In the spring the compost can be added to the garden. Also, I have several mature herbal sages which I can use to make a small wreath or posy. Both are dried and can be used in cooking or just decor. Also, you could consider giving a donation on behalf of a friend or relative to environmental groups or to our local rare *Charitable Research Reserve* in Cambridge. <http://raresites.org>

In the garden, ensure evergreens are well watered for winter and protect young trees from rodents. Keep an eye out for pesky insects on your house plants and especially on plants you brought in. Garden tools could use some attention too. Watch Ont. Hort. A. video on how to maintain your tools. [www.facebook.com/joanne.rachfalowski/videos/2254353187931164](https://www.facebook.com/joanne.rachfalowski/videos/2254353187931164)

This is a good time to reflect on and make note of what worked and did not work in the yard this past growing season! Order seed catalogs if you want a paper copy to plan and dream of the spring and summer to come!

The **Wilmot Horticultural Society's** meetings resume in 2019, at 7:30 pm, on Mon., January 14<sup>h</sup>. After a short AGM, **Thelma Beaubien** will present '**Gardening for butterflies: a visual journey**'. Thelma's yard is an official Monarch Waystation, certified and registered by Monarch Watch and boasting a permit from the Ministry of Natural Resources. Seeing her amazing photography is a great anecdote to the cold! **Mark your calendar and join us at Wilmot Recreation Complex, upstairs in Meeting Room A (free)**. The meeting concludes with a 50/50 draw, door prizes and a social with tea/coffee/snacks. **Lug-a-mug**.

*Keep your fingernails and knees dirty!*

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In this year's show, the Douglas family (Al Strong, Karen Reger and Mary Crawford) is busily preparing to be invaded by their quirky relatives for their annual Christmas Eve dinner. Things get interesting when two strangers, Tony and Vinnie (Dave McNorgan and Nathan Martin), arrive to hide out from the police. They suddenly find themselves in charge of an ever-growing list of family members and neighbours they are forced to hold hostage. The relatable chaos of the Christmas season is stuffed into one household filled with the crazy characters every family seems to have!

Al Cook, as director, brings this play to life. There are lots of familiar faces on stage and Theatre Wellesley welcomes four new actors (Ingrid Fast, Edward Her, Dorisa Martinello and Olivia Stiles).

The Theatre Wellesley cast is excited to present this fun filled story. For more information go to [www.theatrewellesley.com](http://www.theatrewellesley.com). Tickets also available from Pym's in Wellesley or by calling 519-897-1737.

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## Wilmot Does Remember ~ Wilmot Street Names in Honour of Fallen Soldiers

In respect to Remembrance Day, the *Baden Outlook* reached out to Harold O’krafka, who is Director of Development Services for Wilmot Township. Harold shared the following information of one soldier’s story and a list of the fallen soldiers from Wilmot Township. We thank Harold for contributing this information for our readers.

In 1989 the Township began a street naming project to remember those who lost their lives in the service of our country. Beginning with Jantzi Place and Bier Crescent in New Hamburg, the project culminated with the 2012 renaming of Square Street to Saltzberry Path in New Dundee. Additionally, in 2006, with the information gleaned from research, the Township was able to reface the Cenotaph in New Hamburg to correct spelling errors and add the names of those who had been unintentionally omitted.

The Wilmot street naming project honours all those ‘Wilmot Boys’ who lost their lives in the service of our country in World War 1, World War 2 and the Korean War. Many of them were born and raised in Wilmot; others were not but were part of the local community fabric through their employment. We choose to remember them all and honour their sacrifice in these very public ways – lest we forget.

One of those honoured is Henry Lorne McFadyen who was not born in Wilmot Township but at the time of his enlistment was the local Baden schoolteacher. McFadyen enlisted as a Private with the 111th Battalion. He went overseas at the rank of Lance Corporal and in England voluntarily reverted to the rank of Private in order to be able to go to France with his ‘men’.

McFadyen earned the Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM) for devotion to duty while acting as a stretcher bearer. After a raid on enemy lines, when the raiders withdrew, several wounded men had to be left in a shell hole close to the enemy line. He remained with them for two days and a night using his own clothing to bind their wounds and keep them comfortable and eventually brought them all back to safety. A few weeks later he was killed on November 10, 1917 at the age of 23 and is buried at Tyne-Cot Cemetery in Belgium.

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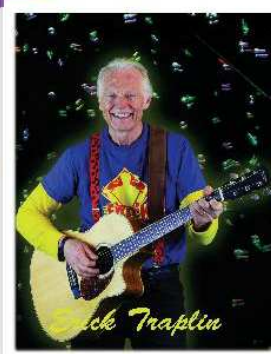
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